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AN OPEN LETTER TO TERI HUNTER

Dear Teri,

It is hard to find words of gratitude that appropriately express the profound impact you have had on our Touro Synagogue family during the two years of your presidential term. Poets and liturgists of our tradition have spent generations looking for words of gratitude; seeking to find just the right turn of phrase to express the infinite, to define the ineffable, and to capture the indescribable.

One of my new favorite liturgical well springs is called *This Joyous Soul*. Alden Solovy wrote this prayer for the Eternal Source of Life, the Holy One. But, I'd like to dedicate it to you, on behalf of this deeply affected congregation - it's called "The Gifts of our Lives." It says it all. When it says You, I mean you. It's an acrostic - the classic Jewish liturgical modality that intends to say it all, A to Z. In the interest of efficiency and elegance, our Sages use this method when they want to say it all. It's always hard to say it all, when there's so much to say. This is for you:



THE GIFTS OF OUR LIVES

(slightly adapted for Teri Hunter)

*With gratitude and appreciation
We give thanks for the gifts
That flow into our lives day by day....*

*For You are the well of Abundance,
The source of Beauty,
A foundation of Courage,
And the crown of Dreams.*

*You are the well of Energy,
The source of Faith,
A foundation of Grace,
And the crown of Hope.*

*You are the well of Insight,
The source of Justice,
A foundation of Kindness,
And the crown of Love.*

*You are the well of Mercy,
The source of Nourishment,
The foundation of Our Lives,
And the crown of Peace.*

*You are the well of Quiet,
The source of Righteousness,
A foundation of Strength,
And the crown of Truth.*

*For you are the well of Understanding,
The source of Vitality,
A foundation of Wonder,
And the crown of Years.*

*With gratitude and appreciation
We give thanks for the gifts
That have flown into our lives day by day,
From You.*

Teri, each of these words describes an aspect of your offering to this congregation. You have tirelessly given of your best self to this holy place at a holy time. And, behind each of these attributes is a story, an encounter, an example of your deep devotion and talent. With great gratitude, I will treasure this chapter in all of our lives, with its complexities and intensities, with its vicissitudes and transitions. And, most of all, at the heart of it all, much love.

Thank you, Teri, for the gifts you have brought to our lives - each of us and all of us.

Love,

Rabbi Alexis Berk

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Modim Anachnu Lach—we are grateful to You, Adonai and we acknowledge with thanks to You, the miracles and blessings that surround us each day. A prayer of gratitude and one of my favorite Shabbat morning prayers. A potent reminder each week to stop and consciously recognize that which on other days might feel too easy to take for granted or even overlook.

Modim Anachnu Lach. As I sit with my fingers poised on the keyboard, about to write my last article as president of Touro Synagogue, I acknowledge with deep gratitude the gifts and blessings in my life with this congregation.

For the joy of joining so fully in community with you.

For our capacity to pray together, play together, and work together.

For our desire to delight in and with each other during happy times and bring strength and comfort to each other during difficult times.

For the unimaginable honor and privilege of serving as the president of this extraordinary congregation. For all of this and more, *Modim Anachnu Lach.*

This year's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 19 at 10:00. I hope you will be with us as we celebrate with thanksgiving the congregational year that has passed. We will welcome new board members onto the Board of Trustees, offer our gratitude to those Trustees who are rotating off of the Board, and welcome Lisa Herman as Touro's next president. I look forward to being with you as always.

Modim Anachnu Lach—we are grateful to You, Adonai and we acknowledge with thanks to You, the delights and blessings that have been ours during Rabbi Berk's tenure with us.

For the gift of her years with us.

For the blessing of her rabbinic leadership at Touro.

For the opportunity to enjoy relationship with her, her husband, Bob, and her sons, Ari and Seth.

For the privilege and delight of having her life touch ours in so many ways.

Modim Anachnu Lach. A moment of gratitude for and to her.

For just over a decade, Rabbi Berk's leadership has ensured that Touro Synagogue continued to glow as an exciting, relevant, and multi-faceted manifestation of modern Judaism. She has led us in an ongoing inquiry into what living a Jewish life in community and in ourselves feels like and has encouraged us to be curious about and recognize how we live Jewish lives and how our lives reflect Judaism. She prompted us to find ever-new pathways to feel our own personal Judaism as vibrant and dynamic while also helping us to strengthen and grow our communal life together at Touro. Through her leadership we broadened our conversations with Judaism and with each other.

Rabbi Berk has enriched our prayer, deepened our spirituality, challenged our minds, and led with creative, sophisticated, vision. She has given voice to our aspirations and opened our hearts and minds to understanding current events and concerns through a Jewish lens. A consistent inspiration for our congregational efforts in so many arenas in and outside of the walls of this synagogue, she has stirred us to live with intention with our own expressions of Judaism, with each other in congregational life, and with the New Orleans community.

