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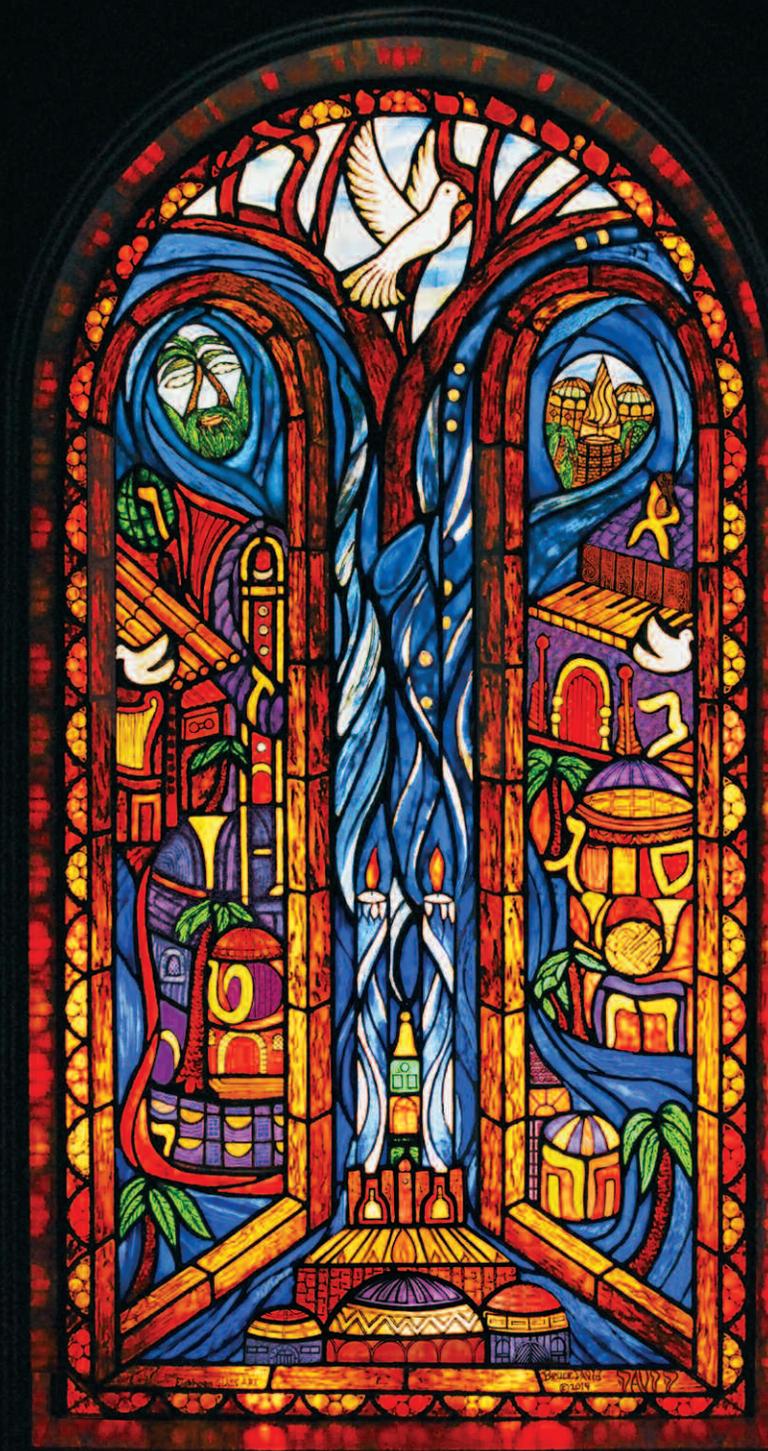
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To a Good New Year 2014-15



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# Simcha Announcements

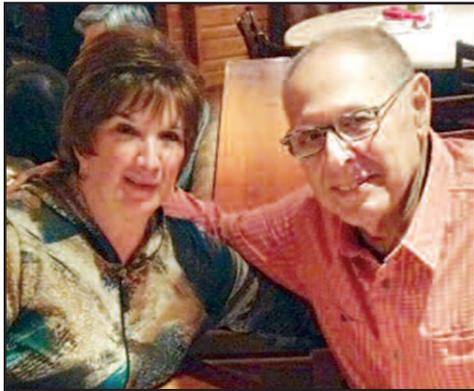
## Mazel Tov to...

**Reuben and Lee Shevitz** 65th wedding anniversary July 10.

**Lee Mallah** (right) on her 85th birthday Aug. 11.



**Bonnie and Jay Perler** (below) 50th wedding anniversary on Aug 30.



**Toni Scott**, HHAI administrator on the birth of her son, **Ethan Edward**, (right), on Sept. 6.



**Dr. Aaron and Amanda Pitzele** on the birth of their triplets (below) **Ellie Jacqueline, Zoey Isabel and Shana Claire** on Nov. 11, 2013. They have an older brother **Eitan Michael**, age 3. Grandparents are **Rita and Keith Pitzele** and **Karen and Carl Epstein** and great-grandparents are **Sonya Silverman and Rae Pitzele** of Skokie, Ill.



**Marvin and Michelle Hershenson** on the engagement of their daughter **Elyse** to **Kenny Freid** and on the birth of their granddaughter **Shayna Ahava** to their son and daughter-in-law, **Evan and Kim Hershenson**. ✨



### IU Hillel honors President McRobbie

On Fri., Sept. 12, Indiana University Hillel's Hooshir a cappella group sang "Shalom, Shabbat Shalom" a song created by Bloomington Judaica artist Bruce David. This opened their Shabbat service honoring IU President Michael McRobbie with the Chaver award for everything he has done for the Jewish community and for his loyalty to Israel. Close to 450 students and guests attended. David hopes to include this song, plus his most recent stained glass commission, "Window of the Soul, Sounds of Shabbat," (see cover) to develop a Light of the Nations Shabbat related program.



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# Editorial

In my brother's (Rabbi Benzion Cohen) column on page IN 7, he writes that love is one of the ways to bring peace to the world. I agree and add that music is also a powerful method.

For the past several years, we have been publishing stories by Jerusalem Peacemaker Eliyahu McLean (see page IN 16). He frequently writes about the interfaith events he organizes in Israel with leaders of the different religions in the area. These usually include the playing of all kinds of musical instruments, singing, chanting, drumming and dancing to help people to see beyond their differences and recognize their similarities.

