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President's Corner

In Our Own Backyards

by SEAN EGAN

In the last edition of the Illiana News, I focused on the Jewish community in far away Dubrovnik, Croatia. This sparked a number of wonderful conversations with members of our community. In one instance, a friend's daughter was actually taking her honeymoon trip in Croatia... and went to the synagogue in Dubrovnik that I visited. The best part? She was able to take pictures of the interior! So I will now have pictures of this amazing space that I visited in July.

For this issue, I'm going to bring it right back home to our community here in Northwest Indiana. We have so much, yet we tend to take it for granted. Or we claim that we are simply too busy to participate. Or we use the excuse that we didn't know what was going on from one day to the next, from one congregation to the next.

In just a few minutes sitting in front of my computer (and you can do this on your smartphone, if you're out and about), I was able to hop from congregational websites to Federation's website to a rabbi's Facebook page and back again. And in these few minutes, I saw photos, newsletters, and calendars to confirm what I already know: We have more activities and events in our relatively small geographic area than you could possibly imagine.

Did you know that Chabad hosted a women's challah bake a few weeks ago? I hear the attendance was amazing and that the final products were delicious. Chabad also hosted a Scotch & Cigars men's night out in the sukkah!

Did you know that Sinai Temple in Michigan City has a 4th edition

of their Sisterhood cookbook now available for purchase? Just this month alone, they will be running their sisterhood Deli Day fundraiser, a viewing of the amazing program "RBG" (the letters say it all), and also a lecture and performance of the music of Bob Dylan.

Did you know that we have a new shaliach in town? Eitan Torz arrived mid-August. He made the rounds to our congregations for the High Holidays. He hosted a toast to the Federation staff and board between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, to bring a special touch of Israel to our community. He does a wonderful job introducing himself to members of our community. Have you introduced yourself to him? Have you invited him to your home, your workplace, or to meetings of your civic organizations?

I would be remiss if I did not speak about our Federation as well. This month, we hosted a wonderful Israeli scholar-in-residence, Shalom Orzach,

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Shalom Orzach spoke to us about the "audacious dreamers and courageous doers" who established the State of Israel.

Low Impact Chair Yoga Fridays 11:00am–12:00pm Continuing through December!

Nov. 2, 9, 16 and 30; Dec. 7, 14, 21 and 28

Cost: \$18 for 4 sessions if paid in advance;
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Instructor: Joanna Sypudt has been teaching yoga for 18 years.

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Simchas

Please send any Simchas you would like included in the next issue to Erica Yakovetz, (617) 888-2908 or erica@federationonline.org by November 16. Text and photos must be provided in accordance with all Illiana News Policies and Procedures.

MAZEL TOV...



◀ To **Jack & Eileen Gaffen** on celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. They belong to Temple Israel (Miller) and live in LaPorte.

To **Drs. Gus & Becca Galante** on the engagement of their son Eric to Allie Rosen.

▶ To **Alex Passo**, son of **Herb & Evelyn Passo**, and **Bianca Angarola** on their wedding conducted at Temple Israel (Miller) on October 5.



Myrna & Sy Sarowitz are kvelling about their three grandsons. Their daughter Gail Bowman's older son, Jake, is a junior at the University of Arizona, and her younger son Josh is a sophomore at Cornell in Ithaca, NY. Daughter Naomi Triumph's son Zac is a freshman at the Colorado School of Mines in Golden, Colorado. 🌍

EDUCATORS' PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY:

CANDLES Holocaust Museum Teacher Education Program

Wednesday, November 7 • 9:00am–3:00pm

CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center in Terre Haute, IN, (candleholocaustmuseum.org) is the only organization in the world dedicated to the memory of the twin victims and survivors of medical experimentation at Auschwitz. It shines a light on the story of the Holocaust to create an empowered community of critical thinkers who will illuminate the world with hope, healing, respect, and responsibility.

Teachers will come away with a variety of resources (both digital and printed) for possible ways to present and teach the Holocaust, practical information when creating a Holocaust unit, and ready-to-go activities for use within the classroom.



PRESENTER: Leah Simpson is the Deputy Director of CANDLES, where she joined the staff in September of 2017. Her undergraduate degree is in education with an emphasis in gifted students. In 2012 Leah was chosen to travel to authentic sites and museums in Europe and Israel with the Holocaust and Jewish Resistance Teachers Program; afterwards she completed her master's degree in Holocaust and Genocide Studies from Gratz College.

Location: Federation • Open to the community

Professional Development Credit: 6 hours (6 PGPs)

Cost: Free • Lunch will be provided

RSVP by November 1 to rachel@federationonline.org or (219) 301-0960, or online at federationonline.org/upcoming-events

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Upcoming Events



R.O.M.E.O. Retired Old Men Eating Out

Every Friday at 11:30am

Location: Cheers Food and Drink
(1942 45th St, Munster)

Questions? Contact Lou Kaplan
at (219) 922-6757



Mah Jongg lessons are off to a great start! Thank you to our teachers and their assistants.

