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wishes you and yours a sweet, healthy, and happy 5780!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

A Year of Blessing

by SEAN EGAN

The theme for this edition of the Illiana News is the High Holidays. However, as I start writing, I can't help but want to call this the back to school issue. For all those with school-aged children or who work in school settings, this is the time when we all have to start back on a new schedule after weeks of relaxation. Suddenly there are expectations and homework. Suddenly we have to meet new people and learn to work with them in a cooperative manner. This actually isn't so different from the High Holidays, when we have expectations and homework of an entirely different kind. We are called to make amends for our past errors. We have the opportunity to begin anew.

Just two days ago, I awoke early in the morning—not with anxiety

related to the beginning of a new school year (I am a school principal with over two decades of experience as a building administrator), but rather due to a dream about the high holiday services. In my dream, the service came to an uncomfortable pause, as somebody forgot that it was their turn in the rotation of High Holiday honors on the bima. This was a first for me, in terms of remembering a dream about the holiday services. But, it clearly means that my mind has already begun thinking about them and hoping that they will run smoothly.

When it comes to our Federation, I have no such concerns. The Jewish Federation of Northwest Indiana is a very well-oiled machine, due primarily to our phenomenal executive

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Simchas

Please send any Simchas you would like included in the next issue to Erica Yakovetz, (219) 301-0960 or erica@federationonline. org by October 16. Text and photos must be provided in accordance with all Illiana News Policies and Procedures.

MAZEL TOV...

To **Eadie Appelsies** on the birth of a great-granddaughter.

To **Jerry & Marcy Clough** on the engagement of their daughter, **Marlisa Clough**, to Britton Bartz.

To **Mollie & Italo Ivaldi** on the July 2 birth of their granddaughter (and fifth grandchild), Amelia. Proud parents are **Roberto & Serena Ivaldi**.

To **Jenny Rooth** on her engagement to Ryan Bach. Proud parents are **Barry Rooth** and **Lisa Rooth**. Proud grandfather is **Abe Ordman**.

To Janine & Dean Rothschild on the engagement of their son Adam to Jamie Schiller, daughter of Greg Schiller and Cindy Lude.

To **Rahm Silverglade**, son of **Susie Cutler & Joab Silverglade**, who will be going on tour this fall with his musical group Altopalo.

To **Kelsey Waxman** on completing a Master of Science degree in Refugee and Forced Migration Studies from Linacre College, University of Oxford, UK. In September she will begin an internship with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees on the island of Malta. Kelsey is the daughter of David Waxman and Elaine Waxman. Proud grandparents are **Richard & Barbara Waxman**.

Community News

Sarowitz Family Dedicates Peace Garden at the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center

The Peace Garden at the Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center in Skokie, with its diverse plantings and inspirational quotes, is designed for reflection. The Peace Garden welcomes visitors and creates a sanctuary for reflection before or after visiting the Museum. It gives us a brief glimpse of a future world where humanity has united in peace and serenity, in stark contrast to the horrors that division and hatred wrought in the Holocaust.





A plaque in the newly dedicated Peace Garden honors Sy Sarowitz's grandfather, Schmuel Yitzhuk Scharjowicz, and his 19 family members who perished in the Holocaust.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Rabbi Reni Dickman • Interfaith Families and Our Thriving Jewish Future

A conversation about interfaith family life—with its blessings and challenges—and the current landscape of the American Jewish community. Reflecting on her many conversations with interfaith couples around topics such as religious identity, navigating holidays and life cycle events, and raising children, Rabbi Dickman will unfold what she has learned from these families. Why do Jews care so much about being Jewish even if they're not "religious"? What do we gain when we recognize that every family is unique and deserving of our care? And what does it look like to go beyond "welcoming" to truly engaging and supporting interfaith families throughout their lives?

Rabbi Reni Dickman is the former director of InterfaithFamily Chicago. She has recently been hired as the Executive Vice President of the Chicago Board of Rabbis and Senior Educator for the Jewish Federation of Chicago. Previously, she served as Rabbi for Sinai Temple in Michigan City from 2004-2017. She is passionate about welcoming interfaith families to the Jewish community with sensitivity, creativity, compassion, and love.



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Howard Reich • The Art of Inventing Hope: Intimate Conversations with Elie Wiesel

The Art of Inventing Hope offers an unprecedented, in-depth conversation between the world's most revered Holocaust survivor, Elie Wiesel, and a son of survivors, Howard Reich. The insights on life, ethics, and memory that Wiesel offers and Reich illuminates will not only help the children and grandchildren of Holocaust survivors understand their painful inheritance, but will benefit everyone, young or old.

Howard Reich has covered the arts for the *Chicago Tribune* since 1978. He is the author of five other books, including *Prisoner of Her Past: A Son's Memoir* (Federation's Book Club selection from August 2019).



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

Dr. Günther Jikeli • The Rising Tide of Antisemitism in Europe and the US Today

Dr. Jikeli will present an overview of what's going on in Europe (with a focus on France, UK, and Germany, where 80% of today's European Jews live) and some comparison to the current situation and trends in the US.

Dr. Günther Jikeli is a historian and sociologist of modern Europe, with particular interests in the history of antisemitism. He is currently a Visiting Associate Professor at Indiana University (Bloomington). In 2013 he received the Raoul Wallenberg Prize in Human Rights and Holocaust Studies.

RSVP to (219) 301-0960 or online at **federationonline.org/upcoming-events**

Upcoming Events



Fall/Winter Clothing Drive

September 16–22, 2019

to benefit Sojourner Truth House in Gary

Bring your gently used donations to the Federation during the following hours:

8:30am-4:30pm Monday-Friday, Sept. 16-20

> 11am-1pm Sunday, Sept. 22

No summer items please—

warmer clothing is needed as they transition their Clothes Closet into fall/winter.

Please separate items into bags or boxes labeled Men's, Women's or Children's.

Women's clothing is most needed in sizes **Small, X-Large,** and **Plus**. Bras too! (in good condition)

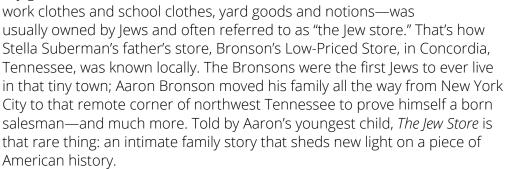


2019 FEDERATION BOOK CLUB: SESSION 6

The Jew Store: A Family Memoir by Stella Suberman

Monday, September 23 7:00pm

In 1920, in small town America, the ubiquitous dry goods store—suits and coats, shoes and hats,

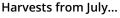


Please read the book in advance and come prepared for lively discussion facilitated by Carol Culberg. A loaner copy is available from the Federation office. Call (219) 301-0960 for availability or to reserve.

RSVP to (219) 301-0960 or online at federationonline.org/upcoming-events#Suberman









mid-August...



IEW STORE

...and the late August explosion!

Fall is here, and we are harvesting produce from Lily's Community Garden each Thursday before our Food Pantry opens at 1pm. Are you free any Thursday morning? Come and help! Call the office for details.



Upcoming Events

Rosh Hashanah Kosher Catering!

Holiday meals by Debbie Herszberg & Ifrain Cruz, prepared in the Federation's kosher kitchen.

Reservation deadline EXTENDED: Friday, September 13

Pickup at Federation:

Sunday, September 29, 1–3pm



Chair Yoga Fridays

11:15am–12:15pm

**Note new time September 6, 13, 20, 27; October 4, 11, 18, 25

Instructor Joanna Sypudt has been teaching yoga for 18 years.

Cost: \$5 per session at the door.