A sought after companion for lunch, tea, walks in the park, and at the table during our Shabbat dinners, she has been ever-present with us during these last 11 years. As a pastoral presence through our life-cycle events, a cherished teacher in our classrooms, a captivating and compelling leader of prayer from the Bima, a creative thought partner in all endeavors, and an outspoken leader in social justice endeavors, she has left an indelible mark on our lives.

We have plans for a weekend of delight, joy, and sacred memories of these past 11 years in gratitude for and to Rabbi Berk. We will send the Berk family off with blessings as they look to the next chapter in their lives. These plans include: Friday night, May 31, a Final Shabbat Service and Dinner in honor of and tribute to Rabbi Berk, Bob, Ari, and Seth; Saturday, June 1, Touro Family Barbeque, Dance Party and Havdalah with Farewell Blessings to and from the Berks (B'nai Mitzvah age and above are invited to join this event). Please see pages 4-5 of this bulletin for more details about both celebrations.

Modim Anachnu Lach. We are grateful to You, Adonai, and we acknowledge, with thanks to You, the miracles, blessings, and sacred moments that surround and embrace us each day in community at Touro.

With gratitude,
Teri





191ST ANNUAL

Touro Fest!

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2019

10:00AM

TOURO SYNAGOGUE'S 191ST ANNUAL MEETING
SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2019 - 10:00AM
FORGOTSTON CHAPEL

Rabbi Berk's *Last State of the Synagogue* Sermon
Celebration of Board Transition with Gratitude to Teri Hunter and a Warm Welcome to Lisa Herman
Election of Officers and Trustees
Committee Reports

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES BEGIN AT 10AM
IN THE JACOBS SOCIAL HALL

Supervised Fun for Kids of All Ages
Bounce House Fun

BRUNCH AT 11:30AM FOR ALL!

Join us for a delicious and plentiful celebratory brunch!

PLEASE RSVP AT WWW.TOUROSYNAGOGUE.COM/TOURO-FEST

A FOND FAREWELL TO RABBI BERK



Love Letters to Touro

BY RABBI BERK

A MAY SERMON SERIES IN THREE EXPRESSIONS

There are infinite lessons you have taught me while I have been at Touro Synagogue. Mostly, I have learned three profound human communications in my encounters with you. I have come to deeply appreciate the gift of these powerful expressions - to create healing, to generate connection, and to weave a life of trust and affection one to another. I'd like to tell you about these expressions, and how you have taught me the joy in these utterances, during Shabbat services in May.

Will you come?

MAY 3: *I'm Sorry*

MAY 10: *Thank You*

MAY 17: *I Love You*

FINAL SHABBAT SHABBAT SERVICE

MAY 31, 6:00 PM

FEATURING

Sublime Music, Congregational Speakers, Blessings from Rabbi Silverman and Cantor Margolius
A Presentation by Future Touro Synagogue President, Lisa Herman
Blessings from Rabbi Berk

An Elegant and Sumptuous Shabbat Dinner and Celebration
During Dinner: "Snapshots of Sacred Memories" - Toasts and Memories Shared

PLEASE RSVP AT WWW.TOUROSYNAGOGUE.COM/FAREWELL-RABBI-BERK

Farewell BBQ

IN HONOR OF THE BERK FAMILY

Saturday Night, June 1

6:00PM - 9:00PM

**TOURO SYNAGOGUE CASUAL BARBEQUE, DANCE PARTY,
AND HAVDALAH WITH FAREWELL BLESSINGS**

**B'nei Mitzvah age and older are all welcome to the evening's festivities*



6:00 - 8:00PM

Casual food and fun in the courtyard;

Dancing in the Grant Meyer Garden Pavilion
to 80's hits (Rabbi Berk's playlist)

Silly selfies with the Berks;

S'mores and campfire

8:30 - 9:00PM

Havdalah with fragrant blessings to and from the Berks

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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

TOURO SYNAGOGUE CORDIALLY
INVITES YOU TO ATTEND THE 132ND

Service for Confirmation

FRIDAY, MAY 24, 2019

20 IYAR 5779

AT SIX O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

DOORS CLOSE PROMPTLY FOR PROCESSIONAL

Ana Lee Finger

DAUGHTER OF REBECCA AND SIMON FINGER

Caroline Amanda Koppel

DAUGHTER OF JENNIFER AND ROBERT KOPPEL

Nola Manning Timmins

DAUGHTER OF CHERYL TIMMINS

Zachary Brown Wilkins

SON OF GINNY WISE AND KEVIN WILKINS

*CELEBRATORY SHABBAT DINNER WILL BE
SERVED IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SERVICES*

MAZEL TOV RELIGIOUS SCHOOL STUDENTS!



