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Shalom and Shanah Tovah!

I hope the High Holy Days and Sukkot have been meaningful to all in our TABI community. On Rosh Hashanah, I talked about “Civil Discourse.” I said: “The High Holy Days are also a time to think about the way we communicate with one another.

Human dialogue is a precious commodity – the opportunity to express ourselves, demonstrate our views and interact face to face with those in our families, workplace, community and houses of worship is so important.

This year was different, though. This year I was on the other end of biting criticism, insults and attempts to “get me in trouble” with our Temple leadership. This has been both new for me and quite disturbing.”

The Sermon continued....” But here’s the thing – our words matter. How we use them reflects what we believe, what we value, and, ultimately, who we are. Today, we find ourselves in a moment when words are being used in ever coarser ways – even when they are not being used anonymously. In this year’s heated political environment, there seems to be no minimum standard of decency – we slide lower and lower from boorish, ill-mannered behavior to a level of incivility that is unprecedented.”

I concluded the sermon on Erev Rosh Hashanah with a plea... I can’t solve the problem of a lack of civil discourse in our world – but I can try to do something about the growing lack of civil discourse here in our TABI community. Beginning in October, I am instituting a new initiative called simply “Lunch with the Rabbi.” Barbie will keep a calendar of Wednesday lunch appointments between the hours of 11:30 and 1:00. All you have to do is call the office and say, “I have something I would like to discuss over lunch with the rabbi.” Or, I would like to sign up for lunch with the rabbi.” These will be One on One meetings between you and me about issues that concern you, perhaps you disagree with positions I have taken or sermons I have delivered. You may want to talk politics, religion, Israel or other topics. The agenda is yours. You pick the place and firm up the time. The only ground rules are that both of us engage in civil and respectful discourse – that we are each open to understanding the other’s position and learning from one another.

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It is much easier to hide behind emails or to bypass me altogether and reach out to the Temple President or Board Members. Tonight, I am asking you to try another way – a healthier more direct and more productive way. I hope over the course of this next year to have lunch with many of you – to deepen our relationship, to engage in meaningful discourse and to restore some “civility” to a world that is growing less civil by the day.”

Friends, it is my hope that you take me up on this sincere request during this next year to sit down and have a dialogue about issues that may concern you. It is your agenda – as I stated above, you pick the date and time and confirm with Barbie in the Temple Office. It is my hope that we will get to know one another even better this year and engage in meaningful dialogue that will restore some civil discourse to our TABI community.

B’shalom,
Gary A. Mazo, Rabbi

Dear Friends,

TABI Thanksgiving Basket Food Drive is officially underway!

For those of you new to TABI, each year, our members generously donate money to create food baskets for families spending the Thanksgiving holiday in shelters. It’s one of our congregation’s longest running Mitzvah projects.

A donation of \$35 funds a basket of food for 8 people.

If you’d like to donate, make your check out to Temple Adath B’nai Israel and send it to P.O. Box 5265, Evansville, IN 47716.

Please consider donating this year. It’s a simple way to spread a lot of joy.

Thank you,
Patricia Weinzapfel

OCTOBER YAHRTZEITS

- October 1 Eleanor Gordon, Rachel Rudolph
- October 2 Geraldine Wolf Hamburg, Aileen Levin
- October 3 Arthur L. Fisher, Irving Senzell, Lillian R. Siegel
- October 5 Jean Goldberg, Arthur J. Lowenthal, Ethel Hamburg Olshan
- October 7 Joseph Breskow, Abe Eichel, Rebecca Reich Sackett
- October 9 Morris Hallert
- October 10 Alan Paul Siegel
- October 11 Lottie Winski
- October 14 David H. Begner, Ruth Shainin Mack
- October 15 Anna Danenberg, Vivian Greenberg, Robert Lee
- October 16 Mose Cohn
- October 17 Jesse Green
- October 18 Seymour D. Rubens, Anna D Trockman
- October 19 Max Green, Howard P. Trockman
- October 20 Dora M. Goldman, Regina Kaiser
- October 21 Isaac Abels, Ann Rothman Stone
- October 22 Neoma R Breskow, Lillian S. Norman, Simon Witt
- October 23 Anna Sharp Blacker Lieberman
- October 25 Edwin Lowenthal
- October 26 Nathan Teplitzky
- October 27 Louis Raymond "Sonny" Fisher, Lester Newman, Flora Opie
- October 28 Frederick (Bill) Drucker, Barney Wigodner, Irving Wigodner,
Sylvia Fishman Wigodner
- October 29 Janet Rose Bate, Lillian W. Lessure, Minnie Schultz
- October 30 Henry Silver, Jennie Yosowitz
- October 31 Alice Kahn, Lena Present

