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June and July Services and Programs

Returning to the Sanctuary for Friday nights,
beginning on June 4, 2021 (but still streaming as well)

Parashat Shelach-Lecha: Numbers 13:1-15:41

- 4 Erev Shabbat Service, 6:30 PM
Fri First Friday night service in the Sanctuary!
Honoring Dr. Stuart Wechter/Madeline Johnson as they prepare to leave St Thomas
The service will also be live-streamed on Zoom
at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
Meeting ID: 340 774 4312.
Special Oneg Shabbat at Lilienfeld Community
House (LH) follows the service.
- 5 Shabbat Morning Worship/Study, 10:00 AM
Sat <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
Meeting ID: 340 774 4312

Parashat Korach Numbers 16:1 - 18:32

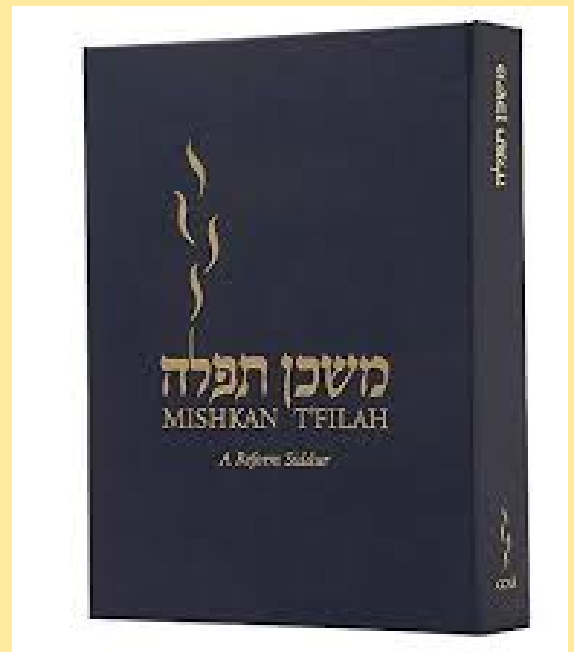
- 11 Erev Shabbat Service, Sanctuary, 6:30 PM
Fri The service will also be livestreamed at
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
Or use Meeting ID: 340 774 4312.
Oneg Shabbat follows the service (LH)
- 12 Shabbat Morning Service, HCST Sanctuary,
Sat including the Bar Mitzvah of
Jacob Ethan Book, 10:30 AM.
The service will also be live-streamed at
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
Or use Meeting ID: 340 774 4312.

Parashat Chukat Numbers 19:1-22:1

- 18 Erev Shabbat Service, Sanctuary, 6:30 PM
Fri The service will also be livestreamed at
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
Or use Meeting ID: 340 774 4312.
Oneg Shabbat follows (Courtyard)

The *siddur* we are using at services Friday
nights and for in person services on Shabbat
morning is *Mishkan T'filah*, the prayerbook
of the North American Reform movement.
You can order a copy on Amazon [here](#)
(or a Kindle version [here](#)).

You can also find an on-line "flip-book"
version of the siddur, which we recommend
using with a second screen, at
[https://www.ccarnet.org/publications/resou
rces-repagnated/](https://www.ccarnet.org/publications/resources-repagnated/),
or by clicking [here](#).



Parashat Chukat (continued)

- 19 Shabbat Morning Service, HCST Sanctuary,
Sat including the Bat Mitzvah of
Sydney Eliza Pastroff, 10:30 AM.
The service will also be live-streamed at
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
Or use Meeting ID: 340 774 4312.

Parashat Balak:**Numbers 22:2-25:9**

- 25 Erev Shabbat Service, Sanctuary, 6:30 PM
 Fri The service will also be live-streamed at
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
 Meeting ID: 340 774 4312.
 Oneg Shabbat follows service (Courtyard).

- 26 Shabbat Morning Worship/Study, 10:00 AM
 Sat <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
 Meeting ID: 340 774 4312

July**Parashat Pinchas:****Numbers 25:10-30:1**

- 2 Erev Shabbat Service, Sanctuary, 6:30 PM
 Fri **Honoring Agnes (Agi) Rampino**
 The service will also be live-streamed at
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
 Meeting ID: 340 774 4312.
 Special Oneg follows (LH).

