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Rabbi's Notes: A Meaningful Life

I'm a little late starting this column this month (sorry Bob and Mina!) because I was anticipating a weekend visit with my friend S, and I knew that by the time she departed, I would have ideas to share that I hadn't entertained before. (Disclaimer here: I told S that I wanted her help in planning this screed, and I write it now with her permission and input. Though of course all nonsense is my own – most truly.)

I met S, oh, six or seven years ago now, at High Holy Day services. She and her partner were up from San Francisco, where they live. I think it was in the break after Yom Kippur morning services that S's partner corralled me in a friendly way, introduced me to S, and said, "S really wants to talk with you." I sat down with them, a bit delirious from a long and intense morning, and S said to me, "I want to talk with you about the meaning of life."

That perked me right up. I like that topic. But I didn't have any steam in me right then, so I probably just said, "Yeah, sounds great, get in touch..." A few months later, a mutual friend said she was going down to visit S and her partner. "S really wants to talk with you," she said to me. "You should come with me..." So I jumped aboard.

Well, S and I talked and talked til our jaws hurt during that visit. And more importantly, I think, we began a conversation which has continued all these years, in marathon chats every couple of months since.

Sidebar here – to me there is little I treasure more than these kinds of epic conversations that weave through my life. I have a few such long chats going – some even since childhood – with someone who worries some bone kind of like I do, or at least can bear to watch me do it while offering up their own wisdom as we wander along in life. Sometimes I talk with these people every couple of years, sometimes almost daily. As Dave Alvin and Christy McWilson sang last night at the Little River Inn, "We're two lucky bums." Or in my case, at least one lucky bum and one very patient one.

Anyhow, back to the meaning of life. Between our last marathon and the one this past weekend, S has made it official that she will be retiring soon. Which seems to make questions of meaning in life more urgent – at the very least since she will have forty-plus more hours each week available for meaning-making in raw form. "How do you build a life?" she asked.

Life is more than what you do in your work hours – more than what you do at all. What you do, and, heaven-knows, what you plan to do, is only the smallest part of it all. We agreed on that. Still, you get up in the morning, and you are given a day in front of you. It's an opportunity as well as a challenge. This was the challenge and opportunity that occupied us quite a bit over the weekend, as we dreamed and brainstormed about how a brilliant, capable, skilled, healthy, generous and wise person could reshape her pursuits at this juncture.

Another sidebar here, or maybe the main point: Ira Rosenberg has taught over the years about the importance of turning points. There are long stretches of time in which our paths are fairly fixed, and it takes a tremendous amount of energy and upheaval to shift course. But then there come times when the trajectory is changing anyhow. And, at these turning points, even minute changes of direction can have amplified consequence, for good or for ill. So what we do with ourselves at turning points may not be of greater cosmic importance than what we do with ourselves at any other time.

But on the practical plane, it matters a lot. Which is why, among many other things, much ritual focuses on times of life change (like a bar or bat mitzvah), calendar change (like bedtime prayers) and social change (like the inauguration of a new president.)

Last month I wrote here about my exploration of mussar, which we might say turns a close lens on the way that life moves from minute to minute, even in periods where it seems like little is changing. We lose our tempers, get sidetracked, close down our attention or goodwill. And the work of mussar is to correct those small-seeming mis-directions. I can't remember if I actually said this in my column, but mussar makes me think of peeling back the surface of an hour or a day of my life and seeing all these tiny joints underneath, at any of which things can go amiss. S's question right now has to do, I think, with pulling back the lens, looking at a bigger schema of paths, the choices of which will direct (at least to some degree – along with chance, providence, inner and outer change and Mystery) years or decades to come.

Yesterday was Sunday, which means that we all started the day at our house listening to Will Shortz giving his puzzle on NPR Weekend Edition. And that may have left S and me in puzzle mode as the day went on. So I posed a puzzle to her, and I offer it to you too. Imagine ten activities that seem valuable to you, arrayed along a spectrum. At one end is the safest, most like what you do right-now. At the other end is the scariest, most out-of-the-comfort-zone kind of activity you can imagine. Then plot out eight other activities in the middle range. When you've got your list of ten, think through your social network and try to come up with a person you could go talk with who does each of the ten activities you have named.

