

## Beryl Strauss, Executive Director

### PJTC and Covid-19

The year 2020 started out so well, with B'not Mizvot, tons of onsite meetings for LBSRS, USY and Kadima Kinnus weekends, Sisterhood and Men's Club meetings, Israeli film showings, Centennial planning, juggling, basketball, Torah study, Melton and Miller Intro classes, Social Justice and Sisterhood Shabbat services, Men's Club Man of the Year celebration, Purim Carnival, as well as other events, too many to list.

And then, March 16th happened, and we all began our "Safer at Home" plans, with physical distancing, ordering food to be delivered, zoom meetings, live streaming services, working from home, keeping children occupied, having college students home once again.

It is a coincidence that my July 2019 article started with this paragraph: "In research studies conducted over the years, social scientists have found that being connected and a part of a caring community can help people feel valued and accepted, as well as helping to promote good health and wellness. In addition, being part of a strong social network seems to encourage engagement and a willingness to take action. Belonging to a community can increase happiness, can act as a buffer

against stress, and can contribute to having a more meaningful life."



These words are even more important today as we navigate the new normal of socializing with physical distancing, wearing masks and working to keep ourselves and our community healthy and safe.

PTJC clergy, staff and lay leaders have been working very diligently since March 16th to keep you engaged through phone calls and emails, volunteers delivering food, challah, and even prayer books to your homes, live streaming services, interesting speakers (Social Hall), USY and Kadima events, additional tools to celebrate holidays, social media postings, and even a video or two for your enjoyment.

As I wrote a year ago, "I am continuously reminded that PJTC is an extremely vibrant and passionate community, where congregants care deeply and genuinely for each other...I believe that because of these facts, your depth of belonging to PJTC is extremely strong."

Your PJTC team is here for you when you need us for support, comfort, connection, and ties to our Jewish tradition and values. Stay Strong, We Will Get Through This Together!!!

## June Services

June 5/6	Parshat: Naso
Fri. Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Shabbat Service	9:30 AM
June 12/13	Parshat: Behalotekha
Fri. Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Shabbat Service	9:30 AM
June 19/20	Parshat: Shelak- Lekha
Fri. Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Shabbat Service	9:30 AM
June 26/27	Parshat: Korah
Fri. Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Shabbat Services	9:30 AM

### Zoom Social Hall Meetings



Thursdays at  
7:30 PM

### Shabbat Jewish Mindfulness Meditation

12:45 on Zoom



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## Get the Sisterhood Scoop!

by Nancy Carlton, President



I am pleased to report that Sisterhood's May zoom meeting went off without a hitch. Our first attempt at meeting electronically was well attended and we managed to handle quite a bit of business, signing off by 9:00 p.m. Big thanks to all who joined and participated in our meeting.

During the May meeting, several motions were passed including a \$1,000.00 donation to PJTC's Union Station Homeless Services fund which supports the purchases of groceries for dinners prepared by our congregants as well as financial support for Jewish summer camp scholarships.

I am honored to announce that Sisterhood joined the PJTC Men's Club in further memorializing Robert Brown with

the purchase and installation of a Yahrtzeit plaque in the main sanctuary entry way. As I am sure many of you will agree, the sudden loss of our dear long-time staff member continues to be on my mind and in my heart.

Sisterhood would like to acknowledge and celebrate this year's graduating high school and college seniors. If you know of a PJTC family member graduating this year, please inform me as soon as possible.

Mark your calendar to join us for our upcoming Sisterhood Board Meeting on Monday, June 1 at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom in the comfort of your own home. It could not be any easier to check us out! Our monthly meetings are open to all Sisterhood members. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at (626) 798-5920 or [iamyou082@aol.com](mailto:iامyou082@aol.com).



### Sisterhood Offers Tribute Cards

Do you need to acknowledge an anniversary...a birth...a birthday? Do you need to send a note of congratulations...a message of condolence...a thank you? No need to go shopping for that special card.

Lena M. Berman Memorial tribute cards, appropriate for all occasions and with beautifully hand-written notes, contribute to a wide range of benefits provided to the PJTC community by your Sisterhood.

