



May Events at the South Street Temple

TWO VERY SPECIAL EREV SHABBAT SERVICES



Yom HaShoah V'HaG'vurah: On **Friday, May 3**, we gather together for a night of Remembrance of the Holocaust and the Resistance. This very moving service includes readings and music written during the Holocaust inserted into our Erev Shabbat liturgy as well as a special candle lighting ceremony.

Yom HaAtzmaut: On **Friday, May 10**, we will have a special Israeli Independence Day family service, celebration, and dinner with Israeli songs, dancing, and food.



Community & Events

LADIES' LUNCH GROUP



Six of us had a good meal and a good time on April 16th at Le Quartier.

We will meet again on **Tuesday, May 21** at [Ginger Grill](#), at [6055 Apple Way](#).

Let [Deborah Swearingen](#) (402-475-7528) know if you plan to attend and if you need a ride.

JEWISH BOOK CLUB



Our next meeting will be held on July 21

Date and time to be determined

[Gere Library](#) | [2400 South 56th Street](#)
(South 56th & Normal Boulevard)

July's Book [Last Days of Summer](#) by [Steve Kluger](#)

Bringing of treats is permitted. Also note that this is not intended to be a women's-only group; men are welcome

YOM HASHOAH SERVICE

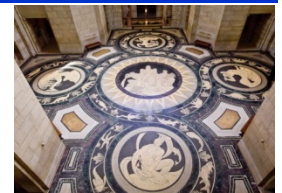


Our Jewish community Holocaust Memorial Service will be held at [Wyuka Cemetery](#) at **5:30 pm on Thursday, May 2**. This gathering affords those of us who would like to say kaddish on Yom HaShoah an opportunity to

do so. In case of inclement weather, the gathering will meet at [Tifereth Israel](#)

STATE HOLOCAUST COMMEMORATION

The Nebraska State Holocaust Commemoration is held each year in the [Rotunda](#) of the [Nebraska State Capitol Building](#). Attended by a broad cross-section of the Lincoln community as well as various



dignitaries and elected officials, the State Commemoration features music, poetry, a candle-lighting ceremony, and representatives from Lincoln's synagogues.

This year's Nebraska State Holocaust Commemoration will take place on **Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 3:00 pm**. Our legislative sponsor is [Senator Megan Hunt](#), and our guest speaker is Mrs. Beth Dotan, Founder and First Executive Director of the [Institute for Holocaust Education](#) (IHE).



Making the Counting of the Omer Count

On the second night of Passover, we began the curious and obscure ritual known as S'firat HaOmer – the Counting of the Omer. I imagine that many of you did not grow up performing this ritual at home – and still may not do so. However, the Torah

teaches us that beginning on the second night of Pesach we are supposed to count the Omer, day by day and week by week, until we reach 49 days. The Omer itself is a measurement of grain; and the 49 days are the number of days between Pesach and Shavuot.

In ancient times, these 49 days marked the time between the barley harvest and the wheat harvest. Israelite farmers would make the pilgrimage to the Temple in Jerusalem on Pesach and make offerings of an omer of barley in gratitude for their bounty; on Shavuot, the same farmers would make offerings of an omer of wheat.

So, on one level, the counting of the omer expresses our concern that we will have enough food to sustain ourselves physically. But if we look a little deeper – beyond the barley and the wheat harvests themselves, we find that this time between Pesach and Shavuot reflects our need for a different kind of sustenance as well.

Pesach celebrates our Exodus from Egypt: our “freedom from” darkness and confinement; our freedom from slavery & deprivation; our freedom from all the narrow and confining places in our lives.

Shavuot celebrates a free people freely accepting G-d's gift of Torah. In a sense, Shavuot celebrates “freedom to”: to a life of devotion and meaning, a life informed by the light of Torah. For freedom without structure, without moral guidance, is meaningless.

And the days between Pesach and Shavuot – the days on which we Count the Omer – remind us of the steps we need to take to elevate and transform our lives. It

reminds us of the steps we take in the journey from physical freedom to inner freedom - a journey which takes time.

The Slonimer Rebbe taught that while G-d took us physically out of Egypt on Pesach night, the spiritual Egypt and all of its enslaving aspects were still within us. The days of the Omer signify 50 inner steps that lead up the staircase to freedom – the steps of an inner journey towards freedom.

How many of us can be disciplined and mindful enough to remember to say the blessing and count the Omer ever night? How many of us can find meaning in this ritual?

Perhaps the Counting the Omer can serve as a reminder to appreciate and to purposefully use every single day of our lives. In a sense it is “an extended meditation on the nature of time, on making every day count.”

