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MARA TO NAOMI —SEE UPCOMING FOR DETAILS

MILESTONES

IN MEMORIAM

Joe Degen
Father of Mallory Brown

TODAH RABBAH

We are deeply grateful to those who have become part of our renewed effort to provide home-cooked meals to those members of our congregation in need. Thanks to:

Michael Abdoveis
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MAZAL TOV

To Eva Unterman, who will soon be honored by the Sisterhood of Temple Israel with a lifetime achievement award. Congratulations to Eva on this special distinction.

To Rebecca Fine and Jessie Stallings on their recent engagement. A summer 2022 wedding is being planned.

To Aaron Miller and Joe Edmonds on the purchase of their first home in Tulsa. Look for the Edmonds-Millers near Utica Square.

To Jordan and Ashley Diamond on the purchase of their first home in Oklahoma. Visit the Diamonds in Bixby!

To Marcela Swenson, whose work as Executive Director of Tulsa Responds was recently highlighted by Pod 4 Good, a podcast hosted by Jesse Ulrich and Chris Miller.

To Dr. Jeff Alderman on receiving the Excellence in Teaching Award for 2020-2021 from the Oxley College of Health Sciences at the University of Tulsa.

To Aberson's, selected as one of the fifty best men's wear shops in the United States by Gear Patrol, one of the most important voices in fashion and social media.

Yahrtzeits and Kaddish

Every Friday Afternoon
at 5:45 p.m. on Zoom
918 583 7121

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*Both Rabbis are affiliated with the Rabbinical Assembly of the Conservative Movement.

ON THE COVER

This month brings us to Shavu'ot, a godsend holiday to the lactose **tolerant** and anyone who loves the taste of sweetened cheese. Please see Rabbi Fitzerman's article on page 5 for a deeper dive and a shout out to Keith Lehman, who has brought the gift of his cheesecake from heaven to earth. One day soon, the pandemic will be over and we will be able to enjoy the miracle of that cake in the Synagogue once again.

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THE MAY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TWO RABBIS AND... | EVERY FRIDAY

Every Friday at 11:00 a.m., Rabbis Fitzerman and Kaiman convene a weekly conversation with guests whose work, stories, and ideas are worthy of our attention. The live conversations are shared as a podcast each week. Check them out wherever podcasts are found. Recording sessions take place on May 7, 14, 21, and 28. Zoom meeting ID: **918-583-7121**.

SHABBAT TOGETHER | FRIDAY EVENINGS

Every Friday, you are invited to a short, digital gathering where we take a few moments to pause with community as we enter Shabbat. The content is songs for the Shabbat table, and it always starts at 6:00 p.m. A weekly Yahrzeit service precedes this experience at 5:45 p.m. We conclude everything in time for you to enjoy a Shabbat meal at home. The sessions this month are May 7, 14, 21, and 28. Zoom Meeting ID: **918-583-7121**.

PANIM EL PANIM | SATURDAY MORNINGS

Our tradition speaks of a special power that exists when a group of people gathers together for prayer. **Panim el Panim** is a live broadcast service led by Rabbis Kaiman and Fitzerman. Rooted in our in-person Shabbat morning service, we spend time singing, reflecting, studying Torah, and connecting. Services begin at 10:00 a.m. The dates for Panim el Panim services are May 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29. Zoom meeting ID: **918-583-7121**.

BAKER'S DOZEN | TUESDAY & THURSDAY

Cookies, cookies and more cookies! We're still at it, collecting cookies, bars, and other single-serving baked goods every Tuesday and Thursday morning and delivering them right away to frontline workers around the city. Any donation of baked goods is deeply appreciated; reach out to Eric Hunker at ehunker@bnaiemunah.com, and we'll work you into the schedule as smoothly as we work our pastry dough! All of our recipients have been deeply grateful.