That's the easy part of the puzzle – though S drove away promising to send me her list of ten. The hard part comes next. Go actually talk with each of these people. And, as you do, try to imagine yourself into their lives, doing what they do.

Then watch yourself making a decision. How do we know what to do next? Do we make lists of pros and cons and count them up? Do we take up the first option that comes our way and then see where it takes us from there? Do we wait for a light to come on in our head? Do we feel for our gut to tighten in some places and our heart to swell in others? Do we ask someone's advice and actually follow it? Do we pray for guidance and anticipate a response? Do we feel trapped and hopeless, as though ten options – even imaginary ones – would be unthinkable in our own circumstances?

I am aware as I'm writing this that big course changes seldom come about as methodically and elegantly as they happen to be coming to S. Sometimes they happen because we get sick or lose a job or a partner or a home or are oppressed in our current situation and have to get out. Sometimes, and I count myself blessedly here much of the time these days, we are happy with our path, and nothing seems to be coming at us to force a big change (until it does.) Sometimes the challenge/opportunity is a tiny course change, or the will to endure until a possibility opens up, or to make peace with the way things are and will probably stay.

But it never hurts to exercise our imaginations. And what topic could be more interesting than our lives? I hope that, even when things seem tightly-constrained, we can still imagine other paths, large or small, that we can walk in the direction of meaning. Whatever that means!

I want to thank S, my companion in imagination, for allowing me to share a bit of her life and our conversation about it here. And I want to thank all of you for being a community of meaning, in which I can see richly-imagined lives lived out in inspiring and provocative ways, and in which the conversation about how to live a meaningful life never falters. - Rabbi Margaret Holub (c) 2009

Culture Mix Holiday Party / Fiesta De Intercambrio Culture

Sunday, January 3, 2:00 - 4:00 PM at [Safe Passage](#) (208 Dana Street, Fort Bragg.) Tamales and latkes, stories of childhood Posadas, Hanukkah and more. Singing and speaking different languages together (and maybe learning a few words of a tongue you don't know well), games, dancing, getting to know people. All ages most welcome. For information contact Steve Antler at 937-5925 or santler@mcn.org. Enthusiastically sponsored by the Elders Group of the Mendocino Coast Jewish Community and Safe Passages. (mh)

Reb Zusya's Yahrzeit

[Reb Zusya of Hanipol](#) is one of the most beloved of the Hasidic masters. He is most famous for saying that, when he arrives at the gates of Paradise, he won't be asked, "Why weren't you Abraham?" or "Why weren't you Moses?" but, "Why weren't you Zusya?" He is also the impoverished and frail master who, when asked by two students about how one can thank God for bad fortune as well as for good, answered that he had no idea, because he had never experienced anything bad in his whole life. The yahrzeit of Reb Zusya is on 2 Shevat, which falls this year on Sunday, January 17. We will honor the memory of Reb Zusya at Shabbat services on Saturday, January 16, by enjoying stories of this beautiful holy teacher. (mh)



Tu B'Shevat Seder

Tu B'shevat, the holy Day of Judgment for the Trees, falls on Shabbat, January 30. We will celebrate with a seder of fruits, colors, meditation and blessings at 4:00 PM, finishing with havdalah at sundown. Tu B'shevat is the deep-winter day each year when it is said that the sap rises in the Tree of Life in the Garden of Eden, portending another day of life on earth.

We who are privileged to live among so many holy trees, and ocean, ground and sky, have come to love this holiday as a time to honor and bless and pray for the natural environment of which we are all a part. We will enjoy many fruits and glasses of wine or juice. There will not be a full meal served, and you don't need to bring anything. This is one of the most beautiful holidays of the year, and it can be quite magical for young children, as for any of us. We especially invite you to bring children and to feel comfortable slipping out after the first fruits are blessed if the entire ritual is too long or quiet to sit through. (mh)

Mussar Class Meetings

The mussar class will meet on Wednesdays, January 6 and 20, 5:00 – 7:00 PM at the shul. On January 6 we will focus on the middah (trait) of haritzut (decisiveness.) On January 20 our topic will be the middah of nekiyut (cleanliness.) People are welcome to join the class at any point, but should contact Margaret in advance to get readings – mholub@mcn.org or 937-5673. (mh)



Tzedaka Well Needs Refilling

The Adele Saxe Tzedaka Fund is like a well: funds rain in through people's generosity, and funds are drawn out to meet people's needs. This past season, as you might imagine, has been a time when people's needs have been great, and it is not unlikely that this will continue. As I (Margaret) write in mid-December, there remains only \$96 in the well. So gifts to the Tzedaka Fund, always appreciated, are needed right now.

