



### 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)

### Sisterhood

Celebrate a birthday, anniversary, or any special occasion by sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat. To host an Oneg Shabbat, please contact Mary Blinderman at bobbli@arn.net

### Adult Education

The assignments from *Turning Points in Jewish History* for the remainder of the Spring 2019 semester are:

May 5: Ch. 13, pp. 153-166

May 12: Ch. 14, pp. 167-181

May 19: Ch. 15, pp. 182-194

May 26: Ch. 16, pp. 195-209

After May 26th the Adult Education Class will be on Summer vacation until the Fall semester begins.

## May 2019

### Student Rabbi Message May 2019

Chodesh tov, chaverim!

Hope you all enjoyed a beautiful Pesach, exploring some of our themes of liberation, ancestral connection, and mindful nourishment. Though the chag (holiday) has now concluded, often some of our deepest insights tend to fall upon us post-holiday, as we process and decompress. I hope these next few weeks prove to be just as meaningful for us all.

I cannot believe my first academic year with all of you has now come to an end, but I am deeply looking forward to joining you all again soon. Thank you so much for such a fruitful year with you all- from the sanctuary to the classroom to even Hodgetown. I am so grateful for the open space you have all provided for me for sacred exploration and experimentation within both Tefillah (prayer service) and our learning sessions. I have been so pleasantly surprised by your interest and acceptance of me weaving both meditation and themes of nature into our spiritual time together and I look forward to pursuing that even further with you all in our time to come. Lastly, I am in constant awe of what a dedicated and energetic community you have all fostered. You inspire me every day and I am so appreciative to be taking the first dive into my rabbinate with such a beautiful kehillah.

I hope the energy of summer contributes to and enhances any personal journeys you may be embarking on, whether physical journeys, spiritual, or emotional. Nesiya tova!

Today rabah (Thank you dearly),  
Student Rabbi Paige Lincenberg

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## May Service Leaders

**May 3rd**

*Sisterhood*

**May 10**

*Alex Rimmel*

**May 17**

*Archie Hunnicutt*

**May 24**

*NO SERVICE*

**May 31**

*Larry Batchlear*

## President's Message May 2019

Greetings to all! I hope everyone had a blessed Passover! Sincere thanks to JoAnn Holt and her committee for another beautiful Temple Seder! For those who could not attend, our social hall was filled with Temple members and their guests, chatting and enjoying delicious Pesach food. We all listened with delight as our children performed a skit to tell us the story of Passover. We were blessed with Carol Bakwin's vocal talents, chanting the traditional melodies of the Passover service, while Mary Blinderman accompanied her on piano. We closed our Seder with "Next year in Jerusalem!" Again, this year, we had close to 100 people in attendance! It was truly a blessing to participate in this annual event! If you were not able to be there, you missed out! Make a commitment to join us next year!

This month we also enjoyed our visit from our student rabbi, Paige Lincenberg. A large group of us took her to a Sod Poodles game, and as Bob said, we froze our "tuchus" off! Despite the cold, we had a great time together.

Rabbi Paige discussed Psalm 51:12 during her visit, which I have been tossing around in my head ever since:

"Lev tahor berali Elohim, veruach nakhon chadesh bekirbi"

"A pure heart, create in me God, and a steady spirit, renew inside me."

How can we learn to live with a pure heart and a steady spirit inside? I have been thinking about this since our Torah study on Saturday!

(To briefly digress):

Our monthly Temple board meeting last week included discussion about the Temple's annual meeting and elections. Where has this past year gone???? I can't believe I am entering my second year as your Board President! Last year at Rosh Hashanah, I had a dreaded task: to deliver a dark and dreary President's address. I predicted gloom and doom for our beloved Temple IF the congregation did not make significant changes FAST! I asked you to help me "save our Temple."

It occurs to me that our efforts to save our Temple demonstrate "Lev tahor," "a pure heart and right spirit." What better way to show that than to work together to save our Jewish home, our place to worship and revere God!

During the Seder, I explained why we always end with "Next year in Jerusalem." I related that "Jerusalem" is not just a city, a geographic location. Getting to "Jerusalem" represents our spiritual journey, like that of our ancestors, from bondage/restrictions/obstacles, to a place of goodness and generosity.

So, my friends, I ask you to continue to travel to "Jerusalem," with "lev tahor," a pure heart. Continue on this journey with the Temple Board and me, as we all work together to save our Temple!

I look forward to entering my second year as your President!

See you at the Temple!

With love and gratitude,

Candy

News, reports, information and other articles can be sent to the Temple email:

[bnaiisraelamarillo@gmail.com](mailto:bnaiisraelamarillo@gmail.com)

Attn: Mary Blinderman

*We welcome your contributions.*

## Tree of Life Fund

Neal B. Scott generously donated to the Tree of Life Fund by purchasing four leaves.

