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THE TIFERETH ISRAEL FORUM

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Congregation Tifereth Israel Spotlight
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Cantor Jack Chamsky

38 Years of Music, Service & Leadership
May 1-4, 2020



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Inclusion Shabbat

March 6 | 7:00 pm & April 3 | 7:30 pm

A warm and meaningful Kabbalat Shabbat for people and families with special needs. All are welcome. For more information, contact Helen Miller at 614-236-4764.

Boker Tov Shabbat

March 7 & April 4 | 11:00 am

A special Shabbat celebration for children up to age 5 and their grown-ups. For more information, contact Morgan at 614-928-3286 or mlevin@tiferethisrael.org.

Shabbat Neshamah

March 20 & April 17 | 5:30 pm

Each month, nurture your spirit with a Kabbalat Shabbat filled with singing, poetry, prayer, and meditation.

Anniversary Shabbat

March 21 & April 18 | 9:30 am

Each month, congregants celebrating a wedding anniversary are invited onto the bimah during Shabbat morning services for the honor of an aliyah and a sweet gift.

Learners' Service

April 18 | 9:30 am

Explore the text and melodies of the Shabbat morning service, with discussion, learning, and singing.

Shabbat Clubhouse

Every Saturday | 10:30 am | The Pit

Children in kindergarten through grade six are invited to an all-new, interactive Shabbat experience designed just for them, including leadership opportunities, synagogue skills, fun activities with friends, great prizes, and more. No registration or membership required.

Daily Services

Sunday	9:00 am & 5:30 pm
Monday - Thursday	7:30 am & 5:30 pm
Friday	7:30 am & 6:00 pm*

Rosh Chodesh

March 26	7:20 am & 5:30 pm
April 24	7:20 am & 6:00 pm
April 25 (Shabbat)	9:30 am

*NEW TIME starting March 13

Shabbat Service Schedule

T'tzaveh - Shabbat Zachor/Sisterhood & Men's Club Shabbat March 6-7/11 Adar

Friday Evening Service	5:30 pm
Shabbat Begins/Light Candles	6:12 pm
Inclusion Shabbat	7:00 pm
Shabbat Warmup – ShabbaTunes	9:00 am
Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 am
Shabbat Clubhouse	10:30 am
Boker Tov Shabbat	11:00 am
Shabbat Ends/Havdalah	7:13 pm

Ki Tissa - Shabbat Parah

Friday Evening Service	
Shabbat Begins/Light Candles	7:19 pm
Shabbat Warmup – Torah Talks	9:00 am
Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 am
Shabbat Clubhouse	10:30 am
Israel Discussion Group	12:30 pm
Shabbat Ends/Havdalah	8:20 pm

March 13-14/18 Adar

6:00 pm*

Vayakhel-P'kudei - Shabbat HaChodesh

Shabbat Neshamah: Friday Evening Mindfulness Service	6:00 pm*
Shabbat Begins/Light Candles	7:27 pm
Shabbat Warmup – Mah Chadash: What's News in Israel	9:00 am
Shabbat Morning Service - Anniversary Shabbat	9:30 am
Shabbat Clubhouse	10:30 am
Shabbat Ends/Havdalah	8:28 pm

March 20-21/25 Adar

6:00 pm*

Vayikra

Friday Evening Service	
Shabbat Begins/Light Candles	7:34 pm
Shabbat Warmup – Torah Talks	9:00 am
Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 am
Shabbat Clubhouse	10:30 am
Shabbat Ends/Havdalah	8:35 pm

March 27-28/3 Nisan

6:00 pm*

Tzav - Shabbat HaGadol

Friday Evening Service	
Shabbat Begins/Light Candles	7:41 pm
Shabbat Warmup – ShabbaTunes	9:00 am
Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 am
Shabbat Clubhouse	10:30 am
Boker Tov Shabbat	11:00 am
Shabbat Ends/Havdalah	8:42 pm

