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From Your Rabbi...



It's a surreal feeling that I have writing this article for the *Focal Point*. As I sit to write this, we've shut down the *shul* for at least the next few weeks, due to the coronavirus crisis. So many things in our lives right now are similarly shut down, whether it's the schools of our kids and grandkids, the movie theaters, sports leagues, etc. Many of us are mostly confined to our homes right now. And, as if

to add insult to injury, we also have to bear the pain of losing our access to the *shul*, at precisely the moment when we really could use it the most. That in-person communal prayer and fellowship could go a long way toward keeping us more grounded right now.

But I'm writing to propose that we have not, in fact "lost" the *shul*, and that indeed we should not view it that way. We've simply moved online and on the phone. I was skeptical and anxious at first with regards to how this could possibly work. But I just finished giving my weekly class on the Passover *haggadah* on Zoom; and I was delighted to see that I actually had far more attendees to this online class than I ever get in person! This tells me something. This tells me that people are yearning to connect right now in ways that they've never felt before. This tells me that when the *shul* does finally reopen, hopefully soon, that there will be an outpouring of energy and of love and appreciation for it that we may not have felt in a long time, if ever.

Recently **Rabbi Scott White** and I recorded a *kabbalat Shabbat* jam session with guitar and joyous singing. This was not something that we would had necessarily thought to do in "normal times!" All of this tells me that I think we will emerge from this crisis stronger and closer knit than ever before.

I've been inspired to see our board members reaching out to our congregants, especially those who are older or isolated, to see if they need any help right now. There are bonds of closeness being forged right now, over the phone and online, that ironically, in some ways, are surpassing even the sense of community that we had in person before this crisis, when things were more routine -- when we took it all for granted.

I'd like to share with you something that my son Ari just said a few hours ago (and I'm thankfully getting to know my son Ari much better now, staying at home with him all day!) I was tutoring one of our *bar mitzvah* boys over the phone, and I asked him to chant his *Torah* portion. And as he was chanting it, my 3 year old son Ari, who was right nearby, got a glow in his eye and said: "he's at *shul!* He's at *shul!*" This warmed my heart. I propose that Ari was correct. We were all, indeed, "at *shul?*" in that moment. Do we need to be in the same building to be "at *shul?*" Well, ideally, the answer is yes. But I'm learning that that's not so absolute. *Shul* is about connecting with each other -- spiritually, emotionally, socially. Let's all learn from my son Ari's wisdom that we can indeed remain "at

From Your President...



Well, it's finally here. It's SPRINGTIME! Patience is everything. Purim is in our rearview mirror and Passover is fast approaching. Throw in some coronavirus and everything comes to a screeching halt!

First, the good news. Purim at K.I. was amazing. The *Megillah* was read several times so everyone had the opportunity to

hear it twice, like we are supposed to. I was so pleased and happy to see many children take part in the costume contest. What joy! The dinner was delicious as always. Thanks to Joe & Debbie Adamous and Maureen & Amir Minoofar and their committee: Rochelle Adamous; Emily Minoofar; Clint & Cristi Gillom, Zakaiyah Gillom; Dr. Donald & Natalie Cohen; Arlene Abrams; Brenda Fishman; Sharon Noorollah; Mickey Batnitzky; Brenda McKinnon and Maurice Eastman.

Then to top it all off we had the story of Purim set to the music of the Beatles! Thank you **Carolyn Braverman** and your group of thespians (see page 7 for a list of names.) I thought the Chanukah play was amazing, but the Purim *shpiel* just blew me away! We had over 200 guests and it was truly an evening to remember. Can't wait for next year's dinner and *shpiel*!!!

When I was a young boy in Hebrew School, Cantor Solomon taught us many *Pesach* songs. One of the songs that keeps coming to mind, tells us "*Pesach*, *Pesach* time is here. With its *matzahs* and its wine, we will feast and we will dine." This is a time of feasting and celebrating our freedom. At our *seders* we should think about those that are enslaved today all across the world and pray for their freedom.

