

Ohavay Zion Synagogue

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Bulletin

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President's Message



Shalom my OZS Mishpacha,

You should have received a postcard (see above)* telling you about our High Holiday services during the pandemic. This is a very tough and demanding situation to navigate. I say “is” because we are still trying to figure the best way through it. Thank you to all who shared your thoughts on the survey. We have a Re-opening committee made up of 7 congregants including our visiting Rabbi Rachel Sabath Beit Halachmi, PhD. Plus, the entire Religious Committee, our Exec Committee and our Board all considering options. We feel the safest way to have a successful High Holiday experience is mostly, if not entirely, online. Believe me when I tell you this is NOT an easy decision. A number of us have attended group meetings (online!) with other Rabbis and Presidents of other congregations throughout the US and Mexico. Yes, I was in a meeting and one of the attendees was a President of a congregation in Mexico. The ideas among these groups were far leaning. From online only to having social distanced seating and a choir. At this moment we are still examining different scenarios. My plan is to keep you informed as we nail down when, where and how we will get this done. Since it is such a fluid situation it is hard to make a commitment without knowing what tomorrow will bring. What I can say for certain is we are looking to bring you a magnificent service in the parameters allowed. If nothing else, it will be fun to be a part of OZS history. My appreciation goes out to all involved in making this decision and all of you who understand our best is being done.

Thank you, Ira Cooper

*Appreciation to Penina Goldstein for the card design

RABBI'S MESSAGE

Shalom U'vracha to the whole OZS Family,

First of all, I want to offer many thanks and much gratitude to all of you who have welcomed me into this precious and committed synagogue community! So many of you have opened your homes, your hearts, your minds to me and shared your hopes for OZS with me. I look forward to connecting with many more of you via Zoom meetings [click [here](#) to schedule a time to meet one-on-one], at prayer and learning events, and G-d willing soon, at in-person gatherings.

This is an intense time in our world and for our congregation. I am honored to help lead OZS and to offer rabbinic wisdom, counseling, and leadership. Given what we have experienced and what we hope to plan for the future, I want to call our attention to two important dates on the Hebrew calendar in August:

We celebrate **Tu B'Av**, the 15th of Av, on August 5th, a celebration of love and *shiduchim*. While it's a minor holiday, it reminds us to affirm the love we have experienced in our lives and reminds us to help others find their chosen ones. Especially now, don't forget to celebrate love.

We begin the month of Elul (Rosh Hodesh is on Thursday, August 20th). The whole month of Elul is a time to reflect on the past and to consider how we might have hurt others in the past and to whom we should turn for forgiveness. This is how we get ready for the high holy days in our hearts and souls.

Because celebrating love is much easier than dealing with the hard 'stuff' in our relationships, I invite you to begin on August 20th, Rosh Hodesh Elul (but no need to wait until then), the process of preparing yourself for *teshuvah*/repentance. For most people, thinking about how we've been hurt and who we need to forgive (but often have a hard time doing so) comes more easily than thinking about who we might have hurt, knowingly and unknowingly and who we need to forgive us. ***But to ignore these interpersonal injuries, and to hold onto our anger or resentment, often just allows them to fester. To forgive, on the other hand, is to allow for healing both for ourselves and for the other person.***

To get the process started, consider these **four steps**:

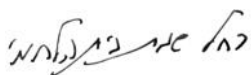
- Make a list of the people and ways you've been hurt in the past year;
- Make a list of those who you have likely hurt in some way in the past year;
- Practice writing a letter of forgiveness (not via email!) to at least one person on the first list. No need to send it (yet). Practicing forgiveness –whenever possible-- allows for negativity to lessen and makes moving forward more possible. If it doesn't seem possible to forgive just yet, consider inviting the person into a conversation. Perhaps we don't really have all the details. Sometimes even just talking one-on-one can clear the air. Sometimes just having a conversation with another person and offering them the benefit of the doubt/*kaf zechut* can allow for a positive turn. You'll never know unless you open the lines of communication.
- Practice writing a letter to someone on the second list, someone you likely have hurt, even if you're not sure. Share something of why you hope they will forgive you and offer a conversation. Offer them the opportunity to share their hurt with you.

What comes next?

Consider writing a private letter to yourself about how it feels to forgive and be forgiven. Ask yourself why it's important to you.

Unlike so many things in our world that we have zero opportunity to change or influence, the possibilities of *teshuvah*/repentance are great. This process offers us the opportunity to change our relationships for the better; to live with greater love and compassion as we move toward a New Year. It might not be easy, but it's worth the effort. It can bring us all more healing and more peace.

With warm blessings of to all,



Rabbi Rachel Sabath
Beit-Halachmi, Ph.D.

YOUTH EDUCATION NEWS

Aug 30th and Sep 13th at 10am Beth Ellen Rosenbaum will do a special music class for our 4yrs-1st grade classes on Zoom. Stay tuned for more info!

We would like to welcome Hannah Compton and Justin Sadle as our new Religious School teachers.