About their last event on International Peace Day Sept. 21, he wrote: "We chanted – Jews, Christians and Muslims – 'Shalom, Salaam', in the main square [of the Jewish quarter]...We continued to the rooftops above the *shuk* (market) at the meeting point of the Jewish, Christian and Muslims quarters next to the Holy Sepulchre, where more Israelis and Palestinians joined us. In our chanting circle for peace, we added the Aramaic for peace '*shelomo*': '*Shalom...Salaam... Shelomo*' with Father Abuna Moshe invoking G-d's name in a prayer for harmony of Abraham's children.

"We closed with a prayer and teaching circle in the Muslim quarter on the rooftop of the Austrian Hospice. I shared that Jews say *selichot* now, in the nights up to *Rosh Hashana*. '*Selichot*' is close to the word '*sulha*' the ritual of reconciliation in Arabic. Perhaps now is the time to seek *selicha/sulha* – forgiveness with each other in the wake of this recent war – beyond just Jews with Jews or Arab with Arabs...

"Even though we have a long way to go in this conflicted city and land, we helped create an island of harmony on this, the International Day of Peace."

When The Yuval Ron Ensemble was in Indianapolis for International Peace Day Sept. 21, 2011, I wrote: "Yuval Ron commented that some people think that the way to diminish darkness is with more darkness. He believes the way to diminish the darkness is with light and that is what his group does with their music. They travel around infusing light by highlighting the commonalities of the different religions and bringing them together for a joyful and uplifting experience."

Preceding Selichot services at Beth-El Zedeck this year, singer/songwriter Michael Hunter Ochs (photo right) gave a concert which included songs pertaining to this time of year about *chesbon hanefesh* (self-reflection) so we might make amends

# About the Cover

"Window of the Soul – Sounds of Shabbat"

By Bruce David

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This stained glass window commissioned by Dr. Mitch Rotman of St. Louis based on Psalm 92 celebrates *Shabbat* amidst the wonders of nature, and portrays musical instruments interwoven throughout the many layers of the design, including a city composed of instruments.

Relating to *Rosh Hashanah*, this design reminds us that this is a time to look inward and examine the deepest, most essential aspects of our lives with the hope of improving our choices and the quality of our lives in the New Year. Since the sounding of the *shofar* is to serve as a wakeup call for us at this time, several shofars are woven into this window. The largest one is the shofar flowing down the left side of the waterfalls. Its opening is situated between the upper parts of the two Shabbat/festival candles, found at the bottom of the waterfalls, while its body can be seen swirling upwards, ending on

(see Cover, page IN 5)



Bruce David



for our errors and improve in the coming year. During his performance he preceded each song with an interesting story of how he came to write it, but he also explained why music is so helpful in bridging the gap between people with differences.

"Music has a way of reaching and moving the heart before the mind realizes what's happening. The right song, when sung from the heart, can enable us to feel compassion for someone we might even fear – and gives us the chance to uncover our common humanity. Once we are joined by the spirit of compassion, it becomes so much easier to talk about the tough issues on which we disagree."

Besides being a good singer and songwriter, Ochs is a great entertainer and I could see how at a less solemn time he could really get the audience moving, singing, clapping, whistling and perhaps



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even dancing. With Debbie Friedman gone for almost four years, we need more performers like him. It would be good to have him back for a communitywide event.

After mentioning two different ways to bring peace to the world, we have to remember that one cannot really change another person, one can only change oneself. Perhaps the best way to bring peace to the world is by bringing it closer to home. That is what these holidays are about. It's our season to look inward and see how we can make peace within, with those close to us. When we have inner peace, the world will be more peaceful. To aid with this I will leave you with an affirmation, "By being kind to myself in my own thoughts, I am blessing everyone else as well."

Jennie Cohen, October 1, 2014 ✨

## Community Events

### Israel after Gaza and the new Anti-Semitism: A Public Conversation at Beth-El Zedeck

*Yom Kippur* afternoon, **Sat., Oct. 4** at 3:30 p.m. in the chapel. Join us for an engaging conversation about the impact of the current situation in Israel and Gaza. Associate Professor of Political Science at Marian University Dr. Pierre M. Atlas will moderate a panel of diverse leaders in Indianapolis including Hannah K. Joseph, Doug Rose, David Sklar, and Jeffrey H. Smulyan.

### Israeli delights

Preparing Israeli Delights is a class at the JCC on **Mon., Oct 6** from 7–8 p.m. Israel has one of the most vibrant cuisines in the world. In this class, instructor Roy Swisa, the Jewish Federation's Israeli emissary, will demonstrate how to make *hummus* from scratch and explain different ways of serving it. He'll also make a unique dessert called *Creambo*, which means "cream inside."

Register at [www.jccindy.org](http://www.jccindy.org) or by calling 317-251-9467.

### Hooverwood Guild annual luncheon

**Wed., Oct. 8** at 11 a.m. at Broadmoor Country Club. Raffle tickets are on sale now for \$10 each. All proceeds from the raffle go to enhance the lives of our residents. Join us for this year's luncheon and a new experience featuring Christian & Katalina as they present 45 minutes of mind reading, psychological illusions, comedy and mental surprises that appeals to all ages. You will be stunned and laughing at the same time.

For more info, email [guild@hooverwood.org](mailto:guild@hooverwood.org) or call 317/493-2782.

### Hadassah Lunch and Learn

Join us at the JCC at 11:30 a.m., on **Oct. 15**, for Jennie Grossinger, "Hostess to the World" presented by Regina Globerman, starting with a pitch-in luncheon from the recipes of Jennie Grossinger's cookbook. This will be our introduction to the rags to riches story of her life. For more info call 317-475-4278 or email [Indianapolis@hadassah.org](mailto:Indianapolis@hadassah.org).

### The JCRC's fall Political Action Workshop (PAW)

On **Tues., Oct. 21** at 7 p.m., in the Laikin Auditorium of the Arthur M. Glick JCC will be a forum featuring candidates running for State House seats. It will be moderated by John Krull host of WFYI's *No Limits*. Free and open to the public. Kosher dessert reception.

### Indiana Jewish Historical Society (IJHS)

On **Sun., Oct. 26** at noon at Broadmoor Country Club is the annual meeting and brunch. Paul Brockman, Director, Manuscript and Visual Collections at the Indiana Historical Society will present a guide to accessing our archive collection. At 1:30 p.m., Adam Cantor, a GUCI song leader from 2006–2008, will share his experiences and discuss how it enhanced his life. He will perform camp songs and explain how these songs help build the sense of community that is instilled in GUCI campers.

IJHS board members will be available to collect archival materials for our collections at the Indiana Historical Society. Please have all documents and photos identified and in a protective envelope. The latest issue of *Indiana Jewish History* will be available for \$12.50. Reservations are required for the dairy brunch. The cost is \$20 per person. For more information contact the Indiana Jewish Historical Society at 260-459-6862 or [indiana.jhs@frontier.com](mailto:indiana.jhs@frontier.com).

