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## *A Message From Rabbi Berk*

Springtime is festival season! I'm not telling you anything you don't know well, and live fully. We will get together, celebrate life, eat delicious things, drink refreshing libations, dance, sing, and enjoy. This is the rare city that devotes a season to festivals of celebration – celebration of things large and small (from the creole tomato to the whole French Quarter). We New Orleanians do this for very intentional reasons – we like to set time aside to savor, we enjoy a party, we like each other and the way we are together, and we find it fun and sweet. Frankly, these are religious motivations at their core. All of Judaism could be summarized as the pursuit of sanctifying the mundane – making holy moments out of the potentially ordinary; marking time and space as sacred.



Many years ago, I dreamed that Touro Synagogue would create an annual celebration where we could savor and enjoy one another, rejoice our accomplishments and experiences, mark our triumphs and consider our challenges. Some congregations call this an annual meeting. I just felt we, at Touro Synagogue in New Orleans, were more suited to a slightly different approach. We need something more joyful, more amplified, and more...well...festival-like. And, so it began ten years ago.

We began by changing the event from an annual meeting to an Annual Celebration (capital letters mine). Adults have a chance to meet and listen and laugh and cry about all of the beauty of our communally co-created life here. All the while, kids play - bounce houses and merriment! I actually think we've reached a new, festival level state with these Annual Celebrations, so I propose a name change: TouroFest. **Please join us this year at Touro Fest 2018! Shabbat afternoon, April 14.** You can wear a straw hat and Hawaiian shirt if such is your custom.

With love,

Rabbi Alexis Berk

JOIN US FOR

# Touro Fest!

TOURO SYNAGOGUE'S 190<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEETING  
SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2018

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

It feels incomprehensible to believe that we're nearing the end of the current programmatic year in the life of our congregation. How can that be? Where did the time go? If I think of the countless moments that have unfolded individually and together during this past year, it's easy to recognize the passing of time even if the months have flown by.

By tradition, there is a prescribed rhythm to our weeks and months and years. It's a continuous cycle with deep meaning and includes a weekly mandate for rest. Still, I sometimes feel like our Jewish calendar keeps us on a conveyor belt. (I felt this way before I was president so it's not the job!) We move from one holiday celebration to the next, often with little or no time

to linger or consolidate the delights, hardships, or lessons resulting from that which we have just experienced. Add to the Jewish calendar, the fullness of our synagogue's comprehensive programming, then mix in the New Orleans community celebrations and sometimes I find that time feels dizzying and ephemeral. Shabbat is our answer to slowing that whirling and holding onto the fleeting with gratitude.

I hope you will plan to join us on Shabbat afternoon, April 14, for our congregational Annual Meeting. Together we will celebrate the richness of this past year in synagogue life. We also will vote to amend our By-Laws, review our finances, and look at some highlights of the year. After the meeting, we'll do what we do here and enjoy



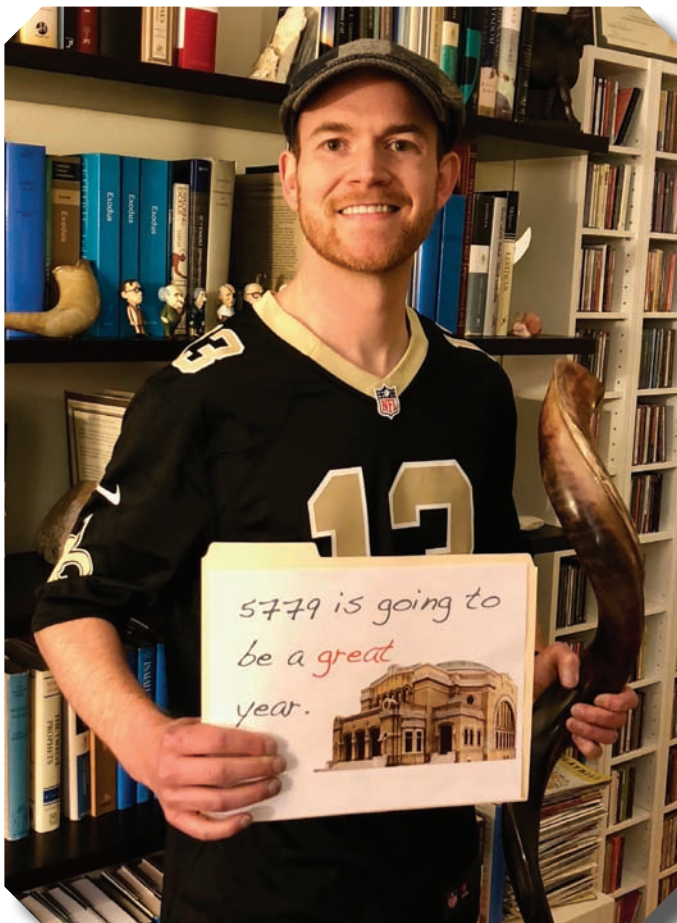
*Teri Hunter*

some food and beverage in gratitude for each other and our community.

I look forward to seeing you then as always.  
Warmly,  
Teri

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## Welcome Cantor Margolius!



### JOIN US IN WELCOMING CANTOR KEVIN MARGOLIUS FRIDAY, JULY 6 - 6:00PM FORGOTSTON CHAPEL

Following a long and comprehensive search process, Cantor Kevin Margolius was recently selected as the next Cantor of Touro Synagogue.

Cantor Margolius' extraordinary warmth, kindness, intellect, and skill will enrich our congregation as much as his gorgeous voice and multifaceted musical talents will.

Cantor Margolius is originally from Ohio, received a BS in quantitative economics from Tufts University, and was ordained from Hebrew College in 2013. He has been the Cantor at Temple Beth Tikvah in Madison, Connecticut since his ordination. Cantor Margolius and his husband Dr. Jason Gaines will move to New Orleans this summer. He already has his Saints jersey!

We look forward to welcoming Cantor Margolius to our Bimah for the first time on Shabbat, Friday, July 6.

*This is a Shabbat you  
won't want to miss!*





**Join Us!**

**TOURO SYNAGOGUE'S  
190TH ANNUAL MEETING**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2018**

**4:00PM IN THE  
FORGOTSTON CHAPEL**

- Proposed Amendments to Bylaws
- Election of Trustees
- Annual reports from officers
- Committee reports

**CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES  
BEGIN AT 4:00PM IN  
THE JACOBS SOCIAL HALL**

- Supervised fun for kids of all ages
- Bounce House Fun

**DINNER AT 5:30PM FOR ALL!**

Join us for a delicious and  
plentiful summer meal!

