MARCH 2021 BULLETIN

FRIDAY NIGHT

WORSHIP SERVICES

Due to the outbreak of Coronavirus, services have been suspended at the facilities of Temple Emanuel until further notice and it is deemed appropriate to resume.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND OUR RABBI ARE MONITORING THIS SITUATION CONSTANTLY AND WILL DETERMINE THE APPROPRIATE COURSE OF ACTION FOR IN-PERSON SERVICES TO RESUME

Rabbi

Rabbi Mathew D. Michaels

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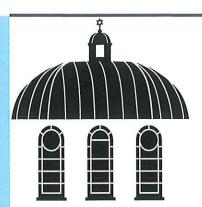
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Temple Emanuel RSVP Line

When you need to RSVP for any Temple activity or meeting, Please call 832-6131 and press 3.

Please slowly and clearly state the name of the meeting or activity, names of those attending, and your contact number.



TEMPLE Emanuel

A sacred Jewish journey to enrich lives.

FROM OUR TEMPLE RABBI

Pesach: Experiential, Not Theoretical

Saturday night, March 27th is the first night of Passover! While seders will take place this year over Zoom again, Jews throughout the world will sit around dining room tables with Haggadahs open, Seder plates filled with the



symbols of the Festival, and beautifully set tables. The goal is not merely to recount and retell the story of the Exodus and our people's odyssey from slavery to freedom; no, we are to "experience" this historic journey firsthand. The Seder is the qualitative difference between practice and concept. It is the difference between learning about Pesach and actually EXPERIENCING Pesach.

This idea is best captured by my favorite phrase found in the Haggadah: Be'chol dor va-dor chayav adam lirot et atzmo k'eilu hu ya-tza mi-mitzrayim -- In every generation, each person must see himself/herself as if they personally went out from Egypt. After we read the 10 plagues and spill out some of the wine; after we sing dayeinu; after we fulfill Rabban Gamliel's injunction of explaining the meaning of the pesah, matzah, and maror; then and only then are we reminded that we are OBLIGATED (chayav) to the personal and experiential aspects of moving from slavery to freedom. Our history demands our sensitivity and empathy for the oppressed and subjugated.

The Seder invites us to utilize all five of our senses in order to fully appreciate the deeper messages and eternal truths contained within Pesach. Each year we are reminded that there are invaluable lessons to be learned in terms of how we view and treat each other, what it means to be free, and the respect and dignity that are the birthrights of every human being.

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Whether you join in a virtual seder with family & friends or create a seder just for your household, may you "experience" the full impact of Pesach through all of its rites and rituals. I wish each of you and your families a *Chag Sameach v' Kasher*!

L'Shalom,

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Rabbi Mathew D. Michaels

As we continue to deal with COVID-19, please don't hesitate to be in touch with me directly, whether by phone, email or Facetime. We need each other now more than we ever imagined. By reaching out we connect with each other, we strengthen one another, and we help in the healing process. Please stay in touch and stay safe.

PASSOVER ANNOUNCEMENT

Per the decision of the Temple Emanuel Board of Trustees, I regret to announce that due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, there will again be NO Second Night Seder at Temple Emanuel this year. As always the health and safety of our congregants remain our biggest concern.

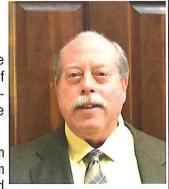
Wayne Margolis, M.D.—Temple President

FROM OUR TEMPLE PRESIDENT

Interfaith Couples

Last month we celebrated the Jewish Holiday of Purim. "The story of Purim is found in the Book of Esther, one of the books in the *Ketuvim* section of the Bible. It is set in the land of Persia (current day Iran) at the time when Ahashverosh (Ahasuerus) was king. King Ahashverosh held a banquet in the capital city of Shushan and ordered his queen, Vashti, to come and dance before his guests. She refused to appear and lost her royal position.

Acting on advice from his counselors, Ahashverosh had women from all over the kingdom brought to him, so he could choose a new queen. Esther, a young Jewish woman from Shushan, was chosen. However, following the advice of her cousin, Mordechai (who raised her after her parents died), Esther did not reveal her Jewish origins to the king.



