South Street Temple Bulletin

July at the South Street Temple

TEMPLE NEWS: CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Services and classes will remain virtual during the first part of July, with both our First Friday Family Shabbat on July 3 and our special "Oneg Shabbat" service on July 10 offered *via* Zoom. We are exploring the possibility of an outdoor service at Sunburst Park later in the month, with music by the Star City Kochavim. The Board and staff will continue to monitor conditions and will formulate plans for August at our next meeting on July 26.

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION



The murders of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery, Tony McDade, and so many others are the tragic and unsurprising results of a racist and broken system — the same system that fueled Charlottesville, Charleston, and a litany of other white supremacist attacks. Integrity First for America, in

partnership with a world-class legal team, is uniquely taking on the neo- Nazis, white supremacists, and hate groups at the center of this violent movement, holding them accountable in federal court for the violence they brought to Charlottesville in 2017.

IFA's lawsuit — scheduled to go to trial this fall— details how these extremists conspired to orchestrate a weekend of violence, which resulted in Heather Heyer's death and extensive injuries. It provides a tangible way to take action against extremism that's poisoning this country and has the potential to bankrupt and dismantle the leaders and hate groups at the center of this movement — which is key, given their disturbing connections to the broader cycle of white supremacist violence. Taking on, and taking down, these violent extremists is all the more critical as we see them try to exploit recent protests to spread disinformation, hate, fear, and violence.

Join IFA Executive Director Amy Spitalnick for an overview of this landmark case and the fight against white supremacy, anti-Semitism, racism, and other forms of hate, in a community conversation co-sponsored by Tifereth Israel, the South Street temple, and ADL-Omaha. We'll gather virtually on **Thursday**, July 23 from **7:00-8:00 pm**. Register at **bit.ly/IFAEvent723**

RABBI SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Rabbi Search Committee has been hard at work, and we are happy to let you know that we have posted our joint position with the CCAR (Reform), Rabbinic Assembly (Conservative), Hebrew College (Transdenominational), Academy of Jewish Religion (Transdenominational), and Aleph (Jewish Renewal). We are in the process of trying to post with the Reconstructionist movement as well. We're casting a very wide net in order to find the best possible candidate.

Our committee is co-chaired by Anne Rickover and Ken Bloom, and includes Nicholette Siegfried, Dan Senft, Alan Frank, Yoel Swartz, Seth Harris, Dan Friedman, and Mike Eppel. Our work together has truly been an example of the "Two Congregations, One Community" spirit we are working toward.

You can always ask us if you have further questions. We'll keep you updated.

- arickover@gmail.com
- kenbloom@unl.edu

FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE



A South Street Temple Budget Committee has been formed, including Art Zygielbaum, John Mosow, Dan Senft, Leslie Delserone, Nicholette Seigfreid,

and Elaine Monnier. The committee met on June 29 to create projected budgets for the next 5 years. Art Zygielbaum, Howard Feldman, and Elaine Monnier have met a couple of times previously to gather demographic and financial information and to create an initial list of items that we will want to consider as we look at the near-term as well as the longer-term financial sustainability of our community.

Art and Elaine will meet with Howard on June 30 to agree on an agenda for a full Financial Sustainability group (SST and TI) meeting. The full Financial Sustainability group will meet on July 6 to discuss projections and items we need to consider for our sustainability into the future.

CITY HATE CRIME ORDINANCE



Thank you to the Lincoln City Council for unanimously passing the hate crime ordinance. Mayor Leirion Gaylor Baird proposed this

ordinance in response to the vandalism of the South Street Temple and "as an expression of our community's shared values." The ordinance strengthens the city's ability to respond to acts of hate and shows that hate has no home in Lincoln. Nicholette Seigfreid testified in support of the ordinance on June 8 and the following joined us in support of the ordinance: Tifereth Israel, Temple Israel, ADL- Great Plains, Nebraska Appleseed, NAACP - Lincoln Chapter, and Lincoln Friends Group.

PARTNERSHIP WITH OUTNEBRASKA



At a recent virtual gathering, we explored themes of racism, antiracism, power and privilege. Almost 300 people attended the presentation *via* Zoom and

participants engaged in a lively Q & A chat. More webinars and conversations will be hosted in the near future, so watch our weekly emails and social media for announcements.

RESPONDING TO COMMUNITY NEEDS

The City of Lincoln recently introduced a new resource to those in need in our community and those wanting to serve through the new Aging Partners program called <u>NeighborLNK</u>. The goal of the program is to serve seniors (60+) as well as persons with disabilities in the community ("neighbors") who are homebound as a result of the COVID-19 crisis. NeighborLNK facilitates personal connections by directly linking volunteers with such individuals.