April 3-4/10 Nisan

6:00 pm*

Shabbat Chol Hamoed Pesach

Friday Evening Service	
Shabbat Begins/Light Candles	7:48 pm
Inclusion Shabbat	7:00 pm
Shabbat Warmup – Torah Talks	9:00 am
Shabbat Morning Service - Anniversary Shabbat	9:30 am
Shabbat Clubhouse	10:30 am
Israel Discussion Group	12:30 pm
Shabbat Ends/Havdalah	8:49 pm

April 10-11/17 Nisan

6:00 pm*

Sh'mini

Friday Evening Service	
Shabbat Begins/Light Candles	7:55 pm
Shabbat Warmup – Mah Chadash: What's News in Israel	9:00 am
Shabbat Morning Service - Mirabella Tempesta Bat Mitzvah	9:00 am
Shabbat Clubhouse	10:30 am
Learners' Service - NEW!	9:30 am
Shabbat Ends/Havdalah	8:56 pm

April 17-18/24 Nisan

6:00 pm*

Tazria-M'tzora - Rosh Chodesh

Shabbat Neshamah: Friday Evening Mindfulness Service	6:00 pm*
Shabbat Begins/Candle Lighting	8:02 pm
Shabbat Warmup – Torah Talks	9:00 am
Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 am
Shabbat Clubhouse	10:30 am
Shabbat Ends/Havdalah	9:03 pm

April 24-25/1 Iyar

6:00 pm*

B'nei Mitzvah



Mirabella Natalia Tempesta will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on Saturday, April 18, 2020. Mirabella is the daughter of Alla & Roberto Tempesta, the younger sister of Nico Tempesta, and the granddaughter of Adel & Fred Magaziner and Liliana & Armando Tempesta.

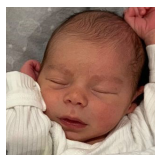
Mirabella is a 7th grade student at New Albany Middle School and attends the Samuel M. Melton Religious School. She received her bat mitzvah instruction from Cantor Jack Chomsky and Michelle Aminov-Tobin. Mirabella plays field hockey, actively participates in her school's student council, and takes great care of her hedgehog, Luna.

Adel & Fred Magaziner cordially invite relatives, friends, and members of the congregation to worship with them and join them on this happy occasion for a kiddush luncheon in honor of Mirabella at the conclusion of services.

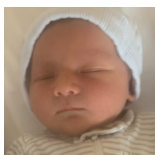
Mazal Tov!

To proud parents Jessica & Agam Melmed on the birth of their son, Isaac Layne Melmed.

To Rochelle & Randy Topolosky and Ruthetta Topolosky on the engagement of their daughter and granddaughter, Jessica Topolosky to Josh Kopp.



Emmett



Aya

To proud grandparents Wendy & Rob Cohen on the birth of their grandson, Emmett Daniel Cohen, and their granddaughter, Aya Simone Cohen.

To proud grandparents Jan & Mike Price on the birth of their grandson, Solomon "Shlomi" Donald Morgan.

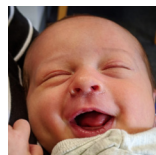
To proud grandparents Ruth & Joe Sniderman on the birth of their granddaughter, Willa Rose Sniderman.



Eliana

To proud parents Dr. Sara Singer & Jonathan Azoff on the naming of their daughter, Eliana Zenia Azoff.

To proud great grandparents Ettagail & Jack Shatz on the birth of their great granddaughter, Miriam E. Levison.



Shlomi



Miriam

New Members

We are pleased to welcome those who joined the Tifereth Israel family between July 1 and December 31, 2019:

Dr. Lauren Brandon
Shain Bergman
Nora Daniel
Julie & Dr. Daniel Diaz
Lisa & Danny Dragin & Family
Gail Gross Brown & Ken Brown
Stacy Grossman & Adam Gurevitz & Family
Melissa & Jeff Leon & Family
Jordan Miller
Marie & Phillip Needham
Sue & Mike Podell
Hallie & Dr. Andrew Reaven
Shara & Adam Reiss & Family
Carolyn & Evan Remer & Family

Carrie Rittenhouse
Joy & Tom Rockhold
Meryl Scher & Michael Davis & Family
Will Sellheim & Tony Heaphy
Craig Harris Shapiro
Leslie Bullock & Tom Shaferstein
Graziella Siebesian
Laura Rooney & Josh Siegel
Dr. Sara Singer & Jonathan Azoff & Family
Julie Tilson Stanley & Matt Stanley
Taylor Waters & Jesse Lyon & Family

Office Closings

The Tifereth Israel offices will be closed the following days in observance of Passover. If you have an emergency, please call a member of the clergy team directly.