**PLEASE RSVP TO  
[INFO@TOUROSYNAGOGUE.COM](mailto:INFO@TOUROSYNAGOGUE.COM)**

**Thank You!**

**We express our sincerest appreciation  
to our outgoing Board members for  
what they have done and continue to  
do to ensure Touro's success:**

Richard Cahn  
Julie Koppman  
Stacey Weinreb Lutz  
Thaia Pick

Dear Congregant:

In accordance with the bylaws of Touro Synagogue, the nominating committee for the Board of Trustees has made the following recommendations for the 2018-2019 term.

The following individual is nominated for a one-year term as an Officer of the board: Robert Kohn, Vice President

The following individuals have one year remaining of a two-year term as Officers of the board:

Teri Hunter,  
*President*

Gary Silbert,  
*Vice President*

Jill Israel,  
*Treasurer*

Lisa Herman,  
*Executive Vice President*

Lisa Keleher,  
*Secretary*

Kathy Shepard,  
*Financial Secretary*

**First 1-year term (ending June 2019):**  
Mark Densen

**First 2-year term (ending June 2020):**

George Dansker  
David Greenberg

Samantha Guichet  
Cathy Lazarus

Scott Pollack

**Board Members returning for another 2-year term (ending June 2020):**

Michael Cohen  
Ann Fishman  
Jared Glassman

Ron Gubitz  
Chris Kornman  
Laura Levy

Scott Saltzman  
Anamaria Villamarin-Lupin  
Naomi Yavneh Klos

**The following individuals have one-year remaining of a two-year term as members of the Board of Trustees of the Congregation:**

Aaron Ahlquist  
Joy Braun  
Justin Ehrenwerth  
Rebecca Finger

Jeffrey Fingerman  
Robert Gross  
Maurya Kilroy  
Austin Lavin

Austin Marks  
Naomi Orlansky  
Brian Weimer  
Dan Weiner

**The following individuals are nominated to serve as Touro Synagogue Commissioners on the Board of the Hebrew Rest Cemetery Association, Inc. for a two-year term:**

Carol Good, Laurie Rosenberg, Louis Shepard

**The following individuals have one year remaining of a two-year term as Commissioners on the Board of Hebrew Rest Cemetery Association:**

Alan Singer, Stephen Sontheimer, Renee Zack

Sincerely,

Susan Good, *Chairman*

Steven Bain, Josh Densen, Rebecca Finger, Cathy Glaser, Lisa Herman,  
Chris Kornman, Sharan Leiber, Naomi Orlansky, Stacey Lutz

**Nominating Committee of the Touro Synagogue Board of Trustees**

## SHABBAT CLUB

All Uptown Hebrew Dalet (6th Grade Students) are invited to join us for the final Shabbat Club experiences of the year! Join us after services for an exploration and discussion of the service which YOU will soon be helping lead as you become B'nei Mitzvah.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 6:00-8:15 PM**  
Bar Mitzvah Weekend of Logan Katz

**FRIDAY, MAY 18, 6:00-8:15 PM**  
Confirmation Service  
and Teacher Appreciation



## SHABBAT ROCKS! AT TOURO

### A SHABBAT MORNING EXPERIENCE FOR YOUNG FAMILIES

(INFANTS - AGE 6)

Join Rabbi Silverman and Rabbi Pinsky for our last two *Shabbat Rocks!* mornings of the year! We'll sing, dance, pray, and play enough to last us all summer. And, of course, end with some challah and juice. Have a friend who might enjoy Shabbat Rocks!? Bring them along!

**UPCOMING DATES:**  
APRIL 7 & MAY 19

For more information  
contact Rabbi Silverman at  
[tsilverman@tourosynagogue.com](mailto:tsilverman@tourosynagogue.com)



## REMINDER!

### PESACH BREAK

SUNDAY, APRIL 1ST - WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4TH  
No Religious School or Uptown Hebrew

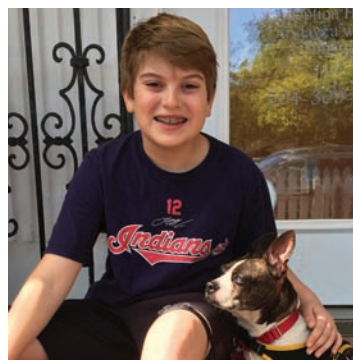
CLASSES RESUME SUNDAY APRIL 8TH AT 9:00AM

*We wish you and your family a zissen Pesach --  
a happy and joyful Passover holiday with  
your friends, family, and loved ones.*



## MAZEL TOV B'NAI MITZVAH STUDENTS!

**Bar Mitzvah of**  
**Logan Michael Katz**  
April 21, 2018



My Bar Mitzvah project involved volunteering at Zeus' Rescues. Zeus' provides forever homes for animals from high-kill shelters. While they are at Zeus', the animals need to learn to live in a kennel, socialize with other dogs, and be around humans. I spent time with the dogs in the yard

helping them feel comfortable with humans and other dogs. I also plan on making a donation to Zeus' to help their mission.

Becoming a Bar Mitzvah is the end of my formal Jewish education but the beginning of my Jewish life. I'm excited to make this transition from formal learning to exploring Judaism in my own way.

*Logan is the son of Lisa and Brian Katz.*

**Bat Mitzvah of**  
**Josephine Marie Keleher**  
May 12, 2018



I am so excited for my Bat Mitzvah! Preparing for the date turned out to be easier than I thought, and I have been looking forward to using all of my new Torah-reading skills on the bima in May. For my mitzvah project I have been working with my

friends in a group called Cookies For Cause. We raise money for various charities primarily through bake sales. This might sound like a small act, but after our first few bake sales, we have already raised more than \$3,000! I hope to see you at my Bat Mitzvah on May 12!

*Josie is the daughter of Lisa and William Keleher.*

TOURO SYNAGOGUE CORDIALLY  
INVITES YOU TO ATTEND THE

# 131<sup>st</sup> Service for Confirmation

FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2018  
5 SIVAN 5778  
AT SIX O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING  
DOORS CLOSE PROMPTLY FOR PROCESSIONAL

*Russell Adelman-Cannon*

SON OF LAURA ADELMAN-CANNON  
AND CHARLES CANNON

*Ari Berk*

SON OF ALEXIS AND BOB BERK

*Alistair Cunningham*

SON OF MEREDITH AND MARK CUNNINGHAM

*Madelyn Goff*

DAUGHTER OF LISA GOFF

*Jack Haber*

SON OF KELLY AND LAWRENCE HABER

*Hannah Jabaley*

DAUGHTER OF ERIKA ZUCKER  
AND JOHN JABALEY

*Ethan Katz*

SON OF LISA AND BRIAN KATZ

*Yehuda Potash*

SON OF MICHELLE AND MORDECAI POTASH

*Benjamin Wilkins*

SON OF GINNY WISE AND KEVIN WILKINS

*Jessica Zweifler*

DAUGHTER OF KIM AND RICHARD ZWEIFLER

CELEBRATORY SHABBAT DINNER WILL BE SERVED  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SERVICES

## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

*You Are Cordially Invited to*

### TOURO SYNAGOGUE'S INAUGURAL UPTOWN HEBREW YAD CEREMONY



WEDNESDAY, MAY 2 - 5:00PM  
FORGOTSTON CHAPEL

As we bid farewell to our graduating 6th Graders, let's honor their years of hard work with a sweet, sacred moment of recognition.

