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RABBI'S MESSAGE – Friendship: Our Most Precious Commodity



Rabbi Mark Glickman

Well, our fall holidays are now behind us, and as I write these words, it's the Hebrew month of Cheshvan, one of the quietest months of the Jewish year. Last month, during Nisan, we had holidays galore: Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Simchat Torah, and several Shabbats to boot. Cheshvan, however, is calmer. Aside from our weekly Sabbath, the rhythms of Jewish time are more subdued this month. No holidays; more routine; more time to reflect.

As I reflect upon the holidays of recent weeks, I find myself amazed that despite the pandemic, and despite the many forces working to isolate us, *hundreds* of us logged onto our

computers to participate in our online worship services. You could have gone "elsewhere" for virtual Days of Awe services this year. You could have Zoomed to services at large synagogues in New York, you could have live-streamed worship at Toronto mega-temples, you could have even zipped overseas for worship with an international bent. And even though our Temple B'nai Tikvah team did a great job running our worship this year, many of these other places could have given what we here at home could not – higher production values, famous rabbis, rock-star cantors, and more.

Nevertheless, most of you opted to log into services here at home, to participate in worship with your own congregation. And we were delighted to have you with us!

Why is it that so many of you chose to "stay home"? To worship here rather than elsewhere, to go with familiarity and locality over glitz?

There are many reasons, of course, but to me it's clear that the most common one can be summed up in one word: relationships. You know me; you know Katie Baker, our wonderful music director; you know Danny Oppenheim, our executive director, and you know he's operating behind the scenes; you know the people whose faces appeared in the little tiles on your Zoom screen. And those relationships matter. They

are the glue that holds us together as a community.

Taking this to heart, it's important to remember that Temple friendships don't create themselves out of nowhere. They used to be easier to establish, of course, but that was when we had onegs where we could meet one another, and services where we could sit in the same room together, and programs that helped us create those social bonds. Nowadays, however, the doors of our Temple building are closed; meeting new people is harder; maintaining friendships takes more work. Nowadays, we need to work in order to create them.

This pandemic has been going on for a *long* time now, and with each passing day, we need to work harder to forge those bonds. But we dare not abstain from this work, for we need one another now more than ever.

So reach out. Call your friends. Exchange a chat or two with the occupants of other tiles during services. Do what you need to do in order to stay connected. Do it for your own sake and for the sake of the rest of us, too.

The ancient rabbi, Hillel, taught, "*Al tifrosh min hatzibbur* – do not separate yourself from the community." And all this rabbi can add to Hillel's wise teaching is, "...now more than ever!"

CARING COMMUNITY



If you can volunteer your time to help your fellow B'nai Tikvah members by:

- cooking and/or baking in the Temple kitchen
- calling and/or visiting members in need
- shopping/delivering food to ailing or grieving members or
- driving members to appointments and/or services

Please contact Caron Glickman at (403) 909-8218.

LIFE CYCLE EVENTS

Mazel Tov

- Nadine & David Drexler on the birth of their granddaughter, Sadie

Condolences

- Leslie Handy and family on the loss of her mother, Norma Sautman

Healing Prayers

John Cheyne, Frank Clark, Joan Evans, Dr. Carl Groppe, Lee Handy, Itzhak Likver, Enrique Lis, Morris Purcel, Natalie Sharpe, Bev Sheckter, Pat Smolensky, Shauna Switzer, Henryk Tannenbaum, Avner Wilson

Save the Date: Rugelach Baking

Add to your Chanukah celebrations and bake rugelach with Sylva Nathanson over Zoom on Sunday, November 28. Further details will be shared in the weekly eblasts.

