



July 2019

Student Rabbi Message July 2019

Chodesh tov from the town of Auschwitz.

I ease you all into July from a place of deep darkness and trauma. While I engage in this heavy visit to various concentration camps in Germany and Poland, our beautiful B'nai Israel community remains constantly on my mind. My past two weeks here analyzing the professional ethics of the Holocaust with a fellowship of seminary students of all different religions has been insightful, full of connection, and to say the least, challenging. Every moment, site of tragedy, and deathly statistic introduces new obstacles to attempt to overcome- as a rabbinical student, as a Jew, and most importantly, just as a human being. Just like my mention of the Or HaLev Silent Jewish Meditation Retreat in the June Bulletin, I know this journey will indubitably make its way into a myriad of sermons to come and I deeply look forward to sharing more of it with you all.

As we breach into the peak of summer, I can only hope each of your days are filled with enough light to outweigh all of the intense darkness here.

Now that it's July, I can say- see you next month!

Kol tov,

Student Rabbi Paige Lincenberg

Community Chaplain

Chaplain Larry Batchlear is available for Jewish Life-cycle events and can be reached at 352-7191

Business Office

Larry Batchlear (806-355-0023) or Bob Blinderman (806-372-9401)

Adult Education

Adult Education is on Summer Break and will resume in the Fall. The Fall semester will continue with the study of the book Turning Points in Jewish History.

Temple B'nai Israel newsletter is published monthly. Submissions for the newsletter are due the 23rd of the prior month. Send to:

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We welcome your contributions.

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Sisterhood Report

What We've Done This Year

- Presented new family members with “welcome baskets.”
- Sent gift packages to members who had surgeries.
- Welcomed Student Rabbi Paige Lincenberg at a luncheon at Jason’s Deli, followed by a tour and history of the Temple.
- Sponsored Rosh Hashanah Reception and Break-the-Fast.
- Hosted the Purim celebration.
- Published the Temple Directory– made over \$800.
- Hosted a reception at Amarillo College for the Maria Garzon concert.
- Polished silver.
- Purchased food for Oneg Shabbats and re-stocked the kitchen with supplies.
- Paid for piano tuner, tree trimmer, and pianist for Kol Nidre.
- Led several “mostly” English Shabbat services.

- Served on the Thanksgiving Gathering Committee.
- Sponsored an Oneg Shabbat and provided hospitality for Rabbi Ariel Sholkklapper weekend.
- Held two Challah fundraisers, earning a total of \$720.
- Held a Sisterhood luncheon in July and a “happy hour”/ meeting in March.
- Donated clothing to Martha’s Home.
- Held a Sisterhood Rosh Codesh service led by student Rabbi Paige Lincenberg at Kim Hooker’s home.

We have 27 active members. Membership is open to any woman who is committed to the goals and objectives of the Sisterhood, its congregation, B’nai Israel, and the Jewish community. Membership drive will begin in September. We hope you will renew your membership or become a member if you haven’t joined.

Thank you for your support!

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Thank you to Lisa Hunnicutt for heading up the Oneg Shabbat committee. Please call or text Lisa at 670.7137 to let her know when you will sponsor an Oneg Shabbat.

## Congregational Directory

The 2019-20 Temple Congregational Directory will be published by the Sisterhood and distributed to Temple members on Rosh Hashana.

Last year’s profits from the directory ads helped the Sisterhood support the Temple. We hope that you will continue

to support this project by renewing your ad or placing a new ad in this year’s directory.

Also, please ask a merchant that you do business with to place an ad in the directory. One commercial ad from each Temple family will double our profits.

Thank you,  
The Sisterhood

## Temple B’nai Israel Sisterhood DIRECTORY AD FORM

Thank you for advertising in our directory. The fee for an ad is as follows:

|                 |                        |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| <b>\$25.00</b>  | <b>quarter page ad</b> |
| <b>\$50.00</b>  | <b>half page ad</b>    |
| <b>\$100.00</b> | <b>full page ad</b>    |

Please complete the following:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach ad copy here: Note: if same as last year, mark “same”

Please indicate the size ad you are purchasing.

For assistance on ad copy, please contact Mary Blinderman at 372-9401.