The Tzedaka Fund is used to help people in need on a short-term basis. I am in charge of allocating funds, and I do so whenever I believe that a gift in the range that the Fund can support will help someone to get through a time of difficulty. Usually the gifts are in the \$100-200 range, and they are always confidential. Most of the grants go to people in our local Jewish community who are in a moment of crisis. But occasionally someone in MCJC will request funds for someone who is not Jewish, and I do not discriminate. The Fund is named after Adele Saxe, who was a great exemplar of the values of community and service (and also gave us the gift of being Ellen Saxe's mother and Max and Beatrice's grandmother.) (mh)



*We cordially invite you to share our joy when our son
Scott Roy Duncan is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah*

Saturday, February 13, 2010

Ten thirty in the morning

Caspar Shul, Caspar, California

Reception immediately following

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Thank You for Megillah Help

Thank you to Elana Berenson for collating and mailing our last megillah. Contact Mina if you'd like to help with this task. (mc)

TODAH RABAH! (Great Thanks)

For The Following Generous Contributors Who in the Last Month Helped Sustain Our Community

Nancy Harris; Theresa Glasner Morales; Gayle and Larry Heiss; Linda James and Richard Sacks-Wilner; Fran and Roger Schwartz; Rachel Lahn and James Young; Gerry and Sara Kreger; Bobby Markels; Helen Jacobs; Syd and Laura Balows; Carol Maxon; Donna Feiner; Polly Green; Rena Blauner; Donna Camitta; Annie Beckett; Sandy Glickfeld; Rosamond Gumpert Jorgensen; Eileen Lopate; Donna and George Montag; Marilyn Rose; Irv and Rosalie Winesuff; Roberta and David Belson; Claire Ellis and Chuck Greenberg; Susan Tubbesing; Janet Sternburg; Guy Burnett; Mina Cohen and Jeff Berenson; Art and Rosalie Holub

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Mendocino Maven *by The Shadow*

I hope that everyone had a lovely Chanukah and has a fabulous new (secular) year. The annual Chanukah party was a blast thanks to the heroic efforts of a legion of volunteers and the organization of Luna and Donna Montag. By the time you read this the days should be getting longer and the Mendocino coast should be a gorgeous shade of green. It is said that this is a weak El Nino year, so we may get the blessed rain we have been praying for.

While we are already well into the Jewish year, this month is Tu B'Shevat (the new year for trees). Once a very obscure holiday, it has taken on new meaning in contemporary times when most of us are increasingly estranged from the natural world. a world which is itself in jeopardy.

I attended one of Margaret's Mussar classes last month, and was delighted by the class, which studies Jewish approaches to ethical living and self improvement. There were 18 students at the class I attended, which is a remarkable turn out for our small community.

Micah Press and Mischa Hedges are attending graduate school at Dominican University in San Raphael. They are both working for a Green MBA in Sustainable Business Practices. (Micah is also looking for an affordable place for 2 people to live in San Raphael if anyone has any suggestions.)

I heard that Amy Katz is moving back to NYC after her sojourn in LA, and will be teaching there. Good luck to Amy. If you have simchas (joys) that you would like to share with the community, please email maven@mcjc.org. - *The Shadow*

Judy Prichett's New Documentary

*(Judy Prichett sent us a note about her new Swing Dance documentary, **The Big Apple**. You can follow the link below to see a trailer for the film. - rge)*

This is a documentary I have made about a dance that was wildly popular in 1937 -- Rosamond remembers it. She says with a smile, "It was fun!" The dance started in an African-American night club in Columbia SC and spread across the country very quickly -- "like wildfire," as the news stories say. In learning about the power of this dance to uplift spirits in hard times, we take a journey back to Africa, through slavery, minstrelsy and the popular dance crazes of the early 20th century. There is even a Jewish component to the story: The building where the Big Apple dance got its start had been an orthodox shul before the congregation moved out and it became an African-American night club. When local white kids wanted to come inside to observe the dancing they were able to do so because there was a balcony where they could watch but still maintain strict segregation. They copied the dance they discovered there and the rest is history -- or at least popular culture history. The DVD is available at www.swingdanceshop.com/bigapple2.html



