



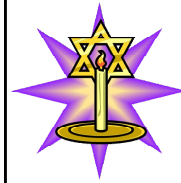
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Calendar of Events– July

Friday, June 30	Shabbat Eve Services6:00 pm Oneg Shabbat hosted by Erin Sabath & Stephen Seitz and Elissa & Jonathan GoldbergBelle
Saturday, July 1	Shabbat Morning Services9:00 am Chukat Numbers 19:1—20:13
Friday, July 7	Shabbat Eve Services6:00 pm Oneg Shabbat hosted by Sam Cahnman, Rose Lipsky and Rae Lipsky
Saturday, July 8	Shabbat Morning Services9:00 am Balak Numbers 22:2—38
Friday, July 14	Shabbat Eve Services6:00 pm Oneg Shabbat hosted by Harriet & Alan Josephson and Sharon & Mark Snyder
Saturday, July 15	Shabbat Morning Services9:00 am Pinchas Numbers 25:10—26:51
Friday, July 21	Shabbat Eve Services6:00 pm Oneg Shabbat hosted by Zale Glauberman, MaryJo & Stan Wasser and Beryl & Howard Feldman
Saturday, July 22	Shabbat Morning Services9:00 am Matot-Masei Numbers 30:2—31:54
Friday, July 28	Shabbat Eve Services6:00 pm Oneg Shabbat hosted by Sari & Mark Wancket
Saturday, July 29	Shabbat Morning Services9:00 am Devarim Deuteronomy 1:1—2:1



**July
 Candle
 Lighting
 Times**

June 30	8:13 pm
July 7	8:11 pm
July 14	8:08 pm
July 21	8:04 pm
July 28	7:58 pm

Other Events

Tuesday, July 11
TI Sisterhood Book Club.....1:00 pm
Last Train to Istanbul
Ayse Kulin
 Temple Israel

You are invited to attend
 Aubrey Spriggs-Wancket's
 naming
 &
 Mark Wancket's 65th birthday
 celebration
 Saturday, July 29
 9:00 a.m.
 Temple Israel
 Celebration luncheon
 immediately following services

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Rabbi's ReMarks



Summer is usually a more relaxed time on our Jewish community calendar with Religious School and Adult Education programs in recess and organizations skipping some of their regularly scheduled meetings. This year, however, seems to be the exception for reasons that I will share with you.

I have been serving for a number of years as the Jewish Federation's representative for the local Emergency Food and Shelter Program. This program, administered by United Way, allocates supplementary funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to local service providers. The Federal law that established the national program mandates that Jewish Federations be represented on the local boards along with Catholic Charities, Salvation Army and other charitable groups. I will be attending several meetings in the next few weeks to make decisions about allocations for the next phase of the program. The sums requested by the local agencies far exceed the funds that we have been given to allocate. The needs are great, the resources at hand are limited, and the lack of a state budget has hurt many of the agencies involved. All of this heightens the responsibility of local EFSP boards to match the available funds to the areas of greatest need.

The Rosenwald Initiative, a collaboration between local Jewish and African-American groups to arrange the premiere screening in Springfield of an outstanding documentary film about Springfield-born businessman and philanthropist Julius Rosenwald, has involved ongoing meetings over the last months. *Rosenwald* celebrates the life, the vision, and the generosity of an "unsung hero" of American-Jewish history. Julius Rosenwald, born in 1862, grew up in proximity to the Lincoln home and left Springfield at age 17. As a young man, he was invited by a cousin to invest in Sears, Roebuck and become a partner in the enterprise. He was largely responsible for Sears' success as a retail giant and ultimately became president and chairman of the board. Embracing the philosophy of giving back to the community, Julius Rosenwald practiced philanthropy on a massive scale. In the course of his lifetime, he gave away \$63 million to charitable endeavors. The work for which he is best remembered is providing seed-money for schools for African-Americans in the segregated South during the early decades of the 20th century. These schools provided education by trained teachers in a comfortable and well-maintained building, something that had not previously been available to African-Americans in the South. It is truly an inspiring story. Please reserve the date, **Saturday, July 15th at 4:00 pm at Union Baptist Church, 1405 East Monroe** and plan on attending. Admission is free, and refreshments will be served following the screening.

