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September 2017
 Elul 5777/Tishri 5778

Calendar of Events– September

Friday, September 1	Shabbat Eve Services6:00 pm Oneg Shabbat hosted by Adrienne & Marc Daniels, Suzanne Schriar & Loren Iglarsh and Jody & Joe Wallace
Saturday, September 2	Shabbat Morning Services9:00 am Ki Tetze Deuteronomy 21:10—23:7
Friday, September 8	Shabbat Eve Services6:00 pm Oneg Shabbat hosted by Nancy & Adam Porter and Linda Morrison
Saturday, September 9	Shabbat Morning Services9:00 am Ki Tavo Deuteronomy 26:1—27:10
Friday, September 15	Shabbat Eve Services6:00 pm Oneg Shabbat hosted by Leonard Lieberman and Miriam Lieberman
Saturday, September 16	Shabbat Morning Services9:00 am Nitzavim-Vayelech Deuteronomy 29:9—30:14
Wednesday, September 20	Erev Rosh Hashanah *8:00 pm
Thursday, September 21	First day Rosh Hashanah *8:45 am
Friday, September 22	Second day Rosh Hashanah *8:45 am
Friday, September 22	Shabbat Eve Services6:00 pm
Saturday, September 23	Shabbat Morning Services9:00 am Haazinu Deuteronomy 32:1-52
Friday, September 29	Erev Yom Kippur *6:45 pm
Saturday, September 30	Yom Kippur *9:00 am

* See detailed prayer schedule inside bulletin.

Monday, October 2	Sukkah Decorating4:00pm
Wednesday, October 4	Erev Sukkot Services7:00pm
Thursday, October 5	Sukkot Morning Services9:00am



**September
 Candle
 Lighting
 Times**

September 1	7:11 pm
September 8	7:00 pm
September 15	6:49 pm
September 22	6:37 pm
September 29	6:26 pm



Other Events

Thursday, September 7	Board Meeting7:30pm
Tuesday, September 12	Sisterhood Book Club1:00 pm <i>Nine Folds Make a Paper Swan</i> Ruth Gilligan Temple Israel
Sunday, September 24	Cemetery Prayers2:00 to 3:00 pm
Monday, October 2	Sukkah Decorating4:00 pm



The Rabbi's ReMarks



The summer is winding down, and we are in the midst of planning for the Days of Awe. We are pleased to welcome back our Cantor, Jan Mahler, who did such an outstanding job last year of leading services, infusing the chanting of the traditional prayers with beauty, and adding *ru'ach* (spirit) to our worship. We look forward to having her with us again. The Religious Committee and House Committee have been busy making their preparations for the holidays as well. I pray that our services inaugurating the New Year 5778 will bring all of us inspiration and meaning.

We have been fortunate recently to have celebrated a number of occasions of joy – *simchas* – within the context of our Shabbat services: a special birthday, a landmark wedding anniversary, and the naming of a newborn. Such celebrations enhance the joy of our Shabbat worship and impart a true sense of community within the congregation. Unfortunately, we've had all too many occasions of sadness within the last year, and our *mi sheberach* list of dear ones for whose healing we pray seems to get longer by the week. It is good when we have the opportunity to rejoice together. Joy and sadness are both part of the human condition for all of us, and we can only hope that in our lives now and in the coming year the former will predominate.

SBJE Religious School will be starting again on September 10, and we look forward to a year of joyful learning. Our Temple Board that took office this past May has been busy; the ongoing process of planning for a consolidation between Temple Israel and Temple B'rith Sholom has been a recurring item of discussion on their agenda. I am hoping that the coming year will see a successful outcome to the efforts of the Joint Committee and the various Working Committees.

We have entered the month of Elul, the season to prepare ourselves spiritually for the Days of Awe. *Cheshbon ha-nefesh*, a moral and spiritual self-accounting, is very much part of these preparations. I feel that this process is a necessary one for me. I am a "work in progress", and I find that there are many things about myself that I would like to change. The difficult thing is to avoid the guilt, the perfectionism, and the sense of despair that are both unproductive and an impediment to our efforts at self-improvement.