Join us as we wish them each a big mazal tov and present them each with their own yad -- a Torah pointer of their own to help them work their ways toward becoming B'nei Mitzvah.

Music and singing and smiles and love.  
Perhaps even a little nosh.  
That's what it's all about.

Kindly RSVP to Rabbi Silverman at  
[tsilverman@touroynagogue.com](mailto:tsilverman@touroynagogue.com) by Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>  
whether or not you are able to attend.

*We hope to see you all there!*

## JEWCCY NEWS

J-SERVE COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY  
WITH JEWCCY AND BBO  
SUNDAY, APRIL 8TH - 9:30AM-1:00PM  
JOHN QUINCY ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Every year, Jewish teens around the world join each other on this special day and throughout the Spring to make their community and the world a better place. This year we will be working at John Quincy Adams Middle School. All 7th - 12th grade students are invited to help garden, clean, and even assist in building new classrooms. Lunch and transportation will be provided.

NFTY-SOUTHERN SPRING CONCLAVE IN MEMPHIS  
FRIDAY, APRIL 20TH - SUNDAY, APRIL 22ND

Join us for an incredible weekend in which we celebrate Shabbat with delicious food and activities, explore Jewish life in Memphis, wrestle with hot topics, and say goodbye to our outgoing senior class! Transportation to and from Memphis available.

***You do not want to miss out!***

SAVE THE DATE!  
JEWCCY EXTRAVAGANZA  
SUNDAY, MAY 6TH

CONTACT CHARLIE COX AT [JEWCCY@GMAIL.COM](mailto:JEWCCY@GMAIL.COM)  
FOR MORE INFORMATION



# TOURO SYNAGOGUE'S 27<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL JAZZ FEST SHABBAT

FEATURING  
GEORGE PORTER JR. OF  
**THE METERS**

RECIPIENTS OF THE 2018  
GRAMMY LIFETIME  
ACHIEVEMENT  
AWARD



## GEORGE PORTER JR. AND RUNNIN' PARDNERS

PANORAMA JAZZ BAND • CANTOR BILLY TIEP • RABBI ALEXIS PINSKY  
TERRY D. MADDOX, MUSIC DIRECTOR • TOURO SYNAGOGUE CHOIR





# JAZZ FEST SHABBAT

**FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2018  
6:00PM**

## **27<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION PATRON DINNER AND FUNDRAISER**

Celebrate Jazz Fest Shabbat and support  
Touro Synagogue at the same time.  
Become a Jazz Fest Shabbat Patron!

**EXCLUSIVE PERFORMANCE BY  
GEORGE PORTER JR. AND RUNNIN' PARDNERS  
ELEGANT PATRON DINNER  
VIP SEATING FOR JAZZ FEST SHABBAT SERVICE**

## **JAZZ FEST SHABBAT SERVICE - 7:30 PM**

Free and open to the public \* Doors open at 6:45 PM  
Seats are limited.

### **INVITATIONS ARE IN THE MAIL!**

Become a Patron by returning the response card or  
RSVP online by April 15 at: [www.tourosynagogue.com/jfs-rsvp/](http://www.tourosynagogue.com/jfs-rsvp/)

#### **JAZZ**

**\$1,000 per person**

Includes an autographed JFS poster,  
George Porter Jr. and Runnin' Pardners album  
*It's Time to Funk*, and two single-day passes to the  
New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival

#### **ZYDECO**

**\$500 per person**

Includes an autographed JFS poster

#### **R&B**

**\$300 per person**

Includes George Porter Jr. and  
Runnin' Pardners album *It's Time to Funk*

#### **BLUES**

**\$150 per person**

#### **CHILDREN**

**\$50 per child**

(ages 2 - 12)

*Additional limited edition autographed posters (\$50) available for sale the evening  
of Jazz Fest Shabbat or by calling the Touro Synagogue office (504) 895-4843.*

### **LIVESTREAM JAZZ FEST SHABBAT**

There's nothing like experiencing Jazz Fest Shabbat in person. However, if you can't be  
with us, be sure to watch the Jazz Fest Shabbat Livestream at [www.tourosynagogue.com](http://www.tourosynagogue.com)  
and be part of the experience, wherever you are.



## LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

# HEBREW FOR BEGINNERS

**WITH RABBI SILVERMAN**

**THURSDAY NIGHTS THIS SPRING  
APRIL 19, 26; MAY 3, 10**

**6:30PM MAUTNER LEARNING CENTER**

Join Rabbi Silverman for a four-week course on basic Hebrew. Designed with beginners in mind, together we will study the alefbet (Hebrew alphabet) and begin building the skills to decode and participate in prayer, Torah study, and conversational Hebrew.

If you have never studied Hebrew before, this course is for you. If you have studied Hebrew and would like to continue building your basic skills, this course is for you.

**MATERIALS AND REGISTRATION FEES:  
MEMBERS - NO CHARGE / NON-MEMBERS - \$50**

**RSVP TO [INFO@TOUROSYNAGOGUE.COM](mailto:info@tourosynagogue.com)  
TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE!**

## TORAH STUDY

**EVERY SATURDAY MORNING**

**9:00 - 10:30 AM**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Each week the group discusses the weekly Parashah (Torah Portion) in the Mautner Learning Center. Each session is led by a different lay leader.

Come to one, or all sessions.

All who are interested are welcome.

No prior Torah knowledge or Hebrew skills needed.

Join us for bagels, coffee and a thoughtful conversation.

## DISCUSSIONS: PROFESSOR ERIC GOLDSTEIN VISITS NEW ORLEANS

**MONDAY, APRIL 23 - 6:00PM  
AT TOURO SYNAGOGUE**

Join TREC and Tulane Jewish Studies for dinner and a conversation: *"Where Do Jews Fit in America's Culture of Race?"*

**RSVP at [www.tourosynagogue.com/eric-goldstein-event/](http://www.tourosynagogue.com/eric-goldstein-event/)  
Cost for dinner is \$10**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 24 - 2:00PM  
AT TULANE UNIVERSITY, ROGERS MEMORIAL CHAPEL**

*"No Easy Answers: Jews and the Struggle over Civil Rights in the American South", Questions? Email [cohen@tulane.edu](mailto:cohen@tulane.edu).*

*Both events are generously sponsored by Tulane Jewish Studies.*

*Eric L. Goldstein is Judith London Evans Director of the Tam Institute for Jewish Studies at Emory University, where he is also Associate Professor of History and Jewish Studies. He is the author of the award-winning *The Price of Whiteness: Jews, Race, and American Identity* (Princeton University Press, 2006), and, most recently, *On Middle Ground: A History of the Jews of Baltimore* (with Deborah R. Weiner, Johns Hopkins University Press, 2018).*



**SELECT THURSDAYS, 12:00 - 1:00 PM**

Each week, there are stories in our community and our world that confound us and comfort us, confuse us and confront us.