The Psalmist says, “Teach us to number our days that we may attain a heart of wisdom.”

Abraham Lincoln once said: In the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It is the life in your years.

I'm reminded of the author of the Book of Ecclesiastes (which we read on Sukkot) - who names himself Kohelet but is thought to be King Solomon. He appears to have it all: a successful life – he has built beautiful dwellings, palaces, vineyards, and pools; he has acquired great treasures of gold, silver, fancy art, servants, maids and more. A man of great wealth and yet he is unhappy – something is missing from his life. He started learning many languages, traveling, and writing books – and he is still unhappy; there is no rest for his mind and soul – he is still yearning.

G-d gives each of us one life: What are we going to do with it? How can we make our lives count? How can we make the Counting of the Omer count?

L'Shalom, Rabbi Teri Appleby

BIKKUR HOLIM – VISITING THE SICK

Rabbi Appleby makes bikkur holim visits and phone calls but can only do so if she knows that someone is ill or is in the hospital. Due to HIPAA patient privacy laws, the only time a hospital will inform us about a congregant is if the patient lists the Temple as his/her congregation.

If you, a loved one, or a friend would like the Rabbi to make a bikkur cholim visit or phone call, please let Rabbi Appleby know. Call the Temple office at 402-435-8004 or e-mail rabbi@southstreettemple.org

Giving

Thank You for These Recent Contributions

Building Fund

Randy Reinhart & Gina Matkin, in memory of Gloria Reinhart

Clinic With a Heart

Ben & Elaine Gelber

Lincoln Jewish Community School

Marcia Wallen, in memory of Estelle Kominsky

Memorial Fund

Marcia Wallen, in memory of B.J. Wallen

Prescott Elementary Walk-a-Thon

Anonymous

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Ginger Colton

Arnold Radloff, in memory of Miriam Radloff

Ailyne Swartz Taylor

Seder Attendance Support

Leslie Delserone & Peter Mullin

Richard & Sheila Roessle

Sue Schreiber

Bruce Teichman

Youth & Adult Education

LJCS NEWS

Religious School classes will meet at their usual times on most days this month, but please note that there will be no classes on **Sunday, May 5**

THE WEEKLY TORAH PORTION

Parashat Achrei Mot: [Leviticus 16:1 - 18:30](#)
Read more at the [URJ's Torah Study page](#)

OTHER ADULT ED

Ongoing:

- ❖ Torah Study
- ❖ Mussar class: Inner Ladder
- ❖ Adult Hebrew



TEMPLE GIFT SHOP

The Gift Shop is open on Fridays and Sundays!



If you'd like to be a Gift Shop volunteer, please contact Johna Walker (402-770-4189 / giftshop@southstreettemple.org or jlwalker2@gmail.com)

Service Times

Erev Shabbat Service: Friday evenings, beginning at
6:30 pm

Oneg Shabbat follows service in the Social Hall. Please contact the Temple office if you are interested in sponsoring or hosting an Oneg

Shabbat Morning Service: Saturday mornings, beginning at **9:30 am**

Torah Study: Saturdays following the morning service, beginning at around **10:45 am**

Mi Shebeirach prayers: If you or someone you know would like to be added to our list of prayers for healing, read at each service, please contact the Temple office at office@southstreettemple.org or **402-435-8004**

If you have something to celebrate or commemorate, please notify the Temple office. If you wish to commemorate important milestones in the lives of family and friends, please consider a tax-deductible gift to the Temple. An acknowledgment will be sent to the honoree, and a notice will appear in the Temple bulletin.

You can specify that your donation is "In Honor of," "In Memory of," or "On Occasion of."

Simply send a check or direct an online bank payment to: South Street Temple (ATTENTION: Treasurer)
2061 South 20th Street, Lincoln, NE 68502-2712

Your thoughtfulness is appreciated.

Our Congregation

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Executive Committee:

Nathaniel Kaup – President
president@southstreettemple.org
Nicholette Seigfreid – Vice President
Julie Moore – Secretary
Leslie Delserone – Treasurer



Board Members:

Maria Cadwallader
Aimee Hyten
Elaine Monnier
Anne Rickover
Nicholette Seigfreid
Dan Senft
Art Zygielbaum

Branch Heads:

Chesed (Caring): Anne Rickover
Gevurah (Sustainability): Vacant
Hod (Communications): Maria Cadwallader
Malchut (Building and Grounds): Dan Senft
Netzach (Special Events): Aimee Hyten
Ruach (Spirit): Elaine Monnier
Yasod (Foundation): Art Zygielbaum

Social Action

CLINIC WITH A HEART



Our congregation contributes in three ways: by volunteering at Clinic one night a month, donating personal care items and over the counter medications, and by making financial contributions to meet our annual obligation of \$1,800. As you know, we are currently accepting donations from our members and friends to fund our \$150/month financial commitment to the Clinic.

