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**From the Editor** - In order to ensure that everyone's articles are published in the Bulletin please limit them to half a page. Remember, flyers are for the Mid-month email and should be sent to Suzannah Mercado at [admin@emeth.org](mailto:admin@emeth.org) cc: [ehanan@emeth.org](mailto:ehanan@emeth.org)

Material for the Bulletin is welcome and essential for the success of the publication; however, it is necessary to honor the deadlines as listed.

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# Message From the Rabbi

This summer, the leadership of Israel will face perhaps its most momentous decision in over 50 years, since the Six-Day War in 1967. At that time, Israel won a decisive victory, taking control of the West Bank from Jordan and taking responsibility for the millions of Palestinians who live there. Since that time, through both settlement building and peace negotiations, it was understood that though Israel controlled this territory, it was not part of sovereign Israel.

To the United States, the International Community, and many Israelis, the occupation of the West Bank was temporary, intended to be resolved through a negotiated agreement that would protect Israel's security and guarantee Palestinians' human rights. The peace treaties with Egypt, Jordan, and the Palestinians were all signed with that premise, and it has been the position of both Democratic and Republican administrations for decades.

As both Israeli and American governments have drifted to the right, and as many Israelis have lost trust in the current Palestinian leadership as a negotiating partner, that position has begun to erode. Unilateral annexation has now become a strong possibility, and with it come concerns that the nature of Israel will be changed forever.

After three razor-thin national elections, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu was able to form a government that keeps him in power. He has signaled that he will begin annexing parts of the West Bank as early as July 1. This would be an historic disaster for Israeli democracy and security.

Annexing parts of the West Bank (some euphemistically refer to it as "extending Israeli sovereignty") will change Israel's nature as a Jewish democracy. For the first time, it will be clear that Palestinians will live under Israeli control with no hope for self-determination. Critics of the occupation have for years compared the situation to the Apartheid regime in South Africa. There have always been several fundamental flaws in that analogy. But if annexation is implemented, then, alas, that nasty label would be applicable. This would almost certainly be the scenario under Netanyahu, who in recent years has advanced a vision of Jewish nation-

alism most clearly articulated in the Nation-State Law passed in 2018.

But a future Israeli government, motivated not by Jewish nationalism but by equality and human rights, could grant full citizenship to Palestinians living in annexed areas. This would make Israel a bi-national state and virtually eliminate the Jewish character that Zionist thinkers, pioneers, and advocates worked for a century to build.

In short, annexation forces Israel to choose between being Jewish or being a democracy.

But annexation would be disastrous in a second way. It would undermine Israel's security in significant and unpredictable ways. According to 220 former Israeli generals and general-equivalents, it is likely to set in motion a chain reaction over which Israel will have no control,

leading to the collapse of the Palestinian security agencies and of the Palestinian Authority. According former MK Ksenia Svetlova, it would destabilize Israel's relations with Arab states and might result in another violent outbreak in the West Bank.

Though the two-state solution is currently dormant, perhaps even in a coma, annexation could likely kill it, forever eliminating that option to future generations who seek to live side by side in peace and with mutual respect. As American Jews, we must not allow the door to close on this outcome.

The leader of our movement, Rabbi Rick Jacobs, president of the URJ, recently said, "We call on this new government to refrain from unilateral actions that could potentially hinder or thwart the renewal of the peace process in the short and long term, especially unilateral annexation."

Rabbi Jill Jacobs, the executive director of T'ruah: The Rabbinic Call for Human Rights stated it more succinctly: "Any organization not actively working against annexation does not really support two states."

Though we may be sheltering at home to stay safe from the Coronavirus, we must still make our voices heard to prevent annexation of the West Bank. Our vision of Israel as a secure, Jewish democracy depends on it.



Rabbi Steven Sirbu

## From the Religious School

“Find yourself a teacher, make yourself a friend”

*Pirkei Avot - Ethics of the Fathers*

We have just finished an exciting year filled with *mitzvot*, learning, and friendship. Our students learned new prayers. They studied Torah and Jewish heroes, both ancient and modern. They discussed current events, studied and celebrated Israel, and led Tfila (prayer) and Shira (song). They learned some modern Hebrew and experienced Judaism as an exciting, dynamic, and living tradition.