Meanwhile, the king's evil adviser, Haman, paraded through the streets, demanding that all bow down to him. Because Jews do not bow to anyone but God, Mordechai refused to bow down to Haman. Upon learning that Mordechai was Jewish, Haman decided to kill all the Jews in the Persian empire. He plotted to kill them—convincing King Ahashverosh to go along with the plan—and cast *purim* ("lots," plural of *pur*), a kind of lottery, to determine the day on which he would carry out his evil deed: the 13th of Adar.

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However, Mordechai alerted Esther to Haman's evil plot, and Esther, in turn, revealed her Jewish identity to the king, convincing him to save the Jews and foiling Haman's plot. The Jews were allowed to fight back against the king's soldiers, and triumphed after a fierce battle. Haman was hanged, Mordechai received his estates and the position of royal vizier (adviser), and the Jews of Persia celebrated their narrow escape on the 14th of Adar, the day after they were supposed to be annihilated.

Thus, the fate Haman had planned for the Jews became his own. The holiday of Purim celebrates the bravery of Esther and Mordechai and the deliverance of the Jewish people from Haman's decree of death."-URJ

A rarely discussed aspect of the story of Purim is the fact that the heroine Esther was part of an interfaith marriage. Indeed, if she had not married the King of Persia, the majority of Jews living in Persia at that time would have been annihilated. As Jews this is something we should take careful note of.

In **Numbers 12:1**, Moses is recorded as having married a non-Israelite woman who presumably followed a different religion. Aaron and Miriam criticized Moses because of this. God supported Moses' decision. He punished Miriam by making her leprous.

The 2013 Pew Research survey finds that, overall, 56% of married Jews have a Jewish spouse, while 44% of Jewish respondents are married to a non-Jew. Among Jews by religion who are married, 64% have a Jewish spouse and 36% have a non-Jewish spouse. By comparison, Jews of no religion are much more likely to be in mixed marriages; just 21% of married Jews of no religion are married to a Jewish spouse, while 79% are married to a non-Jewish spouse.

"What is not appreciated by those who view intermarriage as bringing about the demise of the Jewish people is that the US Jewish population has actually been steadily increasing. In 2013, the Pew Research Center estimated the US population of Jewish children and adults at nearly 7 million. By 2018, that number had grown to almost 7.5 million. Even though more Jews today identify as secular, rates of participation in Jewish religious life have remained remarkably stable.

One reason is that children of intermarried parents are increasingly being raised as Jews (nearly 80%). Among adult millennials, almost 60% identify as Jewish – a sharp increase over older generations. These Jewish young adults and their families are an important part of the Jewish fabric of life in the United States. Their integration is, in part, a result of the US Jewish community responding positively and creatively to the challenges posed by intermarriage."- Leonard Saxe, The Jerusalem Post, August 7, 2019 16:04

The <u>Society for Humanistic Judaism</u> answers the question "Is intermarriage contributing to the demise of Judaism?" on its website, stating, "Intermarriage is the positive consequence of a free and open society. If the Jewish community is open, welcoming, embracing, and pluralistic, we will encourage more people to identify with the Jewish people rather than fewer. Intermarriage could contribute to the continuity of the Jewish people".

Whether or not you agree with the above statements, it is obvious that interfaith marriages among Jews is now here to stay, based on the 44% rate as stated in the 2013 Pew Research survey results above.

"Reform Judaism has made a commitment to welcoming interfaith couples and their children into congregations, and offering support and education for their extended families"-URJ. I personally believe that this is absolutely the correct decision, although admittedly I have some personal bias in this regard as I will explain below.

Core Value IV of Temple Emanuel Beaumont, Texas, states the following, "We are committed to being an inclusive community open to everyone who wishes to join us for worship and study." This core value reiterates the position of the URJ above.

I would like to end this article by telling my own story, for those of you who are not aware of it. I was trained and had my Bar Mitzvah at an Orthodox Temple in Chicago. In college I became a non-practicing Jew, although I continued to strongly identify myself as Jewish. On February 29, 1992, I married my awesome wife Susan and we just celebrated our 29th wedding Anniversary. Susan is and continues to be a practicing Southern Baptist. Very early in our marriage as we discussed religion, she strongly and repeatedly encouraged me to join the local Temple here in Beaumont, Temple Emanuel and to reembrace my religious Judaism. For this I am forever grateful. It is possible that if it were not for her strong support and encouragement, someone else might be writing this Bulletin article.