Now, the bad news. Coronavirus. This is unprecedented in our lifetime. It's bringing our economy to its knees and impacting every person in the world, one way or another. What can we do? We have to listen to what our government tells us, listen to your doctors and rabbis. It's a good opportunity to spend time with your family. Don't take unnecessary chances. I want to thank Rabbi Grussgott and Elizabeth Peden for taking this coronavirus "bull by the horn." Thank you for checking and rechecking this horrible virus and coming up with alternative solutions to the problems that it's causing. I'm optimistic that if we follow your advice and that of other professionals, the members of K.I. will be fine. B"H.

Finally, I want to express my condolences to my wife, **Rosemary**, on the passing of her mother, Norma Wheatley. Norma lived a full, long life and passed away one month shy of her 98^{th} birthday. May she rest in peace.

Rosemary and I wish each of you a happy and healthy Passover. Be safe and be well.

Marty Gorin, President

SHABBAT READINGS

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

Candlelighting*.....7:27 PM

SATURDAY, APRIL 4 SHABBAT HAGADOL TZAV

Leviticus 6:1-8:36 *Haftarah*: Malachi 3:4-3:24 *Havdalah*......8:19 PM

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FRIDAY, APRIL 10 SATURDAY, APRIL 11 SHABBAT CHOL HAMOED PASSOVER

(See Passover Schedule on page 4)

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FRIDAY, APRIL 17

Candlelighting*.....7:40 PM

SATURDAY, APRIL 18 BLESSING OF THE NEW MONTH OF *IYAR* SHEMINI

Leviticus 9:1-11:47

Haftarah II Samuel 6:1-7:17

Havdalah......8:33 PM

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FRIDAY, APRIL 24

Candlelighting*.....7:47 PM

SATURDAY, APRIL 25 ROSH CHODESH IYAR TAZRIA-METZORA

Leviticus 12:1-15:33 Maftir: Numbers 28:9-15 Haftarah: Isaiah 66:1-66:24

Havdalah.....8:41 PM

* NO LATER THAN



Dear Elizabeth Peden & K.I. Community,

Thank you so very much for welcoming our family into your faith and your Purim celebration this week. It was such an enriching experience for

our family, as we study and learn abouth the Jewish faith and traditions. The reading of the Megillah was very special to us - thank you Rabbi Grussgott!

The show and dinner were wonderful. What talent you have among your members at K.I.!!

Thank you again and may G-d bless you richly.

In Gratitude, The Thomson Family

SELLING YOUR CHAMETZ

Date

I hereby empower and give full authority to Rabbi Moshe Grussgott to act as my agent concerning any transaction involving all types of *chametz* that I own before *Pesach* 5780, whether in my possession or not in my possession, and even *chametz* that I shall purchase after signing this document. This power means to include all types of *chamez*, *chametz* products, mixtures of *chametz* and *chametz* utensils, both before and after *Pesach*.

Signed		
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Printed Name____

Address(es)
Address(es)

You can also print the Selling Your Chametz form, fill it out, scan it back in, and email to ashanberg@kisyn.org.

Return to the synagogue by Monday, April 6.

10501 Conser, Overland Park, KS 66212



THANK YOU TO OUR PURIM PATRONS:

Joseph, Debbie & Rochelle Adamous; William Anderson; Paul & Susie Blackman; B'Nai Bryant, Kansas City Downtown Minyan; Helen Brown; Arnie & Carol Caviar; Doris Chopp; Dr. Donald & Natalie Cohen; Brenda Fishman; Frank & Sondra Friedman; Marsha

