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PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

ere we are after another month of #StayHomeStaySafe. Now that the weather is finally warming up, we can spend more time outdoors instead of being cooped up inside. The Program Team is continuing to bring to you more of the programs you have been enjoying, with new programs online!

I don't know about you, but I've been getting a little stir crazy being home all the time. Now that the weather is getting nicer, I've been able to sit outside on my patio and enjoy a book, and I have been taking long walks around my neighborhood. My parents had planned on coming to visit at the beginning of May so we could go to the Tulip Festival in Holland and explore western Michigan. Clearly the trip didn't happen, but we've been staying connected through the phone and weekly Zoom calls. I am now counting down the days until I (hopefully) fly home for Thanksgiving; according to My Trips on Delta, the flight is only 177 days away!



Online religious programming is still ongoing. The Daily Minyans are still going strong and have been extended through the end of June. The Second Cup Study Group with Judah Ari-Gur has also been extended through the end of June and updated signups for both can be found at congregation of moses. org. This past month we began holding Saturday morning services over Zoom, which are continuing through the end of June. We also joined Temple B'nai Shalom in Benton Harbor for another wonderful Shabbat evening service. We will continue to offer online religious services through this uncertain time.

The Ethical Life: Jewish Values in an Age of Choice with Rabbi Spivak is holding one last class on Monday, June 22nd at both 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm. Discussing the topic "Is Lying Ever Ethical?," we will examine the concept of truth in personal and interpersonal ethics using ancient and contemporary texts.

The Ethical Life series will continue in the fall when we hope things will return to a more normal pattern. We are also continuing the online book club and partnering with TBI for the discussion. The next CoM/TBI book club will focus on the novel Davita's Harp by Chaim Potok. Book club will meet on Thursday, June 25th at 7:00 pm over Zoom. To RSVP and get the Zoom link, email programdirector@ congregationofmoses.org.

THE OVERSIGHT BOARD

always welcomes comments from CoM congregants and invites you to attend its regular meetings, held twice monthly.

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Our online social programming continues as well. We will still have Havdalah Happy Hours on Saturday nights, now beginning at 8:45 pm due to sunset coming later in these almost-summer days.

The current stay-at-home order is through June 12th. Now that the weather is nicer, we will begin exploring ways that we can come together in person and do so safely once the stay-at-home order is lifted. Stay tuned to see updates on what in-person programming and services will look like.

We hope that you are staying healthy and safe during this time. We can't wait until we can see everyone in person again!

Sharon Kaufman, Program Director

For now, access to the synagogue is limited to employees only.

If you have any needs, contact Shirley Mengel, who will be in the office 8:00 am-noon most weekdays.

Call Shirley at 269-342-5463 or via email at comofficemgr@gmail.com.

Shabbat candle lighting times

June 5 8:58 pm June 12 9:02 pm June 19 9:04 pm June 26 9:05 pm



Bracha for candle lighting

Ba-ruch a-tah A-do-nai Elo-hei-nu me-lech ha-o-lam a-sher kid-shan-u be-mits-vo-tav vi-tzi-van-u l'had-lik-ner shel Shabbat.

Services Online

Saturday, June 6 9:30 a.m. online

Torah: Numbers 4:21-5:10 Haftarah: Judges 13:2-25

Saturday, June 13 9:30 a.m. online

Torah: Numbers 8:1-9:14 Haftarah: Zechariah 2:14-4:7

Saturday, June 20 9:30 a.m. online

Torah: Numbers 13:1-14:7 Haftarah: Joshua 2:1-24

Saturday, June 27 9:30 a.m. online

Torah: Numbers 16:1-17:15 Haftarah: I Samuel 11:14-12:22



Shabbat services signup can be found on our website, congregationofmoses.org. When you sign up to attend, you will receive the Zoom link in your confirmation.

DAILY MINYAN

Led by Earl Norman every Monday-Friday morning at 7:30 am and Sunday mornings at 8:30 am. If you want to say Kaddish, this is an opportunity to do so with your community.

