

The BuzZ at BZ

News From B'nai Zion Congregation in Shreveport, LA

☆ May 2020 / Iyyar ~ Sivan 5780 ☆



From Rabbi Jana

Take Two

“In every generation we are obligated to feel that we, ourselves, left Egypt.” We relive it every year and try to remember how horrible slavery was by eating bitter things at the Seder.

Obviously, no matter how bitter the taste is of the food we eat, it doesn't really help us remember how it was to be a slave. We know that, so we tell the story, and try to remember what it felt like.

We do not know a lot about how it felt to be in the wilderness. What kind of tent did we live in so that we could quickly move when the pillar of smoke or fire moved? How many animals did we have with us? Was it desert, or did we stop at oases? How delicious was the manna?

I wonder about these things sometimes. I also wonder how well we got along with our neighbors. We must have been very aware that we were in this together. We were isolated from other people. We had a shared experience of slavery, of plagues, of walking through the sea on dry land... and of freedom.

This month the part that we are obligated to remember that we experienced was the counting of days. It was glorious to say that we have been free for one day, two days, three weeks and two days... Except that we did not know what was going to happen next. All we had to look at was the wilderness, and each other. We weren't slaves, but we still had no direction or purpose.

I suspect that the initial excitement of being free wore off – at least a little. We used to have a routine of working every day. We knew what we had to do, we knew what our children were doing. It was difficult, but at least we knew our routine. It was familiar.

It is obvious that this year has helped us imagine that wilderness time – probably better than we ever realized we could. We are living in a time of uncertainty. Our routines aren't just disrupted, they do not exist. We are counting days – three days, twelve days, three weeks and two days, and we don't really know what we are counting about anymore.

It is not surprising that many of us wish we could go back to the old days – just like when we were in the wilderness and said we wished we were back in Egypt – even the food was better when we were there. At least we knew what to expect, more or less. Just because we can count how far we have come, at some points we are not comforted by the numbers getting bigger every day, because we don't know exactly where we are going.

I am not suggesting that we will find our Sinai – and finally get instructions at 49 days / seven times seven weeks after we left our old lives behind. I am not saying that this experience is a parallel of our previous experience. (Although it would be cool if G-d decided to “renew our vows” at 49 days this year.)

I have been meeting with clergy across the state over the past few weeks. Everyone with Abraham as their Patriarch sees these parallels. We all are hoping that part of this experience will include us working together to find a better world – a “Promised Land” for all of us to live better lives in the future. Where people have no internet to be able to attend meetings and school, we will find a way to get them internet. For people who have lost their jobs, we will find a way to get them jobs. For people who rely on food magically appearing on supermarket shelves – we will at least appreciate those supermarkets more, and possibly learn to make our own food more often, and share with others.

Do you have a vision of what we might find when we leave this wilderness?

I will keep counting, and keep looking for rainbows, and listening to the still, small voice within, now that the world has gotten quieter. I will also keep trying to reach out and find ways to be together even while we are staying apart.

I hope that this year's experience for all of us will be one of going from freedom and Passover to the joy of receiving Torah and new instructions about how to live a better life. I am counting on it.

Maybe we have a cure... take two tablets...

Bivrakha (with blessing),

Rabbi Dr. Jana L. De Benedetti



From our President, Jon Black



For starters, I sincerely hope all of you are doing well. This is certainly the most unusual time I have experienced and I imagine most all of you would agree. I hope you have joined in for our livestream Shabbat Services, either live or the replay. Rabbi has really worked hard and been creative to keep us involved. I know how hard this must be for her, as she thrives on being able to interact with us and to always be available for those in need. I know it is difficult for all of us and we want you to know that B'nai Zion still wants to serve you as well as we can.

Having had plenty of time to reflect, it is crazy to me that soon my status will change from President to Past-President. When Rabbi told me she needed my first message back in June of 2018 I remember thinking "how will I ever write 24 of these?"

Over the years I have been directly involved with a number of organizations and have served as Chairman for several. My goal has always been the same – try to help make the organization better than it was before. In the case of B'nai Zion, it was easier because of the awesome staff we have. We are so lucky to have Karen. She keeps the wheels on the bus. It is also a blessing to have Barbara leading our Religious School. I could devote every monthly message to Rabbi and her dedication to all of us. It has been an honor and privilege to work with her and to get to know her better. With regards to making things better, we have instituted several things at the Board level that are helpful and I believe will be continued. The main thing I wanted to do was get more people involved and identify some new leaders for our Congregation. I think we had begun to have some success in this area, although this quarantine may feel like it has taken us a few steps back. I guess I would say we accomplished a few things we wanted yet wished it had been even more.