I am currently living in Montclair NJ, a lovely little town just a hop and a skip from Manhattan. But I still have strong ties to the Mendocino coast and I am sure you will see me around. Perhaps I could do a showing of the video some day? (jp)

Kabbalat Shabbat

In January we will be celebrating our home Kabbalat Shabbat and dinner on Friday, January 22nd at the home of Marnie and Ron Press in Mendocino. Please call them at 937-1905 for directions and to let them know you are coming. Notice this is not the second Friday, rather the 4th Friday. In February we will be at the home of Edie and Ira Plotinsky in

Mendocino on the 4th Friday (26th). The monthly Kabbalat Shabbat includes a song-filled short service that begins at 6:00 pm and is followed by a pot luck vegetarian dinner. If you would like to host this wonderful event in your home in future months, contact Mina at 937-1319.

MCJC Board meeting dates

The next MCJC Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 10th and then again on Thursday, February 11th. If you would like to attend a meeting please contact Raven Deerwater at raven@taxpractitioner.com so he can let you know the time and include you on the agenda. (mc)

Lecture and Conversation: Ancient Jewish Art and Art's Place

We have been in our beloved shul for 13 years and while the space has evolved over the years, it looks more or less the way it did the day we moved in. We have all been in synagogues and other worship spaces that look very different from our own. How do we feel in this space? Do we want to surround ourselves with two and three dimensional art? Does that "help" or "hinder" our experience. Prior to this conversation, Mina Cohen, who teaches art history at College of the Redwoods will present a slide show on ancient Jewish art, from the Biblical period. Learn how art played a role in our ancestors' lives. The 45 minute slide lecture will be at 5:00 pm on Sunday, January 17th at the shul. Discussion to follow. (mc)

Mitzvah Meal

We have only about 1/3 of the freezer full at this time and it's time for a new round to fill it back up for the winter. We have all pitched in to help to feed the sick or those unable to prepare meals for themselves on a short term basis. On Sunday, January 24th at 5 pm you are invited to a potluck dinner at the shul. We ask that you bring a vegetarian dish to share and one to "freeze". We will have containers to divide your donation into single portions and will tuck it away in the freezer for future use. We'll enjoy a meal together, have some schmoozing time, and do a mitzvah all at the same time.

So think of what freezes well: soups, stews, casseroles, cooked vegetables, etc. that are not too spicy. We will ask you to bring a list of ingredients in your dish so in case someone has diet restrictions we can take care of that. At the moment we'll keep it vegetarian, as many people who are ill have trouble digesting chicken or beef in any case. In the future if you wish to cook some chicken, make chicken soup, etc. we'll make arrangements to add it to the freezer. If you have any questions contact one of the Bikkur Cholim committee Mina at 937-1319 or mcohen@mcn.org, Fran Schwartz at 937-1352 or franamie@cs.com, or Karen Rakofsky at 937-5522 or nerak@mcn.org. (mc)



Book Group

The book group will meet Monday, January 18th at the home of Rosamond Gumpert Jorgensen Please call Fran Schwartz at 937-1352 if you wish to join us. We will be reading "Identical Strangers: A Memoir of Twins Separated and Reunited" by Elyse Schein. Elyse Schein had always known she was adopted, but not she searched for her biological mother did she discover she had an identical twin sister. What's more, after being separated as infants, she and her sister had been, for a time, part of a secret study on separated twins.

Paula Bernstein, a married writer and mother living in New York, also knew she was adopted, but had no inclination to find her birth mother. When she answered a call from her Jewish adoption agency one spring afternoon, Paula's life suddenly divided into two starkly different periods: the time before and the time after she learned the truth. As they reunite, taking their tentative first steps from strangers to sisters, Paula and Elyse are left with haunting questions surrounding their origins and their separation. And when they investigate their birth mother's past, the sisters move closer toward solving the puzzle of their lives. Books are available at Cheshire Books in Fort Bragg for a 10% discount if you let them know you are in the Jewish Book Group. We welcome new people at any time. (mc)