Please attend if you are able. Members who want to say Kaddish need to have a minyan, or at least ten people.

Havdalah Happy Hour Online

Every Saturday evening, now at a new time 8:45 pm - Happy Hour, games and stories shared 9:15 pm - Havdalah

Sign up for both on our website, congregationofmoses.org



LEAD PRAYERS DURING HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES

We love people who participate in services by leading prayers from the bima. Whether one prayer or a whole section of the service, we welcome and encourage such participation.



That's especially true for the High Holidays. Every year, several of our members lead part of the morning service for Rosh Hashanah or Yom Kippur. You can too!

Please let me know that you would like to lead a prayer or prayers on the High Holidays and I will provide you with the

material and all the personal help you need to enjoy the experience of leading.

Let me hear from you.

Rabbi Harvey Spivak

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June CoM / TBI Book Club

Thursday, June 25th at 7:00 pm on Zoom

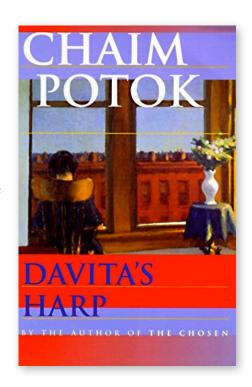
The next book discussion between CoM and Temple B'nai Israel will be held on June 25 at 7:00 pm.

Please email Sharon Kaufman at programdirector@ congregationofmoses.org for the Zoom link if you'd like to join the discussion.

The book selection is *Davita's Harp* by Chaim Potok, a historical novel written in 1985. The story is set in 1930s -1940s New York City. Davita's parents (one Jewish, one Gentile) are dedicated communists who eschew religion. Davita, keenly aware of the Spanish Civil War, Italy's invasion of Ethiopia, lynchings in the South and Hitler's Europe, seeks solace and finds comfort in Judaism.

You can order through our locally-owned bookstores, this is a bookstore/ Bookbug or Kazoo Books.

Inexpensive used copies can also be found online at websites such as Abe Books, eBay and Amazon.





FROM THE DESK OF THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Wow! What a year! I am writing this on Sunday afternoon, May 24th after our End of Year Celebration. If you had asked me at the Tu b'Shevat seder what

our celebration today would be like, I never in my wildest dreams could have imagined all the little Zoom windows filled with the smiles and laughter of more than 75 of my favorite people! Because of the efforts of our teachers, rabbis, volunteers, parents and students, our first ever End of Year Celebration on Zoom touched many hearts and made me feel a little bit closer to each of them while apart.

We began teaching our students online on March 18. At that time we thought it would be for a few weeks. Even at the Purim Carnival, we could not imagine that we would be considering the possibility of continuing in this manner for part or all of the next school year as we finish this one.

We had some successes in our online journey. We learned new teaching techniques that we know we will take back to the classroom when we can safely return. Games like Kahoot! and Factile Jeopardy made learning and review so much fun that kids were begging their teachers to create game after game for them. I don't think they had a clue that they were learning. Getting to school was easier for children who live outside of Kalamazoo County and we were able to imagine a future hybrid school with some students in the classroom and others joining them online. Teacher availability increased because even when our teachers had to be out of town, they could log on from wherever they were. Today teachers were logged on from New Mexico, Chicago and Detroit. Students came to school from their cabins up north. And some attended school from the comfort of their bed!

We met pets, saw favorite toys and learned who likes to wear PJs to school. The teachers and I felt honored to be welcomed into so many homes. In some ways, we felt closer to each other because the Zoom windows let us see each other's lives in a different way than before.

We also learned that we will need to make some adjustments if we have to do this again next year. While all of our students had the necessary devices, some children's internet connections were not strong. Other students had trouble focusing online. There are so many things that teachers notice about the students in the classroom that are hard to see online. And what does a teacher do when a student just walks away from the computer screen?

I really missed the casual impromptu conversations that I have in the hallway when students talk to me about the things that are important to them. Most of all, I missed the hugs.

