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MILESTONES

IN MEMORIAM

Ruth Lebow
Mother of David Lebow

David Bernstein
Husband of the late Gerry Bernstein

If there is a note you'd like us to list in the Milestone section of the Messenger, please let us know by writing us at info@bnaiemunah.com. We'll take it from there!

THANK YOU

Volunteers are the lifeblood of our congregation. Every week, members and friends stream into the building to offer their time and energy to serve and enrich.

As the liturgical year closes, we offer our sincerest thanks, along with the reminder that we are ready to plug volunteers into everything we do. We've got refugees to resettle, meals to be served, problems to be solved, and funds to be raised. All of this works best when there are many hands, opinions, and suggestions in the mix.

For all of this, we offer our gratitude, and hope that involvement in the Synagogue brings meaning and satisfaction.

SECURITY AT THE SYNAGOGUE

FULL-TIME ARMED GUARD, CAMERA MONITORING,
AND SINGLE-DOOR ACCESS. WE'RE WORKING
HARD TO PROTECT AND DEFEND.

ON THE COVER

You've probably seen enough paintings of sad rabbis to last a lifetime. You may even have some yourself. But this beautiful work by Leon Zernitsky somehow goes beyond the type. Clutching a scroll, this rabbi soars into heaven, leaving the constraints of earthbound life behind. The painting reminds us of our millennial hope to escape the dead routines of our lives and enter the world of dreams and revelations. The holidays present such opportunities for divine communion, if only we can hear the great Voice that calls to us.

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SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS AT THE SYNAGOGUE

9 SELICHOT

A traditional prelude to the Jewish New Year, we gather this night to sing a service that highlights the themes and ideas of the season. The evening culminates with blasts from the shofar in preparation for Rosh Ha-Shanah and Yom Kippur. We begin with new member dinner at 6:00 p.m. and the celebration at 7:00 p.m.

10 SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB

Sisterhood members will be discussing, *People Love Dead Jews*, by **Dara Horn**. This book asks why there is so much fascination with Jewish deaths and little respect for Jewish lives. Exploring the stories of Anne Frank, a traveling exhibit entitled *Auschwitz* and Horn's own family tree, this book is rated by the *New York Times* as an outstanding book with a bold mission. We begin at 10:30 a.m.

14 BLATT + BLUE: DENIAL

See page 4 for more information regarding the movie selection and viewing options. Join us for our conversation at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom (918 583 7121). Newcomers are welcome to join the dialogue.

15-17 ROSH HA-SHANAH: THE YEAR BEGINS

No tickets, just you. All you have to do is walk through the door. There are no admission requirements of any kind for High Holiday services at Congregation B'nai Emunah. Sit where you like and bring friends who might appreciate a spirited observance of this Jewish New Year. We'll be waiting for you just inside. A variety of services and celebrations highlight the holiday. The daytime services begin at 9:30 a.m. Sermons will be delivered around 10:45 a.m. Music, big ideas, and spending time with community combine to create a powerful way to start the New Year. We hope to see you there. As is now always the case, all programs and services will be available on Zoom for hybrid participation. For a full calendar and detailed description of events visit tulsagogue.com/high-holidays.

24 KAPPAROT

Kapparot is an ancient practice through which we symbolically transfer our transgressions from the year past in preparation for Yom Kippur (the Day of Atonement). Our version of this ritual requires we release one hundred doves from the Synagogue's front door. You won't want to miss out on this

24-25 YOM KIPPUR: SEEKING ATONEMENT

Just like on Rosh Ha-Shanah, all you have to do is walk through the door. There are no admission requirements for High Holiday services at Congregation B'nai Emunah. Sit where you like and bring friends who might appreciate a spirited observance of this holiest of days. We look forward to being together. Kol Nidray inaugurates the holiday at 7:00 p.m. on Sept. 24. The following day, daytime services begin at 9:30 a.m. with a sermon and Yizkor taking place around 11:00 a.m. Programming will continue throughout the day culminating in the Neilah closing service at sundown. A community break-the-fast will follow. Come as you are and feel the strength of community. As is always the case, all programs and services will be available on Zoom for hybrid participation. For a complete calendar and detailed description of events, visit tulsagogue.com/high-holidays.