MEN'S GROUP

Susan Tepperman, Jewish Community Services Coordinator, is starting a group for men.

If interested, please contact susan@federationonline.org or call (219) 301-0960.

A BIG
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to all our member congregations

and especially to Lily Yalowitz, Emma Striker, Max Buka and Mira Feferman

for the overwhelming donations to the Federation Food Pantry over the High Holidays!



The Food Pantry at the Jewish Federation is accessible to everyone in the community that is in need. Hours of operation are every Thursday from 1pm-3pm with no appointment needed.

Compiled by JUDY KATZ

BIRTHRIGHT ISRAEL AGE LIMIT EXTENDED!

If you are between the ages of 27 and 32 and have never done a Birthright Israel Trip, there is still time to participate! Visit birthrightisrael.com/go to learn more.



COMMUNITY COUNCIL: SAVE THE DATE!

Our Partnership Western Galilee's Community Council will be hosted by our Federation January 27-29, 2019. Watch for future information regarding the weekend plans. The community will be invited to learn and share at a few of the programs. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Judy Katz or Aida Nozick.

SEND GENTLY WORN HALLOWEEN COSTUMES TO ISRAELI CHILDREN FOR PURIM

Our Federation will be collecting gently used and new costumes to be sent to needy children in our Partnership Western Galilee region to help them celebrate Purim next March. All sizes of costumes can be dropped off at Federation and local congregations through the end of December. They will be shipped by late January 2019 to arrive in Israel in time for Purim. 🌍



What do Purim and Halloween have in common? Costumes!!!

THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF NORTH WEST INDIANA INVITES YOU TO HELP BRING PURIM JOY TO CHILDREN IN ISRAEL!

Done with your costumes and have nothing to do with them?

Donate your costumes to families in our Partnership2Gether Western Galilee in Israel!

All you have to do is get your costume to your congregation or Federation by the end of December, our Partnership2Gether and Federation will take care of the rest!

Have questions or trouble with delivering your costumes?
Call 219-301-0960 Or Email to Shaliachnwi@federationonline.org



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- The Times of Israel News, www.timesofisrael.com
- Israel Innovations, www.nocamels.com
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For more information, please contact Judy Katz.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

“After the Holidays”



by EITAN TORZ

It has now been 2 months since I first got to Northwest Indiana, and I am starting to be more familiar with my surroundings—especially the construction on Calumet Avenue.

The past few weeks went by very fast with the tremendous amount of information I have taken in. It is not just the big things like language and culture that are changes for me. The tiniest of things, formerly taken for granted, make me understand how far I am from home. One of the biggest challenges is getting acclimated to the constantly changing weather. Can't wait for winter (well, not really!). The list of information I have to remember now—bed sizes, “right turn on red”, certain items on the Starbucks menu, thinking in inches and gallons instead of the metric system—is endless. Another list I am keeping is of cultural differences, like questions you may ask a person the first time you meet him in Israel but not in America, such as “Hey, are you married?” Other sayings you



ShakShuka

During a “Shakshuka in the Sukkah” event with CBI’s Sunday school students, Eitan enlisted students of all ages in making this delightful brunch dish. Younger students mixed lemonade while older students chopped vegetables and cooked the shakshuka in the oven. Here’s a recipe to recreate this Israeli flavor at home!

You will need:

- 1 Diced Sweet Onion (optional)
- 3-4 Sliced Garlic cloves (optional)
- 1 Diced Bell Pepper (red recommended)
- 2 Grated fresh tomatoes
- 1 Cup of tomato Puree or Paste
- 1 Cup of water
- 3-4 Eggs (Or as much as wanted)
- Salt, Pepper (as much as wanted)
- Optional: Cumin, Oregano, Fresh/Dry Basil, Parsley, Diced Eggplant, Feta cheese

WHAT TO DO:

- Sauté the onion, garlic and bell peppers together to the point that the onion is transparent
- Add the fresh grated tomatoes
- Cook until the tomato juice is evaporated
- Add the tomato paste/ puree and stir
- Add 1 cup of water, stir until the sauce is smooth
- Add spices as you like (from the list above)
- With a spoon make place for the eggs and crack them one by one
- Cover and cook the eggs 10-15 minutes (depends on how you like the eggs)
- Serve with a good bread
- You may add different types of cheese/ veggies as suggested above



MOROCCAN COOKING CLASS WITH EITAN

Thursday, November 29
6:00–8:00pm
Cost: FREE!

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will probably not hear in Israel, such as “Help yourself” (arguably “help” is something we get from others).

The point of these lists is coming to understand the place I’m going to make home for the next year. One of the things we emissaries do is to get out of our comfort zone as much as we can: get to know new people, places and ideas. So far, a

lot of community members have helped me do that. Taking me to high school football games and trying to explain the rules... getting lost with me in Meijer for a couple of hours (this place is so big!)... sometimes holding tight to the seat of the car when I drive... and having me over for dinner, trying to get to know each other better.