- If you're a senior (60+) or a person with disabilities and interested in being paired with a volunteer in this program to receive services, you may apply by calling 402-441-7575 to request a neighbor application packet, or you may apply by <u>downloading</u> and filling out the packet and emailing it to <u>NeighborLNK@lincoln.ne.gov</u>. There is no cost to participate in the program.
- If you're 19 years or older and are interested in serving as a volunteer in this program, you may apply by filling out the <u>volunteer application packet</u> and emailing the completed packet to <u>NeighborLNK@lincoln.ne.gov</u>

The City of Lincoln has also compiled available resources for residents and businesses during the COVID-19 crisis, as well as ways you can safely serve and support your community. For more information, including information on the latest public health situation, go to covid19.lincoln.ne.gov.

LJCS NEWS



The Lincoln Jewish Community School is looking for a Lead Teacher for our Preschool/Kindergarten classroom. LJCS is seeking a candidate who is dependable, energetic, creative and nurturing. Early Childhood education experience is preferred.

If you or someone you know is interested in interviewing for this position, please contact Andrea Halpern at <u>ahalpern1386@gmail.com</u>

Youth & Adult Education

THIS MONTH'S TORAH PORTIONS

July 4/12 Tamuz – Chukat-Balak: <u>Numbers 19:1 – 25:9</u> July 11 / 19 Tamuz – Pinchas: <u>Numbers 25:10 – 30:1</u> July 18/26 Tamuz–Matot-Masei: <u>Numbers 30:2 – 36:13</u>

Chazak, Chazak, v'Nitchazeik!

July 25 / 4 Av – Devarim: Deuteronomy 1:1 – 3:22



Read more at the URJ's Torah Study page

Giving

Thank You for These Recent Contributions

Clinic With A Heart Doug & Pam Ganz

Doug & Pam Ganz Barb Straus

Endowment Find Audrey G. Sachs, in memory of Richard I. Sachs

General Fund

Sandy Grossbart & Priscilla Henkelmann, in honor of Max Grossbart (Bar Mitzvah gifts) and of Peter Mullin and Art Zygielbaum

Lincoln Jewish Community School Sammy Hale, in memory of Paula Storch Williams

Memorial Fund

Rabbi Jonathan & Sandra Adland, in memory of Marilyn Friend Adland and Morris Friend Sandy Grossbart & Priscilla Henkelmann, in memory of Bernie Mosow

> *Music Fund* Mark Miller, in memory of Eugene Miller

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Ralph Stump, in memory of Richard I. Sachs

Community & Events

TEMPLE GARDENS



Our next work day will be **Sunday, July 12** from **9:00-10:00 am**. The starting time is earlier because the weather is much hotter now. If you prefer to work in the afternoon or evening,

just contact <u>Ellin Siege</u>l and she can relay garden tasks that can be done. Our focus is on keeping things neat and growing. Tasks include weeding, trimming, raking, and sweeping. Please bring your garden tools, bags for debris and some of us will bring extra tools to share. We can easily socially distance and work in different areas. And please, wear a face mask. Thanks in advance for your support!

JEWISH WOMEN'S LUNCH



We will meet virtually on **Tuesday**, **July 21** at **12:00 pm** via the weekly **Tea Time with Temple Friends** Zoom gathering. Provide your own favorite lunch item(s) and share some good conversation with friends!

Let <u>Deborah Swearingen</u> (402-476-7528) know if you plan to attend.

GAME NIGHT & MOVIE NIGHT



To avoid unnecessary risk to our members and friends, we have suspended the monthly Game Night and Movie Night at the Temple until further notice.

JEWISH BOOK CLUB



Book Club for July - *via* Zoom or in Zoya & Dennis' back yard - at **1:30 pm** on **Sunday**, **July 19**

• July's book: *Hannah's War* by Jan Eliasberg.