Thank you for the honor of teaching our children.

Nora

Nora Chaus, Director Marvin and Rosalie Okun Kalamazoo Community Jewish School



Buy Cloth Masks to support the Jewish School

Volunteers from our community have been gathering supplies, cutting, ironing and sewing masks. To support the joint religious school, handmade masks can be purchased for a minimum donation to the school of \$10/mask. They are washable and available in white or various prints.

Please contact Shirley Wise (goldensmw@sbcglobal.net) or Judy Seyburn (lseyburn@yahoo.com) to order and indicate the number of adult or child masks requested. Checks should be made out to CoM with "donation for masks" in the memo and mailed to:

Congregation of Moses, 2501 Stadium Drive, Kalamazoo, MI 49008



Shirley will send you the address and instructions for pick up when you send your order. Thank you.

June celebrations

The Congregation of Moses wishes **mazel tov and yom huledet sameach** to our members who are celebrating anniversaries and birthdays this month. If you would like to be included in our monthly recognition of birthdays and anniversaries, please contact Joanne Simon at 324-6054 or jhsimon@charter.net.

BIRTHDAYS

- 6/2 Ken Goodman
- 6/2 Joseph Shook
- 6/4 RosaLynn Pollens
- 6/5 Anna Langerveld
- 6/7 Hannah Green
- 6/11 Chelsea Angel
- 6/12 Stacey Rocklin
- 6/12 Dona Icabone Satir
- 6/14 Evan Fischel
- 6/14 Jonathan Fischel
- 6/15 Larry Beer
- 6/15 Alfred Blum
- 6/16 Marvin Berkowitz
- 6/18 Judith Poger
- 6/23 Alyssa Beer
- 6/25 Arlen Rubin
- 6/26 Laura Levene
- 6/28 Phillip Horwich
- 6/28 Sandra Snyder
- 6/29 Natalie Spivak
- 6/30 Rabbi Harvey Spivak

ANNIVERSARIES

- 6/12 Judy Davis and Al Rosenthal
- 6/13 Janet Heller & Michael Krischer
- 6/15 Tema & Robert Lando
- 6/20 Joanne & Michael Simon
- 6/20 Shirley & Pete Mengel
- 6/21 Robyn & Scott Levene
- 6/21 Tamara & Earl Norman
- 6/29 Genia & Moritz Angel







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June 2020

Su	M	Т	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	OvB meeting, 7:00 pm	3 Second Cup study group online, 7:00- 7:30 pm	4	5	6 Shabbat Services online, 9:30 am Havdalah Happy Hour online, 8:45 pm
7 Second Cup study group online, 4:30-5:00 pm	8	9	Second Cup study group online, 7:00- 7:30 pm	11	12	13 Shabbat Services online, 9:30 am Havdalah Happy Hour online, 8:45 pm
14 Second Cup study group online, 4:30-5:00 pm	Hadassah Book Club online, 7:00 pm	16	17 Second Cup study group online, 7:00- 7:30 pm	18 Bulletin Deadline, 8:00 pm	19	20 Shabbat Services online, 9:30 am Havdalah Happy Hour online, 8:45 pm
21 Second Cup study group online, 4:30-5:00 pm	The Ethical Life Course online, 1:00 pm or 7:00 pm	23	24 Second Cup study group online, 7:00- 7:30 pm	25 CoM/TBI Book Club online, 7:00 pm	26	27 Shabbat Services online, 9:30 am Havdalah Happy Hour online, 8:45 pm
28 Second Cup study group online, 4:30-5:00 pm	29	30				

July 2020

	Su	M	Т	W	Th	F	Sa
				1	2	3	4
5		6	7 OvB meeting, 7:00 pm	8	9 Coffee Talk online, 11:00 am	10	11
12		13	14	15	16	17	18
19		20 Hadassah Book Club online, 7:00 pm Bulletin Deadline, 8:00 pm	21	22	23	24	25
26		27	28	29	30	31	

NEWS FROM HADASSAH

Medical Miracle at Hadassah: Surgeons Save Man with Rod Through His Head

About four weeks ago, Kamel Abdel Rahman went to see how the construction was going on his new apartment. As he looked around, one wrong turn caused him to fall from the second floor onto an iron rod which penetrated his skull. It traveled from one side clear to the other.