The High Holidays were an amazing time when I got to know a lot of people around the community and experience different synagogues and customs. I was fascinated by the amount of people participating, interested to see what people do on Yom Kippur and what they eat for break-the-fast. I was so busy processing this knowledge, I did not have time to get homesick.

In Israel we have a saying: "After the holidays..." and whatever comes after that may be a change we want to make: a diet, a hobby, travel plans, a hard conversation with the boss, buying a new car and so on. The thing is, we have a lot of Jewish holidays, meaning that "after the holidays" can go on forever. In my eyes, the holidays kick us out for a while from our daily-weekly-yearly routines, and they may serve as time for stopping and processing. That might be the reason we often say "After the holidays I will..."

The funny thing is that by getting acclimated to a place, we sometimes unintentionally create a whole new comfort zone as we form a new routine. Now don't get me wrong, routine helps us manage our day-to-day lives, providing some measure of certainty or security. But routines can also prevent us from advancing to better ones. What I hope to achieve in my own "after the holidays" is getting acclimated but also getting challenged just as much, to spot my comfort zones and benefit from them as well as moving out of them. I expect this year to be the best. 🌍

Contact Eitan at 219-789-9458 (his Federation cell phone) or email him at shaliachnwi@federationonline.org—with questions, comments, invitations, or just to say hello!

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We have been busy at K'Ton Ton as we started our school year!

We celebrated Rosh Hashanah with apples and honey. We took turns trying to blow the shofar and made our own shofars. We made popsicle stick sukkahs and clothespin Torahs! We'd like to thank Rabbi Zalmanov for talking to us about Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, and Rabbi Levin for talking to us about Sukkot.



Our after school programs have started. This year, our families can choose from Little Chefs Cooking, Creative Movement, Book Club, and Young Explorers. Our Preschoolers and Pre-K kids each have sessions of our extended day programs.

We always love to see our youngest friends at Playgroup on Mondays! Playgroup is for children with a parent/caregiver. If you know someone with a young child (from about 9 months and up) who would enjoy playing with us, please have them call Erin at 219-301-0961. 🌍



Our Noar and Atid youth groups volunteered at the Food Bank of Northwest Indiana on Sunday, September 16.

JOIN OUR YOUTH GROUPS!

If you have any questions about Noar (grades 9-12) and Atid (grades 6-8), please contact Rachel Saller at 219-301-0960 or email rachel@federationonline.org.

Hiking at the Indiana Dunes on Sunday, October 14.



LUNCH AT LUCREZIA & Chesterton Art Center: Area Artists Association Exhibit

Thursday, November 8

Lunch Location: Lucrezia
428 S Calumet Rd, Chesterton, IN 46304
Exhibit Location: Chesterton Art Center
115 S. 4th St., Chesterton, IN 46304

Time: 11:30am for Lunch
(we will meet at the restaurant, please let Rachel know if you need a ride from Federation)
We will visit the art exhibit after lunch.

Cost: The exhibit is free; lunch is on your own. Must RSVP to Rachel Saller before November 6: (219) 301-0960 or rachel@federationonline.org

SAVE THE DATE: NEXT PRIME TIMERS' TRIP Smart Museum of Art, The University of Chicago

Thursday, December 13

More information to come!

Erin Doherty

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	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	שבת
OCT 21	12 Cheshvan 10-11am Torah Studies 10am-12pm Temple Annual Meeting 12-1pm Taste of TBE	13 Cheshvan 12-2pm Adult Friendship Club	14 Cheshvan 23 10-11am Women's Class 10:30-11:30am Mah Jongg Lesson 1-2pm Heart to Heart Group with Susan	15 Cheshvan 24 9am-3pm Prime Timers Southside Chicago Bus Tour 12-2pm Adult Friendship Club 12-4pm Mah Jongg 7-9pm Board Meeting	16 Cheshvan 25 1-5pm Mah Jongg	17 Cheshvan 26 11am-12pm Low Impact Yoga 7:30-9:30pm Shabbat Services 7:30-8:30pm Soul Zimra at Shabbat Service	18 Cheshvan 27 9:30am-12:30pm Shabbat Services 9:45am-12pm Shabbat Services
OCT 28	19 Cheshvan 10-11am Torah Studies	20 Cheshvan 29 12-2pm Adult Friendship Club	21 Cheshvan 30 10-11am Women's Class 10:30-11:30am Mah Jongg Lesson 1-2pm Heart to Heart Group with Susan	22 Cheshvan 31 Halloween 12-2pm Adult Friendship Club 12-4pm Mah Jongg	NOV 1 23 Cheshvan 1-5pm Mah Jongg	24 Cheshvan 2 11am-12pm Low Impact Yoga 6-8pm First Fridays 6-8:30pm Shabbat Service & Dinner 7:30-9:30pm Shabbat Services	25 Cheshvan 3 9:30am-12:30pm Shabbat Services 9:45am-12pm Shabbat Services MISSION TRIP TO ISRAEL DEPARTS
NOV 4	26 Cheshvan	27 Cheshvan 5	28 Cheshvan 6	29 Cheshvan 7	30 Cheshvan 8	1 Kislev 9	2 Kislev 10
MISSION TRIP TO ISRAEL							
	Daylight Saving Time Ends (Fall Back) 10-11am Torah Studies	12-2pm Adult Friendship Club	10-11am Women's Class 1-2pm Heart to Heart Group with Susan	9am-3pm CANDLES Holocaust Teacher Education Program 12-2pm Adult Friendship Club 12-4pm Mah Jongg	Rosh Ch. Kislev 11:30am-3:30pm Prime Timers Lunch & Art in Chesterton 1-5pm Mah Jongg	Rosh Ch. Kislev 11am-12pm Low Impact Yoga 7:30-9:30pm Shabbat Services	9:30am-12:30pm Shabbat Services 9:45am-12pm Shabbat Services / Campbell Gideon Bat Mitzvah
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MISSION TRIP TO ISRAEL							
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Hit The Road