### Hadassah Book Club

On **Mon., Oct. 20** at 7 p.m., at the home of Carol Arenstein with Serena Androphy facilitating. This month's book is *Clouds Across the Sun* by Ellen Brazer. For more information contact the office (317) 475-4278 or email [Indianapolis@hadassah.org](mailto:Indianapolis@hadassah.org).

### New Jewish Learning Institute class

This class titled "How Happiness Thinks" is starting **Nov. 4** and is being held on Tuesdays from 11–12:30 p.m. at the Schusterman Chabad House, 1112 Oakwood Trail OR evenings from 7–8:30 p.m. at the Arthur M. Glick JCC, Room A15. For more information call (317) 698-6423 or email [jliindiana@gmail.com](mailto:jliindiana@gmail.com).

"How Happiness Thinks" is much more than a tool to boost your happiness. It is an exciting journey into your own mind and psyche. Drawing on classical Jewish and mystical teachings, this course will present you with a deeper understanding of yourself, and help you flourish by suggesting practical advice which, when implemented, will radically enhance the happiness quotient of your life. You'll also learn how the science of positive psychology is now corroborating what Judaism has always known about what makes us happy.

Accreditation: *In joint sponsorship with the Washington School of Psychiatry (WSP)* earn up to 15 CE credits from: The American Psychological Association (APA), The American Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), The California Board of Behavioral Sciences (CBBS), The Social Work Board of

the State of Maryland, or The National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC).

### Collector's Closet Sale

The Temple Sisterhood of Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation (IHC) is hosting a sale of Designer Handbags, Jewelry, Furs and other boutique items to raise money for their social justice and educational projects. A VIP Preview Sale is scheduled for **Sat., Nov. 15** at 7 p.m. A \$35 donation allows for first access to shop the sale, participate in a silent auction, sip, snack and socialize. Pre-registration is necessary, as space is limited. Reservations can be made at [www.ihcindy.org](http://www.ihcindy.org). Open sale on **Sun., Nov. 16** from 10 a.m.–4 p.m., (no admission charge). You can get sale updates and see samples of some of the items for sale on their Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/collectorsclosetsale](http://www.facebook.com/collectorsclosetsale).

If you would like more information, please contact Sonja Kantor at 317-253-3815 or email [sonja.kantor@gmail.com](mailto:sonja.kantor@gmail.com). We are still taking donations of jewelry, purses and furs. Contact her to arrange pick-up or drop it off at IHC. Donation receipts are available.

### Young Leadership Division of JFGI Save the Dates

**Sat., Nov. 22:** Jegas! YLD's biggest event of the year is a night of Vegas-style entertainment, casino games and prizes.

### Congregation Shaarey Tefilla – Torah on the Road new format

Instead of being a monthly program held at downtown and northern locations, our new program, Weekday Torah, will be a **weekly** study session of the Torah portion of the week held in the synagogue library. Day and time to be decided.

*The Observant Life* Book Discussion is held on the **1st and 3rd Wednesdays** monthly at CST from 7:15–8:30 p.m.

### Jewish and Personal Ethics class

Ongoing class on Jewish and Personal Ethics from the Ram Chal (Moses Chaim Luzzato) has been meeting on **Wednesdays** at Hooverwood at 10:30 a.m., but the time is flexible and can be changed if need be. Call facilitator Marty Silverman 513-1418 to confirm the day and time.

### Libby Fogle Lunch Bunch

Meets at noon at the Arthur M. Glick JCC **every Tues. and Thurs.** except on holidays. Suggestion donation for kosher lunch is \$2. Reservations not required except for special holiday lunches. Transportation available within a limited area at a minimal cost. For more info call Ruthie Gal 557-2265 or Christy Morris 259-6822. ✨

## Kidney still needed for Drew



Drew, age 11, a Jewish child in Indianapolis, has been suffering from a very rare disease Alport's Syndrome, which causes hearing loss and kidney failure, along with eye problems, since age six. She attended the Hasten Hebrew Academy until she was too weak to complete full school days. Her condition worsened earlier this summer requiring her to start daily dialysis.

A transplant team is actively searching for a live kidney donor. If you have type "O" blood and would like to be considered, please ask for Kelly at (317) 944-4370. See [www.facebook.com/kidneydrew](http://www.facebook.com/kidneydrew) and [ireport.cnn.com/docs/DOC-1081282](http://ireport.cnn.com/docs/DOC-1081282). ★



### COVER

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the left side near the trunk of the tree.

The windows are in the shape of the Ten Commandments (which Shabbat is an essential part of) and Hebrew letters symbolic of the Commandments are overlaid on these window/tablets. The tops of these windows also include the hidden faces of a man and a woman.

If one looks beyond the tree's branches to where they extend into the upper part of the surrounding frame, they will see that the top part of the branches help to complete the Hebrew word "שלום" (*Shalom* – "peace").

Other musical instruments hidden in this composition include: a saxophone, a harmonica, trombone, French horn, flute pipe, key board, guitar, plus many harps, drums, and tambourines.

Like this stained glass window, a person's true beauty and worth, best comes through when one can see it in the light. "Window of the Soul" encourages us to open our hearts and celebrate our lives with songs and music, so that others may see and hear us as reflections of light and love.

Bruce David is a Jewish artist/educator. For more than 30 years, he has created stained glass windows, glass mosaics, metal sculpture and bronze relief for synagogues, organizations and individuals around the country ([www.davidart.com](http://www.davidart.com)). David is also known for his unique, story-telling art filled with hidden symbolism. Additionally, David heads up Light of the Nations, a non-profit Jewish Educational organization that uses art, music and creative expression to share the benefits of Judaism to people living contemporary lives (<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Light-of-the-Nations/102836436454111>). ★

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# Chassidic Rabbi

BY RABBI BENZION COHEN

## Mother

Our mother's *yahrtzeit* is the fourth day of *Tishrei*, two days after *Rosh Hashana*. Here is a story from her life. I hope that it will bring you inspiration.

Our family lived in Indianapolis. Most families there had only one or two children. Our family was the exception. We had eight. I am number five, born in 1950, five years after the Holocaust.

Why was our family different from all of the other families? Our dear mother, may she rest in peace, once told us why. The Germans tried to destroy the Jewish people. She took upon herself to do her part to rebuild our people. She brought eight new Jewish souls into the world. It was not easy. Her friends would tease her. They would notice that she was expecting again and make comments.

This is a beautiful example of self sacrifice. Why did the other families limit themselves to two children? Giving birth and raising children is not easy. It involves a lot of pain, effort, time and money. Multiply this by eight and see the self sacrifice of our dear parents.