29 SUKKOT/SHABBAT FOR EVERYONE

It's the single most ginormous Sukkah celebration in Oklahoma. We'll gather in the sukkah on the south lawn for an inclusive Sukkot Shabbat Dinner. The experience will be supported as always by a gift from Harry and Carol Brouse Windland and Brian Brouse. A joyful Shabbat Sukkot celebration led by the members of Klay Kodesh, B'nai Emunah's vocal and instrumental ensemble, will follow the meal. Special games, toys, and experiences await! No reservation is necessary for the celebration, which begins at 7:00 p.m. But please call the Synagogue Offices or visit our website to make reservations for the 6:00 p.m. dinner. The service will be broadcast live on Zoom at **918 583 7121**.

30-OCT. 1 SUKKOT: THE FIRST DAYS

Sukkot occupies an unparalleled place on the Jewish calendar. It's a great harvest festival; after weeks of introspection, we go outside to celebrate in our beautiful surroundings. Yom Tov services will take place on September 30 and October 1, beginning both mornings at 9:30 a.m. Assuming beautiful weather, we will chant services in the sukkah. We'll shake lulav and etrog and connect with the world beyond the confines of a permanent structure. In-person and on Zoom.

Bake Challah for Bikur Cholim
Give the Gift of Shabbat!

FROM RABBI KAIMAN

■ THE PARKING LOT

I hesitate to write too much about a parking lot, but it happens to be the project consuming much of our time this summer. You'll recall that this work is a legacy project. It's been decades since any significant work has been done to that property, and the nuances of such developments are way more complicated than one might expect. Half the lot is in an historic preservation zone. Many parts of the repairs and improvements we are now implementing technically fall in the public domain. Essentially, the work is redeveloping half a city block.

We're grateful to our construction partners, Myers-Cherry, and the engineers and designers guiding this project. Their considerable expertise is invaluable, and we know the final result will be well worth our investments of time and resources. However, as we watch work unfold, we're readying ourselves for a High Holiday season with the parking lot still in progress.

If you've been by the building on a regular workday over the past few months, you've noticed that staff and visitors currently park on neighborhood streets. Those doing shorter visits and building drop-offs use the circle drive. It's not a perfect solution. But there's a surprising amount of parking capacity in the neighborhood, and a short walk by historic homes happens to be quite pleasant. We're grateful to our neighbors for their patience and understanding.

As we now plan for the larger-scale events of the fall, we want to remind you that for many years now we've offered valet parking on High Holidays and special events. We'll continue that practice this year as well. Additionally, should our lot be completely unusable, we will provide a shuttle service from a nearby parking lot to ease the burden and make everything more possible.

Of course, if you live within walking or biking distance, this might be a beautiful year to try out that method of transportation to the High Holidays. And finally, we'll always make sure our services and public-facing events are available in a hybrid format so that whether you are near or far you can be with us. We'll send out digital communications with final details related to shuttle service parking in the days before the holidays. That way, you can have the most up-to-date information.

Regardless of where we park our cars, this year we come together in this season to connect with community, celebrate our traditions, and renew ourselves for the year ahead. May this year bring blessings, bounty, and smooth parking lots for us all. Rachel, Shula, Millie, and I wish you a sweet and happy new year.

BLATT + BLUE

■ DENIAL | SEPTEMBER 14

Deborah Lipstadt is an American professor of Holocaust studies whose speaking engagement is disrupted by David Irving, a British writer on Nazi Germany. He files a libel lawsuit in the United Kingdom against Lipstadt and her publisher for declaring him a Holocaust denier in her books. As the burden of proof in the UK libel cases lies with the defendant, Lipstadt and her legal team, led by solicitor Anthony Julius and barrister Richard Rampton, must prove that Irving lied about the Holocaust.