**ALEXANDER
SHAWNEE LUPIN**

**UPCOMING BAR MITZVAH
SATURDAY, JUNE 22**

I am really excited about having my Bar Mitzvah. I have been preparing for about 11 months, and I've learned many things. A lot of people have helped me prepare for this day. Some of them are Cantor Margolius and Dr. Jaffe who helped me with my Torah portion and Haftarah, Rabbi Berk who helped me with my speech, and Rabbi Silverman who helped me with my project. For my Bar Mitzvah project, I chose to help an organization in Colombia which protects displaced families from violence. They help children through arts and activities to cope with their experience and to protect them from future violence. The parents make cards and other stationery so that they can sell them and make money. Recently, this organization, which is called Taller de Vida (Workshop for Life), has been interviewing the families about their experience to get a better understanding of the conflict. When I went to Colombia a few weeks ago, I listened to their stories and met some of the children. It was an experience I will never forget. I'm really grateful to everyone else who has helped me in the past few months and glad to be a part of Touro Synagogue.

Join us on Saturday, June 22 for the Bar Mitzvah of Alexander Shawnee Lupin. Alex is the son of Anamaria Villamarin-Lupin and Tim Lupin.

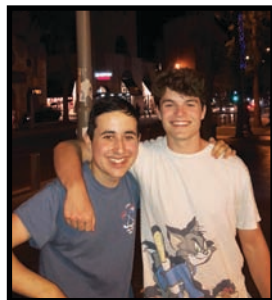
SHABBAT ROCKS!

**A SHABBAT MORNING EXPERIENCE FOR YOUNG FAMILIES
SELECT SATURDAYS AT 9:30AM
(INFANTS - AGE 5)**

Join Rabbi Silverman and Cantor Margolius for our last two mornings of *Shabbat Rocks!* before summer arrives! Bring your family! Bring your friends! Let's sing, dance, pray, and play! (and enjoy challah & juice, of course!)

UPCOMING DATES: MAY 11 & JUNE 8

For more information contact Rabbi Silverman at
tsilverman@tourosynagogue.com



**HUDI POTASH &
BENJAMIN WILKINS**

**ON THEIR ELECTION
TO NFTY-SOUTHERN
REGIONAL BOARD**

NFTY-Southern is governed by a board of teen leaders who are elected by their peers and serve a one-year term. Regional board members play a critical role in all aspects of running the region including event planning and marketing, and mentoring teen leaders from our local youth communities. If you are interested in local (JewCCY), regional, or national youth group events, contact Rabbi Silverman at tsilverman@tourosynagogue.com or JewCCY Director Charlie Cox at jewccy@gmail.com for more information!

TIKKUN LEIL Shavuot

SATURDAY, JUNE 8TH
WITH RABBI BERK



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 - LESSONS FROM TORAH AND TOURO: A LOVING RETROSPECTIVE BY RABBI BERK

9:00 PM - GIVING AND RECEIVING OF TORAH IN THE SANCTUARY

Tales of the Touro Torah Scrolls; A Spiritual Moment Together
Rabbi Berk shares a warm farewell to Touro's scrolls

RSVP AT WWW.TOUROSYNAGOGUE.COM/SHAVUOT



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:
MAY 2 & MAY 16



SHAVUOT FESTIVAL
SUNDAY, JUNE 9 - 10:30AM
FORGOTSTON CHAPEL

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 donna@touro-synagogue.com.

**JUNE AT
TOURO SYNAGOGUE**

F 6PM / S 10:30AM

**JULY AT
GATES OF PRAYER**

F 8PM / S 10:30AM

**AUGUST AT
TEMPLE SINAI**
F 6:15PM / S 10:15AM



FRIDAY NIGHTS AT TOURO

SPECIAL SHABBAT EXPERIENCES FOR OUR COMMUNITY

JUNE 7 - CAMP SHABBAT

As we prepare to bid our summer campers farewell, we will join in a camp style Shabbat celebration. Everyone wear white! We will sing all the best camp songs. Fried chicken for dinner and banana pudding for dessert. Blessings for children and parents.

JUNE 14 - *THE STORY OF THE JEWS: THE MUSICAL*

Join us as Cantor Margolius and Dr. Jason Gaines share the story of the Jews as told through Broadway music. More information about this event can be found on page 9.

JUNE 21 - SHABBAT SERVICES FOLLOWED BY SHABBAT DINNER

JUNE 28 - PRIDE SHABBAT

To cap off our LGBTQ Pride Month celebration, join us for a special Pride Shabbat. Services, songs, and dinner. All in the company of those who see, support, love, and welcome every LGBTQ+ individual and family.