*Check Out Facebook for
Our Ancestors and Ourselves
Featuring Happie Hoffman and Company*

13 BLATT+BLUE: A SERIOUS MAN

Our ongoing film and television series, **Blatt+Blue**, spotlights the discussion-leading skills of film and television enthusiasts David Blatt and Alice Blue. This month they'll discuss **A Serious Man**, the Coen Brothers' masterpiece of American Jewish filmmaking. See page 10 for details. Join the discussion on Zoom: **918-583-7121** at 7:00 p.m.

15 MORNING MINDFULNESS

Moments of pause and reflection are increasingly rare in the busy lives we lead. But spiritual practice invites us to set aside time to do exactly that. We practice to ready ourselves to confront the world around us. We practice to familiarize ourselves with old and new ways of being. Artist-in-Residence Happie Hoffman, alongside Rabbi Kaiman, will guide us in a morning of meditation and mindfulness on Saturday, May 15 at 9:00 a.m. The hour-long session is designed both as a lead in to our Panim el Panim service or as a stand-alone experience. We'll see you in the Synagogue Zoom room. For more information, contact Rabbi Kaiman.

16 NAOMI/MARA: WOMEN IN RECOVERY

In celebration of the first night of Shavu'ot, the Synagogue will welcome graduates of Women in Recovery to share their stories of resilience. Like the strong women in the Book of Ruth who thrived in the face of great adversity, our guests will speak about their personal stories of survival, strength and success. Meet us on Sunday, May 16, in the Synagogue Zoom Room at 7:00 p.m. using Zoom ID **918-583-7121**.

17-18 SHAVU'OT

A major festival holiday on the Jewish calendar, Shavu'ot asks us to consider how we express our Judaism as participants in an ancient covenant. Services each day will begin at 10:00 a.m., Yizkor will be chanted at 11:15 a.m. on May 18.

21 SHABBAT FOR EVERYONE: TRANSITIONS

At 6:00 p.m. we'll welcome Shabbat with feasting and festivity. Reserve and pick up your Shabbat dinner kit ahead of time, and we'll see you online for 6:00 p.m. blessings, followed by an online getting-to-know-you dinner experience. At 7:00 p.m., we'll join together to install our new Officers and Board Members. For pickup info and to make your meal reservation, visit our website. Zoom ID is **918-583-7121**.

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A GREAT SERIES ON JEWISH CINEMA AND TELEVISION

BLATT & BLUE

MAY SELECTION: THE COEN BROTHERS'

A SERIOUS MAN

ZOOM CONVERSATION ON
THURSDAY, MAY 13, AT 7:00 P.M.

HOSTED BY DAVID BLATT AND ALICE BLUE

ZOOM ROOM ID: 918 583 7121

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23 SEVENTEENTH STREET DELI

It's the return of the Seventeenth Street Deli. Join us for curbside pickup between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Count on pastrami, corned beef, egg salad, and knishes. We think these Jewish classics are delicious. We'll be slinging sandwiches out the front door of the Synagogue, right into the hands of our customers.

23 SISTERHOOD ANNUAL MEETING

It's the official culmination of the Sisterhood programming year. Please see the description of this event on page 10. We'll be electing and installing our leadership team for the coming year and all are invited to participate in this important exercise.

PROGRAM NOTES

■ INTRO TO JUDAISM

Looking to explore Judaism further? Uncover traditions and build community as part of our INTRO program. In partnership with the American Jewish University, we're delighted to offer Part One of this eighteen-session course continuing into May. We'll offer Parts Two and Three this summer and fall for those looking for the whole course experience. The six classes for Part One will take place on Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m. on ZOOM. It's just \$18 to register for the learning experience. No matter your starting point, we think there's always room to keep studying together. Visit tulsasynagogue.com/intro to register and see the full course calendar.

■ CITIZEN CLASS RESUMES

The Synagogue is proud to offer Citizenship Test Preparation courses for refugees and immigrants to Tulsa. The semester began in April and will continue virtually, through the end of the summer. Classes meet Monday and Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM on Zoom. If you are interested in volunteering or joining the class as a student please be in touch with Sara Levitt at slevitt@bnaiemunah.com or (918) 583-7121 for more information. You can learn more by visiting www.tulsasynagogue.com/citizenship

BLATT + BLUE ON MAY 13 AT 7:00 P.M.