With a minimum donation of \$5.00 per card, we welcome the opportunity to share your personal messages. There is also an option to maintain and draw down an account for which credit cards are accepted (with a \$50.00 minimum payment). Payments should be sent to Sue Hogan and not to PJTC!

Contact Sue Hogan (626-796-6269 or [sandjhogan@aol.com](mailto:sandjhogan@aol.com)) to order your tribute cards, which will be sent out by one of our Tribute Team members: Amira Karawan, Marilyn Kirschen, Carolyn Kunin, Pearl Tyree and Arlene Weiss.



### Torah Fund

By Bobbi Sloan, VP Torah Fund

The 2019 - 2020 Torah Fund Campaign has come to an end. This year we raised a total of \$8,521. We made our goal of \$8,500. Thank you to everyone who contributed this year.

Education is one of the most important means of transferring the wealth of tradition from one generation to the next. When you

contribute to Torah Fund, you are investing in the future of our children: an investment that pays the best interest! Torah Fund supports The Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, the Zeigler School of Rabbinic Studies in Los Angeles, the Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies in Israel, the Seminario Rabinico Latinoamericano in Buenos Aires, and the Zacharias Frankel College in Potsdam, Germany.

I look forward to next year's Torah Fund Campaign. Stay safe and healthy.

## Mirzvah Projects from our Kitah Zayin students

By Edie Taylor

Even though we have been living through a difficult and unexpected interruption in our daily lives, our young people have discovered they can still accomplish the mitzvah projects they had planned, along with their b'nei mitzvah studies. I have heard from some of the families whose children had to postpone their BIG events, but still found time for these projects. I don't have everyone's accomplishments, so if someone is left out of this list, do let me know.

**Sophie Culver** (originally scheduled for May 2). She finished the after-school program tutoring at Norma Coombs School when school was closed for this year, but she continued with a new project--making a portable "free little library" for the school during the coming months, and will deliver it to the school in the next academic year.

**Emett Mendel** (May 21 & 22, 2021). From fall to April, when schools closed, Emmett worked with a local elementary school helping a teacher prepare materials for her first grade class.

**Michael Gerst** (June 20). Michael worked with the Challenger team of special needs children in his little league. He was able to help during the opening game, but since the league closed, he is looking for another project.

**Lea Dickter** (September 5). Lea worked with the Home of the Emerald Necklace (Amigos de los Rios), a group that supported planting trees in the L.A. Basin. She went to plant trees in January and February, but that project was stopped by the virus. She hopes to get back to it in the future.

Let me hear from more of you.

## USY

Melissa Levy, Youth Director



### Our youth group families really rallied in May!

For Mother's Day shabbat weekend, 26 families baked and delivered over 100 FREE challahs to PJTC community members who had ordered from us. As always, I'm so grateful to work with pro baker and educator Aaren Heller, who did a fabulous job over zoom, teaching families who had never made challah "the right way." I even learned a new braiding method! My little toddler helped me bake ours--and it was so beautiful to see the faces of those who received such a special mitzvah-filled delivery from one of our young people. I'm proud that PJTC is able to provide programming like this where young people learn new skills and can continue to connect with every generation--even while practicing social distancing.

On May 17, USY and Kadima created and participated in some online Jewish holiday trivia. Imagine 50 kids on zoom all commenting on the answers, debating each other, and making jokes as we went along. Even some parents got in on the action! As I type this, our USY teen leaders are getting ready to attend Far West USY Regional Convention ("Zoomvention") May 22-25. We will follow that after Shavuot with our own chapter elections and end of year programming. I look forward to sharing the results of these elections and the names of our newly elected teen leaders in next month's issue of the Flame.

Our book clubs are in full swing now, and as more young people move out of school mode and into summer mode, they are welcome to join us any time--we meet every Friday. And later this summer, both USY and Kadima will get to meet the authors over zoom for a Q&A session just for them! Kadima is grateful to be partnering with PJ Our Way for this program. Want more details? Just email [usy@pjtc.net](mailto:usy@pjtc.net).