Your RSVP helps us keep you informed of changes or cancellations. RSVP to (219) 301-0960 or online at:

federationonline.org/ upcoming-events#Yoga

Save the Date

Federation's Annual Meeting & Brunch Sunday, November 17 12:00pm

Rosh Hashanah 2019 Catering Order Form

ORDERING: Each (1) half-sheet pan serves 6 to 8 people. *Serving suggestions based on 1/2 lb. meat and 1/2 cup vegetables/sides per person.*

No substituti	ons please.	Qty	x Price	Total
MEAT	Brisket slow-cooked with apricots & figs		\$99.00	
	Chicken with apricot chutney		\$79.00	
FISH	AMAZING homemade gefilte fish		\$59.00	
	Moroccan fish balls in tomato sauce		\$59.00	
STARCH SIDES	Basmati rice with almonds, pine nuts, sautéed onions & dill		\$36.00	
	Rice pilaf		\$30.00	
	Roasted potatoes with rosemary \$30.00	\$30.00		
VEGETABLE	Grilled vegetable plate		\$36.00	
SIDES	Grilled asparagus plate		\$36.00	
8 S	Sweet roasted yams with pecans & raisins		\$30.00	
	String beans sautéed with tomatoes		\$30.00	
SALADS	Waldorf salad	salad \$18.00		
(32-ounce containers)	Quinoa salad		\$18.00	
	Beets with balsamic vinaigrette & shaved almonds		\$18.00	
DESSERTS	Apple pie crumble		\$12.00	
1 serves 6-8	Peach cobbler		\$12.00	
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Partnership2Gether Western Galilee

Five JFNWI Members Attend Partnership Summit in South Bend

by JUDY KATZ

Five members represented our Jewish Federation of NW Indiana at the July 14–16, 2019 Partnership 2Gether Western Galilee Summit hosted by the Jewish Federation of St. Joseph County in South Bend. They included Miriam Marcus, Jonathan Radnor, Liz Rice, Judy Katz, and our Executive Director, Aida Nozick. The group joined almost 70 other participants from the Western Galilee, Budapest, and 14 out of our 16 Central Consortium Federations.

Activities included a Birds Eye View of the Partnership, Presentation and Discussion of Anti-Semitism in our Communities, Engagement Skill Building Workshops, Dancing/ Singing with their federation's Camp Ideal Campers, and dinners at two of South Bend's congregations. Evenings were spent "Schmoozing" and getting to know fellow participants.

One evening we had a walking tour of Notre Dame University. A highlight



of the Partnership Summit was a wonderful concert by Lazer Lloyd at the renovated South Bend Civic Theater. Lazer Lloyd has performed for our community several times in the past.

Next year's Summit will be held in June 2020—in Budapest! Anyone from our Federation may attend; watch for more details. **



The new Partnership Center for our Partnership2Gether WesternGalilee, two other Partnerships, and the Young Adult Center for the Matte Asher regional council is now officially open. The August 13th ribbon-cutting ceremony was attended by Federation board member Jonathan Radnor, as well as fellow Hoosiers Michelle Korin (Indianapolis) and David Ravitch (South Bend). Among many special guests were Isaac Herzog, Chairman of the Jewish Agency; Arye Machlouf Dery, Minister of the Interior, Minister of the Development of the Negev and Galilee; Harold Gernsbacher, Treasurer of JFNA and a great friend of Partnership; and Andrea S. Arbel, Director of Partnership Unit at the Jewish Agency For Israel. A big thank you to those in our community who donated to the building fund! *Photo courtesy of Jonathan Radnor*.

Partnership Discovery Trip for Lifetime Learners

by JUDY KATZ

Nine members of our Jewish Federation of NW Indiana will be heading to Israel's Western Galilee and then on to Budapest, Hungary, for a new Partnership Discovery Program for Lifetime Learners to be held October 27–November 4. I've been working with our Partnership region for two years in planning this trip. Also attending will be members of the Federations in Buffalo, NY; Springfield, IL; Peoria, IL; Indianapolis; and Youngstown, OH. We will be joined by a few people from Budapest, as well as many volunteers in the Western Galilee.

The trip is designed for "young" retirees to experience the Partnership2Gether Western Galilee Region and then Budapest with in-depth lectures, discussions, and field trips. It will definitely not be a typical tourist trip. Topics in the Partnership Region will include "Living on the Edge" (Security), "Meet the Neighbors" (Multiculturism), "Experience Western Galilee Arts", and "Sustainability" (Repurposing Water and Solar Energy). In Budapest the participants will learn about "Budapest: Then & Now" especially focusing on the re-emergence of the Jewish community there.

We hope to build friendships in the Western Galilee and Budapest and bring back ideas to share with our Federation community. $\ensuremath{\$}$

Community News

Community BBQ

The rainy weather didn't stop us from enjoying our 4th Annual Community BBQ on August 18! Fostering a spirit of community, this event doubled as registration day for our new combined religious school, Masa B'Yachad.









































2019 Annual Campaign

2019 Campaign Kickoff

Our 77th Annual Campaign kickoff dinner—featuring WTTW's popular TV host Geoffrey Baer—took place on Sunday, August 25. Over 120 attendees joined us for this festive and fascinating evening. We hope that this will mark the beginning of yet another successful campaign for Federation. Special thanks to event co-chairs Dana Kaplan Graves and Jennifer Yalowitz for their help in making it a fabulous event!



































Support OUR Jewish Community through Federation

by DANA GRAVES, 2019 Annual Campaign Chair

Thank you to everyone who came out on August 25th to celebrate with us the 77th Annual Campaign Kickoff Dinner of the Jewish Federation of Northwest Indiana. I would like to thank Mr. Geoffrey Baer for joining us to share his amazing stories. It truly was a wonderful evening listening to the tales of the different Jewish enclaves throughout Chicagoland... each one unique, yet sharing a sense of Jewish community.

At the same time, we celebrate our own small but mighty Jewish community. In the past few years, we have seen the Federation become a more physical part of OUR Jewish community. There are women chatting over tiles playing Mah Jongg on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Every six weeks or so, our growing book club led by Carol Culberg meets to discuss wonderful stories. Every

Thursday afternoon our Manna Cabana food pantry helps those in our community, and the wider non-Jewish community members, who are in need. Additionally, Lily's Community Garden was spearheaded this year by Miss Lily Yalowitz to help provide fresh produce to the food pantry. On Wednesdays and occasional Mondays, Federation's social hall is full of lively seniors, our Adult Friendship Club, enjoying a hot kosher lunch and participating in relevant programs.

And let's not forget all that
Federation does for our children,
our future. K'Ton Ton Preschool has
been the pride and joy of Federation
for over 60 years, and JCY Day
Camp means the building is full
of children's laughter year-round.
Federation has been instrumental in
facilitating the merging of community

religious schools to promote our children's Jewish identity and religious education. Federation's Noar and Atid youth groups help our teens find a strong Jewish identity in a smaller community. Later this year, over winter break from school, we are helping send 12 teens to Israel. They will gain firsthand knowledge and experience of what life is like in Israel.

We have a strong Jewish community. We have our own history to tell, just like the many neighborhoods we heard about at the Kickoff. We have our own story to write. Being able to connect with our Jewish community, and share our Jewish heart, is one of the greatest attributes of our Federation. In order to write the next chapter—continue our story, if you will—we need our community to make contributions. Please remember that our small organization needs your donation. Your tzedakah makes a huge impact at our Federation. Your dollars are meaningfully spent, both right here in our local community and in Israel.

To those who have continued to financially support OUR Federation, thank you. Your generous contributions have enabled us to do so much, and we appreciate your generosity. To new friends, please consider making a donation so our story can continue to unfold. Let's build on our rich and vibrant history with relevant, thought-provoking programming and social advocacy.

Wishing a Happy New Year to you and your families!



At press time, our community has pledged \$83,645 to the 2019 Annual Campaign. Help us reach our goal! See the donation envelope in this issue, call the office at (219) 301-0960, or visit federationonline.org/donate to make your gift today.