Book Club for August - *via* Zoom (?) - at 1:30 pm on Sunday,

August 16 or 23 (TBD)

- Suggested book: <u>The Color Of Water</u> by James McBride
 - LOCAL FOOD IN URBAN LINCOLN



Join your South Lincoln neighbors for the first **F Street Neighborhood Church Farmer's Market** from **4:30 to 7:00 pm** on **June 9**! When we confront huge problems like systemic racism or global pandemics, it's easy to feel

powerless. Sometimes it's more effective to focus on something you *can* control and ask, "What can I do now to make an impact?" The F St Neighborhood Market exists to support the community, provide access to healthy, locally grown food, and develop the community's workforce. The F St Neighborhood Market is partnering with other local organizations to make our neighborhood a great place to live, work, and play. You can join with us in many ways! We're looking for more vendors to sell at our market. You can also volunteer your time or just come to the market and enjoy being with your neighbors at <u>1302 F Street</u>. The market will run on Tuesday afternoons throughout the summer.

TEMPLE GIFT SHOP

The Gift Shop is officially closed until further notice.

However, if you need something in in particular, please contact Johna Walker (402-770-4189, <u>ilpwalker2@gmail.com</u>), Carolyn Nelson (402-477-1494, <u>cari888@yahoo.com</u>) or Dennis Dohner (402-613-3948, <u>dedohner@allophone.com</u>) to make arrangements for your purchase.

July Anniversaries:

July 2: Pam & Doug Ganz

July 8: Ben & Elaine Gelber

July 6: Mark & Joan Rosenberg

Life Cycles

July Birthdays:

July 3: Calvin Gordon July 5: Rabbi Ilan Emanuel July 8: Tye Chapelle July 19: Ava Brackhan July 21: Cindy Kohn July 22: Mark Rosenberg, Nicholette Seigfreid July 23: Doug Ganz July 24: Albert Sparks July 26: Barbara Barron, Elaine Gelber July 30: Lori Hack

June 28-July 4, 2020

Sarah Poska Adelson Herman Barron Carrie Lynn Chesen Norman Levy Sylvia Liberman Ethel Meyer Richard I. Sachs David J. Shire Sam Shneider Lucille F. Simon Robert Weinberg Paula Storch Williams Faye Wiseman William Wolff Erwin Doehren Zeman

July 5-11, 2020

Catherine Calidonna Darlene Chantry Jo Clinefelter Edward Gugenheim William Cade Hoover William Kennedy) Larry Lundholm Leon A. Nefsky Michael Kevin Parker

7.00

July 5-11, 2020 Hyman George Rickover Irving Murray Schor

🜣 Upcoming Yahrzeits 🌣

July 12-18, 2020

Emma Bornemeier Paul Bornemeier Ricky Lynn Cadwallader Kevin Clinefelter Julius Cohen Seth R. Cole **Pauline Friend** Mary Hale Goldie Pocras Leo Rosenberg Sam Simon - plaque Bernard Singer Paul Stanfield Anona Trutna Metta Wilcox Michael Zeman

July 19-25, 2020

Sara Somberg Chesen Charles O. Davis Edward DeKoven Genevieve Feigenbaum Elisabeth Gelber

July 19-25, 2020

Esther Lapin Esther Liberman Virginia Brasch Lipkin Lucille Rosenberg Isaac Rosenthal Morris Rubinsky Pauline Sandlovich Jean Shaw Bob Simon Kathleen H. Steinberg Linda Ungvarsky

July 26-August 1, 2020

Leon A. Adelson Glen Franklin Cadwallader William Edward Delserone Marcella Frank Ruth N. Goldfein Lainie Lombardi Julee Lowe Thomas Reinecke Harry Rosenthal Betty Shapiro Abraham Alan Siegel Will Stam Richard Swearingen Clarence Wertheimer

✡

Zichronam livracha: May their memories be for blessing

Prayer, Life Cycle & Simcha

Service Times All services offered via live-stream or teleconferencing only until further notice.

- Erev Shabbat Service: Friday evenings, beginning at 6:30 pm; we are planning a special "Oneg Shabbat" service, with candle lighting, family blessings and Kiddush on July 10 and we hope to have a special outdoor service –with the Star City Kochavim – on either July 17 or 24 that people can attend in person or via live stream.
- Shabbat Morning Service: Saturday mornings, beginning at **9:30 am**
- Torah Study: Saturdays following the morning service, beginning at around **11:00 am**

Volunteers are being sought to lead Shabbat Morning Service on July 4, 11, 18, and 25 *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 <u>office@southstreettemple.org</u> 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 be "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

ONEG HOSTING

We are suspending Oneg Shabbat until further notice. Information on hosting opportunities will be posted when we resume.

Our Congregation



www.southstreettemple.org
<u>402.435.8004</u>

Peter Mullin, office administrator – office@southstreettemple.org Office hours by appointment

Executive Committee for 2020:

Nicholette Seigfreid – President <u>president@southstreettemple.org</u> Dan Senft – Vice President Julie Moore – Secretary Elaine Monnier – Treasurer



Board Members: Maria Cadwallader Leslie Delserone Aimee Hyten Nathaniel Kaup Anne Rickover 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

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.