Yahrzeits

TO BE READ ON NOVEMBER 5-6

Lee Batterman	Roy Finkleman	Allan Karlinsky
Mary Moscovich	William Pasternak	Jordan Catchatonis
Moishe Hanen	Bella Korman	Joseph Moscovich
David Pollick	Eric Chodak	Marc Hester
Michael Mann	Mendel Nagler	Malcolm Scourfield
Mary Faber		

TO BE READ ON NOVEMBER 12-13

Saul Bleviss	Billie Greif	Isaac Leiser
Pearl Rosenbaum	Israel Sruki Switzer	Seymour Chappe
Alvin Kerr	Beatrice Light	Norman Rubin
Irene Zoberman	Richard Furst	Phyllis Lefcourt
Helen Michaud	Jacob Spindel	Victor Zyto
Sasha Gelber		

TO BE READ ON NOVEMBER 19-20

Richard Flint	Sidney Pearlman	Edythe Rogers Davis
Ben Schachar	William Levy	Solomon Hector Lipkind
Max Osten	Pearl Robins	Rose Roth
Shabse Sive		

TO BE READ ON NOVEMBER 26-27

Kathleen Allen	Faiga Friedman	Al Girtle
Edward Klassen	Allan H Schwartz	Harry Carnat
Chaim Gampel	Nelson Gotlieb	Louise McBean
David Wolk	Sara Carnat	Eva Gelmon
Arpad Kaldor	Raymond Michaud	Cipora Zadik
Harold Cohen		

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DONATIONS

TO	FROM	OCCASION
ADULT EDUCATION / ART & SCROLL		
Temple	Leslie and Lee Handy	In memory of Anne Tulchinsky
Temple	Leslie and Lee Handy	In memory of Doris Handy
Temple	Leslie and Lee Handy	In memory of Freda Sautman
AL OSTEN BUILDING FUND		
Nadine and David Drexler	Ron and Judy Bing	Mazel Tov
Sandy Fayerman & Family	Daniel and Roslyn Oppenheim	Condolences
Nadine and David Drexler	Daniel and Roslyn Oppenheim	Mazel Tov on the birth of Sadie
Temple	Susan Light	General donation
CARING COMMUNITY FUND		
Temple	George Goodman	In memory of Harry Knelman
Temple	George Goodman	In memory of Sondra Goodman
Temple	Mona and Howard Bell	General donation
DONNA RIBACK SHABBAT SCHOOL FUND		
Rabbi Glickman	Bonnie Kaplan	In honour of Rabbi Glickman
Katie Baker	Bonnie Kaplan	Thank you
Daniel Oppenheim	Bonnie Kaplan	Thank you
Mark Paidra	Bonnie Kaplan	Thank you
JEWISH ENRICHMENT FUND		
Temple	Janet Penkar	Yom Kippur donation
RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND		
Temple	George Goodman	Thank you to Rabbi Glickman
Temple	Morley and Cheryl Shore	In memory of Jack Shore, father of Morley Shore
Temple	Murray Robins and Mara Gibney	With thanks for the wonderful high holiday services
Temple	Molly and Brent Pilchar	Thank you
RITUAL FUND		
Temple	Katherine Sigurdson and Eliran Penkar	Thank you
SOCIAL ACTION FUND		
Temple	Susan Light	General donation
TEMPLE OPERATIONS FUND		
Temple	Susan Light	General donation

SOCIAL ACTION UPDATES

Brown Bagging for Calgary Kids



Our Brown Bag volunteers make a difference in the lives of Calgary children, who arrive at school without a lunch. We hear stories from teachers, who see first-hand, the positive changes in a student's behaviour because a basic need, food, was provided.

Every week our dedicated team of volunteers provide healthy lunches which are delivered and distributed daily to six schools. Our user-friendly online sign-up system allows volunteers to commit their time as it suits their availability. Please join us Monday and Wednesday mornings from 8:30 to 10:00 in the Temple kitchen. It's a nice way to start the day.

To sign up, please contact Cathy Tait at randctait@shaw.ca

For more information, please contact Mona Bell, monas.bell@outlook.com

Drive-by Food Drive

Thank you to all of our members who took the time to deliver food and monetary donations to Temple on September 25th. Jewish Family Services and the Calgary Food Bank were both most appreciative recipients. A special thanks to Jessy Kuehne and her intrepid team—Ethan, Leah, Noam, Tamara and Maggie—for donning their masks and doing the unloading.