- 3 Shabbat Morning Worship/Study, 10:00 AM
 Sat <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
 Meeting ID: 340 774 4312

Parashat Matot-Masei/Rosh Chodesh Av:**Numbers 30:2-36:13**

- 9 Erev Shabbat Service, Sanctuary, 6:30 PM
 Fri The service will also be live-streamed at
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
 Meeting ID: 340 774 4312.
 Oneg Shabbat follows (Courtyard)

- 10 Shabbat Morning Worship/Study, 10:00 AM
 Sat <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
 Meeting ID: 340 774 4312

Parashat Devarim/Shabbat Chazon:**Deuteronomy 1:1-3:22**

- 16 Erev Shabbat Service, Sanctuary, 6:30 PM
 Fri The service will also be live-streamed at
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
 Meeting ID: 340 774 4312.
 Oneg Shabbat follows (Courtyard).

- 17 Zoom Study: A Torah of Optimism, 10:00 AM
 Sat Special Session, watch for more detail

Tisha B'Av (The Ninth of Av)

- 17 **Erev Tisha B'Av: Special Candle-lit Svc
 in the Sanctuary, 7:30 PM**

- Sat The service will also be live-streamed at
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
 Meeting ID: 340 774 4312.
 (Tisha B'Av is traditionally a fast day;
 no food served following the service.)

- 18 **Tisha B'Av: The Book of Lamentations**
 Sun By Zoom; physical location TBD, 10:00 AM

Parashat Vaetchanan/Shabbat Nachamu:**Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11****Chanukah in July!**

- 23 Early Erev Shabbat Svc, Sanctuary, 6:00 PM
 Fri The service will also be live-streamed at
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
 Meeting ID: 340 774 4312.

**Chanukah in July: A Special Latke
 Dinner follows the Service (LH), 7:00 PM**

- 24 Shabbat Morning Worship/Study, 10:00 AM
 Sat **Tu B'Av (Jewish Valentine's Day)::
 Love and Life In the Moment: Exploration
 of Longing, Desire, Love and Fulfillment**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
 Meeting ID: 340 774 4312

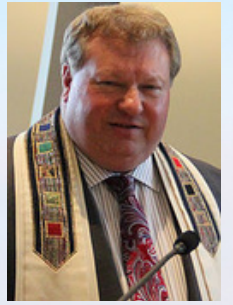
Parashat Ekev**Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25**

- 30 Erev Shabbat Service, Sanctuary, 6:30 PM
 Fri The service will also be live-streamed at
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
 Meeting ID: 340 774 4312.
 Oneg Shabbat follows (Courtyard)

- 31 Shabbat Morning Worship/Study, 10:00 AM
 Sat <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>
 Meeting ID: 340 774 4312

New Balance: Finding Our Way in A New World

Message from
Rabbi Michael L. Feshbach



Sometimes you come across a venture with just the right name. I always thought "Borders" was a great name for a bookstore. I remember my father teaching me that by opening the pages of a book you cross boundaries; you can go anywhere! The delicate dance between word and mind transcends the limitations of time and space.

At the moment, as we step into a tentative recovery, there is another company name I am focused. It is a century old, but a perfect image with which we can face the future. It is a place which makes shoes, but the name is a vision of how we stand, and how we are to move, in a world filled with obstacles and challenge.

Think, for a moment, of how many metaphors there are about shoes, and feet. "If the shoe fits..." "Try it on for size." We "tip-toe" when we are being careful. We try to be "on our toes." We try not to "get off on the wrong foot."

The company I am thinking of is New Balance. And I think it is a great message for what we are going through now.

We have, all of us, been thrown off. This past year and a half is like nothing any of us had ever experienced. Some have lost loved ones, or friends, or a way of making a living. The luckiest have merely experienced disorientation, disruption and massive inconvenience. A hurricane may have a more visible and immediate impact; the pandemic was nevertheless more widespread.

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Even those of us doing “well” are, well.. are we really alright? Even with silver linings, new moments of beauty, new time with family, a reorientation of priorities, even with whatever positive aspects there have been, still, I am not sure any of us are as centered, as grounded, as “healthy” as we once were.

Perhaps I should only speak for myself. Separation, loss, forced to learn so many new things... Good flows from much of this, but... I am not ok. Not completely. Not yet.