I want to add we should all take the time to thank Harriett Glazer for all the years she has given BZ in so many ways and especially with all of the Oneg Shabbats she has done with assistance from Sharon Goldman. I am thrilled to see Kathy Broadnax and Diane Dufilho have begun to take over these duties and have added their own touch. There are some great new Board members who are about to rotate on as well as an exceptional new Executive Committee that will be led by Kathy Plante. I look forward to becoming the Past President, and am still always available to help in any way needed.

I suppose the thing I personally learned most was how much I enjoy our Shabbat Services and being with those that attend regularly. It is a very spiritual and peaceful hour at the end of every week that seems to always come at just the right moment to remember to be grateful for all the blessings God has provided.

Stay safe and stay well. God bless everyone.

Warmest Regards,

Jon

B'nai Zion Board of Trustees **2019 - 2020**

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From our Education Director, Barbara Joseph

Despite the extenuating circumstances we all find ourselves in, I am grateful to the Rabbis, Teachers and Madrichim who have worked diligently to maintain the sense of community and educational goals of the Religious School



Although students missed an in-person day of Religious School on March 15, there have been Zoom lessons for all students from Kindergarten through the Seventh Grade on all regularly scheduled Sundays since then. Our Religious School year is scheduled to end May 3. However, I am collecting input from parents and students about what type of activity might be appreciated for the rest of May and possibly into the summer. Please reach out via email or the private Religious School Facebook group to let me know your thoughts!

In addition to moving online, another result of social distancing was not being able to host our ISJL fellow for a Spring visit. While I missed seeing Julia in person, I am glad to report that the ISJL quickly responded to this unprecedented change by launching a new section of their website and offering many resources to educators in the region. The ISJL conference will be online this year, and will only be one day. This may benefit our school with the possibility of more teachers being able to attend.

I'd like to express my gratitude to Sharon Goldman and Goldy Marrus for their many years of teaching Religious School together. They have touched the hearts and minds of many preschoolers, making that initial Religious School experience for so many of our current students a positive one. Thank you Goldy and Sharon!



L'shalom

Barbara

Letter from Anna Herman, Jacobs Camp (excerpt)

Dear Jacobs Camp Family,

This is the hardest letter I have ever had to write. **It is with broken hearts that we share our plans to cancel all in-person activities held in Utica for summer 2020.** If at any point new information emerges and conditions change that lead us to be able to provide some other form of in-person gatherings, we will do so as a top priority.

We know that camp is much more than a place – it's a family. Together we will move through this difficult time and look forward to when we can be together again.

B'nai Zion Shabbat Schedule
Friday Evening Service - 6:00 PM
Saturday Torah Study - 9:45 AM
Saturday Morning Service - 11:00 AM



B'nai Zion Office Hours
Monday through Friday 9 AM-2 PM
No Business on Shabbat or Holidays
Call for an appointment to meet with the Rabbi

Recurring and Special Events

Simcha Shabbat



Simcha Shabbat to celebrate and honor people with birthdays or anniversaries in May is **6 PM May 8**. The service will be online only (we are not gathering in the sanctuary) on YouTube. Parts of the service will be led by people with birthdays or anniversaries in May. Since it is also Mother's Day weekend, there will be some people leading the service helping us celebrate Mother's Day Shabbat. Contact Rabbi Jana if you would like to help lead service by giving a brief message and reading a part.



Together Tuesday

Can you join us at a Zoom Together Tuesday? The first Tuesday of every month we make time to visit - people of all backgrounds get together. Sometimes we pray, sing, talk... it is important that we find time to get to know people with different backgrounds. We have been meeting (almost) every month since August 2016. **This month we will meet on Zoom. 6 -7 PM Tuesday, May 5. Please sign up at the B'nai Zion website for Zoom information.**



KID-dush Shabbat

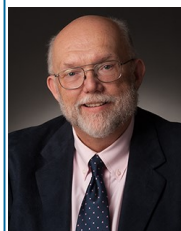
"Kiddush Shabbat" is the "Sanctification of Shabbat." "KID-dush Shabbat" is a fun way for children to celebrate Shabbat.

Rabbi Jana is posting videos on the YouTube channel for children and their families to watch to be able to have an awesome, fun Shabbat. There are songs and stories and prayers and blessings. Everything will be posted by **9 AM Saturday May 9.**



In Honor of Jewish History Month: Two Shabbat Guests

We will have two historians as guest speakers during two different Shabbat Services this month. In honor of May being Jewish History Month and B'nai Zion celebrating a 150th anniversary, guest historians will each discuss various aspects of Jewish history in Shreveport. They will each speak during Shabbat evening services, which will be on YouTube and can be found on the B'nai Zion YouTube channel.