Join the Federation this year to help!

You can mail your donation to: Jewish Federation of Lincoln P.O. Box 67218 Lincoln, NE 68506-7218

The Strength of a People ~ The Power of Community



Since 2012, the South Street Temple has been a sponsoring congregation for Clinic with a Heart, a free urgent care clinic that serves people without health insurance. Along with our partner congregation, St. Paul United Methodist Church, our Temple team provides volunteer services to patients of all ages and backgrounds in an atmosphere of kindness and respect. Our members and friends have served as physicians, nurses, lab technicians, office volunteers, and support staff. We also contribute personal care items and over the counter medications. To sustain this project takes the work of our volunteers and our financial commitment. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Barb Straus at <u>barbstraus@gmail.com</u>.

FEEDING THE KIDS AT F STREET



This is a great opportunity to ensure children are not going hungry. Our Lincoln Jewish community helps to plan meals, find volunteers, and serve a meal to the youth at F Street once a month.. Our Jewish youth and volunteers really enjoy interacting with the children at F Street. If you would like to donate funds to this program and help continue this mitzvah, please contact Elaine Monnier at treasurer@southstreettemple.org or call Peter Mullin at 402-435-8004.

We are collecting non-perishable food items that can be packaged and sent home to our kids and families while the center is under pandemic-required gathering restrictions

For more information, contact Aimee Hyten at <u>aimee.hyten@gmail.com</u>

Calendar

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

Friday, July 3

[Candlelighting for Shabbat at **8:43 pm**] **6:30 pm** – Erev Shabbat Service, leb by the Kelen-Bloom family, with music by Steve & Nathaniel Kaup

Saturday, July 4 – Independence Day

[Havdalah (72 minutes) at **10:13 pm**] **9:30 am** – Shabbat Morning Service, service leaders/music: TBD **10:45 am** – Torah Study on Parashat Chukat-Balak, led by Robert Friedman

Tuesday, July 7

12:00 n – Tea Time with Temple Friends via Zoom

Friday, July 10

[Candlelighting for Shabbat at **8:41 pm**] **6:30 pm** – "Oneg Shabbat" Service, service leaders/music: TBD

Saturday, July 11

[Havdalah (72 minutes) at **10:10 pm**] **9:30 am** – Shabbat Morning Service, service leaders/music: TBD **10:45 am** – Torah Study on Parashat Pinchas, led by Robert Rickover

<u>Tuesday, July 14</u>

12:00 n – Tea Time with Temple Friends via Zoom

Thursday, July 16 6:30 pm - Ritual Committee meeting

Friday, July 17

 [Candlelighting for Shabbat at 8:36 pm]
 6:30 pm – Erev Shabbat Service, service leaders/music: Steve & Nathaniel Kaup

Saturday, July 18

[Havdalah (72 minutes) at **10:06 pm**] **9:30 am** – Shabbat Morning Service, service leaders/music: TBD **10:45 am** – Torah Study on Parashat Matot-Masei, led by Rick Kohn

Sunday, July 19 1:00 pm – Feeding the kids at F Street Rec Center

<u>Tuesday, July 21</u> 12:00 n – Tea Time with Temple Friends *via* Zoom

Wednesday, July 22 – Rosh Chodesh Av

Friday, July 24

[Candlelighting for Shabbat at **8:31 pm**] **6:30 pm** – Erev Shabbat Service, service leader/music: Leslie Delserone & Peter Mullin

Saturday, July 25 – Shabbat Chazon

[Havdalah (72 minutes) at **10:00 pm**] **9:30 am** – Shabbat Morning Service, service leaders/music: TBD **10:45 am** – Torah Study on Parashat Devarim, led by Maria Cadwllader

Tuesday, July 28 12:00 n – Tea Time with Temple Friends *via* Zoom

Wednesday, July 29 – Erev Tish'a b'Av

<u> Thursday, July 30</u> – Tish'a b'Av

Friday, July 31

[Candlelighting for Shabbat at **8:24 pm**] **6:30 pm** – Erev Shabbat Service, service leader/music: Elaine Monnier

REMEMBERING LINDA GLASER – WORDS FROM RABBI CRAIG LEWIS

The thing that sticks in my mind most bout Linda has to be hearing her laugh. It was rare to have a conversation with her when she didn't laugh, at least once. Even in harder times, when Don was sick or when she was confronted with her own health issues. She found a way to laugh, using humor to cope with her pain.