A SERIOUS MAN

FROM RABBI FITZGERMAN

■ CHEESECAKE

If you Google for vintage images of Jewish cheesecake, you'll first encounter a number of bakeries in Melbourne. I've actually been to Melbourne, but regrettably never made it to those bakeries. There's a charming picture of an Italian Jewish bakery in Rome, but they probably make their cheesecakes out of ricotta. That bakery might be a thousand years old, but a ricotta cheesecake is not the cheesecake I know.

The reason I chose the cover illustration is that you can sort-of see the cheesecakes on the counter, and Rinkoff's holds a special place in my heart. It's been in business since 1911, established in the Whitechapel/East End neighborhood of London, which absorbed Jewish immigrants by the tens of thousands in the early twentieth century. The 1911 English census is the first that lists my family in Western Europe, and Rinkoff's would have been known to my grandfather, Harry Fitzerman. He lived in the very heart of the East End, on Hessel Street, notorious for its kosher slaughter houses. Rinkoff's was less than a bus stop away. I see my young grandfather with a Rinkoff's bagel in hand, rushing to work on a weekday morning.

The reason we're talking about cheesecake at all is that May is the month of Shavu'ot this year. Why the nexus between this holiday and dairy goods, most especially American-style cheesecake? I love the idea that Shavu'ot celebrates the new covenantal relationship between God and the People Israel that begins at Sinai. Once the Torah is given, everything changes, the clock of history is reset, and the opportunity for transformation opens again. It's as if we are returned to the Garden of Eden, where we are in perfect harmony with the natural world. A dinner of steak involves an element of violence. A dessert of cheesecake is the perfect opposite. Vegans might disagree with that assessment, but perhaps not if we talk about "relative" violence.

Remember, also, that it doesn't have to be cheesecake. It could be bourekas, blintzes, or spanakopita with feta. Alice and I will be serving quesadillas, because I've got this new pan at home that does them perfectly. The idea is to reach into the tradition, foreground its values, and then build a practice that reflects its commitments. But I don't mind saying that cheesecake is the best. When we return to the Synagogue for the holidays, we will once again be serving Keith Lehman's cheesecake, the very best version I have ever had. See the latest edition of *Kum Essen* for the recipe and change **cups** of cream cheese to **ounces**. I have it on very good authority that when they served cheesecakes on Sinai, they bought them from Keith.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION?

PLEASE CALL RABBI KAIMAN AT (918) 583-7121.

MORAH SARA LEVITT

■ SAVORING OUR SUCCESSES

Here we are again. It's the end of another school year, and more than ever, I am asking myself what happened to the year that just came and went. Somehow we spent the entire school year on our screens. Every Sunday and Wednesday of this school year, as I logged on to Zoom, I missed the voices of our children singing together, the voices of our passionate teachers, and the buzz of eating bagels on Sunday morning. In spite of it all, I learned a great deal this year about our program, our teachers, students, and parents that I know we'll carry forward with us in the years to come.

First, I was reminded of the commitment of our parents and families. Despite significant challenges and an overload of screen time, our students showed up on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings consistently. Even if they were in their PJ's, eating breakfast, or with all of their animals in their laps, they logged in, and participation held steady and consistent with our in-person trends as well. This, of course, is a tribute to their parents' encouragement, our teachers' passion, and our students' sense of belonging and care for their Jewish community.

Next was our transition and growth in our Hebrew learning program. It became clear at the end of last year that the best way forward in the digital space was one-on-one learning for Hebrew. Students thrived in this new format, with teachers intimately aware of each student's strengths, understanding, and needs in Hebrew learning. We are actively thinking about how to translate this success into our program moving forward.

This year also taught us to be creative and think outside the box. We challenged ourselves to push the screen's boundaries, and it opened us up to innovative programming and impressive guests. From a Purim puppet workshop led by the staff of the National Center for Puppetry Arts in Atlanta, to Tu B-Shevat planting, a Thanksgiving Seder, yoga, cooking, Israeli Dancing, art workshops, professional storytellers, and more, we pushed to be more creative than ever, and it paid off! I look forward to continuing this strategy in our programming moving forward.