Self sacrifice is one of the basic themes of *Torah* and *Mitzvahs*. We give of our time and energy to learn *Torah* and fulfill the *Mitzvahs*. It is also the secret of a happy and beautiful life.

One beautiful aspect of a *Torah* life is love. To love is one of the central *Mitzvahs*. "And you shall love your neighbor as much as you love yourself." How do we bring a lot of love into our lives? By giving a lot of love. Giving love is also self sacrifice. We put our time and energy to awaken love in our heart and give it to our family and to others. We try to help anyone that we can who is in need. We go to visit the sick and the elderly and cheer them up.

The *Torah* teaches that any love and kindness that you show will automatically reflect back to you. This is basic human nature. When you give love to someone, they will feel love for you.

It is that simple. Give a whole lot of love, and you will get back even more. Life will be beautiful, full of love.

And this is only the beginning. The more love that we generate, the more love there is in the world. When each of us does his or her part the world itself becomes a beautiful place, full of love.

Chassidic teaching tells us that any and all good that we bring into the world is eternal. All of the good and love that we bring into the world is added on to the



## Yiddish far alleh taug

(Yiddish for Everyday)

BY HENYA CHAIET

### Der "Malach"

(The "Angel")

*Tyereh Yiddisheh kinder, ich vil eych der tzalen hyent vaus haut aun gegangen mit mir dee leitzteh pour vauchen. Ich haub veyeter geven in hauspital, far etlechheh teh. Gaut tzu danken ich bin itzter besser un in myn ehgehner haym.*

(Dear Yiddish readers, I want to tell you today what has been going on with me these past few weeks. I was hospitalized again for a few days. Thanks to G-d, I have recovered and am back home again.)

*Ich haub ah myseh tzu dertzaylen eych veyhen der "malach" vas is mine shkheyneh.* (I have a short tale to tell you about my next door neighbor, who I think is an "angel".)

*Ah mau! is mir shver gain ahroof uhn*



good that our ancestors did before us. The world is getting better and better. Our teacher, the Lubavitcher Rebbe, told us that the world is now ready for the final redemption. We believe that he is *Moshiach* (the Messiah) and he is in the process of bringing the final redemption.

Look around. One hundred years ago, a thousand years ago, the strong nations conquered and oppressed the weak nations. Today we see the exact opposite. The strong nations are now actually making big efforts to help the weaker nations.

True, there is still evil in the world, but it is rapidly being destroyed. In Syria the bad guys are killing each other off, and in Iraq a worldwide coalition is fighting the terror.

We are living in special times. We recently witnessed tremendous miracles. Very soon we will witness our complete and final redemption, at which time all evil will be permanently eradicated. However, this depends on each and every one of us. It is up to us to bring the final redemption by doing good deeds.

Let us follow the example of self sacrifice that our dear mother showed us. May we all devote ourselves this year to learn more *Torah* and do more *Mitzvahs* to make the world better and holier, to bring *Moshiach* now!

We wish all of our readers to be inscribed and sealed in the Book of Life. This year should be a wonderful and beautiful year for all of us and for all of the world, the year of our complete and final redemption.

*Rabbi Cohen lives in K'far Chabad, Israel. Email him at bzcohen@orange.net.il. \**

*ahraup fun dee treap, bet ich Ha Shem err zaul mir schiken ah "malach" mir helfen.* (Sometimes it is difficult for me to get up and down the steps to my apartment. So I pray to G-d to help me accomplish this task.)

*Vehn ich haub gehcoomen ah haym fun hauspital is ha shem gehenfert mine tfiles. Ven ich haub em gehdaft baruch ahbaugh is mein shkheyneh der "malach" geh shtanen ahnt kegen fun mir tzuh aushelfen mir. Daus haut zach mir nisht gehglaypt daus haut pahsirt, haub ich zich gehgehen ah knip, tzu zen ayb siz cholemt zach mir auder nisht.* (When I came home from the hospital, it seemed as though my prayers were being answered. Whenever I needed to go up or down the stairs, there he was standing in front of me, my neighbor the "Angel", waiting to help me.)

*Effsher haub ich gehstorben? Nayn ich bin nauch lehbedick. Ken das zine ahz err is tahkeh ah "malach"?* (I could not believe that this was happening, so I pinched myself to see if I was dreaming or not. Perhaps I had died. Could it be that my neighbor is an "Angel"?)

*Nuh, kinder, ich vil by eich fregen vaus daynkt ear. Ken err tahkeh zine ah "malach"?* *Shrypt mir ah email auder ah brief mit ayer entfer.* (Dear children, I ask you, what do you think? Is my neighbor really an "Angel"? Write me an e-mail or even better,

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## High Holidays

BY RABBI BENJAMIN SENDROW

### Yom Kippur – solitary and communal spiritual work

Every Jewish person knows it would be impossible to live a Jewish life without the *Torah*. Have you ever considered that it is equally true that it would be impossible to live a Jewish life with the *Torah* alone? Does the *Torah* command the celebration of *Chanukah*, fasting on *Tisha B'Av*, or the lighting of *Shabbat* candles? No, no, and no. But living a full Jewish life includes all three.

For me, there is no better example of this than the holiday we all know as *Yom Kippur*, but the *Torah* never mentions a day called *Yom Kippur*. Not that *Yom Kippur* is not a *Torah* holiday! Of course it is. But in the *Torah* it is called *Yom HaKippurim*, a plural form of the word *kippur*, and it is almost unrecognizable from the holy day we observe.

Does the *Torah* tell us to fast on *Yom Kippur*, or on *Yom HaKippurim*? You decide. The *Torah* tells us that on the tenth day of the seventh month, "Indeed, any person who does not practice self-denial throughout that day shall be cut off from his kin; and whoever does any work throughout that day, I will cause that person to perish from among his people. Do no work whatever; it is a law for all time, throughout the ages in all your settlements. It shall be a *sabbath* of complete rest for you, and you shall practice self-denial;..."

We understand fasting to be one of the several ways we afflict ourselves, or practice self-denial, but nowhere does the *Torah* say, "Thou shalt fast on *Yom HaKippurim*." This same passage contains another interesting phrase: "For it is a Day of Atonement, on which expiation is made on your behalf before *Adonai* your God." Really? Expiation is made on our behalf by someone else? Are we not supposed to ask forgiveness for our own sins, not have it done on our behalf?

In the *Torah*'s description of the observance of *Yom HaKippurim* in the Book of *Leviticus*, that is exactly what happens. It is probably better to understand atonement in this context as purging. It is done by the High Priest, Aaron, three times: he purges the sanctuary of impurity on behalf of himself,

on behalf of the rest of the priesthood, and on behalf of the Israelites.