We enter a new phase, of careful reopening, and the blessing of protection from a miraculous vaccine. And *if* we continue on this path, and *if* enough people get the vaccine, and *if* we significantly shrink the numbers of those who resist it, then we will, for the most part, be able to put this plague behind us.

But what will the world look like, on the other end? What will we return to, and what will be different?

The term “new balance” resonates so deeply because it speaks to reaching a goal, but standing in a way you did not before. It hints at finding the position, the stance, we want to hold... after reacting to the reality around us. It suggests adjustment, accommodation – and success.

Years ago, perhaps the greatest Jewish thinker of all time, Maimonides, known as the Rambam, spoke of the *derekh ha’emtzait*, the middle way, which was also called the *shvil hazahav*, the golden mean. Based on the work of Aristotle, he argued that if we have too much of one trait, we should seek to “leaven” it with the opposite. If are too modest (and yes, I have met such people occasionally), we should learn to be more assertive. If we are too reckless, we should school ourselves in caution. A healthy place, he wrote, for body and soul, was a stance which is honest about who we are, open-eyed about the world around us, and which mediates a balance between emotion and events, our inner world and external experience.

It is a time of challenge and change. We have stumbled, and need to “find our footing” on new and shaky ground. We are, none of us, who we were, and where we were. May we help each other, and help ourselves, towards a new day, a new way... and a new balance, in all of our lives.

Welcome "back" to our High Holy Day Student Cantor, Sonya (Laynie) Zell

Laynie Zell was a wonderful presence with us during our High Holy Day services last year. And she has not yet been on island in person!



**We look ahead to
the High Holy Day Season in person this year
(although services will also be live-streamed).
And we are delighted to announce
that Laynie will be "returning" to us,
and continuing in her role as our
High Holy Day Student Cantor!**

Laynie will be on island, God willing,
from late August
(in time for Selichot,
on Saturday evening, August 28!)
through the day after Yom Kippur,
August 26-September 17.

**To all of us on island,
let's all do our part
to welcome her
here in person!**

**Laynie grew up in Great Falls, VA,
where her family was very involved at
Northern Virginia Hebrew Congregation.
She went on to teach Hebrew and
Judaica there while in high school.**

**She attended the College of William and Mary,
where she studied psychology and music.
She took time off after her third year, working
as an e-learning instructional designer. She also
wrote and published a novel (!), and taught at Temple Rodef Shalom.**

**After deciding she wanted to become a Cantor,
she returned to college, graduating in 2019 with a BA in English
Literature. She has just completed her second year at Hebrew Union
College and is excited to be a part of our unique community for the
High Holy Days as our Student Cantor!**



Hope, Love & Compassion:
Torah of Possibility
for an Uncertain Future

Register using the link
at the **bottom** of this page.



SHALOM HARTMAN מכון
INSTITUTE שלום הרטמן

Virtual Summer Symposium

Even in the most challenging times for the Jewish people, scholars at the Shalom Hartman Institute in Israel and North America push themselves to think about what could be and to focus on a Torah of Possibility. **A constructive outlook and an orientation toward hope, love, and compassion are all hallmarks of the Jewish people.**

As we navigate the uncertain days ahead, join us from **Monday, July 5 - Thursday, July 15** to explore what the Jewish future could look like. Our virtual symposium will feature public lectures, deep conversations, study seminars, and intimate learning opportunities exploring what *could* be:

- What *could* an **Israel-Diaspora relationship** look like?
- What *could* a new understanding of **antisemitism** look like?
- What *could* the dynamics of **power and privilege** look like?
- What *could* **Jewish Identity** look like?
- What *could* **Zionism** look like?
- What *could* **community** look like?
- What *could* **home** look like?

A silver lining in the clouds of the pandemic!
Please note this amazing opportunity:
Torah from Jerusalem, from the comfort
of your own home.

The innovative Shalom Hartman Institute offers,
again this summer, online and for no set fee,
a **Virtual Summer Symposium**, with some of the most
creative thinkers and best teachers in the Jewish world today!

For more information, to see a sample schedule,
or to register, go to

<https://summer.hartman.org.il/>

or click [here](#) (if this link works)

June 2021 Adult Learning Offerings

HUC Connect, in partnership with The Hebrew Congregation of St Thomas

Three interesting and varied topics for June.