Friedman; William & Sandra Gasser; Paul & Susie Gershon; Richard & Barbie Glass; Alan & Jackye Goldberg; Elliott & Linda Goldstein; Marty & Rosemary Gorin; Michael & Karen Gortenburg; Bill Greenberg & Melinda McConnell; Rabbi Moshe & Becca Grussgott; Larry & Randi Haith; Daniel & Sylvana Hammer; Sandie Jabenis; Richard & Ali Jacobson; The Kolkin Family; Dr. Mikhail & Elena Kosiborod; Rabbi Seymour & Marsha Krinsky; Sandy & Ruth Levine; Sharon Levitan; Mel Mallin; Rabbi Herbert & Barbara Mandl; Amir & Maureen Minoofar; Lewis & Sue Nerman; Rebecca Nowack; Dr. William & Ruth Nowack; Steve & Susan Osman; Sylvia Partridge; Elizabeth Peden; David & Deanna Pool; Dr. Jay & Ellen Portnoy; Marc & Leslee Price; Leonard & Nedra Rosen; Doris Rubin; Bill & Fani Schifman; Carole Sher; Rick Simon & Cantor Sharon Kohn; Drs. Michael & Shari Sokol & Family; and Jerry Stolov & Judy Elliott.



Dear K.I. Members & Staff,

Thank you so much for delivering the bag of Purim goodies to my door. It was especially appreciated since I have been sick and missed everything at the synagogue. I hope everyone had a happy and healthy holiday.

Best wishes, Shirley Beiser

From Your Executive Director...



We hope everyone is being safe and staying well! As you all know by now, the physical building of the synagogue is temporarily closed due to COVID-19 (coronavirus). However, clergy and office staff are working remotely and are here for you! This edition of the *Focal Point* will not go out through the U.S. mail but is being sent via an eblast and is on our website.

At this time, we are collecting U.S. mail sent to K.I. once a week and processing it. *Yahrzeit* notices have been mailed to remind you of your loved ones' *yahrzeits*. If you leave a message on a staff member's extension, it forwards an email to them, so they will get your message. We are

having virtual meetings, classes, and services on Zoom. If you have not used Zoom previously, it is easy to use. Click on a link we send you for an event, and it will ask you to download Zoom if it is not on your computer. After that, you will just click on a link we send at the appointed time and join in!

You can scan your *chametz* form (page 2) and email it to Allegra Shanberg at ashanberg@kisyn.org. Yes, you can also send it via the U.S. mail, but email is faster, cheaper, and easier to deal with right now. Also, you should have received an email about voting for our new board members and officers as well as bylaws changes. Again, the preferred method to vote is by email, and we need your vote prior to the virtual meeting on Sunday, April 5th. Hope you will vote ahead and get to see everyone on Zoom on April 5th! We will have a 'blow out' *kiddush* meal (as **Brenda Fishman** likes to describe it) when we can all get together in person again!

Our two April *bar mitzvah* ceremonies and *kiddushim* at K.I. have been postponed. The families will celebrate with us later this year.

Also, our annual K.I. Allan Greenberg Memorial Golf Tournament – this year dedicated to the memory of Marlene Krakow—has been pushed back to Monday, July 13th (a second new date) to give us more time to prepare and solicit businesses. If you know anyone who might play or be a sponsor, please contact Richard Glass (rhglass 1@ yahoo.com or 913.271.7449) or me (elizabeth@kisyn.org or 913.642.1880 ext. 203). More information is in this *Focal Point* on page 9 and on the back page.

K.I. Blue Ridge Cemetery is closed during this time, too. Our wonderful cemetery caretaker, **Rod Sipe**, is still carefully watching over everything and tending to the grounds and building, but we are not admitting visitors. If you have a question or concern, feel free to contact him at siperod@gmail.com or 816.916.3655. We will still be putting flowers on the graves of loved ones, and, G-d willing, we hope to have our regular Memorial Day cemetery service in May.

You should be hearing from at least one board member on a regular basis during this time. We want to be sure everyone is safe and feels connected. If you have not heard from anyone, please email or call me! I truly miss seeing all of you and hope you and your family are staying well and safe!