"I did not feel any pain at all," Rahman said. "I do not know how to explain it." But when he saw the look of shock on his family's faces, he knew something was seriously wrong.

Rahman was rushed to Hadassah Hospital Ein Kerem. There, a multidisciplinary team of specialists carefully analyzed the wound for hours to ensure that they would not cause an artery to bleed, which could result in sudden death. Once assured, they strategically removed the rod.

Following this first successful procedure, Rahman needed a brain catheterization and another complicated 10-hour surgery.

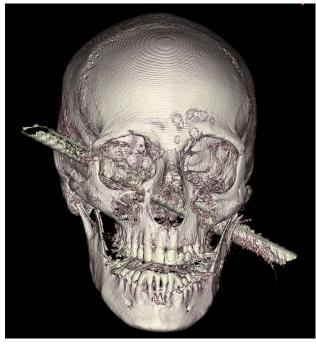


Image of rod through Kamel Abdel Rahman's head

"I have no words. They saved my ability to speak and to walk. They saved my life," says Rahman.

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Hadassah-backed Bill Strengthening Holocaust Education Heads to White House

On May 13th, the US Senate joined the US House in approving the Never Again Education Act. We can officially say that this bill is headed to the White House.

This is a major victory. Hadassah's support for the Never Again Education Act is helping to change the course of history. America is closer than ever to ensuring we will never forget the tragedy of the Holocaust, that students will learn its universal lessons of tolerance, and that educators will be better prepared to teach this absolutely critical subject matter accurately and confidently. Our children and future generations deserve nothing less.



Hall of Names at Yad Vashem in Jerusalem

Yahrzeits

June 5, 6 (14 Sivan – 20 Sivan)					
Ida Becker*	David Berkowitz	Norman D. Bowman*			
David Hyman*	Rose Lando King*	Norman Kirschner			
Dora Kirschner*	Gerald Pryweller*	Marilyn Zheutlin			
Aron Ziv*					
June 12, 13 (21 Sivan – 27 Sivan)					
Herman Davidoff [⋆]	Samuel Joshua Felix	Sylvia Goldman*			
Moses J. Graff*	Pauline Grekin	Murray S. Gubin*			
Zelda Handelsman*	Sadie Hyman*	Hilde M. Nadelman*			
Louis Rose	Yaffa Sasson	Samuel Schensul*			
Morris Willage*					
June 19, 20 (28 Sivan – 4 Tammuz)					
Ruthe Bernard*	Recia Deutsch	Izidor Friewald*			
Bernice Friedman*	Dorotha I. Goldstein*	Elaine Hoffman Lamm			
Louis Levene*	Thelma Lipsitt	Sidney Seyburn*			
Gloria Stein	ia Stein Gertrude Braufman Stein*				
Alfred R. Thea*	Sara Lee Weisman*				
June 26, 27 (5 Tammuz – 11 Tammuz)					
Marsha Abrams	Arthur Felix	Pauline Kushner*			
Miriam Roodin*	Sadye Rosenbaum*	Leah Schensul*			
Ruth Sofen*	Siegfried Strauss*				

^{*} Denotes a memorial plaque in the synagogue



MAZEL TOV TO

Chelsea Angel on her graduation from medical school

CONDOLENCES TO OUR FRIENDS

Gail Brot and family on the passing of her aunt, Shirley Cane

Rabbi Harvey Spivak and family on the passing of his mother, Ruth Spivak

Word has been received that Margaret (Peggy) Movsky Mayer, daughter of Rabbi Myron and Hadassah Movsky, has passed away

Donations have been made to the following funds.