Register at www.huc.edu/HUCConnect



HUC CONNECT Judaism & Culture

Chagall and The Bible

Jean Bloch Rosensaft,
Director, Dr. Bernard Heller Museum,
HUC/New York

TUES., JUNE 8
3:00 PM ET

Register at huc.edu/HUCConnect



 
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HUC CONNECT Judaism & History

A Jewish Grand Tour: Should 'Travel' Become the Jewish Practice of Our Age?

Jeremy Leigh,
Coordinator, Richard J. Scheuer Israel Seminar,
HUC/Jerusalem

TUES., JUNE 15
1:00 PM ET

Register at huc.edu/HUCConnect



 
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HUC CONNECT Judaism & Civil Society

Jews, Whiteness, Power and Privilege

Marc Dollinger, Ph.D.,
Richard and Rhoda Goldman Chair, Social
Responsibility, San Francisco State University

Andrew Rehfeld, Ph.D.,
HUC President, Moderator

TUES., JUNE 22
1:30 PM ET

Register at huc.edu/HUCConnect



 
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Tisha B'Av

The Ninth of Av

Erev Tisha B'Av

Saturday, July 17, 2021

**Stunning Candle-lit Sanctuary Service, 7:30 PM
in Memory of Destruction, Exile and Loss**

also live streamed: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>

Meeting ID: 340 774 4312.

Tisha B'Av

Sunday, July 18, 2021

**Tisha B'Av Study: Exploration of
The Book of Lamentations, 10:00 AM**

By Zoom at the above link,
and possibly also in person (location TBD)

**Alas! Lonely sits the city Once great with people!
She that was great among nations Is become like a widow;
The princess among states Is become a thrall.**

**Bitterly she weeps in the night,
Her cheek wet with tears.
There is none to comfort her
Of all her friends.**

**All her allies have betrayed her;
They have become her foes.**



**אִיכָה | יִשְׁבֶּה בְּדָד הָעִיר רַבְתִּי עִם הַיְתָה כְּאַלְמָנָה
רַבְתִּי בְּגוֹיִם שָׁרְתִי בְּמַדִּינוֹת הַיְתָה לְמָס:
בְּכֹו תִבְכֶּה בְּלֵילָה וְדַמְעָתָה עַל לַחְיָה
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כָּל-יֶרְעֶיהָ בְּגָדוּ בָּהּ הָיוּ לָהּ לְאִיבִים:**

Chanukah in July!

The first celebration of Chanukah, in Jerusalem in the early second century BCE, was really a story of a holioday (Sukkot), delayed because people were unable to come together at the right time.

This year, we relate to that first Chanukah! Unable to be together last Kislev (December), we gather now, for a service in the Sanctuary -- and a "make up" Latke dinner at Lilienfeld House!

Friday, July 23, 2021
Early Erev Shabbat Service
in the Sanctuary, 6:00 PM
Latke Dinner follows
at Lilienfeld House!

For those on island:
Watch for more details about
how you can help, and what you can bring.
For those off island, the service will be streamed -
and latke recipes can be sent upon request!



**Tu B'Av (The 15th of Av)
The Jewish Holiday of Love!**

As less-well-known Jewish holidays go, there's almost nothing better than Tu B'Av, the fifteenth of the Hebrew month of Av!

Many more people know about Tisha B'Av, the Ninth of Av, which falls this year on Saturday, July 17-Sunday, July 18, from sunset to sunset. That is, of course, the sad day, on which, tradition says, the First Temple was destroyed by the Babylonians in 586 BCE, *and* (approximately) the Second Temple was destroyed by the Romans in 70 CE. That is a fast day, a day of mourning and memory.

What is Tu B'Av?

The first time we hear of Tu B'Av is in the early post-Biblical period. It was, we read, a day of matchmaking, a time for unmarried women to find partners. Its origin is unknown; there is some speculation that it marked the end of an internal tribal conflict, allowing all tribes to... socialize... with one another again.

Tu B'Av has been revived in Israel today, in secular observance as a kind of Jewish Valentine's Day. It is observed with romantic dates, concerts and festivals, modern match-making, with an emphasis on entertainment and sales on beauty products.