Kol tuv, Elizabeth Peden

K.I. FRED DEVINKI RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

The school had a great time at the Purim Family Day on March 1st. Students and families made *shaloach manot* to give to each other and to send to the residents at Village Shalom and the Atriums. They also enjoyed playing Purim Pictionary.

Because of the social distancing order, there will be no school until at least the end of Passover. Look for updates as to when the school will be starting again and/or summer activities.



REVISED Passover Schedule

TUESDAY, APRIL 7 - 13 NISAN	TUESDAY, APRIL 14 - 20 NISAN	
BEDIKAT CHAMETZ (Searching the house for leaven after	CHOL HAMOED PASSOVER	
dark, with the recitation)(after 8:22 PM)	Candlelighting7:37 PM	
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8 - 14 NISAN	WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15 - 21 NISAN	
(Final time for eating <i>Chametz</i>)10:43 AM	SEVENTH DAY OF PESACH	
BIUR CHAMETZ (Burning of the Chametz)12:02 AM	Exodus 13:17-25:25; Numbers 28:19-25	
Candlelighting7:32 PM	Haftarah: II Samuel 22:1-51	
FIRST SEDER (in the home)8:23 PM	Candlelighting8:30 PM	
THURSDAY, APRIL 9 - 15 NISAN	THURSDAY, APRIL 16 - 22 NISAN	
FIRST DAY OF PASSOVER	EIGHTH DAY OF PESACH	
Exodus 12:21-51: Numbers 28:16-25	Deuteronomy 15:19-16:17; Numbers 28:19-25	
Haftarah: Joshua 5:2-6:1-27	Haftarah: Isaiah 10:32-12:6	
Candlelighting8:24 PM	HAVDALAH8:31 PM	
SECOND SEDER (in the home)8:30 PM	Chametz is permitted after	
FRIDAY, APRIL 10 - 16 NISAN		
SECOND DAY OF PASSOVER		
Leviticus 22:26-23:44; Numbers 28:16-25	PASSOVER CANDLELIGHTING	
Haftarah: II Kings 23:11-25	Wednesday, April 87:32 PM	
Candlelighting7:34 PM	Thursday, April 9 (no earlier than)8:24 PM	
SATURDAY, APRIL 11 - 17 NISAN	Friday, April 10 (no later than)7:34 PM	
SHABBAT CHOL HAMOED PASSOVER	Tuesday, April 14 (no later than)7:37 PM	
Exodus 33:12-34; Numbers 28:19-25	Wednesday, April 15 (no earlier than)8:30 PM	
Haftarah: Ezekiel 37:1-14		
<i>HAVDALAH</i> 8:26 PM		

EIRUV TAVSHILIN

This year, with the first two days of Passover, Thursday and Friday, April 9-10, preceding *Shabbat*, April 11, the ritual of *Eiruv Tavshilin* is to be recited on Wednesday, April 8, the eve of Passover before candlelighting.

When any major festival falls on a Friday, in order that it may be permissible to cook on that day for Saturday (one is permitted to cook on a holiday for that day alone), the head of the household must perform the ritual of "Eiruv Tavshilin" before the festival. This ceremony should be performed late afternoon on Wednesday, April 8 before Passover. This consists of taking some matzah and some other food, such as fish or meat, putting them on a plate, raising it and then reciting the following prayers:

בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה ה', אֱלֹקֵינוּ מֵלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצְנֵנוּ עַל מִצְוַת עֵרוּב. בַּחֲדֵין עֵרוּבָא יְהֵא שָׁרֵא לָנֵא לְאַפּוּקֵי וּלְבַשׁוּלֵי וּלְאַטְמוּנֵי וּלְאַדְלוּקֵי שְׁרָאָ וּלְתַקָּנָא וּלְמֵעְבָּד כָּל צָרְכָּנָא, מִיּוֹמָא טָבָא לְשַבְּתָא. לָנוּ, וּלְכָל יִשְׂרָאֵל הַדָּרִים בָּעִיר הַזֹּאת.