SUMMER

TOURO SYNAGOGUE
JUNE 2019

UNION



BROADWAY IS BACK AT TOURO!

The Story of the Jews: The Musical

FRIDAY, JUNE 14 - FOLLOWING SHABBAT EVENING SERVICES

Join us as Cantor Margolius and Dr. Jason Gaines share the story of the Jews as told through Broadway music. We'll begin in the Garden of Eden and make our way to the Shtetl, the New World, Israel, and beyond.

Jesse Reeks, Piano
Travis Henthorn, Percussion

Sam Dingle, Bass
Touro Synagogue Choir

ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY

UPTOWN JCC | WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

6:00 PM YOM HA'ZIKARON SERVICE

6:30 PM DOORS OPEN TO THE YOM HA'ATZMAUT CELEBRATION

7:00 PM LIVE CONCERT WITH DGANIT DADDO

Celebrate Israel Independence Day at the New Orleans JCC on Wednesday, May 8. Enjoy a spread of Israeli food, singing of Hatikvah by Jewish Community Day School students, and a live concert by acclaimed Israeli singer Dganit Daddo.

Prior to Yom Ha'Atzmaut celebrations, the Jewish Clergy Council will lead a Yom Ha'Zikaron service to honor fallen soldiers and victims of terrorism.

There is no charge to attend, but registration is appreciated.
Register to attend at <https://www.nojcc.org/events>



SOCIAL JUSTICE



INCLUSION TASK FORCE

The Touro Inclusion Task Force is entrusted with identifying barriers within our community that keep any member from full access to involvement in synagogue life. We are interested in your experience, and we have some questions for you regarding:

Accessibility in the physical space - do you find any part of the building difficult to navigate?

Accessibility to worship services, educational opportunities, or social justice initiatives - do you find any obstacle to participation because of a physical, mental, or emotional challenge?

We are committed to hearing more about your experience and sharing in working toward solutions for greater inclusion and barrier free access to all. Thank you for being part of this ongoing journey with us.



TOURO RIDE-SHARING

If you or someone you know would like to receive a ride to Shabbat services (Friday night or Saturday morning) let us know. We are hoping to organize a ride-share program to link members who have space in their vehicle with those who would prefer not to drive.

If you have the ability and interest to provide rides to and from Shabbat services, please let us know that, too!



CONTACT

Lisa Keleher, Inclusion Task Force
lisatkeleher@gmail.com



PRIDE PARADE

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

START-TIME AND LOCATION TBD

Join Touro Synagogue's delegation of marchers and riders in the New Orleans Pride Parade again this year! Help us showcase our love, acceptance, and welcoming of every LGBTQ+ person and family.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Rabbi Silverman at tsilverman@toursynagogue.com. We will share the parade starting time and location as soon as they are made publicly available!



CARING & MITZVAH TOURO'S VILLAGES

Maybe you've noticed a meal train invitation in your email inbox with an enigmatic greeting like, "Village Tiferet!". Touro's villages are geographic designations for our members. They help us organize ride-shares, meal trains, and other caring & mitzvah events.

**Which village are you a part of?
See the list below:**

- BINAH (UNDERSTANDING) - 70118**
- CHESED (LOVING-KINDNESS) - 70115**
- CHOCHMA (WISDOM) - 70112, 70113, 70130**
- GEVURAH (STRENGTH) - WEST BANK**
- HOD (SPLENDOR) - 70122, 70124**
- MALCHUT (KINGSHIP) - METAIRIE, KENNER**
- NETZACH (VICTORY) - 70116, 70117**
- TIFERET (BEAUTY) - 70119, 70125**
- YESOD (FOUNDATION) - NORTHSORE**

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75th Birthday of Adrien Genet

By: Edward D. Levy, Jr.
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Tour with Diane Cohen

By: Ellen Meyer
Frances Sweeney

95th Birthday of Betty Kohn

By: Joel and Bert Myers
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Betty Kohn being honored, for her support and dedication to Jewish children and Jewish communities, at the Jewish Children's Regional Service's Jewish Roots of Fashion Gala event

By: Mindy and Jay Resnick

Election of Rabbi Katie Bauman as Senior Rabbi of Touro Synagogue

By: Renee Lehmann

Bat Mitzvah of Charlotte Liesel Adler

By: Sam Haber

Dedication of headstone for Cecille Friedler

By: Gerald F. Friedler

Special Birthday of Carol Good

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In Honor of:

Special Birthday of Renee Zack

Bat Mitzvah of Charlotte Liesel Adler

By: Lois and Joey Sutton

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By: Lois and Joey Sutton

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By: Joan and Lawrence Zaslow

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In Memory of:

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Birthday of Leona Shlosman

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95th Birthday of Betty Kohn

By: Leona Z. Shlosman

In Memory of:

Arthur Rosenthal

By: Susan and Byron Kantow

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In Honor of:

Special Birthday of Carol Good

By: Renee Zack

In Memory of:

Helen Fishel

By: Renee Zack

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In Honor of:

95th Birthday of Betty Kohn

By: Courtney, Ben, Ivy, and Asher Koch

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In Honor of:

Bat Mitzvah of Kagan Pulitzer Levine

By: Alexa Pulitzer and Seth Levine

Cantor Kevin Margolius for his generosity

By: Cantor Mark Stanton

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RABBI BERK'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Honor of:

Bat Mitzvah of Kagan Pulitzer Levine

By: Alexa Pulitzer and Seth Levine

Wedding of Brian Shepard and Sara Klinger

By: Dana and Louis Shepard

In Memory of:

Lois Ruth Kempner

By: Ellen and Lee Sucherman

Donations:

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In Honor of:

Bat Mitzvah of Kagan Pulitzer Levine

By: Alexa Pulitzer and Seth Levine

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Rand and Arnie Bergman;
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SHABBAT DINNER

Jill and Dave Israel;
Erin and Josh Densen;
The Hammer Family;
Steven and Carrell Ann Cannon;
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KIDDUSH LUNCHEON

Family of Ida and Zev Cohen;
The Densen Family;
Laura Adelman-Cannon and Charles Cannon and
Mary Beth and Stanley Adelman

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Renee and Michael Brown and
Caroline Robert;
Family of Patti Ann Schwartz and
Harold Alan Schwartz, Jr.;
Rabbi Gary and Dr. Carol Gerson;
Nancy and Gary Silbert;
Mara and Stephen Kupperman and family;
Nicole and Ryan Mast;
The Adler Family

SHABBAT DINNER

The Arthur C. Pulitzer Family;
The Touro Synagogue Family;
Rabbi Gary and Dr. Carol Gerson;
Isabel Bonilla-Mathe and Max Malvin;
Sharan Lieberman and Jordan Karlitz;
The Adler Family

KIDDUSH LUNCHEON

The Adler Family

WELCOME!

TOURO WELCOMES OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Andrea and Jonathon Glassman

Mimi Jalenak and Kathleen Atwood

Marilyn Miller

Jenny and Gary Rich

Stuart Simon

Rachel Whitman and Casey Groves

Daniel

MAZEL TOV!

Rabbi Alexis Berk

on receiving an honorary doctorate from Loyola University

Caroline Good

on being a recipient of the 2019 Daniel R. Ginsberg Leadership Award from the ADL. The award will be presented at the ADL National Leadership Summit in Washington, D.C. in June.

Betty Kohn

on being honored at this year's
Jewish Children's Regional Service gala

Stephen Sontheimer

on being named Senior Consultant of Funeral Services
at Lake Lawn Metairie Funeral Home and Cemeteries

Lois Sutton

on being elected president of the
New Orleans Chapter of Skål International

IN MEMORIAM

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

Fred S. Hirsekorn

grandfather of Aaron Ahlquist (Elizabeth);
great-grandfather of Brennan, Donovan, & Claire

Richard Ireland Pigford

friend of Alan Wolf

Jane Kern Goldner

mother of Gale Pick (Randal)

Jacqueline "Jackie" Geismar Toledano

mother of Suzette Toledano (Bill Roberti),
and Jill Toledano Schneider (Michael)

Eugene D. Kline

uncle of Jonas Chartock

Lois Ruth Neiman Kempner

mother of Ellen Kempner Sucherman (Lee)

May their memory be for a blessing.

Yahrzeits

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

FRIDAY, MAY 3 / SATURDAY, MAY 4

Gulnare Levenstein Bernstein, Samuel Buckman, Harold Greer Goldenberg, Louis K. Good, Sr., Avram Charles Herman, Golda Brandt Hirsch, Anna Sachs Kamin, Gerald David Katz, Theodore Kline, Mrs. Isidore Manasses, Max U. Marcus, Max Marx, Donald R. Mintz, Peter E. Moss, Dr. Jacob W. Newman, Elkin Rubenstein, Louis Scherck, Joseph Schoen, Ruth Freedman Schwam, Louis Seidenbach, Dan Steuer, Abraham Ullman, Matilda Sonfield Weil, Max Zelden, Henrietta Rosen Zilbermann

FRIDAY, MAY 10 / SATURDAY, MAY 11

Jennie A. Bennett, Maurice Blumenfeld, Alvin Cohen, M.D., Samuel Edelstein, Bernice Finkelstein, Joseph Frank, Estelle Friedman Gervis, Dr. Abe Golden, Ira Maurice Kohn, Kate Friedlander Koppel, Mrs. Beryl Alaynick Marchiz, Sara Meyers, Julian Opatowsky, Goldie Philipson Steuer, Barbara Borinsky Stiles, Lucien Zilbermann