Early on in the pandemic, I learned that I was lucky to work with such a committed and incredible team of teachers and staff. They showed up each week with enthusiasm and passion, patience, and care. A hearty **todah rabah** to each of them for their continued support and partnership: Emily Smith, Esther Stafford, Stephanie Marshall, Adam Weingarten, Machel Diemart, Alana Gorden, Richie Bokusky, Adam Brimer, Alin Avitan, Isabella Lieberman, and Ruth Skulnick-Shur.

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FROM RABBI KAIMAN

■ LEADING AND FOLLOWING

Leadership takes many different forms. Sometimes, it's the one who takes risks, raises their voice, or leads a group into battle. Other times, leadership can be understood as an act of strategic visioning, planning, and foresight. But a favorite definition for me of 'what defines a leader?' is a straightforward answer. A leader is someone who has followers.

The month ahead is one in which an increased level of attention will be focused on our city as we commemorate one hundred years since the 1921 Tulsa race massacre. In many ways, this moment represents the culmination of many years of work and focus, bringing Greenwood's story out of the shadows and into everyday discourse about where our city is today and where we have been.

As Jews, we have a propensity to lead. We speak out on issues of justice. We respond to moments of need. We give of ourselves to bring healing to the world we inhabit. And in many ways, the work of commemorating the 1921 Race Massacre has seen involvement from all parts of the Jewish community. From philanthropy to project management, from storytelling to self-reflection, we rightfully see ourselves as a community that leads regarding issues of social justice.

But as we enter this month, where the significant events of centennial commemoration are to unfold, I want us also to consider what it means to be good followers. Good followers pay attention. We listen to the voices who call for reparations. We honor the trailblazers who have shaped our present. And we respect the descendants and survivors who carry this story in a very personal way. It is a sacred task, too, to be followers.

In this month of reflection and reckoning, we are encouraged to make ourselves part of what will unfold from photographic installations at Philbrook to the vigils on Greenwood. We have a job to do, and let's look toward those who lead and practice being good followers, too.

SISTERHOOD ANNUAL
MEETING
SUNDAY, MAY 23

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TRIBUTES AND MEMORIALS AT THE SYNAGOGUE

LEAVING A MARK

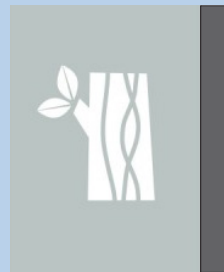
There will never be a year quite like this one. Deep in the experience of the current pandemic, innocent victims continue to die. Many localities, including parts of our own country, are insufficiently supplied with effective vaccines. Even in places where serum is available, the rollout is much more complicated than it should be.

On the other side, of course, there is much to be thankful for. Heroic doctors and medical personnel who have put their own lives at risk in order to tend to their patients. Researchers who exceeded all expectations of success. Policy makers, teachers, public officials, and mental health professionals who have delivered themselves to the border of exhaustion. Front-line workers in many different fields who came to work each day despite their fear of contagion.

The Synagogue will spend the spring and early summer marking this moment with the seriousness it deserves. Despite the overhang of anxiety, we are slowly, incrementally turning the corner—returning to a version of normal life. To describe where we have been and how grateful we are, we will be erecting a commemorative plaque on our property, in the garden space between Goodall-Davis Chapel and Memorial Hall. A version of that plaque appears in the column next to this one; it will be officially dedicated at an event this summer, featuring music, tributes, and statements by our members about what COVID-19 brought to our community.

Please watch your mail in the coming weeks for a detailed description of this project. Because of the seriousness of what we have experienced, we have decided to set aside our Touro Celebration this year, and concentrate instead on a tribute and a memorial.

We hope that our members will find this gesture meaningful and support our efforts as generously as they can. Every contributor will be publicly acknowledged and all funds raised will benefit the Synagogue and its programs. In the midst of this pandemic, we have worked to remain vital and productive. With your help, we hope to do still more in the year ahead.