Kol tuv.

Wayne

Wayne Margolis, M.D.-Temple President



IT IS TIME FOR
US TO HELP
THOSE IN NEED

TEMPLE EMANUEL

Is being called on once again for our Tzedakah service

The Women and Children Shelter is asking for funds to purchase packages of underwear for the women and children who are displaced to their facility. The need is great and our service is always much appreciated.

Contributions can be made by:

CALLING the Temple Office (409-832-6131) if you would like to charge your donation or MAILING a check to Temple Emanuel—Social Justice Fund (1120 Broadway, Beaumont, TX 77701) OR a check made out to Family Services of Southeast Texas.

THANK YOU Arlette Collins-Hoffer

I am requesting that all congregants and employees of Temple Emanuel to please notify the Temple Office when you have **completed** your course of the COVID-19 Vaccine. This will facilitate in our decision as to when we can safely re-open our Temple.

Below is where our numbers stand as of March 1st for those who have received both shots

In Town Members — 42 of 92 reported

Out of Town Members — 0 of 37 reported (over 50 miles from the sanctuary)

Employees — 2 of 7 reported

Wayne Margolis, M.D. —Temple President

Beaumont Jewish Federation

4305 Sterling Lane Beaumont, TX 77706

February 22, 2021

Dear Friends of the Southeast Texas Jewish Community,

Over the years, the Beaumont Jewish Federation has lived its legacy of providing financial help in the following ways:

- Financial assistance to local Jewish families in need
- Scholarships for Temple Emanuel teenagers to experience Israel
- Grants for adults to UJA-Federation Young Leadership Missions in Israel
- Financial assistance to Hillel organizations of Texas A&M University, University of Houston, and University of Texas
- Various campaigns to help Israel during crises
- Special campaign to bring Ethiopian Jewry to freedom in Israel
- Special campaign to bring Jews of the Former Soviet Union to freedom in the United States...specifically two families to Beaumont

What BJF has supported over the years has been significant!

We don't come to the Jewish community for an annual gift; rather, we approach the Jewish community when funds are needed. And now is such a time!

As BJF continues providing financial assistance to those in need, we ask for your financial support of Beaumont Jewish Federation by sending your check as follows:

Beaumont Jewish Federation 4305 Sterling Lane Beaumont, TX 77706

THANK YOU!

Michael Wolf, President

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SISTERHOOD SCHMOOZE - MARCH 2021

I hope everyone survived the cold weather, stayed warm and did not have many busted pipes. We ALL thought 2021 would be a better year. Who knew we would have the snow plaque of 2021.

Sisterhood has continued to meet virtually over Zoom and we will be planning a Spring Luncheon in May 2021 with a guest speaker. If there is anyone in particular that you, as members, would like to hear speak or have a suggestion for a speaker, please feel free to let a Board member know.

As Sisterhood President, I continue to maintain a connection with our Sisterhood Members and Congregational Family. Sisterhood provided Purim treats and many positive comments and expressions of appreciation for keeping Temple Emanuel Sisterhood and our Congregation connected during the pandemic have been received.

As you are all aware, Deli Day 2021 **WILL NOT** be happening during the first week of March. Discussions are underway to perhaps do a fall cheesecake fundraiser. Of course this will be dependent upon when the Temple reopens.

Be well, stay safe, wash your hands often, socially (physically) distance when appropriate and please wear a mask when out in public.

L'Shalom,

Cheryl

Cheryl Barenberg
President, Temple Emanuel Sisterhood
President, WRJ Southwest District

APRIL 2021 YAHRZEITS

Week Ending 4/10 to be Read 4/9

Miriam Fannette Brookner Rose Krasnow Henry Lubel Franne Michaels C.P. Snelgrove Nathan Speer Beth Eisen Harvey Golob Clara Greenspan Sidney Kelman Bernard F. Kessler Harry Robbins Rhea Levy Sommer Eleanor Perlstein Weinbaum Raudee Lynn Solotorovsky Hanna H. Bluhm Bennett Friedlander Addie Lee Stewart Hawes Louis Horwitz Sidney Henry Levy, Jr. Howard Martin Barbara Ellen Blumstein Pauline Deutser Mollie Gedaly Gertrude Rosinger Stanford S. Schwartz