by RABBI ELIEZER ZALMANOV

A month ago we celebrated the holiday of Rosh Hashanah and we kicked off the busy High Holiday season. More recently, we celebrated Simchat Torah (and what a Simchat Torah it was!), and with that we concluded the holiday season. So, after the busiest month on the Jewish calendar, especially at Chabad with people coming and going all month—for services, meals, parties, and so on—it's finally back to our everyday routine, normal life.

There is an old Chassidic saying, borrowed from a verse in the Torah which says, that after this month of holidays, "Yaakov halach ledarko"—Jacob went on his way. Or to paraphrase the song, "Jack hit the road."

After being surrounded by the holiday atmosphere, both the solemnness and the joy, it is now time to hit the road, to go back to the daily grind of our regular lives.

As you can imagine, this can sometimes be a downer. It's like a crash landing after a month of inspiration and excitement. It can be depressing.



▲ Fun for all ages: making slime (and then enjoying pizza) in the Chabad sukkah.

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

But it doesn't have to be viewed that way. There is another perspective, which I think is really the purpose of all the holidays being packed into one month anyway.

The reason we have all these holidays right at the beginning of year is so it can have an impact on the entire year that follows. It isn't just a month of holidays; it is a month with the potential to set the tone for the entire year to come. Everything we do during that

month has the potential to play a role in how our year turns out.

When we "hit the road" after the holidays, we should feel empowered by the inspiration of the holidays to live an uplifting and more spiritual life in the months that follow. So we don't leave the holidays behind, rather we take them along with us on the road, on our journey through life. We celebrate our Jewishness—which has been on full display during the past month—throughout the entire year.

As I always say, don't leave Judaism to the rabbis and the synagogues. It belongs to each every one of you; make it your own every day of the year, and hit the road! 🌍

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▲ After our meaningful Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services, we enjoyed the festival of Sukkot and a wonderful lunch in our sukkah. The children and adults said the blessing that is recited while taking the lulav and etrog.



▲ CBI's Sisterhood had a wonderful opening dinner with Cantor Randi Simon and Bernie Warman singing and playing music from American Broadway, Yiddish Theatre and Israeli Folklore.

KABBALAT SHABBAT SERVICE AND DINNER

Friday, November 2, 6:00pm: Join the CBI community for a musical Kabbalat Shabbat service followed by a delicious dinner. \$10.00 per person; children 12 and under, \$5.00. Please submit your reservation to the CBI office by Tuesday, October 30.

BAT MITZVAH

Saturday, November 10, 9:45am: Campbell Gideon will be called to the Torah. Proud parents are Julie & Michael Gideon. Proud grandparents are Sheila & Vern Gideon.

GREAT JEWISH MINDS SERIES: RABBI JONATHAN SACKS

Sunday, November 11, 11:00am–12:00pm: Join Rabbi Levin to watch and discuss a video interview of Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks on the vision of the good life in the Jewish tradition.

An international religious leader, philosopher, award-winning author and respected



moral voice, Rabbi Sacks is a frequent and sought-after contributor to radio, television and the press. Since stepping down as Great Britain's Chief Rabbi of the United Hebrew Congregations of the Commonwealth—a position he served for 22 years between 1991 and 2013—Rabbi Sacks has held a number of professorships at several academic institutions. Rabbi Sacks has been awarded 17 honorary doctorates.

TASTY OLIVE OIL

Tuesday, November 27, 7:00pm: Sisterhood will meet at the Tasty Olive Oil Company (2014 45th St. in Highland) to taste and learn about all the different olive oils from around the world.