6 PM Friday, May 15

Gary Dillard Joiner, PhD. is Chair of the History and Social Sciences Department at LSUS, Director of Red River Regional Studies Center, LSU in Shreveport, Owner of Precision Cartographics, Historian, Author and Cartographer, with special passions for the Civil War, and Oakland Cemetery, which includes Shreveport's oldest, Jewish cemetery, Hebrew Rest I.



6 PM Friday, May 22

Josh Parnell, PhD. is Director of the History Department of the Institute for Southern Jewish Life. Dr. Josh Parnell has served as the Director of the ISJL History Department since July 2017, and was also the oral historian from 2009 to 2013. His academic interests include American Jewish culture and politics, Yiddish language and culture, and southern studies.

North Louisiana Jewish Federation



North Louisiana Jewish Federation is announcing a number of programs scheduled in May that you can attend without leaving home:

For the most up to date information and the access links, go to JewishNLA.org and look at the Calendar and Events pages.



The Bible Players (who came to Shreveport this past Hanukkah) will be offering **Live and Inside: A Streaming Improv Comedy Event 3 PM Sundays in May**. Watch on Facebook or participate via Zoom.



Jewish Blues Online Concert with Saul Kaye. "New Jewish Music from an Old Soul." Hailed as the 'Pioneer of Jewish Blues,' Saul Kaye is an international touring artist whose music takes the listener on a journey from Torah to the Delta. **6-7 PM Sunday May 3 via Zoom.**



Give for Good North Louisiana, Tuesday, May 5th. Give For Good is North Louisiana's largest day of giving. This year will be the second year that the North Louisiana Jewish Federation will be participating. **Please consider making your annual Jewish Federation contribution on May 5 at GiveForGoodNLA.org/jewishnla.**



Music Lesson with Judy. Join award-winning musician, Rabbi Judy Caplan Ginsburgh **every Wednesday at 4 pm CST** on Facebook and learn about music. Each week Judy will present a fun lesson involving music. We will discuss various aspects of music, learn about instruments from around the world, learn how to make some instruments, learn new songs and more!



Exploring Judaism with Rabbi Sydni Rubinstein on Zoom. Rabbi Sydni of Agudath Achim is teaching an overview of Judaism class with a variety of topics **7 PM each Wednesday on Zoom.**

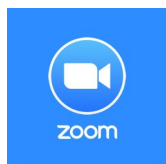


Jewish History: From King David to Modern America (Online with Dr. Joel Hoffman) "Three thousand years ago, in King David's Jerusalem, an experiment was undertaken that would come to be called "Judaism" and that would reshape life across the globe. Over the millennia, as it has grown and changed and expanded, it has seen three spiritual revolutions, each in the aftermath of an exile. We'll study that fascinating pattern of exile and revolution in the context of the forces that formed Judaism as we know it, and the ancient events that continue to exert modern influence." Lecture

series with Joel Hoffman: a brilliant Biblical scholar with a sense of humor. Three-part lecture series: **7 PM Thursdays May 7, 14, 21 on Zoom.**

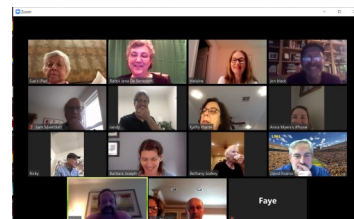
NOTE: The B'nai Zion Zoom sign up form will not be available for these events.

Participate in B'nai Zion Events Online with Zoom



Zoom is a program that lets you meet with people online. The most common thing that Zoom does is lets people be in a meeting together, where you can see everyone else in little windows on the computer screen. It is possible for each person to talk, share information on their computer, write little messages to the other people in the meeting, and more. It is free to join meetings.

B'nai Zion is using Zoom for many events now that we cannot meet in person. The picture to the right is from the April Board meeting.



How to participate in a B'nai Zion Zoom event. There are two parts to being able to connect to a Zoom event, the B'nai Zion part, and then the Zoom part.. First you have to sign up at B'nai Zion. We will then send you the information you will need on the Zoom part.