How different is our practice now, when each one of us is called upon to take a spiritual self-accounting, and to do something the *Torah* never mentions regarding *Yom HaKippurim*: we are called upon to do *teshuvah*. We usually translate this word as *repentance*, but it really comes from Hebrew meaning *to turn*. We are to turn back to God on *Yom Kippur*, each one of us, individually. Perhaps that is why the name of the holiday is now in the singular.

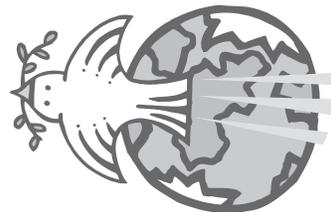
*Yom Kippur* makes demands on each one of us, significant demands on every single Jew. Nothing is done on our behalf. The difficult and painful process of confronting our deficiencies as Jews and as human beings, and resolving to be better than we were, is solitary spiritual work. Each of us must do it individually, but none of us have to do it alone.

We come to the synagogue, where we find the fellow members of our sacred community. Drawing strength and inspiration from the holy setting, the presence of the Ark and its sacred contents, the Scrolls of the *Torah*, the sound of the ancient and holy words being sung by the cantor to melodies that touch our souls, the names of loved ones who have passed away on the walls around us, and the presence of our fellow imperfect souls, we find the strength to confront our failures and pray, with the help of God, to do at least a little bit better in the year to come.

My friends, on this difficult and demanding yet deeply holy day, may each of us find within ourselves the strength to do the difficult work of continued growth during this new year. My wife, Arlene, and our children, Evan, Sammy, and Rachel, join me in wishing you all a new year of goodness, sweetness, health, happiness, and peace. *G'mar chatimah tovah*.

Rabbi Sendrow is rabbi of Congregation Shaarey Tefilla in Carmel, Ind. Get Jewish thoughts, current events, and more by following him at: [Twitter.com/CSTRabbi](https://twitter.com/CSTRabbi). ✨

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## High Holidays

BY RABBI STANLEY HALPERN

### Cain and a road to repentance

The story of Cain and Abel, the first two children of Adam and Eve, is loaded with strange images and statements, not the least of which is in *Genesis* 4:7 – "If you improve it will be forgiven and if you do not improve, sin is lying at the door." How very strange. And then there is the mark of Cain – what is that all about?

This story, which appears in some ways to have come from a different, perhaps earlier, mythology is so full of questions that we can easily miss what is maybe its most important lesson – an especially important lesson during the High Holy Days.

The traditional understanding of Cain's banishment is that he was being punished for the murder of his brother, Abel. Certainly, it was an action worthy of punishment. But, I would suggest that this is not truly why Cain was banished. Rather, as horrible as his murder of his brother was, Cain committed a much greater wrong – his reply to God's question concerning Abel.

Right after the murder, God asks Cain, "Where is your brother, Abel?" Cain's response is, "How should I know? Am I my brother's keeper?"

Yes! You are your brother's keeper. And, as the High Holy Days surrounds us, we must remember that, Yes, all of us are responsible for our brothers, and for each other.

In the midst of our daily turmoil and strife, it seems at times that all we can do is keep our heads above water and look out as best we can for ourselves and our families. But we are still our brother's keeper, required to do more.

As we prepare for the New Year – as we focus in on how we can correct our failings and increase our strengths, let us make sure that we do not forget about others. In a world torn by war and hunger and despair, we must remember to do what we can to make for change – to change the lives of those around us for better – even if it is only a small change.

The *Talmud* tells us that while we are not required to complete the task, but neither are we free from trying. Remember on these High Holy Days to try to be that agent of change. *B'Shalom*.

Rabbi Stanley Halpern serves Congregation Beth Shalom in Carmel, Ind. ✨

# My Kitchen to Yours

BY PARISA KEISARI

## Something new for the holidays

As the year 5775 dawns, Jewish people around the world are celebrating with their families. Although Judaism is based in tradition, sometimes a variation of the original is a welcome change. Why not try a delicious baked apple basted in honey for break-the-fast, a curry potato *kugel* for *Sukkot*, or enjoy a deconstructed stuffed cabbage soup on *Simchat Torah*? You can enjoy all three with the following recipes:

### Honey Baked Apples

(serves 6)

2-1/4 cups water  
3/4 cup packed brown sugar  
3 Tbsp. honey  
6 large tart apples  
1/2 cup golden raisins  
1/2 cup granola

In a small saucepan, bring water, brown sugar and honey to a boil. Remove from the heat. Core apples and peel the top third of each. Place in an ungreased 9-in. pie plate. Mix granola and raisins. Fill apples with raisins; sprinkle any remaining mixture into pan. Pour sugar syrup over apples. Bake uncovered at 350°F for 1 hour or until tender, basting occasionally.

### Curried Potato Kugel

(serves 8)

3 lbs potatoes (either red or yellow)  
1 zucchini  
2 carrots  
1/2 bag frozen peas  
2 medium onions  
2 Tbsp. curry powder  
2-1/2 tsp. salt  
1 cup flour  
6 eggs  
1/4 cup oil

Preheat oven to 375°F. Wash and peel the potatoes, carrots and onions. Grate the carrots, zucchini, onion and potatoes, starting with onions and rotating (this will keep the potatoes from oxidizing and turning brown). Add the peas. Mix the vegetables together with the flour, eggs, curry powder, and salt. Put the oil in a baking dish (Pyrex works great for this) and put in the hot oven for 5 minutes. Remove the pan from the oven and put the kugel mix in the hot oil in the pan.

Spread evenly and bake for 45 minutes to an hour until the edges and top are nicely browned. Cut into pieces and serve hot. This is great plain or topped with plain yogurt.

### Deconstructed Stuffed Cabbage Soup (serves 8)

2 pounds lean ground beef  
1 Tbsp. olive oil  
1 large onion, chopped  
1 clove garlic, minced  
1 medium cabbage, chopped  
(a good shortcut is to use  
2 bags of coleslaw mix)  
1/3 cup short grain white rice  
2 cans (14.5 oz. each) diced tomatoes  
1 can (15 ounces) tomato sauce  
2 cups water

2 tsp. ground black pepper  
1 Tbsp. salt

In a large pot, heat olive oil over medium heat. Add the ground beef and onion and cook, stirring, until ground beef is no longer pink and onion is tender. Add the garlic and continue cooking for 1 minute. Add the chopped cabbage, rice, tomatoes, tomato sauce, pepper, and salt. Bring to a boil. Cover and simmer for 20 to 30 minutes, or until cabbage is tender and rice is cooked.