Teachers will be holding welcome sessions for their Sunday School classes which will start after the High Holidays.

Hebrew school will start on Zoom on Sunday Aug 26th.

Please make sure to register so you get all the updates: <https://forms.gle/SjHi2ueQ7oqH7rSx9>
Ilona

WOMEN'S LEAGUE SISTERHOOD

You should have received in the mail your Women's League Sisterhood Directory/High Holiday Greetings book forms for completion and return, along with application forms for Women's League and Men's Club. So that we can assure your directory information is up-to-date, and to include your High Holiday Greetings to your fellow congregants, please be sure to send the completed forms to OZS by August 10, 2020. Please contact [Carol Kaplan](#) with any questions.

HADASSAH

HADASSAHLexington and HADASSAHRochester present

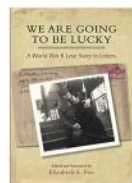
BOOK & AUTHOR ZOOM PROGRAM

Liz Fox

“WE ARE GOING TO BE LUCKY”

World War II Love Story in Letters

Step back in time to the 1940's as Liz highlights letters her mother wrote to her dad and the letters her dad wrote back from Europe to her mom in Brooklyn.



JOIN US
Sunday
September 13, 2020
AT 1 PM

RSVP to Lynn Furness, lfurness@hadassah.org - Zoom details will be shared once you reply.
QUESTIONS? email Lynn or call her at 859.338.5970

There is no charge for this program, but please consider a donation to Hadassah.
Go online to www.hadassah.org to donate OR send your check to the Midwest office,
40 Revere Drive, Suite 800, Northbrook, IL 60062 with a note on the check that it is for this event.

LIZ'S BOOK IS AVAILABLE ON AMAZON — PRINT AND DIGITAL

Please continue to watch your weekly announcements for information on scheduled activities and how to access them.

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- ✧ *Anonymous*
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- ✧ *Michelle Beard*
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In Honor of Rabbi Cohen
- ✧ *Lana & Clarence Weddle*
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- ✧ *Fran Winstock & Nancy Rosenblum*
In Memory of Adalin Moskowitz, our mother

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- ✧ *Gilson Capilouto*
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- ✧ *Lynn & Jim Furness*
In Memory of Rabbi Uri Smith

EDUCATION - YOUTH

- ✧ *David Goldenberg*
In Memory of Marc Daniel Goldenberg
- ✧ *Hanna Smith*
In Memory of My Mother, Elisabeth Blaustein

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- ✧ *Kathie & Lou Kroot*
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OZS Thanks you for your donation!

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 To donate stock, securities or other assets please contact the office.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Simone Salomon	8/2	Lila Hagenbuch	8/8	Ari Messer	8/16	Lisa Zunshine	8/24
Ricki Goldstein	8/3	Natalie Wolfsdorf	8/9	Taylor Schwab	8/17	Wes Hagenbuch	8/25
Amy Howe	8/4	Zachary Schneider	8/12	Jen Algire	8/18	Adina Lily	8/25
Judy Baumann	8/5	Marilyn Cherson	8/13	Michael Grossman	8/19	Jeff Kaplan	8/26
Robin Michler	8/5	Julie Smoak	8/13	Lynn Furness	8/20	Cindy Derer	8/28
Stacey Slovis	8/5	Alison Caller	8/14	Akiva Himelhoch	8/20	Kate Davis-Rosenbaum	8/29
Nava Himelhoch	8/7	Leon Ravvin	8/14	Simon M Lowe	8/23	Steve Kraman	8/30
Rebecca Ziegler	8/7	Sophie Mash	8/16	Hannah Plattner	8/24		

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Bennett & Paula Bayer	8/6	43rd anniversary	Michael Mayer & Amy Faust Mayer	8/18	11th anniversary
Amy & Dan Howe	8/11	36th anniversary	Joe & Ricki Rosenberg	8/19	42nd anniversary
Micah & Amanda Baumfeld	8/12	13th anniversary	Sarah Lowe & Elisabeth Smith	8/21	11th anniversary
David & Evalynne Elias	8/12	48th anniversary	Darcie & James Jarman	8/30	25th anniversary
Steve & Susan Caller	8/15	56th anniversary	Larry & Ricki Goldstein	8/31	40th anniversary
Robert & Joan Flashman	8/15	49th anniversary	Scooter & Kelly Stein	8/31	1st anniversary
Arthur & Simone Salomon	8/17	52nd anniversary			

Our son Andrew Grossman, and his fiancé, Kelsey Koch officially became "Partners in Marriage" on Bastille Day, July 14th, in Corona Park, Flushing Meadows, New York. Social distancing was observed, and the park regulars enjoyed being part of the occasion. Their "big party" celebration will be observed post Pandemic. Andrew, a 1995 OZS Bar Mitzvah, Henry Clay H.S. and U.K graduate, is the son of Kathy and Michael Grossman.



GIFT SHOP SALE

Everything in the Gift Shop is discounted 25% for August.