The planning for a future consolidation of our two Springfield Jewish congregations continues. Working committees are meeting over the summer, and they will be submitting their recommendations within the next few months. Along with Rabbi Datz, I have been serving as an adviser to the Worship Committee. We have met several times and have been dealing with such issues as liturgy, music and burial practice. The list of topics for our consideration is formidable, and we will probably require several more meetings. Additionally, we have had four conference calls with Jewish communities around the country, where Reform and Conservative congregations had consolidated, and we have tried to learn from their experiences. The issue of consolidation evokes many concerns and emotions, but I continue to believe that it is the way to preserve and maintain a strong and vibrant Jewish religious community in Springfield.

Nancy and I were able to get away to attend a family wedding in Denver. Sadly, our stay was extended so that we could be present at the memorial service for her aunt, who passed away during the time we were there. She was the last of Nancy's parents' generation. The time away struck us in a poignant manner as a microcosm of life – rejoicing and grieving within the same week, extending good wishes to a new couple establishing their household and paying tribute to a much-loved member of the family taken from our midst.

Enjoy this season of travel and relaxation. Best wishes for the summer.

Rabbi Barry A. Marks

President's Message

I wanted to use the opportunity of this President's column to update you on recent changes at the Temple and the activities of your Board. First, I am delighted to report that at its June meeting, the Board elected Loren Iglarsh to be Vice President. Rick Griminger was elected Treasurer and Zvi Pasman is the Secretary of the Board. I will continue as President of the Congregation.

We have also made some changes in committee leadership. Sari Wancket has assumed the Chair of the Religious Committee after many years of outstanding work by Zale Glauberman. In keeping things in the family, Mark Wancket, has assumed chairmanship of the House Committee replacing Stuart Shiffman in that role. I greatly appreciate all of the efforts Stuart has expended in our behalf and the fact that he will continue to assist in these and other activities.

Carol Kitterman has stepped forward to accept the position of Membership Chair. We have not had a chair of this important committee for a number of years and her efforts already seem to be bearing fruit. Merle Shiffman will continue as Fundraising Chair, Harry Berman as Adult Education Committee Chair, Anne Morgan as Social Action Chair, and our Social Committee will continue to be led by the joint efforts of Merle Shiffman and Beryl Feldman. I really look forward to working with all of these people who have stepped up to assist in the life of our Congregation.

I have tried to keep everyone updated on the efforts towards consolidating the two Congregations in Springfield. In this bulletin you will find an action taken by the Board at its June Board meeting. There was a wonderful discussion at our meeting in which everyone present participated. After drafting what I believed to be an initial recitation of the Board's perspective and sharing it with the Board, many very positive suggestions for change and improvement were shared amongst us. While all of the effort was outstanding, I especially want to thank Jori Sisk for her efforts in taking that document and making it more upbeat and less lawyerlike. I was especially proud to have had the honor to lead this Board in this effort.

As you can see, we believe that it is time for a congregational meeting to discuss this entire issue. We will arrange that for this summer. Please pay attention to notifications about this meeting. We also believe that it is time for the Boards of both Congregations to meet together and commence a more formal process of getting to know each other and sharing our concerns, our goals, and most importantly our values. I am very happy to say that Lisa Stone as President of Temple B'rith Shalom agrees with this and we are working together to bring this about. Finally, as you can see, we also believe that it is time for informational gatherings on the work of the Joint Committee and its working groups to be shared in sessions at which everyone from the community is invited and hears the same thing regardless of their current affiliation.

We have shared this decision with the Joint Committee and have asked Lisa Stone to similarly share it with the Board at Temple B'rith Shalom. We hope to move these discussions and this issue forward and to work towards strengthening our Jewish community.

Saul J Morse

WITH SADNESS

We mourn the passing of our beloved member

STANLEY M. STERN

June 10, 2017

16 Sivan, 5777

Stanley was a loving husband, father and grandfather.

He served as president of Temple Israel in its early years.

Stanley was an active member of the local Rotary Club and a generous supporter of its programs.

He was a role model for the Jewish tradition of quiet and anonymous charity, whose good deeds touched countless people in our community.

We extend condolences to the bereaved family.