And her laugh was unique, a bit raspy, and rather infectious. She could make you laugh along with her, sometimes in times of adversity, but she thrived most in times of pure fun. She loved being the narrator at our Purim Shpiels, and we could probably write books of the various ways she pronounced the name Achashverosh, or Ahahsuereus, or Ashuereus, or Acheresh, or Ahashuashu, or whatever. She would say anything that came to her mind, and stole the scene, and brought great joy to everyone around her.

That went well beyond the Purim Shpiel. When Linda and Don became part of the South Street Temple family, it was like.... Well if there is a good version of Pandora's box, that was it. Pandora's box unleashed evil, but Linda unleashed lots of goodness. that could not be contained. That is what presents me with this incredible challenge. At times of loss, I think of the biblical character that our loved one reminds us of. For Linda, this has not been easy. Pandora, even a good version of Pandora, is not a biblical character. Someone who unleashed untold amounts of goodness through giving and kindness, I thought and thought, and I landed on the matriarch Rachel.

One of the things Rachel is most known for is taking her father's idols when she left with her new husband Jacob. The commentators raise lots of questions about why she would do this. One way of thinking about it was as a prank. While Linda was not really a prankster, she did love to tease. With her in Intro to Judaism, it was like *Welcome Back Kotter*. "We tease him a lot 'cause we've got him on the spot." The greatest thing I ever did for her

was nearly forgetting to ask her the questions as she officially embraced the Torah. I never lived it down. She would bring it up, again, and again, and again. It was never mean, but it was always something she held over me for fun. There are many victims, or I should say, may grateful recipients of her loving teasing on this Zoom call tonight. So Rachel and Linda, we might see as teasing in a way as showing love. To be teased by Linda felt almost as good as getting hugged by her. I would take the latter over the former. Usually, with Linda, you got both.

There is another possible reason that Rachel took her father's idols, and it is also a reflection on Linda. It occurs to me now that Rachel grabbed the tchotchkes because she wanted to open a gift shop. Once Linda got it in her head that the Temple gift shop would be revamped, there was no holding her back, and I will tell you, beyond just having a place to buy menorahs, seder plates, and varzheit candles, Linda created a community. She developed a corps of loyal volunteers who took it seriously and took great pride in the gift shop, even on days when we had not customers, they were there. And when there were customers, oh boy, did they get red carpet treatment. And I will tell you, we gained more than a few new members because of the kindness they encountered in our gift shop. So like Rachel, who was known for being gentle, kind, and hospitable, Linda knew how to draw people nearer and make them feel connected.

And that is the last thing that ties Linda to Rachel's memory— her never-ending commitment to caring for the people around her. Of course, it started with Don, and Chris, and Brynna, and her family members around the country. But if she cared about you, she instantly made you a member of her extended family. I remember clearly one night, talking to a new-ish family in the congregation, and the kids were already calling her Grandma Linda. They loved her, and she loved them, because they were kids and she saw them as our future. To that end, she always made sure the South Street kids had gifts at Chanukah and Passover. She wanted gift shop proceeds to benefit our youth group. And she did everything in her power to help support our school and our youth programs, which extended to being campaign chair for Jewish Federation. She had a loving nature and a giving heart and was a hard worker. And every single one of us benefited from it, and really we still do. Even living in another city, I cannot plan a holiday celebration without thinking of her and Don, taking pictures, being in the shpiel, heckling the rabbi, or having the Temple kids surround them. I know we all hold those memories dear, too many to count. What she unleashed was definitely the good kind of Pandora's box, a myriad of gifts that just keep giving and giving.

For her many gifts, her infectious laughter, her mothering love to so many, her words of kindness, and the community she helped to strengthen, we give our thanks as we pray, *zichronah livracha*, may her memory be for an eternal blessing,

BARUCH DAYAN HA-EMET: RICHARD V. "DOC" LOMBARDI

Richard V. "Doc" Lombardi, father of Rich Lombardi, drew his last breath on June 23 after a wonderful life. Rich and Pat got to be with him and got him home and then had the incredible support of health care and hospice folks. It is a testament to Doc's huge heart and loving spirit that, up until 10 months ago. he was still delivering and coordinating meals on wheels in his Maine community. <u>Read more about Doc and his life here</u>.

Congregation B'nai Jeshurun The South Street Temple 2061 South 20th Street Lincoln, NE 68502-2712