- Wednesday, April 8 @ 1:00 pm
- Thursday, April 9
- Friday, April 10
- Tuesday, April 14 @ 3:00 pm
- Wednesday, April 15
- Thursday, April 16

Milestone Anniversaries

January

Andrew & Rachel Abeles	10
Lanny & Chelsea Rubin	5

February

Gregory & Alicia Munster	15
Evan & Carolyn Remer	5

March

David & Susan Chijner	40
Leon & Elaine Pollack	40
Lee & Stacy Rosenthal	35
Charles & Barbara Schaefer	25
Tiffany & Desmond Shipp	10

April

Norman & Susan Brusk	55
Chris & Sara Zeigler	20
Joshua & Stephanie Goldberg	15
Andrew & Erin Samuels	10

Todah Rabah!

The congregation is grateful for the sponsorship of Shabbat kiddush on:

Saturday, January 18, by **David & Barbara Gurevitz** in honor of Emma Gurevitz's bat mitzvah in Israel.

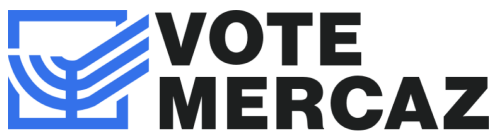
Saturday, January 25, by the **Tifereth Israel Jewish Learning Committee**.

Saturday, February 15, by the **Azoff family** in honor of the birth of their daughter, Eliana Zenia Azoff.

Saturday, February 8, by **Emmie Cheses & Dan Jones** in honor of Aaron Jones becoming a bar mitzvah.

Saturday, February 22, by **Linda Goldberg** in honor of her grandson, Spencer Goldberg, becoming a bar mitzvah.

Saturday, February 29, by **Doug Luper, Wendy Luper, and Betsy & Mark Schaffer** in honor of Michael Luper becoming a bar mitzvah.



The Conservative Movement - Slate #6

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Purim & Passover: Two Celebrations Worlds Apart

Rabbi Alex Braver | abraver@tiferethisrael.org



Purim and Pesach are separated by just one month on the Hebrew calendar — but when it comes to their meaning, it can feel like they are separated by so much more.

Sure, both holidays commemorate narrow escapes from destruction, one by the Persians and the other by the Egyptians. But our Purim celebrations are raucous and wild, with noisemakers, carnivals, and maybe even some adult beverages. Pesach is joyous, too, but in a more restrained way, as we sit and tell the story of the Exodus from Egypt — and though there may be four glasses (or sips) of wine, their effect tends to be more symbolic than inebriating.

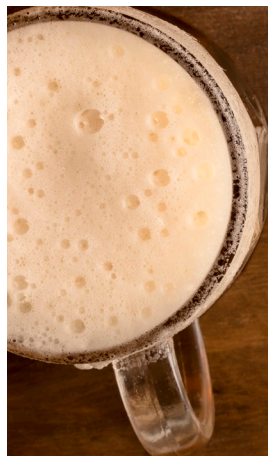
The narratives, too, invite a sharp contrast. Purim's heroine is put in the perfect position to avert disaster for her people by luck and chance. The closest the book gets to acknowledging God's role in orchestrating the Jews' redemption comes in Mordechai's rhetorical question to Esther, "Who knows? Perhaps you have attained to royal position for just such a crisis?" (Esther 4:14). Pesach, however, makes no secret of God's role — with signs and wonders, with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, the plagues and the miracles of the Pesach story are dramatic and hard to miss. The traditional Haggadah even makes a point of virtually

eliminating Moses' role in the story, emphasizing God's direct intervention and deliverance.