This month's featured film is **Denial**, the film that introduced Lipstadt's work to the general public. Join us for our conversation on Thursday, September 14. If you'd like to screen the film yourself, you can see the film on Amazon Prime, for a small fee. Call the Synagogue at (918) 583-7121 if you have any difficulty locating the program at home. The Zoom meeting ID is 918 583 7121; the session will begin at 7:00 p.m. and conclude at 8:00 p.m.

Blatt + Blue is the longest-running project at the Synagogue dating from the advent of the pandemic. It is now over three years old and continues to spotlight a diverse and provocative roster of films and television. The series expresses the Synagogue's commitment to an inclusive and pluralistic vision of the Jewish world.



RABBI KAIMAN'S SERMONS

■ FOR THE HIGH HOLIDAYS—2023/5783

Erev Rosh Ha-Shannah Story

The Returning Story

Day I Rosh Ha-Shannah

The Voices from Our Past

Day II Rosh Ha-Shannah

Denominationalism: Recognizing our Branches

Yom Kippur Eve

Retrace and Rebuild

Yom Kippur Day

A Bright Spot for Judaism in America

SERVICE SCHEDULE

AFTERNOON AND EVENING SERVICES

On Wednesday and Fridays at 5:30 p.m., we gather to experience traditional daily prayer and establish a quiet space for those mourning a loved one or observing the anniversary of a loss (*yahrtzeit*). Wednesday gatherings take place in the Synagogue Sanctuary, with full participation available through the Synagogue Zoom Room: **918 583 7121**. Friday services take place on Zoom.

SHABBAT MORNING

Each week, we convene on Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. to sing the liturgy of the tradition, study the weekly Torah portion, and spend time amongst family and friends. All are welcome. Members and friends can access the Synagogue Zoom Room at **918 583 7121** or come in person.

**HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES
WILL ALL BE BROADCAST ON
ZOOM @ 918 583 7121**

**PLEASE CONTRIBUTE TO THE NEW
CONGREGATION B'NAI EMUNAH**

PROGRAM FUND

AND ALL THE OTHER FUNDS OF THE SYNAGOGUE.

**YOUR HIGH HOLIDAY GENEROSITY
BRINGS STRENGTH TO THE CONGREGATION**

FROM RABBI MARC B. FITZGERMAN

■ REPARATIONS REDUX

Some issues get under my skin and stay there for keeps.

Every city in America has its historic challenge. How do we commemorate what we have lost? How do we make things right after a disaster? For New York City, it's 9-11. For Oklahoma City, it's the Murrah bombing. For cities all over the South, it's slavery.

For Tulsa, it's the Massacre of 1921. Hundreds died. A city within a city was destroyed. A century later, that wound is still a festering mess.

It would be wrong for us to retreat from this challenge, to imagine that we're saddled with this shame forever. Nothing is too complicated for us to address. To the extent that anyone says they're interested in the Massacre, it's always that they're ready to begin discussions. That's a weak substitute for vision and leadership.

My hope is that we can finally get down to business and create a model that other communities can emulate. That doesn't mean bushel baskets of cash or another layer of Social Security. It means a reasonable payout for loss of life and property, and heartfelt acts of commemoration. That's the way these things are done. Germany did it with its obligations to its victims. Georgetown University is now offering compensation for its slaveholding.

We need to do the same in Tulsa. Living victims need direct financial benefits. Genetic evidence should be combined with documentary sources to indemnify descendants for loss of life and property. Greenwood itself needs to be a national monument and a permanent enterprise zone so that it can come to life as a center of business and culture. And Greenwood Rising needs a new mandate to become a study center for episodes of urban violence against vulnerable minorities.

How should we pay for this? Private philanthropy, city allocation, and federal grants to make up the difference. That's the way we do things in Tulsa, and this is no different from other challenges we've faced.

