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**ETHICS CLASS
LED BY
RABBI KORNSPAN
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**SUNDAY, AUGUST 7
AT 10:30AM
9:30AM TALLIT AND TEFILLIN**

B'nai Jacob Bulletin

Since 1912 ... Celebrating 100+ Years



THE MURDER OF AN INNOCENT 13-YEAR OLD GIRL

Dear B'nai Jacob Family and Friends,

It is hard to cope with our present world condition. There are overwhelming incidents of terrorist attacks and senseless murders. Our hearts grieve for each and every innocent whose life is snuffed out, because of causeless hatred. To rub salt into the wound, there is the chutzpah of the terrorists who proudly proclaim "responsibility" for these horrendous acts. I would like to amend their worthless words with a different term. They can claim "culpability" and our condemnation!

How far does hatred go? How close does terror strike? We mourn for ANY innocent. We are shaken when terror hits so close to someone we love. The picture you see at the beginning of this article is my granddaughter's very good friend. I say "is" as she lives on in Heichal's heart, as well as in Gan Eden.

A Palestinian terrorist murdered Hallel in her bedroom as she was sleeping, after breaking into the Jewish community of Kiryat Arba. This is the

community in which my son Yishai, his wife Yael, and six of my grandchildren live. Our hearts are heavy with sadness for such a senseless act of violence.

While Yishai was here, he tearfully told me how Heichal had sent him a text of what Hallel had written her. This was the last communication Heichal received before Hallel was murdered.

I do apologize because my translation does not do justice to the original Hebrew with its beautiful idiom. In this communication, Hallel wrote: "To Heichal, You are truly my best friend and very funny and entertaining. I always enjoy being in your company....."

She continued writing about how she enjoys Heichal's stories, which Heichal has been composing, as well as about classes for dance. At the very end of her text, Hallel wrote: "I look forward to our continued friendship as time goes by....."

Reading the full text in Hebrew is an emotional experience, as I realize these are the last words of a young girl, sharing her love and friendship with my granddaughter. These are the thoughts of a youth, who was known for her good heart and her kind ways.....

The Israeli Newspaper, Maariv, interviewed my granddaughter and six other friends of Hallel. You see, Heichal, is among seven girls aged 13, who came to the Shiva home, as they continued to mourn, miss, and try to find comfort on the loss of their best friend. They were part of those who came to comfort Hallel's family during the Shiva week.

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They talked to the newspaper interviewer about Hallel's unique laugh, which brought joy to all of her friends and family. My granddaughter was quoted as saying: "Most of all, I miss seeing her, her presence, for everything connected to her." She also said: "Hallel will always be remembered, and we will always remember her. So many things will remind us of her....What is important is to be happy especially for her sake, because she was a girl who was so happy."

Heichal and her friends shared with the reporter how good-natured and compassionate a young woman Hallel was. They spoke about how Hashem takes the best back to Him; how Hallel chose to be a vegetarian because she didn't want animals to suffer on her behalf; and how she loved to dance and work on her dance routines with her group. As hard as it is, these young girls will dance with all their strength, honoring Hallel and feeling her presence, as they dance in the future.

We pray that Hashem comfort Hallel's parents and family. May Hashem comfort Heichal and all of Hallel's friends. May Hashem comfort the community of Kiryat Arba. May the Holy One bring peace to Israel, and protect all the innocents in our troubled world.

In the midst of all this, we need to continue to pray, to work on behalf of peace, AND as hard as it is....to remember to work on being happy, for this is what Hashem wants us to be!

L'Shalom,

Rabbi Mitchell Kornspan



MAZEL TOV!!

to Aaron Bradley
on passing his certification exam.
He is now Aaron Bradley, RN!
Aaron is the son of
Dan and Lisa Bradley
and husband of Olivia Bradley.



Thank you, B'nai Jacob family, for your cards and calls while I recuperated from surgery, and a special thank you to Rabbi for all that you do, not only for me but for all!

- Janet Finkel

MAZEL TOV!!

to Bob Long

(Press Release 6/22/16)

"Lake Buena Vista Company is pleased to announce our President, Bob Long, has been certified by the International Data Center Authority (IDCA). The IDCA sets design, construction and operating standards for data centers. He was also featured in an IDCA promotional video online at <https://www.idc-a.org/about-idca> Bob's areas of investigation include Medium Voltage Power Systems and Life Safety Systems."