Most of our lives, we tend to be more like Esther — navigating an often chaotic and uncertain world as best we can, not knowing whether we've arrived at a moment of decision about family, work, or life by chance or fate, and even more uncertain about what to do. Prayer and spiritual practice, family, and community can help us meet these moments at our best, and hopefully — at least in hindsight — discover greater meaning and purpose in them.

And then, a few times in our lives, we may feel that sense of the miraculous clear as day — at a lifecycle moment like a birth or a marriage, in a particularly moving moment of prayer or study, or just embracing the awe and wonder of the natural world. We may sense the presence of something beyond ourselves as clearly and dramatically as God is present in the Pesach story. Our Jewish holidays, rituals, and texts do their best to capture the magic and meaning of these moments.

Between Purim and Pesach this year, let's do our best to sense holiness in the everyday — even when it feels mundane — and let's make sure we're ready to embrace those deeper and more rare moments of awe and grandeur whenever they may come.



Torah on Tap

Thursday, April 23
7:30 pm

BrewDog, Franklinton

463 W. Town Street, Columbus, 43215

We will dive into what Torah and Jewish sources of wisdom have to teach us about our modern lives, along with drinks and great conversation.

For more information, contact Joy Contreras at jcontreras@tiferethisrael.org or 614-928-3291.

Change is Hard; Time Makes it Seem Natural

Ronald Solove, President | rsolove@aol.com

When you stay in one place for a long time, you are bound to see change. As a seventy-five-year-old, third generation member of Congregation Tifereth Israel, I've seen plenty. Many of the changes have been to the physical facility, including a complete reversal of the direction of the sanctuary, the addition of the upper social hall and atrium, and most recently, the remodeling of the Katz Chapel. All of these changes have enhanced our experiences at our shul. But, these are not the changes I want to discuss right now.

I remember when Rabbi Zelizer and Cantor Halpern were the only individuals who led services and read from the Torah. Only men were welcome on the bimah. Although it was not required, many women sat in the "women's balcony" above the current location of our bimah. I remember that my Grandmother Dorman always sat there.

I remember my dad telling me one Friday evening that I should be sure to attend services the next morning. When it came time to call the third aliyah, my dad, who was president of the shul at the time, called, "For the third Aliyah, we call Shoshana bat Beryl, Caryl Solove." This was the very first time a woman had

been called for this honor. There were some murmurs among the congregants.

How different things are today. No one would think that separating men and women at services was appropriate, or that calling a woman for an aliyah was remarkable. Perhaps even more significant is the extent to which our services are led by our lay membership. At this point, all members, regardless of gender, are fully capable of leading davening in all parts of the services on weekdays and on Shabbat. In particular, I am constantly impressed by the number of our members who competently and confidently read from the Torah.

The Greek philosopher Heraclitus said, "Change is the only constant in life." The history of Congregation Tifereth Israel is an outstanding example of this truism. From the acceptance of egalitarian participation in our religious life to the development of an increasingly skilled laity, we have proven ourselves more than capable of adjusting to an improving future. Now we face the possibility of even more change. I am supremely confident we will adapt and move forward to an exciting and engaging future together.



Lunch & Learn

12:00 to 1:00 pm

Enjoy stimulating conversation and Jewish study with Rabbis Skolnik & Braver on your lunch break! FREE dairy/vegetarian lunch generously sponsored by Karl Rubin & Sharon Simon.

Wednesday, March 11

Porter Wright Morris & Arthur, 41 S. High Street
"The Mystery of the Red Heifer"

Wednesday, April 1

Tifereth Israel
"Prep for Your Passover Seder"

For more information or to RSVP, contact Joy Contreras at jcontreras@tiferethisrael.org or 614-928-3291.



Tenth Annual Tifereth Israel Family Passover Seder

In Memory of Bertha & Sidney Wasserstrom

Wednesday, April 8, 2020

Minyan at 5:30 pm, Seder at 6:00 pm

All are Welcome!
Seder led by Rabbi Hillel Skolnik

RSVP by Friday, April 1
\$55/adult • \$20/child 12 & under
Free/child 3 & under

Early Bird Special:
RSVP by March 18 and save
\$10 per adult!