Week Ending 4/17 to be Read 4/16

Samuel Swartz Milton Bender Esidore J. Goldstein Robert H. Rawles Jesse M. Saxon Dora Horwitz Nelle P. Herns Joseph F. Bittensky Richard Jacobs Morris Klein **Emanuel Toomim** Agnes Ladner Wilbur Shapiro Gussie Waldman Max Abraham Goldfine John Dave Holland

Week Ending 4/24 to be Read 4/23

Hattie Diamond Edelman Carl E. Lovell Joseph Rosenthal Jayne Eisen Annie Feigelson Max Hirsch Sarah Spector Anna Rose Swartz Jennie Kramer Charles H. Naman Melissa Ann Rogers Catherine Rosenberg Milt Chapman Herbert H. Friedman Oscar N. Eldridge Janice D. Gordon Carrie Levy Carrie Schwartz Zeve Mike Aceto Ezero I. Greenberg Morris Tettenbaum Golde Bruckner J. Bruckner Pearl Janowitz Celia Roosth

Week Ending 5/1 to be Read 4/30

Donna Gold Adele Kariel Anna Schnitzer Samuel Feigenbaum Gertrude Greenberg Murray Herbert Hoffer Mary Jane Horwitz Leo Williams Russell Batsell Sadie Elkins Lionel Forbert Sadye Barsky Forbert Annette Gedaly Macie Paula Goldstein Manfred R. Levy Volodimir Nemerinsky Dorothy Greenberg Bushman Bernard Deutser Annie Lee Goldstein

Conrad Krafte Murray P. Smyth Bess Wunderman Genevieve Bumar Sadie Levinson Sarah L. Levy Florence Melasky Pearl Rose Daniel Wunderman Mae Friedman Isaac Funk Monroe Joseph Johnson Abraham M. Blieden Mary Fallis Nettie Kuhn Sidney Mayer David Sobel

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Michaels (Zoom)

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MARCH 2021 YAHRZEITS

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Week Ending 3/27 to be Read 3/26

Leslie S. Levy Natalie Krasnow Corman Dorothy Faye Hosen Irvin Bud Kassoff Anna Leaman Gitel Markewich Slyvia C. Miller Martha Lea Stein Duane Joseph Curry Irving Davis Joe Feldman Anna Blum Simon Philip Dover Herman Glober Morris Greenspan Harold Kaplan

Week Ending 3/13 to be Read 3/12

Regina B. Cohen Miriam Cohen Schwartz Max Swiren Abraham Eisen Stanley B. Goldstein Toni Kern Sam Klugman Joseph Lederer Irving Schwartz Harold D. Greenberg Howard L. Kane Dorothy M. Lefkovits Charles Mielz Charles Miller Isidore Protas Ann Batsell Gertrude Bender Freda Crager Ione Sternberg Ney Minnie Falkowitz Abe Kolba Alyce Ney Louise Scheps Max H. Haber Hadassah Jacobs Leon R. Levy Jennie Toomim Jack Mechanic Louis Schwartz

Frank Dover
Sam Night
Herman A. Philipson
Harry Bennett
Samuel Cohen
Jeff Greenberg
Aron Gross
RosaLee Leaman Roosth Mellinger
Albert Morton Klein
Alex Eli Martin

Week Ending 3/20 to be Read 3/19

Abe Elkins Hal Lawrence Gale Florence Lynne Austin Holtzman Max Spector Bessie Sukman Sam Hertzman Estelle Carrow Sarah M. Greenberg Ursula Lefkowitz Regina Schneider Jacob Louis Zuber Dennis Alter Susan Miller Bailey Martha Haase Andy Witebsky Henny Liebmann Elizabeth A. Rawles Anna Greenberg Aymin Waldman

Week Ending 4/3 to be Read 4/2

Ruth Wyde Hall I.B. "Butch" Hoffer Ida Klugman Aaron Rose William Bell Celia Harris Nettye Leibson Philip Liebman John K. Levy Jennie K. Szafir Marian Goldstein Joan Krafte Carl Muller Anne Vaxler Elise Eisenstadt Julius M. Gordon Lynn Rochelle Mechanic Rachel Trachtenberg Fannie Hyman