## Board Report

The PJTC Board of Directors met on May 26 via Zoom and heard a report from the clergy on High Holy Day contingency possibilities. The clergy surveyed some members to determine the aspects of High Holy Days they deemed most important. In the coming months, the clergy and a committee will explore the possibilities, which may include holding services at one or more outside locations or holding services in the sanctuary and social hall along with a satellite location. The clergy anticipates continuing to livestream services for those who do not feel comfortable or cannot attend, should the option to meet in person be allowed come September. In addition to services, other High Holy Day programming such as study sessions could be held via Zoom to allow for congregant interaction.

The board also learned that all four summer camps slated to use the temple facilities will not take place, and furthermore, Weizmann Day School is closing permanently, which will affect rental income. B'nai Simcha might continue to use the facility over summer in a limited capacity.

The board members also offered congratulations, hopes and wishes for Rabbi John Carrier on his hiring as PJTC's permanent senior rabbi.

## Zoom Book Club Weekly



Kadima- Fridays at  
4:00 PM  
USY- Fridays at  
5:00 PM



## Men's Club

by Erich Schlecht, President



Hello PJTC! Men's Club is still planning to have our annual Board installation on June 28. It should have been a Bagel Brunch, including a talk on Genealogy by Laura Gold. We will probably do it by Zoom, so I'm sorry to report, we will most likely have to get our own bagels!

Men's Club and Sisterhood are jointly getting a memorial plaque made in honor of Robert Brown. We had hoped to get it by now,

but it seems to be in a kind of COVID holdup. In any case, we are also planning on having an unveiling ceremony at some point in the future.

That's it for now. Many of us are still stuck at home, and it's a time of stress and frustration. Like many of you, I take walks with family, or run on my own out in the great outdoors of my neighborhood, and it helps lighten the mood, and remind me it really isn't that bad. Here's hoping next month brings more good things to all of us!

Please join Men's Club! You can contact me (schlechtca@cs.gmail, 818-354-4887). Or on line (<https://givingtools.com/give/389/40>), which can also be used to sign up for future events.



### *Meetings and Programs are on Zoom.*



***If you have any questions or need help getting on Zoom, contact Theresa at the office. Email [theresa@pjtc.net](mailto:theresa@pjtc.net) or call 626-798-1161.***

## Social Justice Committee

by Carl Selkin, Committee Member

Around the country, faith-based organizations are committing to a nonpartisan drive to encourage their membership to become informed about issues in the upcoming elections, to make certain eligible voters are registered, and to encourage 100% of their congregants and members to vote. Faithful Democracy and LA Voice are among the groups linking synagogues, churches, mosques and other faith centers to this drive, including circulating petitions, and letters promoting increased participation in the upcoming primaries and elections. The Social Justice Committee here at PJTC is in sync with and supports these important initiatives.

Not only are the national contests of extraordinary importance, but local and state elections, initiative choices, and the obstacles to voting compounded by the covid-19 pandemic are matters that affect all of us as Jews and as citizens. Even the innovations designed to make voting more convenient that were instituted with the California primary early in March ended up causing widespread confusion and uncertainty. And that was in the pre-pandemic twilight for which many of us are nostalgic.

The Social Justice Committee has identified the 2020 Election and Voting as our major focus in the upcoming five months--an incredibly brief time for us as a country in the midst of so many destabilizing realities. To help PJTC members navigate the issues and any changes in the process of voting, the Social Justice Committee will amalgamate and communicate to our fellow PJTC members information gleaned from nonpartisan faith-based and secular organizations (think League of Women Voters).

In the coming weeks, we will be reaching out to you in order to create the pathways for distributing this information most effectively. Our goal is to be supportive and encouraging, as we also strive through events and programs to be educational and motivational, so that 100 % of our fellow PJTC members can participate on November 3, 2020.

Please watch Temple announcements for the dates of zoom meetings and opportunities to get involved with our work: "To respond to societal conditions and contemporary issues based on traditional Jewish values and the prophetic admonition-- *Tzedek, tzedek tirdofe*, Justice, justice shall you pursue.

For questions or comments, please contact me, Carl Selkin, at [sjcPJTC@gmail.com](mailto:sjcPJTC@gmail.com)

**Are your estate plans  
up to date?**

**Have you included PJTC?**

Please contact our Executive Director,  
Beryl Strauss at [beryl@pjtc.net](mailto:beryl@pjtc.net)  
or call 626-798-1161 to chat

## PJTC Volunteers in the Community

This is the second of a series about local organizations where many PJTC members volunteer. We regret that one person's name was omitted from the previous Union Station article: Martha Ruffman has been a long-time volunteer.