We are grateful for the dedication of our Temple's volunteers and for the generosity of the Lincoln Jewish Community in supporting this vital community health service.

Are you interested in being part of the South Street Temple's volunteer team? Medical and non-medical volunteers are needed. We appreciate all the ways that our members and friends participate. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Barb Straus at barbstraus@gmail.com.

FEEDING THE KIDS AT F STREET



South Street Temple partners with "We Can Do This" every month to provide weekend meals to the children of the F Street Community Center. The Center provides evening meals during the school week, but it does not have the budget to serve anything to eat on weekends, leaving some children with little or no food during the day.

Join us as we provide lunch on the third Sunday of every month. Food/monetary donations, meal preparation and assistance with setting up, serving, and clean-up are needed!

*We will serve our next meal on
May 19 at 2:30 pm*

*For more information, contact
Aimee Hyten at aimee.hyten@gmail.com*

FEDERATION

The mission of the Jewish Federation of Lincoln is to inspire generosity, improve lives, and strengthen our Jewish community within a framework of Jewish values. Our vision is a Jewish community united in tzedakah to support Jews locally and worldwide.



Support the Federation on Give to Lincoln Day 2019!

ONLINE:

Go to www.givetolincoln.com any time between **May 1 to May 30** and search for **Jewish Federation of Lincoln**. Your transaction will be processed on May 30.

There is a small credit card processing fee (2.9% plus \$0.30 per transaction) that you can choose to cover with a "donation booster."

BY CHECK:

Make a check out to **Lincoln Community Foundation** (not the Federation) and write Jewish Federation of Lincoln on the memo line. The Lincoln Community Foundation will allocate the money to us (less a 2.9% fee to the LCF). Checks must be delivered in person to the Lincoln Community Foundation on Give to Lincoln Day so please mail them to us in time for us to deliver them on May 30!

BY LCF TRANSFER:

If you already have a donor-advised fund with the Lincoln Community Foundation, you can make a grant to the Jewish Foundation of Lincoln from within your account. This option has no processing fees.

Your gift to the Federation supports local families through emergency financial assistance and youth scholarships, funds the Lincoln Jewish Community School, and sponsors events from Federation Shabbat to the State Holocaust Commemoration. Your Federation membership also supports Jews worldwide through our partnership with the Jewish Federations of North America.

THE STRENGTH OF A PEOPLE / THE POWER OF
COMMUNITY

May Birthdays

- May 2:** Scott Stanfield
- May 3:** Dawn Mollenkopf
- May 5:** Alex Calidonna, Michael Weisser
- May 10:** Tracy Gordon
- May 12:** Rich Lombardi
- May 15:** Max Grossbart
- May 17:** Nicole Wall
- May 18:** Octavio Kano-Galvan
- May 19:** Jamie Watch, Norm Zlotsky
- May 20:** Rick Kohn
- May 26:** Joelle Parker
- May 27:** Ellin Siegel
- May 28:** Julia Hyten
- May 29:** Sara Balter, Sara Friedman
- May 31:** Alex Clark

May Anniversaries

- May 13:** Jordan & Nichollette Seigfried
- May 18:** Bob & Stacie Bleicher
- May 20:** Deborah & Peter Levitov

☆ **Upcoming Yahrzeits** ☆

April 28-May 4, 2019

- Harry Alexander Cadwallader
- Norma Frosh
- Don Glaser
- Helen G. Lieberman
- Saul Ristin
- June Segal
- Ben Simon
- Beverly Violin
- Gertrude Wertheimer

May 5-11, 2019

- Alfred Roy Berman
- Jerome Bleicher
- Candace Caleb
- Robert M. "Merle" Gordon
- Lizzie Hamburger
- Darlene Harris
- Robert E. Ingham
- Esther Kaiman
- M. Hilal Kamar
- Sari Gay Marx

- Simon Nefsky
- Melvin Henry Schlesinger
- Heinrich Schwartz
- Samuel Schwartz
- Pearl Simon
- Beverly Singer

May 12-18, 2019

- Rabbi Jan Bresky
- Vicki Edwards
- Phyllis Hoile
- Susan Jacobson
- Ellis A. Levitov
- Elizabeth Levy
- Marcus Lieberman
- Esther Marx
- David Salzman
- Mollie L. Schimmel
- Lois Shkolnick
- Gertrude Simon Wittenberg