BOXES OF LOVE

Monday, December 3: Sisterhood will be sending out their famous "Boxes of Love" to students, family and friends that are chock full of homemade goodies lovingly made by our Sisterhood members. The deadline for ordering is Monday, November

26. The price is \$25.00 which includes shipping. Boxes are limited to the first 45 orders, so order early!

HANUKKAH SERVICES

Hanukkah is the festival which celebrates the restoration of Jewish religious and political independence in the land of Israel about 2,200 years ago. During this holiday, we commemorate the triumph of our ancestors over the Greek forces that occupied Israel. This year, Hanukkah begins at sunset on Sunday, December 2. See inset box for CBI's service times during Hanukkah. 🌐

WEEKLY SERVICES

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

HANUKKAH SERVICES

Monday, December 3, 8:00am
Thursday, December 6, 8:00am
Saturday, December 8, 9:45am
Sunday, December 9, 9:00am
Monday, December 10, 8:00am



How Two Young Children Survived the Holocaust in France

Friday, November 16 • 7:00pm

Please join us for Friday night services at Temple Israel in Valparaiso on November 16th at 7:00 PM. Immediately following services, Holocaust survivor Dory Goldberg and her brother Harry Cybulski will share how a Catholic family and an entire village hid them from the Nazis during World War II. 🌐

New Combined Sunday School

by JILL EDWARDS

We are so excited about the New Year as the Sunday Schools of Temple Israel of Porter County and Sinai Temple of Michigan City have joined to become one outstanding Sunday School called Bet HaSefer!

So many bright faces, twelve terrific kids, ages 4 to 12, are currently meeting in the Valparaiso temple. We have done some great work already. Sue Galanis is teaching the 6 youngest students beginning Hebrew words, the alphabet and holidays. Rabbi Griffel and Rabbi Feferman are teaching the middle and older kids Hebrew, history and holidays. We've already had some visiting teachers add to our talents!

Snacks and crafts are geared towards the holidays this time of year. The kids have made tzedakah boxes and Rosh Hashanah apples. With Sukkot the kids made decorations for the sukkahs.

Such a fun and happy group of kids who are making friends and memories to last a lifetime! Thank you to all of the Sunday School parents for joining us in this new adventure and making this a priority in all of their lives!

For more information about the joint Sunday School, please feel free to contact Jill Edwards, Administrator, Bet HaSefer, at 312-735-7903. 🌐

As the members of Illiana Hadassah plan for the new year, we pause and look back in amazement at all that this local chapter of Hadassah has accomplished. We are grateful for all the support our community has given us over many years. Check out the website hadassah.org/news to see for yourself where the money goes.

We are having our annual Chanukah party on Thursday, December 6, 2018 at Andorra in Schererville. Everyone is invited. Details will follow soon.

Of course, we will be selling our delicious kosher hot dogs and salamis in February. Get your taste buds ready.

However, you don't have to wait that long to help. All year long we have "operators ready to take your call."

- Phone Sylvia Strick (219-836-1108) to have a tree planted in Israel in honor or memory of someone. The cost is \$18.00.
- Eadie Appelsies (219-972-3874) has cards for all occasions starting at \$3.00 and beautiful Hadassah Medical Organization certificates for various amounts.
- Ann Pekarsky (219-836-1717) also has certificates and is awaiting your call.

Trees, certificates and cards make perfect gifts when you are invited somewhere and the invitations says "no gifts." They say you care while keeping Hadassah hospitals on the cutting edge in medicine. 🌐



TEMPLE BETH-EL TO HOST ANNUAL



MEET OUR UPCOMING BNEI MITZVAH

MILLER KNESTRICK SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2018

Hi, I'm Miller Knestrict, a seventh grader at Clark Middle School and I am really looking forward to my bar mitzvah coming up this winter. My favorite subject in school is social studies. I also enjoy volunteering in my peer mentoring class. I love being in that class and helping out all of the kids with disabilities. I run cross country and track at Clark Middle School as well as for Calumet Region Striders. Along with running, I play soccer for Indiana Elite. For my mitzvah project, my soccer club organized a drive for used sports gear to donate to kids in need. I appreciate everyone who has gotten me to where I am today and would like to remind everyone to live life with goals!



Tuesday, November 20 • 7:00pm

Combined Community Choirs

Address—Imam Nazir Chahin

Participating Congregations: Temple Beth-El, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Ridge United Methodist Church, St. Maria Goretti, First Presbyterian Church of Hammond, Illiana Islamic Association, Congregation Beth Israel, St Nicholas Byzantine Parish, Interfaith Clergy Council of Gary

SAVE THE DATE

Community Chanukah Program

FEATURING Jerry Kaye, Director Emeritus of URJ Olin Sang Ruby Union Institute

With Stories for Chanukah & the Music of Our Junior Choir

Sunday, December 2 • 10:00am

During his nearly four decades as director of OSRUI, Jerry was best known for his wonderful stories that he would share each Erev Shabbat with the entire camp community. Jerry's capacity for holding his audience "in his hand" became legend and he has been called upon to offer his stories in many settings during his camp director years and since.

Thousands of campers have sat at Jerry's feet hearing his wonderful legends that serve to inspire and enrich. The Munster Jewish community welcomes Jerry Kaye and hopes to see adults and children share in the joy of hearing Jerry's stories as we celebrate Chanukah. 🌍



RANDY ACKERMAN SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2018



My name is Randy Ackerman and I will become a Bar Mitzvah at Temple Beth-El of Munster, IN on Saturday, December 15th, 2018. I go to Memorial Junior High in Lansing, IL, and I am a seventh grader. My favorite subject in school is math. When I am not in school, I like to play video games, watch YouTube and play outside.