First, the B'nai Zion part:

1) Click on the MEDIA link, then the Zoom link

2) It will take you to this B'nai Zion page:

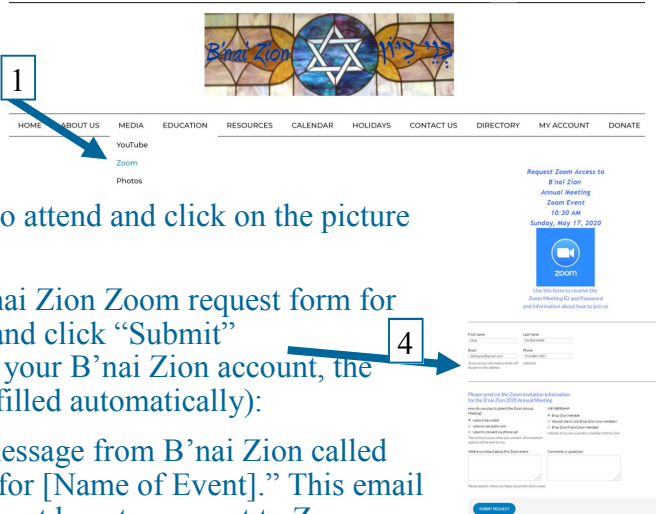


3) Find the event you want to attend and click on the picture or the underlined part.

4) It will take you to the B'nai Zion Zoom request form for the event. Fill out the form and click "Submit"

(Hint: if you are signed into your B'nai Zion account, the contact information will be filled automatically):

5) Check your email for a message from B'nai Zion called "Here is Zoom Access Info for [Name of Event]." This email gives you the information about how to connect to Zoom.



Then the Zoom part:

Before the event is supposed to start, choose which device you would like to use to connect to Zoom. Ideally it should be something that will let you hear (a speaker), be heard (a microphone), and be seen (a camera). Often computers, cell phones, tablets (like iPads) have these built-in. If you do not have a device that does all of these things, you can still connect to the meeting.

The email will explain how to connect to Zoom. You should not need to go back to the B'nai Zion form or website to connect. There are four different ways in the email to connect to the event. You will only need to choose one of these (although, if one does not work, you can try a different one).

The email even contains instructions about how to connect if you do not have a computer or other device, and only have a phone without a camera or a speaker. You will dial the number in the email, then when the voice prompts, press the numbers for the Meeting ID followed by # and then press the password numbers followed by #. You won't see anyone, and they won't see you, but you can hear everyone and be heard.

Once you connect successfully, you will need to wait for the host to let you into the meeting.

You should try to connect a few minutes before the event. Often the host will let people in starting about ten to fifteen minutes before the event, so that people can visit before the meeting, or so that you can troubleshoot any problems you may have. However, even if you are late, you can still join the meeting.

Contact the office - or someone else who has experience with Zoom - if you have questions. Rabbi Jana plans to have some practice sessions. Check your emails and One Calls for details.

Watch B'nai Zion Events on YouTube



YouTube is a program that lets you watch videos. Some events at B'nai Zion can be watched as videos. These include our Friday Evening and holiday worship services, life cycle events (like funerals), and some classes.

There is no fee to watch B'nai Zion videos on YouTube.

You do not need a password or special access code to watch B'nai Zion videos on YouTube.

How to get to the B'nai Zion YouTube Channel.

The B'nai Zion YouTube channel is:

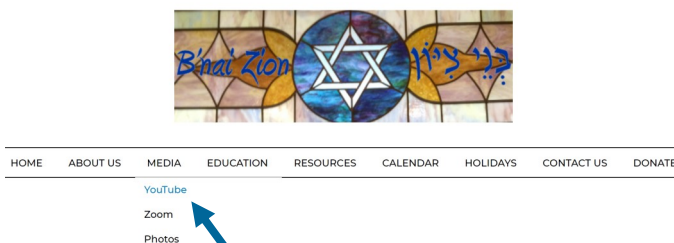
www.youtube.com/c/BnaiZionCongregationShreveportLA

It is very easy to get to the B'nai Zion YouTube Channel from the B'nai Zion website.

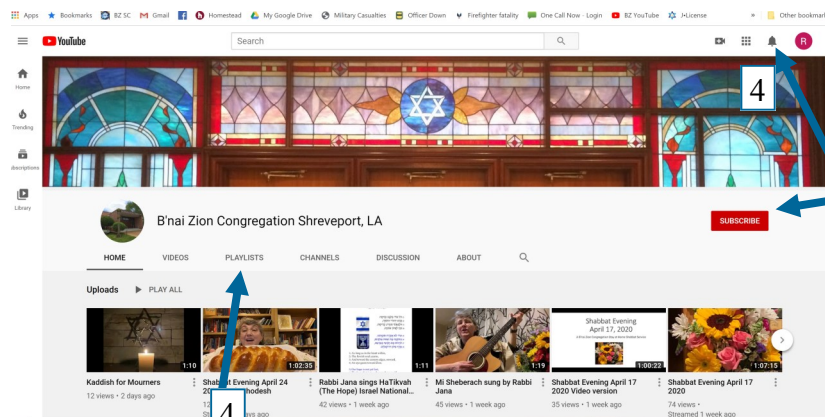
1) Find MEDIA

You can either hover over the word or left-click the mouse and then click "YouTube."