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In honor of **Temple Emanuel** by:Jeri Kirkendall

In honor of **Temple Emanuel** by: Dr. Richard Drapeau

In gratitude of offering Facebook Services by: Wendie Nordgren

In honor of the 99th birthday of Paul Kessler by: Lois Rutman

In loving memory of our brother, **Charles Mielz** by: Miriam & Viraf Cooper

In loving memory of my father, **Duane Curry** by: Cheryl & Andy Barenberg

In loving memory of my brother, **Kevin Curry** by: Cheryl & Andy Barenberg

> In loving memory of my mother, **Faye Blum** by: Diana Blum & William Scott

In loving memory of our father and grandfather **Morris Goodman** by: Ann & Les Goodman, Matthew & Marc Sarah Williams

In loving memory of Henry D. Weinbaum by: Charlie Weinbaum

SISTERHOOD

Wishing a continued speedy recovery to **Fern Roos** by: Mimi & Marty Cohen

FLORAL FUND

In loving memory of my grandfather **Abraham Eisen** by: Harold Eisen

In loving memory of Natalie Loeb Alexander by: Natalie & S.L. Greenberg

In loving memory of **Louis Julian Alexander** by: Natalie & S.L. Greenberg

In loving memory of **Dr. Philip B. Greenberg** by: Natalie & S.L. Greenberg

In loving memory of my mother, **Julie Rogers** by: Regina Rogers

In loving memory of my loving grandmother **Minnie Rogers** by: Regina Rogers

In loving memory of my special aunt, **Sara Davis** by: Regina Rogers

In loving memory of Beatrice L. Reddoch by: Marian & Charles Quinn

In loving memory of Sam Hertzman by: The Rutman Family

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Wishing a continued speedy recovery to **Fern Roos** by: Cheryl & Andy Barenberg

Mazel Tov on the marriage of
Marianne & Benjamin
Sampson

by: Cheryl & Andy Barenberg

Mazel Tov on the marriage of Elizabeth Johnson & Patricia Dacumos by: Cheryl & Andy Barenberg

SOCIAL JUSTICE

In honor of the 99th birthday of **Paul Kessler**by: Miriam & Viraf Cooper

Passover Food for Jewish Soldiers by: Margaret Whipkey

The Woman's Shelter by: Susan & Wayne Margolis

The Woman's Shelter by: Katrina Roberts

CEMETERY FUND

In loving memory of Irving Silverberg by; Mimi & Marty Cohen

In loving memory of Frances Goldfine Austin by: Charlotte Gaman

In loving memory of my sister, **Joan Sampson** by: Norma & Alan Sampson

In loving memory of
Max Spector
Alyce Ney
William Gedaly
Harvey Night
Freeda Friedman
Julie Rogers
Joan Sampson

by: Rene' & Mike Spector

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In loving memory of my father Harvey Night by Alan Night & Family

In loving memory of my mother **Betty Bemel Night** by: Alan Night & Family

In loving memory of my wife Rivka Vienfald Night by: Alan Night & Family

TEMPLE EMANUEL SOCIAL JUSTICE UPDATE (MARCH 2021)

2021

WE URGE YOU TO TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF AS THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC CONTINUES! WEAR MASKS, OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING, WASH YOUR HANDS OFTEN, AND GET THE VACCINATION ASAP!

Tzedakah Opportunities for March and Beyond:

- Women and Children's Shelter of Family Services of Southeast Texas, a tradition of Temple Emanuel: We encourage your support for this project with your mitzvah dollars, joining together to make a <u>tikkun olam difference</u> as we raise funds for packages of underwear for women and children. We'll provide the *Tzedakah*, and Family Services will do the shopping! THANK YOU in advance!
- Kosher for Passover Food for Jewish soldiers, a tradition of Temple Emanuel: We encourage your support of our Kosher for Passover project for Jewish soldiers stationed in the AFRICOM area. THANK YOU in advance for supporting this project with your *mitzvah* dollars, joining together to make a *tikkun olam* difference!
- Feeding the Hungry, a tradition of Temple Emanuel: We do this in at least three ways:
 - (1) by providing food/water for the Homeless in You are a Blessing Bags and/or
 - (2) by donating dollars to Southeast Texas Food Bank and/or
 - (3) by way of The Orchard, Temple Emanuel's boundary-free orchard for seasonal fresh fruits and nuts for *all who are hungry to come to The Orchard to eat!*

THANK YOU in advance for joining together to make a <u>tikkun olam difference</u>!