GENERAL FUND

Mazel Tov to Chelsea Angel on her graduation from medical school.

Condolences to Gail Brot and family on the passing of her aunt, Shirley Cane.

Wilma Kahn & Phil Horwich, Tamara & Earl Norman, Diane & Harvey Fogel

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Joanne & Mike Simon, Men's Club

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Condolences to Sandy Rose and family on the passing of her husband, Larry Rose.

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Condolences to Rabbi Spivak and family on the passing of his father, Aaron Spivak.

Leslie & Joel Bez

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Maxine & Neal Berke, Sallie & Ken Goodman, Valerie & Ken Eisenberg, The Ruterbusch Family

Condolences to Rabbi Spivak on the passing of his parents, Ruth and Aaron Spivak.

Condolences to Sandy Rose and family on the passing of her husband, Larry Rose.

Condolences to Joel Bez and family on the passing of his father, Dr. Bert Bez.

Gerry & Lee Tregerman



MARVIN AND ROSALIE OKUN RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

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The Fischell Family, Judy & Lowell Seyburn

In memory of my parents, Morris and Frieda Friedman.

Dona Satir

HARRY AND LILLIAN SOFEN LEARNING CENTER

In loving memory of my brother, Ronn Sofen.

Nancy Zarnow

HERMAN AND ROSE FISHER LIBRARY FUND

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Marilyn & Art Feinberg

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Josh & Pam Weiner, Marlene Haus

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Kent & Deborah Fisher

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Rae Lee Howard

In loving memory of my dad, Jack Levene.

Lori & Glenn Putman

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Condolences to Rabbi Spivak on the passing of his parents, Ruth and Aaron Spivak.

Temple B'nai Shalom, Alan Cohen, Sandy & Dave Badt, Mindy & Steve Blechman

Condolences to Rabbi Spivak on the passing of his father, Aaron Spivak.

Kim & Arlen Rubin, Sandy Rose

Condolences to Rabbi Spivak on the passing of his mother, Ruth Spivak.

Rebecca & Adam Strauss, Emily Hoffman & Lee Klingman, Kim & Arlen Rubin Sandv Rose



TIKKUN OLAM

Mazel Tov to Chelsea Angel on her graduation from medical school.

Mom & Dad, Sheryl & Russ Deutsch

Condolences to Gail Brot and family on the passing of her aunt, Shirley Cane.

Condolences to Rabbi Harvey Spivak and family on the passing of his mother, Ruth Spivak.

Michelle & Alan Angel

JOYCE AND MORTON FISHER KITCHEN/KIDDUSH/ONEG FUND

Condolences to Rabbi Spivak on the passing of his mother, Ruth Spivak.

Gail Brot

In memory of Miriam Brot – my very very good friend.

Ms. Willie Williams

In memory of Margaret (Peggy) Movsky, daughter of our former Rabbi Myron B. Movsky (deceased) and mother Hadassah (deceased).

Fran Raffel

In loving memory of my beloved aunt, Mina Seider.

Alfred Blum

In loving memory of my mother, Jean Grossman.

Leonard Lebowitz

Thank you so very much for the contributions to the many worthy funds in memory of our beloved Larry.

Your gifts to the General Fund, Building Fund, Rabbi's Discretionary Fund, Mort and Joyce Fisher Kitchen/Kiddush/Oneg Fund, Marvin and Rosalie Okun Religious School Fund, Jack Levene Cantor Fund, Herman and Rose Fisher Library Fund and Tikkun Olam are very much appreciated.

~Sandy Rose, Gloria Besbris and families



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What's Up With God?

A discussion on Zoom, hosted by Sarah Hurwitz at Jewishlive.org

Sarah Hurwitz is the author of "Here All Along: Finding Meaning, Spirituality, and a Deeper Connection to Life -- in Judaism (After Finally Choosing to Look There)," about her rediscovery of Judaism. This title was chosen last fall as our Jewish community read.