Dora Geld Friedman

Our Religious School Community – students, teachers and parents – engaged in creative programs that were spiritually enriching, both in the school classrooms and virtually at home. They learned Jewish values that can be integrated into their daily lives as individuals and as a community. Even though our school year is ending, your family’s Jewish education and identity continues.

In *Pirkei Avot*, Rabbi Ben Zoma teaches “Who is wise? – one who learns from every person.” The teachers and I have learned so much from our students, and they in turn, can learn so much from home and family. Here are some great ideas to continue Jewish experiences as a family.

Create a family tree with photos or pictures and have your child share it with us in September.

Set aside time each Friday night to bless your children.

Enjoy and have a healthy and peaceful summer!

B’vracha,  
Dora Geld Friedman

Registration materials for Religious School 2020 - 2021 will be mailed over the summer. Your prompt response will help us plan for the new school year. Thanks!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th

### Pandemic Porch Portrait Project

How will you remember this pandemic?

During this time of extreme uncertainty that we are going through, Temple Emeth has been there for us. Even though we can’t return to activities in the building, we have been able to gather online and support each other.

Barbara Balkin is offering a service to all members that will allow us to give back to our Temple. To memorialize this time in history, anyone who would like to have an individual or family portrait taken at the front entrance of their house will be able to do so in the coming weeks. The only request is to make a minimum donation of \$25 to the Temple Emeth Fund. Your portrait can be formal, casual, humorous, or political, and can include signs, props, masks, or pets. Participants will receive digital copies of their pictures. Collectively, these portraits will serve as a record of the Temple Emeth community during the pandemic and may eventually become part of a Museum exhibit or book.

Details, arrangements for appointments, and further information about these unique portraits are available by contacting Barbara Balkin at [dkrm505@yahoo.com](mailto:dkrm505@yahoo.com). Social distancing protocols will be practiced.



# Message from President Nickie Falk

## A Year of Thanks and Summer Wishes

I remember many trips to shopping malls, antique stores, and flea markets as a youngster. My mother once told me that she liked to acquire “stuff,” because as a child she didn’t have much. She talked about a doll that she and her two sisters had to share, making its bed in a shoebox with clothes fashioned out of scraps of material that my grandfather, a tailor, brought home. Though if you talked to my two aunts, they would tell you a different story—that my mother (the eldest) never shared.

But in all her acquisitions, I only remember a few things that she searched for because she really wanted—a white wicker rocker, a glass and silver match striker, and a cranberry glass pitcher. Cranberry glass is a decorative (not mass produced) glass, whose shimmer is achieved by adding gold chloride to the molten glass.

We used that pitcher only at holiday dinners. When I was about 15, she delegated the task of filling the pitcher to me. The memory is vivid so many years later. As I poured cold milk into the pitcher, I heard a noise, and then noticed a crack starting near its bottom. I shriveled up; I was devastated. She had searched many years for that pitcher; it was one of her joys; and in one instant, I had destroyed it.

Though upset herself, she tried very hard to console me, claiming blame for the crack. “I am a science teacher,” she said. “I should know that if you pour cold milk into a warm pitcher, the glass will expand...and crack.”

And then the learning moment. “Besides,” she added, “things aren’t that important; people are important.”

Her words have echoed in my head every day since then becoming my credo, especially now. Like the rest

of you, I miss going out to a restaurant on a Saturday night, visiting a museum, going to the beach. I miss walking into our Temple Emeth building. But what I miss more are the people associated with those things. I miss seeing my children in person and not on a screen; I miss the friends we shared those dinners out with or traveled with to the beach; I miss hugging my Temple Emeth family.



Nickie Falk

One of the great privileges of serving as president this year has been the opportunity to connect with so many of you. Thank you for letting me into your lives.

I’m also grateful that I’ve had the opportunity to work with a tremendous group of people.