MAZEL TOV!!



to Janet Finkel
Winner of the
Goldie DuBow Award

From the annual meeting of the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne on Monday, June 6, 2016:

"We are delighted to announce that Jan Finkel is the recipient of the Goldie DuBow Award for exceptional volunteerism in the Fort Wayne Jewish community.

Jan has selflessly contributed in many ways to our community; her eagerness to volunteer and willingness to help others in need are exemplary. She is truly deserving of this year's highest honor for volunteerism.

Congratulations Jan!"

Friday Evening
Shabbat Service
August 12, 2016
@ 7:30pm

Janet Finkel was unable to be present for the above mentioned annual meeting of the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne when the award was announced. Therefore, Janet will be presented with the Goldie Dubow Award during a special Friday Evening Shabbat Service on August 12 at 7:30pm.

August Yahrzeits זכור

Tammuz / August

26	31-1	Joe Gerson
26	31-1	Raoul Roderick
26	31-1	Thomas Sarratore
27	1-2	Kalman Beck
27	1-2	Herman Fischer
27	1-2	Isaac Kretzman
27	1-2	Celia Masursky
28	2-3	Phyllis Sarratore
29	3-4	Alfred M. Bronstein

Av/August

1	4-5	Rose Moyer Rothberg
1	4-5	Charles Samet
3	6-7	Rose W. Portman
3	6-7	Sydney Rouda
4	7-8	Susan Cohen
4	7-8	Minnie Sposeep
5	8-9	Isaac Hoffman
7	10-11	Mollie Bronstein
7	10-11	Natalie Duckor
7	10-11	Aaron Kravitz
7	10-11	Anne Kurzner
7	10-11	Louis Levin
7	10-11	Mary Siegel
8	11-12	Claude K. Lee
8	11-12	Alfred Stoller
9	11-12	Rosalin Samet
9	12-13	Zalman Sposeep
10	13-14	Harry Bosell
10	13-14	Alex Honig
10	13-14	Hyman Komisarow
10	13-14	Louis H. Saul
11	14-15	Louis Katz
12	15-16	Bertha Doran
12	15-16	Sarah Latker
12	15-16	Dr. Donald Mark
12	15-16	Myron Marks
13	16-17	Morris Goldin
13	16-17	Fraida Rivah Klein
13	16-17	Charlotte Gilbert Schiff
14	17-18	David Lichtscien
14	17-18	Abe Rubenstein
14	17-18	Irene Sachs Singerman
15	18-19	Max Moyer
16	19-20	William Edward Pownall
16	19-20	Charles Wigod
17	20-21	Owen Miller
17	20-21	Molly Sandel
19	22-23	Minnie Cahn
19	22-23	Jack Golder
19	22-23	Herschel Gorelick
20	23-24	Minnie Hornstein
20	23-24	David Kempler
21	24-25	David Babich
21	24-25	Nahum Lefand

August Yahrzeits זכור

Av / August

21	24-25	Ralph Levin
21	24-25	Gertrude Schuster Sampson
21	24-25	Donald M. Wasserman
22	25-26	Louis Hirschberg
22	25-26	Joseph Levine
22	25-26	Gertrude Moyer
22	25-26	Philippine Petschenek
23	26-27	Dennis Berquist
23	26-27	Ethel Eisbart
23	26-27	Abraham Kurtz
23	26-27	Reiva Orenstein
24	27-28	Molly Sandel
25	28-29	Joseph Schmitz
25	28-29	Bea Turin
26	29-30	Melvin Binderman
26	29-30	Esther Gabe
26	29-30	Beatrice (Bobo) Ochstein
26	29-30	Bertha Ochstein
26	29-30	Eric Wolfe
27	30-31	Sam Levin
28	31-1	Esther King

If you would like to make a donation in honor/memory of someone, please fill out the form and submit it with your check to:

Congregation B'nai Jacob
7227 Bittersweet Moors Drive
Fort Wayne, IN 46814

I have enclosed \$_____ in honor/memory of: _____

From: _____

Fund Preference: Please indicate which fund you prefer to donate to:

- A.J. Ochstein Fund
- Building Fund
- David Siegel Memorial Fund
- General Fund
- Kiddush Fund
- Levy/Levin Endowment Fund
- Library Fund
- Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
- Seth Horwitz Education Fund
- Simon/Hannah Crell Education Fund
- Sisterhood Nursery Fund
- Torah Maintenance Fund
- Winnick Memorial Garden Fund
- Yahrzeit Fund



Condolences to...