I write in the aftermath of the recent events in Charlottesville, Virginia. What a truly sickening display of the regalia, the banners, the slogans and the accoutrements of hate! How frightening for the local Jewish community in Charlottesville and for the American Jewish community as a whole to witness scenes reminiscent of Berlin in the 1930's! We need not only a self-accounting on the individual level but a time of national self-reckoning, a confrontation with our history and with the ongoing existence of bigotry, rage, and racial resentment within our nation, sometimes submerged and sometimes, as now, out in the open.

When the documentary, *Rosenwald*, was shown this summer (thanks to the joint effort of the Jewish Federation/Jewish Community Relations Council and of local African-American groups), it was a reminder that the oppression of African-Americans did not end with the Union's victory in the Civil War. The sharecropper system in the South perpetuated what was in essence a form of economic slavery. The denial of an education to African-Americans in the South foreclosed the possibility of advancement socially and economically. What in Southern history is referred to as the Redemption (including violent actions by the Ku Klux Klan) aimed at reversing gains made by blacks during the Reconstruction period. The film depicted how a successful Jewish businessman, inspired by Judaism's ideal of *tzedakah*, helped build more than 5,000 schools for African-American children.

We must always remember that whenever any fellow human – Muslim, Jewish, Black, Latino – is demeaned, humiliated, threatened or harmed because of their faith, their race or their ethnicity, all of us are demeaned.

A happy and a healthy New Year to all. May you be inscribed and sealed in the life, blessing and peace.

Rabbi Barry A. Marks

President's Message

I had prepared a column for you which was very traditional and basic. I conveyed wishes for the oncoming fall and High Holy Day season which we are entering and news of the ongoing issues in maintaining our facility. I will confess I was not delighted with what I had done, but it was within the normal bounds of such a column. Then things happened.

We as Jews know all too well the risks and scars of discrimination, belittling, and genocide. We are also, whether observant or not, somewhat steeped in history and referring to the past. There can be no reason to celebrate those who tried to split our country. We can remember and we should. But not celebrate. That is made more of a mandatory issue for me, when one realizes that a core reason for attempting to separate from our country was based upon racial prejudice and the failure to treat human beings with respect solely by virtue of their race.

To protest a belated recognition of the sins of the past and monuments thereto and to do so while openly expressing racist and anti-Semitic attitudes and comments makes it more, if at all possible, beyond repair.

For any elected official to fail to see the repugnancy of these actions, especially when done under Nazi banners and quotes, is to dishonor all who perished at the hands of the Nazis, all who fought against that scourge in the last century, all who fought to save our country in the 19th century and all who worked to establish this noble experiment in the 18th century. When that happens, and it seems as likely as not that it is not an error of vision but perhaps a real belief, it is much worse. As we do approach this time of reflection, renewal, and atonement, let us redouble our effort to never forget what has transpired against our people and others (don't forget that while the Nazis killed 6,000,000 Jews, they also killed 5,000,000 assorted people for reasons such as being homosexual, disabled, or gypsies). Let us more assertively work to educate others, especially the young amongst us, to the horrors of such prejudice and genocide. Even were I to have supported, in the past, those who fail to see this, I could never support them now or in the future nor respect those who either failed to see this for what it is or who avoid confronting this most outrageous behavior.

Saul J Morse

WITH SADNESS

We mourn the passing of our beloved member

JOJENE SABATH

July 7, 2017

Jojene was a long-time member and generous supporter of Temple Israel, loving and devoted wife to her late husband Morton, beloved mother of Erin and Judd, and grandmother of Sarah, Jonathan and Samantha.

We recall her generosity, her adventurousness, her sense of independence, and above all, her gratitude and appreciation for all the blessings she enjoyed

May her memory abide as a blessing.
May the bereaved family find comfort and strength

Community News

SHARING THOUGHTS ON LIFE & LEGACY

Last fall, Jody and Joe Wallace made a decision to support the LIFE & LEGACY (TM) program. They recently agreed to share their feelings about Temple Israel and the need to support its future.

How long have you been associated with Temple Israel?