KTon Ton Preschool



We are back to school! We are thrilled to start what is sure to be our best year yet! Amongst all the planning, organizing, and getting ready, the staff even had time for a little fun on a scavenger hunt.

This year, we have 26 pre-kinder-garten "big kids", 30 preschoolers, and 20 two-year olds. We are excited to welcome some new staff this year! Ms. Christina Ankenbruck comes to us with a background in preschool and music education and is teaching a preschool class. Mrs. Karen Cipowski-Smith, Mrs. Carrie Luna, and Mrs. Krystan Bacevich join us as assistants this year.

We are all looking forward to a year full of fun!

















NoanAtid

Noar/Atid Hiking at the Dunes Sunday, October 6 12-4pm

Indiana Dunes State Park (1600 N 25 E, Chesterton)

Carpool from Federation or meet us there RSVP by Thursday, October 4 to Rachel Saller: rachel@federationonline.org or (219) 301-0960

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, Sept. 17, 7:00pm: Red Mango for ice cream—Atid only *Sunday, Sept. 22, 8:00am:* Maot Chitim delivery, followed by

snacks & games at Nirenberg Home at 2pm

Saturday, Oct. 26, 5:30pm: Havdalah at County Line Orchard

SAVE THE DATES

Federation's Sunday brunch speakers on Nov. 10 (Howard Reich) and Dec. 8 (Dr. Gunther Jikeli) may be of interest to teens. See page 3 of this issue for details.

JOIN OUR YOUTH GROUPS!

NOAR is a youth group for grades 9-12. ATID is a youth group for grades 6-8. For information, contact Rachel Saller, Youth Programming Advisor, at rachel@federationonline.org or (219) 301-0960.

Masa B' Jachad Religious School

Embarking on Our Journey Together

by LISA GIGLIO, Masa B'Yachad School Board Committee Chair

By the time you read this, we have successfully begun our combined religious school with Congregation Beth Israel (CBI) and Temple Beth El (TBE) students, with all classes being held at TBE for the first half of the academic year. The teachers have been carefully selected, with a couple of faces new to some of our students, but not new to teaching.

We are extremely fortunate to have Principal Mindy Miller guiding us forward through this process. It was wonderful that many of our families registered online ahead of time, but also that the Federation's Annual BBQ gave another opportunity to do this in person, as well as meeting with Principal Mindy and meeting the teachers that their children will interact with. Although each student has assigned teachers, we certainly know that they will have the opportunity to learn from all of them.

A wonderful addition, but not a mandatory requirement, will be almost monthly Friday and/or Saturday morning services that the students—including the choir—will be able to participate in. These services will be held alternately at CBI and TBE, giving both congregations



the opportunity to introduce some of their customs which may not be as familiar, but will provide the opportunity for education and growth.

I want to again thank Principal Mindy Miller, Aida Nozick and the Jewish Federation, Rabbi Levin, and Rabbi Zukrow, as well as the school board committee members: Jeremy Friedberg, Francie Gerson, Michael Gideon, Marilyn Hirsch, Jessie Jury and Richard Marks. These committed individuals have helped our community journey together, and I am very excited for our future.



Principal Mindy Miller (center) poses on the first day of Sunday school with last year's religious school principals, Francie Gerson and Julie Bachar.



Masa B'Yachad's school board committee. *Back row:* Jessie Jury, Richard Marks, Jeremy Friedberg, Michael Gideon. *Front row:* Lisa Giglio (Chair), Marilyn Hirsch, Francie Gerson, Mindy Miller (Principal).



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Prime Timers



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Lunch at *Livio's Restaurant*

8267 Wicker Ave., St. John

Time: 12:00pm

Separate checks—see **federationonline.org/prime-timers** for menu **RSVP by Monday, September 16** to Rachel Saller, (219) 301-0960.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

Trip to Morton Arboretum

Time: 9:00am-3:30pm

THIS EVENT IS ALREADY AT CAPACITY! Contact Rachel Saller at (219) 301-0960 with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE! THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Inside Jewish Chicago

Tour a mikvah (ritual bath), meet and observe a sofer (scribe) at work, and enjoy a kosher lunch! More details to follow.

▼ On Thursday, July 25, Prime Timers enjoyed a boat cruise out of Michigan City—and celebrated David Katz's 90th birthday!

















▲ On Wednesday, August 21, Prime Timers and AFC visited the Challenger Learning Center in Hammond for a planetarium show and custom science lab demonstration. #SeasonedScientists

ALL RETURN TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE. *Your payment is your reservation. No refunds. Make checks payable to **Prime Timers** and mail or bring to: Jewish Federation of Northwest Indiana, 585 Progress Ave., Munster, IN 46321.

Adult Friendship Club



Brunch at Suzie's Cafe in Valparaiso before our July 17 theater outing.



August birthdays: Theresa Corriere, Esther Rothstein, and Sylvia Strick.







Theatre@theCenter lunch & play on August 7.



Our "Sit Down & Dance!" movement program with Ms. Katie was fun for all!

AFC SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Monday 9/9 & Wednesday 9/11: NO AFC (Federation Community Retreat).

Monday 9/16, 1pm AFC "Page Turners" Movie Mondays: *Bee Season* & distribution of October book: *The Girl Who Wrote In Silk*.

Wednesday 9/18, 1pm The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel, Season 2 Episode 9.

Monday 9/23 NO AFC

Wednesday 9/25, 11:30am Rosh Hashanah Luncheon with Rabbi Mordechai Levin.

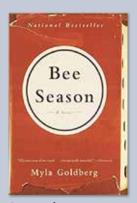
Monday 9/30 NO AFC—Rosh Hashanah 1

COMING IN OCTOBER

Wednesday 10/2, 1pm On-Site Flu Shots with Jill O'Brien of Walgreens Pharmacy.

Monday 10/7, 1pm "Page Turners" Book Club (with Debby Walker): Discussion of *The Girl Who Wrote In Silk* & distribution of November book: *Run*.

Wednesday 10/30, 1pm Flower Arranging class! RSVP required. \$10 additional charge for non-members.



September



October



November

AFC'S "PAGE TURNERS" BOOK CLUB

October Selection: The Girl Who Wrote In Silk—Inara Erickson is exploring her deceased aunt's island estate when she finds an elaborately stitched piece of fabric hidden in the house. As she peels back layer upon layer of the secrets it holds, Inara's life becomes interwoven with that of Mei Lein, a young Chinese girl mysteriously driven from her home a century before. Through the stories Mei Lein tells in silk, Inara uncovers a tragic truth that will shake her family to its core... and force her to make an impossible choice. Pickup Monday. Sept. 16; Discussion (led by Debby Walker) Monday, Oct. 7, 1pm.

Book Except: Indiana Fewish History

The Jewish History of the Indiana Dunes Country, 1830-1950

by TRENT D. PENDLEY

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PART THREE (CONTINUED) THE ANTEBELLUM AND VICTORIAN ERAS: EARLY JEWS IN SMALL DEVELOPING TOWNS

The pioneer towns of Coffee Creek (which became Chesterton), Hobart, and Hebron¹ were not researched for this paper. However, Jews were known to have peddled throughout all of northwest Indiana to each small town and every hamlet. The Jewish merchants in the towns and nearby cities took means to encourage trade from the rural areas via newspaper advertisements and in some cases had even provided coach services.

The early Jewish peddlers, merchants and manufacturers of Chicago and the older northwestern Indiana towns had established a network of trade routes crisscrossing the region by the end of the local pioneer period, and ultimately after 1869 when the settlements emerged adjacent to the industrial developments at Hammond, East Chicago, Whiting and later Gary, Jews were among the earliest settlers and entrepreneurs there too; having gravitated their businesses and trade routes to the new centers. Interestingly, the birth of the Calumet Region occurred in the midst of the third largest wave of

1 Hebron, Indiana, originally called The Corners, was first laid out in 1844 and named for the Biblical city by a Christian Minister, the Reverend Hannan.