Festive meal prepared by
Chef Erik Anderson of OSU Hillel
(vegetarian & gluten friendly options available by request)

RSVP online at:
bit.ly/CTISeder2020
or call 614-253-8523
(Please indicate seating preference)

2020 Tifereth Israel Matzah & Macaroon Drive

Benefitting JFS Clients

Bring boxes of matzah & packages of macaroons to the synagogue through
Thursday, March 19.

Grocery store gift cards and cash donations are also welcome and should be given to Wendy at the front desk.





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March/April 2020 Events Calendar

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Thursday, April 30

Town Hall Meeting 11:15 am, Purimspiel Rehearsal 12:30 pm
Adult B'nei Mitzvah Class 6:30 pm
Perek Yomi 8:30 am
Rabbis' Study Circle 9:30 am, Short Story Circle 10:30 am,
Dinner, Drinks & Drash 6:00 pm, Sing Tifereth! 7:30 pm,
Purimspiel Rehearsal 7:30 pm
Rashi+ 8:15 am, Men's Club Hamentaschen Baking 6:00
pm, Purimspiel Rehearsal 7:00 pm
Heschel Book Group 8:15 am, Inclusion Shabbat 7:00 pm
Boker Tov Shabbat 11:00 am, Sisterhood & Men's Club Shabbat
Torah Trope Tutorial 10:00 am, Purimspiel 10:30 am,
Purim Carnival 11:00 am
Purim Dinner and Spiel 6:00 pm, Megillah & Ma'ariv 7:00 pm
Minyan & Megillah 7:15 am, Perek Yomi 8:30 am
Rabbis' Study Circle 9:30 am, Short Story Circle 10:30
am, Lunch & Learn Downtown 12:00 pm
Rashi+ 8:15 am
NO Book Group
Israel Discussion Group 12:30 pm
Boker Tov Preschool 11:30 am
Adult B'nei Mitzvah Class 6:30 pm
Perek Yomi 8:30 am
Rabbis' Study Circle 9:30 am, Sisterhood Short Story
Circle 10:30 am, Dinner, Drinks & Drash 6:00 pm
Rashi+ 8:15 am
Heschel Book Group 8:15 am
Anniversary Shabbat
Torah Trope Tutorial 10:00 am
I Can't Believe My Ears! 6:30 pm
Perek Yomi 8:30 am, Hebrew Reading Refresher 6:15 pm,
AIPAC Community Event 7:00 pm
Rabbis' Study Circle 9:30 am, Short Story Circle 10:30 am
Rashi+ 8:15 am
Heschel Book Group 8:15 am
Torah Trope Tutorial 10:00 am, Torah Fund Brunch 11:00 am
Adult B'nei Mitzvah Class 6:30 pm
Perek Yomi 8:30 am, Hebrew Reading Refresher 6:15 pm,
Sisterhood Meeting 7:30 pm
Rabbis' Study Circle 9:30 am, Short Story Circle 10:30
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pm, Sing Tifereth! 7:30 pm
Rashi+ 8:15 am, Torah on Tap 7:30 pm
Book Group 8:15 am, Inclusion Shabbat 7:00 pm
Boker Tov Shabbat 11:00 am
Kindergarten Open House 11:30 am
Adult B'nei Mitzvah Class 6:30 pm
Perek Yomi 8:30 am
Minyan 7:15 am/5:30 pm Congregational Family Seder
6:00 pm, Office closed @ 1:00 pm
Passover Day 1 Service 9:00 am, Offices Closed
Passover Day 2 Service 9:00 am/6:00 pm, Offices Closed
NO Shabbat Warmup, Israel Discussion Group 12:30 pm
Torah Trope Tutorial 10:00 am, Passover Picnic 11:00 am
Minyan 7:15 am/5:30 pm, I Can't Believe My Ears! 6:30 pm
Minyan 7:15 am/5:30 pm, Perek Yomi 8:30 am, Office
closed @ 3:00 pm
Passover Day 7 Service 9:00 am/5:30 pm, Dinner, Drinks
& Drash 6:00 pm, Office closed
Passover Day 8 Service (with Yizkor) 9:00 am/5:30 pm,
Office Closed
Book Group 8:15 am
Mirabella Tempesta Bat Mitzvah 9:30 am, Anniversary
Shabbat, Learners' Service 9:30 am
Men's Club Brunch 10:00 am, Boker Tov Preschool 11:30 am
Adult B'nei Mitzvah Class 6:30 pm, Community Yom
HaShoah Program 7:00 pm
Perek Yomi 8:30 am
Rashi+ 8:15 am, Torah on Tap 7:30 pm
Heschel Book Group 8:15 am
Hagigat HaSiddur 9:30 am
Torah Trope Tutorial 10:00 am, Sisterhood Meeting 11:00
am, Religious School Israel Fair
I Can't Believe My Ears! 6:30 pm
Perek Yomi 8:30 am
Rashi+ 8:15 am

