# THE FOCAL POINT

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## From The Rabbi



On Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, Kehilath Israel Synagogue will be honoring all the *Minyannaires* who keep the synagogue functioning year round as a House of Prayer. Their names are listed elsewhere in this *Focal Point*. Without them none of us could

say *Kaddish*, observe a *yahrzeit* or perform any acts of respect for our loved ones. During the *Kiddush* that the congregation is sponsoring that day, we will be honoring this year's *Minyannaire* of the Year, **Luis Rosales**.

Luis attends services every morning of the week and has become a major player in our daily *davening*. He has become the official *Hagbah* person who lifts the *Torah* at virtually all *Torah* services, in a way which is magnificent and very safe.

Luis and his wife, **Adriana**, as well as his boys, **Jacob** and **Max**, have become "key players" in the life of the synagogue. Adriana takes virtually every adult education class that is offered. The four of them grace their seats every weekend in the sanctuary. Their sons attend the Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy and are upcoming young men within the congregation.

When I came to K.I. over 40 years ago, there were only one or two people in the congregation who had converted to Judaism. Now there are many, and quite a few of them are really quite involved and religiously observant, such as the Rosales. They have added a new exciting dimension to our congregation, especially since a number of them have young children.

Please join us on June 2<sup>nd</sup> for the *Kiddush* honoring all the honorees as well as Luis, and help the synagogue thrive.

Shabbat Shalom

Rabbi Herbert J. Mandl, PhD

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# From The President



Dear Friends,

Robins, cardinals and blue jays are flying around, trees are budding, and flowers are beginning to bloom. These are sure signs of Spring. But the surest sign of all – the new Mah Jongg cards are out! After the cold and gloomy winter most of us endured, we can now

look forward to warmer temperatures, sunshine and the beauty of nature. It makes me warm just thinking about it.

A lot has been going on at K.I. Our second rabbinical candidate, Rabbi Moshe Grussgott, his wife Rebekah and son Ari visited us the weekend of April 26-29.

Both candidates proved to be knowledgeable and well qualified to lead K.I.! The Rabbi Search Committee has done its job in bringing to you a most difficult decision to make.

Our first rabbinical candidate, Rabbi Kalman Winnick, visited us March 15-18. We planned similar activities and meetings for both candidates in order to keep "a level playing field."

Rabbi Winnick called me from California the night before he left for a month's stay in Israel. He expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to apply for the position of senior rabbi, and he was grateful to meet, as he put it, "so many wonderful people." He was, however, a bit disappointed in himself, because he later felt that he could have answered a couple of questions better. I told Rabbi Winnick that he should put his thoughts in writing, and I would share them with the congregation.

So, here is Rabbi Winnick's email in its entirety:

Shalom from Jerusalem. I pray you are well, that you have enjoyed the first part of the Passover Holiday and that you will soon enjoy the concluding days.

Thank you again for the invitation to Overland Park and the hospitality while I was there. I have been a busy boy since then with travels to Israel and Passover here, but your community remains on my mind. I valued the interactions - questions, answers, process of getting to know each other - over the course of the weekend.

I respect that K.I. has a search process you are trying to follow and that sometimes we (in this case I) may only get one bite out of the apple to express ourselves. Having said that, there have been some lingering thoughts on my mind regarding questions and responses at the Sunday brunch I attended as the last stop on my K.I. tour. Rabbi Mandl asked where I wanted to take the synagogue in the next ten years and later Sheldon Singer made a remark something to the effect of the K.I. community consisting of "Reform Jews who prefer to use an Orthodox prayer book." I believe those two things are related and deserve to be addressed better than I had a chance to do at the time. So if you will allow me another moment, I think

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Memorial Day services will be held in the chapel at Blue Ridge Cemetery, 1901 Blue Ridge Boulevard, on **Sunday, May 27 at 11:00 a.m.** 

#### SHABBAT SERVICES

#### FRIDAY, MAY 4

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Candlelighting*	7:56 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat	6:40 PM
SATURDAY, MAY	Y 5
Morning Service	9:00 AM
Mini Minyan for Kids	10:30 AM
Mincha	7:40 PM
Havdalah	8:51 PM
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FRIDAY, MAY 1	1
Candlelighting*	8:03 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat	6:45 PM