FRIDAY, MAY 17 / SATURDAY, MAY 18

William Adler, Leon E. Ber, Mina Levy Bollag, Leah Offner Deutch, Elizabeth Edelstein, Rose Kasdan Enelow, Arnold Falk, Ione Singerman Fellman, Julius Goldman, Harry H. Goldstein, Shirley Weil Greengus, Meyer Handelman, Bernard Hirsch Herman, Henry Hirsch, Bertha K. Hochstein, Ruth Bennett Katz, Morris William Levy, M.D., William Mayer, Bernard David Mintz, Sidney Samuel Rosenblum, Adele Schwartz, Morris B. Sontheimer, Henry Weil, Samuel Julius Weiss, Joseph Zelden

FRIDAY, MAY 24 / SATURDAY, MAY 25

Lena Miller Burk, Ruth Mosberg Cohen, Annie Campell Fishman, Anna Kay Goldstein, Karl Edward Heinemann, Alex Lith, Max Margolis, Byron Mayer, Constance Wolff Samuel, Mitchell P. Samuelson, Percival Stern, Caroline H. Thalsheimer, Jonas Weill, David Bertram Young, Charles A. Zucker

FRIDAY, MAY 31 / SATURDAY, JUNE 1

Benjamin Abbot, Gary Steven Bennett, Maurice Bloch, Helvena Gretzner Bressler, Isadore M. Enelow, Marguerite R. Falk, Dora Frank Freedman, Florette Simon Geismar, Norma Grosberg Grant, Gertrude Harris, Joseph Haspel, Jr., Joseph Theodore Heinemann, Augusta R. Hirsch, Dora Garritson Levy, Edna E. Levy, Minnie London Reiner, Dora Rubenstein, Eva S. Weil

FRIDAY, JUNE 7 / SATURDAY, JUNE 8

Clara Feibleman Adler, Henry B. Asher, Jennie Berlin, Roger Bissinger, Ruth Malkin Borod, Florence Frank, Harriet Greenblatt, Simon Hellman, Jennie Hochstein, Samuel H. Kamin, Nathan Kohlman, Robert Alfred Kottwitz, Rabbi Isaac L. Leucht, Julius Leonard Levy, Louis Levy, Hulda Wexler Mansberg, Hazel Heninger Meyer, Harold Salmon, Isadore Seelig, Dorothy Adler Stetter, Robert Sugar, Meyer David Teitelbaum, Eva G. Waldhorn, Cicely L. Weil, Leon Weill, George Yoedicke

FRIDAY, JUNE 14 / SATURDAY, JUNE 15

Aaron Abramson, Roger S. Bernstein, Hilda Seelig Corenswet, Edmund J. Dreyfus, Jacob Levy Fischman, M.D., Seraphine H. Geismar, Meyer Goldstein, Estelle L. Greenblatt, Corynne Hanauer Hyman, Emmie Hirsch Isaacs, Louis Kohn, Alfred John Krower, Mena Cohen Levy, Jeanette Levy, Rosalie Frank Phillips, Marshall Simon Pulitzer, Leon H. Rittenberg, Sr., Nathan Rosenberg, Samuel Rubenstein, Ely C. Winer

FRIDAY, JUNE 21 / SATURDAY, JUNE 22

Morris Bart, Jr., Harry DeRoy, Marcelle Klotz Hagedorn, Meyer Newhouse, Carolyn Rubenstein Rumm, Stella Bergman Samuel, Blanche L. Schwartz, Lionel S. Weil, Jr., Bessie G. Zelden

FRIDAY, JUNE 28 / SATURDAY, JUNE 29, Karl Baum, Fanny Bohrer Bennett, Gussie Burka Goldman, M. David Haspel, M.D., Rebecca Kahn Heninger, Neafthalie Levy, Paul David May, Hilda Nachmann Mayer, Mary Meyer, William D. Norman, Sr., M.D., Dora Sazer, Lee Cahn Schlesinger, M.D., Ada Frank Segall, Charles Stern

FRIDAY, JULY 5 / SATURDAY, JULY 6 (CALLED AT GATES OF PRAYER)

Essie M. Aletrino, Joseph Berlin, Doris Lurie Chesky, Carrie Wolff Dreyfus, Dora Ferber, Henry Reinberg Goldstein, Anna F. Gross, Rosalie Levy Hiller, Jonas Hiller, Michael Jacobs, Alfred Krower, Sr., Doris Langer, Benjamin Louis Levy, Jr., Jessie Heymann Michaelis, Faye Schlesinger Nixon, Herbert Oberdorfer, Carolyn Oldenburg, Ruby Spiro Pick, Miriam Cahen Radlauer, Natalie W. Rosenblum, Max M. Ross, Stanley Roth, Jan Phillip Saltzman, Jean Samuelson, Roselyn Barbara Koretzky Schwartz, Harold Alan Schwartz, Sr.

