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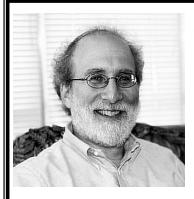
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# RABBI'S REFLECTIONS: November? Not a Nominal Month



Rabbi Michael Rascoe

November is a busy and meaningful month. The 3rd is our Pink Ribbon Shabbat; the 6th is Election Day; the 9th-10th is the 70th anniversary of Kristallnacht, Night of the Broken Glass, when Professor Ron Hollander will speak Friday night (when services move to 5:30

PM, and after service, Shabbat dinners resume;) the 18th is our annual Thanksgiving Service (at St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church, 546 St. John's Place, Riverhead;) and the 22nd is Thanksgiving.

Kristallnacht marked when discriminatory law became violence. Prior, the Nazis deported 17,000 Polish-born Jews; Poland refused to admit them. They rotted in no-man's land. Herschel Grynszpan, 17, losing contact with his parents, shot Ernst vom Rath, third secretary of Germany's Paris embassy, on November 7, 1938; he died two days later. Also, to honor both Martin Luther's birthday and Hitler's

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abortive 1923 Beer-hall putsch, the Nazis immediately began an *aktion*. Nazi estimates: 29 warehouses, 171 homes, and 191 synagogues set afire; 76 shuls and 815 shops destroyed; 36 (others 91) Jews killed; 36 severely injured; over 30,000 sent to concentration camps (hundreds died;) and countless windows broken. The Nazis fined the Jews one billion marks for clean-up, confiscated all insurance claims, and intensified the "aryanization" of German economic life.

I wrote two years ago that we need to choose our words carefully, and that when one's concern for one's roots aligns with the human potential for evil and our commonness, disaster threatens. I wish I could say that things on the left and right have changed, but alas, mostly things are worse. People from each side demonize the other better to be ideologically and morally pure than to compromise. It seems that few people care about their words, and the hurt; indeed, if they can score points, all the better. And certainly they believe one shouldn't admit that the other side has done something good—a rare exception being Senator Chris Coons, who called UN Ambassador Nikki Haley to apologize for voting against her appointment.

I wrote then that each side tried to use politically correct language to disguise and couch what they meant while still demeaning the other side. Each is now beginning to abandon this fig leaf of language in the words they choose. I suppose in one way, this is good, that the gloves have come off, but it is designed to further distance discussion by insulting the other side, so that there is no discussion. Language that we didn't utter in public is now everywhere, though politics is not to blame for it; politicians and pundits just now use it. It is as if we are trying to forget our common roots.

Clearly, I'm an old-timer who wishes for the civility that existed for most of the last hundred years, where people at least pretended to get along and have common goals, so that sometimes things actually happened. But as I've said, the goal of politics is to get re-elected, until one finally decides to make a great deal of money by cashing in. Oddly, both the left and right agree on this, at least by their actions and for a fair number their words. But as long as they insist on blaming the other, nothing will happen.

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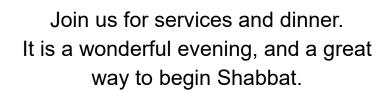
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# Winter Shabbat Dinners Return!

Starting November 9th, 2018, until March 8th, 2019

Friday night Shabbat services will begin at 5:30 PM,

followed by a community dinner.



Thank you to our upcoming sponsors:

Date	Candle Lighting	Sponsors
11/9	4:19 PM	Harley Abrams for Kristallnacht program.
11/16	4:12 PM	The Milligan Family.
11/23	4:08 PM	Dr. and Mrs. Richard Richter and family.
11/30	4:05 PM	Mickey Segal and Debby Bieling.
12/7	4:04 PM	Georgina and Herbert Israel.

Consider sponsoring a Friday night dinner for \$180.00, but whether you are a sponsor, or not, please join us.

We cannot just wallow in self-pity; we must remember our common roots and bear witness to the potential for human evil. We must alert others to the banality and lethality of evil. Pastor Martin Niemoeller, a World War I hero, first supported the Nazis, then opposed them. In July 1937, they put him in a concentration camp. After the war, he said: "First they came for the Communists, but I was not a Communist, so I did not speak out. Then they came for the Socialists and the Trade Unionists, but I was neither, so I did not speak out. Then they came for the Jews, but I was not a Jew, so I did not speak out. And when they came for me, there was no one left to speak out for me." Kristallnacht led to the United Jewish Appeal. We must memorialize, but also witness and act—both in the USA and abroad.