#### Havdalah.....8:59 PM

**SATURDAY, MAY 12** 

Morning Services......9:00 AM

Mini Minvan for Kids......10:30 AM

#### FRIDAY, MAY 18

Candlelighting*	8:09	PM
Kabbalat Shabbat	6:50	PM

#### SATURDAY, MAY 19 CHAI ANNIVERSARY KIDDUSH

Morning Services	9:00 AM
Mini Minyan for Kids	10:30 AM
Mincha (See Shavuot Schedule	on the right)

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#### FRIDAY, MAY 25

Candlelighting*	8:15 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat	6:55 PM

#### **SATURDAY, MAY 26**

Morning Services	9:00 AM
Mini Minyan for Kids	10:30 AM
Mincha	8:00 PM
Havdalah	9·12 PM

#### \* NO LATER THAN THESE TIMES

#### DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE-JULY ISSUE OF THE FOCAL POINT IS MAY 8



#### SHAVUOT SCHEDULE



#### Saturday, May 19 - 5 Sivan Erev *Shavuot*

Mincha and Yom Tov Maariv 8:15 pm

# Sunday, May 20 - 6 Sivan First Day of *Shavuot*

Festival Service 9:00 am
Exodus 19:1-20:23
Numbers: 28:26-31
Kiddush Following Services
Mincha and Yom Tov Maariv 6:55 pm

#### Monday, May 21 - 7 Sivan Second Day of *Shavuot*

Festival Service 9:00 am Deuteronomy 15:19-16:17 Numbers: 28:26-31

# Book of Ruth (YIZKOR WILL BE RECITED)

Mincha 8:30 pm Havdalah 9:08 pm

#### Candlelighting for Shavuot

\*Saturday, May 19 - 9:06 pm Sunday, May 20 - 8:11 pm

\*No earlier than

#### WHY IS IT CUSTOMARY TO EAT DAIRY ON SHAVUOT?

It has become customary on Shavuot to eat at least one dairy meal during the holiday. Some see this as symbolizing "a land flowing with milk and honey." Others point out that the very same verses that speak of bringing "the choicest first fruits of the land unto the house of the Lord your G-d" in celebration of Shavuot also stress that "You must not boil a kid in its mother's milk." (Ex. 23:19, 34:26.) On the basis of the latter part of these verses, the Oral Torah based its prohibition of eating meat and milk together. Hence, a separate dairy meal is deliberately eaten to emphasize the authenticity of the Oral Torah.

# MINYANNAIRE EXTRAORDINAIRE



Luis Rosales

**Luis Rosales** was born in El Salvador in 1967, the oldest of three boys. In El Salvador you have to pay tuition to go to grade school and high school. His mother paid for school until he was in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Then he worked days and put himself through 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade.

In 1985, Luis joined the army and saw action in and around the jungles of San Salvador. He received an honorable discharge in 1989, having served more than the minimum two years. He worked for a few years, then decided in 1994 to join his brother, who lived in Kansas. Luis arrived with no money and could not speak English. He got into buying and selling cars. One day a friend called him and said he knew a beautiful woman who needed a car. And that's how Luis met his beautiful wife, Adriana.

Adriana and Luis decided they needed to find G-d and make him part of their lives. A rabbi in Columbia taught them, online, about *Shabbat*. They decided they needed to join a synagogue and in their search contacted Rabbi Shron, who sponsored them in their conversion. Luis and Adriana love attending *Shabbat* services. Luis attends weekdays, morning and evenings as his schedule allows.

Luis and Adriana have two wonderful sons, Max and Jacob, who attend Hyman Brand Hebrew School.

#### **OUR GRADUATES**



At the time that the *Focal Point* is going to press, we are aware of these K.I. students who are graduating this year. We wish them and all others a *mazal tov* on their endeavors!

...**Hayley Berger**, daughter of **Randi** and the late Gary Berger, z"l, graduated from the University of Kansas (KU) with a degree in Journalism & Global Affairs. She hopes to receive an intership with Avodah in Washington, DC.

...Sarah Caplan, daughter of Cathy and Craig Caplan, is graduating from Blue Valley North High School. She will be attending the University of Kansas (KU).

...Alyssa Gatewood, daughter of Stephanie and Richard Gatewood, is graduating from Avila College with a nursing degree. ...Allison Geivett, daughter of Deborah and Rick Geivett, is graduating from Pittsburg State University with a degree in Environmental Safety with a minor in Construction Management. She has accepted a job in Colorado as a safety engineer with a large construction company.