Blessed art Thou, Eternal our G-d, Ruler of the Universe. Who made us holy with His commandments, and commanded us concerning the Eiruv. With this Eiruv it shall be permissible for us to bake, cook and to keep the food warm; to light the candles, and to prepare all necessary things on the festival for the Sabbath. This shall be permitted to us and to all Jews who live in this city.

The food prepared for this ceremony is to be eaten on Shabbat Chol Hamoed Pesach, April 11, during the daytime hours.



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES



- 8 Anna & David Kricsfeld (14)
- 12 Elena & Mikhail Kosiborod (25)
- 16 Rosemary & Martin Gorin (31)
- 21 Jackye & Alan Goldberg (35)
- 23 Barbara & David Marcus (53)

THANK YOU to **Shelley Rissien** who shopped for the ingredients, made all the dough and coordinated the volunteers for baking *hamantashen*.

To our hamantashen baking volunteers: Irene Blend; Brad & Sherry Davidson; Maurice Eastman; Debbie Entine; Brenda Fishman; Nora Freyman; Max Jevinsky; Megan Pener; Aaron Rissien; Mary Sayers; Sonny Singer; Richard Wasserstrom; and Felicia Weiner.

To our volunteers who helped put the Misloach Manot bags together: Gela Adelman; Beverly Alport; Mickey Batnitzky; Irene Blend; Maurice Eastman; Phyllis & Ron Kogan; Phylis Kohn; Sharon Levitan; Sharon Noorollah; Ruth Nowack; Sonny Singer; and Lois Winston.

To our Mishloach Manot delivery crew: Gela Adelman; Maurice Eastman; Brenda Fishman; Mary Lea Greenwood; Rochelle Kanter; Marcie Kaplan; Kim Kubel; Clara & Norman Levine; Elizabeth Peden; Aaron Rissien; Sonny Singer; Karen Smith and Joyce Zeldin. If we inadvertently left your name off, we are sorry, and please let the office know!

Rabbi Grussgott's message continued from page 1...

shul," even while the building is closed, if we only put in that extra effort to remain connected; and to remain connected in ways that we may never have thought of before.

And so, I encourage you to pick up the phone and call your *shul* friends, and see how they're doing. Log into my online classes, and watch my daily *Torah* study and prayer videos. And please, above all, remain in touch with me - if you're feeling the need for spiritual connection, or just to check in and say hello. I'm already looking forward with great anticipation to how special the scene will be when the *shul* does finally reopen. At that point, I think that we'll renew our connection to our beloved community in a powerful way; like a renewal of vows in a marriage! The sages of the *Talmud* teach that the coming month of *Nisan*, the month of Passover, is a month of spiritual and physical redemption for all time. Let us merit to experience that sense of redemption, both spiritual and physical, in this coming month. Amen.

Rabbi Moshe Grussgott

CONGREGANTS' APRIL BIRTHDAYS

We want to wish a Happy Birthday to all of the following congregants who are celebrating their birthdays this month.

Frank Agron, Beverly Alport, Bonnie Brooksher, Barbra Bronstein, Cathy Caplan, Jasmine Dey, Gertrude Epstein, Brian Friedman, Gayla Friedman, William Gasser, Allison Geivett, Jessie Geivett, Cynthia Gilgus, Sheila Ginsberg, Richard Glass, Lori Gold, Ryan Gold, Kyle Gold, Phillip Goodbinder, Marsha Jacobs, Max Jevinsky, Bruce Kaplan, Roza Karlan, Allan Katz, Richard Kohn, Kimberlin Kubel, Allison McKinnon, Joel Marcus, Kurt Metzl, Alan Organ, Steven Osman, Karen Pack, Herb Parmet, Deanna Pool, Marvin Rogolsky, Jodi Rosenthal, Shirley Sander, Edith Shaw, Steve Shaw, Rebecca Speier, Terri Turner, and Ernesto Zepeda.

APRIL YOUTH BIRTHDAYS

Mirra Goldenberg, Walter Waxman, Ari Grussgott, William Waxman.