Jewish immigration to America—roughly the period 1880 to 1924—also one of the largest movements of Jews in world history. The availability of jobs and a ready market for many trades attracted enough numbers of these immigrant Jews from nearby Chicago and their distant relatives from Europe to forge new communities and the greater community in the Calumet Region has endured a century and continues to thrive beyond the industrial boom years.

As the newer industrial nucleuses prospered and rose out of the lakeshore dunes overnight, the older towns—in most cases further to the south, along the old inland trade routes that had hitherto been the provincial hubs of frontier commerce and banking as well as local government—weren't able to compete with the growing importance of the four burgeoning lakeshore communities, and they became overshadowed by the industrial developments which soon became large cities. Thus although the older towns such as Crown Point, Valparaiso and LaPorte held on to their domain as county government seats, their heydays as the marketplace were over and although some manufacturing took place, they had taken a back seat to the lakeshore cities.

What varieties of Jewish life that had been established in the older towns often stagnated as business operations moved, elder family members died, and the children moved to the Lakeshore cities where burgeoning Jewish communal life was evolving rapidly and diversely. Perhaps only a few families had actually relocated from the inland towns to the cities of the Calumet Region, but the exodus depleted enough of a presence that there wasn't any attraction for others to arrive. The population drain away from the older towns

never emptied places like Crown Point of Jewish residents, as these market centers still served the outlying rural areas and did continue to grow, but the lack of a community did prevent significant numbers of Jews from moving there.

Hammond being the first of the four industrial centers also developed its Jewry first, and more on that community follows. At East Chicago, the local Jewry was second to emerge after Hammond, and followed the sectional conscientiousness of that twin city's communities, thus two separate Jewries emerged there.² The original settlement known as East Chicago was laid out in 1887, and Jewish families arrived soon afterwards. Among the earliest Jewish families at East Chicago were the Nassaus, Spectors, Ottenheimers, and Friedmans.⁴⁸

David Nassau, the patriarch of several generations of Jews at East Chicago, had emigrated from Vienna, Austria when desiring to keep his family from going to war in Europe. He settled in East Chicago during the 1880s where he worked as a watchmaker. His son Charles established an insurance agency in 1898, *Charles Nassau & Thompson*, which remains one of the oldest businesses in the city.⁴⁹ Another early East Chicago settler was Julius Friedman, the son of Russian

2 The two separate Jewries that developed at East Chicago in 1890 and later 1910 were for geographical reasons as explained earlier, and they remained separate but near-homogeneous enclaves. In other words, the different theological movements within contemporary Judaism, which often divides even the smallest of the Jewish communities, did not further divide their institutions. Thus there remained only one Jewish congregation at each Jewry, and both began as Orthodox schuls. However, in later years the older settlement of East Chicago proper joined the Conservative Movement while the Harbor schul remained Orthodox until there was no longer a community available to support a congregation. Those residents at either Jewry who preferred the Socialistic Workman's Circle rather than the Synagogue as a community center, joined the local chapter at neighboring Hammond, which was only a short bus ride away.

SOURCES

48 David Nassau-Cohen Interview; 1982 49 Ibid.

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immigrants, who arrived in the city during 1890 when still a very young boy. Julius subsequently became a prominent realtor and was portrayed in a history of Lake County:

"One of the largest individual taxpayers in East Chicago, and one of the most generally valuable citizens of that community, who has through his financial connections, brought millions of dollars into the Calumet Region." 50

During his lifetime, Friedman served as the president of the Twin City Real Estate Board; was president of Martin Jewelry, Co. of Chicago; and was a stockbroker in the People's Stock Yards State Bank. He was a Republican and in 1918 ran unsuccessfully for Lieutenant Governor of Indiana. He had once refused a Washington, D.C. position offered to him by his friend President Harding.⁵¹

During the 1890s, an Orthodox congregation known as Pesach Cohen was organized and a synagogue was constructed behind Sam Cohen's bar on Magoun Avenue.⁵² This congregation served the community until the 1940's when a Conservative congregation named Beth Sholom was founded and a new synagogue built.⁵³

At the turn-of-the-century the sister community began to emerge at East Chicago and was known thereafter as Indiana Harbor. The Harbor, a triangular area, is the most heavily industrialized center of the Calumet Region, sandwiched between the Indiana Ship Canal and Lake Michigan's shore. There in 1901—one year before lots for housing commenced to be sold—the brothers Joseph D. Block, Philip D. Block and Leopold Block constructed what became one of the largest industries of the Calumet Region, the Inland Steel Company. Richard Dorson in his study of the Calumet Region wrote of the Block's company in a chapter entitled, 'Folklore of Steel:'

50 Cannon; Page 176. 51 Ibid. 52 Ibid.

53 Kodicek Interview. June 16, 1982

"Inland Steel in East Chicago enjoys the most favorable image of any of the (Calumet Region Industrial) plants, being locally owned by Jewish businessmen and catering to the community... Inland started as a junkyard when two brothers named Block bought a rolling mill in Illinois and moved it to Indiana Harbor. Inland took pride in relating to East Chicago rather than to Pittsburgh and Youngstown."54

The Blocks made their residences in nearby Chicago, were never too distant, and even after the company went public, the family remained dominant shareholders and held various honorary positions with Inland's board of directors. The Block name, although perhaps unknown to newer employees, is still quite evident at the company's Indiana Harbor Works. Three blast furnaces are named Madeline I, II, and III for Madeline Block, the daughter of Phillip D. Block.55 Likewise, the company's flagships, two Great Lakes ore carriers, the Merchant Vessel Philip D. Block and the M.V. Joseph L. Block are named after the company's founder and a son, who served as chairman and chief executive officer respectively.3 Outside the company's complex, which has grown several thousand feet into Lake Michigan, the Block name is also prominent throughout the community. Block Avenue, a main artery through Indiana Harbor, is named after the family, as is Block Junior High School. The E.J. Block Stadium, an athletic field and stadium operated by the East Chicago Municipal Park Department, is named for the younger brother of the founders.⁵⁶ The company presented the stadium to the city.

Another early Jewish pioneer and entrepreneur at Indiana Harbor was Albert Given (1871-1941), a Polish immigrant who founded the textile company

3 Joseph L. Block retired as an active Inland director in 1975 having served 48 years. His father had been L.E. Block, a previous director.

54 Dorson, Richard; *Land of the Millrats*; 1981; Page 45.

55 Moore; Page 234.

56 Koppelman & Postal; Page 165.

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which bears his name.(4)57 Mr. Given was the Baron de Hirsch of East Chicago; he sponsored the passages of many Eastern European Jews immigration from pogrom-infested Europe to East Chicago, Indiana.58

Among the many Jewish merchants at the Harbor were the stores bearing their surnames: Abramson's Men's Store; Bayless Lucky Lady; Brozowsky's Cedar Department Store; Feigenbaum's Mens Store; Sol Goodman Furniture; Albert A. Marcus Jewelers; Jack Meirovich's Department Store; Simon Miller's Variety Store; Nagdeman's Store for Men; Pecars' Children Store; Tarler Shoes. The P.F. Cohen Auditorium was a Michigan Avenue landmark in the Harbor as well as were the merchant's storefronts.

The Harbor, which emerged as a working class community and remains so today, acquired the larger of the two Jewries at the Twin Cities. An Orthodox congregation was founded in 1910 and the following year dedicated the B'nai Israel Synagogue at 3517 Hemlock Street.⁵⁹ The Harbor would also form its own Jewish lodges and communal organizations, separate from those across the railroad tracks and ship canal in East Chicago proper.

Whiting, the smallest of the four region cities and noted for its large

4 The Albert Given Manufacturing Company was later purchased by JaMar Ruby of Michigan City and then became part of Hart, Schafner and Marx. There also became the Given Apartments at 4621 Magoun built c: 1920.