*Parisa Keisari is the owner and general manager of Keisari Catering Company, based in Indianapolis. They are available for all occasions, ranging from executive meals to large, formal celebrations. For more information, please contact Parisa Keisari at pkeisari@hotmail.com. ★*

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# Obituaries

**Dr. Charles Robert Echt, 81**, beloved husband, cherished father, loving grandfather, devoted brother, kindhearted friend and compassionate physician, died after a courageous and lengthy struggle with melanoma, on Sept. 10. "Charlie," as he was known to his bride Myra (Seigel) of 57 years, was a practicing physician (obstetrics and gynecology) until the final months before his passing. Charlie was deeply loved by all for his warmth, kindness, generosity, keen intellect, sharp wit and devoted friendship.



Beginning with his service in the United States Air Force during the late 1950's (while stationed in Morocco with his newlywed wife), he became an avid traveler, visiting countless countries on six continents. Amongst the greatest of his personal accomplishments was a joy-filled, 57-year marriage to the love of his life, the raising of 3 children (for whom he beamed with pride), and the time spent with his six treasured grandchildren. His only regret was in leaving life too soon.

Charlie formed countless friendships, remaining close with many friends for decades, especially those from his years at Hammond High (Class of 1950), Zeta Beta Tau fraternity at Indiana University (class of 1954), Indiana University School of Medicine (class of 1957), Broadmoor Country Club, Congregation Beth-El Zedeck and several hospitals including The Indiana University Medical Center, Winona, Humana, Methodist and St. Vincent's Woman's hospitals.

Charlie was truly unique, deeply loved, and now greatly missed. With his passing we can all rejoice in the countless lives he has positively impacted, the mothers and fathers that he cared for during the most

precious of moments of parenthood, and the thousands of daughters and sons he helped bring into this world.

In addition to his friends, family, and colleagues, Charlie loved attending athletic events, especially Indiana University sports. In fact, throughout the years, he treasured the time spent sharing season tickets at IU (both basketball and football), the Indianapolis Colts, Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Chicago White Sox, horse racing and countless other venues.

Charles was a devoted son to his late parents, Albert and Ann (Finklestein) Echt and an extraordinarily dedicated son-in-law to Herman and Eva Seigel. Additionally he was a loving older brother to his sister, Lynn Rae (Echt) Goldstein, and an exceptionally close-knit brother-in-law to Michael and Molly Seigel. After Charlie and Myra married in 1959, they worked as a team, raising their three children, Dr. Gregory A. Echt (Susan) of Dallas, Dr. Audrey Echt Hammer (Dr. Bradley) of Raleigh, N.C., and Jeffrey D. Echt (Julie) of Highland Park, Ill. Even in his final days, Charlie laughed with, and held close to himself, his six grandchildren Daniel, Alexander, Henry, Abraham, and Elizabeth Echt and Eva Hammer.

He was both the bedrock of our family and the glue that will continue to bind us for years to come. Good night Dad, Papa Indy, Charles, Chuck, Charlie, we will love you forever. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Congregation Beth El Zedeck ([www.bez613.org](http://www.bez613.org)), Melanoma Research Foundation, 1411 K Street, NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20005 ([www.melanoma.org](http://www.melanoma.org)) or Season Hospice Foundation, [www.seasonsfoundation.org/donate](http://www.seasonsfoundation.org/donate).

Services were held at Congregation Beth El Zedeck on Sept. 12. Arrangements entrusted to **Aaron Ruben Nelson Mortuary**. To share a memory or send a message of condolence, visit the online obituary at [www.arnmortuary.com](http://www.arnmortuary.com).

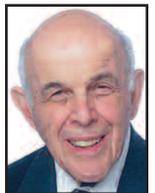
**Nathan G. Resnick, 73**, of Indianapolis, passed away Sept. 11. He was born in South Bend on March 6, 1941 to Isadore and Sarah (Shapiro) Resnick. Nathan graduated from John Adams High School. He received an Associate of Science Degree in Engineering Electronics from Valparaiso Technical Institute in 1962. He attended Indiana University at South Bend and received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering Electronics from Valparaiso Technical Institute in 1968. Nathan worked as a Quality Control Technician for Delco in Kokomo from 1968-1985, and later had the same role at Roche Diagnostics in Fishers, Ind., for 20 years.

Nathan was a Hamm Operator for many years, and his call letters were K9YBX. He was a member of the American Radio Relay League. He also enjoyed traveling to warm climates and watching professional football and baseball.

He is survived by his sister, Faye Resnick of Mishawaka, Ind.; and cousins, Rosanne (Bill) Simon of Virginia Beach, Va., Robert (Yuko) Sprung of New York City, Paul (Diana) Shapiro of Nashville, Ind., and Rita Shapiro Brotherton of Jeffersonville, Ind.

Graveside services were held on Sept. 14 at Hebrew Orthodox Cemetery in Mishawaka with Rabbi Michael Friedland officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley or Sinai Synagogue both in South Bend. Arrangements entrusted to **Aaron Ruben Nelson Funeral & Cremation Services**.

**Cantor Raphael (Ray) Edgar, 82**, passed away Sept. 12. He was born in Des Moines, Iowa on May 28, 1932. From his father, Cantor Aaron I. Edgar, he absorbed a lifelong love of operative singing and Jewish music. From his mother, Ann Ziff Edgar, he learned the values of family solidarity and loyalty. These would be the pillars of his long and fulfilling life. He loved the human voice, especially in its highest forms: operatic arias and ensembles, and Cantorial chants of the highest caliber.



He grew up in Omaha, Nebraska, graduating from Omaha Central High School in 1949. He continued his education in Chicago, at Chicago Musical College of Roosevelt University, where he received a Bachelor of Arts with a major in Music, specializing in vocal performance. He went on to graduate studies at the Cantor's Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York City, where he received a Master's of Sacred Music and a diploma of Hazzan (Cantor).

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## Jewish Theatre of Bloomington opens 2014–2015 season with romantic comedy

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*Handle with Care*, an Off-Broadway hit, was a *New York Times* Critics' Pick, calling it a "hilarious and heartwarming romantic comedy that exudes gobs of comic energy and insight."

The cast includes Carrie Fedor, well-known Indianapolis actress, Paula Gordon who will be remembered for her stunning portrayal of Zhanna Dawson in JTB's staged reading of *Hiding in the Spotlight*, and Brandon Wertz, seen last winter in Cardinal Stage Company's production of *The Whipping Man* and appearing this fall in Cardinal's staging of 1776.

Directing *Handle with Care* will be Gerard Pauwels, a familiar figure on local and regional stages in his Bloomington directing debut. Performances at the Ivy Tech John Waldron's Rose Firebay in downtown Bloomington are Nov. 15, 20, and 22 at 7:30 p.m., and Nov. 16 and 23 at 2 p.m. Tickets: \$20.00. For purchasing information, contact Audrey at hellera@indiana.edu or 812-336-3198. ★



### CHAIET

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a letter to the editor with your thoughts.)