## Friends in Deed - Doing Together What We Cannot Do Alone

By Nancy Carlton

Friends in Deed (FID) is an interfaith organization that provides supportive services to meet basic human needs, so our homeless and at-risk neighbors can rebuild their lives.

Your PJTC Sisterhood continues to support our chosen *Tzedakah* project – Friends in Deed Women's Room, and has recently made a \$500.00 donation to support the organization. Although most FID services are temporarily suspended, the Women's Room is providing some limited services, including showers, laundry, rest area and bagged lunches. Up until recently, Sisterhood participated with a once-a-month luncheon delivery for approximately 35 homeless women, our members bringing fresh fruit, salad, vegetarian soup and a main dish, and we are committed to providing this service again when it is safe to do so. If this is an activity that interests you, please contact Debby Singer.

When fully operative, the Women's Room program includes supportive services and basic needs: a shower, laundry and healthy food. In addition, women enjoy access to computers and telephones, a place to nap, arts and crafts, nature and cultural field trips, games and fresh clothing. They look forward to the monthly professional hair styling, chair massage and birthday celebrations. Through individual attention and educational and recreational programs, women begin making choices to improve their lives. Equally important, by socializing and helping one another, they build a sense of community—a major element in their success and prevention of homelessness.

Other programs offered through Friends in Deed include:

\*Food Pantry provides food assistance to low-income and no-income families in the greater Pasadena/Altadena area.

\*Bad Weather Shelter (BWS) provides shelter and dinner for homeless individuals during the winter season.

### Save the Date !!

### Shabbat, June 12

The name(s) of winners of the Fuchs Award will be announced during services on Shabbat, June 12, at 7:30 PM via streaming.


This is a prestigious award given to one or more LBSRS graduates, usually during the graduation ceremony. This year is certainly different, but the award will be delivered to the winner(s) shortly afterwards. It consists of a certificate and a sum of money, donated in 2000 by our beloved members Morton and Ilona Fuchs. The name(s) of the winners will be published in the July issue.

\*Homeless Prevention program provides short-term and medium-term rental support, as well as move-in assistance, to individuals and families on the brink of becoming homeless with early 70 individuals and families benefitting from this program each year.

\*Street Outreach Program team identifies chronically homeless individuals, on the streets of Pasadena, and works to build trust and relationships with them. The team's primary goal is to enter these folks into the Coordinated Entry System, which is the pathway to permanent supportive housing.

Sharing a message from FID Executive Director and PJTC member Rabbi Joshua Levine Grater: "We are living in uncertain times, and they are even scarier for the most vulnerable in our community. I want to thank you all for your commitment and caring during the most difficult time. As Proverbs teaches us, Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and God will repay them for their deed. We know that people want to help in this critical time. Since we can't know what kinds of food or needed supplies will be most critical at any given moment, please consider a generous donation so we can continue to provide as much care and compassion as we possibly can."

Whether big or small, your gift will be appreciated and transformed into life-changing support. Through PayPal you can make a one-time donation, or, by clicking the "recurring gift" box on the Friends in Deed website ([Friendsindeedpas.org](http://Friendsindeedpas.org)) your gift can become a long-term monthly recurring donation. Checks payable to "Friends in Deed" can be mailed to PO Box 41125, Pasadena, CA 91114.



INVITES YOU TO A

## Virtual VOLUNTEER LUNCHEON

THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2020 12:30PM

A "gathering" to celebrate the volunteers who give of themselves to make our community better.

BYOLunch and join other PJTC volunteers on Zoom to enjoy socializing, Rabbi Carrier's words of appreciation, and Cantor Ruth's serenade.

**DO YOU?** Visit congregants who are ill or homebound  
Bring food to Shiva Minyans or after a funeral  
*Sisterhood* Sit on the Temple Board or a Board Committee  
MAC RABBI SEARCH COMMITTEE Interfaith Study Group  
Adult Education Committee SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE  
Assist in your child's LBSRS classroom Adult Education  
MEN'S CLUB Serve on the Religious School Committee  
Help in the office or answer phones in the lobby Israel Film

...then we want to celebrate YOU.