FRIDAY, JULY 12 / SATURDAY, JULY 13 (CALLED AT GATES OF PRAYER)

Solomon Adler, Carrie Wildenstein Alltmont, Samuel Barkoff, M.D., Charles W. Cohen, Samuel Alfred Cohen, Eva S. Feitel, Nathan Clarence Gernsbacher, Leonard Hochstein, Dr. Meyer William Israel Jacobson, Claudia S. Lindy, Erhard Michael Mayer, Helen Nagel McClure, Mollie Tannenbaum Mintz, Daniel Nowak, Morris Bernard Phillips, Katherine Polack Rittenberg, Simon Rosenberg, Gertrude Rubenstein, Ernest Charles Samuel, M.D., William D. Singer, Burton Gilbert Waggoner, Harry Weiner, Suzanne Kagan Wexler, Howard David Wolchansky, Mary Young, Earl Marvin Zander, Linda Malkin Zoller

FRIDAY, JULY 19 / SATURDAY, JULY 20 (CALLED AT GATES OF PRAYER)

Raoul J. Adler, Teal Freedman Bennett, Eugene J. Bernstein, Charles Chaskel Dean, Maurice Feingerts, Madeleine L. Goldberg, Bertha Goldsmith Good, Lester Lowell Green, Tania R. Grishman, Hattie Mayer Hartson, Leo Heymann, Marion E. Hochstein, Toba Segal Jacobs, Murrel H. Kaplan, M.D., Alfred J. Kaufman, Louis Kohlmann, Adolph Jules Levy, Aaron Frank Marcus, Sarah Newman Maslansky, Sylvia Copeland Pulitzer, Harold Singer, Morris Jacob Weisler, M.D.

FRIDAY, JULY 26 / SATURDAY, JULY 27 (CALLED AT GATES OF PRAYER)

Augustus Aarons, Jessie Anish, Arnold Bernard Bashein, Charles Berlin, Joseph Finkelstein, Max Leon Haspel, Maurice Heymann, Lilly Oppenheim Isaacs, Hugo Koppel, Dr. Louis Levy, Marjorie Mayer Levy, Lazare Levy, Jr., Emma Lith, J. Branch Nixon, Sarah S. Reed, Esther Adler Seidenbach, A.L. Shushan III

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2 / SATURDAY, AUGUST 3 (CALLED AT TEMPLE SINAI)

Jacob Berlin, Dr. Joseph Marcus Brenner, George S. Carr, Sara Kahn Feitel, Leon Frank, Fannie L. Haspel, Louis Hausmann, Sedonia Levy Isaacs, Regine Kohlmann, Malvina G. Levy, Dan Lincove, Lakie Cohn Lurie, Belle Marcus, Joe Pasternack, Charlene Kahn Sikorsky, Rachael Silverstein, Ralph Jac Stich, Marjory Schwarz Stich, Max I. Wexler, Mena Wildenstein, Ethyl Klinger Yuspeh

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9 / SATURDAY, AUGUST 10 (CALLED AT TEMPLE SINAI)

Minette Morais Berger, Carolyn Cohen Pick Bronfin, Miriam Grodsky Buckman, Fannie P. Copeland, Ruth Oppenheimer Finkelstein, Alex S. Freedman, Dora Van Os Haas, Oscar Kagan, Albert A. Kronacher, Julia Lebermuth, Anita Solomon Marx, Leon Mitnick, Henrietta W. Newman, Isaac Rabin, William C. Rippner, Sam Rosen, Sam L. Rosenbaum, Pearl W. Russ, Morris Sherman, Alfred L. Solomon, Jack E. Sontheimer, Mary Rogers Spiegel, Milton J. Stern, Sylvia Grishman Teles, J. Edmund Ullman, Harris Cerf Weil

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16 / SATURDAY, AUGUST 17 (CALLED AT TEMPLE SINAI)

Adele Levy Adatto, Clemens Adler, James Michel Ber, Eva Singerman Berenson, Jean Krauss Cohen, Julius M. Cohn, Elsie Waldhorn Cohn, Harry Colton, George A. Duff, Harold W. Forgotston, Hyman R. Gordon, Julius "Jay" Handelman, Henry Hausmann, Terri Lynn Katz, Sidney G. Keller, Isaac Keller, Nathan Leonard Kern, Sr., Henriette Levy Klotz, Hugh Bernard Kohnmeyer, Ennis L. Kops, Franck K. Marx, Tobias Pick, Miryam Rosenblum, Molly Friedman Ross, Charles Mayer Samuel, Jr., Jesslyn Loeb Schilling, Herbert Charles Yellin