*Ah shaynem dank eyech far lezenin mine mysehleh.* (Many thanks for reading my little story.)

*Daus bin, Henya Chaiet, eyer Yiddisheh mahmeh.* ("Tis I, Henya Chaiet, your Jewish mama.)

*Henya Chaiet is the Yiddish name for Mrs. A. Helen Feinn. Born in 1924 ten days before Passover, her parents had come to America one year prior. They spoke only Yiddish at home so that is all she spoke until age five when she started kindergarten. She then learned English, but has always loved Yiddish and speaks it whenever possible. Chaiet lived in La Porte and Michigan City, Ind., from 1952 to 1978 and currently resides in Walnut Creek, Calif. Email: afeinn87@gmail.com. ★*



Jewish boxer, Samuel Horowitz (left), on ropes celebrating his victory after his first official match Sept. 19 at the Horseshoe Casino in Hammond, Ind. He landed a right uppercut at 15 seconds into the first round, knocking out his opponent (below), Albert Hawkins, a veteran of eight fights. The official time with 10 count was 27 seconds. Horowitz wore his trunks with the Star of David and the shoes that belonged to his best friend, Jaren Carter, who died Nov. 19, 2011. He is hoping to fight again at the Horseshoe Nov. 29 this year. (see more in Sept. 3, 2014 Indiana JPO issue, page 8.)



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## Alpha Epsilon Pi launches million dollar philanthropy campaign

INDIANAPOLIS – Alpha Epsilon Pi (AEPi), the global Jewish college fraternity, launched a \$1,000,000 commitment to 10 Jewish philanthropies at its 101st International Convention in Toronto, Canada. Brothers in 180 chapters in six countries around the world will be fundraising through AEPi's Official Philanthropy Program (OPP) to accomplish the goal. This will be the single largest philanthropy project that the undergraduate students have ever undertaken.

As decided by undergraduate Brothers, the \$1,000,000 commitment will provide a \$100,000 donation to each of the following organizations: BBYO, B'nai B'rith International's Disaster Relief Program, Gift of Life, Heroes to Heroes Foundation, Israel Children's Cancer Foundation, IDF Widows and Orphans Organization, Innovation: Africa, MadaTech Museum, Simon Wiesenthal Center, and Taglit-Birthright Israel.

"As a Jewish Fraternity, AEPi is committed to *Tikkun Olam* – repairing the world. Our undergraduates have chosen to give back to 10 internationally recognized Jewish causes and agencies because that is where our heart and soul are, with Jewish people and organizations in every corner of our world," said Larry Leider, AEPi's International President. "Teaching the lessons of *Tikkun Olam* in college will help to foster the development of our Brothers into tomorrow's Jewish communal leaders."

The new campaign was initiated after the completion of AEPi's previous \$700,000 donation to seven organizations: ELEM, Friends of the IDF, Jewish National Fund, Keshet, Leket, Save a Child's Heart, and Sharsheret. The initial goal was to raise these funds in seven years; however, through the hard work of AEPi undergraduate Brothers, the \$700,000 was raised in just four years.

When asked about the recent success of AEPi's philanthropic endeavors, Executive Director Andy Borans said, "We are extremely proud of the accomplishments of our undergraduate Brothers and look forward to their future achievements with Alpha Epsilon Pi's Official Philanthropy Program." For more information regarding AEPi's OPP and their philanthropic beneficiaries please visit [aepigivesback.org](http://aepigivesback.org).

*Alpha Epsilon Pi (AEPi) is North America's leading Jewish social fraternity, operating chapters on more than 180 college campuses worldwide. Founded in 1913,*

## OBITUARIES

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He was also the recipient of a Master's degree in Linguistics from American University in Washington, D.C.

He began his professional career in Washington, D.C. as Cantor and Musical Director of Adas Israel Congregation, where he served until 1972. This was followed by Cantorial positions in Buffalo, N.Y., Chicago, and Indianapolis. This last post at Congregation Beth El Zedeck, was by far his favorite.

As a baritone soloist, he performed with the Buffalo Philharmonic, the National Symphony, the Jerusalem Symphony, the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, and the Chicago Symphony String Quartet in works by Purcell, Mascagni, Barber, and Berlinksi. He also taught voice privately, and at Roosevelt University, his alma mater.

After nearly 50 years as a Cantor, he retired to Santa Fe, N.M., in 1998 with his late wife Joyce Stegman Edgar, a mezzo soprano. They were often heard singing duets at Vanessies, a local piano bar specializing in show tunes. He volunteered with the Santa Fe Opera, the International Folk Art Museum, Literary Volunteers, and Temple Beth Shalom.

He is survived by his beloved children: Barry Edgar (Lake Villa, Ill.), Orna Edgar (Redmond, Wash.), and Daphna Edgar (Medford, Mass.); a sister Laya Frischer of Evanston, Ill.; and four grandchildren David, Aaron, and Crystal Edgar, and Tahlia Edgar-Chalker.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Beth El Zedeck Congregation, the Santa Fe Opera, and the Jewish World Service. Funeral services were held in the chapel of Congregation Beth-El Zedeck on Sept. 18.



*AEPi Headquarters in Indianapolis, Ind.*

*AEPi has more than 90,000 living alumni. While non-discriminatory, the fraternity's mission – developing the future leaders of the Jewish communities – is demonstrated every day through acts of Brotherhood, Tzedakkah (charity), social awareness and support for Jewish communities and Israel. ☆*

Burial followed in Beth-El Zedeck North Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to **Aaron Ruben Nelson Mortuary.**

**David Lee Lutz, 74**, of Fishers passed away peacefully Sept. 17 after a brief illness. He was born in Bloomington, Ill., on Sept. 19, 1939 to Jacob and Golde Lutz. David served in the United States Air Force. He began his career as a home builder before entering the automotive business. Later, David used his expertise as the owner and operator of Video Vault, which was one of the last privately owned video rental stores.



David was also a Volunteer Fire Fighter for Washington Township from 1963–1973, and taught First Aid to school bus drivers in that area. He chaired and established the American Cancer Society Apartment Division in Indianapolis and was active with the Democratic Party and Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation.

David is survived by his wife, Dee Lebowitz Lutz; sons, Garrett (Judy) Lutz of South Carolina, Michael (Stephanie) Lutz of Texas, and Matthew (Amy) Lutz of Westfield, Ind.; grandchildren, Andrew, Lauren, Jacob, Zachary, Jordan, Colby, Alexandra, Catelin, and Cassandra Lutz; and sisters, Betty Jo Lutz, Judy (Ted) Sosin, and Sandra Slavin. He is preceded in death by his parents, Jacob & Golde Lutz; and brother, Robert Lutz.