THANK YOU to Joe & Debbie Adamous, Cristi & Clint Gillom, and Amir & Maureen Minoofar for preparing a wonderful meal enjoyed by everyone attending the Purim dinner on Tuesday, March 10; and to Arlene Abrams, Rochelle Adamous, Mickey Batnitzky, Natalie Cohen, Maurice Eastman, Brenda Fishman, Zakaiyah Gillom, Brenda McKinnon, Emily Minoofar, and Sharon Noorollah for helping serve and clean up. And, last but not least, to Dr. Don Cohen for bartending.

רפואה שלמה

The congregation expresses sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to Edward Chaiken, Marty Gorin, Rosemary Gorin, Seymour Krinsky, and to all other members of the congregation and community who have been ill or hospitalized.

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VIRTUAL ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2020

The K.I. virtual annual congregational will be held on Sunday, April 5, at 10:00 am. You should have received an email to vote on board members and bylaws prior to the meeting. We will also include a Zoom link to join the meeting in the email.

The Nominating Committee for the K.I. Board of Directors and Officers is composed of the following members: Craig Caplan, chair; Laura Daniels, Marty Gorin, Marcie Kaplan, Ron Kogan, Ari Lubowicz, Steve Osman, Catherine Singer, Max Singer, and Elizabeth Peden.

The following are nominated to the K.I. Board of Directors for a new two year term: Valerie Bordy, Clint Gillom, Richard Glass, Larry Haith, Sandy Levine, Maureen Minoofar, Ellen Portnoy, Greg Quinn, Dr. Michael Sokol, Felicia Weiner, and Lois Winston.

The following are being nominated for a one year term: Aaron Fry, Jasmine Kaplan, Simon Kass, Vicky Kulikov, and Frank Tankard.

Our nominated officers are:

Martin Gorin, President Joe Adamous, Vice President Ari Lubowicz, Vice President Jerry Stolov, Vice President Brenda Fishman, Secretary Rick Simon, Treasurer

The following are not being voted upon as they are serving their second year of a two year term on the K.I. Board of Directors: Paul Blackman, Carolyn Braverman, Bill Greenberg, Susan Gutovitz, Ron Kogan, and Dr. Shari Sokol.

The following are ex-officio members of the K.I. Board of Directors: Craig Caplan, immediate past president; Sam Devinki, honorary president for life; Rabbi Moshe Grussgott, senior rabbi; and Elizabeth Peden, executive director.

Recommended changes to the

KEHILATH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE BYLAWS of April 2, 2017

Current language is in black, delete in red, addition or changes in green.

Section 4.02 Special Meetings

A. Request for Special Meetings. Special meetings of the members of the Congregation may be called at any time by the President, the Congregation, or the Board of Directors. The President of the Congregation may call a Special Meeting based on his/her own judgement. For a special meeting to be called by the Board of Directors, a majority vote of the Board of the Directors present at a Board of Directors meeting is required. For a special meeting to be called by the Congregation written request of at least five (5) percent of members in good standing must be served upon the President, Secretary or Executive Director.

Section 7.01 Number and Qualifications of Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall consist of the Officers; Immediate Past President; and twenty-three (23) fourteen (14) Members-At-Large, all of whom have voting rights. Included among the twenty-three (23) fourteen (14) Members-At-Large, there shall be a representative of any Auxiliary that has contributed funds to the Congregation during the previous fiscal year. The following shall serve as ex-officio / non-voting members of the Board of Directors: Senior Rabbi; Cantor; and Executive Director. The Honorary President for Life shall serve as an ex-officio/voting member of the Board of Directors.

Of the nine (9) reduced number of elected Board members, four reductions shall occur beginning with the 2021 Board elections and the balance of five (5) reductions shall begin with the 2022 election of Officers and Board.