I don't pretend that all of this will be perfect. Leadership means being smart and realistic. An imperfect solution is still a solution, and there's every reason for Tulsa to burnish its reputation. We have to reckon with the past if we want the right kind of future, and that means an active, enduring effort to heal the soul of our city.

■ SHANAH TOVAH!

Many of you have asked where Alice and I will be this High Holidays. For the first time ever, we'll be with our son Micah and family in Los Angeles. This is something new for us, and I look forward to reporting on the High Holiday scene in California.

Halfway through the following week, we'll move to New York City for Yom Kippur. One of Micah's mothers-in-law, Rabbi Sharon Kleinbaum of Congregation Bet Simchat Torah, will be closing her active tenure as Rabbi, and we want very much to be present for this occasion.

In the meantime, Alice and I send you our very best for a beautiful celebration in Tulsa. Here's to a year of health, happiness, and peace!

CONGRATULATIONS

■ MAZAL TOVS

We celebrate the birth of Mack Cohen Abrahamson, son of Blair and Nick Abrahamson, brother of Boyd. Mack is the grandson of Craig and Mary Abrahamson.

Congratulations to Kenny Cohen and Jessica Lansing on their recent wedding in Chicago. We rejoice with the Cohen and Lansing families on this sacred joy.

We're proud to announce that Synagogue member Dr. Diane Heaton is the newly elected President of the Oklahoma State Medical Association (OSMA). Congratulations on this signal honor!

QUESTIONS ABOUT MEMBERSHIP?

WRITE RABBI KAIMAN AT RDK@BNAIEMUNAH.COM

OR STEVE ABERSON AT SABERSON@GMAIL.COM

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU AS
A MEMBER OF THE SYNAGOGUE FAMILY

HIGH HOLIDAY ROADMAP FOR 2023

■ LANGUAGE

Many people struggle with the symbolic language of Jewish prayer on the High Holidays, particularly the motifs of reward and punishment and a God who treasures human praise. It may help to see the first as a metaphor urging self-knowledge, self-evaluation, and consciousness of our thoughts and deeds. The second is part of Judaism's aversion to seeing ourselves and our fellow human beings as the center and crown of creation. Humility is a moral bridge to the gentle, respectful treatment of other human beings who have the same claims on God's love that we do.

■ ACCESS

Services at the Synagogue are open to everyone, including our neighbors in the general community who may wish to sample Jewish traditions in a setting of warmth and authenticity. Our members reach out to newcomers with great affection and sincerity, and it is our hope that no one will arrive or depart without a sense of having been greeted as a friend. Unlike most congregations in the country, there are no admission tickets to services or charges of any kind. Visitors should be aware that we are mindful of security in order to keep every participant safe. Simple precautions are always in effect to protect us all. Please introduce yourself to our Front Desk staff if you are visiting the Synagogue for the very first time. Nearly every service and program at the Synagogue is now a hybrid experience making it possible for even more people than ever before to participate. Visit tul-synagogue.com/watch for information on how to connect to Zoom and our online programming.

■ DRESS

We always say that people should come as they are, but most members of the congregation dress up for the High Holidays. It's much like the clothing people wear to the symphony or a play. Some wear a shirt and tie, along with a jacket or (less often) a sweater or vest. Others wear dresses, skirts and tops, or pants with a jacket. No one dresses to impress, and the prevailing style is quiet modesty. Regardless of what you wear, do not hesitate to come because you fear that you may not have the right clothing. There is plenty of room at the Synagogue for non-conformists.



■ SEATING

Seating in our Sanctuary is open, with no reserved seats for members or guests. People occasionally save seats for others, so please be alert to normal social cues. There are always available seats at the front of the Sanctuary, where people rarely sit for the reasons that people always avoid the front rows of auditoriums. This is the bane of Rabbis and clergypeople of every community, but what can you do?