Contact Madeline Moosnick-Lakes via phone: **410-598-4008** or by email: mmooslake@gmail.com

IF YOU HAVE A SIMCHA (COLLEGE GRAD, WEDDING, BIRTHS ETC.) THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE CONTACT THE OFFICE AT 859-266-8050 OR OFFICE@OZS.ORG

YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER/DONATION DRIVE

Thank you to all the contributors to the LEXUSY/Community Response Coalition of Kentucky (CRCKY) fundraiser donation drive. A total of \$1,820.50 was raised, and with the \$250 donated by the Youth Group, a check for \$2,070.50 is being sent to the CRCKY. The CRCKY helps immigrants who are ineligible for government assistance during the COVID-19 pandemic. The CRCKY assists clients with one month of rent and utilities. Clients are also connected to various food assistance organizations throughout Kentucky.

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Any further contributions should be made directly to CRCKY.

OZS
Sippin' into
Shabbat
with Rabbi
Sabath

Aug 21st , Sep 4th, Sep 25th
Oct 9th, Oct 30th,
Nov 13th , Nov 20th, Dec 11th

Friday
5-5:30pm
3-12 years old

Meeting ID: 850 7892 1059 Passcode: 5781

Amazon Smile

Thank you to those who have been using AmazonSmile and have designated Ohavay Zion Congregation as the organization to receive 0.5% of your eligible purchases. OZS just received \$50.56 for the Jan. 1-March 31, 2020 time period. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com> and please continue to support Ohavay Zion! Have questions? Please contact Debbie Aminoff, Board treasurer, by email: debbie.aminoff@gmail.com or phone: 859-317-3839.

Kroger Community Rewards

Thank you to all that have signed up for our Kroger Community Rewards program. Last quarter, OZS received \$455.79 from the Rewards Program. If you haven't signed up yet but are a Kroger shopper you can help OZS earn fundraising dollars at NO COST TO YOU!!!! All you will have to do is present your Kroger Plus card and then we get the proceeds. Please go on line now to krogercommunityrewards.com to register, be sure to have your Kroger Plus Card and OZS #WI315. If you have any questions about it please call or email the [office](mailto:office@ohavayzion.com).

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8/2	Abe B. Grossman	Av 12		8/18	Benjamin Levy	Av 28
8/3	Charles Feldman	Av 13		8/18	Herman Stone	Av 28
8/3	Edwin H. Munich	Av 13		8/19	Maggie Arvidson	Av 29
8/3	Malka Vulakh	Av 13		8/19	Freda Grace Miller	Av 29
8/4	Samuel Cherson	Av 14		8/19	Helen Spiegel	Av 29
8/4	Sarah Levy	Av 14		8/21	Ruth Feigenbaum	Elul 1
8/4	Lois Thompson Neeley	Av 14		8/22	Yuriy Khanukayev	Elul 2
8/5	Louise Heigel	Av 15		8/25	Jack Sperling	Elul 5
8/5	Henry C. Wiesen	Av 15		8/26	Dora Rosenbaum	Elul 6
8/6	Betty Ferstman Rosenthal	Av 16		8/26	Charles Jacob Travis	Elul 6
8/7	Morris Godhelff	Av 17		8/28	Miriam P. Finkel	Elul 8
8/7	Kasil Rosenstein	Av 17		8/29	Meredith Brause	Elul 9
8/8	Solomon Ezrine	Av 18		8/29	Samuel Hashel Dabby	Elul 9
8/8	Marc Daniel Goldenberg	Av 18		8/29	Harry Kniaz	Elul 9
8/8	Elaine Zaitlen	Av 18		8/29	Herbert M. Solomon	Elul 9
8/9	Jenny Kaplan Bloom	Av 19		8/30	Irv Kroot	Elul 10
8/9	Charlotte Levy	Av 19		8/30	Bessie Neuman	Elul 10
8/9	Mary Rosenberg	Av 19		8/30	Anita Reiner	Elul 10
8/10	Vicki Doukas	Av 20		8/31	Gay Stein Dressler	Elul 11
8/10	Rebecca Wiesen Herman	Av 20		8/31	Vera Heigel	Elul 11
8/11	Rae Eldot	Av 21		8/31	Harold Masterman	Elul 11
8/11	Hirsch Wulff Kaplan	Av 21		8/31	Ed Stein	Elul 11
8/11	Teddy G. Tevelson	Av 21				
8/12	Joe Rosenberg	Av 22				
8/13	Frank (Ferenc A.) Szekely	Av 23				
8/14	Sarah Rebecca Goller	Av 24				
8/14	Dorothy Klar	Av 24				
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8/15	Louis Ades	Av 25				
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Observance
begins at
sundown of the
previous
evening
with lighting of
the yahrzeit
candle.
The traditional
act of tzedaka,
honoring
a loved one, is
often performed
at this time.*



IN MEMORIAM

WE MOURN THE PASSING OF...

Nancy Kravitz
July 22, 2020 - 1 Av 5780
Sister of Judy Baumann