2) On this new page click on the big word "YouTube" with the red play button toward the top of the page, it will take you directly to the B'nai Zion YouTube channel, which will look something like the picture below:



3) If you want to be notified when the new B'nai Zion videos are ready to watch, click "Subscribe" and then the bell.



Once a service is on YouTube, it stays there. For example, if you did not watch the Friday night service at 6 PM, you could watch it at 8 PM, or the next day - or months from now.

4) To see the previous videos divided into categories, click on the Playlists.

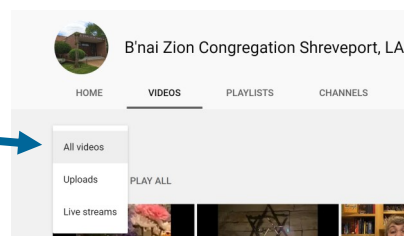
Note: If you are ready to watch the Shabbat service and it is almost 6 PM but you still do not see the service on the YouTube page, Try these steps:

A) If you have Subscribed and rung the Bell, check your email to see if the video is ready yet.

B) Try to refresh the YouTube B'nai Zion page (click the picture that looks like a circular arrow that is found near the address line.

C) Click on the Videos link to the left of the Playlists. Click on All Videos

D) Go to the B'nai Zion home page to see if there is a message about why the video is not yet posted.



Did these guidelines help? Would you like guidelines for something else?

Annual Congregational Meeting on Zoom

Please join us on ZOOM for our annual Congregational Meeting.
We need to vote for new Board members:

NEW BOARD MEMBER NOMINEES



- Larry Evensky
- Bernard Lobel
- Goldy Marrus
- Jennifer Parris
- Don Wiener

To nominate someone else, or if you want to serve on the Board, contact Past President Gary Abrams, Nomination Committee Chair, or President Jon Black.

Please help us **thank our outgoing board members:**

Gary Abrams
Sharon Goldman
David Kaufman
Sue Rubenstein
Rachel Robichaux



We will discuss the “state of the Congregation,” and plan for our future.

You must sign up on the B’nai Zion website or call the office for participation details.

Mazel Tov:



College Graduates:

- ☆ **Ron De Benedetti** (son of **Rabbi Jana De Benedetti** and **Ricky and Daniela De Benedetti**; grandson of **Sheila Lawrence**)
- ☆ **Lang Wardlaw**
- ☆ **Austin Watkins** (son of **Sheila and Glen Watkins**)

High School Graduates:

- ☆ **Garrett Brainis** (son of **Amy and David Brainis**)
- ☆ **Daisy Kallenberg** (daughter of **Heidi and Gregory Kallenberg**; granddaughter of **Sandi and Jeffrey Kallenberg**)
- ☆ **Grant Muslow** (son of **Leah and Todd Muslow**, grandson of **Rita and Ricky Muslow**)
- ☆ **Grayson Nash** (daughter of **Hollie Nash**)
- ☆ **McKenzie Nash** (daughter of **Hollie Nash**)
- ☆ **Taylor Rosen** (daughter of **Maurie and Lane Rosen**, granddaughter of **Gloria Rosen**)



Birth:

Lana Grey Muslow was born to **Dylan and Mallory Muslow**. Grandparents are **Heather and Eric Muslow**, and Great-Grandparents are **Daryl and Mary Muslow**

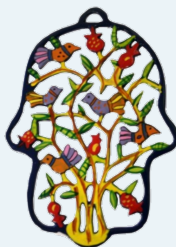
Note: Names in **bold** are members of B’nai Zion. Grandparents are listed if they are members of B’nai Zion.