## June Birthdays

Shirley Ornstein	Larry Weinberg
Benjamin Karish	Bradley Segal
Aviva Revzan	Ethan Masjedi
Linda Elyad	Eliana Masjedi
Elizabeth Short	Suzanne Hanchett-Regelson
Adam Weiss	Shilo Feig
Lev Tumaykin	Scott Siegal
Liam Wright	Gideon Tamuz
Dylan Jack	Erika Ober
Faye Langholz	Marilyn Kirschen
Peter Mendel	Helena Sandoval
Marcus Monterroso	Katherine Faber
Claire Schublin	Stacey Sharp
Carin Salter	Zack Culver
Zachary Goldstein	Dave Bouton
Jacob Levy	Galia Podzemskay
Markham Goldstein	Jesse Duker
Leah Bacigalupi	Jerome Metivier
Shahnaz Nehdar	Isaac Kohl
Sara Konakowitz	Ezra Axel
Lynn Bienenfeld	Ariel Kohl
Marissa Alon	Elias Mendelson
Abigail Schlecht	Lauren MacMillan
Pamela Dubin	Elliott Herbst
Daniel Holland-Moritz	Judy Callahan
Phyllis Telis	David Gerst
Jacob Kanner	Ella Bilu
Penina Segall-Gutierrez	Denise Schaefer
Sofia Manacker	Amber Thompson-Nadler
Nancy Copeland	Ira Bershatsky
Sondra Dreshner	Leah Sandleman
Kieran Scott-Griffiths	Ashley Hassman
Martha Ruffman	Rubin Hassman
Jade Cohen	Jonathon Weisz
Paul Rogers	Phyllis Hassman
Eugenia Khorosheva	Carolyn Siegal
Carol Selkin	Ethan Bourland
Anya Rose	Becky Sale
Fanya Thomson	Shirley Hoffman
Barry Bradley	Neil Brown
Gideon Schein	Deborah Singer
Phoenix Martinez	Hedy Fintescu
Jarrett Sharp	Asher Butnik
Sadie Moss	Jenna Leventhal
Sam Langholz	Scott Brown
Monica Levine	Haley Cohen
Joseph Hayden	Rachel DeMerit
Jared Sharfstein	

## June Anniversaries

David Boesch & Kaileh Pistol  
 Mikhail & Rita Blinchik  
 Lee & Jaime Singer  
 Scott Kuhn & Lauren Black  
 Herbert & Karin Meiselman  
 Ira & Virginia Blitz  
 Ezra & Marisa Callahan  
 Bryan & Marina Jick  
 Cary & Sheila Presant  
 Matthew & Carol Sofer  
 Joshua & Franci Levine Grater  
 Daniel & Karen Levin  
 Evan & Ember Goldstein  
 Steven & Sandy Hartford  
 David Holland-Moritz & Suzanne Spitz  
 Nadav & Anat Bar-Chaim  
 Lawrence Teitelbaum & Barbara Felsinger  
 Harvey & Ellen Knell  
 Carl & Carol Selkin  
 Michael Friedman & Elizabeth Short  
 Michael & Brook Corr  
 Hal Barron & Katherine Kobayashi  
 Lester & Loretta Slifkin  
 Stephen & Evelyn Rappel  
 Michael Krakower & Lynn Bienenfeld  
 Scott & Carolyn Siegal  
 Terry & Maria Tornek  
 Paul & Josette Bellan  
 Raymond & Lynn Gould  
 Elliott & Linda Mazur  
 Harold Kern & Sandra Sonies  
 Jonathan Fuhrman and Susan Kane  
 John & Sara Tyberg  
 Jeffrey & Jo Beth Cohen

## USY Makes and Delivers Challah



## May Donations

### General Fund

Pearl & Vance Tyree  
Liz Green with sincerest thanks for the thoughtful outreach at this time.