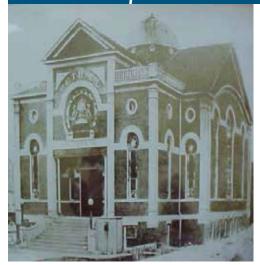
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57 WPA Federal Writers Project; Calumet Region Historical Guide: 1939; Page 112.

58 Nassau-Cohen Interview.

59 Cannon; Vol. 1, Page 527.

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Temple Beth El, Gary Indiana; cornerstone 1912

Croatian-Slovak community, attracted Jewish settlers soon after the Standard Oil Company began operations there in 1890. It was at Whiting in 1900 that the first Jewish birth in Lake County is believed to have occurred, this being a son of Louis Gordon and Mollie Silverstein. ⁶⁰(5) Whiting never attracted a significant number of Jewish residents, and several of the families who did settle there often moved on later to larger neighboring communities.

An Orthodox congregation, B'nai Judah, was organized in 1903 by a dozen Whiting families, and a frame synagogue was built on White Oak Avenue in 1909.⁶¹ A lifetime member, Dan Gardner, recalled the synagogue's interior: "B'nai Judah's original building was a simple wooden structure with benches for seats and a classroom for teaching Hebrew."⁶² This small synagogue was often the site of anti-Semitic stone

5 Later day descendants of the Gordon family who moved on to Gary and there built a famous department store have within their family lore this legend that the son of Louis Gordon was the first Jewish child born in Lake County. Their ancestor may have been the first Jewish child born in Whiting, but there were at least three Jewish children born in nearby Hammond before 1900. One of these three Hammond children was Richard Taussig, born 1890 and who died at Hammond January 14, 1916. (Information acquired from the Twelfth United States Census for Lake County, Indiana)

60 Interview Marjorie Kohn; 1982. 61 Illiana News; June-July 1979; Page 4. 62 Ibid. throwing, especially after local Good Friday sermons had incited the local Catholics. Old timers from B'nai Judah recall the days when police escorts were needed to protect them when arriving and departing on Shabbos. 63 The first trustees of B'nai Judah were Nathan Migatz, Harry Gordon (also the first president), Solomon Recht, and Charles Pitzele. Throughout the congregation's history there were only six presidents: Harry Gordon, Peter Seifer, Abe Winsberg, Peter Brandman, Gerson Gurevitz, Abe Oberlander and Marvin Finkelstein.⁶⁴ Whiting's congregation only included twenty-five families until World War II, when their membership increased to about forty families.65 A new synagogue was constructed at 1545 Davis Avenue during 1952 and was in use until the 1990s.66

Harry Gordon, who was one of the original trustees, was the founder of the Gordon Stores throughout northern Lake County, the first of which had opened in Whiting in 1899.

Gary was the last and the grandest of the four industrial communities to develop in the Calumet Region and the Jewish community that emerged there became the most prominent and numerous in all of northwestern Indiana. For several years after Gary's beginning in 1906, a community laid out by the United States Steel Corporation and the Gary Land Company, the burgeoning steel city remained an outpost of tarpaper shacks amidst the sand dunes. By 1907 nine adult Jews had already arrived as pioneer settlers.⁶⁷ One of the earliest arrivals at Gary was Joseph Morris, the son of a rabbi, who arrived in 1905, a year before the city's incorporation.68 6

Most of Gary's Jewish settlers came from Chicago and from neighboring

6 See "Henry Loeb" by David Woll, Indiana Jewish History July 1987, who came to Gary in 1905 and left.

63 Interview Jocelyn Wretsky-McCoy; 1982.

64 Illiana News; Op Cit.

65 Ibid.

66 Ibid.

67 History of Temple Beth El; 1948; Page 7. 68 Morris, Joseph A.; Correspondence; January 5, 1983. towns and cities where they had established themselves in businesses of trade.⁶⁹ Among those who arrived from a neighboring community was Max Bernstein, a Lithuanian immigrant who had arrived at Gary in 1906 from Whiting.⁷⁰ Bernstein had previously lived at Chicago and had only settled at Whiting around 1901 before relocating to Gary and becoming a local merchant.⁷¹ Another early settler, Morris Kahn, a Russian immigrant, who came to Gary as a refugee of the 1906 San Francisco earthquake, opened the first permanent store on March 1, 1907.⁷²

Another family of Russian immigrants who had arrived in the new city in 1907 were the Mandel Sensibars, who had arrived from Jasper, Indiana where their farm of ten years had been wiped out in floods. The family got into the earth moving business in 1907 and leveled the dunes in central Gary.7 Other early Jewish settlers were Abraham Rosen and Philip Mackatinsky.⁷³ By 1908, Harry Alschuler had built a fine department store at the corner of Fifth Avenue and Broadway which thereafter became the heart of the downtown business district. Although Russian immigrants or their descendants would become the most predominant among Gary's Jewish demographics, there was also a sizeable group of Hungarian Jews, the Weiss family notable among them. The Hungarian Grape Festival was an annual November event at the Orthodox Synagogue.74 There was a smaller number of Rumanian families,

7 "The Sensibars are credited with grading much of Gary's West side between 4th and 9th Avenues including the Jefferson School and park sites. They also worked on the leveling of the East side, south to 15th Avenue and east to Carolina Street." (Gary Post Tribune, J.C. Coats)

69 Temple Beth El; Op Cit.

70 Interview, Doris Finkel-Peltz; 1982.

71 Ibid.

72 Lane; Page 34.

73 Temple Beth El, Op. Cit. and Cannon; Page 590.

74 August, Gary; Universal Jewish Encyclopedia; 1941; Vol. 4, Page 514 and Interview with Vivian Brenman; July 9, 1982.

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among whom were the Koplovitzes (later changed to Koplow), Rothmans, Wechslers, and Weissbuchs.(8)75 Less than half a dozen families were of German heritage, according to one early rabbi at Gary, and among these were Louis Gottlieb, a native of Austria-Hungary, who served as Gary's municipal Court Judge in 1909.76

Jewish organization life at Gary formed in 1907 when the nine resident lews met for communal prayer services in Philip Makatinsky's hayloft, and Rabbi S. Rappaport of Chicago was asked to complete the minyan.⁷⁷ The minyan subsequently became the Pinchas Ahavat Achim Congregation (Loving Brothers of Pinchas) and for the High Holidays that year, 1907, twenty persons gathered at the Makatinsky house for services.⁷⁸ During the following year, 1908, work began on the congregation's first of four synagogues in Gary, and at Eight and Connecticut Streets. The Synagogue was dedicated six days before Rosh Hashanah 5669 on September 20, 1908.79

This Orthodox congregation soon outgrew their synagogue, and a building fund appeal commenced on the eve of Yom Kippur in 1911. A new synagogue, named Temple Beth El, was dedicated on August 31, 1912. One of the Gary newspapers wrote of the ten thousand dollar building:

"It stands in the ranks of the finest houses of worship, and has been declared by many to be the finest in the region."80

8 The Weissbuchs—brothers Benjamin and Joseph, and a cousin Mary—were all natives of Bacau county, Romania; they were cousins of Maurice Samuel (1895-1972), the author, translator and Zionist spokesman. Maurice's father had changed his surname from Weissbuch to Samuel in order to evade the Romanian draft. See *Little Did I Know* (Knopf, New York, 1963) Chapter Five, Page 71)

75 Interviews with Rothman; Weissbuch; Koplow. 76 Universal Jewish Encyclopedia (Indiana) Vol. 5, Page 557; Ibid (Gary) Page 514; Howat; Op. Cit.; Page 790.

77 Gary Post Tribune; May 20, 1965. 78 Temple Beth El; Op. Cit.; Page 7.

79 Ibid.

80 History of Temple Beth El; Pages 7-8.



Gary's Temple Beth El and neighboring Hebrew Educational Alliance Building.