Living in 2018 America, with an election and Thanksgiving coming, we must remember that negative words rile emotions and raise feelings to which we react. They don't constitute or help us achieve a full and rich life. We should use our brains to analyze them, and engage in thought, and not either just react or harness them for our own personal gain at the expense of others. It would be better this time of year to acknowledge our thanks and freedom and realize what is happening so we can envision our future. Only then may we truly appreciate, and thank God for, what we have. All of us benefit from a system that holds ideals up to us, and expects us to live up to them. Ponder this the next time we express our beliefs and politics, and when we vote and gather together later this month as Christians and Jews and others to celebrate Thanksgiving, to share our fears, joys, and thanks, after we have exercised our responsibility to vote.

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# Pink Ribbon Shabbat

Raising awareness about breast and ovarian cancers and BRCA genetics

Featuring Arlene Allen, RN, a registered nurse at Peconic Bay Medical Center, specializing in cancer treatment and prevention.

This event is organized by **Linda Prizer**, who will chant the haftorah at services.

Saturday, November 3, 2018, 9:30 AM

Services and program followed by a kiddush luncheon.

Wear something pink!

Best wishes to Temple Israel from

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### Temple Israel of Riverhead Book Club

Thursday, November 8, at 7:00 PM

# BIBI: The Turbulent Life and Times of Benjamin Netanyahu

**By Anshel Pfeffer** 

Location: Temple Israel of Riverhead

Please RSVP so we can plan accordingly.
Contact **Harley Abrams** at hpa.aia.architect@gmail.com with any questions.

### **Modified Shabbat Services Continue**



Test out our shortened Shabbat services on the 1st Shabbat of the month.

November 3, 2018 December 1, 2018

Services begin promptly at 9:30 AM, with a minyan, and end at 11:00 AM.

Followed by a Kiddush luncheon.

# Kristallnacht Memorial

Friday, November 9, 5:30 PM

Shabbat and Memorial Service followed by dinner

A lecture led by Professor Emeritus

# Ron Hollander







Professor Emeritus Ron Hollander directed Jewish American Studies, and taught the Holocaust and journalism for 26 years at Montclair State University in New Jersey. His scholarly focus there was American press coverage of the Holocaust from 1933-1945. Prior to that, he was a journalist for 28 years, including reporting from concentration and death camps across Europe. He was the lead author of the anthology, Why Didn't the Press Shout? (Yeshiva University Press.) A Fulbright scholar in China for two years, he has presented some 50 academic papers and lectures on the Holocaust. In the past year, he has lectured at Stony Brook University and North Shore Jewish Center. His essay, "America's Press Reports the Holocaust," appeared in PRISM, the Holocaust journal of Yeshiva University.

This is a free event; however, please RSVP to the Temple office.



# Hanukkah Community Menorah Lighting & Latkes



Sunday, December 2, 2018 5:30 PM at Riverfront Park.

### **Interfaith Thanksgiving Services**

**Rabbi Rascoe** will be attending at an Interfaith Thanksgiving Service beginning at 3 PM on Sunday, November 18th, at the St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church, 546 St. Johns Place, Riverhead. For more information, contact the Temple office.

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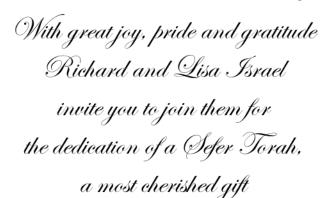
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to Temple Israel of Riverhead.

This Sefer Torah is a testimony of the unbroken faith that links one generation to another.

Sunday, December 9, 2018, 9:30a.m. אי טבת תשציט

Temple Israel of Riverhead

A luncheon will follow ceremony

R.S.V.P. by Monday, November 26, 2018 Lisa Israel 631-727-5500, ext. 10 or 631-418-7607 We look forward to sharing this simcha with you.

### You are invited to a Kiddush Luncheon

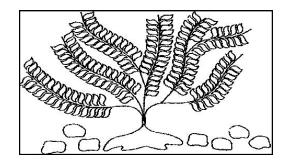
On November 10th, **Bruce Kagan** will sponsor a kiddush luncheon in honor of the Yahrzeits of both his aunt Besy Torgof and his brother Leonard Kagan.

### **Kol Nidre Appeal 5779**



As we move into 5779, we continue to need our membership and friends to preserve the health and well-being of our beloved temple. It is a tradition in congregations to establish a Kol Nidre Appeal Fund; at Temple Israel this fund is vital to help supplement the dues and thus cover our operating expenses. Therefore, we ask each one of you, if you have not already donated, to be as generous as possible, in order that our temple may continue to meet the growing needs of the Jewish community.

Please forward your check, payable to Temple Israel Kol Nidre Fund, to: Temple Israel of Riverhead, P.O. Box 1531, Riverhead, NY 11901. You can also pay online using PayPal. Thank you.