Donations Were Made to These Funds:

ENDOWMENT

In Honor of the Graduation of

Garrett Brainis from **Kathleen Plante**
 Ron De Benedetti from **Kathleen Plante**
 Daisy Kallenberg from **Kathleen Plante**
 Grant Muslow from **Kathleen Plante**
 Grayson Nash from **Kathleen Plante**
 McKenzie Nash from **Kathleen Plante**
 Taylor Rosen from **Kathleen Plante**
 Lang Wardlaw from **Kathleen Plante**
 Lauren Warren from **Kathleen Plante**
 Austin Watkins from **Kathleen Plante**



GENERAL

In Memory of

Shelton (Shelly) Borin from **Aaron Borin**
 Ben Levy, Jr. from **Judith & Robert Levy**
 Dr. Ike Muslow from **Jacques Wiener Jr.**

MUSIC

In Honor of

Rabbi Jana De Benedetti from **April Anderson**

ONEG SHABBAT

In Memory of

A. A. Gilbert from **Ruthie Nierman and family**

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY

In Honor of

Rabbi Jana De Benedetti from **Deborah Collier**
 Rabbi Jana De Benedetti from **Kathy Gill**
 Rabbi Jana De Benedetti from **Audrey Kariel**

In Memory of

Louis W. Kariel, Jr. from **Audrey Kariel**
 Conway Sinclair from **Cathy & Marcy Sinclair**
 Kenneth Ray Thurin from **Deborah Collier**
 Seymour Van Os from **Herman Van Os**

SECURITY

In Honor of the 60th Birthday of

Rabbi Jana De Benedetti
 from **Rozann & Robert Frey**

SHFTY DONATIONS

In Memory of

Flo Selber from **Mark Kaplan & Betsy Beall**

WE CARE

In Memory of

Jeanette Katz from **Sanford Katz**

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 If you notice any omissions, misspellings, or names in the incorrect category,
 please accept our apologies and notify the office so that we may correct our records.
 Please note that donations made after the bulletin deadline will appear in the next month's bulletin.*

The ShulCloud program simplifies the process of making donations or dedications online.

- ✧ Go to the B'nai Zion website: **www.BnaiZionCongregation.org** **Log-in**
- ✧ Click "**Donate.**"
- ✧ Choose a fund, recipient, and payment type with just a few clicks. Payments can be made by credit or debit card, or you can enter check information online
- ✧ Please create a different donation for each dedication or payment.

You are always also welcome to contact the B'nai Zion office to make donations or payments.

The layout shown here of who was honored, who donated, and to which funds for all donations was created using ShulCloud.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

5/02 Alexander Murov	5/12 Alvin Toys	5/19 Ivy Joseph
5/03 Laurence Courtney	5/12 Faye Serkin	5/23 Berte Muslow
5/03 Michelle Brooks	5/15 Brent Turner	5/23 Joshua Hecker
5/04 Maggie Kaufman	5/16 Nora Serkin	5/23 ♥ Jackie & Ron Nierman
5/05 Justin Dodson	5/17 Tobias Kallenberg	5/25 ♥ Rachel & David Haas
5/06 Rick Murov	5/17 Eric Weiss	5/28 Mary Beth Muslow
5/06 Sam Lepow	5/17 ♥ Polly & David Kaufman	5/28 ♥ Faye & Scott Serkin
5/07 Bryan McDaniel	5/18 ♥ Julie & Michael Toys	5/29 Grant Muslow
5/11 Stuart Blum	5/19 Sheila Watkins	5/30 ♥ Marilyn & Abry Cahn III

We give thanks for life, for health, for all that sustains us, and for this joyous day.

Yahrzeits: May Remembering Them Be A Blessing

April 26 – May 2

4/26 Dr. Louis Abramson
 4/27 C. H. Baker
 4/29 David Bernstein
 4/26 M. T. Flaxman
 5/01 Nancy Claire Fox 31-13
 4/27 Emily Gassenheimer
 4/27 Louis Glazer
 5/01 Irving Greenberg 25-21
 4/27 Simon Herold 31-10
 4/28 Leah K. Joseph
 4/29 Leonora G. Kleban 34-20
 4/27 Anne Lawrence
 4/26 Oscar Levy
 4/28 Hyman P. Mandel
 4/27 Leo Minder 24-13
 4/28 Hermione Cahn Moss
 4/30 *Joseph Phillips 11-08
 4/30 Isaac Raas M30
 5/06 Meir Peter Paul Jacob Shamgar
 4/26 Conway T. Sinclair 33-01
 4/27 *Seymour Van Os 14-06
 4/30 Herman Willer