The Officers and Trustees, Committee Chairs, and Volunteers are the heartbeat of Temple Emeth, just like *all of you* are the lifeblood of our congregation. They do yeomen’s (or women’s) work on behalf of our entire Temple Emeth family. Thank you!



As we move into summer mode, remember that Temple Emeth is still alive and functioning. Even though our building sits idle (just like that cracked cranberry pitcher sits unused in my dining room), remember that we are more than a building. In the hubbub of our daily lives, in the craziness of today, let’s not forget the basics: “Things aren’t that important; people are important.”

Over the summer, take some moments to connect with the people. We will continue to meet virtually—for services and for some special programs. Join us and reach out to your fellow congregants.

Until we can meet again in person, sending virtual hugs to you all.

Nickie

## Services and S'machot

**14th of Sivan 5780**

**Friday, June 5th**

**Shabbat Naso**

**Kabbalat Shabbat - Celebrating June Birthdays  
at 5:45 p.m.**

**Saturday, June 6th**

**Torah Study at 9:30 a.m.**

**Shabbat Morning Kiddush at 11:30 a.m.**

*Torah Portion - Naso II: Num. 6:1-7:89*

*Haftarah - Judges 13:13-25*

**21st of Sivan 5780**

**Friday, June 12th**

**Shabbat B'haalot'cha**

**Kabbalat Shabbat - Pride Shabbat  
at 5:45 p.m.**

**Saturday, June 13th**

**Torah Study at 9:30 a.m.**

**Shabbat Morning Kiddush at 11:30 a.m.**

*Torah Portion - B'haalot'cha: Num. 8:1-12:16*

*Haftarah - Zech. 2:14-4:7*

**28th of Sivan 5780**

**Friday, June 19th**

**Shabbat Sch'lach L'cha**

**Kabbalat Shabbat - Honoring our  
High School Graduates at 5:45 p.m.**

**Saturday June 20th**

**Torah Study at 9:30 a.m.**

**Shabbat Morning Kiddush at 11:30 a.m.**

*Torah Portion - Sh'lach L'cha: Num. 13:1-15:41*

*Haftarah - Josh. 2:1-24*

**5th of Tammuz 5780**

**Friday, June 26th**

**Shabbat Korach**

**Kabbalat Shabbat at 5:45 p.m.  
Installation of Officers and Trustees**

**Saturday, June 27th**

**Torah Study at 9:30 a.m.**

**Shabbat Morning Kiddush at 11:30 a.m.**

*Torah Portion - Korach: Num. 16:1-18:32*

*Haftarah - I Sam. 11:14-12:22*



# June 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> 9th of Sivan 5780 10:30am - 12:00pm Yiddish Class @ ZOOM 7:30pm - 9:00pm Hold for RAC-NJ House Meeting @ ZOOM	<b>2</b> 10th of Sivan 5780 7:00pm - 9:00pm Annual Congregational Meeting @ ZOOM	<b>3</b> 11th of Sivan 5780 12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch and Learn @ ZOOM 7:30pm - 8:30pm Adult Ed: Path of the Prophets @ ZOOM	<b>4</b> 12th of Sivan 5780 4:00pm - 5:00pm Strength and Spirit with Cantor Tilem @ ZOOM 7:30pm - 8:30pm Officers' Meeting @ ZOOM	<b>5</b> 13th of Sivan 5780 5:45pm - 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat - Celebrating June Birthdays @ ZOOM 8:06pm Candle Lighting	<b>6</b> 14th of Sivan 5780 9:30am - 10:30am Torah Study @ ZOOM 11:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Kiddush @ ZOOM
<b>7</b> 15th of Sivan 5780	<b>8</b> 16th of Sivan 5780 10:30am - 12:00pm Yiddish Class @ ZOOM	<b>9</b> 17th of Sivan 5780	<b>10</b> 18th of Sivan 5780 12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch and Learn @ ZOOM	<b>11</b> 19th of Sivan 5780 4:00pm - 5:00pm Strength and Spirit with Cantor Tilem @ ZOOM	<b>12</b> 20th of Sivan 5780 5:45pm - 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat - Pride Shabbat @ ZOOM 8:10pm Candle Lighting	<b>13</b> 21st of Sivan 5780 9:30am - 10:30am Torah Study @ ZOOM 11:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Kiddush @ ZOOM
<b>14</b> 22nd of Sivan 5780 9:45am - 11:00am Social Action Committee Meeting @ ZOOM	<b>15</b> 23rd of Sivan 5780 10:30am - 12:00pm Yiddish Class @ ZOOM	<b>16</b> 24th of Sivan 5780 7:00pm Adult Education Committee Meeting @ ZOOM	<b>17</b> 25th of Sivan 5780	<b>18</b> 26th of Sivan 5780 4:00pm - 5:00pm Strength and Spirit with Cantor Tilem @ ZOOM 7:30pm - 9:00pm Book Group Planning Meeting @ Out of building 7:45pm - 9:15pm Board of Trustees Meeting @ ZOOM	<b>19</b> 27th of Sivan 5780 5:45pm - 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat - Honoring Our HS Graduates @ ZOOM 8:13pm Candle Lighting	<b>20</b> 28th of Sivan 5780 9:30am - 10:30am Torah Study @ ZOOM 11:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Kiddush @ ZOOM
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<b>28</b> 6th of Tammuz 5780	<b>29</b> 7th of Tammuz 5780	<b>30</b> 8th of Tammuz 5780 6:30pm - 7:30pm Stories from a Jewish Perspective @ ZOOM				