May 19-25, 2019

- Anna Fink
- Gertrude F. Gugenheim
- Philip Jacoby
- Herbert Kaiser
- Rae Schupack Nathan
- Maurice A. Newmark
- Roy Pepperberg
- Rachel C. Polsky
- Ruth Masters Rickover
- Charles Rothkopf

May 26-June 1, 2019

- William Kaiman
- Meyer Libauer
- Florence Lieberman
- Sol Mayer
- Addie Mackey Platz
- David Rosenberg
- Adele E. Schoen
- Eva Speier
- Fannie Wasserman



Zichronam livracha: May their memories be for blessing

Calendar

SERVICES / TORAH STUDY / UPCOMING EVENTS [with events/activities for the home]

Wednesday, May 1

7:30 pm – Federation Board meeting at Tifereth Israel

Thursday, May 2

5:30 pm – *Yom HaShoah* Service at Wyuka Cemetery

Friday, May 3

[Candlelighting for Shabbat at 8:07 pm]

6:30 pm – *Yom HaShoah* Service

7:30 pm – Oneg (hosted by the Hyten family)

Saturday, May 4

[Havdalah (72 minutes) at 9:38 pm]

9:30 am – Shabbat Morning Service

10:45 am – Torah Study on Parashat Achrei Mot

Sunday, May 5 – Rosh Chodesh Iyyar

11:30 am – Adult Hebrew Prayer class

3:00 pm – State Holocaust Commemoration, Capitol Rotunda

Monday, May 6 – Rosh Chodesh Iyyar – No LJCS

Tuesday, May 7

6:45 pm – Star City Kochavim rehearsal

7:00 pm – Mussar: Inner Ladder

Wednesday, May 8 – Yom HaZikaron

Thursday, May 9 – Yom HaAtzma'ut

Friday, May 10

[Candlelighting for Shabbat at 8:14 pm]

6:30 pm – *Yom HaAtzma'ut* Service

7:30 pm – Family dinner

Saturday, May 11

[Havdalah (72 minutes) at 9:45 pm]

9:30 am – Shabbat Morning Service

10:45 am – Torah Study on Parashat Kedoshim

5:00 pm – NSNA VIP Tour of Homes

Sunday, May 12 – Mothers' Day

12:00 n – NSNA Tour of Homes

Tuesday, May 14

6:45 pm – Star City Kochavim rehearsal

Friday, May 17

[Candlelighting for Shabbat at 8:21 pm]

6:30 pm – Erev Shabbat Service

7:30 pm – Oneg (hosted by the Kelen-Bloom family)

Saturday, May 18

[Havdalah (72 minutes) at 9:52 pm]

9:30 am – Shabbat Morning Service

10:45 am – Torah Study on Parashat Emor

5:30 pm – Temple tour for wedding guests

6:00 pm – Potluck Dinner & Game Night

Sunday, May 19 – Pesach Shenit – Zeman-Dohner Wedding

2:00 pm – Wedding service at Country Pines

3:30 pm – Wedding meal

Tuesday, May 21

12:00 n – Ladies' Lunch at Ginger Grill

6:00 pm – Inclusive Communities Table Talk

Thursday, May 23 – Lag BaOmer

6:00 pm – Board of Trustees meeting

Friday, May 24

[Candlelighting for Shabbat at 8:27 pm]

6:30 pm – Erev Shabbat Service

7:30 pm – Oneg (host needed!)

Saturday, May 25

[Havdalah (72 minutes) at 9:58 pm]

9:30 am – Shabbat Morning Service

10:45 am – Torah Study on Parashat Behar

Sunday, May 26

11:30 am – Adult Hebrew Prayer class

Monday, May 27 – Memorial Day – Temple office closed

Friday, May 31

[Candlelighting for Shabbat at 8:33 pm]

6:30 pm – Erev Shabbat Service

7:30 pm – Oneg (host needed!)



ONEG HOSTS NEEDED!

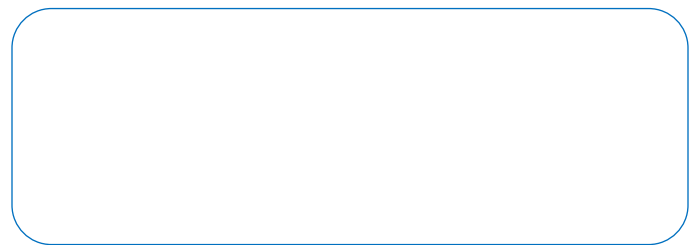
Open dates:

May 10, 24 and 31

LJCS students performing the mitzvah of Tikkun Olam on Sunday, April 28



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