Joe – In a few months, I'll be a member for twenty years.

Jody – Before my family belonged to Temple Israel, they belonged to B'nai Abraham ... I was one of the first people to have a Bat Mitzvah at Temple Israel.

What does Temple Israel mean to you?

Joe – It's wonderful. I enjoy services and being with other members.

Jody – Since I returned to Springfield in the mid-80's, the temple has been an important part of my life ... I really enjoy Friday night services ... I help out with Sisterhood ... Rabbi Marks has been very helpful to me and is my friend.

What made you decide to participate in the LIFE & LEGACY program?

Jody – Temple Israel means a lot to us ... It's like a part of our family ... We want to do what we can to help people in our community in the future.

Temple Israel's LIFE & LEGACY team hopes you will join Joe, Jody and others in making a legacy commitment. To participate, please call the Temple office and express your interest. A team member will be happy to share detailed information about this effort to secure future support for our temple and the Springfield Jewish community.

If you have already made a provision for Temple Israel in your estate plan, please let us know.

The Temple Israel LIFE & LEGACY team:

Rick Griminger, Len Lieberman, Erin Sabath, Mark Wancket, Rabbi Marks

LIFE & LEGACY is a partnership between the Jewish Federation of Springfield and the Harold Grinspoon Foundation to assist Springfield synagogues and the Federation increase their endowments through after-life giving and special endowments. Temple

CENTURY BRUNCH 2017 REPORT

On Sunday, June 25th Temple Israel held its annual Century Brunch. A total of 91 tickets were sold which yielded a profit of \$7000. The winners of the cash prizes were: \$2500 – Brian Lauer, \$500 – split evenly between Josh Kitterman and Sam Cahnman, and \$250 – Doug and Rose Turner.

This event is always a group effort. We first thank our ticket sellers – most of whom have sold for many years. Thanks to Len Lieberman, Elliott Cohen, Gloria Schwartz, Stan Wasser, Richard Bass, Anne Morgan, Carol Kitterman, Stuart and Merle Shiffman, Sari Wancket, Julie Seidman, Sandy Weiss, Sharon Snyder, Barbara Seidman, Erin Sabath and Linda Morrison.

In addition to the cash prizes, eleven door prize gifts were provided. We thank the following people who solicited those gifts: Sharon Snyder, Sandy Weiss, Julie Seidman, Barb Seidman, Erin Sabath, Elliott Cohen, Lisa GoldbergBelle, Len Lieberman, and Beryl Feldman. Gifts were received from: The Illinois Symphony Orchestra, Cooper's Hawk, Hoogland Center for the Arts, Incredibly Delicious, Ashley Furniture, Bisch Funeral Home, Saputo's, Denney Jewelers, Maldaner's, Feldman and Wasser, and AB Lauer Jewelers. Please consider patronizing these organizations and businesses and thank them for their support of Temple Israel. While the prizes were wonderful, the brunch would not be complete without the food. Rick Griminger continued his work as the person in charge of planning, executing, and serving the brunch. We thank him so much for all of his hard work. He was ably assisted by his committee of kitchen and set-up helpers. We thank: Evelyn Griminger, Merle Shiffman, Pamela Cohen (who also bought and arranged the flowers for our centerpieces), Jody Wallace, Mark Wancket, Sari Wancket, Adam Porter, Sara Lieber, Len Lieberman and Julie Seidman. We also want to thank our bartenders Mark Snyder, Len Lieberman, and Michael Stern. Adam Porter served as our MC this year and did a great job of keeping things going in an orderly fashion. Thanks Adam.

We also thank Ozma Rahman for printing the tickets and keeping account of the sales and Gina Cihlar for setting up and working at the event.

Thanks to all of you who bought tickets and attended the brunch.

If we have inadvertently left anyone out, please let us know and we will thank you in the next bulletin.