For up-to-the-minute event information, additions, cancellations, or make-up classes go to [www.emeth.org](http://www.emeth.org)  
 A version of the calendar is online at <http://www.emeth.org/monthly-calendar>

## Good & Welfare

*The congregation mourns the loss of members...*

*Walter Distler and sends condolences to his wife, Judy.*

*Phyllis Friedland and sends condolences to her husband,*

*Gary and daughter, Renée Conlon and family.*

## Condolences to...

*Damary Vargas-Zaken on the loss of her mother, Maritza Vargas.*

*Vic Anesini on the loss of his mother, Adele Anesini.*

*Karen Gronner on the loss of her sister, Lisa McGuire.*

*Amy Abrams on the loss of her aunt, Laurie Bloomberg.*

*Linda Klempner on the loss of her friend, Marc Trarig.*

*Meredith Alvaro-Gebhart and Pete Gebhart on the loss of their loved one, Al Villafuerte.*

*Ruth and Peter Adler on the loss of their friends, Arnold Arlow and Hermine Greenbaum.*

*Idajean Fisher on the loss of her friend, Harold Kerzner.*

*Janet and Howard Rosen on the loss of their loved one, Jeffrey Corwin, and their friend, Arthur Freiman.*

## Mazel Tov to...

*Kaeydi Chen and Mollie Dillon on the birth of their son, Harrison James Chen and to the grandparents, Paula and Michael Dillon and great-grandmother, Geri Kaufman.*

*Judith and Kenneth Hart on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Jordana.*

*Dan and Joy Firshein on the marriage of their daughter, Jenna to Ben Cooper.*

*Danielle and Jamey Feuer on celebrating the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Emma, and to her proud grandparents, Jeanette and Michael Goodman. Emma's family looks forward to sharing this simcha with the Temple family in the future.*

*Sarah Wertheimer-Lopez and James Lopez on the birth of their daughter Sydney Nelia Wertheimer Lopez, and to the grandparents, Karen and Ron Wertheimer.*

*Barbara and Michael Bias on the birth of their grandson, Solomon Henry Bias. Parents are Justin Bias and Abbey States.*

*Michael and Gayle Goldberg on the birth of their granddaughter, Lilah Sadie Goldberg.*

*Get Well Wishes to... Stan Hecht Christopher Clarke*

## Social Action in Action

### Summary of Minutes from the Social Action Committee Meeting on May 18

Family Promise update: Shelter is closed; clients are staying in hotels with food being brought to them at St. Cecilia's; lots of activity in Englewood. Food is being collected at Hackensack shelter even though people are not staying there.