... **Kayla Goldenberg**, daughter of **Jeff** and the late Missy Goldenberg, z"l, is graduating from HBHA and will be going to the University of Vermont.

...Shira Levine, daughter of Toby and David Levine, is graduating from the University of Kansas (KU) with a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree.

...Alessandra Lubowicz, daughter of Marlene and Ari Lubowicz, is graduating from the University of Kansas (KU) with a BA in English.

...Melissa Rosenthal, daughter of Jodi and Dr. William Rosenthal, is graduating from The Barstow School and will be attending university.

# MINYANNAIRES TO BE HONORED SHABBAT MORNING - JUNE 2, 2018

Please mark your calendars and plan on attending this event honoring **Luis Rosales** "*Minyannaire* Extraordinaire" and all the K.I. *Minyannaires*. The K.I. Men's Club co-sponsors this event.

The *Minyannaires*, an elite group of the synagogue, will be recognized for their dedication to the fulfillment of maintaining daily morning, afternoon and evening services at Kehilath Israel, with a traditional *minyan* (quorum of 10 men required by Jewish law to conduct a public religious service).

Minyannaires include: Michael Abrams, Joe Adamous, Paul Blackman, Craig Caplan, Steve Cline, Dr. Donald Cohen, David Cohavi, Ben Corchine, Brad Davidson, Maurice Eastman, Steve Eisman, Dr. Joel Feder, Boris Friedman, Alan Fuchsman, Clint Gillom, Richard Glass, Alan Goldberg, Elliott Goldstein, Phil Goodbinder, Martin Gorin, Larry Haith, Larry Jabenis, Max Jevinsky, Dan Kass, Maury Kohn, Charles Kuluva, Ira Kusnetzky, Gary Levin, Scott Macek, Lewis Nerman, Dr. Ira Neufeld, Dr. William Nowack, Steve Osman, Joseph Pfefer, Dr. Jay Portnoy, Greg Quinn, Sam Rabicoff, Aaron Rissien, Luis Rosales, Abe Rozenberg, Bill Schifman, Harvey Schifman, Jacob Schulzinger, Les Schwartz, Kent Shanberg, Rick Simon, Max Singer, Joe Smuckler, Dr. Michael Sokol, Gene Soloff, Reuben Stern, Dr. Arnold Tropp, Matt von Ende, Ron Weiss, Ernesto Zepeda, Joel Zitron, and Abbott Zolotor.

# K.I. FRED DEVINKI RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

The religious school students have finished the first two phases of their *tzedakah* project for the homeless in Kansas City. Thank you to everyone that donated items! The students were able to put together 26 kits. For the final stage of the project, they need your help again. They are looking for volunteers to take one or more kits and keep them in your car. While driving in the metro area, if you see someone who is homeless or is asking for help, please give them one of the kits. If you have questions about the project or would like to volunteer, please contact **Rachel Macek** at macek.rachel@gmail.com.



Eliana Basurto, Samara Krupnik, Walter Waxman, Nathan Khalemsky

#### **UPDATE**

The Pre-K and Kindergarten class began the semester with a new teacher, Tziporah Mazer. They have done a lot of fun learning activities and projects with her. Every Sunday they start with prayers and learn about the importance of talking to *Hashem*. Every week they learn about the weekly *parasha*. They even painted a *Har Sinei* (Mount Sinai), which is now hanging outside the school wing, during the week they learned about the giving of the Ten Commandments. When there is an upcoming holiday, students learn about the laws and customs for that holiday, including making a personalized *Haggadah* for Passover.

The upper grades also learn about the weekly *parasha* and upcoming holidays. With the weekly *parasha*, they focus on the modern day application of the *parasha* and the *mitzvot* that are included in each one. We have started a *mitzvah* chain. Every class period, students write any *mitzvot* they have done since the last class on a link and add it to the chain. You are welcome to come to the school wing to see how long our *mitzvah* chain has gotten!

All the students have enjoyed the Family Days this semester. They made flower pots and planted sunflowers for *Tu b'Shevat*. For *Purim* each student made their own grogger. They also decorated and put together a *shaloch manot* bag with student-made *hamentaschen*. The favorite Family Day activity was the scavenger hunt for Passover. Students loved searching throughout the synagogue for the answer to each clue. Our next Family Day will be for *Lag b'Omer* on May 6 and is open to all families with children or grandchildren.