"Linking the night of the full moon with romance, love and fertility is not uncommon in ancient cultures."



from MyJewishLearning.com

Rabban Shimon ben Gamliel used to say: "There were no happier days for the people of Israel than the 15th of Av, and Yom Kippur (!!), since on these days the daughters of Jerusalem would go out dressed in white, and dance in the vineyards. What were they saying (as they danced)? 'Young man! Choose well who would be your mate!' " *(Mishna Ta'anit, Chapter 4)*



Tu B'Av

Saturday, July 24, 2021

Shabbat Morning Worship and Study, 10:00 AM

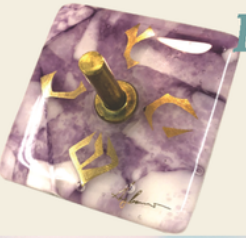
focus on Love and Life in the Moment:

An Exploration of Longing, Desire, Love and Fulfillment in Jewish Tradition

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3407744312>

Meeting ID: 340 774 4312

A perspective from a liberal Jewish congregation: No single people or those not actively seeking love will be harmed in the observance of this holiday!!



Hebrew Congregation's Online Gift Shop

Last Chance for Gary Rosenthal
collectables



Gary Rosenthal is retiring and the Hebrew Congregation received a shipment of one of a kind gifts you won't see anywhere else.

Call 340-774-4312 or Log onto www.synagogue.vi/shop

We look forward to seeing you soon!



High Holy Days 5782/2021

Our High Holy Day Services will, this year, God-willing, be in person, as well as live-streamed for those who are not able to be with us in the Sanctuary..

**Here are dates
to keep in mind:**

Selichot

Saturday evening,
August 28

Rosh HaShanah

Monday evening,
September 6,
Tuesday, September 7
and Wednesday, September 8

Kever Avot Graveside Service

at our historic cemeteries,
Sunday, September 12

Yom Kippur


Wednesday, September 15
and Thursday, September 16

Sukkot

begins Monday evening,
September 20

Simchat Torah

observed in Reform synagogues on
Monday evening, September 27
and Tuesday, September 28.



**An Open Letter from
Rabbi Michael L. Feshbach,
Hebrew Congregation of St Thomas, and
Rabbi Marcy Gelb Delbick,
Congregation B'nai Or, St Croix, VI
May 30, 2021**

People of the Jewish and Muslim faiths, as well as Christians with roots in the Middle East, have been living and working harmoniously in the Virgin Islands for many decades now.

There have been Jews in the Virgin Islands since the 17th century, living in religious freedom since 1685, founding the first synagogue on these shores in 1796. In that entire time, we have cherished our ties both with all other groups and populations on these islands, as well as with Jews all over the world – including in Israel.

On an individual level, relationships between Jewish and Muslim islanders have been good, and even close. Friendships developed, and partnerships flourished.

Solid foundations for this friendship are already in place. As a Jewish community we were very grateful when the Imam attended services at the St. Thomas synagogue to show support following the massacre at Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh a few years ago. And we were immediately present at the mosque in solidarity after a so-called “ISIS flag” was put up outside the Cyril E. King airport a year after that.

But there remains much work to be done and many bridges to build between our communities. And, as we see now: events from far away can pose a challenge even on a local level.

Anyone with a heart hopes for an end to suffering, cruelty and loss of life on every side of even the most complicated conflict. The tragedy of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is immense, and intense.

Still, a rally held on May 26, 2021 in Christiansted, was so problematic that many in the Jewish community believe we cannot remain silent.

The pain of Palestinians is real. We understand and relate to their suffering, anger and frustration. And we certainly support the right to give voice to those feelings. But what happened at the St. Croix rally went beyond that.

1. The rally moved from protest to hate.

2. The article was biased, one-sided, and contained blatant factual errors.

3. An **opportunity to share anguish was lost** in a moral haze, an expression of solidarity which, possibly well-intentioned on the part of some participants, nevertheless gave support to ignorance, and made a volatile situation worse.

And the pain and fear of Israelis is real as well.

Before we share what was so wrong about this protest, we want to be clear about three things. Speaking for ourselves now and not on behalf of our communities: We do believe that some of Israel's recent actions were provocative. Also, we still hold out hope for a two-state solution: independent, democratic states of Israel and Palestine living side by side in security and peace.

Finally, as we learned in kindergarten, we can say that an action is bad without saying a person is bad. The same thing is true of communities, and of countries. We believe that one can be critical of policies, without saying that the entire polity, an entire country, should be erased, or cease to exist.

