

Tuesday Tidbits

~May 4, 2021~

Welcome to May!



OUTDOOR SHABBAT SERVICES

This Friday, May 7th we are going to welcome the Sabbath in the glorious outdoors at the temple. Gathering in person is so exciting for all of us but we are going to proceed cautiously.

The most recent CDC guidelines say that when a gathering includes both vaccinated and unvaccinated people, everyone should still wear masks, even outdoors in small gatherings. We know that not all of us have had the chance to get vaccinated, and kids aren't even eligible yet! So because we don't want to exclude any congregants, we are going to err on the side of caution and ask everyone to wear a mask at all times during the service for the safety of our congregants.

We will have the chairs socially distanced per the suggested guidelines. Please feel free to move your chairs wherever you are comfortable.

Services start at 6:00 pm followed by a Covid safe oneg hosted by the Sisterhood.

If you plan on attending, please let Angela know so we can prepare enough seating and food for all.

There will not be a Zoom link for this particular service. Only in person. Zoom link services will resume the following week with possibly having one outdoor service a month during the summer, weather/heat permitting.

Finally we gather again!

TEMPLE DIRECTORY THIS FALL

As many of you know, we always produced a temple directory that contained all of our contact information and was handed out during the High Holy Days. The temple website now provides those details but we think it is important to make a hard copy every couple of years. Angela will be contacting you for all updated addresses, phone numbers, etc... Pam DeWitt will contact you with hopes that you will be willing to purchase an ad in the directory. It is a way for us to cover the costs and also a lovely place to brag on your children with their pics, wish someone a happy new year, honor someone in this lovely format, in memory of a loved one, you get the idea. Pam will be providing examples from past directories when she reaches out to you.

It takes a while to gather all this information so Angela, Anna Singer and Pam DeWitt will start contacting each of you this month. That gives us plenty of time to prepare your ad, make updates and go to print in early August. Looking forward to touching base with you!

THE ARTS COUNCIL NEWSLETTER MAY 2021

Click on the link below to find a wonderful article about our very own Amy Ahmed and her commitment to our community and the arts. Way to go Amy!



<https://mailchi.mp/a79f86d0a438/the-arts-council-newsletter-march-5518292?e=77d7559e11>

MAY IS JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

In the U.S., the month of May is Jewish American Heritage Month, established by President George W. Bush in 2006. Learn more about the history of the month by clicking on the following link.

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DONATIONS

Bob & Geri Stone in honor of Temple Emanuel's Leadership Team.

MAZEL TOV TO AIDAN METSKY

Congratulations to Aidan Metsky for becoming a Bar Mitzvah this past weekend. What a lovely celebration your family planned for you and so well deserved. You did a great job and everyone is proud of you.

Aidan is the son of Ashley (Bloom) and Allan Metsky and the grandson of Star Bloom and the late Stan Bloom who adored Aidan so dearly. Mazel Tov!

MEMORIAL TRUST SCROLL MAY 2021 NEWSLETTER

Follow the link below for the latest MST Newsletter.

<https://preview.mailerlite.com/m0y3y6/1677517301726842682/f8c6/>

GOOD BYE TO THE HORWITZ FAMILY!

We are so sad to see Kelly, Paul, Samantha and Isaac leaving Tuscaloosa and heading to Birmingham so the children can attend a different school system. How wonderful they have been to our temple and their absence will leave a big hole in our hearts. Thank you for being a part of our temple family for many years and we wish you the very best in your new community. Kelly will be especially missed by the many people she delivered Meals on Wheels to. She never missed a month and we know they will miss seeing her kind face.

If you would like to send a card to the family their new mailing address is:
2713 Hanover Circle S
Birmingham , Alabama 35205

Yahrzeits

May 7-8

Baila Karasek 05 02 0001
Chester Goldstein 05 03 1963
Charles Goodman 05 03 1979
Andre Elder 05 03 1993
Joseph Engel 05 04 1982
Ezell Walker 05 04 2016
Ben Block 05 06 1976



Weekly Torah Portion

B'har - B'chukotai

Leviticus 25:1-27:34

Haftarah: Jeremiah 16:19-17:14

The Eternal One spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai: "Speak to the Israelite people and say to them: When you enter the land that I assign to you, the land shall observe a sabbath of the Eternal." - Leviticus 25:1-2

If you follow My laws and faithfully observe My commandments, I will grant your rains in their season, so that the earth shall yield its produce and the trees of the field their fruit. - Leviticus 26:3-4

SUMMARY

- God instructs Moses to tell the Israelites that in every seventh year, the land shall observe a Sabbath of complete rest: Fields should not be sown and vines should not be pruned. (25:1-7)
- After forty-nine years, a jubilee year is to be celebrated when all the land that had been sold during that time should be returned to its original owners and slaves are to be freed. (25:8-55)
- God instructs Moses to tell the Israelites not to make idols, to keep the sabbath, and to venerate the sanctuary of the Eternal. (26:1-2)
- God promises blessings to the Children of Israel if they follow the law and warns about the curses that will befall the people if they do not observe God's commandments. (26:1-46)
- Gifts made to the Sanctuary whether by conditional vows or by unconditional acts of pious gratitude are discussed. (27:1-34)

- **PODCAST ON B'HAR - B'CHUKOTAI**
- **ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF B'HAR - B'CHUKTAI**