In this series, Sarah talks with rabbis, authors and thinkers on contemporary Judaism. A recent guest was Rabbi Jamie Korngold, "The Adventure Rabbi," who visited our community a few years ago.

The Ethical Life: Jewish Values in an Age of Choice

From political and financial scandals to rapid progress in biomedical sciences and technology, the complex issues of modern society are, at their core, issues of ethical and moral concern.

Now, more than ever, we require a solid understanding of how Jewish ethics can inform our discussions and decisions about the critical questions of the day. Judaism has a long history of wrestling with moral questions, responding to them in a way that considers all sides of an issue.

The Ethical Life: Jewish Values in an Age of Choice from the Jewish Theological Seminary will be presented by Rabbi Spivak online.



Sign up to attend classes online at our website, congregationofmoses.org

Is Lying Ever Ethical?

Monday, June 22 at 1:00 pm, with a second session at 7:00 pm.

Using ancient and contemporary texts, we will examine the concept of truth in personal and interpersonal ethics.

Heads up, High School Juniors!

If your parents are members of the Congregation of Moses, we invite you to apply for the Andrew Levene Scholarship.

If you would like an application, please call the synagogue office at 342-5463. Applications must be turned in to the synagogue office by July 22, 2020.



Colef Fund Grants Announcement

The ColefTzedakah Committee has completed its Spring round of grants for 2020, including some emergency funding requests. The local and international projects that were awarded funds include these organizations:

- Kalamazoo County Ready 4s
- Disability Network of Southwest Michigan
- Gryphon Place
- First Day Shoe Fund
- Ecumenical Senior Center
- Jewish Federation of N.A. Lunch and Learn for Special Needs Students
- JDC's Active Jewish Teens
- JDC's Supportive Housing for Israelis with Disabilities
- Emergency funding request from the Kalamazoo Community Foundation
- Emergency funding request from Boys Town Jerusalem

The ColefTzedakah Committee was established in the spring of 2017 to determine goals, processes and procedures for disbursing income from the Etz Chaim bequest of Eugene Colef.

The Colef Trust, established by Gene and his uncle Irving Schensul in 1997, specified that the income was to be used to benefit needy people.

The Committee seeks to achieve objectives consistent with Jewish values of Tzedakah, works to meet the Congregation of Moses' goals and is inclusive of Congregation of Moses' member input and feedback.

We invite you to contact the ColefTzedakah Committee (coleffund@congregationofmoses.org) at any time with comments, questions or feedback. Thank you!

The Colef Fund is on Facebook

Follow us on Facebook to see highlights from the different organizations that the Colef Fund has supported, local groups that are helping the Kalamazoo community and updates on what's happening.



The Samuel J. and Mary E. Colef Fund

caring connection

Caring Connection—compassionate volunteers for the Congregation of Moses family. Caring Connection is a network of volunteers who would like to support our CoM members in times of need, whether during an acute crisis or a need for ongoing support.

The people on the list below, all part of **Caring Connection**, welcome your call. They have agreed to make their names and contact information available so that you can choose to connect with the person you feel most comfortable talking to.

Call, email or text (all numbers are cell phones unless otherwise indicated)

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Director: Larry Beer, Ed.D.



DIRECT YOUR DOLLARS



Please continue to drop off your receipts in the envelope located outside the CoM office. The total in the "Direct your Dollars" portion of the receipt must be present. Please do not cut off any part of the receipt. You can help even more by buying D&W gift cards and other scrip for our continuing fundraiser. Thanks!

Box Tops for Education

Look for these on products from Reynolds, Green Giant, Annie's, General Mills cereals, Nature Valley, Mott's, Land O'Lakes, Go-Gurt, Yoplait, Ziploc, Hefty, Betty Crocker, Cascadian Farms, Kleenex, Scott's, Old El Paso, Progresso, Lysol, Fiber One and Larabar.

The Marvin and Rosalie Okun Kalamazoo Community Jewish School earns money by collecting these. Please watch for them and bring them to the office. Thank you!