Mark Wancket

Sari Miller Wancket

2017 Century Brunch Co-Chairs

Community News

CONDOLENCES

To **Erin Sabath and Stephen Seitz, Jud and Cathleen Sabath and Sarah and William Lee** on the passing of their mother and grandmother, Jojene Sabath

To **Vera Herst** on the passing of her father, Theodore Herst

MAZEL TOV

To **Sari and Mark Wancket** on the naming of their granddaughter, Aubrey Spriggs-Wancket

To **Pam and Ted LeBlang** on the birth of their granddaughter, Everly Allene Flynn

To **Mark Wancket** on his special birthday.

To **Stephen Seitz** on his special birthday

To **Harry Berman** on his special birthday

To **Anne Morgan and Saul Morse** on their 35th anniversary

SYNAGOGUE ETIQUETTE

**In order to preserve the sense of dignity and respect,
please adhere to the following :**

- Kippot must be worn by all males while in the Sanctuary.
- Upon entering the Sanctuary, please fill the front seats first.
- Please refrain from entering or leaving the Sanctuary, while the Ark is open and during the Mourners' Kaddish, the Amidah and Kedushah, the Haftorah, and the Rabbi's sermon. Your cooperation and silence at these times are appreciated.
- The ushers are here to insure that the proper measure of Kavana and Kavod (worshipful concentration and respect) are maintained. Your cooperation is appreciated.
- Children are asked not to run and to please use indoor voices. Parents are asked to supervise their children.
- Children between ages 9 and 13 may socialize in the empty classrooms, but are not to congregate in the hall.
- The small Sanctuary should not be used for play since it contains an Ark and Torah.
- At the end of the service, please remain at your seats until those on the bimah reach the back of the Sanctuary.
- Congregation Temple Israel is designated as a smoke-free environment.
- Please familiarize yourself with the various Sanctuary exits in case of emergency.

Tributes

GENERAL FUND

In Honor Of:

Aubrey Spriggs-Wancket by Sari & Mark Wancket
 Mark Wancket by Selma & Caleb Melamed
 Aubrey Spriggs-Wancket by Selma & Caleb Melamed
 Aubrey Spriggs-Wancket by Gayle & Charles Rabins
 Mark Wancket by Gayle & Charles Rabins
 Aubrey Spriggs-Wancket by Trudy & Cary Israel
 Mark Wancket "Papa Dude" by Trudy & Cary Israel
 Aubrey Spriggs-Wancket by Michael Stern
 Mark Wancket by Michael Stern

In Memory Of:

Jojene Sabath by Sari & Mark Wancket
 Gina Pew by Sari & Mark Wancket
 Dennis Israel by Selma & Caleb Melamed
 Stanley Stern by Grady Holley
 Jojene Sabath by Paula & Jerry Gruebel
 Jojene Sabath by Linda Lingle
 Jojene Sabath by Nancy & Pat Chesley
 Stanley Stern by Laurel Garber & Stan Gralnick
 Jojene Sabath by Yetta Marantz
 Stanley Stern by Fran & Mo Nagorsky

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Memory Of:

Jojene Sabath by Sharon & Mark Snyder

In Honor Of:

Sari & Mark Wancket's Double Simcha by Pam & Ted
 LeBlang
 Wanckets' Double Simcha by Sharon & Mark Snyder

FAMILY FUND

In Honor Of:

Julie Seidman's new home by Annette & Jerry Schwartz
 Anne Morgan & Saul Morse by Annette & Jerry
 Schwartz

BUILDING FUND

In Honor Of:

Mark Wancket by Rick & Evelyn Griminger
 Everly Allene Flynn by Rick & Evelyn Griminger

MUSIC FUND

In Memory Of:

Jojene Sabath by Joyce Lee
 Jojene Sabath by Chad Marschik /Body Symmetry
 Jojene Sabath by Grace & Peter Wenz
 Jojene Sabath by Reva & Bill Egberman

In Honor Of:

Mark Wancket by Vera Herst
 Aubrey Spriggs-Wancket by Vera Herst
 Aubrey Spriggs-Wancket by Beryl & Howard Feldman
 Mark Wancket "Papa Dude" by Beryl & Howard
 Feldman
 Mark Wancket by Annette & Jerry Schwartz
 Danny Weiss & Lizette Obana by Annette & Jerry
 Schwartz