**DEADLINE IS AUGUST 23, 2019.**

Please make checks to Temple B’nai Israel Sisterhood.

**Check enclosed.**

Yes  No

**Please bill me.**

Yes  No

**Return to:**

Temple B’nai Israel  
4316 Albert  
Amarillo, Texas 79106  
Attn: Mary Blinderman

## President's Message July 2019

Friends:

I hope everyone is having a blessed summer! Yesterday, we had the Temple Annual meeting. The meeting invoked 2 words to my mind: Optimism and Opportunity.

### **Optimism:**

**Attendance:** We had twice as many attendees at this year's meeting compared to last year. This year, we invited non-member guests, who are regular attendees of Temple events. They were welcomed to audit the meeting, although they could not vote on issues. (One of the non-member attendees tendered a membership application at the end of the meeting! Yippee!!)

**Budget:** We actually met our budget this year! Well, technically, we exceeded our budget, as our budget last year was anticipated as roughly \$-1200; yes, that is a negative number, and I said, "and we were OK with that?????" This year, we actually covered our expenditures and had a little money left over. (Don't get too excited, as we have some building damages that we need to address, but at least we have the money for the repairs and do not, yet again, have to borrow from our rapidly depleting savings.) Our Budget and Finance committee reported that 100% of last year's Members in Good Standing had fulfilled their dues commitment for this past fiscal year 2018-2019!! I hope all members will renew their dues commitment at our membership drive next month, as well as continue tzedakah donations to the Temple.

**Board members:** All the trustees currently serving on the Temple board agreed to return for another term, and the Nominating committee approved that slate. The trustees were unanimously approved by the Temple members at the Annual meeting. This board has achieved a lot in the past year: website, newsletter, balanced the budget, FEMA security grant application, replaced trees, re-signed our student rabbi Paige for a second year, and much more! There has been great momentum with this board, and I am confident that this will continue next year.

**Membership:** The Membership committee reported that we gained 2 new members in the past year! (And, as previously mentioned, we received a new membership application at the Annual meeting.)

**House:** We have cut down dead trees and planted new ones. We have submitted quotes in our FEMA grant application to include more lights around the building, as well as updated security cameras and doorbell cams. We are planning a workday to clean out the rose garden and paint the storage shed. We do have some leakage around the building due to water accumulation, and we have some bids to consider for installing rain gutters.

**Sisterhood:** Our Sisterhood is very active! They have had many meetings and social gatherings. They have provided receptions for several events. They have had 2 challah fund-

raisers and are currently beginning their biggest fundraiser, Temple directory ad sales. Please support this project! Sisterhood is a backbone for the Temple! They support the Temple in many Temple activities and projects with both financial backing and womanpower!

**Religious Practices & Pulpit:** We are very excited that Rabbi Paige Lincenberg will return for a second year!! Her first weekend visit will be August 9-11. We will have lay services every other Friday/ Shabbat during the summer at 7 p.m., and we have service leaders committed for all of those Shabbat services.

**Adult Education:** Our Adult Ed class on Sunday mornings was enjoyed by many regular attendees. The class will resume when Rabbi Paige is here on August 11. Watch for more information later in the summer.

**Religious School:** We have children meeting with Rabbi Paige for Hebrew lessons and pre-Bar/Bat Mitzvah training. These children are also attending Jewish summer camp. One of the goals of the Temple board for this year is to re-activate the Danny Schwartz committee to help fund our children who attend Jewish summer camps. Additionally, Archie Hunnicutt informed us that he also teaches Hebrew. Anyone interested can email the Temple and we will forward your email to him.

Whew! That is a lot of activity!!!

### **Opportunity:**

--There was discussion at the meeting on how we can best serve ALL the Jews in our area. This will be a topic of on-going meetings through the upcoming year.

--Two of our young mothers suggested having a regular Sunday morning class for our children, including very young children. Ideas included Bible stories and art projects. It is an opportunity for our older children to read to the younger ones. We may also have a Tot-Shabbat once a month. Watch for more details as this great idea unfolds!

--We have an oneg coordinator! Lisa Hunnicutt has agreed to coordinate oneg host/hostesses to be sure we have a nice oneg after every service, and we do not have several people hosting the same oneg due to poor communication. Thank you, Lisa,!!! If you are interested in hosting an oneg, email the Temple with your information, and what date you would like to host.