Paul Kaufman reported on the RAC Civic Engagement event, National Town Hall Meeting, and on these environmental items:

- The application for a major pipeline in South Jersey (Northeast Supply Enhancement – NESE) has been rejected by the state Department of Environmental Protection - (DEP).
- An editorial by Jeff Tittel, New Jersey Director of the Sierra Club, appeared in the May 18th Record opposing the projected fossil fuel-powered electric generating plant in the Meadowlands, near Kearny, NJ.
- The offices of Hackensack Riverkeeper, a major local environmental organization, were significantly damaged by a fire over the weekend. A GoFundMe page has been set up for donations to assist the organization in moving into a new space.

Discussion: How will we be active for the rest of the year? Programming? Issues?

- "Just Eat It" - movie showing at home, followed by discussion via Zoom. Beyond being interested in the subject, we are looking at this as an experiment. Does the format work? How do we move to action? What actions are needed regarding the food waste issue? Invitation with details to follow.
- The biggest, most immediate issue right now is food insecurity. We just donated \$300 to Teaneck Helping Hands Food Pantry, in honor of Janice Preschel, her friendship and her devotion to Social Action. What else can we do? Will we have a High Holiday Food Drive?

Ideas that were suggested:

- Have a one day food drive in front of the Temple, hiring a truck
- Find a garage we could use to set up a food drive
- Donate (they need money and it's the simplest)
- Research local food pantries to determine what we want to do
- Do we have Temple members who need food?

There may be one or two; however between the Caring Committee, Social Action, and the Cantor and Rabbi, we seem to have that covered.

- Temple garden is being tended.

The crops from the garden go to Helping Hands Food Pantry.



### Decision around food insecurity initiatives:

- We will donate \$500 to Center for Food Action - we understand they need money and that they serve the greater community.
- We also decided to get the word out that Social Action will be donating to Center for Food Action and initiate a "money for food" drive. We would like to keep the community aspect of our food drives, but it's tricky - we'll continue to work on it while trying to serve the immediacy of the food needs.

From Nancy Miller: "My neighbor, Hila Levy, works for the Israeli American Council, which has an office at the Tenafly JCC. IAC received a contribution of dry goods from OSEM, an Israeli company. She would like to donate baskets of those goods to any needy seniors at Temple Emeth. IAC can deliver either to the members directly at their homes or to Temple Emeth." We'll see how we can facilitate this.

From Ina Miller: A copy of Age Friendly Englewood will be sent by a separate email. It's a wealth of COVID-19 and local information.

The next Social Action meeting will take place on Sunday, June 7 at 9:45 a.m. via Zoom.



# Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg Memorial Library

## Monthly News Update: Survival

By Marion Wolf

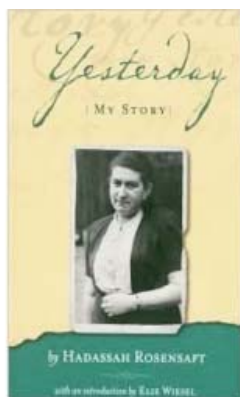
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As this pandemic drags on we face challenges unlike any we have ever known. Books can help us get through these times. We might look to books for escape or comfort. Or we might learn how others persevered before us. In an opinion piece in The New York Times, Madeleine Albright wrote about “Resilience in the Face of Disaster.” She said, “I do think that we are a lot tougher and more capable of moral courage than cynics suggest, and that we benefit from the survivors among us...We can draw inspiration from those who have surmounted high obstacles in the past.

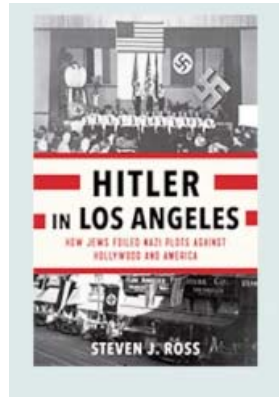
Two new books in the Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg Memorial Library provide just such inspiration.