Mini *Minyan* is getting to be the exciting place to be on *Shabbat*! After following our "rabbi and cantor" in *Shacharit*, we team up and compete in different games, showing how much we have learned about this week's *parasha* and/or *chagim*. We play Tic-tac-toe, Jewish Jeopardy, and much more. Come join us with your kids every *Shabbat* at 10:30 in the chapel.

#### **MAY ANNIVERSARIES**



- 11 Susan & Charles Goodbinder (49)
- 16 Linda & Elliott Goldstein (25) Nedra & Leonard Rosen (50)
- 17 Cheryl & David Shanberg (3)
- 20 Fran & David Kanter (34)
- 21 Beryl & Richard Silberg (64)
- 23 Deanna & Jeffery Rudd (37)
- 24 Madeline & Robert Schifman (54)
- 26 Catherine & Daniel Singer (5)
- 27 Joyce & Alan Organ (16)
- 28 Debra & Scott Levin (18) Rebecca & Jason Speier (1) Deborah & Clinton Turley (1)
- 30 Tamara & Steven Kingston (36)
- 31 Susan & Samuel Gutovitz (31)
  Nancy & Richard Kohn (31)
  Jennifer & Lowell Fletcher (8)
  Angie & Allen Caviar (3)
  Cara & Doug Zolotor (3)

# מזל טוב

- ...to **Allegra and Kent Shanberg** on their daughter, Rachel Simon, graduating from Rush University with a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP), Pediatric Nurse Practitioner degree.
- ...to Lois and Manny Winston on their granddaughters graduations. Rebecca Howard is graduating from Washington University in St. Louis with a Doctorate in Audiology; and Sophia Howard is graduating from the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, WA with a degree in Sociology and Education.
- ...to **Clara and Norman Levine** on the recent *Bat Mitzvah* of their granddaughter, Melnie Ann Hertzfield, daughter of Lori and Bruce Hertzfield.
- ...to Carol and Arnie Caviar on being selected as HBHA's 2018 Civic Service Award recipients and **Bob Gast and Linda Silver** as this year's Celebration co-chairs.

#### תודה רבה

...We thank **Phyllis Kohn**, **Jake Schulzinger** and **Eunice Snitz**, our volunteers who make themselves available to assist office staff.

# רפואה שלמה

...The congregation expresses sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to **Dr. Solomon Batnitzky. Sherrill Friedman, Larry Jabenis, Gary Levin,** and to all other members of the congregation and community who have been ill or hospitalized.

#### **CONGREGANTS' MAY BIRTHDAYS**

We want to wish a Happy Birthday to all of the following congregants who are celebrating their birthdays this month:

Arlene Abrams, Michael Abrams, Phillis Bengis, Jeniece Berman, Craig Caplan, Hannah Caplan, James Clark, Donald Cohen, Natalie Cohen, Kerry Cosner, Ariella Davidson, Barry Dicker, Maya Dolnik, Boris Friedman, Sandra Gasser, Amy Goldstein, Lisa Gortenburg, Daniel Hammer, Louise Hirsekorn, Beverly Jacobson, Richard Jacobson, Anna Kellmer, Tamara Kingston, Susan Klopper, Phyllis Kohn, Craig Kolkin, Jackie Kraft, Anna Kricsfeld, Samuel Kulikov, Norman Levine, Rachel Macek, Thomas Morgan, Natalie Nearenberg, Jesse Newman, Sam Pener, Faya Portnoy, Miriam Rakley, Aaron Rissien, Adriana Rosales, Harrison Rosenthal, David Ruben, Matthew Siegel, Cindy Singer, Max Singer, Mary Jane Stern, Josh Tucker, Steve Waxman, Judith Weinstein, Lois Winston.



#### **MAY YOUTH BIRTHDAYS**

Abby Gold, Bennett Gordon, Rachel Johnson, Shoshana Matis, Evelyn Brand, Ava Gortenburg.

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# Luis Rosales

Luis will be honored as K.I.'s Minyannaire of the Year on

Saturday, June 2nd

during 9 am services and at the *kiddush* following

Thank Luis for helping K.I.