The Hebrew Education Alliance was formed in 1913 but eventually merged with Temple Beth El.⁸¹ A building for the HEA was constructed next to the Orthodox Synagogue and dedicated June 2, 1918.⁸² The HEA building served as a local Jewish community center and its facilities hosted meetings of the Beth El Sisterhood, the Men's Club; Zionist Organization of America (founded in 1910); The National Worker's Alliance and eventually the Jewish War Veterans.⁸³

A Reform congregation had come into being during Gary's earliest of years, soon after Pinchas Ahavat Achim Congregation had organized. Harry Alschuler, William Feder, Louis H. Glueck, and six other men gathered in 1910 to sign the articles of incorporation for a Reform congregation, and Temple Israel was born.84 The congregation purchased a lot at 445 Adams Street, the basement of the new Temple was completed by 1912, and the entire Temple was completed by 1917.85 In later years this congregation became the bastion of Gary's business community; when the renowned local School Superintendent, William A. Wirt, needed to address this

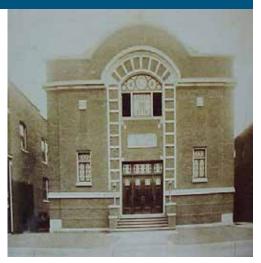
81 August, Gary; Op. Cit.

82 Ibid.

83 Ibid.

84 August, Gary; Page 515.

85 Workers of the Writers Program of the WPA; The Calumet Region Historical Guide; 1939; Page186.



Temple Israel Gary, Indiana; cornerstone 1917

community, he did so at Temple Israel and at the Presbyterian Church.⁸⁶

Temple Israel dedicated a cemetery in nearby Portage, Indiana on November 1, 1924, which neighbors its sister congregation's Beth El Cemetery.⁸⁷

Gary, nicknamed the 'City of the Century' because of the municipality's birth in 1906, would be the most Jewish of the Northwest Indiana cities and towns. When Gary's entire population only numbered 334, it included 36 Jewish families, and by 1927 the Jewish community numbered 2,200.88 Through the twentieth century, one Jewish school was built, and six synagogues, four of them belonging to Beth El congregation and the remaining two by Temple Israel's membership.89

This Midwestern city's sizeable Jewish community, along with its nearness to Chicago, brought outstanding rabbis to its synagogues' pulpits and put the town on the Jewish speakers circuit, thereby attracting famous celebrities and Judaica scholars. The boomtown's economy made Gary one of Indiana's pacesetters for Jewish philanthropies.

86 Cohen, Ronald D. and Raymond A. Mohl; Paradox of Progressive Education: The Gary Plan and Urban Schooling; 1976; Page 127. 87 Gary Post Tribune; May 20, 1956.

88 Ibid; American Jewish Yearbook 1928-29; Vol. 30; Pages 183-185.

89 Saks, Ida Kay; Encyclopaedia Judaica; 1978; Vol 5, Page 330.

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ADDRESSING THE RISE OF GLOBAL ANTI-SEMITISM

Sunday, September 8, 11am-12pm:
Join Rabbi Levin to watch and discuss a panel discussion about contemporary anti-Semitism. This conversation features: • David Harris, CEO, American Jewish Committee • Jonathan Greenblatt, CEO, Anti-Defamation League • Irwin Cotler, Chair, Wallenberg Centre for Human Rights • Dan Mariaschin, CEO, B'nai B'rith International.

SISTERHOOD OPENING DINNER

Thursday, September 19, 6:00pm: A New Year begins for Sisterhood with "Cuttin' Up," a Jazz/Blues/Rock

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UNDERSTANDING & APPRE-CIATING THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

Saturday, September 21, 7:30pm:

Ever wondered what Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are really about? Puzzled by the complexity of the High Holy Days services? Interested in making the holiday experience more memorable, both for yourself and your loved ones? If so, join

WEEKLY SERVICES

Monday & Thursday at 8:00am Saturday at 9:45am Sunday at 9:00am

Rabbi Mordechai Levin as he leads a special class, "Understanding and Appreciating the High Holy Days."

SELICHOT SERVICE

Saturday, September 21, 7:30–9:30pm: Selichot are a series of penitential prayers designed to prepare the worshiper for the High Holy Days. A cycle of prayers, hymns and reflections that employ Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur themes and music are recited in an effort to aid our preparation for the holy days ahead. We will begin with Havdalah, followed by Rabbi Levin's class, refreshments, and the Selichot service.

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JOIN US FOR TASHLICH

Monday, September 30, 5:30–5:45pm: Tashlich, meaning "casting off" in Hebrew, involves symbolically casting off the sins of the previous year by tossing pieces of bread into a body of flowing water. Just as the water carries away the bits of bread, so too are sins symbolically carried away. Pet Friendly! Join us at Centennial Park at the waterfront by the Grand Stand.

CHILDREN, PARENTS INVITED TO SPECIAL NEILAH HAVDALAH

Wednesday, October 9, 6:40pm: At Neilah, the final service of Yom Kippur, all children ages 13 and

High Holiday Services at CBI

ROSH HASHANAH

Erev Rosh Hashanah: Sunday, September 29 at 6:00pm Rosh Hashanah, 1st Day: Monday, September 30 at 9:15am *Youth Service: 10:30am–12:20pm • Tashlich: 5:30pm* Rosh Hashanah, 2nd Day: Tuesday, October 1 at 9:15am

YOM KIPPUR

Kol Nidrei: Tuesday, October 8 at 6:00 pm

Yom Kippur Morning: Wednesday, October 9 at 9:00am

Youth Service: 10:30am-12:20pm

Yom Kippur Evening: Wednesday, October 9 at 5:20pm

Student Havdalah Processional: 6:40pm

SUKKOT

Sukkot, 1st Day: Monday, October 14 at 9:00am Sukkot, 2nd Day: Tuesday, October 15 at 9:00am Sukkot, 4th Day: Thursday, October 17 at 8:00am

Sukkot, Shabbat Chol Hamoed: Saturday, October 19 at 9:45am Sukkot, 7th Day, Hoshana Rabbah: Sunday, October 20 at 9:00am

SHEMINI ATZERET/SIMCHAT TORAH

Shemini Atzeret: Monday, October 21 at 9:00 am—Yizkor Simchat Torah evening: Monday, October 21, 6:00–6:50pm Simchat Torah morning service: Tuesday, October 22 at 9:00am

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BREAK THE FAST

Wednesday, October 9: Sisterhood invites the congregation to break the fast with them following the final blast of the shofar. For planning purposes we ask you to confirm your attendance to the CBI office by Friday, October 4.

SUKKOT

Sukkot is named after the booths or huts (sukkot in Hebrew) in which Jews are supposed to dwell during this week-long celebration. These flimsy sukkot represent the huts in which the Israelites dwelt during their forty years of wandering in the desert after escaping from slavery in Egypt. See the box on page 20 for our Sukkot service times.

SHABBAT LUNCH IN OUR **SUKKAH**

Saturday, October 19, 12pm: [right after the religious service]. Please join us as we celebrate Sukkot.

CHILDREN, PARENTS INVITED TO SIMCHAT TORAH SERVICE & **CELEBRATION**

Monday, October 21, 6:00-6:50pm:

Simchat Torah is the day that we end the annual cycle of the reading of the Torah, and then immediately begin that cycle all over again. During the religious service, the Torah scrolls are removed from the ark and paraded in seven hakafot, or circles around the room. The service is full of singing and dancing and people carrying Torah scrolls. Little children may carry stuffed Torahs. Come and celebrate plus stay for delicious desserts! @

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Dinner

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Sunday, September 29	8:00 pm	Erev Rosh Hashanah Service Followed by Oneg
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Tuesday, October 1	10:00 am	Rosh Hashanah Second Day

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Friday, October 4

YOM KIPPUR		
Tuesday, October 8	8:00 pm	Kol Nidre
Wednesday, October 9	9:30 am	Adult, Teen & Children's Service
	1:30 pm	Discussion with the Rabbi
	2:30 pm	Afternoon Service
	3:30 pm	Healing Service
	4:00 pm	Speakers
	4:30 pm	Yizkor
	5:30 pm	Ne'ilah (Concluding)
	6:00 pm	Break the Fast

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High Holiday Services

Erev Rosh Hashanah—Sunday, September 29 at 7:00pm Rosh Hashanah—Monday, September 30 at 10:00am, followed by a luncheon (RSVP required).