### Union Station:

Daniel and Karen Levin; Martha Ruffman; Ryna & Moshe Aviram

### Freeman Passover Fund:

Vance & Pearl Tyree

### USY:

Ellen Ardman, Claire Gorfinkel, Marcia Alper, Joe Klein,  
Steven & Fidelia Klein

### Yahrzeit Donations to General Fund

Donated by:	In Memory of:
Vance Tyree	Wife, Betsy Tyree
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Rochelle Kaplan	Father, Meyer Shapiro
Gail Snyder	Mother, Henrietta (Hancy) Forman
David Snyder	Sister-in-law, Wendy Snyder
Pearl Tyree	Husband, Sheldon Weinstein
Jordan Ellis	Father, David Ellis
Barbara Weisenberg	Husband, Leonard Lipton
Steven Klein	Brother, Martin Klein
Bonnie Buratti	Father, Ralph Buratti
Hava Ben-Zvi	Father-in-law, Henryk Sokal
Edie Taylor	Son, Gary Michael Taylor
Edie Taylor	Daughter, Janet Anne Taylor
Edie Taylor	Niece, Reva Vego Dietz

### Sisterhood Tributes:

To Rabbi Carrier, Welcome and congratulations on becoming our permanent Rabbi, from the women of Sisterhood  
To Melissa Levy, Because you are so awesome, from Gail Meltzer  
To USY & Melissa Levy, Thanks for the wonderful challahs, from Edie Taylor  
To Ariel Harris, Congratulations on your college graduation, from Edie Taylor  
To Ella Levine Grater, Congratulations on your High School graduation, from Edie Taylor  
To Noah Levine Grater, Congratulations on our High School graduation, from Edie Taylor  
To Roberta & Peter Braun on the birth of their grandson Benjamin Warren Braun, from Kathy Kobayashi & Hal Barron, Edie Taylor, Stacy & Stu Miller, Sue Hogan and Marcia Alper  
To Sheila Padlipsky, get well soon, from Nancy & John Carlton, Carolyn Kunin and Edie Taylor  
To Joel Padlipsky, Thinking of you, from Carolyn Kunin  
To Gail Snyder, Get well after appendicitis, from Nancy & John Carlton and Edie Taylor

### Exploring Your Life Through Torah

Continuing throughout the year

Thursday mornings at 10:00 AM

with Rabbi Jason Mann on Zoom

## Weizmann Day School

By Lisa Feldman, M.A. Ed. Head of Weizmann Day School

In early February, Weizmann's Board of Trustees announced its difficult decision to close the school after the school year ends in June. After 36 successful years, there just was not a sufficient enrollment to start another year.

While still sad about that decision, Weizmann (like the rest of the world) had to confront the COVID-19 pandemic. Weizmann's staff was called upon to do something they had never done before: to teach and run the school from their homes.

The results have been inspiring.

Since March 16, Weizmann's dedicated teachers have been meeting with students online each day and teaching their required curricula. Students see their teachers and classmates via Zoom. They talk about their feelings and work together.

To date, teachers (and "guest readers") have read stories, guided older students through completion of their science fair projects (including a first-place win by Eden G. in the L.A. County Virtual Science Fair and an invitation for Isabel L. to attend a prestigious conference!), and used creative methods to remotely teach social studies, writing, math, Hebrew, Jewish Studies, art, and music.

In addition, teachers and administrators maintain regular contact with their students' parents and caregivers. Mindful of the stressful situation in many homes right now, Weizmann has made it a priority to communicate and be flexible. They send parents a weekly schedule of Zoom calls and projects, and update them regularly about their children's progress. Parents have expressed appreciation for the commitment that teachers and staff have shown.

Weizmann is grateful to have support from families and community members during this difficult time!

Weizmann's Mission: to provide an enriching education, rooted in Jewish traditions and values, which fosters critical thinking, creativity, collaboration, character and compassion.



To inquire about the school or make a donation, please call the office at (626) 797-0204 or visit [www.weizmann.net](http://www.weizmann.net).