Stanley's memory endures as a blessing

Yahrzeits— July

1 Della Hirschbein
 1 Phyllis Holtzman Nitzkin
 1 Jacob Wexler
 3 Sylvia Cohen Applebaum
 3 William Knopping
 3 Nathaniel S. Yaseen
 4 Molly Gubin
 5 Gertrude Pudick
 6 Carol Glauberman
 7 David Ash
 8 Edna Saunders
 8 Sadie Spiegel
 8 Ida Strum
 8 Esther K. Wolfson
 9 Louis Fishman
 10 Albert B. Cohen
 10 Bertha Feuer
 11 Donald Brasloff
 11 Harriet Cahnmann
 11 Walter Griminger
 11 Sarah Oppleman
 11 Mary Victor
 12 Albert J. Cross
 12 Abe H. Greenberg
 12 Adele Papermaster
 13 Fred Cahnmann
 13 Max Fink
 13 Isaac Potish
 13 Sol Schwartz
 14 Fannie Brown
 14 Michael Brown
 14 Herman Cohen
 14 Nathan Strum
 14 Henry Prastein
 15 Dolores Griminger
 17 Abraham Feuer
 17 Esther Pochter
 17 Edith Wald
 18 Irving Fruchter
 18 Louis Spiegel
 19 David Nathanson
 19 Ethel Rovin
 20 Frank Garber
 20 Eva Cohen Marks
 20 Ben Spiegel
 20 Phillip Stein
 22 Josephine Sage
 23 Rose Tucker Cohn
 23 Ethel Mae Rossoff
 24 Herbert Kaiserman
 24 Ruby Smith
 25 Mary Ethel Barker
 25 Bruce Feldman
 26 Emanuel Baskin
 26 Florence Betty Cohn
 26 Joseph Cohn

26 Annette Feuer
 26 Joseph Rubinsky
 26 Leah Weisman
 27 Robert Seidman
 29 Anna Weiner
 30 Harry Stern

Yahrzeits— August

1 Mitchell Brown
 2 Philip Glauberman
 3 Morris Ichkowsky
 3 Leon W. Morse
 4 Meyer Seigel
 6 Daniel Rubin
 6 Jack Weisman
 7 Carlos Reynolds
 7 Lyle Lamont Burdick
 9 Arthur Brown
 9 Fannie Cohen
 10 Charles Barker
 10 Sam Snyder
 11 Perritz Denn
 11 Ann Jean Fishman
 11 Jack Koffman
 12 Sherry Spiegel
 13 Leizer Pianko
 13 Maxine Weiner
 15 Julius Feuer
 15 Faye Greenberg
 15 Rachael C. Marks
 16 Sander Lewine
 16 Sophie Rubin
 17 Louis Kaiserman
 17 Lillian Sanders Smith
 19 Vincent Occhipinti
 19 Herman Post
 19 Sadie Seidman
 20 Jakob Feder
 20 Nissan Feuer
 20 Joseph Werner
 21 Benjamin Rovin
 21 Anna Werner
 22 Sarah Greenberg Hutner
 23 Sarah Tobiah Denn
 23 Dora Egherman
 23 Morris Gudder
 23 Golde Mogerman
 24 Tshiril Goldman
 25 Dorothy Schriar
 26 Jennie Cooperman
 26 Anna Guralnik
 27 Ben Fineman
 27 Molly Nightingale
 28 Jerome Routman
 29 S.J. Oberman
 31 Rosa Hart

Tributes

GENERAL FUND

Yahrzeit Of:

Ethel Herman by Roberta & Robert Herman

In Honor Of:

Staci GoldbergBelle and John Hamman by Anne Morgan & Saul Morse

Richard Bass by Anne Morgan & Saul Morse

Mary Saunders by Anne Morgan & Saul Morse

Stephen Seitz by Anne Morgan & Saul Morse

Richard Bass by Lisa & Steve Stone

Stephen Seitz by Beryl & Howard Feldman

Hannah Pasman by Sari & Mark Wancket

In Memory Of:

Paul Deluhery by Sari & Mark Wancket

Stanley Stern by Sari & Mark Wancket

Stanley Stern by Carol & Jay Kitterman

Stanley Stern by Roberta & Robert Herman

Stanley Stern by Guerry Suggs

Stanley Stern by The Greens

Stanley Stern by Naomi & Robert Lynn

Stanley Stern by Judy & Ed Bedore

Stanley Stern by Irene Blazis

Stanley Stern by Pam & Ted LeBlang

Stanley Stern by Anne Morgan & Saul Morse

Stanley Stern by Phyllis Brissenden

Stanley Stern by Malinda & Paul Craig

Stanley Stern by Susan Hammond

Stanley Stern by Sallie & Hugh Graham

Stanley Stern by Barbara & Allen Herman

Stanley Stern by Sara & Howard Neuger

Stanley Stern by Beryl & Towfig Arjmand

Stanley Stern by Sara, John & Ray Cohn

Stanley Stern by Stephanie Metnick

Stanley Stern by Susan & Coyn Richardson

Stanley Stern by Bishop Bookkeeping & Billing

Stanley Stern by Lisa & Stephen Stone

Stanley Stern by J Patrick Doyle

Stanley Stern by Karen & Robert Westbrook

Stanley Stern by Beryl & Howard Feldman

Stanley Stern by Annette & Jerry Schwartz

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Yahrzeit Of:

George Goldstein by Sharon & Mark Snyder

Ralph Snyder by Sharon & Mark Snyder

In Honor Of:

Rabbi Marks by Erika Altman

Harry Berman by Annette & Jeffrey Chesky

Hannah Pasman by Rose & Doug Turner

MUSIC FUND

In Honor Of:

Carol Kitterman by Erin Sabath & Stephen Seitz

Hannah Pasman by Erin Sabath & Stephen Seitz

Richard Bass by Erin Sabath & Stephen Seitz

Mary Saunders by Erin Sabath & Stephen Seitz

Jonathan GoldbergBelle by Erin Sabath & Stephen Seitz

Community News

Sandy's Sisterhood Spiel!

Kudos to Erin Sabath for arranging a lovely Sisterhood Donor Brunch on Sunday, June 11 at American Harvest. Beryl Feldman assisted in choosing a most delicious and eclectic menu. Everyone also received a handy personal flashlight as a favor! I conducted a short business meeting. Merle Shiffman, treasurer, reported that our treasury (\$10,000-\$12,000) is shrinking. This is partly due to declining membership and no ongoing projects aside from our Donor Brunch. Any ideas to increase our coffers??!! Suggestions are always welcome.

Erin suggested that Sisterhood purchase an all-in-one printer for Ozma to use in the office. After some discussion, it was decided to make the purchase.

Lisa GoldbergBelle provided a written summary of changes to our By-Laws. An email will be sent to the entire Sisterhood with the changes for approval.

Thank you to Gloria Schwartz for sending out cards with handwritten notes on behalf of the Temple Board and the Care Committee. She read a very nice note from Ellen and Neil Matlins who were so grateful for our outreach to them for a recent family member's death. A check for \$150.00 was also included.

Please send in Sisterhood tributes to Jody Wallace. She asks that we use the form in the Temple bulletin along with our check. All the information is included on the form,

Mark your calendars for Friday, August 25. This will be our opening meeting. We will have a Shira Shabbat dinner free of charge. Donations always welcome!!

Membership committee: Linda Morrison, Carol Kitterman, and Gloria Schwartz will be updating our directory. Hopefully, it will be ready and available for the High Holidays. Membership renewal notices will be sent out with an August 25 deadline. Please join (it's a mitzvah!) and update information including cell numbers and emails in a timely fashion. Thanks!!

Enjoy your summer!!!
Sandy Weiss

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TEMPLE ISRAEL BOARD PROPOSAL

The Temple Israel Board has discussed a way forward for the deliberations on consolidating the two congregations. We believe that a good process has been crafted by the Joint Committee and we continue to support that. As should always be anticipated, however, circumstances and scheduling volunteers has made us question whether consideration of adjustments is in order.

We were pleased to learn that Temple B'rith Shalom held an open session on June 9 to allow input from congregants. We support getting back to the original concept of additional congregational meetings from which we strayed when the proposed February meetings did not happen. We will be scheduling a Temple Israel congregational meeting this summer to allow us to update congregants and hear their views on our future. We also believe that late summer sessions with updates from the working committees are in order. We propose that these occur before the working committee reports are finalized. Our preferred format would be to schedule three sessions open to members of both congregations. That way everyone who chooses to attend will hear the same things from the same people. We would ask the working committee members to present the interim results of their efforts. In this way, we believe the working committees can consider whatever input they receive and decide whether to change, in any way, their ultimate report. We propose these sessions be first, Mission Statement and Culture and Legal and Constitution, second Facilities and Budget and Finance, and finally Worship. Meetings should be rotated either between existing facilities, or, perhaps, held at neutral sites.

This may cause us to alter the current time table which calls for one vote of each congregation in mid-October. We would prefer not to lengthen the process but would rather take the time necessary to make the best decision possible for the community. We note that the original time table was altered at least in part because of feedback from the congregational meetings last October.