One leaf is in honor of Dorothy J. Shapiro, mother;

One leaf is in honor of Abraham Shapiro, grandfather;

One leaf is in honor of Belle Shapiro, aunt; and

One leaf is in honor of Linda Lou Hines, mother to Angie.

## Yahrzeits For May

### **May 3**

\*Dr. J.W. Klapman 5/4  
\*Jack Weinberger 5/4  
\*Louis Seliger 5/5  
Marie Hernandez 5/5  
Samuel Kaplan 5/5  
Israel "Buck" Altman 5/5  
\*Dr. Sam J. Aronson 5/6  
Marty Steiman 5/6  
Charles Doughten 5/7  
Beatrice Wilkenfeld 5/7  
\*Bruce Allen Leder 5/8  
\*Johanna Arnold 5/10  
Faye Taylor  
Irma Wyant  
Michael Wyant II  
David Harelik  
Kate G. Alexander  
Tzvi Hirsch ben Shmuel HaCohen  
Duman  
Barry Berchenko  
Clara Teutsch

### **May 10**

\*Pearl Herring Gilbert 5/11  
\*Teddy Spector 5/11  
William Heyman 5/11  
\*Moe Gimp 5/12  
Ruth G. Bakwin 5/12  
\*Dena Levick 5/13  
\*Mary Mayer 5/13  
\*Lorraine Cohen 5/15  
William D. Sorenson 5/15  
\*Hedwig Wormser 5/16  
\*Gussie Gold 5/18  
\*Barbara Hickman 5/18  
Pauline Gordon 5/18  
Dina Bassman  
Arthur Teutsch  
Martha Wexall

### **May 17**

Ailene Glatter 5/19  
\*Edna Ruth Fair Ellis 5/23  
\*Marie Sherman 5/23  
\*Jack C. Lerner 5/24  
\*Samuel Pelz 5/26  
\*Otto Josef Baruch (15 Iyar) May 20,  
2019  
Mary Francis Weir 5/21  
Dr. Manley Cohen 5/23  
Beverly Wolpert 5/23  
Minnie H. Stern 5/23  
Sylvia Rothstein 5/25  
Sid Raub

### **May 24**

Sidney Berk 5/26  
\*Mayna Silverman 5/26  
\*Max Cohen 5/27  
\*Benjamin Goldberg 5/29  
\*Gaston Emil Baer 5/30  
Irene Steiman (26 Iyar) May 31, 2019  
Walter Rasor 5/30  
Robert Kaplan 5/31  
Albert Miller 5/31  
Katherine Berman

### **May 31**

\*Louis Altman 6/3  
Bessie Rasor 6/3  
\*Sam Herman 6/4  
\*Minnie Lee Solnick 6/6  
\*Louis Gold 6/7  
Rhoda Shapiro 6/7  
Tillie Kaplan 6/7  
\*Jack Duman 6/8  
Heinz Jacob 6/8  
Sally Chartoff  
Eloise Wolf  
Max Bassman

*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 bnaiisraelamarillo@gmail.com -- Attn: Mary Blinderman. Thank you.

## Our Thoughtful Contributors

General Fund  
*Anonymous*  
A Speedy Recovery  
for Allan Adelman  
*Henrietta Kohn*

## In Honor of the Birthdays of

Ben Schachter  
Mary Blinderman  
Paige Lincenberg  
Candy Alpar  
*Henrietta Kohn*

## In Honor of Anniversaries

Janet Meller and Joel Kaplan  
Lisa and Archie Hunnicutt  
*Henrietta Kohn*

## Tree of Life Fund

Jo Ann Holt for outstanding  
support of the Temple  
*Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood*

Honoring Mary Blinderman  
*Bob Blinderman*

## In Loving Memory of

Dr. J. W. Klapman  
Hannah Bluhm  
Dr. Nathan Welcher  
Jack Weinberger  
*Henrietta Kohn*

## Birthdays

5/1 Matthew Seliger  
5/3 Anthony Rodriguez  
5/5 Dr. Bruce Weinberger  
5/17 Glenna Raffkind  
5/18 Noreen Modery  
5/21 Daniel Rappaport  
5/27 Ellen Rothkrug  
5/28 Pat Reily  
6/4 Robert Holt  
6/5 Joel Kaplan

## Anniversaries

5/9 Scottye and Sam Kohn

## Weekly Parsha ~ May

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### **Acharei Mot II: Lev. 18:1 – 30**

May 3, 2019

In this Parsha, Moses condemns the sexual practices of some neighboring peoples. Certain forms of sexual relations are prohibited.