Pam and Ron Friedman and family on the passing of

Pam's mother, Barbara Miller, on June 21, 2016

15 Sivan, 5776.

May Barbara's memory ever be for blessing.



August Birthdays

1	Beth Plotkin
1	Molly Zweig
5	Scott Wyman
7	Dana Zemmol
12	Carolyn Current
14	Melvin Krel
17	Aaron Bradley
19	Cruz Booker
20	Mark Schneider
21	Eric Schreier
22	Jeremy Goltz
22	Sydney Schuler
22	Laura Long
23	David Michael Parker
25	Mallory Schreier
25	Nina Bosell
30	Dan Zweig

August Anniversaries

18	Mark and Donna Cole
24	Eric and Jaki Schreier
30	Josh and Donna Tourkow

CONGREGATIONAL DONATIONS

David Siegel Memorial Fund

In memory of David Block

- Marie and Stuart Block

In memory of Louis Siegel

- Bee Siegel

General Fund

In memory of Pam Friedman's mother,

Barbara Miller

- Marina Epstein

In memory of Pam Friedman's mother,

Barbara Miller

- Aunt Faye and Uncle Danny Friedman

In memory of Pam Friedman's mother,

Barbara Miller

- Flora and Irvin Friedman

In memory of Pam Friedman's mother,

Barbara Miller

- Sheilah and Uncle Simon Kalderon

In memory of Leah Tourkow

- Josh and Donna Tourkow

In memory of Eleanor C. Schwartz

- Josh and Donna Tourkow

In memory of Jacques Tourkow

- Josh and Donna Tourkow

In honor of Audrey Gerson's birthday

- Donna Tourkow

In memory of Pam Friedman's mother,

Barbara Miller

- Beth and Dan Zweig

Kiddush Fund

In memory of David Block

- Marie and Stuart Block

In memory of Abraham Brateman

- Adolph and Adrienne Brateman

In honor of Audrey Gerson's birthday

- The Epstein Family and Risa Dashevsky

In honor of Audrey Gerson's birthday

- Janet Finkel

In honor of the wedding anniversaries of

Ron and Pam Friedman and

Virgil and Nina Mocle

- Keith Groman

In honor of all June birthdays and

anniversaries

- Keith Groman

In memory of Pam Friedman's mother,

Barbara Miller

- Keith Groman

In memory of Norma Trauner

- Scott and Theresa Trauner

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In memory of David Block

- Marie and Stuart Block

In memory of Alice and Gabor Fenyes

- Dan and Ann Droegmyer

In appreciation

- Steven and Anita McAfee

For Jewish Cemetery expenses

- Bee Siegel

For Heather Chernen headstone

- Bee Siegel

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Mazel Tov for Kornspans' new grandchild

- Bee Siegel

Thank you for sending membership

directory and bulletins

- Bee Siegel

For expenses of Yishai Kornspan's visit

- Shmuel Wahli

Torah Maintenance Fund

In memory of David Block

- Marie and Stuart Block

Yahrzeit Fund

In memory of Irving E. Appel

- Dan and Annie Appel

In memory of Samuel Zaslowsky

- Adolph and Adrienne Brateman

In memory of Ruth Davis

- Jerry Davis

In memory of Harry Lechtner

- Sue Garber

In memory of Sam Herman

- Steve Herman

Yahrzeit Fund

In memory of Sam Herman

- Jeff Herman

In memory of Betty Luskin

- Arthur and Julie Kupersmith

In memory of Maurice Cohen and

Dr. Hyman L. Cohen

- Lis and Hugo Kahn

In memory of Isidore and Jennie

Nemeroff

- Nancy Nemeroff

In memory of Siegfried Schmitz

- Elsa Jakob

In memory of Charlotte Slutsky

- Helene and Jeff Slutsky

In memory of Alan Slutsky

- Helene and Jeff Slutsky

In memory of Max Weisman

- Barry and Linda Snitzer



Please join the family as they dedicate the monument for

Jeanette Lewis

Sunday, August 28 at 1:00pm

at the

Fort Wayne Jewish Cemetery

6224 Old Decatur Road

Fort Wayne, IN

The Jewish Community is invited to the
**Rededication of the
Fort Wayne Jewish Cemetery
Sunday, August 28 at 2:00pm**

led by

Rabbi Mitchell Kornspan, Congregation B'nai Jacob
and Rabbi Lenny Sarko, Congregation Achduth Vesholom