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long-standing tradition of
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# finyannaire of the Year

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#### **ESRIG-GOULD MEMORIAL ALCOVE**

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#### **MEMORIAL TABLETS**

#### **16 IYAR-MAY 1**

RACHEL AMPEL
BERTHA FEINGOLD
HORTENSE GERSHON
GERTRUDE KAPLAN
PAULINE LISSER
HARRY MALLIN
BERNARD RUBEN
LEE WEINBERG
BELLA WIENSHIENK

#### **17 IYAR-MAY 2**

MARVIN BELZER
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MALKA GULKO
PAUL KOTELOV
JOSEPH LEVI
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HELEN SCHWARTZ
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#### **18 IYAR-MAY 3**

SAMUEL BRAUN
NACHMAN CARROLL
JEANETTE FRIEDMAN
ARNOLD FROHLICHMAN
SONIA GOLAD
BLUMA HOROWITZ
SELMA LIPSKY

#### **19 IYAR-MAY 4**

RACHEL BIRNBAUM RUTH DUBOWY DAVID GULKO EUGENE SHER WILLIAM WEINDLING

#### **20 IYAR-MAY 5**

SARAH APPELBAUM
TILLIE BECKMAN
ABRAHAM BEITCHMAN
ROBERT BLONSKY
AARON CAVIAR
HARRY GOLDSTEIN
LENA GREEN
FANNIE LEVIN
SOPHIE STEINBERG

#### **21 IYAR-MAY 6**

ARTHUR DUBIN
FRED ELLIS
MARY GORTENBURG
DAVID GRUNDMAN
REBECCA LAPIDES
BEN LESKY
POLA ROSS
REBECCA WEINBERG

#### **22 IYAR-MAY 7**

8

MARY CAVIAR ETHEL FLAPAN SARY FREEDMAN SADIE GALLAS KENNETH KLUGMAN BARNEY SNITZ

#### **23 IYAR-MAY 8**

HARRY BERKOWICH
HELEN BITNER
MARY BODNEY
SARAH CHUZIE
LORETTA FRANK
SADIE KULUVA
BESSIE LITWIN
SIDNEY SHOLTZ

#### **24 IYAR-MAY 9**

SAMUEL BECKENSTEIN THIBY EISSMAN FANNIE LAPIDES PHILLIP LERNER SIMON REICH JOSEPH SNITZ YEHUDITH STEMPLEMAN MORRIS YOMAN

#### **25 IYAR-MAY 10**

MILTON DOLGINOFF IDA GOODMAN RUTH MANDL EUDORA POLSKY MORRIS SOLTZ ROBERT SWADE

#### 26 IYAR-MAY 11

ALLEN ABEND
BESSIE BERNSTEIN
ROSE CAPLAN
HARRY COHEN
JOE KLEINSTEIN
TILLIE KOCH
SIMA MACK
DORA MANN
ANDREW PREVAN
HARRY RUDNICK

#### 27 IYAR-MAY 12

H. WILLIAM ALPORT LUCILLE DWORKIN MARGARET SCHANZER FREDA SILVERMAN

#### 28 IYAR-MAY 13

CLARA BAELLOW BENJAMIN COTTON LEBE GOODALL BESS KUSNETZKY SAMUEL LISSER ANNE TEST

#### 29 IYAR-MAY 14

SAMUEL BEISER FRIEDA FRIEDMAN JACOB KRINSKY JACOB WAGNER TSIPAH WISMAN

#### 1 SIVAN-MAY 15

ESTHER BITNER
WILLY LATTER
JEANETTE PLATTNER

#### 2 SIVAN-MAY 16

HYMAN GOLDSTEIN
JEANETTE KATZ
JOHN KRAFT
FRANK KUSHNER
HARRY LACHOW
IDEL PORTNOY
MOLLIE SPECTOR
HYMAN SPITCAUFSKY
SAM VISCOFSKY

#### 3 SIVAN-MAY 17

MAX STUDNA SARAH TIVIN

#### 4 SIVAN-MAY 18

PESSAH ADELMAN
JOSEPH EISBERG
DANIEL GANDAL
RACHEL KESSLER
SOPHIE MNOOKIN
LOUIS PRICE
ARCHIE SOLSKY
GERTRUDE TENENBAUM

#### 5 SIVAN-MAY 19

EILEEN CHERNOFF RACHEL EPSTEIN REITZA GROSSMAN ROSALIE KARS SOPHIA KASS MORRIS KLUTZNICK ANNA KORT NELLIE KRASHIN SARAH KUSNETZKY SHLOMO LAPIN BEN LERNER