Snapshots of Learning, Praying, and Doing at Tifereth Israel

Tifereth Israel members of all ages have been finding fun ways to enjoy each other's company this winter.



Tifereth Israel snowbirds and friends welcomed Rabbi Skolnik to Boca Raton.



Rabbi Skolnik lunched with snowbirds wintering on Florida's west coast.



In Scottsdale, Rabbi Skolnik visited with members of the Wasserstrom clan.



Joan Wallick posed for a selfie with Rabbi Skolnik during his visit to Tucson.



Boker Tov Preschool students learned about Martin Luther King Jr.



Religious school students got together at Boker Or morning minyan.

Save These Dates. . .

Sunday, April 12, 2020
Passover Picnic & Bird Walk

We will flock together with the Scioto Audubon Society for a guided walk and birding downtown on the Scioto Mile.

Watch for details!

Monday, April 20, 2020
Columbus Board of Rabbis
Community Yom HaShoah Program

The Central Ohio community will gather at Tifereth Israel at 7:15 pm for a film and Holocaust remembrances. All are invited. For information, contact Justin Shaw at justin@jewishcolumbus.org or 614-559-3205.

CONGREGATION TIFEREETH ISRAEL PRESENTS

A VERY FROZEN PURIM

CARNIVAL

Sunday March 8

11:00 am to 12:30 pm

Games • Inflatables • Prizes
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\$10/all-you-can-play wristband •
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10:30 am

EREV PURIM

Monday March 9

Mincha 5:30 pm
Dinner 6:00 pm

RSVP for dinner online at:
bit.ly/CTIPurimDinner2020

\$12/adult • \$7/child 12 & under
FREE/child 3 & under
\$38/family maximum

Purimspiel - FREE 6:30 pm
(approximately)

Megillah & Ma'ariv 7:00 pm
All Are Welcome!

PURIM

Tuesday, March 10

Minyan & Megillah 7:15 am

Stay for a complimentary holiday
breakfast!

No RSVP required!

Boker Tov Preschool

Sundays, 11:30 am to 12:30 pm
March 15 • April 19 • May 17

Learning about Jewish values and
how to be a mensch, with music,
crafts, and more!

Congregation Tifereth Israel
Boker Tov
Programs for children up to age
5 and their grown-ups

Boker Tov Shabbat

Saturdays, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm
March 7 • April 4 • May 2

Exploring the meaning of Shabbat with
songs, crafts, puppets, and more!

Dinner, Drinks & Drash: March & April 2020

Twice a month, grab a FREE meal and drink, then stick around to study with Rabbis Skolnik and Braver, along with guest teachers from across Columbus! To sponsor a night of learning in honor or memory of a loved one, please reach out to Rabbi Braver.