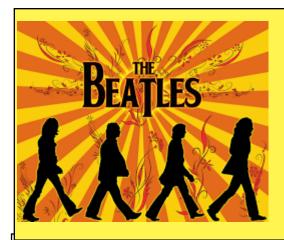
Section 7.02 Authority of the Board of Directors, the Executive Director, Sr. Rabbi and Staff.

The Congregation shall be governed by a Board of Directors. The Board of Directors has responsibility for governance and leadership, strategic management and oversight of the operations and activities of the Congregation organization.

Each elected Board Member shall have a portfolio of at least one (1) congregational event, activity, program, committee oversight or other items as designated and directed by the Executive Committee.

Section 8.03 Standing Committees

- A. Investment Committee
 - 3. The Treasurer shall report to the Board of Directors at the first available Board of Directors meeting after the close of a calendar quarter, the results of the K.I. Investment portfolio.



Kehilath Israel Synagogue Presents The Megillah According to....

Directed by Carolyn Braverman 14 Adar 5780 March 10, 2020

Cast (in order of appearance)

King Ahashverosh	Bruce Lerner	
Queen Vashti	Carol Robinson	
Mordechai	Xander Stultz	
Queen Esther	Alecia Stultz	
Haman	Spencer Gochis	
Ensemble		
Irene Blend, Carolyn	Braverman, Natalie Cohen,	
Bruce Kaplan, Marcie	Kaplan, Marlene Lubowicz,	
Rebecca Nowack		

Band/Production Staff

Music Director/Keyboard Nate Johnson **Bass Guitar** Andrew Ramalev Drums Joe Goldwasser Vocalists Devra Lerner Andie Poisner-Corchine Judith Epstein Costumer Libby Bradley K.I. Executive Director Elizabeth Peden Sound/Lighting Design **Amy Pearson**

Thanks and Appreciation

We would like to thank everyone who helped make this show possible:

Amy Pearson of Premier Live KC, Steve Osman and Digital Lagoon, Verna McMullin and Dustin Pence of Olathe North High School, Natalie and Don Cohen, Debbie and Joe Adamous, Maureen Minoofar, Randy Robinson, The K.I. Office Staff, The K.I. Custodial Staff,

Musical Numbers

- How the Jews Did Win
- Ob La Di, Ob La Da
- Help!
- Medley Michelle, Eleanor Rigby, Lady Madonna Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds,
 I Saw Her Standing There, Penny Lane
- Do You Want to Know A Secret?
- I Want to Kill Your Clan
- Hey Jews
- A Little Help From My Friends
- Yesterday
- It's Purim Yeah, Yeah, Yeah

A HUGE shout out to Marty Gorin.
We miss the way you move us,
The way you woo us.
We love, love you true!
Wishing you a speedy recovery!
(Way to get out of the show and choreography!!)



Cast and Crew



The Tankard Family (clockwise from bottom left) - Weston, Jacob, Frank, Tracy, and Crosby





Chaviva and Yedid Macek with Amanda Greenwood



Kids' costume parade

Photos taken by Andrew Peden



21st Annual Allan Greenberg Memorial KEHILATH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE GOLF TOURNAMENT

July 13, 2020 • Deer Creek Golf club • 7000 W 133rd St • Overland Park, KS 11 AM CHECK-IN & LUNCH • 12:15 PM SHOTGUN START < IF YOU CAN'T PLAY, COME FOR THE SILENT AUCTION & KOSHER LUNCH - HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS (\$12)>

REGISTRATION FORM				
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NAME: ORGANIZATION: TELEPHONE: EMAIL: FAX:				
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	DRIVING RANGE SPONSOR	\$2000		
	FIRST AND TEN SPONSOR	\$1500		
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	GIFT SPONSOR	\$1500		
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Kovod Hamet Respect for the Deceased



Memorial Day services will be held in the chapel at Blue Ridge Cemetery, 1901 Blue Ridge Boulevard, on **Sunday**, **May 24 at 11:00 a.m.**

It is a custom in Judaism to show our respect for our ancestors, our family and our friends who are no longer with us. Whether it's the National Memorial Day, a day of *Yahrzeit*, or a day when we recite the *Yizkor* prayer, any day we go to the cemetery and visit the graves of our *mishpacha*, we perform

the *mitzvah* of *Kovod Hamet*.