#### 6 SIVAN-MAY 20

ABRAHAM AJBERSCHITZ SHEINDL AJBERSCHITZ ELIYAHU AJBERSCHITZ HINDA AJBERSCHITZ LIBA AJBERSCHITZ MINDL AJBERSCHITZ HARRY FEDER HELEN GORDON **EDITH GULINSON** JAKE LEVIN FRED LOEB JOSEPH MARCUS JAKE STOLOV LEIBISH WALDMANN BRACHA WALDMANN DAVID WALDMANN ESTHER WALDMANN MEIR WALDMANN YAAKOV WALDMANN YITZCHAK WALDMANN

#### 7 SIVAN-MAY 21

ABRAHAM BOXER LOUIS CHEPLOVE SIGMUND MANDL ADELA MARKSON MORRIS RITZ CHANAH SHAW CHANA SZYDLOWSKA

#### 8 SIVAN-MAY 22

HERMAN DUBIN
IDA FEINGOLD
ANNA GLASSMAN
LORA GODLER
SHEINA GOLDMAN
ROSE KESSLER
JOSEPH KRAITCHMAN
GERTRUDE WOLOWSKI
MAX ZALCMAN

#### 9 SIVAN-MAY 23

ABE BOGASLAVSKY SARAH GOLDMAN EARL GOODBINDER BESSIE HATIH HENIYA KOCHEROV HARRY KOLKIN GERTRUDE SLOBOSKY JACOB TAGER

#### **10 SIVAN-MAY 24**

WOLF BRAILOVE ISIDORE CHALET JENNIE CUMONOW FRANCES DELEVE CELIA GOLDIN MANUEL GULINSON ABRAHAM HALPERN REBECCA PARDO STANLEY SCHIFMAN