Tisch Welcomes You

In January we will begin our new schedule for the Tisch dinner. We will now celebrate the Tisch towards the beginning of each month, with the Kabbalat Shabbat towards the end of the month (see Kabbalat Shabbat). We will gather on Friday, January 8th and then again on Friday, February 12th, the evening before Scott Duncan's bar mitzvah. Dinner is at 6:00 pm and begins with candles, Kiddush, and fresh baked challah created by the Torah School just before our arrival. A yummy vegetarian dinner is provided. You can bring dessert if you like. It's multi-generational and fun for all. Greet your friends and meet some new ones! (mc)

Torah School Evolution

Torah school is now meeting every other Friday at the shul. They miss the Frankie's Talmud Torah but are happy to be back at the shul. They are beginning their study of Hebrew with a new teacher Jeremiah Heims, stories, art, and of

course challah baking before the Tisch dinners. If you are not yet involved and want to be, call Jessica at 937-2115 or contact her at mcop@mcn.org. (mc)

Would you Like a Prayer book for Your Library?

MCJC switched prayer books a couple of years ago and we also have some 1978 Gates of Repentance High Holy Day prayer books. If you would like to have one, as a reference book, interesting reading, or know someone who would please contact Donna Montag at 877-3243 or at Montag@mcn.org. (mc)

MCJC Library

We welcome assistance from Nona Smith to help us keep our library in order. It's easy to check out a book from the library and we have a very complete selection of books on every topic related to Judaism and the Jewish people. Check it out next time you're at the shul. As always, please DO NOT leave books at the library without checking with Mina first. Mina can be reached at 937-1319 or mcohen@mcn.org.

Make your Mark on a Heritage Textile

Andrea Luna invites everyone our MCJC "Om Israel" to drop in her studio in the back of her store in Fort Bragg and leave a handprint on a layer of the Torah Table Cover she is working on. This will continue a tradition of personal meaning imbuing our sacred ritual textiles: Diana Apfel used pieces of cloths from MCJC families in the lovely white patchwork Torah Cover she made for High Holidays and Andrea Luna placed prayers and blessings written by MCJC members between the layers of the top of the Peace Dove High Holiday Torah Cover she made. Andrea's shop/ studio is at 107 Laurel Street in Fort Bragg, and she is there Mon thru Fri from 11 to 5, more or less. Call ahead to 972-4494. All printing must be complete by January 20. (al)

Torah Table Cover Blessing

You are invited to join us in a Shehechyanu as we use our new Torah Table Cover for the first time at Saturday Morning Service on February 6. There will be a Kiddush to follow.

Golden Latkes

The heavenly smell of frying latkes greeted 100 people as they entered the Shul for our MCJC annual Hannukah party on Sunday Dec.13 the third night. Rabbi Margaret led the blessings as all the Menorahs were lit in the darkened room...always a lovely and moving moment, followed by a resounding round of "Rock of Ages" complete with Jay Frankston's singing the beloved song in Yiddish. Margaret's riff (in royal drag) on the Hannukah story ended with her encouraging us all to affirm our Jewishness by committing to the righteous work of our community in Bikkur Holim: feeding, assisting, caring for those who need help. The cooks who produced 500 perfect latkes, once again get the Golden Latke award: George Montag, Donna Montag, Mark Zarlin, Monique Frankston, Joan Katzeff, Ruby Gold, Rosalie Winesuff, Marnie Press, Sydelle Lapidus. Deena Zarlin scrubbed the stoves.

Moses Matlin helped schlep tables and chairs and set up, and Benna Kolinsky and Susan and Rachel Juster helped decorate the shul, already looking festive with the paper chains made by the Torah School under the direction of Jessica Grinberg. The esteemed servers who kept the hot latkes and salads moving were: Steve Antler, Nina Ravitz, Sue Miller, Danny Mandlebaum, Benna, Susan, Rachel, and Ron Press. Many people helped clean up and schlep the tables and chairs back to the shed including Rio Russell, Michelle and children, and others. Marnie Press, Devorah Rossman and Bob Evans washed and dried and cleaned the kitchen....thank you to all for another yummy and festive celebration at MCJC. Bubie Goldie, the Fairy Gelt Mother says "Let your light shine, and be happy, eat latkes!!! - Andrea Luna

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