What would Judaism say about these world issues?

What is a Jewish response?

Join Rabbi Alexis Berk in the Mautner Learning Center for a lunchtime study. Each session will be completely unique in that we will explore a story from the week's news through a Jewish lens, with a Jewish mindset. Come join us! Bring a brown bag lunch and we'll provide the drinks. **All are welcome.**

**UPCOMING SESSIONS:  
APRIL 5, 19; MAY 3, 17**



James Whitbourn's

# Annelies

*An Oratorio based on the Diary of Anne Frank*

**IN HONOR OF YOM HASHOAH**  
**FRIDAY, APRIL 13, 2018 - 7:45PM**  
**MAIN SANCTUARY**

*Doors Open to the Public at 7:30PM*

*Members are warmly invited to join us at 6pm for services and Shabbat dinner prior to the performance.*

Symphony Chorus of New Orleans will perform the first major choral work based on Anne Frank's diary at Touro Synagogue during the Days of Remembrance of the victims of the Holocaust.

Annelies is the first adaptation of the diary of Anne Frank into a large-scale choral work. It brings to life the diary written by Annelies Marie Frank between 1942 and 1944 while her family was in hiding from the Nazis in Holland. Their soul is underscored by James Whitbourn's setting for soprano, chorus, violin, cello, clarinet and piano.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO [WWW.SYMPHONYCHORUS.ORG](http://WWW.SYMPHONYCHORUS.ORG).**

*Symphony Chorus of New Orleans is a 501c3, non-profit, volunteer chorus of approximately 80 singing members. The mission of SCNO is "making a difference in the lives of our singers, our audience, and our community through the power and beauty of choral singing."*



## TOURO CHOIR

*WHERE HEARTS AND SOULS SING!*

An integral part of the musical experience at Touro, our congregational choir adds its voice throughout the year, during the High Holy Days, Jazz Fest Shabbat and other special Shabbat services. There is always a chair available for those who would consider singing in our choir program. Please feel warmly invited!

**CHOIR REHEARSAL - THURSDAYS 7:30PM-9:00PM**

April 5, 12, 19; May 10, 17, 24  
(No rehearsal May 3)

**JAZZ FEST SHABBAT REHEARSALS**

April 24, 25, 26, 27

**CHOIR SHABBAT - May 25**

**CHOIR SUPPER CLUB - 6:00PM**

**Thursday, April 12**  
High Hat Cafe

**Thursday, May 3**  
Dick & Jenny's

For information about the choir, please contact Terry Maddox at [terrydalemaddox@gmail.com](mailto:terrydalemaddox@gmail.com).

## THE JEWISH COMPOSER LECTURE SERIES BERNSTEIN ON BROADWAY & BEYOND PRESENTED BY GEORGE DANSKER



*Thank you*

**TO THE NORMAN LECTURE FUND  
FOR UNDERWRITING THIS EVENT.**

**A WONDERFUL TIME WAS HAD BY ALL!**

# TIKKUN LEIL Shavuot

SATURDAY, MAY 19TH



## JOIN IN THE TRADITION OF NIGHT TIME STUDY AT TOURO SYNAGOGUE

### 7:00 PM - POTLUCK DAIRY DINNER

Touro Synagogue will provide vegetarian lasagna and salad.  
Please bring a dairy/vegetarian potluck dish to share.

### 7:30 PM - TANAKH THREE WAYS!

Rabbis Berk, Silverman, and Pinsky will each offer a short session on their very favorite story in the Tanakh.  
A moment from the prophets, perhaps? Something from the psalms? A character portrait?  
What will it be?

**COME RECEIVE TORAH INTELLECTUALLY AND SPIRITUALLY, WITH YOUR RABBIS,  
ON THIS SACRED NIGHT OF LEARNING.**

RSVP TO THE TOURO SYNAGOGUE OFFICE AT (504) 895-4843 OR [INFO@TOUROSYNAGOGUE.COM](mailto:INFO@TOUROSYNAGOGUE.COM).

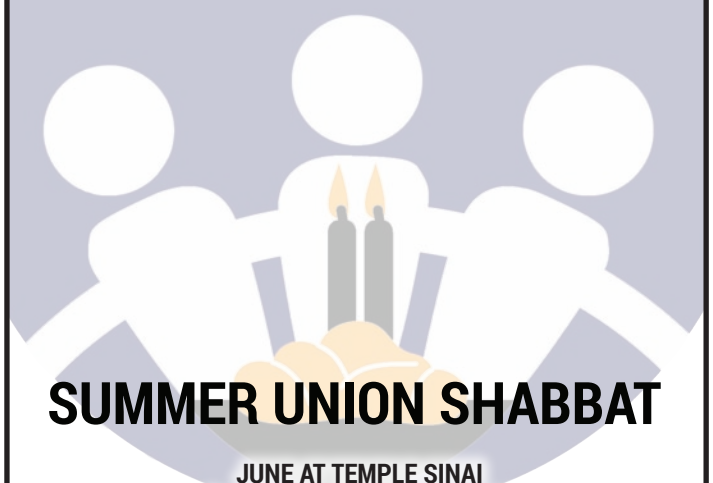
## Service and Yizkor

**PESACH MORNING  
FRIDAY, APRIL 6 - 10:30AM  
FORGOTSTON CHAPEL**

**SHAVUOT FESTIVAL  
SUNDAY, MAY 20 - 10:30AM**

The Torah instructs us to set the first and last days of our festivals apart as holy. Touro Synagogue will hold festival morning worship services, which will be a beautiful way to set our festivals of Simchat Torah, Passover, and Shavuot apart from other days.

To have the name of your loved one read at Yizkor services, please contact Donna at (504) 895-4843 or [donnap@toursynagogue.com](mailto:donnap@toursynagogue.com).



## SUMMER UNION SHABBAT

### JUNE AT TEMPLE SINAI

Friday Evening Shabbat Services at 6:15PM  
Saturday Morning Shabbat Services at 10:15AM

### JULY AT TOURO SYNAGOGUE

Friday Evening Shabbat Services at 6:00PM  
Saturday Morning Shabbat Services at 10:30AM

### AUGUST AT CONGREGATION GATES OF PRAYER

Friday Evening Shabbat Services at 8:00PM  
Saturday Morning Shabbat Services at 10:30AM





# TOURO SYNAGOGUE TORAH PROJECT

***The mystical Zohar teaches that “the one who engages with Torah and discovers in it new meanings contributes new Torah which is treasured by the congregation of Israel.”***

As a Touro Synagogue community, we are about to engage in the writing of a new Torah.