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23 / SATURDAY, AUGUST 24 (CALLED AT TEMPLE SINAI)

Hazel Nagel Badeaux, Rickey Lukow Bain, Clifford A.J. Berger, Sam Blum, Edward Max Feinman, Sr., Julian H. Good, Nat Marks Greenblatt, Fannie Weil Cohn Hornikel, Alice Mayer Katz, Paul Kling, Sr., Rose Harris Lehman, Dorothy Kaufman Levy, Michel "Mike" Levy, Leopold Maas, Juliet Faine Nowak, Harry Louis Phillips, L. Barry Pick, Martin S. Rothschild, Ruth Glatter Samuelson, Beulah Bloch Weil, Richard M. Wise

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30 / SATURDAY, AUGUST 31 (CALLED AT TEMPLE SINAI)

Charles Alltmont, Melvin Anish, Max Bergman, Lillian Bigman, Annette L. Block, Isaac Coleman Bowsky, Katie Schlankey Bowsky, Frances Duber, Meyer Goldberg, Bertha Schottlander Harris, Nathan Katz, Victor F. Kirschman, Leonard W. Krinsky, Jonas F. Lith, Fred Lith, Israel Samuel Lurie, Isidore Manasses, Philip Phillips, Samuel Rabin, Sara Reinherz Ross, Charles Samuel, Fannie Weaker, Bertha Levy Weil, Bella G. Ratner Zucker

MAY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div> FOR OUR FULL CALENDAR OF EVENTS VISIT WWW.TOUROSYNAGOGUE.COM </div>			1	2	3	4
			9:00am Last Day! Uptown Hebrew in session	12:00pm News and the Jews 12:00pm Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group No Choir Rehearsal	6:00pm Shabbat Evening Service	9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service
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9:00am Last Day! Religious School in session				7:30pm Choir Rehearsal	6:00pm Shabbat Evening Service	9:00am Torah Study 9:30am Shabbat Rocks! 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
10:00am Touro Fest! Annual Meeting	10:30am Touro Women's Book Group Meeting 7:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting*	4:00pm Confirmation Rehearsal		4:00pm Confirmation Rehearsal 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal	6:00pm Shabbat Evening Service/ Confirmation	9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service
26	27	28	29	30	31	
	Memorial Day Touro Office Closed				6:00pm Shabbat Evening Service/ Rabbi Berk's Final Service	

JUNE 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service 6:00pm Farewell Party for Rabbi Berk
2	3	4	5	6 12:00pm Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group	7 6:00pm Shabbat Evening Service	8 9:00am Torah Study 9:30am Shabbat Rocks! 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service 7:00pm Tikkun Leil Shavuot Potluck & Study Session
9 10:30am Shavuot Festival Service with Yizkor	10	11	12	13	14 6:00pm Shabbat Evening Service followed by <i>The Story of the Jews: The Musical</i>	15 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service
16	17	18	19	20 12:00pm Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group	21 6:00pm Shabbat Evening Service	22 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service/Bar Mitzvah of Alexander Shawnee Lupin
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30					6:00pm Shabbat Evening Service	9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service

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SHABBAT SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR MAY - JUNE 2019

Friday, May 3

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service, Forgetston Chapel

Saturday, May 4

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel

Friday, May 10

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service, Forgetston Chapel

Saturday, May 11

9:30AM Shabbat Rocks! Shushan Assembly

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel

Friday, May 17

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service, Forgetston Chapel

Saturday, May 18

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel

Friday, May 24

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

Saturday, May 25

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel

Friday, May 31

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service, Forgetston Chapel

Rabbi Berk's Final Service

Saturday, June 1 (Summer Union Services at Touro Synagogue)

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel

Friday, June 7 (Summer Union Services at Touro Synagogue)

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service, Forgetston Chapel

Saturday, June 8 (Summer Union Services at Touro Synagogue)

9:30AM Shabbat Rocks! Shushan Assembly

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel

Friday, June 14 (Summer Union Services at Touro Synagogue)

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service, Forgetston Chapel

Saturday, June 15 (Summer Union Services at Touro Synagogue)

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel

Friday, June 21 (Summer Union Services at Touro Synagogue)

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service, Forgetston Chapel

Saturday, June 22 (Summer Union Services at Touro Synagogue)

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service/

Bar Mitzvah of Alexander Shawnee Lupin, Main Sanctuary

Friday, June 28 (Summer Union Services at Touro Synagogue)

6:00PM Shabbat Evening Service, Forgetston Chapel

Saturday, June 29 (Summer Union Services at Touro Synagogue)

10:30AM Shabbat Morning Service, Forgetston Chapel