October Birthdays

10/01	Meagan Gold	10/16	Joshua Levi
10/02	Dr. Neil Feld		Dr. Deborah Goldman
	Kevin Golovin		Natalie Simon Forman
10/03	Diana J. Fine	10/18	Karen Feder
	Susan Siegel	10/19	Aaron Victor Sensell
10/04	Daniel Louis Pearson	10/20	Sonnie Cibull
10/05	Jeffrey Trockman		David Ellenstein
	Adena Lynn Siegel	10/21	Samantha Mara Sarett
	Paul Anthony Martin, Jr.		Steven Trockman
10/07	Joseph Haney		Anne Levin Karp
10/08	Bonnie Forman		Noah Richard Moss
	Aaron Ellenstein	10/22	Lauren Newcomb
	Richard Rosenfeld		Doris Siegel
	Mirah Kate Bloomfield	10/25	Brandon Cohen
10/11	Ronald Sater	10/27	Scott Lobel
	Asher James Trockman	10/28	Wendi Levi
10/13	Dr. Brett Trockman		Laurie Kessler McGowan
	Helen S. Sarett		Benjamin Henry Loeb
10/14	Charles Berger		Ziv Benjamin Barancik
10/15	Elizabeth Caroline Cook	10/30	Alan H. Newman
	Micah Benjamin Haas		

October Anniversaries

10/10	Edward & Amy Scharf	10/18	John & Ellen Farmer
10/12	Mr. & Mrs. Mike Guria		David Pellett & Kate Murray
10/13	Barry & Carol Siegel	10/21	Michael & Jennifer Sontz
	David & Janice Zendell	10/31	Susan & Scott Siegel
10/17	Mr. & Mrs. Brian Letourneau		

I welcome 5779 with gratitude. I am grateful for so much in my life and for the important part TABI plays in it.

This High Holy Day season, I would like to give special thanks to :

- Rabbi Mazo for his leadership, commitment to all of us and our community and for his inspiring HHD speeches.
- Josh and Aaron Riedford, Sarah Mostel & our Choir for their amazing voices and music
- Our board for all their participation in services and commitment all year long
- Gloria Mazo, Cindy Fine, Joy Fine, Elizabeth Strader, Michele Peterlin and Deena Laska-Lewis for help with Break-the-Fast
- Dave Pellet and Kate Murry for High Holiday flowers
- Our Gabi's Scotty Varble, Davena Day and Merral Lewis for keeping everything running smoothly for all our High Holiday services
- Sara Trockman for sharing honey from her bees to make this year extra sweet!
- Our youth group, Ed Scharf & the social action committee for taking the lead on donations for the United Caring Shelter
- Barbie Williams, our administrator, who keeps all the details in order and assists TABI leadership immensely!
- Karen Bush, Michele Lester, Ginny Smith and others that set up our Onegs and events
- **And especially to all of you, our members and friends, for making TABI the spiritual home it is for all of us.**

I mentioned in my Rosh Hashana speech about the various committees at TABI and the interest form that I would like to have completed by everyone. Your involvement at TABI is what makes TABI the warm, welcoming and enjoyable home it is. It will be emailed to everyone this week and please complete it if you haven't already and return it by email or drop it off.

My wish is that 5779 is truly our "Year of Engagement". It starts and continues with all of us!

Shanah Tova,
Michele

One God One Community Calendar for 2018/2019

We are getting ready to gear up for a great year of One God One Community programming. You may remember that last year we had a program on Life Cycle Traditions among the faith communities. Our last program was on the rituals surrounding marriage and divorce.