With abundant gratitude, the Synagogue Family marks the first signs that the Pandemic of 2020-2021 is easing, and that fear and despair will give way to hope and security.

We mourn the dead who have been taken from us, and pray that their memory will endure. We ask that the blessings of science continue to protect us, and that every citizen in the world be preserved in health. None of us is safe until all of us are safe.

We salute the valor of the Synagogue's physicians, nurses, and medical personnel. Together with researchers, public servants, mental health professionals, educators, and frontline workers in every field, their bravery and willingness to serve the public good made it possible for us to endure during the chaos and disorder of this international crisis.

Almighty God, you have chosen our physicians to watch over the life and death of Your creatures. Support them in this great task, so that it may benefit all humanity.

[FROM THE PRAYER OF MAIMONIDES | 1135 - 1204]

THE SYNAGOGUE
Congregation B'nai Emunah
Spring/Summer 2021

You will not fear the terror of night nor the plague that destroys at noon.
With length of days I will show My salvation.
[AFTER PSALM 91]

BAKER'S DOZEN: SYNAGOGUE TREATS FOR COVID PROFESSIONALS

Please drop your home-baked goods at the Synagogue every Tuesday and Thursday so that we can make weekly deliveries.



When was the last time

you had a warm, flaky, delectable knish? We're now making them at the Seventeenth Street Deli, and you can have your fill on Sunday, May 23. Just call the Synagogue or go to tulsadeli.org.

SARA LEVITT [CONCLUDED]

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Our plans for the end of the year celebrations are now underway. The last days of the school year will fall on Wednesday, May 12, for Z'man B'zoom students, and Sunday, May 16 for the entire school. We'll also honor our graduates, all students, and teachers during our Shabbat for Everyone celebration on May 21. It is our greatest hope that we'll be safely back in person in the fall.

My biggest nugget of learning this year is our students, teachers, parents, and community's profound resilience. I continue to be in awe of each of you for clicking the link and showing up to engage in Jewish life. In this unbelievable year of pandemic, you have continued to give me great joy and hope for our future. Todah rabbah!

TRANSITION

Mazel tov to the Synagogue's seniors on their upcoming graduation from High School. We're so proud of each of you and look forward to your many great successes ahead:

Lily Adcock
Eli Anderson
Miguel Arce
Emily Lapidus
Sophie Raskin
Lexi Sotkin
Jesse Schumann

Mazel tov to our seventh grade ShulSchool students on their graduation from ShulSchool, marking their transition to the next chapter of learning and participation in our community!

Zeki Jacobs
Sarah Joels
Joseph Sanchez
Baron Von Ostendorf
Gavin Zelkind

JUNE: LOOKING AHEAD

6 FAMILY DAY OF SERVICE

10 BLATT+BLUE

13 SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB

AT THE SYNAGOGUE

FLOWING FORWARD

We hope that you can feel the Synagogue begin to move toward a more normal schedule. Step by step, we are trying to restore the flow of energy in and out of our building without putting the gains of quarantine in jeopardy.

In the meantime, many of our full-time Synagogue staffers are spending more time in the building. Program events and meetings continue to occur almost exclusively online, but much of our day-to-day work is being accomplished on site. In order to safeguard the well-being of our staff, we ask you to call the Synagogue to clear the way for a visit. The persons who answer the phone will be either our Administrative Assistant, Cheryl Myers, or Synagogue Administrator Rick Gratch. Both would be glad to help in any possible way.

TWO RABBIS AND...

Fridays at 11 a.m. | Zoom us at 918-583-7121

FRAZA MITZVAH DAYS

The COVID-Safe Masked Men of Feenberg Rubin AZA would like to offer our assistance to do odd jobs around your home. Jobs can be scheduled on Wednesday afternoons and on Sundays, from April to mid-June 2021.

We have no fee structure, but contributions will be accepted to help us with our annual BBYO programming. To reserve a time, contact any of the following:

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SISTERHOOD

SISTERHOOD ANNUAL MEETING

Save the date for Sisterhood's Annual Meeting on May 23, 2021. This year's Annual Meeting will be held as a virtual meeting at 10:00 a.m.