■ ROSH HA-SHANAH FOR EVERYONE

In the spirit of our monthly "Shabbat for Everyone" gatherings, the opening service of our Rosh Ha-Shanah observance follows a familiar model. For families and individuals eager to dine together, we offer an optional holiday brisket meal which begins at 5:15 p.m. With familiar smells and tastes, we hope to make it easy for families and individuals to plug into an authentic holiday experience. Following this communal dinner, we gather in the Sanctuary at 6:15 p.m. for a kid-oriented musical Rosh Ha-Shanah celebration. The instruments and voices of Klay Kodesh will lift your hearts with spirit and energy. Storytelling and special treats for the kids highlight this short evening experience. The service will conclude by 7:00 p.m. to allow those who prefer to gather for the holiday meal in their homes. This year, Rosh Ha-Shanah for Everyone will take place on Friday, September 15.

■ ROSH HA-SHANAH DAY I

It's the Jewish New Year! A formal worship experience serves as the backbone to this day. Beginning at 9:30 a.m., we work our way through a special Holiday prayerbook called the Mahzor. The core text of our service is based on the material we have developed over the past two years of digital services. Those slides are available in many formats. In addition to projected images, we will call pages from our traditional prayerbook, and have printed copies available for a self-guided experience. We hope all this material helps make sure we're all "on the same page." The morning starts with a series of sung prayers with the chanting of the service being led by our cantor, Rafi Dworsky, who will be assisted by Rabbi Kaiman and Sara Levitt. A musical ensemble supports the experience, adding depth, flourish and meaning to the various parts of the prayerful morning.

By 10:00 a.m., we begin the formal chanting of the Torah service. This participatory event involves a public reading of a section of the Torah. The Torah is read aloud in Hebrew, with translations available in your prayer books. Members of the congregation are called up throughout this part of the service with honors and blessings. A special honor is that

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the person who chants the selections of the Prophets. During this part of the service, the rabbi will offer an opportunity for prayers of healing. Should you or someone you love be in need of prayers for healing, please come forward as instructed and share either the English or Hebrew name of the person which you would like to include. Alternatively, if you would like to submit a name before the Holiday, please email info@bnaemunah.com to be included at each of these opportunities throughout the Holiday season.

After the Torah is returned to the ark, the drama of the morning continues. The cantor offers a public prayer of supplication, and then the congregation is given space for silent reflection. Traditionally, the sacred words of the Mahzor are recited at this time, but this is also a space for private prayer and personal introspection. At the close of this silent portion of the service, Rabbi Kaiman will offer a sermon. Following this moment of teaching and learning, our musical ensemble and cantor resume leadership of the service and we sing a public version of the prayers found in the Mahzor. Morah Sara Levitt will participate as a vocalist at ritual moments throughout our holiday celebrations. This final part of the service generally concludes by 12:30 p.m. and usually culminates with blasts of the Shofar. This year, since Shabbat and Rosh Ha-Shanah coincide, shofar blasts will only take place on the second day of the holiday.

After the first day morning service, the entire community is invited to partake in a sweet and savory Kiddush lunch. Later in the afternoon, at 5:30 p.m., a short afternoon and evening service will take place as we round out the day of prayer and reflection.

■ ROSH HA-SHANAH DAY II

It's so nice we do it twice. The second day of Rosh Ha-Shanah follows roughly the same format as Day I. The public readings are different, and different individuals are honored with participation throughout the service. The morning begins at 9:30 a.m. and by 10:00 a.m. we are chanting Torah. Again, a sermon is delivered at 10:45 a.m., and we've nearly completed our service by noon. On this second day, our congregation follows a special custom where we offer Baby Blessings to each new child who has joined our community in the past year. Grandparents, parents, siblings, and relatives receive these blessings on behalf of the new arrivals, who bring so much joy to our lives. If you are the parent or grandparent of a newborn and would like to partake, please email info@bnaemunah.com so that we can prepare. Again, this service concludes by 12:15 p.m. and is followed by a cookie Kiddush sponsored by the Kaiman-Gold family.