The topic of how each tradition approaches Death, burial and the afterlife is a much longer discussion, so we decided to have that discussion at each house of worship for our fall program. We also would like to help each other celebrate one another's holidays and "learn by doing" at key moments in the calendar. Lastly, we will once again gather the week before Thanksgiving for an Interfaith Thanksgiving Service. Times will be determined, but you can put the following dates in your calendars:

October 28, 2018	-	Death and Dying	-	Temple Adath B'nai Israel
November 14, 2018	-	Thanksgiving Service	-	St. Benedict Cathedral
December 9, 2018	-	Death and Dying	-	First Presbyterian Church
January 20, 2019	-	Death and Dying	-	St. Benedict Cathedral
February 10, 2019	-	Death and Dying	-	Islamic Center
March 10, 2019	-	Choral Vespers	-	First Presbyterian Church
April 22, 2019	-	Seder	-	Temple Adath B'nai Israel
May 8, 2019	-	Breaking the Fast	-	Islamic Center

JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The Evansville Jewish Community Council is committed to the future of our Jewish community. Your pledge to our annual campaign demonstrates your personal commitment to these ideals.

The JCC can use your pledge to support vital programs and sources locally and worldwide. In Israel Jews are suffering from the effects of terrorism and economic depression. Your pledge supports funding and aid to all groups. We also have a commitment to local and national endeavors. We are a vital part of a community in which we share a responsibility for each other. We are a community where we can each make a difference. Be committed, be involved--set an example for the entire community. We hope that you will take this message as a reminder that your support is critical.

Our community has responded well in the past to the needs of others around the world. This year we hope to see support from members of our community who have never made donations. Never let it be said that Evansville, Indiana has shirked its responsibility. Make your presence felt by sending your pledge in today! With your help, we will be able to continue our work at home and around the world. Your contributions are vitally needed.

Our apologies to the L. Berman Foundation for the inadvertent action in leaving their long-standing donation off our Hall of Fame listing.

GIVE A GIFT FROM THE HEART. TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

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FROM THE PRICIPAL'S DESK:

To usher in Sukkot, the students made beautiful sukkah decorations and each had a chance to say the blessings with the lulav and etrog before we gathered for a family dinner in the sukkah.

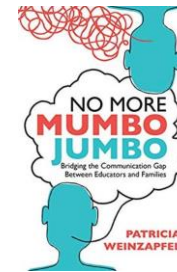


SO MANY MAZEL TOVs!!!!

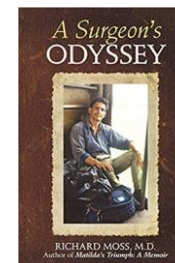
Jeff and Nancy Trockman have a new grandson! Levi Aaron Solomon was born on August 3, 2018 in San Francisco. His parents are Jeremy and Melanie Solomon.

Alan and Sandy Newman also have a new grandson!! Foster Carlin Hackworth born on September 18 in New York. His parents are Emily (Newman) and Thaddeus Hackworth.

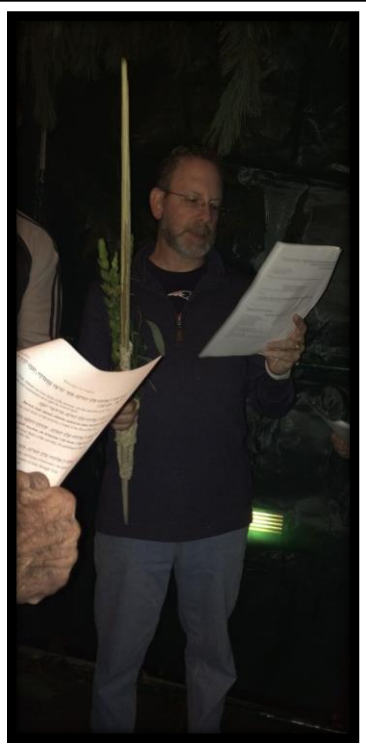
Stan and Sandy Newman's grandson, Eli Lieberman celebrated his bar mitzvah. Eli's project was to collect 100 Dr. Seuss books for Camp Rainbow. A camp for children with blood diseases and disorders. Eli's was able to spend a day with campers.



Patricia Weinzappel published her first book, "No More Mumbo Jumbo: Bridging the Communication Gap Between Educators and Families."



Dr. Richard Moss published his second book, "A Surgeon's Odyssey". It tells of a young man's decision to forgo comfort and financial security for the adventure of a lifetime, pitting himself against the specter of overwhelming suffering and illness. It narrates the unique journey of a cancer surgeon who, against conventional wisdom, embarked on a pilgrimage of healing and experienced surgical triumphs and setbacks amidst some of the most beguiling and fascinating cultures in the world.



SUKKOT 5779