In addition to voting on a new Board, outgoing President Hillary Roubein will review the past year's Sisterhood events and introduce the new Sisterhood officers and Board.

Watch for updates on the Synagogue email newsletter. Sisterhood would love to see you there!

GIFT SHOP WEBSITE

A new format for the Sisterhood Gift Shop is now available through the Synagogue website, according to Nancy Cohen, Gift Shop Chair.

All you need to do in go to tulsagogue.org, click on the Sisterhood Gift Shop link on the left side of the menu page, and you will be transported to a colorful and informative Gift Shop page.

There are six different categories of gift items to select from with color pictures and prices for all the items available for purchase.

While the Synagogue building is closed, this is an easy and quick way to order the items you need. If you have questions, contact Nancy Cohen at nachac1256@gmail.com. Please shop Judaica at the Sisterhood Gift Shop!

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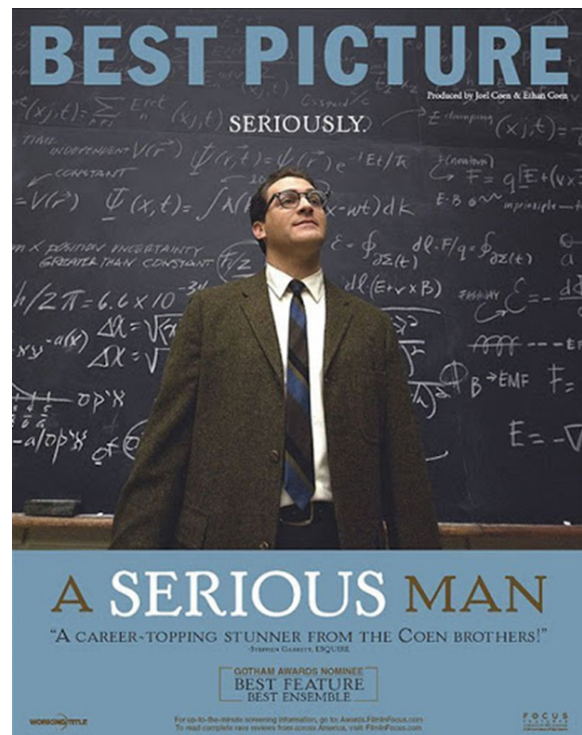
SPECIAL EVENTS

BLATT+BLUE ON MAY 13

From its opening scene in a nameless European shtetl to the closing image of a tornado bearing down on the hapless Larry Gopnik, the Coen Brothers' film, **A Serious Man**, is a tour de force. First released in 2009, it meditates on the nature of Jewish history and most especially, Jewish life in America. On the most self-evident level, it's a riff on the Book of Job, but it also takes on the questions of Jewish masculinity, the relationship between Jews and gentiles, the failings of institutional Judaism, and a kaleidoscope of knowing and critical insights into the inner dynamic of Jewish life.

Blatt + Blue is a project of The Synagogue | Congregation B'nai Emunah, now in its second year of sustained attention to some of the most important documents of Jewish life. Film and television enthusiasts David Blatt and Alice Blue begin each session with a summary of the featured material. It means that you'll be able to follow the conversation even if you have to delay your viewing of the film itself. After that, it's questions and comments from the Zoom Room audience.

The film is currently available on Amazon Prime Video and may be rented for a small fee. Join the Zoom event with David and Alice on Thursday evening, May 13, at 7:00 p.m. The Zoom meeting ID is **918-583-7121** and the session will conclude at 8:00 p.m. If there is a film you'd like to see in these sessions in the future, please reach out to Eric Hunker at ehunker@bnaiemunah.com.



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Seventeenth Street Deli | Kosher Eats at the Synagogue!

Join us for take-out on Sunday, May 23. Reservations at tulsadeli.org.

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of [my grandparents] left the same village that Marc Chagall painted. It's called Vitebsk. It's now in Belarus. And this country took them in. It protected them at a time when other countries wouldn't.