Funeral services were held at A.R.N. Funeral & Cremation Services on Sept. 21. Burial followed in Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation North Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to either the charity founded in honor of and named for David's grandchildren, Colby & Cate's Charities, [www.colbyandcate.org](http://www.colbyandcate.org), or to the Hamilton County Humane Society.

**Mikhail Gomberg, 77**, of Indianapolis, passed away Sept. 18. He was born in Dnepropetrovsk, Ukraine to Semen and Vera Zlotopolskya Gomberg on Sept. 9, 1937. Mikhail was a mechanical engineer. He is survived by his daughter, Julie (Victor); his companion of several years, Lena and her grandchildren, Joshua and Maggie; his sister-in-law, Lucy; and nephew, Max (Tanya). Funeral services were held Sept. 21 at **Aaron Ruben Nelson Mortuary.**

**Nahoma Deckelbaum, 92**, passed away on Sept. 23. She was born Feb. 10, 2014. Nahoma was Leah (Harry) Traugott's sister. Graveside services were held in Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation South Cemetery on Sept. 24. Arrangements by **Aaron Ruben Nelson Mortuary.** ☆



# Book Review

REVIEW BY BONNIE MAURER

## Guide for times we seek presence of mind and heart

*The Days Between: Blessings, Poems, and Directions of the Heart.* By Marcia Falk. Brandeis University Press. 2014. Pages 260. \$24.95.

If you are new to Marcia Falk's book you may find as I have, that it will be your inseparable guide to an insightful life, one more engaged and present in mind and heart.

In fact, Marcia Falk, poet and scholar, claims her book is a companion for all of us "seeking to participate in Jewish civilization and culture without compromising intellectual and spiritual integrity." Falk focuses on core elements in the *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur* services recasting them in fresh and accessible versions. There is no mention of "God" in her pages, but every page evokes the sacred. In each of the four sections, she explains the service and provides a basis and understanding of her re-visioning. Her blessings, hymns and poems are translated into Hebrew, as well.

My favorite poem in the Rosh Hashanah service is her abecedarian, a popular form of liturgical poetry composed for the High Holidays. "May It Be So" is Falk's version. In her poem, her blessings express optimism: "May the year bring... beauty, creativity, delight..." She continues with hope for the future: "May we be infused with joy.// May we know intimacy and kindness,..." "May we be inspired with vision and wonder..." And for the world: "May we find peace within ourselves//and help peace emerge in the world..." This abecedarian is one we can read for inspiration, not just on Rosh Hashanah, but with our morning orange juice every day. The poem offers a boost to our better selves, to a life well-intentioned. She ends: "May we merit these blessings// and may they come to be. May it be so."

Falk revises the *Tashlikh* ritual. Instead of asking God to purge us of our sins, Falk encourages us to "free ourselves

from whatever impedes our journey into the new year with clarity, lightness and hope."

Part Two: "Window, Bird, Sky" is the section where Falk offers daily psalms and meditations of the heart to augment our contemplation during those ten days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. These thoughtful pieces filled with the universal language of nature can (and should be) read and discussed any time and especially with our families to support feelings, from sadness to gratitude, from silence to celebration.

Section 3: Yom Kippur contains even more thoughtful and provocative direction. The traditional confession of sins, for example, is replaced by a "call to self-accounting." As Falk escorts us through the *Yizkor* service, she offers "'Passageways of Grieving" and encourages remembering shared "moments in the current of time—." Falk acknowledges that this service can also be used as a memorial ceremony other times of the year.

Throughout this sacred time of the High Holidays, Falk's goal seems to be for each of us to accept our mortality and find a deeper sense of self in the "greater whole." Her



Marcia Falk

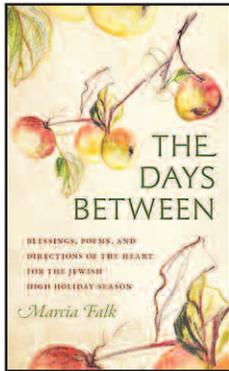
modern approach provides a guide for this time and for the many times in our lives we seek enrichment and presence of mind and heart.

Falk's hope is for this book to be used in the synagogue seat, on a hike, at the dining room table or at the kitchen window. May it be so.

Bonnie Maurer earned an MFA in poetry from Indiana University. She is the author of four small-press chapbooks: *The Reconfigured Goddess*, *Finishing Line Press*, 2009, *poems of a breast cancer survivor* (currently for sale, contact Maurer's email below); *Ms Lily Jane Babbitt before the Ten O'clock Bus* from Memphis Ran Over Her, *Raintree Press and Ink Press*, 2nd edition; *Old 37: The Mason Cows*, *Barnwood Press*; and *Bloodletting: A Ritual Poem for Women's Voices*, *Ink Press*.

She has conducted creative writing/healing workshops for the homeless in recovery, for the HIV+/AIDS affected/infected population, for The Cancer Support Community and for "Honoring the Sacred Feminine" conferences, celebrating women's wisdom and spirituality.

Maurer grew up in Indianapolis where she continues to live and work as a poet for Arts for Learning, as a copy editor for the Indianapolis Business Journal and as an *Ai Chi* (aquatic flowing energy) instructor at the JCC. Email: [bmaurer@ibj.com](mailto:bmaurer@ibj.com). ★



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# Jerusalem Peacemaker

By ELIYAHU McLEAN

## Abrahamic Reunion

Photos below from the 'Healing Abraham's Family' journey to Faradis, Zichron Yaakov and Haifa, Sept. 14, 2014. Forty East Jerusalem Palestinians and 40 Israeli Jews and Arabs joined for a day of 'being human' – touring, eating, praying – together. In the aftermath of the recent war, and ongoing tensions in Jerusalem, this day inspired us and all we met along the way, not to give into the fear and separation. See many more photos of the event on flickr at the following link: [www.flickr.com/photos/jerusalem\\_peacemakers/sets/72157647449631398/#](http://www.flickr.com/photos/jerusalem_peacemakers/sets/72157647449631398/#)

Eliyahu McLean, director of Jerusalem Peacemakers, [www.jerusalempeacemakers.org](http://www.jerusalempeacemakers.org) ✪



(L-R) Ghassan Manasra, Chaim Chaim, and Eliyahu McLean.



(L-R) Chaim Chaim, Fahmiyeh Alansari, Eliyahu McLean, and Raed Hashemh.



In a local park, we were accompanied by song from musician RebbeSoul asking God, "Harachaman" to bless Isaac and Ishmael.

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