This is an honor and a joy that, if one is lucky, one gets to experience once in a lifetime.

The magnitude and magic are said to be completely spiritually transcendent. And, we are going to do this together. Torah is as old as the practice of Judaism. Each Torah scroll contains the same letters, the same words, the same stories.

But, each Torah scroll is written by an individual scribe. Every sheet of parchment is personally inked by a human hand, so no two scrolls are really the same. Each Torah reader studies a different angle on a passage; each voice lifted in cantillation brings a new pitch to the resonance; each episode reads differently as the passage of our lifetime unfolds. And, each cycle of Torah reading renews our opportunity to just read it all over again. In this way, Torah is always spiritually new.

**Soferet (scribe) Linda Coppelson will write a new Torah for Touro with us.**

We each will have the chance to dedicate selections that are most meaningful to us - the chapters that inspire and challenge us.

Linda will allow us to place our hand over hers, and actually write the Torah together.

A word, a verse, a column - these will come together anew with our community commitment to write a new Torah.

***62 sheets of parchment; 248 columns of ink; 10,413 justified lines;  
304,805 individual letters. And, every single heart in this sacred endeavor.***

**MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING WILL BE INVITED TO COMMISSION PARTS OF  
THE TORAH THAT ARE MOST MEANINGFUL TO THEM OR A LOVED ONE, BEGINNING AT  
THE HIGH HOLY DAYS AND CONTINUING THROUGH THE 2018/19 PROGRAMMATIC YEAR.**

Dedications may be in honor or in memory of someone, to mark a special life-cycle event, to celebrate a special occasion, or simply to celebrate being a part of this unique Torah writing experience.

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***This Torah is underwritten by Peggy Good and dedicated to the memory  
of her beloved husband and Touro past president, Julian H. Good.***

## SOCIAL ACTION

### CARING & MITZVAH COMMITTEE

**APRIL 15, 3PM - 5PM AT THE HOME OF LISA KELEHER:**  
Help craft flower magnets  
(no skills necessary & kid-friendly)

**APRIL 22 11AM - 11:30AM AT TOURO SYNAGOGUE:**  
Assemble gift bags

**APRIL 22 - MAY 20 DELIVERY OF GIFT BAGS:**  
You can deliver bags to Touro members anytime before May 20. We'll be delivering to the Audubon Park/University area, Carrollton/Jefferson area, River Ridge, Old Metairie, Metairie, and Kenner.

CONTACT LISA KELEHER AT [LISATKELEHER@GMAIL.COM](mailto:LISATKELEHER@GMAIL.COM)  
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO HELP-OUT.



### TOURO SYNAGOGUE VILLAGE SOCIALS

Members of Village Chochma enjoyed a Neighborhood Social at Rita Olmo's Bed & Breakfast on Sunday, March 25. It was a lovely light supper where we got to know some fellow Touro members and welcome those who are relatively new to our Touro community.

**If you would like to socialize more with your Touro neighbors, organize a future get-together, or connect with your village coordinator, please contact Lisa Keleher at [lisatkeleher@gmail.com](mailto:lisatkeleher@gmail.com).**



*In attendance, Charles and Arleen Goldberg, Ilyssa Parker & Pehya Simon, hostess Rita Olmo, Valerie & Travis & Hunter Norton, Amy Barad & Jeff Schwartz, , Sheril Herman (not pictured), & Lisa Keleher (not pictured).*

### SOCIAL JUSTICE IN ISRAEL

ISRAEL MOVEMENT FOR  
REFORM AND PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM  
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[www.irac.org/](http://www.irac.org/)

WOMEN OF THE WALL  
[www.womenofthewall.org.il](http://www.womenofthewall.org.il)

### THE FIRST 72+ DONATIONS NEEDED

As many of you know, The First 72+ helps individuals who have been formerly incarcerated with reentry back into society. The program, conceived by Calvin Duncan, has had tremendous success in restoring dignity and pride to the residents. They assist with finding work placement, obtaining vital documents such as birth certificates and identification cards, and access to educational opportunities. The list goes on. However, an ongoing obstacle the residents and organization continues to face is transportation to and from work and school.

#### DONATE RTA BUS PASSES FOR THE FIRST 72+

Visit [first72plus.org](http://first72plus.org) and click on the "donate" icon. In the notes section you are able to comment, "donation for bus passes". Checks are also acceptable and can be sent directly to The First 72+ at 2915 Perdido St. N.O. LA. 70119.

#### DONATE USED LAPTOPS

Please contact Jessie at The First 72+ directly at [jjelisko1@gmail.com](mailto:jjelisko1@gmail.com) or by phone at (504) 237-8161.

### SHOMREI ADAMAH ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Shomrei Adamah, Touro social action's environmental committee, is proud to launch a partnership with the Pointe Au Chien, a coastal Native American tribe, whose land is being affected by coastal erosion. On Saturday, April 21st, Touro will be joining the Pointe Au Chien to plant water-absorbing fruit and nut trees near their community center in Montegut, Louisiana. Please contact David Shepard at [david.l.shepard@gmail.com](mailto:david.l.shepard@gmail.com).

**TO REGISTER TO VOLUNTEER, VISIT  
[WWW.TOUROSYNAGOGUE.COM/TECPROJECT/](http://WWW.TOUROSYNAGOGUE.COM/TECPROJECT/)**



## SOCIAL ACTION

### TOURO'S VERTICAL GARDENS

The Vertical Garden continues to produce fresh greens for the clients of the Broadmoore Food Pantry. We recently harvested 49.5lbs of greens for the food pantry! A special thank you to our volunteers and Religious School 6th graders. To learn more about our vertical gardens or to help us harvest (one time or on going) please contact Scott Saltzman at [scott.saltzman@gmail.com](mailto:scott.saltzman@gmail.com).