May 3-9

5/3 Isaac Barron M06
 5/7 Edith Benson 14-13
 5/4 Bea Blumberg 33-12
 5/6 Shelton "Shelly" Borin
 5/3 Harry Fox 31-11
 5/3 Sally Friedman
 5/8 Eve Greenberg
 5/4 Fannie Chapman Handel
 5/9 Carolyn Hirsch
 5/8 Marion Louise Hirsch
 5/9 Lyn Just
 5/9 Paul Lowenthal M01
 5/6 Lucille Michel
 5/5 Ruben Schultz
 5/9 Jake Schuster
 5/9 Aaron Simon 15-20
 5/3 Stanley L. Sugar
 5/4 Rebecca Vedlitz 14-11
 5/8 Sydney Willer

May 10-16

5/11 Rose Aufrichtig 23-09
 5/15 Stanley Bernstein
 5/12 Jerry M. Brown
 5/12 Bernice Clark
 5/12 Dr. J. Robert Frey
 5/10 Erwin M. Joseph
 5/16 Charles G. Meyer
 5/12 Moses Leon "Totz" Murov
 5/10 Dr. Floyd D. Roos
 5/11 Ruth Simon
 5/13 Harry Zwick

May 17-23

5/21 Clare Anthony
 5/18 Dr. Albert Axel
 5/20 Morris Baron
 5/21 Celeste Dreyfuss 14-22
 5/17 Annie Feigelson
 5/18 Elsie N. Goldberg
 5/17 Fannie Goldman
 5/22 Clara Goldman
 5/19 Elizabeth Hamner
 5/19 *Dr. Harold Levy
 5/23 Esther Selber Rosenthal 13-24
 5/17 Sylvia Rosenzweig 34-08
 5/21 Aaron Selber, Sr. 12-09
 5/22 Richard Stuart
 5/19 Mary Elaine Vaska



May 24-30

5/27 Tamara Atkins
 5/25 Georgianna Graves Bailey
 5/24 Gussie Chernick 32-06
 5/29 Mortimer A. Cohen
 5/24 Gustave S. Friedman 22-06
 5/26 Alvin Gardsbane
 5/27 Claire Goldberg
 5/26 Mortimer Hertzberg
 5/25 Ruth Kallenberg 31-09
 5/30 Jacob Katzenstein M29
 5/28 Loris Levy
 5/25 Karl Levy 31-14
 5/30 Philip Ben Lieber 15-07
 5/28 Max Morris 24-11
 5/28 Bill Otto
 5/24 Ralph Perlman
 5/24 *Ben A. Phelps, Jr
 5/30 *Delbert Plante, Jr.
 5/24 *Keith Norman Rabinowitz
 5/24 Barney Ruben
 5/25 Mollie Shanhouse
 5/30 Archie Simon 32-15
 5/25 Robert Simon Trieff
 5/26 Mildred Lottie Werner 22-14
 5/27 Jacques Wiener, Sr.

May 31 – June 6

6/02 Lucy Brainis
 5/31 Shirley Murov Eltis
 6/03 *Lionel Eltis
 5/31 I. H. Ginsburg
 6/01 Mary Joseph Goulder
 6/03 Casper Grunes
 6/02 H. Louis Heilperin M03
 6/02 Zena Heiman 24-14
 6/03 Abe J. Katz
 6/06 Marcae Manasseh
 6/04 Lewis A. Moss
 6/03 A. M. Rosen
 6/03 Fannie Katz Rosenfield
 6/01 Milton I. Rosenzweig 34-07
 5/22 Dr. Herta Saphier
 6/01 Mayme Selber 12-25

Names are listed alphabetically under each weekly heading. Numbers before the name indicate the actual date of the Yahrzeit.

Numbers following a name in the above list denote Memorial Plaque Location:

For example 13-06 is found on:

Board 1 (near sanctuary)

Column 3 (from left)

Row 6 (from top)

Board M is the large Marble stone near the stairs.

*An asterisk before a name indicates the deceased was a veteran

Condolences to the Family and Friends of:



✧ Linda Kesilman Rogers, sister of Charles Kesilman

May her memory be for blessings

B'nai Zion Congregation		May 2020 / Iyyar ~ Sivan 5780				
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 (9 Iyyar) 24th Day Omer Jewish Blues Online Concert: Saul Kaye 6:00p	4 (10 Iyyar) 25th Day Omer	5 (11 Iyyar) 26th Day Omer Together Tuesday 6:00p Zoom	6 (12 Iyyar) 27th Day Omer	7 (13 Iyyar) 28th Day Omer Jewish History: From King David to Modern America (Online with Dr. Joel Hoffman) 7:00p	1 (7 Iyyar) 22nd Day Omer Challah Baking (Online) with Bethany 10:00a Graduation Shabbat Evening YouTube Service 6:00p Zoom Oneg Shabbat 7:00p	2 (8 Iyyar) Achrei Mot-Kedoshim 23rd Day Omer Zoom Torah Study and Services 9:45a Torah Study via Zoom 9:45a Saturday Morning Shabbat Service via Zoom 11:00a
10 (16 Iyyar) 31st Day Omer Mother's Day	11 (17 Iyyar) 32nd Day Omer	12 (18 Iyyar) Lag B'Omer 33rd Day Omer	13 (19 Iyyar) 34th Day Omer	14 (20 Iyyar) 35th Day Omer Jewish History: From King David to Modern America (Online with Dr. Joel Hoffman) 7:00p	15 (21 Iyyar) 36th Day Omer Friday Evening ONLINE Dr. Gary Jorner Speaker at Shabbat Service 6:00p Zoom Oneg Shabbat 7:00p	16 (22 Iyyar) Behar-Bechukotai 37th Day Omer Torah Study via Zoom 9:45a Saturday Morning Shabbat Service via Zoom 11:00a
17 (23 Iyyar) 38th Day Omer Annual B'nai Zion Congregational Meeting 2020 Zoom 10:30a	18 (24 Iyyar) 39th Day Omer	19 (25 Iyyar) 40th Day Omer	20 (26 Iyyar) 41st Day Omer	21 (27 Iyyar) 42nd Day Omer Jewish History: From King David to Modern America (Online with Dr. Joel Hoffman) 7:00p	22 (28 Iyyar) Yom Yerushalayim 43rd Day Omer Friday Evening ONLINE Dr. Josh Parshall at Shabbat Service 6:00p Zoom Oneg Shabbat 7:00p	23 (29 Iyyar) Banidbar 44th Day Omer Torah Study via Zoom 9:45a Saturday Morning Shabbat Service via Zoom 11:00a
24 (1 Sivan) Rosh Chodesh Sivan 45th Day Omer Veterans Flags at Cemetery	25 (2 Sivan) 46th Day Omer Memorial Day Office is Closed	26 (3 Sivan) 47th Day Omer Summer Office Hours Begin M-F 9-12	27 (4 Sivan) 48th Day Omer	28 (5 Sivan) Erev Shavuot 49th Day Omer	29 (6 Sivan) Shavuot - Yizkor Office is Closed Friday Evening ONLINE Shavuot & Shabbat Service 6:00p Zoom Oneg Shabbat 7:00p	30 (7 Sivan) Torah Study via Zoom 9:45a Saturday Morning Shabbat Service via Zoom 11:00a
31 (8 Sivan)						

Please watch for details about these events that have been postponed, but we still hope to re-schedule when we can:

- ✧ The dedication of the Rabbinic Suite
- ✧ Shredding truck at B'nai Zion
- ✧ The Bat Mitzvah that was scheduled for May 9



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B'nai Zion History:

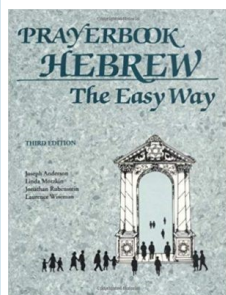
- 📖 Charter Obtained 1866
- 📖 Joined UAHC (now URJ) 1908
- 🏠 First Building Erected 1870
- 🏠 Second Building Dedicated 1914
- 🏠 Present Building Dedicated 1956

B'nai Zion Cemeteries:

- 🌳 Hebrew Rest I (Oaklawn): 1858
- 🌳 Hebrew Rest II (Texas Av): 1886
- 🌳 Hebrew Rest III (Greenwood): 1933

New Adult Hebrew Class: Aleph Bet and Prayer Book

Rabbi Jana is teaching Adult Hebrew classes online. There will be video lessons posted on YouTube, and class time on Zoom.

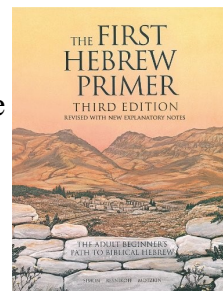


Learn Aleph Bet and then Prayerbook Hebrew

The first class is scheduled to meet 5:30 PM -6:30 PM Wednesday, May 13.

Rabbi Jana is also resuming the Biblical Hebrew class. If you already have Hebrew background, you may be able to join the class that began earlier in the year. Contact Rabbi Jana to see which class would be best for you.

Classes resume 5:30-6:30 PM Thursdays beginning May 7



Please register online for access to the materials and Zoom information.

There is no cost for tuition (donations always accepted) There will be a fee for materials and/or text book.