PJTC is livestreaming its Shabbat services.  
Fridays 7:30 PM & Saturdays 9:30 AM



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PJTC Facebook page & YouTube channel

## Yahrzeits for June (announced Fri/Sat preceding the date)

<b>9 Sivan</b>	<b>6/1/2020</b>	<b>16 Sivan</b>	<b>6/8/2020</b>	<b>23 Sivan</b>	<b>6/15/2020</b>	<b>3 Tammuz</b>	<b>6/25/2020</b>
James Selig		Kate Rosenbloom		Harriett S Goldberg		Elfreda Galantiere Mindlin	
Estelle Alt		Yetta Kligfeld		August Fingerhut		Morris Brezner	
Leah Witkin Korobkin		Saul Shapiro		Nate Groban		Herbert Schiff	
Paul D. Cooper		Esther Rosenbloom		Charlotte Kunin			
Ethel Raichlen		Irving Kligfeld		Morris Bershatsky		<b>4 Tammuz</b>	<b>6/26/2020</b>
David Harris Hellman		Les Berman		Libby Silberblatt		Milton Michaels	
<b>10 Sivan</b>	<b>6/2/2020</b>	David Rosenbloom		Samuel Conovitz		Mervin Gold	
Rose Brecker		Samuel Kligfeld		Charlotte Beskin		Shirley Spitzer	
Herman Green		Rachel Mandel		<b>24 Sivan</b>	<b>6/16/2020</b>	Dena Sheppard	
Beatrice Fink		Berenica Rappaport		Jennie Vicker		<b>5 Tammuz</b>	<b>6/27/2020</b>
Abraham Weiner		Channah Kligfeld		Sam Hess		Jay Kaplan	
Sara Glickman		Rhea Goodwin		Adrienne Holzman		Sam Ralph Saffman	
Jack Isaacson		Barbara Greenbaum		<b>25 Sivan</b>	<b>6/17/2020</b>	<b>6 Tammuz</b>	<b>6/28/2020</b>
Rachel Morgenstern		<b>17 Sivan</b>	<b>6/9/2020</b>	Jeanette Emmerich		Devorah Rifka Abend	
Fay Ricks		Abraham Meyers		<b>26 Sivan</b>	<b>6/18/2020</b>	Herman Berlant	
Martin Zuckerman		Seymour David Shilling		Maurice Reichler		George Caton	
Joseph Morris		Lynn Harris		Irene Hensger		Vahe Balian	
<b>11 Sivan</b>	<b>6/3/2020</b>	Jack Kruger		Sarah Cohen		Beverly Rogers	
Bernard Julius		Pearl Wachowsky		Frances Ann Eckstein		Abe Jampolsky	
Max Katzman		Anna Helen Segall		Rachel DeMerit		Dorothy Resnik	
Anna Kahn		<b>18 Sivan</b>	<b>6/10/2020</b>	Abraham Frankel		<b>7 Tammuz</b>	<b>6/29/2020</b>
Sarah Cooper		Sarah Gen Mintz		<b>27 Sivan</b>	<b>6/19/2020</b>	Anna Weichman	
Samuel Ginsburg		Samuel Schefflin		Albert Harris		Morris Rambach	
<b>12 Sivan</b>	<b>6/4/2020</b>	Mae Etgen		Joseph Freeman		Sonia Barsky	
Hazel Donner		Marian Lorin		David H. Myron		Dora Schefflin	
Sarah Levine		<b>19 Sivan</b>	<b>6/11/2020</b>	<b>28 Sivan</b>	<b>6/20/2020</b>	Milton Breslow	
Tessie Spellman		David Hoffman		Allen Tornek		<b>8 Tammuz</b>	<b>6/30/2020</b>
David Mitchell		Sarah Minovitz		Thelma Lassman		Wolfe Weissman	
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Sandie Rambach		Meyer Forman		Hugo Hanauer		Nathan Steinman	
<b>13 Sivan</b>	<b>6/5/2020</b>	Marjorie Kerridge		Daniel Ivler		Riva Raz	
Annie Fox		<b>20 Sivan</b>	<b>6/12/2020</b>	Philip Applebaum		Minnie Litt	
Lee Halpert		Sidney Lipser		Isaac Breslow		Ian Harold Breslow	
Max Segal		Lois Kinzler		Frank L. Lash		Aaron Wolf	
Stephen Jakobot		Samuel Chernock		<b>29 Sivan</b>	<b>6/21/2020</b>		
Hildegard Buratti		<b>21 Sivan</b>	<b>6/13/2020</b>	James Dinerman			
Paul Benjamin Parker		Eugene Werner		Helen Gorfinkel			
Anna Shulman		Joseph Fichmann		Julius Lokietz			
Arthur Asher Lowenthal		Radkiewicz Family		<b>30 Sivan</b>	<b>6/22/2020</b>		
Gertrude Meltzer		Sylvan Klein		Mary Wolveck			
Milton Kunin		Dolores Marderosian		Mary Rambach			
Norma Loeb		Lorraine Rabinowitz		Harold Linstone			
<b>14 Sivan</b>	<b>6/6/2020</b>	Leslie Lipton		<b>1 Tammuz</b>	<b>6/23/2020</b>		
David A. Brown		Siegmund Mendel		Adele Halper			
Anna Miller Hoenig		Edward Zager		Paula Forman Schiffman			
Isadore Danchik		Celina Fichmann		Harry Ruskin			
Alvin Applebaum		<b>22 Sivan</b>	<b>6/14/2020</b>	<b>2 Tammuz</b>	<b>6/24/2020</b>		
Zena Black		Harold Dinerman		Eva Silberman			
Ida Singer				Morris Finesod			
Louis Harry Asher				Genena Wadsworth			
Chaka Bortnik				Laura Sandig			
<b>15 Sivan</b>	<b>6/7/2020</b>						
Gideon Hofmann							
Rose A. Adelstone							
Frederic Linstone							
Leo Fox							