**Reception to follow at the Temple
at 5200 Old Mill Road**

☆Please RSVP to fwjewishcemetery@gmail.com

by Monday, August 22

so that refreshments can be planned. ☆



Excerpts from Partners in Torah Tishah B'av In History

(For the full essay, please go to:

<http://www.partnersintorah.org/wp-content/uploads/threeweeks.pdf>)

“On the 9th of Av it was decreed upon our ancestors that they would not enter the Land [of Israel,] the First and Second Temples were destroyed, the city of Beitar was captured, the city of Jerusalem was plowed over.” Tractate Taanis 26a

1. Decreed Not To Enter The Land — The Jewish people were destined to enter the Land of Israel shortly after leaving Egypt and receiving the Torah. Instead, they wandered the desert for forty years until the entire generation that left Egypt perished. What was their sin? Sending the Spies to investigate the Land, wholeheartedly believing their slanderous reports and then refusing to enter the Land. They doubted G-d's ability to vanquish the mighty inhabitants of the Land and thereby demonstrated their unworthiness of the miracles He would perform on behalf of the Jewish people when the time came to capture the Land.
2. First Temple Destroyed — On the seventh of Av, the enemy entered the Sanctuary. On the 8th and 9th of Av, they ate and drank in it and desecrated it through immoral behavior. On the 9th day, close to evening, they set it ablaze and it continued to burn through the entire 10th day. The reason we don't fast on the 10th day which is when it was primarily destroyed, is because we prefer to mark the onset of the calamity. Interestingly, Talmud Yerushalmi records the names of pious individuals who fasted on the 9th and 10th of Av, but this is not the accepted practice.
3. Second Temple Destroyed — Although it stood longer and was a larger and more magnificent structure than the First Temple, the Second Temple, too, was eventually destroyed at the hand of the Romans. Along with the destruction of the Temple came the destruction of thousands of Yeshivos [academies of higher learning], a near-cessation of the transmission of the Oral Law and the murder of millions of Jews.
4. Beitar Was Captured — Tens of thousands of Jews lived in the holy city of Beitar. It was ruled by a powerful Jew known as Bar Kochba who led the Jewish revolt against the Romans and almost succeeded in restoring Jewish sovereignty to Israel. Many great scholars believed him to be the Messiah. Unfortunately, Bar Kochba was killed; the revolt collapsed, and the Romans exacted terrible vengeance upon the Jews. The city of Beitar was decimated, and the corpses of its slaughtered inhabitants were not permitted to be buried for a period of two years. The fall of Bar Kochba effectively ended all Jewish hopes for a return to our homeland for thousands of years.
5. Jerusalem Plowed Over — The Prophet Micah prophesied, “So said the Lord, ‘Zion will be plowed under like a field, Jerusalem will be full of furrows, and the Temple Mt. will be piled high with stones.’” Turnus Rufus, a Roman general, plowed up the Temple Mount and its environs and left it as a plowed field, piled high with boulders, in fulfillment of the words of the Prophet.

Laws of Tishah B'av

1. Eating & Drinking: With certain exceptions, no food or drink may be consumed unless a person is ill and under the care of a physician who instructs him to eat or drink.
2. Washing: Washing for pleasure is forbidden with hot or cold water. Removal of dirt is permitted as well as washing one's hand upon arising.....
3. Leather Shoes: Footwear [only] made of leather is forbidden to wear...
4. Anointing: Smearing oneself with anointing oil or perfume is forbidden. Deodorant may be applied.
5. Marital Relations: This is restricted as befits one who is in mourning.

Additionally, one must not sit on a chair and should optimally sit on the floor until midday. The elderly, or people for whom this is difficult, may sit on a low stool the height of which should not exceed 12 inches.

One should refrain from engaging in leisure activities and idle gossip and even Torah study must be limited to areas of Torah that discuss the events of the day. One should not greet another person in the customary manner on Tishah B'av. Talis and Tefillin are not donned until Minchah of Tishah B'av.