Erev Yom Kippur—Tuesday, October 8 at 7:00pm

Yom Kippur, Morning service—Wednesday, October 9 at 10:00am Yom Kippur, Children's service—Wednesday, October 9 at 5:30 pm followed by Neilah service and Break the Fast (RSVP required).

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Please Join Temple Israel for Our High Holiday Services

Sunday, September 29 7:30pm Erev Rosh Hashanah, Oneg to follow Monday, September 30 10:00am Rosh Hashanah Day—morning service, Tashlich at Marquette Park to follow 7:30pm Shabbat Shuvah Friday, October 4 Sunday, October 6 10:00am Kever Avot at Temple Israel Cemetery, Central Ave. & Willowdale Rd. in Portage Tuesday, October 8 7:30pm Erev Yom Kippur/Kol Nidre Wednesday, October 9 10:00am Yom Kippur Day—morning service 4:00pm Minchah 5:00pm Yizkor & Ne'ilah, Sisterhood's Break-the-Fast to follow

Temple Israel Sisterhood's

BREAK-THE-FAST

Wednesday, October 9, after Ne'ilah Services

Tuna Salad - Egg Salad Vegetables - Kugels - Pastries

Minimum Donation of \$5.50 per Adult OR

The equivalent of \$5.50 per person if you bring a dish to accommodate 4 guests

Temple Israel Sisterhood will provide Tuna Salad and Egg Salad.

Please bring Kugels, Pasta Salads, Baked Goods, Molds, or any other item you think will complement the buffet.

If you are able to help with set-up or in the kitchen, please contact Temple Israel at 219-938-5232 or templeisraelmiller@gmail.com.

Break-the-Fast Reservations	and/or Dish Contributions
Name:	
Phone/Email:	
Please Reserve a Table for (number of people	
Family Last Names:	
Reservation Number Total: Adults:	Children:Under 6 (Free):_
Dish to Contribute: Kugel: Pasta	Salad: Baked Goods:
Mold:Other (describe):	Monetary Donation: s
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High Holiday Ticket Information

MEMBERS: Single members, as well as member families, pay \$50 for a ticket that includes seating for all High Holiday services.

Complimentary tickets are available to all individuals and member families in good standing, who have paid the \$50 seating charge, for any of their immediate family members.

A member family includes all members of the household and those young adults living away from home.

NON-MEMBERS: Non-affiliated individuals and families in the Northwest Indiana Jewish Federation region pay \$75 and \$150, respectively, for seating for all High Holiday services. Tickets are available on a one-time basis. Temple Israel encourages membership and will credit seat payments towards the current year's dues.

Visitors who are members in good standing of any congregation will receive complimentary tickets with a letter from your temple. Please send to Temple Israel, Attn: High Holiday Tickets, 601 N. Montgomery Street, Gary, IN 46403.

For more information about our High Holiday Services, Friday Night Shabbat Service, or other special events, please contact Temple Israel at 219-938-5232 or templeisraelmiller@gmail.com.

Temple Israel-Miller (continued)

My View Onto Montgomery Street

by MARK B. SPERLING, Ed.D.

Some nice things to think about the summer: Green Grass, Garden Growing, Planning for the High Holidays (which will be here before we know it), Sisterhood and Federation Bar-B-Ques, Music, Fun, the Beach, Family, and Vacations (if we're lucky enough to have some off-work time to take one or more). We remember (not fondly) the temperatures in the 90's without much of a breeze, which made getting work done outside a bit harder, but then there's always inside.

Inside: we can come into our homes or apartments and enjoy the air conditioning, family members, TV, DVDs, or music. We can also come to Temple on Friday nights to not only enjoy each other's company but to pray for better things ahead for ourselves, our community, our state, and our country. There is little that I enjoy more than being with my own family, my university family, and my Temple family. All of us have immediate and extended family that we grow up with, our work family and our religious family that expands our hearts and minds, provides social opportunities, and—like our immediate families—solace when we are in any kind of pain. That moves me to the topic of caring for each other.

As we approach the High Holidays—a time that we count our blessings, look for forgiveness for those things we have not done well or feelings that we have hurt, with or without purpose—I came across what I wrote a year ago when Yonaton Nathan (the scribe) completed the repair of one of our Torahs and we came together to rededicate it. Rabbi Damsky, Robin

Rich, Lisa Giglio, Jonathan Radnor, Kelly Farkas, and so many others played an important role in the rededication. I believe it's important to remember those landmark occasions that bring all of our congregants and families together for a common purpose, such as the High Holidays. I also want to thank Michael Giglio and Calumet Plumbing for coming to our rescue this summer.

The Refuah Shlema, and its central prayer the Mi Sheberach, that we say at each service is a reminder of how important it is to support those who are ill. Whether in our immediate family, a friend, or a friend of a friend, or someone we know in our Temple family—it's important to reach out to

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COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENT

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November 15-17th at JCC Perlstein Retreat Center







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Consistency, Change, and Growth

by RABBI ELIEZER ZALMANOV

"What has been is what will be, and what has been done is what will be done," writes King Solomon in Ecclesiastes, "and there is nothing new under the sun." Would this verse be an apt description of your experience this past year? Or has the past year been one of growth and accomplishment?

The truth is that a year should have areas of consistency, but it most certainly must also have areas of growth and accomplishment. Interestingly, the Hebrew word for year, הנש (shana), has both the connotation of repetition and that of innovation and change.

At Chabad too our year has been one of consistency; our doors have been open—consistently and reliably—for all those looking to learn and pray, regardless of affiliation. We've been here consistently for those looking to discover their rich Jewish heritage, and those who want to question it. We've been here consistently for those in need and as a communal resource and support system for all.

But it's also been a year of change and growth: additional programming for all ages, new unique events for women, classes on innovative topics, and of course the growth of our weekly Shabbat minyan. The "new" Chabad House is now more than two years old, and it has been a busy hub of activity all year.

Shabbat services at Chabad are held on Saturday morning, starting at 10:00am, always followed by a full kiddush lunch.

We look forward to this coming year! We know it will be one of consistency and reliability, but also of growth and change. And we're looking forward to welcoming you

on the exciting journey! May you and your family be blessed with health. wealth and happiness—both physically and spiritually. And may the new lewish year of 5780 be the one that finally ushers in the redemption with Moshiach along with the blessings, abundance and peace that will come with it. Shana tova! 🗣



Services followed by break-fast

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

There is NO CHARGE for seats; Your donation is greatly appreciated

Advance reservations are suggested

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6:00 PM

Sinai Temple-Michigan City

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Please be sure to contact the Temple office to confirm specifics of date, time, location & reservations: 219-874-4477



All are welcome to join us in prayer. Every Friday evening we conduct services welcoming Shabbat. Sinai Temple has been known as the "musical congregation" with 2 guitars and much singing. Rabbi Suzanne Griffel leads services twice a month, with lay-led services the alternative weeks. In September we return to 7:00 pm Shabbat services with a social Oneg of wine, challah & homebaked treats.