Erin Sabath by Joyce Lee

Yahrzeits—September

2	Florence Levin
2	Esther Rose Rosenberg
3	Rubye Abramovitch
3	Leroy Goldman
3	Sylvia Nagorsky
4	Frank Hornstein
4	Bertha Liberman
5	Sadie Stern Goldman
6	Yetta Feuer
6	Leah Goldstein
7	Simon Cohn
7	Joseph Fishman
7	Rae Lieberman
8	Ronald Levine
8	Isidore Moses
9	Lillian Robinson
10	Albert Gubin
11	Joseph Barnett
11	Rose Fishman
12	Belle Feuer Brozgold
12	Charles Feldman
12	Allen A. Sweet
13	Hyman Perlmutter
14	Manny Levine
14	Harry Stein
15	Hinda Korish
16	Manny Lieberman
17	Sadie Laufer
18	Edith Rose Schwartz
18	Berdie Ichkowsky Shattel
19	Reuben Helfer
20	Max Ash
20	Phyllis Glauberman
20	Jacob Herman
20	Fannie Seigel
21	Sarah G. Cohen
23	Dr. Maurice Claman
23	Bernard Jacobson
24	Moses Goldstein
24	Moses Mayer Josephson
24	Hannah Belle Riseman
25	Ben R. Goldstein
26	Faye Stein Gordon
26	Leona Strum Marcus
27	Lynne Ash
27	Ralph Bass
28	Betty Lou Linder
29	Gustav Berle
30	Dr. Lawrence Schwartz

Community News

Sisterhood Tributes

In Honor of

Mark Wancket's Birthday
Jody & Joe Wallace

In Memory of

Jojene Sabath
Jody & Joe Wallace
Stanley Stern
Sandy & Barry Weiss
Dennis Israel
Sandy & Barry Weiss

Get Well Soon

Jackie Perlmutter
Sandy & Barry Weiss

Sisterhood News

Break-the-Fast

Yom Kippur and Break-the-Fast is quickly approaching and we need your help.

We need people to help set up the tables on Wednesday, September 27 at 10 am .

Please, call the Temple Office (546-2841) to let us know how you can help by Monday, September 25.

Thank you and L'shana Tova,

Beryl Feldman, Sandy Weiss and Grace Wenz



Sandy's Sisterhood Spiel

On Friday, August 25, 2017 Sisterhood held our Opening Meeting in conjunction with a Shira Shabbat Dinner. Since I am writing this article prior to the event I am unable to report on how wonderful it turned out! I hope all of you had the opportunity to attend.

We are fast approaching the High Holidays. Once again Sisterhood will host "Break the Fast". Beryl Feldman, Grace Wenz, and Sandy Weiss will be in charge of the event. They will be reaching out for help. We will be setting tables on Wednesday, September 27 at 10 am and preparing food platters on Friday, September 29 at 9am. Please call Temple Israel 546-2841 or Beryl Feldman 546-9574 if you can help.

Hopefully, everyone (old and new members) have sent in membership dues and updated information. If by chance you missed the deadline date of August 25, please do not hesitate to send in your dues (\$36) and personal information to Temple Israel 1140 W. Governor St. Springfield, IL 62704 and marking Sisterhood in the memo portion of your check.

Sunday, September 10, 2017 is the opening day for Sunday School. Sisterhood has agreed to provide refreshments for the students, parents, teachers, and Rabbis. If anyone would like to help with set up, serving, or providing dessert items, please call Sandy Weiss 529-9255.

Thank you to Lisa GoldbergBelle for making changes to our By-Laws. At Donor on June 11, 2017 Lisa presented a written summary of the By-Laws changes. A motion was made and seconded. The motion carried and was passed unanimously. The Temple Israel Sisterhood By-Laws can be found in our Sisterhood Membership Directory.

I am so looking forward to Sisterhood's 2017-2018 year. The Board is in the process of planning monthly events (3rd Thursday of the month). If you have any suggestions or ideas, please send them to me! I would love to hear from you!

Happy New Year!
Sandy Weiss



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