So all of us in our family feel an obligation to public service and try to protect other people the way the country protected us.

Attorney General Merrick Garland
at the John Hope Franklin Center for Reconciliation
Tulsa, Oklahoma | April 2021

MAY | IYAR-SIVAN

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 1 10:00 AM Panim el Panim Shabbat Service 7:55 PM Havdalah Torah: Emor |
| 2 10:00 AM ShulSchool | 3 7:30 PM INTRO | 4 10:00 AM Baker's Dozen Dropoff | 5 4:00 PM Hebrew Lab 7:00 PM Midrasha | 6 10:00 AM Baker's Dozen Dropoff | 7 11:00 AM Two Rabbis and... 5:45 PM Yahrzeit Service 6:00 PM Shabbat Together 7:56 PM Candles 8:16 PM Sunset | 8 10:00 AM Panim el Panim Shabbat Service 8:25 PM Havdalah Torah: Behar-Behukotay |
| 9 10:00 AM ShulSchool 1:00 PM Sisterhood Book Club | 10 7:30 PM INTRO Yom Yerushalayim | 11 10:00 AM Baker's Dozen Dropoff 7:00 PM Board of Directors | 12 4:00 PM Hebrew Lab 7:00 PM Midrasha End of Year Celebration Rosh Chodesh Sivan | 13 10:00 AM Baker's Dozen Dropoff 7:00 PM Blatt and Blue | 14 11:00 AM Two Rabbis and... 5:45 PM Yahrzeit Service 6:00 PM Shabbat Together 8:02 PM Candles 8:22 PM Sunset | 15 9:00 AM Morning Meditation 10:00 AM Panim el Panim Shabbat Service 8:30 PM Havdalah Torah: Bamidbar |
| 16 10:00 AM ShulSchool The Last Day 7:00 PM Naomi/Mara: Stories of Women in Recovery Erev Shavu'ot | 17 10:00 AM Panim el Panim Yom Tov Service 6:30 PM Tzaytchem L'Shalom Salute to Seniors Shavu'ot Day I | 18 10:00 AM Panim el Panim Yom Tov Service Shavu'ot Day II | 19 | 20 10:00 AM Baker's Dozen Dropoff | 21 11:00 AM Two Rabbis and... 5:45 PM Yahrzeit Service 6:00 PM Shabbat Together 7:00 PM Transitions Shabbat 8:08 PM Candles 8:28 PM Sunset | 22 10:00 AM Panim el Panim Shabbat Service 8:35 PM Havdalah Torah: Nasso |
| 23 10:00 AM Sisterhood Annual Meeting 4:00 - 6:00 PM 17th Street Deli | 24 7:30 PM INTRO | 25 10:00 AM Baker's Dozen Dropoff | 26 | 27 10:00 AM Baker's Dozen Dropoff | 28 11:00 AM Two Rabbis and... 5:45 PM Yahrzeit Service 6:00 PM Shabbat Together 8:12 PM Candles 8:32 PM Sunset | 29 10:00 AM Panim el Panim Shabbat Service 8:40 PM Havdalah Torah: Beha'alotcha |
| 30 | 31 Memorial Day | | | | | |