Noting that the experience of a holiday is not complete without a meandering afternoon meal, Emily and Richie Bolusky generously extend hospitality in their home hosting a holiday meal open to all. We do ask those wishing to participate to make reservations for this experience by visiting tulsagogue.com in order to plan for and accommodate everyone. A special invitation for this meal is extended to newcomers to Tulsa and those without family or friend networks with whom to celebrate the holiday.

■ KAPPAROT

A major theme running through the High Holidays is the notion that we let go and find paths to renewal and forgiveness. There are many different ways we manifest this theme. A thrilling way to symbolically mark this transition is by participating in our Kapparot ceremony. Each person is invited to take a pigeon in hand and ritually release the bird so that it flies home to its nest. In doing so, we remind ourselves of the power of freedom and our potential. The informal ceremony takes place on Sunday, September 24, at 11:45 a.m. at the front door of the Synagogue building. A public shofar blast concludes the experience.

■ THE DAYS IN BETWEEN

The period that lasts from Rosh Ha-Shanah through Yom Kippur is called the Ten Days of Repentance. Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, stands in contrast and complement to the days that mark the Jewish New Year. Lasting 25 hours, Yom Kippur is a time to ask for forgiveness and spend time in intensive prayer and reflection. From sundown on Sunday, September 24, to sundown on Monday, September 25, adults refrain from eating and drinking, bathing, wearing leather, anointing oneself with perfume or lotion and marital relations. These activities are all very human and corporeal, but by setting these limits we focus inward on the spiritual tasks of the day.

■ KOL NIDRAY

Yom Kippur is inaugurated at 7:00 p.m. with the Kol Nidray prayer. As on Rosh Ha-Shanah, during this service we use a Mahzor, a special prayer book, which outlines the liturgical frame for the day. With our digital materials serving as the backbone of our service, you can follow along through screen, printout, or traditional text. This evening service, led again by our cantor, rabbi, and musical ensemble, moves through the prescribed structure of the service with familiar musical highlights and points of emphasis. Around 7:45 p.m., a sermon is delivered, and services conclude around 8:45 p.m.

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■ YOM KIPPUR DAY

At 9:30 a.m. the next morning, we begin chanting Yom Kippur service. As on Rosh Ha-Shanah, around 10:10 a.m., we participate in a public reading of a section of the Torah followed by a chanting of the Haftorah (a selection from the Prophets). During this part of the service, the rabbi will offer an opportunity for prayers of healing. Should you or someone you love be in need of prayers for healing, please come forward as instructed and share either the English or Hebrew name of the person which you would like to include. Alternatively, if you would like to submit a name before the Holiday, please email info@bnaiemunah.com to be included at each of these opportunities throughout the Holiday season.

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Following this moment of reflection, our musical ensemble and cantor resume leadership of the service, and we sing a public version of the prayers found in the Mahzor. This is the final part of the service and generally concludes by 1:30 p.m.

■ PRIVATE PRAYERS BEFORE THE ARK

Following the close of service, many choose to go home or leave the Synagogue for a period. However, those who wish to remain are welcome to remain in our building throughout the day. Beginning at 2:00 p.m. the Ark will be opened, and individuals are welcome to take a moment to offer private prayers before its open doors. Should you wish to participate in this manner, we simply ask that you wait until those before you have completed their time and then silently approach one at a time.

■ THE AFTERNOON OF YOM KIPPUR DAY

At 4:15 p.m., the formal afternoon service begins. A short public Torah reading is followed by the ritual chanting of the entire book of Jonah. We then chant the liturgical hallmarks of the afternoon service before taking another break.

■ OPEN FORUM WITH THE RABBI

At 5:30 p.m. in the Chapel, Rabbi Kaiman will hold an open forum for reflection and discussion. You bring the questions; he'll bring his thoughts and perspectives. This is a meaningful way to engage in learning and explore new ideas as a community. All are welcome.