I have a younger brother, Danny; my parents are David and Shannon and we have been attending Temple Beth-El for four years. In the summers, I have attended JCY camp at the Jewish Federation of Northwest Indiana.

My bar mitzvah will be special because of my grandma Liz who encouraged me to come to Hebrew and Religious School. I will miss having her celebrate this important day with me and my family. 🌍



Temple Topics

by DR. MARK SPERLING

Of late I've had the opportunity to travel to Nashua, New Hampshire and Austin, Texas. While in both places, I've reflected on things that are important—family, health, colleagues, friends, our Temple, and Judaism. In Nashua, I learned that they built an outdoor Holocaust Memorial. It is a fitting testament to the 6 million who were slaughtered in World War II, for no other reason than their religion. I know many of us lost relatives in the Holocaust and although we remember them at other times of the year, in my eyes this time of reflection during the High Holidays is a critical time to remember. As my wife and I walked through the stones that represented the millions, so many thoughts crossed my mind. Nothing is more important than friends, family, our Temple and Federation families and the impact that each member has on the other members. That brought me to the importance of our religion and the part that it plays for us, whether devout or not.

I visited a similar memorial in Boston (about an hour from Nashua), and reading the many passages on the stone memorial brought similar thoughts. Each historical place that I've been recently has allowed me to reflect upon what's important in my life, the interactions of the people that I care about and care about me. That is what the High Holidays bring to light during the services. Its not just about the prayers, but what they mean and how they have impact upon the reflections of this time of the year. It always comes back to

friends, family, my colleagues at the University, our Temple, and Judaism.

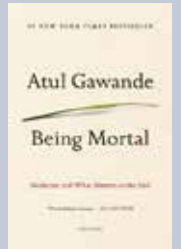
In Austin, we visited the Lyndon Johnson Presidential Library museum on the campus of the University of Texas at Austin and his ranch. Full of memories of a time that civil rights, poverty, and education were in the headlines. As I reflected on our visit to these places, I thought about the importance that these hold for us today, having some of the same issues that we were exposed to in the 1960's. In visiting these parts of our country, I am struck so very often by how friendly people are, how beautiful the countryside is, how wonderful it is to have the opportunity to travel to visit family around the country and fortunate to have the ability to travel to see them.

I am also struck by how important it is that Temple Israel has a Social Action Committee who boldly stand up in our community to talk about those issues that impact us all in the environment and the people that make up the spirit and culture of America. We have lived through difficult periods of time in history and if not for those who stand up, it would have been far more difficult for the greater population.

Our appreciation goes out to all of the hardworking staff members at the Federation, and to the volunteer and Rabbinic leadership of all of the Northwest Indiana congregations who work diligently everyday to support Judaism and its ideals and importance throughout Indiana and the nation. 🌍

LET'S TALK ABOUT Being Mortal The Book & The Experience

A Community-
Wide Book
Discussion And
Workshop On
Aging, Illness and
'What Matters in
the End'



with Facilitator Diane Banks

**Saturday,
November 17
10am–3:30pm**

9:15am Shabbat Morning
Service with Rabbi Robin
Damsky (optional)

10:00am Meet & Greet,
Coffee & Treats

10:30am BOOK DISCUSSION

12:15pm Lunch

1:00–3:30pm Workshop &
Panel on End of Life Options
& Decisions

Luncheon & Book by Atul
Gawande are free, made possible
with generous help from Jewish
Federation of Northwest Indiana
and Temple Israel—Gary
(Suggested voluntary donation:
\$10)

Please RSVP to Robin Rich at
(219) 743-0624, or call Temple
Israel at (219) 938-5232! (Let us
know if you need the book)

*See the back cover of this issue for
additional details.*



WEEKLY FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES

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. Friday evening services start at 7:00 pm, followed by a social Oneg of wine, challah and home-baked treats.



▲ Sunset Shabbat at Streibel Pond, July 20

◀ ▼ High Holidays



SATURDAY MORNING CLASSES

When Rabbi Griffel is in town she schedules 2 Saturday Morning Classes. All are welcome:

9:00am: Short Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Portion Discussion

10:00am: Study Group with attendees contributing to topical selections, investigating wide areas of interest. Enjoy informal religious exploration with other curious adults.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

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



ADULT BAR & BAT MITZVAH TRAINING

This fall Rabbi Griffel offers training for adults interested in “finally” celebrating their Bar or Bat Mitzvah.



OCTOBER SPECIAL EVENTS:

Saturday, Oct. 20, 2:00pm: “Bob Dylan’s Lyrics & Music”—Guitar, Harmonica & Singing. Seating is limited. Call the temple for details.

Wednesday, Oct. 24: Sisterhood’s delicious bi-annual Deli Day offers Manny’s corned beef & locally famous home-made noodle kugel.

▲▲▲ Celebrating Sukkot

▼ Celebrating Simchat Torah



NOVEMBER DATES:

Friday, Nov. 16: Michigan City Social Justice Group presentation after abbreviated Shabbat Services.