The Calgary Alliance for the Common Good recently published its annual report with its accomplishments from March 2020 to August 2021. Below are highlights from that report.

Response to COVID 19

- A mental health campaign was launched and teams from member organizations were trained to reach out to their members. Thousands of people received a call from someone checking in with how they were doing.
- CACG developed a block captain program that morphed into a neighbourhood organizing effort. A grant from Mental Health and Addictions Alberta enabled the CACG to hire an organizer for this work.
- With the help of Alliance partners, approximately 3,000 computers were distributed to families in need.
- The Alliance with its partners disseminated information about accessing income supports and created a basic-income team.

Mental Health

- The Mental Health Research Action Team (MRAT) created an education campaign that offered 19 workshops to develop people's mental health and community-building skills.
- CACG initiated a campaign to support the development of Calgary's Mental Health Strategy. As a result of that strategy, there was an expansion of Police and Crisis Teams (PACG) and Mobile Response Teams (MRT). Calgary Police Service and Alberta Health Services also created six new PACT teams and the availability of PACT has been expanded to 22 hours/day, and the MRT consult line is being expanded to 24 hours per day.

Truth and Reconciliation

- The campaign to have the police appoint an Indigenous Liaison Officer in each of the Police districts has run into resistance from the Calgary Police Service but continues to advance.
- The campaign to change the name of Langevin School launched by Alliance partners with the leadership of the Change Langevin School group was successful and the school has been renamed Riverside School by the Calgary Board of Education.
- The CACG worked with other affiliates from the United States, Australia, New Zealand and Canada to create The Wrestling with the Truth of Colonization Process. The process was piloted December 2020, and the first session in June of 2021 had over 70 participants.

Environment

- The Environment team launched the Greenline Campaign in the middle of the pandemic. This campaign resulted in a 14-1 vote at the city council in favour of the Greenline. Ongoing advocacy by our members helped secure provincial support, and the Greenline finally received its final approval and funding to be built.
- CACG also joined the Climate Hub in a successful campaign to have ENMAX commit to going to net-zero by 2050. The team built an important relationship with ENMAX in the process.

City Budget

- CACG leaders were invited to be in dialogue with City Administration as the budget was being created. This early involvement meant that many of the CACG priorities were reflected in the budget presented before the council. This reflects well on the impact and growing respect the Alliance has gained.

Building Shared Strength

- In a year with many challenges, the Alliance has grown to 32 member organizations representing approximately 37,000 Calgarians.

Overall, it has been a remarkable year of significant accomplishments for the CACG that will impact hundreds of thousands of Calgarians. Temple B'nai Tikvah as a member organization of the Calgary Alliance for the Common Good has proudly contributed to all these accomplishments.

LIFE & LEGACY

Cold weather is upon us soon, which sometimes makes us inclined to withdraw and hibernate a bit. But hibernating is a description of what we have all been doing for the last 20 months during the pandemic.

Fortunately, our synagogue continues to offer a pretty 'full-service menu' via the internet, so if anyone is not feeling very engaged with Temple right now, you should join some of our online services!

Our LIFE & LEGACY program is also continuing to move forward because of online engagement. Right now we are reaching out to a lot of people to simply educate them about what LIFE & LEGACY is, and what it can do for the future financial stability of our congregation.

As I have explained previously, thanks to the many Temple members who have joined the Temple Legacy Circle (listed below), Temple's future is much more promising than it was just two years ago. These people have indicated that they intend to include a legacy gift in their will, or life insurance, or some other type of after-life gift.

Thank you! But let's not stop now—there are many more families who need to learn about LIFE & LEGACY to truly ensure Temple's future. When we call and ask to do a Zoom meeting to explain LIFE & LEGACY and how it might fit into your own life, *please say yes!* There is no pressure—just the request to review the program with you.