So here is what was wrong with the rally and its coverage:

This was 100% one-sided coverage of an extremely complicated conflict. No attempt at all was made to convey any other perspective. (And this is not a question, such as whether the earth is flat, which deserves only one side presented.)

We understand calls for humanity. But in this case, to see one side as only victims and the other as only aggressors, and to ignore textbook definitions of terrorism by your own people -- that is not supportive of humanity. That is simply inhumane

There were **serious factual errors** in statements made at the rally. Israel's response to Hamas rockets was tragic, traumatic and terrible; one could legitimately raise questions about that response on many levels. What it was not, however, was "random." And what it was, significantly, was a response, a reaction to what was, in fact, random -- and clearly an act of terrorism -- the firing of over 4500 rockets into Israeli cities, towns and villages. The fact that these are crude weapons which cannot be precisely targeted is exactly the point of what makes this an act of terror and a crime against humanity. (Did the people marching in Christiansted even know that some of the Israelis killed by Hamas rockets were, in fact, Palestinian Arab citizens of Israel -- including a child?) It is certainly one perspective to refer to those in Gaza as only "victims." But whatever one's overall orientation, to not even mention the rockets fired into Israel by Hamas would be obscene.

Here is a fact, which we believe anyone who is honest will admit: **If there were no rockets coming from Gaza, there would be no Israeli airstrikes in Gaza. If, on the other hand, there were no Israeli defense against terrorism, there would be no Israel.**

Even those who organized the march on Wednesday know this! There were shirts and signs showing **all of Israel**, as well as the West Bank and Gaza, with the word "Palestine" over all of it. Those bearing such signs are quite clear about their goal and hoped-for outcome here, which they would happily impose if there were no Israeli defense against the use of force. They know it, even if many well-meaning or kind-hearted folks they got to join them do not.

The Palestinians have repeatedly suffered many tragedies, and many people of all faiths -- including Jews -- and all nationalities -- including Israelis -- are open to finding a better path forward, involving safety, security and dignity for all sides. While we acknowledge their suffering, to say that the Palestinians are "the last people on the face of the earth that are still under colonial occupation" is inaccurate, at best. Many Tibetans would disagree, and Kurds, and Chechens, and many others; it is, sadly, a very long list!

Most significantly, there are hurtful and frightening ways in which this protest moved from questioning Israel's policies to being against Jews and Judaism. The clearest example here is the chant "Palestine will be free, from the river to the sea." Make no mistake about it. Look at a map if you need to, to see what they mean. This is a direct call for the destruction of the state of Israel.

History, including recent events in the 20th century, with the persistent denial of refuge to Jews -- including here in the Virgin Islands -- firmly testifies to the need for one place in the world which can serve as beacon and safe-haven for our people.

Calling for a change to Israeli policy, even in strong terms which we might disagree with, is legitimate protest. Chanting for the eradication of the entire country, however, is hate speech. It is dangerous, inherently violent, and deeply anti-Jewish.

We can, we should, and we must do better. All of us. We call on the members of the Jewish and Muslim communities of the Virgin Islands, and, indeed, all those in this territory who are people of good will who care about events in other places as well as here, to find ways to peacefully come together. We invite our Muslim and Palestinian neighbors to join us in mutual acknowledgment of shared values and commitment to pursue peace and equal opportunities for all people. Let us, together, denounce hatred, prejudice and violence wherever it appears. Let us learn to appreciate how diversity enriches our lives, granting opportunities to all to relish our colorful and common humanity.

Each of our communities are suffering here because of what is happening there. But all of us can find our own oases -- without denying pain, but by somehow, carefully, delicately... coming closer together. And as we do find ways to work together, all people, of all faiths, will be able to see the blessings, and the beauty to be found in both of our communities, and both of our traditions.



Three Ocean Advocates Excerpts

from Every Second Breath Project

Mazal Tov to our Member Andrea Leland

whose documentary film, with Cynthia Abbot,
Three Ocean Advocates: Inspiring Change
just received a (Northern California Area)
Emmy Award

Three Ocean Advocates: Inspiring Change

Total run time: 28:39 minutes

Three Oceans Advocates focuses on an artist, a fisherman and a photographer, each taking actions that inspire hope for our ailing oceans. Our oceans are suffering from plastic pollution, climate change, acidification, and warming. Through everyday people whose commonality is their passion for the ocean, we see how individual actions can make a difference. Viewers witness how our actions will determine the fate of the ocean and its health for future generations to come.