### Leaves on the Tree of Life

An engraved leaf on the lovely Tree of Life which graces our Social Hall is a joyous reminder of a Bat or Bar Mitzvah, an anniversary, a wedding, or a special birthday, and also a fitting tribute to the memory of a loved one. The cost of a leaf is \$180 for members. Please contact **Phyllis VanDyne** at 631-734-7511 for information, .



### With Rabbi Rascoe

### Rabbi Rascoe Discusses Buber's I and Thou

**Rabbi Rascoe** continues discussions of Martin Buber's book, *I and Thou*. The next sessions will be held on Tuesdays, November 13 & 27, and December 11 & 25 at 7 PM, at Temple Israel.

### The Personhood of God

On Tuesdays, November 20 and December 18 at 6 PM, we continue to look at the different images of God as a person, and what those images say about God, our faith, and the whole human condition.

### **Talmud Classes**

Talmud classes continue on the following Wednesdays: November 7, 14, 21, and 28 and December 5, 12, 19 and 26, from 6 to 7:30 PM. **Rabbi Rascoe** invites you to join us. There is always review, so no previous attendance is required. Attendees receive an introduction to Talmudic logic, thought, and law.

### Interfaith Bible Book-of-the-Month Club

The Interfaith Bible Class will resume meeting on Wednesday, November 14, from 9:30-11:30 AM, at St. Marks Church, 105 Randall Road, Shoreham. Please call Mike Griske (631-849-1744,) club President, with any questions.

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Return the completed form below, along with your business card or desired message, and a check, to the Temple office. Your ad will be placed for the next 10 consecutive issues of the Bulletin.

If you have any questions, please contact Allen Silver at asilver9@optonline.net, or 631-744-7551.

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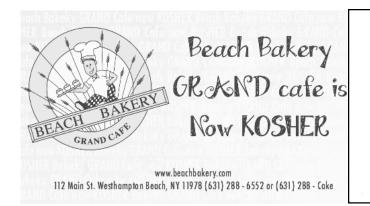
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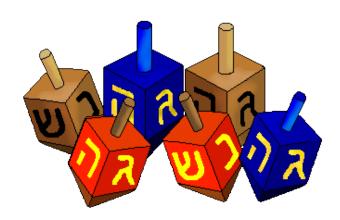
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### **Donations to Temple Israel of Riverhead**

In honor of Forest Kaplan-Walbrecht's Bar Mitzvah—Alan & Susan Preis.

Misheberach for Harriet Wolf—Martin & Phyllis Van Dyne.

In honor of our loving parents, Lisa & Richard Israel—Herbert & Georgina.

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**Phyllis Van Dyne** operates the Temple's Shop, acquiring new items several times a year. She will also fill special orders; if you see something you'd like, she can get it for you. Or, if you need ideas for a gift, she will be happy to suggest something in your price range, perfect for your occasion and recipient. For more information and personal service, just call Phyllis at 631-734-7511.

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November Heshvan/Kislev 5779

11/1	Brown, Mordecai	Heshvan 23	11/17	Horowitz, Abraham	Kislev 9
11/3	Barbanel, Albert	Heshvan 25	11/18	Hollander, Andrea	Kislev 10
11/3	Sandberg, Arthur	Heshvan 25	11/18	Lehrer, Joseph	Kislev 10
11/4	Gerber, William	Heshvan 26	11/19	Eisenman, Della	Kislev 11
11/4	Sacks, Harry	Heshvan 26	11/20	Hyman, Charles	Kislev 12
11/4	Smith, Arthur	Heshvan 26	11/21	Davidson, David	Kislev 13
11/5	Hahn, Irma	Heshvan 27	11/21	Katz, Rose	Kislev 13
11/5	Hefter, Alfred	Heshvan 27	11/21	Starkman, Joseph	Kislev 13
11/5	Saffer, Naomi	Heshvan 27	11/22	Karlin, Dotty	Kislev 14
11/5	Sturm, Pincus	Heshvan 27	11/23	Goldstein, Rose	Kislev 15
11/6	Goldstein, Raymond	Heshvan 28	11/23	Lipetz, Rose	Kislev 15
11/7	Richter, Diane	Heshvan 29	11/24	Cohen, Todd	Kislev 16
11/7	Yurman, Harry	Heshvan 29	11/24	Cohen, Vicki	Kislev 16
11/9	Collins, Florence	Kislev 1	11/25	Maise, Maksha	Kislev 17
11/9	Greenberg, Samuel	Kislev 1	11/26	Brown, Francis	Kislev 18
11/10	Goldstein, Moe	Kislev 2	11/26	Cross, Elizabeth	Kislev 18
11/10	Mask, Lena	Kislev 2	11/27	Benstock, Robert	Kislev 19
11/10	Moiseff, Joe	Kislev 2	11/27	Cohen, Leonard	Kislev 19
11/12	Arnold, Rubin	Kislev 4	11/27	Trepel, Tylda	Kislev 19
11/12	Scheinberg, Hinda	Kislev 4	11/28	Oppenheimer, Sadie	Kislev 20
11/13	Brander, Louis	Kislev 5	11/29	Vinacour, Paul	Kislev 21
11/13	Grubman, Ruth	Kislev 5	11/30	Mendell, Manuel	Kislev 22
11/13	Polonet, Hilda	Kislev 5	12/1	Froehlich, Zackery	Kislev 23
11/15	Carasso, Solomon	Kislev 7	12/1	Wimpfheimer, Herbert	Kislev 23
11/15	Harding, Maurice	Kislev 7	12/2	Honig, Sylvia	Kislev 24
11/15	Siegel, Frances	Kislev 7	12/3	Galitzer, Rose	Kislev 25
11/15	Wimpfheimer, Edda	Kislev 7	12/3	Ritigstein, Rose	Kislev 25
11/16	Harris, Edna	Kislev 8	12/5	Crowitz, Louis	Kislev 27
11/16	Sulitzer, Alyse	Kislev 8	12/6	Talsky, Joyce	Kislev 28