- **Beaumont Pet's Alive, a tradition of Temple Emanuel:** We encourage your support of the local No Kill Animal Shelter. *Tzedakah* shared with Beaumont Pet's Alive will help provide food, shelter, and medical treatment for local homeless animals. THANK YOU in advance for supporting this project with your *mitzvah* dollars, joining together to make a *tikkun olam* difference!
- Nutrition & Services for Seniors, a tradition of Temple Emanuel: As soon as we can all gather together, we will again pack shelf stable meals for the Meals-on-Wheels clients of Nutrition & Services for Seniors; and, when the season is right, we will pick and pack blueberries! Stay tuned!
- Social Justice Shabbat and the Blessing of our Sacred Sages: Again, as soon as we can all gather together, we will set the date for our annual Social Justice Shabbat when we traditionally bless the Sacred Sages of our Congregational Family! Stay tuned!

- **TWO NEW PROJECTS of TESJ,** and we THANK YOU in advance for joining together in giving *Tzedakah* to make a *tikkun olam* difference as per the following:
 - (1) Local Salvation Army for what's needed daily at the Homeless Shelter
 - (2) Stable-Spirit for youth and adults to receive scholarships for Equine Assisted

 Psychotherapy and Physical Therapy. Stable-Spirit is located just outside Beaumont in Rose City.
- More TESJ Projects will be covered in future bulletins, as we help with Disaster Relief and Israel as needed; PLUS, we help with the Tasting for Some Other Place and Christmas Day at SOP.

Dear Congregational Family and Friends of Temple Emanuel,

PLEASE designate what you want your *tikkun olam mitzvah* dollars to support from the various *Tzedakah* opportunities in this article. As you know, one of the pillars of President Wayne's focus during his term is the giving of *Tzedakah* as an important part of Temple Emanuel's *Love Thy Neighbor* Initiative.

- 1) Please write a check to Temple Emanuel with Memo Note for Social Justice/the name of the TESJ project or projects that you wish to support and how much for each that speaks to you.
- 2) Or please send your check(s) to Temple Emanuel but payable to the specific non-profit(s). Your check(s) will be included with the letter(s) written to the non-profit(s).
- 3) Or please call Jane Kaulfus in Temple Office at 409.832.6131 to charge your *Tzed-akah* donation.

THANK YOU for joining together to make a <u>tikkun olam</u> difference!

Temple Emanuel Social Justice Committee

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24 ~ Beverly Hickman-Hay

9 ~ Judy Night

24 ~ Paul Hay

13 ~ Gloria Seligman

28 ~ Betty Greenberg

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23 ~ Sherry Horwitz

Anniversary List - March

3 ~ Debbie & J. W. Rogers

16 ~ Rene' & Michael Spector

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March Shabbat Hostesses and Greeters (SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE)

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March 5 -

Esterlyn & Al Dugan

Fern Roos

March 12 -

Susan & Wayne Margolis

Ken Parker

Joy Parker

March 19 -

Cara & Dan Eisen

March 26 -

Lori & Brian Alter

Marc & Vita Greenberg

CONDUCTING ZOOM SERVICES & TORAH STUDY

March 5-6

Rabbi Candidate

Chava Koster

March 12-13

Rabbi Kogan

March 19-20

Rabbi Michaels

March 26-27

Rabbi Kogan

(Passover)

Happy 99th Birthday



Paul Kessler

Family: Arlene,Tracy, Alan Gerger



Remember Your Loved Ones	FUND (please check)
Contribution (Ten-\$10.00) dollars per name minimum)	Memorial & Tribute
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In memory of	Becky & Edwin Gale Love Thy Neighbor
For Speedy Recovery of	Community Fund
From:	Cemetery
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