Sunday, Nov. 18: Sisterhood invites ladies & gentlemen to an inspiring program & delicious luncheon.



SIXTH ANNUAL

Hospice Artisans' Holiday Gift Boutique

The Friends of Hospice presents Artisan
crafted items to benefit Hospice of the Calumet Area

Saturday, November 10, 2018
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM

New Location!
Casa Maria Hall at
St. Maria Goretti Parish
Dyer, Indiana



HCA 600 SUPERIOR AVENUE MUNSTER, IN 46321

Saturday, November 10, 2018

ONE DAY ONLY! 9:30 AM TO 4:00 PM

Held at Casa Maria Hall at St. Maria Goretti Parish
500 Northgate Drive, Dyer, IN 46311

Jump start your holiday shopping with an enticing array of quality artisan
crafted merchandise! Unique paper and fabric goods, fine hand knits, polymer
clay and beaded jewelry, kitchen goods, gourmet foods, holiday décor,
ceramics, children's toys. Incredible selection of artisan design greeting cards.
Gifts for teachers, pet lovers, and items for stuffing stockings.

Complimentary coffee and cookie café all day.
Holiday music performed by the Lyrical Flutes
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT



MOVIE SUNDAY AT SHIR TIKVAH • HOMEWOOD, IL (formerly Bnai Yehudah/Beth Shalom and Congregation Am Echad)

“HELLO GOODBYE”

Sunday, October 28

Doors at 2:30pm; Movie at 3:00pm

Discussion follows, facilitated by Suzanne Patterson

Refreshments will be served, including popcorn



French film icons Gérard Philou and Fanny Ardant
star in this romantic comedy about a Parisian couple
in their fifties who share a comfortable life, a beau-
tiful home, a posh country club and a midlife crisis.

Following a dream vacation to Israel where Alain
explores his Jewish roots, Gisèle insists they change
their life and move to Tel Aviv. While Gisèle, a Jewish
convert, finds her new life inspiring, Alain fights to
embrace Hebrew, Jewish tradition and a new circumcision. Will Alain and
Gisèle learn whether Shalom represents Hello or Goodbye?

\$10.00 per person donation

RSVP/pay in advance or at the door. Walk-ins welcome.

Open to the community.

Shir Tikvah

1424 W. 183rd St., Homewood, IL 60430

Questions? Call (708) 799-4110

or contact office@shir-tikvah-homewood.org

PRESIDENT'S CORNER CONTINUED FROM P. 2

in conjunction with Congregation
Beth Israel. In November we will
host a professional development
day for area teachers on the topic
of the Holocaust (see p. 3), and
in December we are planning a
gala community Hanukkah party—
save the date for Saturday night,
December 8. And of course, there is
always yoga and mah jongg!

These are just a few examples
of what we have going on right in
our own back and front yards. Take
the time to get involved. Volunteer!
Participate! Enjoy and enrich yourself
with the resources that we have all
around us. And...

don't forget to
take a walk on
the beach. It's
beautiful this
time of year! 🍂



HOWARD MARVIN BAME

SCHERERVILLE—Howard Marvin Bame, age 84, of Schererville, passed away Friday, August 31, 2018.

Howard was preceded in death by his parents, Alex and Theresa Bame. He is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Barbara; daughters, Frances (Arnold) Stern, Theresa (Scott) Hendrickson and Jo Anne (Scott) Pennington; grandchildren, Adam (Megan) Hendrickson, Katelin Stern, David Pennington, Emily Hendrickson and Hannah Pennington; great grandchild, Theodore Hendrickson; brothers, Alan (Karen) Bame and Harvey Bame; and in laws, Alan (Bobbi) Lisse and Stuart (Susan) Lisse. A Funeral Service was held on Monday, September 3, 2018, with Rabbi Leonard Zukrow officiating. He was laid to rest at Shalom Memorial Park in Arlington Heights, IL.

Howard went to the University of Illinois and the Art Institute of Chicago and owned Die Kraft Engravers. He was active in the Temple Beth-El Community, Hospice of the Calumet Area, and Camp Fire Girls. In lieu of flowers, donations to Temple Beth-El's music or general fund or to Hospice of the Calumet Area would be appreciated.

JERRY M. JANCO

MUNSTER—Jerry M. Janco, age 85, passed away on Saturday September 1, 2018. He is survived by his loving wife: Patricia of 45 years; loving daughters: Kathy (Bill) Liss of Portage and Karen of Munster; loving son: Eric (Maria) Janco of Georgia; many

grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; and one sister, Myra Janco Daniels of Florida.

Jerry was a retired educator in the local Hammond school system. Services were held at Temple Beth-El in Munster on Tuesday, September 4, with Rabbi Leonard Zukrow officiating. Interment was at Elmwood Cemetery in Hammond. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Temple Beth-El or a charity of your choice in his loving memory.