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8 Sivan - 8 Tammuz

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>	<b>9 Sivan</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
	7:30p Men's Club Meeting 7:30p Sisterhood Meeting	8:45a Meditation 3:00p Rabbi Carrier's "Ask Me Anything"	6:00p Miller Intro to Judaism	10:00a Thursdays with Torah and Rabbi Jason Mann 3:00p Rabbi Carrier's "Ask Me Anything" 7:30p Social Hall Meeting	10:00a Sing Along Shabbat 4:00p Kadima Book Club 5:00p USY Book Club 7:30p Shabbat Service	9:30a Shabbat Service 12:45a Shabbat Meditation with Rabb Goldstein
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
9:30a Social Justice Meeting	<b>16 Sivan</b>	8:45a Meditation 3:00p Rabbi Carrier's "Ask Me Anything"	6:00p Miller Intro to Judaism	10:00a Thursdays with Torah and Rabbi Jason Mann 12:30p Volunteer Lunch Zoom 3:00p Rabbi Carrier's "Asl Me Anything" 7:30p Ritual Committee Meeting 7:30p Social Hall Meeting	10:00a Sing Along Shabbat 3:00p USY/Kadima Challan Bake Pt2 7:30p Shabbat Service	9:30a Shabbat Service 12:45a Shabbat Meditation with Rabb Goldstein
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>22 Sivan</b>	<b>23 Sivan</b>	8:45a Meditation 3:00p Rabbi Carrier's "Ask Me Anything"	9:00a Red Cross Blood Drive 6:00p Miller Intro to Judaism	<b>Yom Ha'Atzmaut</b> 10:00a Thursdays with Torah and Rabbi Jason Mann 3:00p Rabbi Carrier's "Ask Me Anything" 7:30p Social Hall Meeting	Candle Lighting 7:47p 10:00a Sing Along Shabbat 7:30p Shabbat Service	9:30a Shabbat Service
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>29 Sivan</b>	<b>30 Sivan</b>	8:45a Meditation 3:00p Rabbi Carrier's "Ask Me Anything"	6:00p Miller Intro to Judaism	10:00a Thursdays with Torah and Rabbi Jason Mann 3:00p Rabbi Carrier's "Ask Me Anything" 7:30p Social Hall Meeting	Candle Lighting 7:49p 10:00a Sing Along Shabbat 7:30p Shabbat Service	9:30a Shabbat Service
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Father's Day 9:30a Men's Club Installation and Speaker	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1 Tammuz</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
	<b>6 Tammuz</b>	<b>7 Tammuz</b>	8:45a Meditation 3:00p Rabbi Carrier's "Ask Me Anything"	10:00a Thursdays with Torah and Rabbi Jason Mann 3:00p Rabbi Carrier's "Ask Me Anything" 7:30p Social Hall Meeting	Candle Lighting 7:50p	9:30a Shabbat Service
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