To those individuals and families in the Temple Legacy Circle listed below, *Kol HaKavod*. Thank you from the Temple LIFE & LEGACY TEAM: Ron Bing, Gertrude Cohos, Josh Orzech, Mark Paidra, Cheryl Shore, and Bonnie Kaplan (403-245-0568; bonniejoykaplan@gmail.com).

THE TEMPLE LEGACY CIRCLE AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2021

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Anonymous (2) | 20. Josh Hesslein | 38. Cathy Basskin |
| 3. Judy & Ron Bing | 21. Annie Brodsky | 39. Rick Phillips |
| 4. Bonnie Kaplan & Richard Conte | 22. Norman & Kathy Schachar | 40. Rabbi Rick Kline |
| 5. Gertrude Cohos | 23. Roz Mendelson & David Hodgins | 41. Phil & Jane Rotman |
| 6. Shauna L. Switzer | 24. Naomi Johansen | 42. Howard & Mona Bell |
| 7. Steve & Debbie Baylin | 25. Nadine & David Drexler | 43. Jeff & Helen Faber |
| 8. Cheryl & Morley Shore | 26. Sid Horovitz | 44. Ben & Vivian Herman |
| 9. Peta Glezerson | 27. Sara Hastings-Simon | 45. Shelley Werner |
| 10. Susan Light | 28. Jennifer Eiserman | 46. Abigail Draper |
| 11. Jane Paterson | 29. Ashley Runka Owens & Dustin Owens | 47. Lorraine Spector |
| 12. Daniel & Roslyn Oppenheim | 30. Michael Tavel Clarke | 48. Martin Molyneaux |
| 13. Megan MacFarland & Tibor Kaldor | 31. Hartley & Nadine Waldman | 49. Deborah Yedlin |
| 14. Alex A. Osten | 32. Jonathan Zyto & Susan Klassen | 50. Brian & Gayla Rogers |
| 15. Larry & Tina Stanleigh | 33. Ron Plucer | 51. Cam & Debbie Cousins |
| 16. Ted Switzer & Michele Doctoroff | 34. Marc Ereshefsky & Ayala Roudstein | 52. Jerry & Elaine Hashman |
| 17. Betsy Jameson | 35. Joshua Orzech | |
| 18. Jack & Donna Newton | 36. Rabbi Mark & Dr. Caron Glickman | |
| 19. Lisa Welikovitch & Mark Paidra | 37. Monica & Gustavo Adrian Lis | |

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Wednesday Nov. 3, 2021

6:00 pm Pacific/ 7:00 pm Mountain/ 8:00 pm Central/ 9:00 pm Eastern

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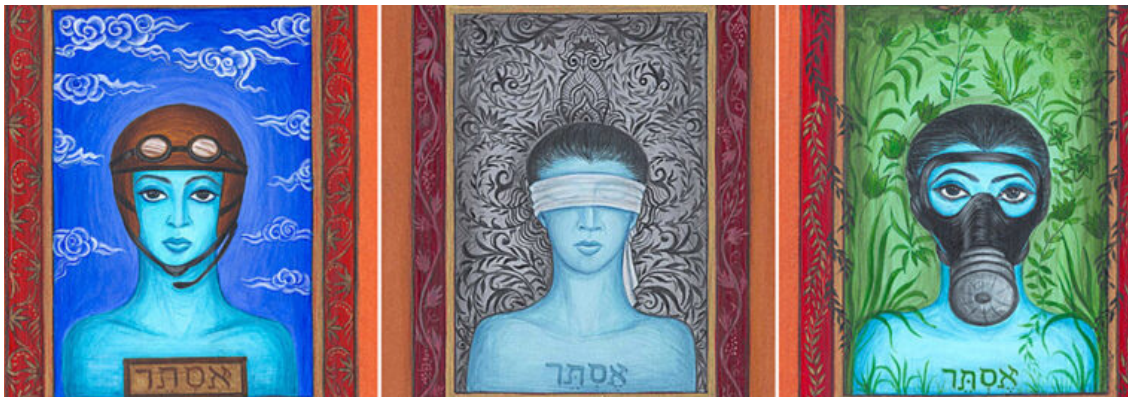
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