### T.R.E.C. TOURO'S RACE & EQUITY COLLABORATIVE

#### WHAT WE'RE READING:

**Article:** *"Black Superheroes Matter: Why a 'Black Panther' Movie Is Revolutionary"*, Rolling Stones <http://bit.ly/TREC-17>

**Article:** *"A Wrinkle in Time: The Past, The Present, and the Future"*, Black Girl Nerds <http://bit.ly/TREC-18>

**Book:** *The Price of Whiteness: Jews, Race, and American Identity* by Eric Goldstein <http://bit.ly/TREC-12>

#### WHAT WE'RE WATCHING:

**Movie:** [Black Panther](#)

**Movie:** [A Wrinkle In Time](#)

#### WHAT WE'RE LISTENING TO:

**Podcast:** *"Don't Tell Your Story Too Soon"*, Pod Save the People <http://bit.ly/TREC-19>

JOIN US FOR DINNER AND CONVERSATION WITH  
PROFESSOR ERIC GOLDSTEIN ON APRIL 23 AT 6PM FOR:  
*"WHERE DO JEWS FIT IN AMERICA'S CULTURE OF RACE?"*  
MORE INFO ON PAGE 8

### NOURISH COMMITTEE FOOD DRIVE COLLECTIONS

#### APRIL

Get rid of your chametz!  
*Pasta, Crackers, Cookies,  
Pantry Staples*

#### MAY

Stock up for summer!  
*Non perishables of all kinds*



*We happily accept all types of non-perishable food donations year-round. For safety reasons, Second Harvest prefers not to receive any glass containers.*



ANOTHER GREAT CARNIVAL SEASON AT TOURO  
SEE YOU NEXT YEAR, MARDI GRAS!



**EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT**

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AT TOURO SYNAGOGUE

**FOLLOWING SHABBAT SERVICES**

*CELEBRATE SHABBAT. COME ONE. COME ALL.*

**SERVICES 6:00PM • DINNER 7:15PM**

Bring the kids - they are welcome to join us for services or they can attend Shabbat Fun for Kids (babysitting) after the children's blessing and reconnect with you for dinner. Free babysitting during services is available for children ages 6 months and up.

*Want to help cover the costs of our Shabbat dinners? Interested in sponsoring a Shabbat dinner for the congregation? Honor a loved one or celebrate a simcha with your \$250 tax-deductible donation. Call the Touro office at 504-895-4843 for more info.*

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Andi and Terry Lestelle, Lee and Ellen Sucherman,  
Dean Sucherman and their family  
Patti and Jack Lengsfeld  
Lauren Greenberg and Stacey Weinreb Lutz  
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**KIDDUSH LUNCHEON**

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**SHABBAT DINNER**

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Danielle Bellone and Shana Rubenstein  
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Maureen and Alex Gershanik  
Mara and Stephen Kupperman and family

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Ana and Juan Gershanik

**SHABBAT DINNER**

Family of Jameson Beatrice Hartman  
Maureen and Alex Gershanik

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# Welcome New Members!

**WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING  
NEW MEMBERS TO THE TOURO FAMILY:**

**Claudia Bertrami-Reshef**

**Shira and Adam Boehler**  
Abraham, Ruth, Esther, Rachel

**Ilyssa Parker**  
Pehya

## Mazel Tov!

**TOURO SYNAGOGUE CONGRATULATES  
THE FOLLOWING CONGREGANTS:**

**RICHARD CAHN**

who will be presented with the Shepard H. Shushan Award  
at this year's Annual Meeting on April 14 for his dedication and loyalty  
to Touro Synagogue, which best exemplifies the extraordinary legacy  
of devotion of Shepard H. Shushan.

**ERICA AND PIERRE BORDEAUX**

on the birth of their daughter Sadie Jacobs Bordeaux  
and to big brother Weston, grandparents Andy and Carmen Jacobs,  
Sharon Jacobs and Leonard Davis,  
and great-grandmother Dotty Jacobs.

**ANA AND JUAN GERSHANIK**

on receiving the 2018 Rockstar Award from  
City Year New Orleans for their extraordinary involvement  
in the New Orleans community.

**MARTIN GOLDSTEIN**

on the birth of his great-granddaughter Kinsley Grace Goldstein.

**JUNE LEOPOLD**

on the publishing of her book *Treat Us Generously*.

**MEGAN AND BEN LOWENBURG**

on the birth of their son David Capone Lowenburg,  
and to big brother Eli.

**ADAM AND REBECCA MILLER**

on the birth of their daughter Margot Rose Miller  
and to big brother Zachary.

**SCOTT SALTZMAN**

who will be presented with the Sandra S. Barnett Caring and Mitzvah Award  
at this year's Annual Meeting on April 14 for his many contributions to  
the Touro community including his work with our vertical garden and the  
many years of capturing beautiful moments with his camera.

# DONATIONS

## TOURO SYNAGOGUE FUND

### In Honor of:

60th Birthday of Daniel Bronfin  
Birthday of Marianne Cohn  
By: Betty Kohn  
Special Birthday of Dotty Jacobs  
By: Edie and Paul Rosenblum  
Tour with Diane Cohen and Charlie Glaser  
By: Anna and Edward Shenker  
Adrien Genet  
By: Joyce and Sidney Pulitzer  
Naming of Ruby Mo Gubitz  
Naming of Lauren Hyatt Kupperman  
Naming of Ava Pearl Berkowitz  
By: Austin, Beth and Amelia Lavin  
Tour with Diane Cohen  
By: Nancy and Jimmy Druckman  
Ellen and Marc Yellin's hospitality  
By: Richard Levy  
Charles Goldberg  
By: Gilbert Holland  
Bernie Jaffe  
By: Koppman/Bain Family  
Tour with Adie Genet  
By: Laurie Shiffer  
The Nathanson Family  
His parents  
By: Robert Gardner  
Tour with Bob Hammer  
By: Judy and George Rothbard  
Stephanie and Stephen Hirshfeld  
Andre Kosmicki  
Bat Mitzvah of Sophia Margaret Gershanik  
By: Susan and Harry Gilbert  
B'not Mitzvah of Lauren Monica Soll,  
Maya Blaire Soll, and Reyna Ilyse Soll  
By: Joyce and Sidney Pulitzer  
Bat Mitzvah of Rachel Rosenblum  
By: Mat Berenson

### In Memory of:

Irving Rosen  
By: Betty Kohn  
Ellen Loeb Gandle  
By: The Gandle Family  
Phyllis Rosenberg Nitzkin  
By: Martin Goldstein and June Leopold  
Beverly Katz  
Sara Berenson Stone  
By: Martin Goldstein and June Leopold  
Donations:  
By: Beverly Katz/Exterior Designs, Inc.  
Cantor David Reinwald  
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## CARING & MITZVAH SUPPORT

### In Honor of:

Special Birthday of Mary Lynn Alltmont  
By: Judith Royal

### In Memory of:

Susan W. Bain  
By: Joan and Elliott Bain  
Phyllis Rosenberg Nitzkin  
By: Janice and Jeffrey Smith

## IN THE MOOD FOR A MELODY FUNDRAISER SUPPORT

### Donations:

By: Leslie and Rick Weimer

## SHABBAT DINNERS AND PULPIT FLOWERS SUPPORT

### In Honor of:

Naming of Samantha Abagael Castine  
and Vivian Davis Castine  
By: Joan and Richard Castine