Anyone interested in seeing the film may contact Andrea Leland at aeleland@gmail.com

Birthdays and Anniversaries

June Birthdays

Sasha Klein	June 2
Dania Ebenholtz	June 3
Justin Blackhall	June 6
Joy Stillman	June 9
Andrew Blazar	June 10
George Borden	June 11
Helen Abrams	June 12
Ethan Ronen	June 26
Mia Ronen	June 26
Liza Margolis	June 28
Katina Coulianos	June 29
Julie Novick	June 29
Elissa Runyon	June 29

July Birthdays

Talia Feshbach	July 1
Jacob Kalloo	July 6
Samantha Silverman	July 6
Marianne Blazar	July 12
Joel Leland	July 14
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Patricia Borden	July 16
Robert Ba'at	July 18
Shaina Pomeranz	July 22
Danielle Ebenholtz	July 23
Mark Borden	July 29
Ella Ogden	July 29
Nathan Sell	July 29

June Anniversaries

Neil and Trudie Prior	June 6
Michael Feshbach and Julie Novick	June 11
Louis and Stella Minion	June 13
Daniel and Julia Rom	June 27
Jared and Lynn Kass	June 28

July Anniversaries

Liza Margolis and Paul Kalloo	July 4
James and Becky Tunick	July 27
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Week of June 11-17

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Golda Levin Ruiz, Abraham Samuel Sasso, Isaac Sasso, Leah Sasso, Jerome Stark

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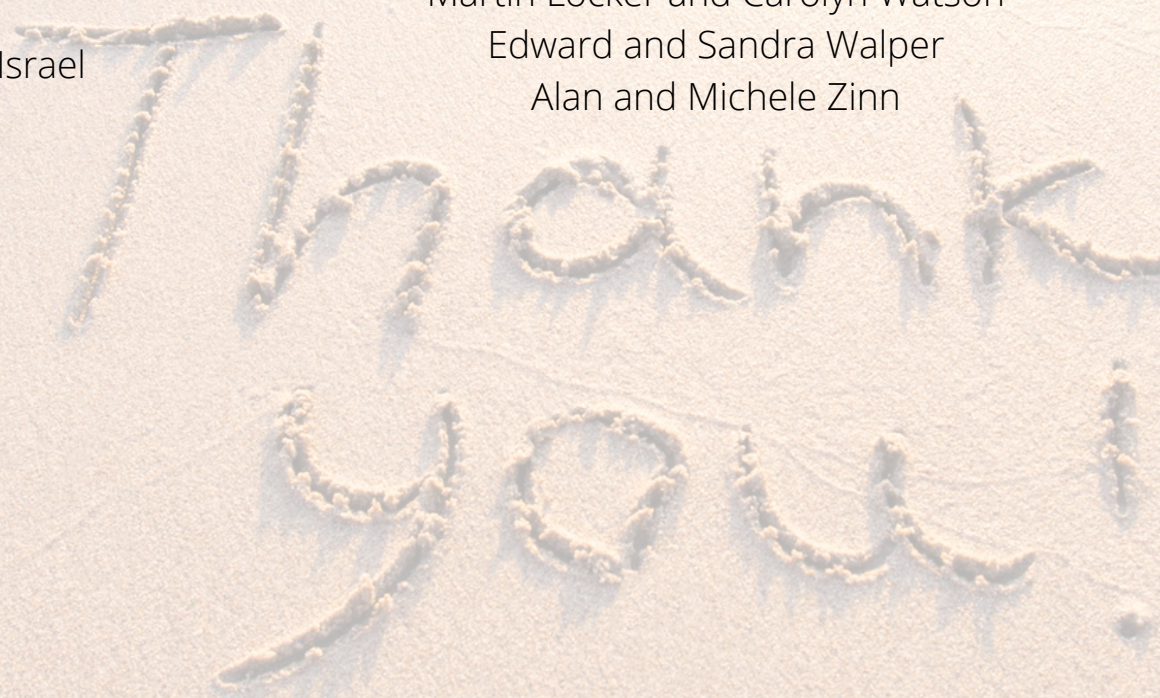
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