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| <p>Saturday, May 1 - 19 Iyar Rose Perl Stanley Prussack Eddie Rabkin Raymond Stekoll Joseph E. Stiefel Abbott Wittels</p> <p>Sunday, May 2 - 20 Iyar Mary Ann Bessolo Betty J. Kaiser Helen Dan Spector Oscar Stavinsky</p> <p>Monday, May 3 - 21 Iyar Morris Brietfeld Manuel Brown August Gabel Nettie Lederman Henry Melville Mason Gershon Weisman</p> <p>Tuesday, May 4 - 22 Iyar Selig Sorkin</p> <p>Wednesday, May 5 - 23 Iyar Estelle Aberson Robert Paul Cohen William Fitzerman Miriam Kahn Leah Lapkin Zoltan Sollosy Sam Winer</p> <p>Thursday, May 6 - 24 Iyar Ralph Goldsmith Charles Kaufman Nathan Livingston Ruth Poznik Joshua Price</p> | <p>Friday, May 7 - 25 Iyar Pauline Bercutt Cy Gershone Philip Oberstein</p> <p>Saturday, May 8 - 26 Iyar Julius Bergman Nathan Dundee Herbert Kallmeyer Jane Kaufman Charles H. Solow</p> <p>Sunday, May 9 - 27 Iyar Issac Alcouloumre Gretl Neuwald Nathan Rips Ruth Marie Watt Florence Wolens</p> <p>Monday, May 10 - 28 Iyar Lila Berger Sarah Goodall Bessie Markovitz Meyer Miller Chaye Gittel Plost Pauline Rabinovitz Sarah Spector Zelma Zeldich</p> <p>Tuesday, May 11 - 29 Iyar Anna Gruwer Beatrice Newman Abraham Pollock Yetta Zolt</p> <p>Wednesday, May 12 - 1 Sivan Ida Taxon</p> <p>Thursday, May 13 - 2 Sivan Joann Darby Golde Finkelstein</p> | <p>Isadore Teichman Albert Weise</p> <p>Friday, May 14 - 3 Sivan Meyer Greenberg Leah Kraus Richard "Dick" Raskin Maurice N. Solow</p> <p>Saturday, May 15 - 4 Sivan Adelle Bookman Hazel Loftis Albert Mizel Richard Weintrub Mary Rosenstein Zeligson</p> <p>Sunday, May 16 - 5 Sivan Jennie Myers Jan Pastor Eide Rochverger Rosalie Cohen Rosen</p> <p>Monday, May 17 - 6 Sivan Sam N. Dundee Louise Karchmer Aaron H. Kirsh Hersh Schneider</p> <p>Tuesday, May 18 - 7 Sivan Sol Eisen Eunice Frank Sylvia Gore Sayde Rita LeVine Leonard Rozin Hyman Teller</p> <p>Wednesday, May 19 - 8 Sivan Jeanette Bookman Beverly Laura Gabel Irvin Lenovitz Jean Panken</p> | <p>James Franklin Smith Harold Stein Rebecca Zoblotsky</p> <p>Thursday, May 20 - 9 Sivan Norman Bortel Frank Fitterman Fannie Guller Fannie Hoffman Rabbi Arthur D. Kahn Morris B. Lhevine Edgar R. Sanditen Sara Shapiro Florence Weisberg</p> <p>Friday, May 21 - 10 Sivan Richard (Rick) Dyer Jewels E. Fuhrman Celia Glasser Marion Janson Barnett Unger</p> <p>Saturday, May 22 - 11 Sivan Irving Antell Rita Joyce Mason Jean Rubinoff Irving Shalom Betty Siegel Seymour H. Taxon Hymie Viner</p> <p>Sunday, May 23 - 12 Sivan Jenny Fischback Simon Newman William Sanditen Alex S. Singer Jessie Ungerman Marcus</p> <p>Monday, May 24 - 13 Sivan Harvey Fisher Max Himelstein</p> | <p>Jacob D. Roberts J.M. "Jacob" Stekol</p> <p>Tuesday, May 25 - 14 Sivan Alan Stanley Golden Boruch Henech Sorokin</p> <p>Wednesday, May 26 - 15 Sivan Harry Lantz</p> <p>Thursday, May 27 - 16 Sivan Jack Avery James Dworin Paula Finer Otto Hart Ann Tilkin</p> <p>Friday, May 28 - 17 Sivan Bertha Friedman</p> <p>Saturday, May 29 - 18 Sivan David Livingston Louis Myers Israel Getzel Stekoll Sanford Whitehouse</p> <p>Sunday, May 30 - 19 Sivan Renee Billings Lloyd E. Isham Simon Lebow Charlotte Miller Evelyn Trynin</p> <p>Monday, May 31 - 20 Sivan Rose Erdberg Abraham M. Goodall Samuel Hudson</p> |
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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.