## SABBATH SERVICES

Friday evenings at 7:00 PM Saturday mornings at 9:30 AM (5:30 PM beginning November 9; see note below)

### November 2018

Day	Date	Candle Lighting	Friday Oneg
Friday Evening Saturday Morning	11/2	5:26 PM	Richard and Lisa Israel

Note: Beginning November 9: new starting time and return of Shabbat Dinners! See page 3 for more information.

### **Shep Scheinberg Honored for Serving his Country**

On Saturday, September 29, **Shep Scheinberg**, a TIR member, and 74 other veterans, were flown to Washington D.C. on Mission 18 of the Honor Flight from Florida's Collier and Lee Counties. They visited war memorials, including Arlington National Cemetery and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Upon return, they were thanked for their service by 2,000 cheering spectators with bagpipes and bands playing.



From left to right: Shep's wife, **Linda**; Rosemary Christie (Shep's guardian;) **Shep Scheinberg**; Rabbi Amos Chorney of Beth Tikvah Synagogue, Naples, Florida; his wife, Aviva.

# November 2018

Sat	3 9:30 AM Modified Shab- bat Services— Pink Ribbon Shabbat & lunch	10 9:30 AM Services followed by Kiddush Luncheon sponsored by Bruce Kagan	17 9:30 AM Services	24 9:30 AM Services	
Fri	2 7:00 PM Services and Oneg Shabbat	9 5:30 Services & Kristallnacht Me- morial Program, followed by Shabbat dinner	16 5:30 PM Services followed by dinner	23 5:30 PM Services followed by dinner	30 5:30 PM Services followed by dinner
Thu	-	8 7 PM TIR Book Club	15 Bulletin submissions deadline	22	29
Wed		7 6 PM Talmud class	14 9:30-11:30 AM Interfaith Bi- ble Class; 6 PM Talmud class	21 6 PM Talmud class	28 6 PM Talmud class
Tue		•	13 7 PM Book Discussion, 1 and Thou	20 6 PM The Personhood of God class	27 7 PM Book Discussion, 1 and Thou
Mon		5 7:15 PM Board meeting	12	19	26
Sun		4 9 AM-12 PM Hebrew School	11 9 AM-12 PM Hebrew School	18 9 AM-12 PM Hebrew School	25 No Hebrew School

# December 2018

Sat	1 9:30 AM Modified Shab- bat Services	8 9:30 AM Services	15 9:30 AM Services	22 9:30 AM Services	29 9:30 AM Services	
Fri		7 5:30 PM Services followed by dinner	14 5:30 PM Services followed by dinner	21 5:30 PM Services followed by dinner	28 5:30 PM Services followed by dinner	
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Mon		ဇ	10 7:15 PM Board meeting	17 Bulletin submissions deadline	24	31
Sun		2 First Night of Hanukkah; Menorah lighting 5:30 PM	9 9 AM-12 PM Hebrew School; Torah Dedication	16 9 AM-12 PM Hebrew School	23 No Hebrew School	30 No Hebrew School

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### **CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS**

November 3, December 1	Shortened Shabbat Services
November 3	Pink Ribbon Shabbat
November 9	Kristallnacht Memorial Program
November 9	Winter Shabbat Dinners Return
November 10	Bruce Kagan Kiddush Luncheon
December 2	First Night of Hanukkah
December 2	<b>Community Menorah Lighting</b>
December 9	Sefer Torah Dedication