SATURDAY MORNING CLASSES

When Rabbi Griffel is in town she schedules 2 Saturday morning classes. All are welcome:

9:00am: Short Shabbat Morning Service & Discussion

10:00am: Shabbat Study Group with attendees reviewing the current Torah portion and contributing to topical selections, investigating wide areas of interest. Enjoy informal religious exploration with other curious adults.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

Sinai Temple & Valpo's Temple Israel have joined their religious schools. Jill Edwards of Temple Israel heads up the joint program, along with Rabbis Shoshana Feferman & Suzanne Griffel. Students will meet in Michigan City for the first half of the 2019-2020 school year, and in Valpo for the second half of the year.

ADULT BAR & BAT MITZVAH TRAINING

Rabbi Griffel offers training for adults interested in "finally" celebrating their Bar or Bat Mitzvah. Contact the temple office for details.

SEPTEMBER SPECIAL EVENTS

Sunday, September 15: The Sisterhood sponsors Leah Polin to address Israel's achievements since 1948 in science, medicine & technology. A luncheon is also provided. All are welcome - contact the temple office for specifics & reservations.

Wednesday, September 18, 4:00pm: As the High Holidays approach, we gather to polish the Torah silver. It's our mitzvah to do this & no reservation is necessary. All are welcome to share this mitzvah.

Friday, September 21, 7:00pm: Havdalah & Selichot services shared with Valpo's Temple Israel, at their location. **Sunday, September 22:** Rabbi Reni Dickman, Sinai Temple's prior rabbi, speaks at an 11:30 brunch at the Jewish Federation in Munster - see page 3 of this issue for details & call for reservations.

Sunday, September 29 & Monday, September 30: Rosh Hashanah services are scheduled for Sunday evening & Monday morning. All are welcome; call the temple office for details.

Monday, September 30: After Monday morning's services an afternoon Tashlich & later Family Service are scheduled. All are welcome; call the temple office for details.

OCTOBER SPECIAL EVENTS

An afternoon Kever Avot service is scheduled at the temple's cemetery. Call the office for date & details.

Tuesday, October 8 & Wednesday, October 9: Yom Kippur's Kol Nidre service is scheduled for Tuesday evening. We continue Wednesday morning followed by Family Services in the afternoon with Mincha, Yizkor, Neilah & breaking the fast together.

Friday, October 25: A joint-temple Simchat Torah service is scheduled at Valpo's Temple Israel. Call the temple office for details.



Grandpa Charlie Marks plays the guitar on the bimah with granddaughter Hailey.



Birthday & Anniversary Celebration.

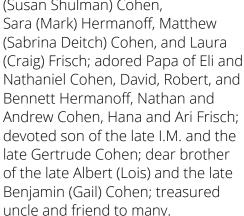


Annual Pet Prayer Service on August 4.

Obituaries

PHILIP R. COHEN

GLENVIEW, IL—Philip R. Cohen, age 85, beloved husband of the late Barbara, nee Pozen; loving father of Avery (Susan Shulman) Cohen,



Philip was the son of I.M. Cohen, who lived in Gary in the 1930s and 1940s and was a member of Temple Israel. I.M. Cohen was the architect who designed Temple Israel and Philip worked with him on the building as well as many other buildings and homes in Gary including the Mary Apartments on West 5th and Grant Streets, the Ambassador at 574 Monroe Street, the H. Gordon & Sons Department Store at 801 Broadway, and the Model Building at 738 Broadway. Mark Stern's father built many of the buildings that I.M. Cohen designed, and Mark and Phil became very good friends.

Contributions may be made to the Education Fund of Makom Solel Lakeside (www.solel.org).

ALAN GARFIN

EVANSTON, IL— Alan Garfin, 59, formerly of Gary, passed away on Monday, July 15, 2019. He is survived by his sons, Benjamin, Ari and

Henry Garfin; his life partner, Janet Olsen; brother, David (Jennifer) Garfin;



sister, Dr. Debbie (David Mitchell) Garfin; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Meyer and Florence Garfin.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 3:00 pm at Kish Funeral Home, Munster. Interment followed at Beth El Cemetery, Portage.

Alan was a part of the Lettuce Entertain You Restaurants for the past 30 years. In lieu of flowers, contributions to a charity in his memory would be appreciated.

DONALD J. GOLDMAN

MUNSTER—Donald J. Goldman, age 87, passed peacefully away on Friday, August 2, 2019. Born in Chicago, he grew up with a passion for music, particu-



larly jazz. As a young man, he studied psychology, was a voracious reader and thoroughly enjoyed intellectual discussions with friends. He is survived by his wife Carol, daughters Melinda Wegner and Amanda (Joe) Sowerby, granddaughters Charlotte Wegner and Sydney Sowerby and niece Elizabeth Meyer-Thrash and brother and sister-in-law John and Marsha Meyer. He was proceeded in death by his parents Avraham and Rachael Goldman and his brother Gerald Goldman.

Don will be remembered for his love of his family, friends, travel and the arts. As a local business owner, his community connections ran far and wide and he found great joy in supporting local and national non-profit organizations. Contributions in his memory made be made to the American Heart Association or to the Jewish Federation of Northwest Indiana.

CLAIRE GREENSPON

MUNSTER—Claire
A. Greenspon, 88,
of Munster, IN, and
West Palm Beach,
FL, passed away on
Tuesday, July 30, 2019.
Beloved mother of



Deborah Clark, David M. Greenspon and Dr. James (Renee) Greenspon. Loving grandmother of Lindsay, Todd (Angela), Tracy, and Allie Clark; Mallory, Marc, Ellie, Daniel, and Jonathan Greenspon. Cherished sister of Robert (Judy) Atlas. She was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Irwin Greenspon, and parents, Albert and Margaret Atlas.

Claire immigrated to the United States from Kisvarda, Hungary, in 1938. Claire grew up in Gary, IN and was a member of the Emerson High School Class of 1949. She graduated from Indiana University Bloomington with an Education degree in 1953. Claire valued spending time with her family and grandchildren in her Florida, Chicago, and Munster homes. She was a longtime member of Temple Beth-El and its Sisterhood, and a lifetime member of Hadassah. A positive life force, she loved reading, cooking, gardening, music, theater, movies and travel. Claire lived a full and fruitful life with a generous heart and a warm smile.

Funeral services were held Thursday, August 1, 2019 at Kish Funeral Home in Munster. Interment took place at Memorial Park Cemetery, Skokie, IL. In lieu of flowers, contributions to Alzheimer's Research or the American Cancer Society in her memory would be appreciated.

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director, Aida Nozick and the amazing staff that she has put in place. Federation regularly provides excellent programs for people of all ages. Within the pages of our newsletter, on our website, or via regular emails to our constituents, we are able to see the constant array and variety of activities that are available to us. As

part of the new year, it is my sincere hope that each of us will renew our interest in and support of all things Federation. Participation and contribution of resources (time, volunteer help, financial support) are vital.

Make Federation an integral part of your new year. May it be a happy and a healthy one. Shana Tova!

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them to let them know that you care. The English translation of the Mi Shebarach follows:

May the One who blessed our ancestors—Patriarchs Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Matriarchs Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, and Leah —bless and heal the one who is ill: [name] son/daughter of [mother's name]. May the Holy Blessed One overflow with compassion upon him/her, to restore him/her, to heal him/her, to strengthen him/her, to enliven him/her. The One will send him/her, speedily, a complete healing—healing of the soul and healing of the body—along with all the ill, among the people of Israel and all humankind,

soon, speedily, without delay, and let us all say: Amen!

Temple Israel has a small group that, along with Rabbi Damsky, regularly reaches out to those in need of support due to illness (of themselves or family members). So I guess the main message for the summer is: particularly when we have tremendous heat, please think about its impact on others—who may or may not be as fortunate as you in terms of air conditioning or proper nutrition—to check on them, or let us know so we can.

L'Shana Tova from the Temple Israel family! 🐨

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Rick, Judy, Phil, and Hannah Katz are wishing Shana Tova to all of our friends.



