I thank each of you for your support, your participation, your donations, and your kind words of encouragement over the past year. I am happy to lead such wonderful people, and I will continue to try hard to exceed your expectations of me as your President. I am eager to see what greatness we can accomplish together over the next year!

See you at the Temple!

With love and gratitude,

Candy

## Yahrzeits For July

### **July 28**

Hymie Shiller 7/1  
\*Rebecca Steinberg 7/2  
\*Sophia Heend 7/2  
\*Gladys Guggenheim 7/2  
Edythe Lipman Schwartz 7/2  
Jack I. Bakwin 7/3

### **July 5**

\*Grace Anisman 7/5  
Normal Levick 7/6  
\*Nettie Unger 7/7  
\*Sam Goldstein 7/8  
Joseph Sisson 7/8  
\*Rachel Wartell (26 Tamuz) July 29,  
2019  
\*Lena Silverman Glass 7/11  
Maurice B. Brown 7/10  
Evelyn Berg 7/11  
Fannie Ellis 7/12  
Stanley Hammer 7/12  
Eva Reese  
Vera Wolinski

### **July 12**

Milton Schneider 7/14  
\*Rebecca Kurtzman 7/16  
Dr. George Lipsky 7/17  
\*Nathan Jacobson 7/18  
\*Dr. Arthur Blum, Rabbi 7/18  
Milton Schneider 7/14  
Anna Metz 7/15  
Dr. George Lipsky 7/17/2015  
Dr. Herbert Wiseblood 7/19

Lillian Saxe 7/19  
Elaine Gelbart (7 Av) August 8, 2019  
Vera Louise Wilson 7/20  
Herman Gold  
Nancy L. Faris  
Israel Taylor  
Abraham Mogelson  
Louis J. Alexander  
Dr. Harold Jacob Reese

### **July 19**

\*Louis Feferman 7/22  
Tommy Assiter 7/22  
Anne Klein 7/22  
\*Charles Wolfson 7/23  
Ethel Solomon 7/24  
Leon Schiffman 7/25  
Sadie Blank 7/25  
\*Minnie Leder 7/26  
Sid Raub  
Isabelle Strumsky  
Rosina Kinzit  
Morris Ruback  
Jake Bagelman

### **July 26**

\*Hilda Mayer Seliger 7/30  
Marion Feldinger 7/30  
Stephen Gens 7/31  
\*Wolf Herring 8/2  
\*Pauline Weinberger 8/3  
Corinne Solomon 8/2  
Daniel Raffkind 8/2  
Dr. Jack Ziffer 8/3  
Bobby Rasor

## **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

Thank you to all our donors for your continued support! (as of June 25, 2019)

### **General Fund**

In Support of Temple B'nai Israel

*Anonymous*

*David Needham*

### **TREE OF LIFE FUND**

In memory of Carolyn  
and George Lipsky

*Candy Alpar*

In memory of Armin  
and Elizabeth Meller

*Janet Meller*

## **JULY BIRTHDAYS**

7/8 Karen Schroeder

7/9 Andrew Alpar

7/9 Harriette Tallert

7/10 Mary Schneider

7/12 Eileen Pan

7/13 Linda Goldstein

7/14 Laura Duman Yarvis

7/15 George Raffkind

7/17 Katie Campbell Wilkenfeld

7/18 Adam Schaer

7/20 Jonathan Tallert

7/22 Lisa Hunnicutt

7/29 Simone Laura Kohn

*The "\*" indicates individuals whose names are on the Yahrzeit boards in the sanctuary.*

If any member would like to add a name to the monthly yahrzeit list, please send the name, date of yahrzeit and your relationship to [BnailsraelAmarillo.org](mailto:BnailsraelAmarillo.org), Attn: Mary Blinderman. Thank you.

## **JULY ANNIVERSARIES**

7/3 Dyana and Barry Duman

## July Service Leaders

July 12

*Janet Meller*

July 26

*Mary Blinderman*

## COOKBOOK CORNER



### Fritzie's Kugel

1 lb. broad noodles, cooked and drained

1/4 lb. margarine or butter, melted and stirred into drained noodles

Add: 3/4 c. sugar

1 T. vanilla

16 oz. cottage cheese

1 pt. sour cream

8 oz. whole milk

1/2 box (15 oz) golden raisins

4 lg. eggs, beaten and folded into above mixture.