Finally, we are concerned that many amongst us from both congregations have at times spoken of this entire concept in terms of what we might lose. We are convinced that there are many more positives which come from this whole effort than negatives. We urge all to see the positive energy which can come from embracing the risks of new beginnings. All around the country congregations are dealing with similar issues and seem, from what we hear from them, to be stronger and more vibrant than they were. We will try to accentuate the positive which can come from the added strength and resources of a larger congregation.

Sisterhood Tributes

In Memory of

Stanley Stern

Jody & Joe Wallace

Yahrzeit of

Ida Rubin

Jody & Joe Wallace

Bernard Seidman

Jody & Joe Wallace



New Contact info?

We are in the process of updating our membership directory so please let us know of any changes to your address, phone number or email by calling us at 546-2841 or emailing us at ozma.rahman@sbcglobal.net

Thank you

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SBJE News

Our joint Hebrew and Religious School, B'rit Yisrael, is in the middle of making plans for the upcoming school year. Look for information regarding calendar and tuition late in July. School will begin September 10th. We are recruiting students, so if you know of anyone eligible to join us please have them contact Elissa GoldbergBelle at brit.yisrael@yahoo.com or 217 698 9727

We are very excited to welcome approximately 7 new kindergarten students to the program this school year. It is our hope that they will have much fun and friendship throughout the years they are enrolled. Rae Lipsky, will be their instructor for the upcoming year. Rae has had many years of experience with our youngest students.

Joining our staff this year as a teacher is Sharon Star. She will be leading our 1st/2nd grade students. She is eager to get started and has many ideas for the curriculum and supporting projects. Sharon and I had the good fortune last year to attend New CAJE in Naperville where we got great ideas for curriculum development, projects, music and methodologies. Our 1st/2nd grade students should number approximately 6.

In addition, we are returning to an earlier practice offering 1st grade students instruction in the Aleph Bet so that they have sufficient time to master the symbols and sounds of Hebrew without having to worry about reading. Mrs. Lipsky will be the instructor for this. Our second-grade students will begin with a Hebrew pre-primer. Elissa GoldbergBelle will be teaching from this Hebrew text. Both 1st and 2nd grade Hebrew will occur at 9:30 am to 10:15. Religious School will follow at 10:15. I do believe this will give our youngest students enough time to master the basics before they begin with mid-week Hebrew at the 3rd Grade level.

Rabbi Datz will instruct our 3rd-5th grade students in consultation with Rabbi Marks, Elissa GoldbergBelle, Sharon Star and Rae Lipsky. Each class will have an opportunity to explore the day's topic in an age appropriate setting before getting together as a whole to share hands-on learning experiences related to the day's topic. We have found over the last three years that getting together as a whole has created a more cohesive learning community for our students, and our project based curriculum instruction has kept students' attention resulting in higher morale for students, teachers and parents.

We are fortunate to have very talented educators and students in our community. For our post bar/bat mitzvah students we are offering a Comparative Religions course with Adam Porter and a Holocaust Class with Adrienne Daniels. Both teachers have worked with our students before. Although they are both professors at Illinois College, they are exceptional instructors who also relate well to younger students, and we are lucky to have them participate.

Our Hebrew instructors include Sharon Snyder teaching 3rd grade, Rabbi Marks 4th grade, and Rabbi Datz in our Honors course. Sharon Snyder has been an exceptional asset since she moved here several years ago. She brings a passion for Hebrew learning to her classroom, and her gift of song is without measure. Since her arrival here, she has helped many students learn their Torah and Haftorah portions. Rabbi Marks continues to teach Hebrew mid-week as well as on Sunday, and Rabbi Datz will be our instructor for Honors Hebrew for those students who have completed our 3-6th grade program but who wish to continue their study.

Our staff wouldn't be completed without our wonderful volunteers. Barb Seidman continues to give of her time and talent by bringing her guitar regularly and sharing her extensive knowledge of camp and folk tunes. Dr. Julie Nathanson has donated so many materials for our projects as well as her expertise in art and craft, not to mention her time. We also thank Kym Douglas for her continued support wherever it is needed.

Respectfully
Elissa GoldbergBelle

CONDOLENCES

To Harry, Wende and Molly Stern; Michael Stern; and Frank and Sherry Stern on the passing of their father, grandfather and brother, Stanley Stern.

To Mark Deluhery on the passing of his brother, Paul Deluhery

To Cary and Trudy Israel on the passing of his brother Dennis Israel in Detroit, Michigan.