Wednesday, March 4, 2020

Behind the Scenes at a Jewish Funeral

Special Guest: David Levy, Manager of Epstein Memorial Chapel

RSVP to: bit.ly/DDDMarch42020 by 4:00 pm on Tuesday, March 3

Sponsored by Rabbi Alex Braver & Alex Weisler in honor of the work of the Hevra Kadisha

Wednesday, March 18, 2020

The World to Come: What Happens After We Die

Rabbi Hillel Skolnik

RSVP to: bit.ly/DDDMarch182020

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

Building Inclusive Communities

Rabbi Alex Braver

RSVP to: bit.ly/DDDApril12020

Sponsored by Rochelle & Randy Topolosky in honor of their 45th wedding anniversary

Wednesday, April 15, 2020

How Does Your Rabbi Know What to Say? Jewish Pastoral Care

Special Guest: Rabbi Diane Tracht, Volunteer Coordinator of Jewish Family & Career Services of Louisville, KY

RSVP to: bit.ly/DDDApril152020

Meals cannot be guaranteed without reservations made by 4:00 pm the day before an event. For more information or to RSVP, contact Joy Contreras at jcontreras@tiferethisrael.org or 614-928-3291.



WHY I LOVE TIFERETH ISRAEL

Maintaining Daily Minyan Key to Fulfilling Synagogue Mission

by Randy Osipow

Recently, I marked the *yahrzeit* for my brother, Jay, who passed away 20 years ago. As I have every morning for the last ten years, I went to morning minyan. I said *kaddish* for him, which has lately not been possible very often for anyone to do in the morning. The only reason we had a minyan for me to say *kaddish* was because I personally asked two people to come, and they both did. Otherwise, we would have been just a bit short, as we have been way too often this winter.

When I started coming to minyan ten years ago, I was the youngest regular. Now, a decade later, I am still the youngest regular, excluding clergy. Many of those who were here every day are no longer with us. Our safety net for each morning has disappeared and the result is that each morning we wait and wonder if we will make our minyan.

I come to minyan for many reasons, some very personal to me. One of the main reasons I come is to be counted, so if anyone does show up to say *kaddish* for a *yahrzeit* or a recent death, I can be part of making the minyan for them. Over the course of the year, many members of our congregation take advantage of our minyan for those reasons. It would be wonderful and inspiring to see more of those members provide that same opportunity to another

congregant by coming again.

I'm certainly not a rabbinic scholar but when I look at all our prayers — daily, Shabbat, holidays, etc. — we focus a great deal on our ancestors, referring in many places to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Sarah, Rachel, Rebecca, and Leah. We often reference generations, one to the next. It is a pillar of Judaism to respect, honor, and remember those who came before us, Abraham or your grandparents. Saying *kaddish* for those departed relatives is the most direct way we do this. That is why we continue to try to have a morning and afternoon minyan. It is important to us as Jews.

The minyan has become another family for me. I've made friends and learned much more about our rabbis, which has been very nice. They are both great guys.

Our synagogue does many wonderful things — cultural and educational programs and social action initiatives, to name a few. These are critical to our mission. But, they are things that a Jewish community center could do. What makes the synagogue a synagogue is the Jewish ritual and tradition we practice and inspire in the congregants. The minyan is a critical example of that type of activity. It deserves the full support of our entire congregation.

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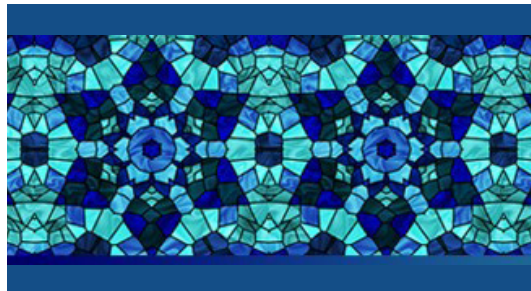
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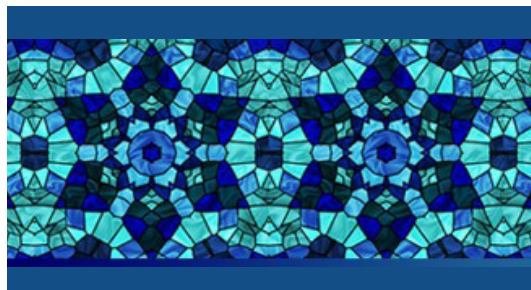
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We note with sorrow and mourn the passing of:

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May their memories be for a blessing.

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