The Kehilath Israel Cemetery Committee is again offering the Flower Planting Program for those who have family and friends interred at our K.I. Blue Ridge Cemetery. For the nominal price of \$40.00 per urn, a beautiful arrangement of colorful living plants, prepared by a commercial landscape artist, will be placed at the grave of your loved ones. This year deer repellent will be applied every three weeks during the summer to deter the deer.

If this is the first year to participate in the program, it will be necessary to order a concrete urn from the cemetery at a one time charge of \$75.00. This urn will be used every year for no additional charge other than the flowers. It is the policy of the cemetery that only flowers purchased through this program can be placed on graves.

All orders must be paid in advance and received at the synagogue office no later than April 24. This gives us the time needed so that the plants will be in full bloom by Memorial Day this year.

Give your loved ones who are interred in our cemetery the *kovod* of remembering them, whether it's with flowers or a visit to their graves. The cemetery committee is making every effort to maintain the grounds to be clean and beautiful, and extra care is being given to keep the plants watered, trimmed and green during the summer months.

Cemetery lots are available for sale to any Jewish person. Anyone interested in reserving individual lots or family sections should call the synagogue office at 913.642.1880 ext 202 for assistance.

K.I. Blue Ridge Cemetery is open every day, with the exception of *Shabbat* and Jewish holidays. The supervisor, Rod Sipe, can assist you in finding the location of a grave site. Normal visiting hours are 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. If it is necessary that you visit the cemetery at another time, please call Mr. Sipe at 816.916.3655 and make special arrangements.

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May the G-d of Mercy sustain and comfort those who have suffered the loss of dear ones. The Kehilath Israel family extends deepest sympathy to our bereaved families of:

NORMA WHEATLEY

(Mother of Rosemary Gorin)



Ways We Stay Connected

For instructions on joining Zoom meetings, see Elizabeth Peden's Focal Point article on Page 3

ANNUAL VIRTUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - SUNDAY, APR 5 @ 10:00am Link will be emailed and at kisyn.org

WEEKDAY MINCHA MINYAN

Sun-Thur	Mar 29-Apr 2	7:25pm	
Sun-Tues	Apr 5-7	7:30pm	Diagramata thems are no mostings on Descriptive Holy
Sun-Mon*	Apr 12 & 13	7:35pm	Please note there are no meetings on Passover Holy
Sun-Thur	Apr 19-23	7:40pm	Days, as we cannot be online at those times.
Sun-Thur	Apr 26-30	7:45pm	

WEEKDAY MISHNAH & EL RACHAMIM

Link sent out daily via email and posted on kisyn.org

CLASSES

Understanding the Haggadah - pre-recorded classes can be watched at kisyn.org

Nosh and Learn - Thursday, Apr 2 @ 8pm (Zoom link to be posted before the class) Panel discussion with Rabbis Grussgott, Mizrahi, & Rubin from K.I., BIAV, & KC Kollel *Pesach in Isolation: Spiritual & Religious Guidance for this Unusual Circumstance* (Sorry - you'll have to bring your own nosh for this installment!)

SHABBAT (links at kisyn.org and emailed each Friday)

Virtual Mincha and Kabbalat Shabbat Service - Fridays @ 6pm Rabbi Grussgott leads singing and words of Torah

Rabbi Grussgott's weekly Shabbat Sermon on the Parsha

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GOLF TOURNAMENT

NEW LOCATION: Deer Creek Golf Club NEW DATE: Monday, 07.13.2020

This year's Allan Greenberg Memorial Golf Tournament is dedicated to the memory of Marlene Krakow. Marlene was a devoted volunteer at K.I. and very passionate about the golf tournament. She is dearly missed.