■ NE'ILAH: THE LOCKING OF THE GATES

A liturgical highlight of the year, the Ne'ilah (Concluding) Service offers a thrilling end to a day of solemnity and introspection. Beginning at 6:45 p.m., the service is chanted by our cantor, rabbi and musical ensemble. Weather-permitting, we set up for this service on the steps of our building and close out the holiday as the sun hangs low in the sky. The Ark doors remain open throughout the main section of this service. Thus, many people stand throughout this liminal period. The doors of the Ark serve as an important symbol in the themes of the day, as we imagine the locking of the gates and make our best efforts to seek repentance and forgiveness in these waning hours. As the sun sets, we mark the conclusion of the holiday with a Havdalah (Separation) Service. Finally, the day culminates with blasts from the shofar.

■ BREAK-THE-FAST

Immediately following the conclusion of our ritual services for Yom Kippur, the entire community is invited to participate in a Break-the-Fast meal. Generously sponsored by the Sharna and Irvin Frank Family Foundation, this is a celebratory communal moment of achievement, relief, opportunity, and possibility. While there will always be enough food for everyone, we do ask that those who are planning to be with us call or visit our website so we can plan for your participation. Sisterhood provides initial juice and snacks immediately following the conclusion of the holiday.

SUKKOT FOR EVERYONE AT THE SYNAGOGUE

Congregation B'nai Emunah

Book of Remembrance

Please use this form to advise us of those names which should be included in the 5784 edition of our Yizkor Book. Print carefully and please list husbands and wives on the same line. Those with names on record should simply call Cheryl Myers at (918) 583-7121 to confirm their inclusion for the upcoming holidays.

Please enclose a check for \$36 for the first eight lines of names on your list and a discretionary amount for any additions.

Your name line, as it should appear: _____

Your phone number: _____

Send to CBE, 1719 South Owasso, Tulsa, OK 74120.

Our thanks to the Zarrow Families for supporting the publication of our Yizkor Book.

SEPTEMBER | ELUL-TISHRAY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 5:30 PM Friday Service 7:33 PM Candles	2 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning 8:29 PM Havdalah Torah: Ki Tavo
3	4 Preschool and Offices Closed Labor Day	5	6 4:00 PM Hebrew Lab 5:30 PM Weekday Service 7:00 PM Midrasha	7	8 5:30 PM Friday Service 7:23 PM Candles	9 9:30 AM Shabbat Morning 6:00 PM Member/Mentor Dinner 7:00 PM Selichot 8:19 PM Havdalah Torah: Nitzavim-Vayeilech
10 9:00 AM ShulSchool 10:30 AM Sisterhood Book Club	11	12 7:00 PM Board of Directors	13 4:00 PM Hebrew Lab 5:30 PM Weekday Service 7:00 PM Midrasha	14 7:00 PM Blatt and Blue	15 5:15 PM High Holiday Dinner 6:15 PM Rosh Ha-Shanah for Everyone 7:13 PM Candles Erev Rosh Ha-shanah	16 9:30 AM Morning Service 11:00 AM Sermon 12:30 PM Benediction 5:30 PM Afternoon Service Rosh Ha-shanah I
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24 9:00 AM ShulSchool 10:00 AM Parent Brunch 11:45 AM Kapparot: Doves 6:30 PM Aft Service 7:00 PM Kol Nidray 7:45 PM Sermon 8:45 PM Benediction Erev Yom Kippur	25 9:30 AM Morning Service 11:00 AM Sermon 1:30 PM Benediction 4:15 PM Mincha 5:30 PM Open Forum 6:45 PM Ne'ilah 7:55 PM Break the Fast Yom Kippur	26	27 4:00 PM Hebrew Lab 5:30 PM Weekday Service 7:00 PM Midrasha	28	29 5:30 PM Friday Service 6:00 PM Sukkot Dinner 7:00 PM Sukkot for Everyone 6:52 PM Candles Erev Sukkot	30 9:30 AM Shabbat and Yom Tov Morning 7:47 PM Havdalah Sukkot I

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Friday
September 1 - 15 Elul

Abe Charney
Frank Goodman
Larry Levy
Sarah Magoon
Ben Prezma
Mike Robinowitz
Evelyn Wolf