#### **11 SIVAN-MAY 25**

TOVA ADAMOUS SARA BOBROW CLARA BULAVSKY HELEN LERNER SAM PENER JACOB ROSENBERG MAX ROSENBLOOM ABE SHER

#### **12 SIVAN-MAY 26**

SAMUEL BOGART SAM DREISESZUN JEFFREY EISBERG CHESTER KAPLAN ALBERT STRAUSS

#### **13 SIVAN-MAY 27**

DAVID BECKMAN SARAH BROMBERG ROSE GREENBAUM BERNICE KOGAN HELEN MANDELBAUM PETE ROSEN JACOB ROSENBERG ALVIN SHULTZ

#### **14 SIVAN-MAY 28**

MORRIS BASSIN BERTHA JACOBSON JAMES JACOBSON HYMAN JERWICK SAMUEL STEPONSKY MARK WEIL KATE WEISBERGER

#### 15 SIVAN-MAY 29

EDITH ADELMAN MOLLIE BELL YEHUDA HOROWITZ ANNA KAPLAN CLAIRE LEVY LILLIAN LIPSCHUETZ

#### **16 SIVAN-MAY 30**

DORA CONE FRED FRANK MOLLIE MADLOF ANNA ROSENFELD ALBERT STEIN HARRY WEINER

#### 17 SIVAN-MAY 31

SARA BARABAN ELIEZER BOBROV SAM DANIELS HELEN FEINGOLD LEE KROSS HARRY LADINSKY CHAIM MALLIN CHAIM POLLMAN

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my refined answer will tell you more about who I am and what my vision for K.I. might be.... Life matters! Kindness/decency/safety/ dignity matters! Spirituality - within ourselves, with each other and with "The World" - matters! Judaism is not simply another series of foods and rituals and jokes. It is not just another culture among equal cultures - like flavors of ice cream at the store. Judaism was and is an attempt at the answer to the question "how do we make life precious, kind and meaningful?" or "how can we live as simple yet Holy (God-connected) human beings?" The Torah, our teachings, our traditions, our prayers, even our foods and maybe even our jokes all make more sense if we are able to scroll back and remember what question they are the answer to. My dream for a community I would have the honor of leading is that we would develop the relationships - based upon accumulated trust and respect; upon study and prayer and leisurely conversations; upon celebrations and comfort through mourning periods; upon fun and lots of food – that would allow us to come back and become personally connected to the questions to which Judaism is the answer. For this we need a spiritual leader. Because otherwise it is natural to go off course; to forget what our overall goal and purpose is. Without an awareness of the question, the answers are at best not helpful and perhaps even destructive. That is why, I believe, so many caring and intelligent Jews choose in our "free society" to discard the teachings and traditions. It is because the answers only make sense if the right question is in our heart. My goal as your rabbi would not be to "make" you do anything. It would be to lead us as individuals and as a community back again and again to the basic, Eternal and Holy questions and to be a resource/teacher/mentor for all who are interested to help them find the answers that are truly meaningful for themselves. Given the natural and social distractions in our world and years of people feeling disconnected by unhelpful answers to unasked questions, I do not take that task of spiritual leadership lightly. Yet I am willing to walk that journey with you and for you if that is what you want. Why K.I.? Partly because of the off-hand comment of Sheldon's that K.I. is a confused or uneasily defined group. My philosophy of Judaism being a meaningful answer to the right question is not intended to be an Orthodox, a Conservative or a Reform approach. It applies to all of us who are so blessed as to be part of the Jewish People and to any who might want to consider joining our people. Labels can sometimes be helpful, but sometimes not. As Jews, we have the opportunity and duty to follow in the path of Abraham who sought to build a community based on the combination of both spiritual and ethical relationships. That is still what we should be working for. Any movement - traditional or liberal - which aims in those directions is to be praised. But no movement is to be worshipped. We are going astray and will eventually become lost if we hide behind any one label; or if we use any label - traditional or liberal - to give ourselves the permission to not work regularly at our spiritual and ethical relationships to ensure they are honest, understandable, meaningful and Holy. It is unwise to cast away traditions, yet it is also not useful to hide behind them or follow them by rote - without understanding and purpose. I do not know what movement to call that. It is simply the task/privilege/blessing/ challenge of being a Jew. My dream for K.I. would be that the lay leadership and membership and staff and clergy would all work together to create a place where each person of every background, gender or age - without labels - is welcomed and loved for who they are, yet inspired/encouraged/empowered to become better/

kinder/more spiritually connected today than they were yesterday. If that is the goal of your community as well, than I am happy to assist - even if we do not have a label for it.

Thank you for letting me express these thoughts. I invite you to share them with those who were present at the brunch – or others of your community who were not present. And I invite response or further conversation if you wish. I do respect your desire to find the right candidate to lead your community forward and humbly offer these extra words only in the hope of giving you more information which you can utilize one way or the other to make the best decision.

With warm regards for Chag Sameach and Shabbat Shalom,

Rabbi Kalman Winnick

Finally, a lot of you have voiced your concerns regarding our plans for the High Holy Days. I am pleased to tell you that Rabbi Jeff and Hedy Shron will be joining us for the holidays, and Rabbi Shron will be officiating with the Men's Choir.

One parting thought: May 13 is Mother's Day. Think about your mother and wish her the best – even if you have to do it within your thoughts.

Marty Gorin President

# Blue Ridge Cemetery *Mitzvah* Days Sunday, May 6 & 13, 2018

10:00 am - Noon

Help us beautify our cemetery. Join us for Spring cleaning.

Bring your clippers, rakes, and other gardening tools.



Sunday, May 6 In Memory of RICHARD von ENDE 9:00 a.m. Rose Morgan Chapel

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Sunday, May 6 In Memory of RICHARD von ENDE 11:00 a.m. Mt. Carmel Cemetery

#### IN MEMORIAM

May the G-d of Mercy sustain and comfort those who have suffered the loss of dear ones. The Kehilath Israel family extends deepest sympathy to our bereaved families of:

TOBY SIMON

(Mother of Susan Goodbinder)

JEANNE MUSKORON (Sister of Norma Schwartz)

16 Iyar 5778 - 17 Sivan 577	
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#### WEEKLY SERVICES ROSE MORGAN CHAPEL

Sunday *Shacharit* 9:00 AM Monday-Friday Shacharit 7:00 AM

Sunday-Thursday *Mincha and Maariv* 

Week of May 6, 13, 22, 27 6:45 PM

May 20 & 21 (See *Shavuot* Service on page 2)

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

LAG B'OMER - Thursday, May 3

ROSH CHODESH SIVAN - Tuesday, May 15

SHAVUOT - Sunday, May 20 & Monday, May 21

MEMORIAL DAY, May 27 - Shacharit Service 9:00 am





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