Yesterday: My Story is a memoir by Dr. Hadassah Rosensaft. “Dr. Hadassah Rosensaft (1912-1997) was imprisoned in Auschwitz-Birkenau and Bergen-Belsen. She kept 149 Jewish children alive in Bergen-Belsen from December 1944 until their liberation on April 15, 1945, and then served as administrator of that camp’s hospital. She was one of the leaders of the Jewish Displaced Persons in the British Zone of Germany, was one of the principal witnesses for the prosecution at the first trial of Nazi war criminals in 1945, and played a pivotal role in the creation of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.” This



book is published by Yad Vashem as part of their Holocaust Survivors’ Memoirs Project, which ensures that survivors’ stories are transmitted to future generations.

Steven J. Ross, a professor of history at the University of Southern California, has written “a history book that doubles as espionage thriller with a cast of characters that includes movie stars, studio moguls, entertainment lawyers, diplomats and pols, all of them quite real.” This Pulitzer Prize finalist is called Hitler in Los Angeles: How Jews Foiled Nazi Plots Against Hollywood and America. In the 1930s there were Nazi groups in California with dastardly plans to murder Jews, blow up defense installations, and seize munitions from National Guard armories. While federal law enforcement agencies focused on Communists instead, a Jewish lawyer named Leon Lewis recruited military veterans and their wives to infiltrate Nazi organizations in Los Angeles. They often rose to leadership positions. From 1933 to 1945 these daring spies uncovered and foiled many nefarious plots. This sounds like material for a movie, but it is all true and makes for exciting reading.



People who surmounted obstacles in the past can inspire us in the present, and their stories are in the Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg Memorial Library.



Nickie Falk

## ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

JUNE 2, 2020 at 7 P.M.

Check your email for login information.



# CONTRIBUTIONS

## ADULT EDUCATION FUND

**Rachel, Mike, and Amanda Eastman** in memory of Wu Shufang, beloved mother of Sabrina Lerman

**Rachel, Mike, and Amanda Eastman** in memory of Larry Gagnano, beloved husband of Elona Sofer

**Rachel, Mike, and Amanda Eastman** in memory of Richard Koffler, beloved husband of Florette Koffler

**Gayle and Michael Goldberg** send a Mazel Tov to Mollie Dillon and Kaedyi Chen on the birth of their son, Harrison, and to the grandparents, Paula and Michael Dillon

**Sydell Yegelwel** in memory of Richard Koffler, husband of Florette Koffler

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**Nancy Mednick** in memory of her father, William Z. Norman

## COLLEGE KIDS FUND

**Lynne and Bill Graizel** in memory of Walter Distler "Mr. Wonderful", husband of Judy Distler

**Lynne and Bill Graizel** wish Mazel Tov to Barbara and Michael Bias on the birth of their grandson, Solomon Henry Bias

## EMETH TEEN COMMUNITY FUND

**Gayle and Michael Goldberg** in memory of our friend, Phyllis Friedland, wife of Gary Friedland, and mother of Renée Conlon

**Gayle and Michael Goldberg** welcome Ed Pierce back home

**Rachel, Mike, and Amanda Eastman** wish Mazel Tov to the Hart Family on the occasion of Jordana's Bat Mitzvah

**Rachel, Mike, and Amanda Eastman** wish Mazel Tov to the Pierce family on the occasion of Ed's being "clapped out of" Holy Name Hospital

## ILANA HED RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

**Rachel, Mike, and Amanda Eastman** in memory of Dorothy Lane, beloved mother of Karyn Richards

**Rachel, Mike, and Amanda Eastman** Mazel Tov on the Bar Mitzvah of Aaron Richards, son of Karyn and Gary Richards

**Paula and Michael Dillon** Mazel Tov to Karyn and Gary Richards on the Bar Mitzvah of Aaron Richards

**Paula and Michael Dillon** Mazel Tov to Judy and Ken Hart on the Bat Mitzvah of Jordana Hart

**Gail Talcoff and Rob Staffin** send congratulations to Paula and Michael Dillon on the birth of their beautiful grandson, Harrison

**Wendy and Dan Dessanti** in honor of the birth of Paula and Michael Dillon's grandson, Harrison

**Wendy and Dan Dessanti** wish Mazel Tov to Maddy Wolf Eichen and Rich Eichen on the birth of their granddaughter, Ayla

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