Saturday
September 2 - 16 Elul

Norman Dunitz
Israel Friedberg
Fannie Stockfish
Louis Weiss
Samuel Zolt

Sunday
September 3 - 17 Elul

Martin R. Abrams

Monday
September 4 - 18 Elul

Harold Guller
Pearl Myers
Herman Sternfield

Tuesday
September 5 - 19 Elul

Samuel M. Kantor
Abraham Krasne

Wednesday
September 6 - 20 Elul

Harold Charney
Chaim Plost
Max Samuel
Morton Solomon
Eva Spector Wittels
Mary Louise (White) Young

Thursday
September 7 - 21 Elul

Celia Annette Albert
Shirley Alcouloume
Miriam Davis
Bluma (Lovie) Jacobson

Friday
September 8 - 22 Elul

Robert James Darby
Tybie Mary Shavlow
Herman Paul Taubman
Nathan Tugenberg

Saturday
September 9 - 23 Elul

Mary Fedman
Dorothy Teichman

Sunday
September 10 - 24 Elul

Celia Kirsh Adler
Myra Gock
Louis Kerbel
Charles Israel Lebow
Leah Singer
Janice Taubman
Gertrude (Gete) Weisman

Monday
September 11 - 25 Elul

Herbert Berger
Pauline Dubin
Harold Ingle Josey
Elsie Sternfield
Maurice Arthur Weinstein

Tuesday
September 12 - 26 Elul

Michael Carson
Israel Prescott

Wednesday
September 13 - 27 Elul

Jacqueline Devries Huddle
Ferd Falk

Thursday
September 14 - 28 Elul

Sidney L. Frieden
Helen Morrison

Friday
September 15 - 29 Elul

Florence S. Andelman
Ben Budowsky
Pessa Dittman
Allen Galerston
Leo Kopp

Julian Rothbaum
Louis Smith
Milton Wolff

Saturday
September 16 - 1 Tishray

Esther Greenberg
Frieda Lasky
Max Meyer
Lena Mizel

Sunday
September 17 - 2 Tishray

Louis Mandel

Monday
September 18 - 3 Tishray

Felix Aaronson
Sam Marks
Sadye Rubinstein
Anna Shapiro

Tuesday
September 19 - 4 Tishray

Bertha Berelowitz
Harry Guterman

Wednesday
September 20 - 5 Tishray

Freda Krawitz
Esther Pastor
Harry H. Rozen
Etta Waldinger Borg

Thursday
September 21 - 6 Tishray

Miriam Cohn Phillips
Joseph Grossbard
Vicki Walzer

Friday
September 22 - 7 Tishray

Alvin Glass
Brenda Magoon
Louis Mizel
Isaac Aaron Schuman

Saturday
September 23 - 8 Tishray

Sylvia Alexander
Bertha Ettleman

Phillip Fischbein
Alexander Meyer
Betty Newman

Sunday
September 24 - 9 Tishray

Leah Katz
Shiphrah Stockfish West

Monday
September 25 - 10 Tishray

Jacob Chekofsky
Raphael Donde
Alvin Dundee
Ann B. Freed

Tuesday
September 26 - 11 Tishray

Elana Wexberg Haas Horska
Fanny Kaiser
Bertha Winer

Wednesday
September 27 - 12 Tishray

Yvonne Davis Beard
Eleanor Cohen
Simon Kaiser
Walter Loftis

Thursday
September 28 - 13 Tishray

Lottie Gussman
Ella Kahn
Sol Robinowitz
Joy K. Smith
Aaron Solomon
Les Weston

Friday
September 29 - 14 Tishray

Stuart Beerman
Lottie Eiziks
Leo Hurewitz
Betty LeVine
Joe Mickella
Joseph Sollosy

Saturday
September 30 - 15 Tishray

Dr. S. Yale Andelman
Renee Levin

May their souls be bound up in the bond of life everlasting. Please note that each yahrtzeit begins at sunset on the day before the date listed.