HARRIET AND MARVIN CRELL

We are pleased to share the above photo of long-time Congregation B'nai Jacob members **HARRIET AND MARVIN CRELL** and the preceding article entitled "An Investment in Humanity", both of which appeared in the Spring 2016 edition of The IPFW Magazine.

AN INVESTMENT IN HUMANITY

'FOREVER STUDENT' PLEDGES TO FOREVER CHANGE STUDENTS' LIVES

Stockpiling paycheck after paycheck from his many factory jobs, Marvin Crell was able to pool just enough resources to pay for his college tuition. But that was only for the approaching semester, and then the cycle of saving would start all over again. The year was 1951, in case you're wondering, long before student loans existed.

With his long-range sights set on enrolling at Indiana University Bloomington's School of Law and eventually setting up a practice, Crell's day-to-day reality was quite a different story.

Despite the financial challenges he would face, he continued to chip away at his education, month-by-month, semester-by-semester. He was not to be deterred from his end goal.

To hear it in Crell's own words, he wouldn't have had it any other way. As the first in his family to attend college, he was thrilled to be in a position where his college classes were both conveniently close to home and financially achievable.

Owing a debt of gratitude to the school, he expressed, "If it weren't for IPFW, I probably wouldn't have attended college at all."

THE CRELL MEMORIAL LEGACY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

The opportunities that the university (then called Indiana University Fort Wayne Extension System) presented to him have never been something that the Crells have taken for granted.

Because of his gratitude, Marvin and his wife, Harriet, established the Crell Memorial Legacy Endowed Scholarship in 2015. Harriet earned a

bachelor's degree in education from Indiana University (the couple met on the Bloomington campus) and was a teacher and deeply involved in education --- and giving back --- in Allen County for many years. The scholarship is designed to award to students who demonstrate hard work, a financial need, and a dedication to obtaining their degree.

MAKING AN INVESTMENT IN HUMAN BEINGS

Crell feels it's important to give students who are in a similar position --- those who study and work hard but who have a few hurdles to cross on their road ahead --- a fair chance. "I would like for them to have the opportunity that I had: a chance to get a college education and to choose a career that will enhance their future and allow them to make a good living," he shared.

Crell has given back in other ways, including trips abroad with Global Volunteers to Xi'an, China. There, he taught English to college students whose hopes were to find international jobs in the hospitality industry. Struck by how we all share the same hopes and dreams, the experience resonated with him and he encourages everyone to experience other cultures firsthand.

With three generations of lawyers in the family and a newly arrived great-granddaughter poised to make it four, the Crells are proud to pass on a legacy of supporting future generations.

Crell is a firm believer that positive things happen when you enter the IPFW system. He is quick to emphasize that "Good things happened for me and I want them to happen for others, too."



TISHA B'AV SERVICES
CONGREGATION B'NAI JACOB
 9th of Av, Saturday, August 13 @ 9:00pm
 10th of Av, Sunday, August 14 @ 7:00pm



**RELIGIOUS SCHOOL BEGINS
 WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31**

*Parents are requested to arrive at 5:45pm on August 31 for a brief meeting to refine the Religious School calendar and to sign the volunteer sheet.
 Thank you!!!!*

First Day of Classes

Hebrew School	Wednesday, August 31, 2016	4:00pm-6:00pm
Havurat No'ar	Shabbat, September 3, 2016	9:30am-11:45am
Shabbat School	September 3, 2016	9:30am-11:45am



Congregation B'nai Jacob thanks:

- **Kathy Jarvis** for coordinating Kiddush on June 4;
- **Kathy and Jerry Jarvis** for sponsoring Kiddush on June 11 in honor of the birthday of Linda Babb, Kathy's sister;
- **Ruth Minkoff** for coordinating Kiddushim on June 11 and June 25;
- **Ruth Minkoff** for co-sponsoring Kiddush on June 18 in celebration of Mort's birthday and Bar Mitzvah anniversary;
- **Nina and Virgil Mocle** for co-sponsoring Kiddush on June 18 in celebration of their wedding anniversary and in loving memory of Nina's father;
- **Janet Finkel, Sheryl Merritt, Dana Zemmol and Zack Zemmol** who coordinated Kiddush on July 2 in memory of Barbara Miller, Pam Friedman's mother;
- **Janet Finkel and Sheryl Merritt** who coordinated the remaining Kiddushim in July;
- **Jay Zemmol** who coordinated bids for the replacement of the air conditioning unit that services the office and hallway.

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