### **Kedoshim: Lev. 19:1 – 20:27**

May 10, 2019

The Parsha of Kedoshim begins with the statement: “You shall be holy, for I, the Eternal your G-d, am holy.” (Leviticus 19:1-2) This is followed by dozens of mitzvot (divine commandments) including prohibition against idolatry, the mitzvah of charity, honesty in business, honor of one’s parents, and the sacredness of life.

This Parsha contains what Rabbi Akiva called a cardinal principle of Torah, and of which Hillel said, “This is the entire Torah, the rest is commentary” – “love your fellow as yourself.”

## Yom HaShoah

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Yom HaShoah also known as Holocaust Remembrance Day commemorates the lives and heroism of Jewish people who died in the Holocaust between 1933 and 1945. It is observed on the 27th of the month of Nisan which is

### **Emor: Lev. 21:1 – 24 :23**

May 17, 2019

Laws regulating the lives and sacrifices of the priests are presented.

The set times of the Jewish calendar are named and described: the sabbath, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and the Pilgrimage Festivals of Pesach, Shavuot, and Sukkot.

Laws dealing with profanity, murder, and the maiming of others are outlined.

### **Behar: Lev. 25:1 – 26:2**

May 24, 2019

G-d instructs Moses to tell the Israelites that in every seventh year, the land shall observe a Sabbath of complete rest: Fields should not be sown, and vines should not be pruned. Seven Sabbatical cycles are followed by a fiftieth year—the Jubilee year. All the land that had been sold during that time should be returned to its original owners and slaves are to be freed. Additional laws governing the sale of lands, and the prohibitions against fraud and usury are described.

### **Bechukotai: Lev. 26:3 – 27:34**

May 31, 2019

G-d promises blessings to the Children of Israel if they follow the law and warns about the curses that will befall the people if they do not observe God’s commandments.

Gifts made to the Sanctuary whether by conditional vows or by unconditional acts of pious gratitude are discussed.

Thursday, May 2nd this year. Many Jewish communities hold commemorative events to remember Holocaust victims. Activities include lighting memorial candles and reciting the Kaddish.

# Sisterhood

## Are you ready a delicious Challah?

On May 10th the Sisterhood will have the 2nd Challah fundraiser! Cost per challah is \$10 for pickup and we offer free delivery within Amarillo. We will have three recipes again: Lisa's Plain Challah, Alex's Cinnamon Raisin Challah and Michelle's Whole Wheat Challah. Please mail your forms/payment in by **May 6th**.

If you are interested in volunteering with baking or delivering, please email Alexandra Rimmel at: a.k.rimmel@hotmail.com. We will be doing this in shifts:

- **Dough making**
- **Braiding, and**
- **Baking/packaging.**

Proceeds will go the Sisterhood Fund.

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## Challah Order Form

Description	Quantity	Price	Total
Plain		\$10	
Cinnamon Raisin		\$10	
Whole Wheat		\$10	

Grand Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Pick Up (and/or) Delivery

*Free Delivery within Amarillo*

Delivery Address			
First Name:		Last Name:	
Address:		City:	
Phone:			
Quantity/Type (From Above)			

*Payment Information (For Office Use):*

Payment Type:	Check	Cash
Payment Received:		
Check Number:		

*Checks Payable To: Temple B'nai Israel Sisterhood  
Please mail form to: 4316 Albert, Amarillo, TX 79106*

## May Calendar

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### Thursday, May 2

Yom HaShoah  
12th day of the Omer

### Friday, May 3

Parsha Acharei Mot II  
7:00 p.m. Sisterhood leads Rosh Codesh  
Services  
13th day of the Omer

### Sunday, May 5

10:30 a.m. Adult Education  
Rosh Chodesh Iyyar  
15th day of the Omer

### Friday, May 10

Parsha Kedoshim  
7:00 p.m. Alex Rimmel leads services  
20th day of the Omer

### Sunday, May 12

10:30 a.m. Adult Education  
22nd day of the Omer

### Wednesday, May 15

7:00 p.m. Board of Trustees Meeting

### Friday, May 17

Parsha Emor  
7:00 p.m. Archie Hunnicutt leads services  
27th day of the Omer

### Sunday, May 19

10:30 a.m. Adult Education  
29th day of the Omer

### Thursday, May 23

Lag BaOmer  
33rd day of the Omer

### Friday, May 24

Parsha Behar  
NO SHABBAT SERVICE  
34th day of the Omer

### Sunday, May 26

10:30 a.m. Adult Education  
36th day of the Omer

### Friday, May 31

Parsha Bechukotai  
7:00 p.m. Larry Batchlear leads services  
41st day of the Omer