Turn into an oiled 11 X 13 pan and bake at 450 degrees for 10 min.

Turn heat down to 300 degrees for 1 hr. 20 min.

Great hot, warm or cold!

*Fritzie Berk was a beloved member of the Temple from 2002 to 2009.*

*(Thank you to Karen Schroeder for sharing this recipe.)*

## Weekly Parsha ~ July

### Korach: Numbers 16:1 – 18:32

July 5, 2019

Korach and his followers, Dathan and Abiram, lead a rebellion against the leadership of Moses and Aaron. God punishes the rebels by burying them and their families alive.

A plague is stopped by Aaron's offering of ketoret (incense). Aaron's staff miraculously blossoms and brings forth almonds, to prove that his designation as high priest is divinely ordained.

The Kohanim (priests) and Levites are established and assigned the responsibility of managing the donations to the Sanctuary.

### Chukat: Numbers 19:1 – 22:1

July 12, 2019

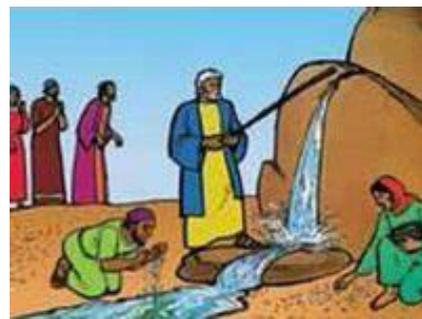
The laws of the red heifer to purify a person who has had contact with a corpse are given.

The people arrive at the wilderness of Zin. Miriam dies and is buried there.

The people complain that they have no water. Moses strikes the rock to get water for them. God tells Moses and Aaron they will not enter the Land of Israel.

Aaron dies at Hor Hahar and is succeeded in the high priesthood by his son Eleazer.

After they are punished for complaining about the lack of bread and water, the Israelites repent and are victorious in battle against the Amorites and the people of Bashan, whose land they capture.



### Balak: Numbers 22:2 – 25:9

July 19, 2019

Balak, the king of Moab, summons the prophet Balaam to curse the Israelites so that he can defeat them and drive them out of the region. On the way, Balaam is berated by his donkey, who sees, before Balaam does, the angel that G-d sends to block their way. Three times Balaam attempts to pronounce his curses; each time, the Israelites are blessed instead.

G-d punishes the Israelites with a plague for consorting with the Moabite women and their god. The plague is stayed after Pinchas kills an Israelite man and his Midianite woman.

### Pinchas: Numbers 25:10 – 30:1

July 26, 2019

Arron's grandson Pinchas is rewarded for killing the Israelite and the Midianite woman who cursed God.

Israel fights a war against the Midianites.

A second census is taken.

The five daughters of Zelophehad petition Moses that they be granted the portion of the land belonging to their father, who died without sons: G-d accepts their claim and incorporates it into the Torah's laws of inheritance.

Joshua is chosen to be Moses' successor and to lead the people into the land of Israel.

The sacrificial ritual for all festival occasions is described in detail.

## July Calendar

### **\*NOTE SUMMER SCHEDULE**

Sunday, July 2

Yom Yerushalayim

**\*Friday, July 19**

Parsha Balak

NO SHABBAT SERVICES

Thursday, July 4

Rosh Codesh Tammuz

Sunday, July 21

Board of Trustees Meeting

11 a.m. Brunch at Cask & Cork

**\*Friday, July 5**

Parsha Korach

NO SHABBAT SERVICES

**\*Friday, July 26**

Parsha Pinchas

7:00 p.m. SHABBAT SERVICES

Mary Blinderman leads Shabbat  
service

**\*Friday, July 12**

Parsha Chukat

7:00 p.m. SHABBAT SERVICES

Janet Meller leads Shabbat  
service

Words of Wisdom by Rabbi Yitzhak Breitowitz

See link: <https://youtu.be/8BuyU5EdVas>

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