JACOB PAUL KOZUL

GRAND RAPIDS, MI—Jacob Paul Kozul (son-in-law of Temple Israel Valparaiso members, Grace and Jeff Safrin) passed away August 23, 2018, at age 37. He was born July 24, 1981 in Kalamazoo. Jake is survived by his loving wife Kara Rozin and their fur child Arnie. Jake is also survived by his mother Judy (Arnie) Redsicker, his father John "Duke" Kozul, and brother Michael (Neddie) Kozul.

Jacob understood that life is better off shared. He will be remembered for his infectious personality, wonderful sense of humor and quick wit. Jake had many hobbies but above all, he enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, of which there were many. Friends could always count on Jake to bring laughter and levity into their lives. Following a career in banking, Jacob eventually enjoyed independence and success through real estate investing. Over the years he amassed many properties throughout the Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo communities. Jake found great purpose in his work by

putting people before business. He took pride in being able to provide so many people and families with places to call home.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in his name to Craine's Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation at www.akroncf.org/give/crainefund.

ROBERT NOAH MOISE

CHANDLER, AZ—Robert Noah Moise passed away peacefully on Saturday, August 18, 2018 at the age of 91. He will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 49 years, Ida, and his children Pam (George) and Kimberly. Robert will also be remembered by his grandchildren Matthew, Eleanna, Benjamin, Tyler and Samuel, and by his sister Enid.

Robert was born December 27, 1926 in Gary, IN, to Molly and Samuel Moise. He graduated from Emerson High School in 1943, served in the United States Navy in 1945–46, and was very proud to have been a World War II Veteran.

Robert received an accounting degree from Indiana University in 1948, had a career as a Certified Public Accountant for 60 years, and also taught business classes at Purdue University, Indiana University, and Valparaiso University. He married Ida Moise on August 20, 1969, and they raised two daughters together, Kimberly and Pam.

Robert had a passion for fishing, golf, baseball and photography, and a love for music and the Chicago Cubs. He changed his practice from accountant to full-time husband and grandfather/babysitter when and

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his wife moved to Chandler in 2010, while maintaining their membership at Temple Israel-Gary.

HARVEY BERNARD NAGLE



Harvey Bernard Nagle was born on November 17, 1927, in Hammond, IN, the second son of Ben and Tillie Nagle. Married to Bobbie (Blanche) Levin,

his beloved best friend and companion for 69 years, he was the devoted father of Terry (Pile), Nancy (Wilk) and Bruce Nagle and the grandfather to five cherished grandchildren.

A savvy businessman, Harvey refashioned his career several times. He was a partner in the Nagle Packing Company (Lansing, IL) and an active supporter of community groups. He went on to own and operate two restaurants and later transitioned to packaging sales representative for Champion Container Corp. He continued to make sales and earn commissions until the day he died.

As a younger man, Harvey enjoyed bowling, playing poker and barbecuing on weekends for his extended family. He also enjoyed watching a variety of sports, especially the Chicago Bulls, on T.V. with his adoring dog Maggie by his side. Harvey loved all types of music and was an avid reader, accumulating hundreds of books in his Nook library. Each morning after breakfast, he could be found on his computer managing his finances, reading news feeds and checking email. His family will deeply miss his generous, kind-hearted and easy-going spirit. 🌍

Tribute Cards

Received through October 12, 2018

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In memory of Howard Bame.
Helene Elias

In honor of the birth of my great grandson, Noel James Felker.
Esther Rothstein

In memory of Jerry Janco.
Helene Elias
Julie Wodarski and Larry Tolchinsky

In memory of Adeline Ordman.
Sandi and Michael Sweeney

In honor of Missy and Robbie Rooth's 25th anniversary!
Sandi and Michael Sweeney

BARBARA WAXMAN JCS FUND

In memory of Howard Bame.
Barbara and Richard Waxman

In memory of Jerry Janco.
Barbara and Richard Waxman

In memory of Harvey Nagle.
Barbara and Richard Waxman

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Happy birthday, Shirley Jacobs!
Navii Salon Spa

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On Aging, Illness and 'What Matters in the End'
with Facilitator **Diane Banks**

Saturday November 17
At Temple Israel of Gary
In the Social Hall
601 N. Montgomery Street

9:15 Shabbat Morning Service with
Rabbi Robin Damsky (optional)

10:00 a.m. Meet & Greet, Coffee & Treats

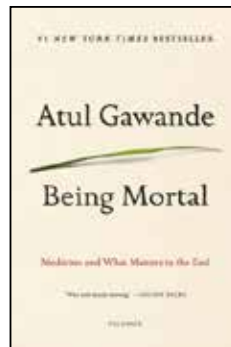
10:30 a.m.—12:15 BOOK DISCUSSION

Lunch

1—3:30 p.m. Workshop & Panel on End of Life
Options & Decisions

Book by Atul Gawande & Luncheon are
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Northwest Indiana
and Temple Israel—Gary
(Suggested voluntary donation - \$10)

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(219) 938-5232! (Let us know if you need
the book)



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Saturday,
December 8
7:00pm

Featuring the
unPROFESSIONALS!



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Annual Meeting
Sunday,
December 16