### In Memory of:

Gerald Cohen  
By: Janet and Rene Koppel  
Robert Gervis  
By: Barbara Gervis  
Lauren Zeitels  
By: Shira Bergman-Cohen and Michael Cohen

## TORAH STUDY SUPPORT

### In Memory of:

Joe Termini, Jr.  
By: Garland Rolling

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES SUPPORT

### In Honor of:

Bat Mitzvah of Sofia Margaret Gershanik  
By: Ellen and Stephen Manshel  
Naming of Samantha Abagael Castine  
and Vivian Davis Castine  
By: Sara and Stuart Kottle

## BUILDING PRESERVATION FUND

### In Honor of:

Tour with Adie Genet  
By: Laurie and Mark Criden

### In Memory of:

Beulah Mondshine Allenberg  
By: Joan Giraud

### Donations:

By: Mauricio Andre Rosales

## DONALD MINTZ FUND

### In Honor of:

Birthday of Leona Shlosman  
By: Susan and Byron Kantrow

### In Memory of:

Arthur Rosenthal  
By: Susan and Byron Kantrow

## KAREN J. (KITTY) GREENBERG SCHOLARSHIP FUND

### In Honor of:

Special Birthday of Dotty Jacobs  
By: Janine and Charles Pulman

## ROBERT KATZ AND ALICE M. KATZ SCHOLARSHIP FUND

### In Memory of:

Louis Shushan  
By: Marjorie F. Shushan

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### In Honor of:

Rabbi Alexis Pinsky and her wonderful singing  
By: Jacqueline and Beryl Ames

## RABBI BERK'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

### In Honor of:

Naming of Charles Richard Alter  
By: Kathryn and Jacob Alter  
Bar Mitzvah of Joseph Koppman "J.K." Bain  
By: The Koppman/Bain Family  
Blessing and dedication of the new house of their son, Brian Friedman  
By: Linda and Richard Friedman  
Naming of Samantha Abagael Castine and Vivian Davis Castine  
By: Reva and Bernard Suffel

### In Memory of:

Jack Fielkow  
By: Susan and Arnold Fielkow  
Phyllis Rosenberg Nitzkin  
By: Joel Nitzkin and family

## RABBI SILVERMAN'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

### In Honor of:

Rabbi Todd Silverman  
By: The Cibley Family

## GENERAL DONATIONS TO FOUNDATION

### In Honor of:

Special Birthday of Dotty Jacobs  
Special Birthday of Shannie Goldstein  
Special Birthday of Ellen Yellin  
By: Susan and Lou Good

### In Memory of:

Mildred F. Graff  
Phyllis Rosenberg Nitzkin  
By: Ina and Richard Davis

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## IN MEMORIAM

Touro Synagogue extends its deepest sympathies to the families and friends of:

**Arnold R. Hirsch**

**Dorothy Bromley Leach**

*sister of Bobbie Smith,  
aunt of Sam Guichet (Joe),  
great aunt of Ella and Jake*

**Adele Karp Cahn**

*aunt of Richard Cahn (Vivian)*

**Deborah Ravich Vorhoff**

*wife of Gregory Vorhoff,  
mother of Ariel Merritt (Chris),  
Max Vorhoff (Lorena),  
Harry Vorhoff (Sophie), and Jed Vorhoff,  
grandmother of Jude, Archer, and Leo*

**Mildred F. Graff**

*mother of Madalyn Schenk (Robert)*

**Ralph Henry Slifkin**

**Phyllis Rosenberg Nitzkin**

*wife of Joel Nitzkin*

**Norma Jean Wiberg**

*grandmother of Abigail Isaacoff*

**Deborah Carter Berkson**

**Cyrus Israel Yavneh**

*uncle of Naomi Yavneh Klos (Stan)*

**Mayer Kanner**

*father of Allan Kanner (Robin),  
grandfather of Max and Eli*

**Ruth Surat**

*aunt-in-law of Naomi Yavneh Klos (Stan)*

May their memory be for a blessing.

## YAHREZITS

*Perpetually enshrined on the Yahrzeit Tablets of Touro Synagogue are the following loved ones for whom Kaddish will be recited for the months of April and May.*

**FRIDAY, APRIL 6 / SATURDAY, APRIL 7**

Patrick W. Bordelon, Dr. David Adiger, Louis Ochs, Jr., Sadie Marx, Murray Aaron Koppman, Mark Bartlett, Marvin L. "Buddy" Jacobs, Sam Corenswet, Sr., Kippy Abroms, Louis Ochs, Sr., Judith Kops Sher, Thelka Krauss Heymann, Frieda Levy Zander-Goldman, Eleanor Miller Schwartz

**FRIDAY, APRIL 13 / SATURDAY, APRIL 14**

Justice Walter F. Marcus, Jr., Henrietta Lemle Marks, Fannie Wexler Rubenstein, Ike Bloch, Jr., Erhard Mayer, Sarah Lissa Spiro, Debra Van Der Linden Sidelnik, Noah Weaker, Ethel K. Rosenbaum, Helen Manshel Spears, Shonnette Weil Meyer Kahn, Audrey Simon Haas, Gilda Trautman Newman, Irma Brandt, Rosalyn Fischman Wexler, Lillian Lebed Glazer, David M. Haspel, Bernice Wolff Norman, H. Leon Mintz, Rosalie Bowsky Newman, Reita Paplanus Franco

**FRIDAY, APRIL 20 / SATURDAY, APRIL 21**

Betty Freedman Regenbogen, Harry S. Haspel, Dr. Sigmund Mann, Sol C. Eppenstein, Fannie Schwartz Weil, Louis Pick, George Harry Bornside, George Zelden, Beni B. Toledano, Eli G. Wagner, Rosine L. Haspel, Lola Schlemoff Bernstein, George Bowsky, Jack Bloom Mayer, Fannye Bloch, Leonard Krower, Hannah Leipziger, Beatrice Roseman Falk, Jerome S. Glazer, Gissella Dresner Caplan, Raymond H. Weill, Charles Herman Goldsmith, Juliette Lemle Levy, Marks Isaacs

**FRIDAY, APRIL 27 / SATURDAY, APRIL 28**

Julia Kaufman Good, David Kasten, Miriam Shields Alltmont, Estelle Weil Berlin, Hannah Wildenstein Alltmont, Jonas Levy, Willy Wolff, Gilbert Bernstein, Beryl Samuelson, Bernard Ross, Andree Geismar Rosenblum, Ruth Sigoloff, Henrietta "Tuddy" Meyers Mattise, Robert Alexander "Bobby" Katz, Walter B. Moses, Jr., Anna Bonart Marcus, Helen Levy Smith, Lucille S. Germain, Melville Israel, Lt. Milton H. Latter, Hilda Gumbert Smith, Charlotte Taxman Millman, Louis K. Good, Sr., Donald R. Mintz, Theodore Kline

**FRIDAY, MAY 4 / SATURDAY, MAY 5**

Golda Brandt Hirsch, Gerald David Katz, Matilda Sonfield Weil, Dan Steuer, Joseph Schoen, Henrietta Rosen Zilbermann, Anna Sachs Kamin, Samuel Buckman, Dr. Jacob W. Newman, Avram Charles Herman, Harold Greer Goldenberg, Louis Seidenbach, Louis Scherck, Elkin Rubenstein, Abraham Ullman, Max Marx, Mrs. Isidore Manasses, Peter E. Moss, Ruth Freedman Schwam, Gulnare Levenstein Bernstein, Max U. Marcus, Max Zelden, Mrs. Beryl Alaynick Marchiz, Barbara Borinsky Stiles, Ira Maurice Kohn, Maurice Blumenfeld

**FRIDAY, MAY 11 / SATURDAY, MAY 12**

Estelle Friedman Gervis, Alvin Cohen, M.D., Sara Meyers, Jennie A. Bennett, Julian Opatowsky, Kate Friedlander Koppel, Lucien Zilbermann, Dr. Abe Golden, Goldie Philipson Steuer, Joseph Frank, Bernice Finkelstein, Samuel Edelstein, Bernard Hirsch Herman, Shirley Weil Greengus, William Adler, Henry Weil, Meyer Handelsman

**FRIDAY, MAY 18 / SATURDAY, MAY 19**

Leon E. Ber, Bertha K. Hochstein, Joseph Zelden, Julius Goldman, Ruth Bennett Katz, Leah Offner Deutch, Ione Singerman Fellman, Samuel Julius Weiss, Bernard David Mintz, Rose Kasdan Enelow William Mayer, Morris B. Sontheimer, Morris William Levy, M.D., Adele Schwartz, Elizabeth Edelstein, Arnold Falk, Harry H. Goldstein, Mina Levy Bollag, Sidney Samuel Rosenblum, Henry Hirsch, Charles A. Zucker, David Bertram Young, Mitchell P. Samuelson

**FRIDAY, MAY 25 / SATURDAY, MAY 26**

Alex Lith, Percival Stern, Annie Campell Fishman, Lena Miller Burk, Max Margolis, Byron Mayer, Anna Kay Goldstein, Karl Edward Heinemann, Caroline H. Thalsheimer, Ruth Mosberg Cohen, Constance Wolff Samuel, Jonas Weill, Dora Garritson Levy, Isadore M. Enelow, Augusta R. Hirsch, Marguerite R. Falk, Benjamin Abbot

**FRIDAY, JUNE 1 / SATURDAY, JUNE 2 (READ AT TEMPLE SINAI)**

Edna E. Levy, Eva S. Weil, Florette Simon Geismar, Gary Steven Bennett, Dora Rubenstein, Norma Grosberg Grant, Minnie London Reiner, Joseph Theodore Heinemann, Dora Frank Freedman, Joseph Haspel, Jr., Helvena Gretzner Bressler, Maurice Bloch, Gertrude Harris, Hazel Heninger Meyer, Roger Bissinger, Florence Frank

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# APRIL 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1      No Religious School	2	3	4    No Uptown Hebrew	5   12:00PM News and the Jews  7:30PM Choir Rehearsal	6   10:30AM Pesach Morning Service with Yizkor  6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service/ Birthday Blessings	7   9:00AM Torah Study  9:30AM Shabbat Rocks!  10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service
8   9:00AM Religious School in session	9	10	11   4:00PM Uptown Hebrew in session	12   12:00PM Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group  7:30PM Choir Rehearsal	13   6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service  7:45PM Annelies Choral Performance	14   9:00AM Torah Study  10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service  4:00PM (Touro Fest) Annual Meeting
15   9:00AM Religious School in session	16   7:00PM Board of Trustees Meeting*	17	18   4:00PM Uptown Hebrew in session	19   12:00PM News and the Jews  6:30PM Hebrew for Beginners  7:30PM Choir Rehearsal	20   6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service	21   9:00AM Torah Study  10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service/Bar Mitzvah of Logan Michael Katz
22   9:00AM Religious School in session	23   6:00PM T.R.E.C. Dinner & Discussion with Professor Eric Goldstein <i>more details pg. 8</i>	24	25   4:00PM Uptown Hebrew in session	26   12:00PM Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group  6:30PM Hebrew for Beginners  7:00PM Choir Rehearsal	27   7:30pm Jazz Fest Shabbat Service	28   9:00AM Torah Study  10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service
29   9:00AM Religious School in session	30					



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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			4:00PM Uptown Hebrew Closing Day	12:00PM News and the Jews 6:30PM Hebrew for Beginners No Choir Rehearsal	6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service/ Birthday Blessings	9:00AM Torah Study 10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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27	28	29	30	31		
	Memorial Day Touro Office Closed	<b>SUMMER UNION SHABBAT</b>  <b>JUNE AT TEMPLE SINAI</b> Friday Evening Shabbat Services at 6:15PM / Saturday Morning Shabbat Services at 10:15AM  <b>JULY AT TOURO SYNAGOGUE</b> Friday Evening Shabbat Services at 6:00PM / Saturday Morning Shabbat Services at 10:30AM  <b>AUGUST AT CONGREGATION GATES OF PRAYER</b> Friday Evening Shabbat Services at 8:00PM / Saturday Morning Shabbat Services at 10:30AM				

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## ***SHABBAT SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR APRIL - MAY 2018***

### **Friday, April 6**

10:30 Pesach Morning Service with Yizkor, Forgetston Chapel  
6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service/Birthday Blessings,  
Forgetston Chapel

### **Saturday, April 7**

9:30AM Shabbat Rocks!, Shushan Assembly  
10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel

### **Friday, April 13**

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service followed by  
Annelies Choral Performance, Main Sanctuary

### **Saturday, April 14**

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel

### **Friday, April 20**

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service, Forgetston Chapel

### **Saturday, April 21**

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service/  
Bar Mitzvah of Logan Michael Katz, Main Sanctuary

### **Friday, April 27**

7:30PM Jazz Fest Shabbat Service, Main Sanctuary

### **Saturday, April 28**

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel

### **Friday, May 4**

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service/Birthday Blessings,  
Forgetston Chapel

### **Saturday, May 5**

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel

### **Friday, May 11**

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service, Forgetston Chapel

### **Saturday, May 12**

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service/Bat Mitzvah of  
Josephine Marie Keleher, Main Sanctuary

### **Friday, May 18**

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service/Confirmation Shabbat,  
Main Sanctuary

### **Saturday, May 19**

9:30AM Shabbat Rocks!, Shushan Assembly  
10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel

### **Friday, May 25**

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service/Choir Shabbat,  
Forgetston Chapel

### **Saturday, May 26**

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel