

## MIDDOT TO CONSIDER ...

### January: Gratitude / Hakarat ha'tov

Looking for the good, recognizing the good, awakening to the good (*hakarat ha'tov*) is what the middah of gratitude is all about. Of course, some things in life are just plain difficult and painful, but the question is, "Can I find the good, too?" As Alan Morinis says in *Everyday Holiness*, "When you open yourself to the trait of gratitude, you discover with clarity and accuracy how much good there is in your life." But it takes practice and hard work to develop an attitude of gratitude. Alan further teaches that when we practice gratitude, we try to heighten our awareness of the gifts we already possess, and so relieve ourselves of the exhausting pursuit of the ever-receding targets of those things we think we lack. We can be grateful for gifts we have and also for the hidden blessings that are sometimes part of what we perceive as negative - finding the so-called "silver lining or blessings in disguise."

### February: Responsibility / Achrayut

Seek to fulfill your purpose each day. Responsibility is about assessing what is ours to do and see things through to completion.

A proper balance of this trait is where one spreads out the tasks for each other and for self. When one takes on too much responsibility, this leads to stress and the tendency to control situation and take over. At the other end of the imbalance, one who is irresponsible takes on little to no tasks and does not realize the ramifications of negligence. When we do what we are beholden and capable of doing with resolve, we repair the world and bring light to darkness.

## TRIVIA NIGHT

**FEBRUARY 2 @ 7 PM**

**See page 32 for details**

## SAFETY & SECURITY AT TEMPLE SHOLOM

For all of us, including our children, our Temple is our home away from home. Here is what we need to do:

- Enter and exit through the front door only. Carry and use your fob at all times (fobs now work until 9:00 p.m. Monday - Friday)
- Do not prop doors open. If you see a door that is open, please close it.
- Do not open the door for someone you do not know.
- Do not use the green button at the front door to automatically open. The green button is for handicapped access only.
- If you see something, say something. Call 911.

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## FROM THE DESK OF RABBI RIGLER



As we observe MLK Day I wanted to reflect on his message and our shared journey. The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. challenged each of us not to flinch in the face of hatred. He taught us to work unwaveringly for that prophetic vision, teaching:

*Courage is an inner resolution to go forward despite obstacles. Cowardice is submissive surrender to circumstances. Courage breeds creativity; Cowardice represses fear and is mastered by it. Cowardice asks the question, is it safe? Expediency asks the question, is it politic? Vanity asks the question, is it popular? But, conscience asks the question, is it right?*

- Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: Radio Broadcast, KPFA, Santa Rita CA, January 14, 1968.

Perhaps no stronger Jewish connection can be found than Rabbi Joachim Prinz. If you don't know his name and story I want to share it with you. As a young rabbi in Berlin, Joachim Prinz was forced to confront the rise of Nazism and becoming an outspoken critic. He later came to be a Zionist leader and eventually in 1937, with the Nazi's giving him an ultimatum, he was expelled from the country and immigrated to the United States. Within a short period, Prinz's activism helped him rise to become one of the top leaders within the Jewish organizational structure. Prinz devoted much of his life in the United States to the Civil Rights movement. He saw the plight of African American and other minority groups in the context of his own experience under Hitler. From his early days, when he settled in Newark, a city with a very large minority community, he spoke from his pulpit about the disgrace of discrimination. He joined the picket lines across America protesting racial prejudice from unequal employment to segregated schools, housing and all other areas of life.

Witnessing racism by Jews in Atlanta in 1948, Prinz realized that Jews in America had a choice. They could ally with the white majority culture or they could ally with African Americans and other minorities. To Prinz, an identification with the white majority culture was wrong in moral terms and a grave strategic error. As a minority, Jews only chance to survive and flourish in

America came from democracy. If all were not equal before the law and society, Jewish existence would always be in peril as it had been in Germany.

*"When I was the rabbi of the Jewish community in Berlin under the Hitler regime, I learned many things," Prinz said. "The most important thing that I learned in my life is that bigotry and hatred are not the most urgent problem. The most urgent, the most disgraceful, the most shameful and the most tragic problem is silence. A great people, which had created a great civilization, had become a nation of silent onlookers. They remained silent in the face of hate, in the face of brutality and in the face of mass murder. America must not become a nation of onlookers. America must not remain silent."*

In 1963, Martin Luther King, Jr. was leading a movement that was trying to take a great step in the seemingly endless march of African Americans toward freedom. The March on Washington marked a culmination of long-standing aspirations among blacks, whites, Jews, Gentiles and others who saw civil rights as a foundational quest in a nation long burdened by intolerance against "the others," particularly blacks.

Prinz and King speaking together at the March on Washington marked the intersection of two journeys from slavery to freedom, two narratives of "getting over." However, in that moment, the African American journey and the Jewish journey could be found at different points along the continuum from slavery to freedom. Prinz did not feel that his people, the Jews had completed the journey to a secure, lasting freedom. As long as others were still back on the other shore, just stepping in, or struggling neck-deep in the water, it was not yet time for timbrels and celebrations. He had been on the other side, and he knew the journey could not be made alone.

Joachim Prinz brings an important message reminding us all of our shared humanity. While decades have passed since Prinz and King walked among us, the battles are still being fought for freedom, respect and peace for all.

~ Rabbi Peter Rigler

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## NOTES FROM CANTOR JAMIE MARX

### THE GREATEST HAMAN!

I was in the barbershop a few weeks ago, discussing Hanukkah with my decidedly non-Jewish barber. After comparing Hanukkah and Christmas — and discussing the postwar origins of both holidays' modern traditions — he noted that he knew there were other Jewish holidays, but not what they were.

I was only too happy to highlight the myriad celebrations throughout the year. We've got seder with a big meal and lots of wine; Sukkot, the holiday devoted to hanging out with friends and enjoying fall weather; and of course Purim, filled with costumes and cookies. Passover, of course, is the most observed Jewish holiday in America. But why should Purim get so overlooked? Here we have a festival devoted to general silliness, delicious cookies, laughter and costumes.

At Temple Sholom, we'll also be putting on a hilarious Purim spiel: **THE GREATEST HAMAN**, a

parody of the popular movie musical *THE GREATEST SHOWMAN*. It's a wonderful opportunity to get involved, meet new people, and bring joy and laughter to the congregation in service of a holy day. We need actors and singers of all ages! We perform "script in hand" so there's no need for memorization either. A desire to have fun and a willingness to be silly are all you need!

Auditions will be on Sunday, January 13 from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. You can bring a song to sing, or just sing "Happy Birthday." We'll also have some fun reading through a scene from the spiel! Rehearsals will be on Sundays from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., and Purim is on Wednesday, March 20.

If you have any questions, send me an email, give me a call, or just swing by my office any time

~ Cantor Jamie Marx

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Two very special grandmas, sharing Shabbat with their grandchildren.



***Check your email or our Facebook page for up-to-date information and to see if the Temple is open.***

***Remember:***

***Your safety comes first!  
If you're not comfortable driving,  
when in doubt, please stay home.***

## ***PRESIDENT LAURIE BROWNGOEHL'S INSTALLATION SPEECH***

My great-grandparents were named Sarah and Abraham. They were my mother's mother's parents. Born in Russia, they came here as a young couple. I never knew them as they died well before I was born. But I heard a lot about them, especially from my grandmother. My grandmother was the fifth of nine children and the last two were twin boys. It was a large family full of laughter and love. I so enjoyed hearing stories about Sarah and Abraham. And in my child-mind, I thought my great grandparents Sarah and Abraham were the FIRST Sarah and Abraham: the Sarah and Abraham from the Bible. I mean I guess you can understand- they had the exact same names and came from a land far away to settle in a new land....for reasons I couldn't quite understand but I knew were really important. Yes, I thought the Sarah and Abraham we just mentioned in our prayers tonight- were my great grandparents.

I tell you this to share with you that from a very young age, I felt deeply and absolutely connected to the Jewish people. This was who I was and I knew without any doubt that this was special. I don't remember when I realized that there were actually many many many generations separating my Sarah and Abraham from the Sarah and Abraham in the Bible, but my deep connection to our people has always been present in my heart and in my soul.

I grew up in a Jewish family that did not belong to a synagogue. The biggest way we celebrated Judaism at our house was Hanukkah. My three sisters and I anticipated it for weeks, even months.... We each had our own little menorah (I still have mine); the ones with the little birthday cake candles and my parents had a big menorah. And every night of Chanukah, we'd light the candles and my father would say a blessing in Hebrew. After the candles, we played dreidel with M&Ms, and each night my mother would wrap and hide a present for us. And we had such fun looking for the presents under the couch or behind a shelf or wherever it might be. And every year on one of the nights of Chanukah, my parents hosted our friends. And my mother would buy little presents for everyone, and all our friends (most of whom were not Jewish by the way) loved coming over to our house and celebrating with us and wished they were Jewish and had 8 nights of such fun.

I have always loved being Jewish!

When I went to college I joined the Jewish student group (it wasn't a Hillel at the time, just a group run by a wonderful rabbinical student- old enough to be a leader to us college kids and young enough to be cool). It was a super group and I loved it. I learned so much about Judaism. We studied Torah and Martin Buber, asked deep questions, and enjoyed delicious Shabbat dinners and ate lots of bagels.

And when I met my husband the first day of junior year (who was obviously just my boyfriend at the time, but that's another story. Well, it's really part of this story because I would not be who I am or where I am if not for Kevin. So, thank you Kevin for being the wonderful person you are.) Kevin and I met so many friends in the Jewish student group, and had so much fun doing activities for holidays and Shabbat. Together, we experienced the joy of being part of a Jewish community.

When Kevin and I moved to this area and bought our first home, we were excited to join a synagogue. Can you believe it but the house we bought was right in the middle of two Temple Sholom families. The neighbors to our right said, "Come visit Temple Sholom. We love our rabbi." The neighbors to the left said, "The people at Temple Sholom are so friendly. You will love it." And so we got our folks to babysit for our 2-year-old. The congregants were friendly and Rabbi Selekman had such wise and meaningful words. We joined Temple Sholom and our three daughters, Rebecca, Judy and Abigail all received their Jewish educations here.

It's hard to believe that we have been members here since Rebecca was 2, and today she and her husband Dan and their daughters Sadie and Lila, who is in our amazing preschool, are members here too. We have made many friends here at Temple Sholom over the years and have participated in so many religious and social activities. This has been a wonderful synagogue for our family.

When I think about my Jewish journey, I have to say that it's only looking back that I can see how all these pieces make a mosaic that today brings me to the blessing of serving as President of Temple Sholom. It is such an honor and privilege to celebrate our Board's installation

tonight with this wonderful group of leaders who are our Board. And I give thanks to all of our ancestors, and to my great grandparents Sarah and Abraham, and to my wonderful husband Kevin, and to our spectacular children Rebecca and Judy who are here tonight and Abigail who is watching on the webcam from her college dorm room, and to my sister, Wendy who is here representing my sisters along with her wonderful husband Peter. And I give thanks to every one of you.

We are each on a journey. And the Jewish journey started with that first journey of Sarah and Abraham. I mean our great grandparents, Sarah and Abraham who left behind their "land, birthplace and father's and mother's house" to travel to "an unknown destination which God would show them". Each of us continues this journey and we are each going to unknown destinations that God will show us.

I am so blessed to be here at Temple Sholom where we want to nurture your Jewish Journey and your families' journeys. We have amazing clergy in Rabbi Rigler and Cantor Marx, a dedicated staff, and wonderful lay leadership and congregants. At Temple Sholom, we want to give preschoolers and religious and Hebrew school students the knowledge that Sarah and Abraham ARE their ancestors. We want to always increase the love of Judaism in our congregants with meaningful religious services, music, education for our children and our adults, and opportunities to make this world a better place.

We are each of us the children of Sarah and Abraham whether we are Jewish or are part of a Jewish family, or perhaps we feel connection to the Jewish people through our friends. We are all on a journey.

So, let us journey together to nurture Temple Sholom, to nurture the Jewish community, and to nurture the beautiful world in which we live. Let us journey together with hope and determination and love. Thank you for this honor of journeying together.

~ Laurie Browngoehl  
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## DIRECTOR'S CORNER



Friends,

This time of year, I like to let you know that we will shortly begin our budgeting process for the coming year. Because our fiscal year ends June 30<sup>th</sup>, we will begin to plan for our new programming year, which begins July 1, 2019.

All aspects of the Temple's income and expenses are very carefully considered. The budgeting process is a special one. It entails input and analysis from our Treasurer, Steve Granoff, our Financial Secretary, Nancy Bloomfield, our Budget Committee, all our lay leaders, committee chairpersons and staff.

Together, we work diligently to create a well thought out, meaningful and balanced budget; one that reflects our community's goals, reality and values.

If you are interested in expressing your views on the Temple's budget, now is a good time to do so. Please contact me or Steve Granoff at [SLGCPA@hotmail.com](mailto:SLGCPA@hotmail.com). This way, we can take your suggestions and incorporate them into our budget discussions and process.

Thank you for being a part of our Temple Sholom community. We are so appreciative that you are here with us and that together we continue to create our warm and vibrant community.

~ B'shalom, *Abbey Krain*  
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### **FREE WiFi CONNECTION!**

Temple Sholom proudly offers fast, free wifi throughout the building and the annex.

One network name. One password.  
Network: **Temple-Sholom-Guest**  
Password: **Sholom**

## BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER

Happy 2019 to all of you! I hope you had a wonderful holiday season. I cannot believe that it is over and we are in the thick of winter. I know it is cold out and there may be snow on the ground, but remember that Temple Sholom has many exciting things for you (and they are indoors in the warmth)! If you loved the movie *The Greatest Showman*, you won't want to miss

**THE GREATEST HAMAN** (a Purim spiel inspired by songs from the film).

Auditions will be held on January 13. Page 21 has more information.



We hope to see you for *Terrific Tricky Trivia Night*, a Preschool fundraiser back by popular demand! It is consistently one of the favorite events of the year. See page 32 for all of the details. Please come by and say hello anytime! My door is always open to answer any questions you have about upcoming programs, Temple events, or anything non-Temple related. Stay warm!

~ B'shalom, *Marissa Kimmel*  
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### **HELP OUR PRESCHOOL**

Our school is growing! We have had a number of new enrollments since school started and families have been adding hours.

Now we need more staff!

We are looking for Assistants and Aides to work in our school. Must have a minimum of a HS degree, be willing and able to get low to the ground and lift up to 30 pounds.

We are looking for full or part time and very willing to split any of the hours  
8:00 a.m.- 5:30 p.m. Perfect job for someone who loves children and is looking to get back into the workforce.

Come join our fun and friendly team!

Contact:  
Lori-An Penchansky  
Preschool Director  
[preschool@temple-sholom.org](mailto:preschool@temple-sholom.org)  
610-886-2065

## ***SAFETY AND SECURITY: A TOP PRIORITY***

Safety & Security at Temple Sholom has been our priority for many years. Our community has a longstanding Security Committee, which continues to work diligently on securing our Temple, while keeping our warm and welcoming approach.

Our doors are locked 24/7, making it imperative for you to carry your fobs with you at all times. Our fob system allows us to keep our doors locked while allowing you access. If you do not have a fob, please contact the Temple office so that we may get one for you. Replacements for lost fobs are \$18.

We are in the process of further enhancing our safety and security, and because this is costly, we are

reaching out to you to ask for your donations toward this purpose.

Thank you so much to those who have already made a donation. If you are able to donate at this time, please know that any amount is helpful and all gifts are appreciated.

You may donate on our website:  
[www.temple-sholom.org](http://www.temple-sholom.org) or  
through the Temple Office.

Security Committee

~ Laurie Browngoehl, Nancy Hays, and  
Margaret Husick

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## ***PURPLE HEART SHABBAT***

Join us on Friday, January 25 for a very special Shabbat Service. Hear the story about how a Purple Heart, among other war/personal memorabilia, given to Corporal Morris Slotnick from World War II ended up in Kevin Plotkin's care and his journey to reunite the belongings with the Corporal's family. We will be celebrating Kevin, the organization Purple Hearts Reunited, and other esteemed guests during services and place the Purple Heart on display at Temple Sholom following services. *See page 13 for the entire story.*



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## ***LIBRARY NEWS***

Your library continues with new informational resources being added each week. The library thrives and survives through continuing efforts of Cindy and Jim Meyer who order new supplies, catalog new books, assign accession numbers, dust and persuade new volunteers to join in the fun. Honore Poch writes thank you notes and covers books. Susan Farber works covering new books, blocking and shelving books. Todah Rabah to our library volunteers for choosing to give your valuable time to enrich us... The People of the Book!

Please come in and enjoy our many book selections, including new arrivals:

*Playing with Fire* by Tess Gerritsen

*The Mossad Messiah* by Leigh Lerner

*Midwife of Venice* by Roberta Rich

*Fly-Fishing* – the sacred art by Rabbi Eric Eisenkramer and Rev. Michael Attas, MD

B'Shalom,

Mary Ann Gould, Librarian



*I wanted to share that I have been asked and am thrilled to get involved with The Emergency Food and Shelter Program of DELCO. See below for more information. Briefly, it is a board that oversees millions of dollars in funding to support the work of those helping to provide of the hungry in our community.*

~ Rabbi Rigler

The Emergency Food and Shelter Program was established on March 24, 1983, with the signing of the "Jobs Stimulus Bill," Public Law 98-8. That legislation created a National Board, chaired by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) that consisted of representatives of the American Red Cross, Catholic Charities USA, The Jewish Federations of North America, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA, The Salvation Army and United Way Worldwide.

The EFSP was authorized under the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act (P.L. 100-77 signed into law on July 24, 1987, since renamed the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance

Act and subsequently reauthorized under P.L. 100-628, signed into law on November 7, 1988). Since 1983, in its 35-year history, the EFSP will have distributed \$4.4 billion to over 14,000 human service agencies in more than 2,500 communities across the country through this collaborative effort between the private and public sectors.

The original authorizing legislation (PL 100-77) specifically calls for "sensitivity to the transition from temporary shelter to permanent homes and attention to the specialized needs of homeless individuals with mental and physical disabilities and illness and to facilitate access for homeless individuals to other sources of services and benefits."

Also in accordance with the legislation, the National Board encourages Local Boards, the decision-making local bodies, to place special emphasis on identification of and assistance to the elderly, families with children, Native Americans and Veterans. In addition, the authorization as revised (PL 102-550) in 1992 requires that a homeless or formerly homeless person serve on the Local Boards.

## **SISTERHOOD CELEBRATES WOMEN OF VALOR!**

Dear Sisters,

If you missed our Sisterhood Shabbat, it was an outstanding evening. Our thanks to Barbara Barr and Elyse Endy for their hard work and unique presentation. We were educated and inspired by the Visual Teffilah of ten Jewish Women of Valor. As the women's images were projected on the screen, a short bio was read by a Sisterhood member.

Many thanks to Cantor Marx, for his help in the preparation for our visual Teffilah presentation and in leading the choir with a number of musical selections written and arranged by women.

On a more personal note, we were, to say the least, surprised and overwhelmed to be praised for our continuing commitment and love for our Sisterhood by Rabbi Rigler with kind words and the honor of lighting the Shabbat candles during the service. As if that wasn't enough, we were presented with beautiful flower arrangements by Elyse and Barbara.

We pledge we will continue to coordinate Sisterhood as long as you continue to work with us. Our Welcome Dinner proved that we can do it, and the thoughtful, empowering Sisterhood Shabbat Service gave further proof.

To all those Sisterhood members who were present at services, our thanks for your love and support.

~ Donna "Drances" and Fran "Fronna"



Have you shopped recently at Sisterhood's Gift Garden? Located conveniently across from the Temple Office, it is open during regular posted hours, by special appointment, or with help from Temple office members. It is fully stocked for all your Judaica (and other!) gift needs. Check out some of the merchandise on the Temple Shalom newly-redesigned website. Sisterhood members are entitled to a nice discount on all inventory.

Planning a special event, such as a wedding, Bar or Bat Mitzvah, or other celebration? Nancy Hays can help you with invitations and other paper needs, especially if you'd like your costs to be kept to a minimum. She can be reached at [haz@comcast.net](mailto:haz@comcast.net) or 610-417-5918. Sisterhood is delighted to help you out this way.

And, how about staying in touch with friends and family by sending our fabulous Happiness and Memorial cards? We can help you stay in touch with those who you care about. Or, have you ever heard about Jewish National Fund Trees that get planted in Israel? Sisterhood offers those, too, at a price significantly lower than other area synagogues. Contact Shirley Birenbaum at [surabassa@aol.com](mailto:surabassa@aol.com) or call her at 610-328-2171. Shirley will do your addressing and fulfill your postage needs. See pages 25 and 26 for details on how to purchase cards and trees.

Do you have any questions, concerns, or comments? Are you interested in meeting new women and working alongside them on a committee ... or joining together with existing friends to plan an event? Direct your correspondence to [sisterhood@temple-shalom.org](mailto:sisterhood@temple-shalom.org) and you'll receive an answer quickly.

**REMEMBER, OUR SISTERHOOD  
IS YOUR SISTERHOOD.  
WITHOUT YOU, WE ARE  
ONE WOMAN SHORT.**

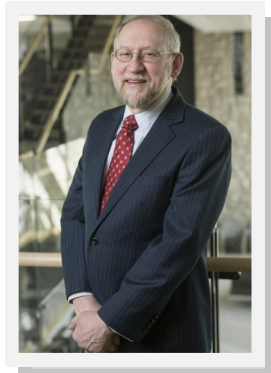
**SAVE THE DATE! April 5 - 7**

**Scholar In Residence Weekend**

**With special guest:**

**DR. PAUL FINKELMAN**  
**President of Gratz College**

**The American-Jewish Experience  
From Organized Crime to the Supreme**



*As part of the weekend, there will be a catered dinner prior to services Friday night, and a prepared brunch Sunday. Both of these require payment; however, the talks are free, thanks to the generosity of prior contributions to the SIR fund, a grant from the Board, and an anonymous donor. We encourage members of the congregation to support future SIR programs with both your attendance and your voluntary contributions!*



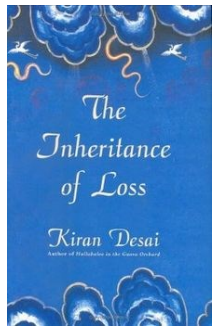
## HILLTOPPERS NEWS

Hilltoppers continues to offer wonderful and diverse programs throughout the year. Unfortunately, our November program on Superstitions and the Evil Eye was postponed due to terrible weather.

Our December program was of great interest to all who are interested in history. A rapt audience listened while Ed Eisen presented "A Reporter's Front Row Seat to History." The January program will feature our very own Cathryn Miller-Wilson, a Temple Shalom member who is the Executive Director of HIAS-PA. Her presentation will be on Thursday, January 17 at 1:30 p.m. We're looking forward to a fascinating and topical discussion.



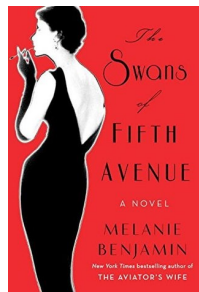
Of course, every Hilltoppers program is followed by delicious refreshments. They are free to Hilltoppers members, and offered for a small \$5 donation to non-members.



Our Book Discussion Group attracts men and women who enjoy reading and then discussing the selections. All our books are voted upon by committee. The January book is *The Inheritance of Loss*, by Kiran Desai, and the February title is *The Swans of Fifth Avenue*, by Melanie Benjamin. We meet on Thursday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. in the Temple library.

These dates are January 10 and February 14.

Please join us for our lively, monthly board meetings. We appreciate input from everybody. We will be meeting in the Temple Library at 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays, January 3 and February 7.



If you have any questions, please contact Hilltoppers President Cindy Meyer at [Cfrogs@aol.com](mailto:Cfrogs@aol.com) or telephone her at 610-359-1133.

SAVE THE DATE:

Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 1:30 PM

Join us for

*Neil Simon: From Brighton Beach to Broadway*

This program explores the life and career of the late Neil Simon, one of our most prolific American playwrights. Diane G Steinbrink a local actor and director will discuss how Neil Simon's background and many of his family members influenced his plays. It will feature monologues from some of his funniest and most poignant characters from his plays Brighton Beach Memoirs, Broadway Bound, Lost in Yonkers, Forty-Five Seconds From Broadway, and The Dinner Party.

Save the date and join us for food, drinks and a wonderful time!



~ The Dillon Family ~  
Adam & Jaime, Matthew & Max

~ Anatoly & Irene Gorelik ~

~ Sheila Weinstein ~

**And we welcome back**

~ Scot & Yvonne Arch ~



## CONVERSATIONS WITH MEN

Join  
us!



### January 27 - *Midrashim of Leviticus*

The laws, the covenant, and the practices of sanctification and sacrificial offerings.

### February 24 - *Midrashim of Numbers*

The preparation to enter the promised land, disobedience, punishment, 40 years in the desert, the exile of Moses, the appointment of Joshua as leader of the Israelites, battling for the promised land.

All men are welcome. At each meeting, we seed the conversation with interesting and educational elements followed by open discussions. Every meeting is held on Sunday morning from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Temple.

~ Daniel Endy  
[daniel.endy@gmail.com](mailto:daniel.endy@gmail.com)

## BROTHERHOOD WATCHES THE GAME

Brotherhood held its first event on December 9<sup>th</sup> — a “tailgate” party to watch the Philadelphia Eagles take on the Dallas Cowboys. While the Eagles did not win, a great time was had by all. In addition to watching the game in front of the big screens, we got to enjoy a behind the scenes look as the *Eagle Talk* podcast broadcast live from our



party. And of course, no tailgate would be complete without great food and drinks! Thank you to everyone who contributed and especially to Rob and Melissa Fein who organized the festivities.

Looking ahead, mark your calendars for Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup> as we will be

hosting our inaugural Poker Tournament. Proceeds to benefit the Temple. Stay tuned for details!

If you are interested in getting involved with Brotherhood, we’d love to hear your ideas. Please contact Dave Mendell at [brotherhood@temple-sholom.org](mailto:brotherhood@temple-sholom.org).



## SOCIAL ACTION / JUSTICE COMMITTEE



The Social Action/Justice Committee would like to thank everyone who attended the informational meeting on Immigration with Cathy Miller-Wilson and Katelyn Hufe. Both speakers were incredibly informative and the audience was completely engaged, while asking tough questions to provoke an exciting discussion in an effort to learn more about the immigration issues facing us today. We enjoy your participation in these events and look forward to bringing you significant topics in the near future.

Thank you, ~ Terri Watson, Social Action/Justice Co-Chairperson

## WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

Our year started with wonderful and interesting programs. Some of our fall highlights include:

On October 17<sup>th</sup> when we met with Rabbi Shelly Barnathan, we did meditation and poems for personal transformation connecting with her program on the Parshat "Lech Lecha - Go to Yourself." We read some words from Hassidic masters about finding light in the dark days of the winter months.

Continuing on to November 28, Rabbi Stacy Rigler presented her program on the "Spirituality of Light." We discussed the theme of light and read biblical sources from the very beginning of the creation of light, to later periods. Then we discussed when we light candles for Jewish holidays, and related the topic to the Hanukkah candle lighting this time of the year. She connected it to Biblical sources seeing the flames on the candles, and associating them with those sacred moments of our beginnings. This expanded our appreciation of those flames ever so larger.

January 30, we will have a Rosh Hodesh program on music and meditation. It will be facilitated by Susan Farber and Gloria Kresch. This is a change from the original program scheduled with Rabbi Shelly Barnathan on this date. We will look forward to meeting with Rabbi Shelly when she will be leading us on June 26.

On February 27, we will discuss the book: *Einstein and the Rabbi: Searching for the Soul*, by Rabbi Naomi Levy. Our facilitator will be Amy Berkowitz.

When Rabbi Naomi Levy came across this poignant letter by Einstein it shook her to her core. His words perfectly captured what she has come to believe about the human condition: That we are intimately connected, and that we are blind to this truth. Levy wondered what had elicited such spiritual wisdom from a man of science. Thus began a three-year search into the mystery of Einstein's letter, and into the mystery of the human soul. What emerges is an inspiring, deeply affecting book for people of all faiths filled with universal truths that will help us reclaim our own souls and glimpse the unity that has been evading us. We all long to see more expansively, to live up to our gifts, to understand why we are here. Levy leads us on a breathtaking journey full of wisdom, empathy and humor, challenging us to wake up and heed the voice calling from within—a voice beckoning us to become who we were born be. Many thanks to our facilitators for being our teachers and sharing their gifts with us.

Programs are funded by your contributions to Temple Sholom designated for Women's Spirituality and by a generous gift from Sisterhood of Temple Sholom.



If anyone would like to get a monthly email about upcoming Women's Spirituality meetings and are not already on the list, please contact Gloria Kresch at [kresch@verizon.net](mailto:kresch@verizon.net).

*In case of bad weather or road conditions, check with the Temple office, Facebook or your email before you leave.*

### Spring Calendar

March 27 - Rabbi Leah Berkowitz

April 24 - Florence Manson

May 16\*\* - Thursday at 10 a.m. Ridley Creek State Park

June 26 - Rosh Chodesh

## RELIGIOUS PRACTICES COME JOIN US

The Religious Practices Committee continues to meet on an as-needed basis to discuss items of a ritual nature, as well as to serve as a congregational sounding board in communication with Rabbi Rigler and Cantor Marx.

At our recent meeting, the agenda included the placement of chair plaques for the sanctuary, a Shabbat in the Home Program, revisions to the current way of posting the Mishebeirach List, and Junior Congregation. Several other topics were also brought up.

This is a large and active committee, but certainly any member is invited to join the RPC. Please contact Donna Hendel at [DonnaHendel@gmail.com](mailto:DonnaHendel@gmail.com) to express your interest in either joining, or of adding a topic of interest that would be relevant to Religious Practices. The next meeting of the Religious Practices Committee will take place on Wednesday, February 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Temple library.





To: Amy & Michael Goldman on the birth of their son, Alexander Levi Goldman, grandson of Howard & Beverly Cylinder

To: Mitchell & Trudy Itzko on the birth of their granddaughter, Norah Itzko Schwaninger

To: Howard & Cindy Verbofsky on the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Verbofsky to Henry Webster-Mellon

To: Rabbi Leah Berkowitz, daughter of Amy & David Berkowitz, on her installation as Rabbi of Congregation Kol Ami in Elkins Park.



Rabbi Mayer Selekman  
and Rabbi Leah  
Berkowitz

*Let's share our happy occasions, milestones  
and good news with one another.  
Please submit your information (anniversary,  
birth, graduation, new job, etc.) by Tuesday  
of each week to our Temple office:  
[director@temple-sholom.org](mailto:director@temple-sholom.org).*

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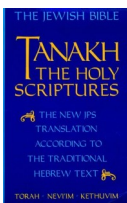
### **TANAKH SCHEDULE**

Most Wednesdays  
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
at the Temple

Facilitated by Rabbi Rigler

Open to members, guests, non-Jewish friends,  
Atheists; basically ANYONE!

\*no previous knowledge necessary



### ***DUELING CANTORS & DESSERT AUCTION***

Our Cantor's concert and Dessert Auction was a great event. Everyone enjoyed the music provided by Cantor Marx and guest Cantor Lucy Fishbein. The desserts were successfully auctioned off to our eager bidders. Thanks so much to all the bakers whose beautiful creations were the topic of many discussions. Some of us still have cake in our freezers! Also, special thanks to Cantor Marx for the entertainment and support. ~ Melissa Fein





## A PURPLE HEART IS RETURNED TO A GRATEFUL FAMILY

By Linda Stein lstein@21st-centurymedia.com

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A Purple Heart will come full circle through the efforts of a Chesterbrook man who found it in a suitcase left at a synagogue 11 years ago and never gave up on finding the owner's family.

"I was at Temple Sholom in Broomall at a Friday night Shabbat service," said Kevin Plotkin. "The rabbi, I don't remember what he was talking about, but he mentioned a suitcase. Somebody dropped a suitcase off. There was a gentleman living in Martin's Run who wasn't even a member of the synagogue who dropped it off and nobody could remember when. (That man) said that he was getting old and going to pass away and Martin's Run would just throw the stuff away. So the suitcase sat in a closet for I don't know how many years. So after the service I went up to the rabbi and said, 'I'll honor whatever is in there.'"

Plotkin took the suitcase home and it turned out it contained the belongings of Cpl. Morris Slotnick, who had died in World War II.

"It was just this old suitcase, with all his personal effects, everything that was left of him after the war," said Plotkin, including a penknife and a shaving kit. There were about 100 letters, both opened and unopened. The unopened letters were stamped "deceased." Plotkin and his ex-wife, Mollie, felt it would be wrong to look at the unopened letters but he used clues from those that were opened in his search.

"There was a 48-star professionally, correctly folded flag, and a box that had never been opened and it was a Purple Heart with his name on the back," said Plotkin. When he opened the box and saw the medal, Plotkin vowed that he would find Slotnick's family and return it to them.

That was easier said than done, but he kept at it.



Jennifer Jastrow and Kevin Plotkin

When he had a free moment at his job as a wealth manager with Merrill Lynch, Plotkin would try to find Slotnick's family.

Brian Pugh, a co-worker noticed his efforts, and with his dad, Paul Pugh, made a beautiful case to hold the Purple Heart and the flag, even writing a poem to go with it.

The elder Pugh is a retired U.S. Marine colonel and was dean of students at Villanova so it "struck a chord" with them, said Plotkin.

"Who wouldn't want to help me or anybody when you're trying to find an owner of a Purple Heart to give it back to its rightful owners," said Plotkin. "That's all I was trying to do and I kept striking out. I'm forever grateful for those two. I wouldn't have thought to do that."

Plotkin has great respect for those who serve in the military. His own dad, Stephen Plotkin, served in the U.S. Army and volunteers for the Israeli Defense Force, traveling to Israel once a year to help out, he said.

The Purple Heart dates to Gen. George Washington and is a military decoration given to those wounded or killed in action or as a result of a terrorist attack, according to the National Museum of the U.S. Army.

It began in 1782 as the Badge of Military Merit and was reestablished by Army Chief of Staff Gen. Douglas MacArthur on the bicentennial of Washington's birth, Feb. 22, 1932. Since that time, more than 1.5 million service members have been awarded the Purple Heart.

As years passed without progress, Plotkin kept the display with Slotnick's Purple Heart in his living room but began to fear he'd never find the dead corporal's family. But he believed it was important to honor the late soldier and it was a lesson in

persistence for his three children, Grant, 21, Macie, 18, and Hannah, 16.

Then, by chance Plotkin was having dinner in Boston with his girlfriend, Christine Obercian, and her boss at Vertex Pharmaceuticals, Sarah Mulcahey, and her husband Kevin Mulcahey. It turned out Kevin Mulcahey is in the military and Plotkin told him about finding the Purple Heart in the suitcase. Kevin Mulcahey knew the Zacharia Fike, the founder of Purple Hearts Reunited, a nonprofit dedicated to returning Purple Heart medals to their rightful owners.

“They literally found in three days what took me forever and I didn’t find,” said Plotkin “They have a huge database. Every bit of the project was a feel-good project.”

Jennifer Jastrow, 42, of Bensalem, Slotnick’s grandniece, said that Fike had reached out to her via Facebook messenger. She was “extremely surprised,” she said.

“It’s a name that hasn’t been mentioned in many, many years,” said Jastrow. “My grandmother has been deceased since the early 2000s. It threw my father (Michael Jastrow) and myself for a loop,” she said.

She ended up speaking to Plotkin “for hours on the phone.”

“He’s a great guy,” Jastrow said. “I was stunned (that he’s done everything that he has,” said Jastrow. “That he was persistent, that he was determined to find a family member no matter who he was.”

When she went to Plotkin’s house and saw the display case with the flag and Purple Heart, “I saw everything. I was amazed and shocked. I was completely stunned. I’m extremely grateful for everything he’s done.”

Jessica Jagers, of Purple Hearts Reunited, said that organization was pleased to help Plotkin in his quest. They found that Morris Slotnick was born on April 19, 1920, in Philadelphia to Abraham and Jennie Slotnick. He had four sisters and enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1942 and was assigned to a medical detachment in the 6th Armored Division. He was killed in action on Nov. 20, 1944, in France. At the time of his death, he was not married and had no children, she said.

Based in Vermont, Purple Hearts Reunited has returned more than 600 medals since its founding in

2012. About 100 volunteers help with the searches, she said.

“It’s an honor for us,” said Jagers, a National Guard reservist. Fike serves in the Army National Guard.

“Unfortunately, none of us knew Morris,” said Jastrow. “He was killed in action. It pre-dated my dad being born. So when I called him he was completely flabbergasted. He really was. He didn’t know what to do.

Kevin and I came up with the same idea at the same time,” said Jastrow. That idea was to see if Temple Sholom would agree to display Slotnick’s Purple Heart.

“We were right on the same page and I agreed with it 100 percent,” said Jastrow. “It’s great. I love the idea. I really do.”

A tentative date of January 25 has been selected to unveil the memorial with a ceremony at Temple Sholom, said Plotkin.

Plotkin’s actions show “there are excellent people who want to do the right thing,” said Jastrow. “It restored my faith in humanity. Men and women who died in service should not be forgotten. And my (grand) uncle will not be forgotten. I appreciate that.”

When he approached Rabbi Peter Rigler about the idea to display the items at the synagogue, Rigler was supportive, said Plotkin.

“We are deeply honored to share the ceremony at Temple Sholom as part of our Shabbat worship,” said Rigler. “The Purple Heart and memorabilia will be proudly displayed in our lobby for many years to come in honor of his service and as a reminder to our community of those who have served and made our freedom a reality. We are proud to be part of this important event.”

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***Join us for Shabbat on Friday,  
January 25 as we celebrate  
and honor this incredible  
journey.***

## ***EXCITEMENT AHEAD FOR CULTURE CLUB IN 2019***

What is keeping you from coming to a Culture Club event? We are a welcoming group of couples and singles, empty nesters (or soon to be), who have the energy and curiosity to visit new places, try new foods and make new friends!

So you think you can Tango? Culture Club said “Yes!” Music filled the room at Main Line Ballroom as 22 members of Culture Club pivoted, side-stepped and glided across the room during an evening tango lesson in November. The group was comprised of mostly newbies to tango; and they took on the challenge with gusto. The event was organized by Culture Club co-chair, Grace Gherovici, who was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina. “It was fun to share the dance and music of my heritage with such a great group of people.”

It has been a great six months of Culture Club events, and 2019 will be no exception! Fun events are in the works and we would love for you to join us! We rested up in December to prepare for this jam-packed agenda:

### ***Get Down in Chinatown*** on

Saturday, January 12, 6:00 p.m.

Why ring in the New Year when you can sing in the New Year? ***Get Down in Chinatown*** night features a private karaoke room in one of Chinatown’s flavorful and fun restaurants – Yakitori Boy. Be prepared for good eats and catchy tunes bellowed out by your fellow Culture Club friends. See page 30 for more information.



***Paint with Passion*** on Saturday, February 9,  
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Love is in the air and on the canvas for

February’s ***Paint with Passion*** event. This painting with a twist experience is perfect for a super solo or a loving pair. Be prepared to roll up your sleeves for step-by-step painting instruction by an expert who will make you feel like the next Picasso. BYO food and wine will bring out the artist in all of us. We will be meeting at the Painting With A

Twist location in Wayne. Page 33 has all the details.

### ***Music to Our Ears,***

Sunday, March 24, 3:00 p.m.

The Lansdowne Symphony Orchestra will welcome the Culture Club’s March ***Music to Your Ears*** event. Enjoy the sweet sounds of this best kept local symphony secret while cheering on Amy Van Rossum – a member of the orchestra member and Culture Club member on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. Brunch will precede this fun outing. More ticket details are forthcoming.

### ***Pre-Pesach Pizza Binge***, Saturday, April 13

Get your fill of leavened bread by joining us for a “Make Your Own” Pizza Party at the home of Penny and Jeff Toren. More details coming. Save the date!

RSVP to any or all of these events with Leza Raffel at [Leza@comsolutionsgroup.com](mailto:Leza@comsolutionsgroup.com) or call 215-808-3513.

To learn more about future Culture Club events, check out our updates in the Temple’s weekly e-newsletter.

## ***FEBRUARY IS INCLUSION AND SPECIAL NEEDS AWARENESS MONTH***

Please save the date! Temple Sholom will celebrate, along with many other synagogues, *Jewish Disabilities Awareness and Inclusion Month* this coming February. During our Friday night Shabbat Service on February 1<sup>st</sup>, the Inclusion Committee is sponsoring a very special guest speaker to share their personal experiences with living with special needs. This wonderful service will also feature Visual Tefillah, an enriching experience for everyone, but especially one that assists those members and guests with hearing impairments. Our Cantor a/k/a our techie geek, does a terrific job of creating the beautiful visuals. If you attended the Sisterhood Shabbat Service in November, you know just how enriching Visual Tefillah is for everyone in attendance. Thanks to Sisterhood for being so inclusive.

Our *Rimon Noar* students enjoyed a very special presentation by writer Gabrielle Kaplan-Meyer, of Jewish Learning Venture. Gabrielle shared amazing photos and stories about her great uncle featured in her book, *The Little Gate-Crasher: The Life and Photos of Mace Bugen*. Gabrielle proudly talked about her beloved Uncle Mace, a little person (or also known as a person with dwarfism), who aside from being a very successful businessman, had a great talent for meeting and taking photographs with

famous people including movie stars such as Marilyn Monroe, athletes such as Joe Louis and Muhammed Ali, and other famous people throughout the 1940s to the 1960s. It was very impressive that our students knew so many of these stars from other eras. They asked very good questions and shared their thoughts about the challenges of being a little person.

Our younger students in *Rimon* will enjoy their educational program coming in late February as part of our celebration of Jewish Disabilities Awareness and Inclusion Month.

Temple Sholom strives to be fully inclusive and anticipate congregant needs, but needs you to let us know how we can be even more inclusive and sensitive to the needs of its congregants. Please contact Inclusion Chairperson, Regina Levin, at 610-715-1745 or email her at [r.k.levin@comcast.net](mailto:r.k.levin@comcast.net) or Abbey Krain, Executive Director at [director@temple-sholom.org](mailto:director@temple-sholom.org).



Gabrielle Kaplan-Meyer and a photo of great uncle Mace Bugen.

**This summer, Cantor Marx released a live album of his music, *Questions and Demands*. You can buy the CD in our Gift Garden along with his first album, *In Pursuit*. Both are also available on Spotify, iTunes, and Amazon!**

**For more information on the album and other announcements, you can sign up for his mailing list:**  
[www.jamiemarxmusic.com](http://www.jamiemarxmusic.com)

### ***IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT SHABBAT SERVICES***

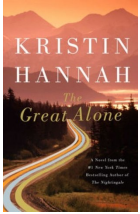
**All Shabbat Services will begin at  
7:00 p.m.**

**All Adult, Family, and Special  
Shabbat Services will begin at  
7:00 p.m. (unless otherwise noted).  
Please contact the Temple office with  
questions.**



## ***SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB***

Our next meeting will be on February 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.  
We will meet in the library at Temple Sholom.



*The Great Alone*, by Kristin Hannah

From the bestselling author of *The Nightingale*, Alaska, 1974. Untamed. Unpredictable. A story of a family in crisis struggling to survive at the edge of the world, it is also a story of young and enduring love. Cora Allbright and her husband Ernt, a recently-returned Vietnam veteran scarred by the war, uproot their thirteen year old daughter Leni to start a new life in Alaska. Utterly unprepared for the weather and the isolation, but welcomed by the close-knit community, they fight to build a home in this harsh, beautiful wilderness. At once an epic story of human survival and love, and an intimate portrait of a family tested beyond endurance, *The Great Alone* offers a glimpse into a

vanishing way of life in America. With her trademark combination of elegant prose and deeply drawn characters, Kristin Hannah has delivered an enormously powerful story that celebrates the resilience of the human spirit and the remarkable and enduring strength of women. About the highest stakes a family can face and the bonds that can tear a community apart, this is a novel as spectacular and powerful as Alaska itself.

We hope you will join us! We always welcome new readers!

Upcoming Books:

April 11 - *The First Love Story - Adam, Eve and Us*, by Bruce Feiler

June 13 - *The Rent Collector*, by Camron Wright

Questions? Please contact Michele Cooperstein at [teachercoop@aol.com](mailto:teachercoop@aol.com).

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## ***JANUARY/FEBRUARY ONEG SPONSORS***

January 11

Eileen Wolfson in honor of Jordan's Bat  
Mitzvah

January 25

The Noble Family in honor of Riley's Bat  
Mitzvah

February 8

The Casnoff Family in honor of Skylar's Bat  
Mitzvah

February 22

The Pantaleo Family in honor of Madison's  
Bat Mitzvah

Thank you to the Gould family for sponsoring the November 30<sup>th</sup> oneg in honor of Laurie Browngehl's Installation and her family and the Board of Trustees

Thank you to Ruth and Howard Rosenberg for sponsoring the December 7<sup>th</sup> oneg in honor of the baby naming of their grandson, Mickey Jacob Rosenberg

Thank you to the Else Family for sponsoring the December 28<sup>th</sup> oneg in honor of the naming of Miles Fielder Else

*Celebrating a Simcha?*

***SHARE IT WITH AN ONEG!***

***Honor your loved ones and the  
Temple by sponsoring an Oneg and  
sharing your  
special day with us.***

***A birthday, anniversary, baby naming,  
or marriage blessing are all perfect  
occasions.***

***Please contact the Temple office at  
610-356-5165 or  
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## TEMPLE SHOLOM PRESCHOOL HAPPENINGS



In each of the next few issues of the Tidings, I will be focusing on one of our preschool classes and the amazing work they are doing. This month we are taking a peak at our Green Class (toddlers) with Miss

Sam Papurt and Miss Samantha Hotz.

- I wonder...what does snow taste like? Feel like? Smell like?
- I wonder...how do water colors work? If I add more water or forget water, what happens?
- I wonder...what does this slime feel like? How does slime work? What does it do if I pick it up?
- I wonder...how to make friends?

The students in our Green Class have been asking and looking for the answers to these questions and more. Toddlers are naturally curious. They think and wonder about everything they do. Every action has a consequence and toddlerhood is the time to learn this. We as teachers have two choices – to create sterile environments where they are handed one item at a time, taught how to use the toy, and ‘disciplined’ if they use it incorrectly, or to create a space where they can explore; where they can touch, feel, try, experience. Where they are taught right from wrong but given the opportunity to learn that on their own.

Children use their five senses to explore the world. They smell, touch, hear, see and even taste. They wonder and they learn through play.

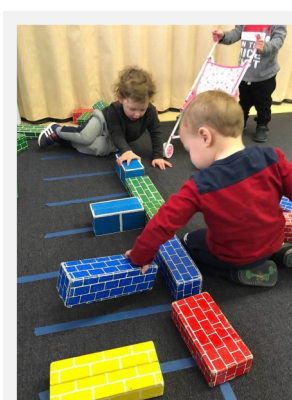
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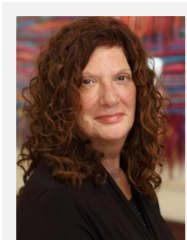
~ Lori-An Penchansky

Early Childhood Education Director

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610.886.2065





## How Should We Teach Our Children and Teens About Israel?

Growing up I was always taught that Israel was an historical and magical place. Israel was the pride and joy of the Jews, our homeland, always moral and above reproach. Today, there is a different narrative our Jewish youth are encountering. As they go off to college, they face issues such as BDS (boycott, divestment, sanction), human rights issues regarding the treatment of Palestinians ... and more. The news, social media and other diverse groups espouse a very different view of Israel than what I was taught and, in fact, what we have been teaching our children. So, how should we teach about Israel?

Currently I have the honor of being an iFellow at the iCenter for Israel Education. The iCenter is the national hub and catalyst for building, shaping, and supporting the field of Israel education. In many ways it is like a think tank on modern Israel educational pedagogy. Based in Chicago, the iCenter brings together Jewish educators from across the U.S. and Israel. From their iFellow programs to their yearly iConference they encourage Jewish educators to educate - not indoctrinate, stress heart as well as intellect and, most importantly, engage diverse narratives. These diverse narratives include the Jewish voice, the Palestinian voice, and the plethora of other ethnic, religious, and non-religious voices that make up the State of Israel. What is emphasized in this approach is to allow for dialogue, genuine exchange of conflicting views, and creating opportunities to really "listen" to alternative viewpoints. Yossi Klein Halevi, in his book, *Letters to My Palestinian Neighbor*, states, "We are intruders in each other's dreams, violators of each other's sense of home. We are living incarnations of each other's worst historical nightmares."

So, as I return to the title of this article, "How Should We Teach Our Children and Teens About

Israel?" I would like to share the words of Parker Palmer - author, educator, and activist who focuses on issues in education, community, leadership, spirituality and social change, "Holding the tension of paradox so that our students can learn at deeper levels is among the most difficult demands of good teaching. We will not be able to teach in the power of paradox until we are willing to suffer the tension of opposites, until we understand that such suffering is neither to be avoided nor merely survived but must be actively embraced for the way it expands our hearts."

I believe that to ensure a passionate connection to the Land of Israel, we need to unwrap the beauty and magic of our covenantal land along with the conflicting and divergent narratives that comprise this complicated and complex part of the world.

## What Makes Prayer Personal for Our Students?

At *Rimon* our Hebrew students do not spend time translating each and every word of the prayers that they study. Yes, there are key words they come to know but translating each and every word does not provide personal connection to a prayer's meaning. What does provide personal meaning is to understand the basic message and/or purpose of prayer and then, spend a bit of time on reflection of that prayer. What is this prayer really saying? How do I connect with this prayer? When I recite the prayer or hear it being chanted - what does it make me think about?

These individual reflections create connections to prayers for our students. The reflections that they share come in many forms. Some put their thoughts into written form, others have created pictographs, one student made cookies with one half iced with a sun to represent the morning prayer *Yotzer Or* - and the other half iced with a moon to represent the corresponding evening prayer - *Ma'ariv Aravim*. Recently, one of our *Gesherim* (6<sup>th</sup> gr.) students wrote a beautiful poem reflecting on the Hanukkah blessings. You can read it on the next page.



## ***LEARNING TO DO - OR DOING TO LEARN?***

“It is not your responsibility to finish the work of perfecting the world, but you are not free to desist from it either.”  
~Rabbi Tarfon, Pirke Avot 2:21

At *Rimon*, it is not enough to merely learn prayer, history, culture and Jewish values. It is how our students and families integrate these lessons into their daily lives that is the goal of the learning. During the month of December our *Chaverim* (2<sup>nd</sup> gr. & 3<sup>rd</sup> gr.) families, *Olim* (4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> gr.) families and *Gesherim* (6<sup>th</sup> gr.) families each had different opportunities to help make the world a better place by helping those in need.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> grade – Donated, sorted, and packed clothing and other items for Mitzvah Circle
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – traveled to Mitzvah Circle in Harleysville, PA to learn about the amazing work they do and who they serve. Each family then learned about a family, was provided with a list, and perused through the warehouse to locate the listed items. All items were placed in a box, sealed, and prepared for delivery to each family.
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade – traveled together to JRA (Jewish Relief Agency) to pack boxes of food for those less fortunate. Families then traveled to a Federation Housing apartment building to deliver 104 boxes of food to individual residents.

~ Lori Green, Director of Education  
[educator@temple-sholom.org](mailto:educator@temple-sholom.org)



*Rimon's 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Chaverim* students made Thanksgiving cards for police officers and others who keep us safe. Here, Lieutenant Brandon Graeff of Marple Police/Fire/Ambulance accepts the cards and promises to display them in the Department's Squad Room. Special Thanks to our teachers (Jewish Learning Guides): Donna Hendel, Nancy Hays, Randi Miller, and Rebecca Ritter.



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### **Chanukah Reflection    *Libby Flaisher***

Lighting our candles every night,

Shining 'til it's no longer

Even though the oil was expected to last for one,

Surprisingly it persevered for eight days of sun.

Each night the children get presents.

And even eating chocolate cents.

Dreidels will always spin.

Different people always win.

Menorahs are lit by each and every family,

The kids use the flames very carefully.

Don't forget to put on your yarmulke,

Because everyone loves Chanukah



***Rimon Calendar for January  
& February***

**JANUARY**

Sunday, January 6

Welcome Back to *Rimon!*  
*Gesherim* Kids meet

Sunday, January 13

*Gesherim* Families meet  
*B'Yachad* meets

Sunday, January 20 – Tuesday, January 22

NO SUNDAY *RIMON*, *RIMON*  
HEBREW OR *RIMON NOAR* ...  
MLK Weekend

Sunday, January 27

*Gesherim* Kids meet

**FEBRUARY**

Sunday, February 3

*Gesherim* Families meet

Friday, February 8

*Gesherim* Class (6<sup>th</sup> gr.) leads Shabbat  
family worship

Sunday, February 10

*Bonim* (Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> gr.) Family  
Connections  
*B'Yachad* meets

Sunday, February 17 – Tuesday, February 19

NO SUNDAY *RIMON*, *RIMON*  
HEBREW OR *RIMON NOAR* ...  
Presidents Weekend

Friday, February 22 – Monday, February 25

10<sup>th</sup> gr. – 12<sup>th</sup> gr. teens at L'Taken in  
Washington, D.C.

**Auditions**

**THE GREATEST HAMAN**

Auditions for ***THE GREATEST HAMAN***  
featuring parodies of the music from  
*"The Greatest Showman"*  
will be held on

Sunday, January 13 at 1:00 p.m.

Rehearsals will be held on Sundays  
from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Purim is Wednesday, March 20, 7:00 p.m.

Contact Cantor Marx with questions:  
[cantor@temple-sholom.org](mailto:cantor@temple-sholom.org)



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# RIMON NOAR SPEAKER SERIES

*Join Rabbi Rigler and our High School Students  
each Monday night as they spend time with and  
ask questions of local religious leaders*

**October 15**

**Reverend Hentzi Elek**

*Episcopal Priest and dedicated leader  
in the anti-poverty non-profit world*

**October 22**

**Reverend Hentzi Elek**

*Episcopal Priest and dedicated leader  
in the anti-poverty non-profit world*

**October 29**

**Rabbi Altein**

*Local Chabad Rabbi*

**November 5**

**Imam Salaam Mushin**

*Local Islamic Leader*

**November 26**

**Father Banecker**

*Local Catholic Priest*

**December 3**

**Reverend Leslie Richards**

*Local Minister at  
Grace Lutheran Church*

**December 10**

**Pastor Kanice Johns**

*First Female Pastor of  
Bethel A.M.E. Church in Bryn Mawr*

**February 4**

**Robyn Richmond**

*Quakerism Coordinator and Teacher  
at Friends' Central School*

**February 11**

**Suhag Shukla**

*Executive Director of the  
Hindu American Foundation*

**ALL SPEAKERS ON MONDAY  
EVENINGS AT 7 PM**



## JANUARY/FEBRUARY B'NAI MITZVAH



**Riley Noble**, daughter of Joanne Noble and Tim Noble, will be called to the Torah on Saturday, January 26. Riley will be joined by her brother Hunter and numerous friends and family, including her grandparents Adele and Jeffrey Greenhaus of Cherry Hill, New Jersey.

Riley is a seventh grader at Bala Cynwyd Middle School, where she is an excellent student. She plays competitive soccer and basketball, and enjoys music and spending time with her friends.

For her mitzvah project she is honored to be volunteering with the **Special Olympics**. Riley's family is thrilled to celebrate her special day.

**Jordan Ilana Charmont**, daughter of William and Jessica Charmont, will become a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, January 12. Sharing in her special day will be her brother, Ari, Iyarn Charmont, Alana Stein, Miles Butler, and Nina Charmont (brother, future sister-in-law, nephew and niece) from Havertown; Hannah Charmont and Tonelle Esnard (sister and future brother-in-law) from Brooklyn, NY; nephew Kaeran Charmont, grandmother Eileen Wolfson, Rachel, Chas, Aaron, Brendon, and Julia Thomas (aunt/uncle/cousins), uncle Ian Wolfson from Charleston, South Carolina, and aunt Elisabeth Charmont-Tannehill from Birmingham, Alabama



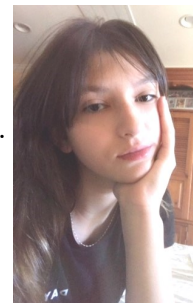
A Welsh Valley Middle School, grade 7<sup>th</sup> grader, Jordon is on the Distinguished Honor Roll, where she enjoys playing basketball and field hockey. Jordon plays piano, saxophone, and guitar (and she is a song leader on guitar for *Rimon*!)

For her Mitzvah Project, Jordan organized a group of friends to cook meals for the program entitled "**Aid For Friends**." **Aid For Friends** is a meal delivery program "serving 300,000 free dinner meals, 58,000 soups and 42,000 breakfast bags to an aggregate 1,700 home-bound persons each year." Jordan and her cohort of friends prepared nearly 50 meals on 4 different occasions over the summer. They delivered the meals to a local freezer at St. Paul Lutheran Church where other volunteers picked them up to deliver to local individuals who are homebound.

Jordan is looking forward to celebrating her accomplishments on January 12!

**Madison "Maddie" Rita Smoley**, daughter of Natalie Pantaleo and Craig Smoley, will have her Bat Mitzvah on

Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Coming to share in this special occasion will be her grandparents from Somerset, NJ, Paul & Gail Smoley, grandmother Rita Pantaleo from Springfield, grandmother Fran Moran from Sarasota, Florida, along with aunts, uncles, cousins and friends from Florida, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.



Maddie attends the E.T. Richardson Middle School, and is in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. From when Maddie was a little girl, she's been intrigued with Asian cultures. For a while during elementary school she studied Japanese. Later, through a tech-y TV commercial she was exposed to Korean Pop Music (K-Pop) and became a huge fan. In addition to being responsible for introducing some of her peers to this music genre, attending local concerts of her favorite bands, one of Maddie's highlights this summer was visiting a K-Pop store in a Korean mall in K-town, L.A.! She has an ear for language and enjoys singing along and dancing to her favorite K-pop videos. She is also a pretty decent Asian noodle cook, and often prepares Ramen-style dishes from scratch for friends.

Maddie began taking tennis lessons this summer and puts some power behind her racket. She plans to continue her lessons this winter.

She loves travelling, studying geography, hanging with friends and being silly, animal humor, her dog, Cooper, her Guinea pigs, Adam, Al and Jim, online shopping at Amazon, shopping at the mall, and gaming. Maddie's parents are proud of the young lady she's becoming, being the recipient of "good citizen" awards at school, and her hard work prepping for Bat Mitzvah.

When asked to describe her Mitzvah Project, this is what Maddie wrote:

I chose volunteering for the **Mitzvah Meals program** at Temple as my Mitzvah Project because I feel sorry for people who might be homeless and not have enough to eat. It must be scary for them. We always have plenty of food at our home, and both my mom and I like cooking. I enjoy preparing salads because each time I can make it a little differently with different ingredients. Even though we only need to bring one bottle of dressing for the salads I prepare, we usually bring two kinds so the people at the shelter can pick the one they like. My dad and I help serve the meals at the shelter and it makes me feel good to see how happy it makes the people there to have a home-cooked meal. At least they know someone cares about them. One of the things I learn through Temple is what it means to be part of a community. The Mitzvah Meals program shows how community is bigger than your close friends, family, school and neighborhood.



## **ToaSTY**

ToaSTY is up to great things. Saturday night, December 15<sup>th</sup>, we hosted a Shul-in (sleepover) at the synagogue. We used the night as a great opportunity to get to know each other at our GAME NIGHT. We spent the night playing board games, online JackBox Games, and hanging out all night long. The night ended with a showing of *Daddy Day Care* and chatting until the early hours. Then, we woke up to a wonderful bagel and fruit breakfast. After saying goodbye, we then went off on our separate ways.

Don't forget to stay active in ToaSTY and tell your 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade friends about upcoming events. In January, we are having a fan-favorite, our annual Mall Scavenger Hunt. Join us as we go to the second biggest mall in the United States, King of Prussia Mall, to enjoy food and complete a list of fun tasks! And stay tuned with upcoming events by texting @toasty79 to 81010. We have events almost once a month.

Do you like ToaSTY but want to be involved with something even bigger? Join NFTY-PAR, ToaSTY's regional organization. The next event is WINSTY hosted at our neighboring synagogue, Main Line Reform over the Martin Luther King weekend. This is PAR's Social Action Event where we will stay at Main Line Reform teen's homes and spend the days working to help out our community. This is a great first event for new members!

Check out ToaSTY,  
~ Sofia Isayev - TYG President



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**[Temple-Sholom.org](http://Temple-Sholom.org)**

**JR. ToaSTY**  
**6<sup>TH</sup>—8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS**

**JR. JR. ToaSTY**  
**4<sup>TH</sup> & 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS**

Please keep an eye out for flyers, evites and/or the use of Remind App for details on upcoming events.

Questions? Contact the Temple Office  
at 610-356-5165

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ToaSTY Board members  
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at [toasty@temple-sholom.org](mailto:toasty@temple-sholom.org).





## **SISTERHOOD HAPPINESS & MEMORIAL CARDS**

Did you know that Sisterhood can handle all of your "Hallmark" needs? For \$5.00, you can send a Happiness/Memorial Card for any occasion, including birthdays, get well, sympathy, etc.

To send Happiness & Memorial Cards call Shirley Birenbaum at 610-328-2171 or

[surabassa@aol.com](mailto:surabassa@aol.com)

Cards are \$5.00 each  
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To: Laurie Browngoehl & family

From: Temple Sholom Sisterhood

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*Condolences on the death of Joy Gilman, beloved mother, mother-in-law, grandmother & great grandmother*

To: Liz Shanefield & family

From: Temple Sholom Sisterhood

*Condolences on the death of Van Gabbard, beloved father, father-in-law, & grandfather*

To: Donna Shooster & family

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*Condolences on the death of David Shooster, beloved husband, father, & grandfather*

To: William & Jessica Charmont

From: Temple Sholom Sisterhood

*Mazel Tov on the Bat Mitzvah of your daughter, Jordan Charmont*

To: Joanne Noble

From: Temple Sholom Sisterhood

*Mazel Tov on the Bat Mitzvah of your daughter, Riley Noble*

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*Mazel Tov on the Bat Mitzvah of your daughter, Madison Smoley*

## **GIFT GARDEN NEWS**

Come Visit the Gift Garden for all of your gift needs. The Temple Office staff is happy to open it up for you anytime during normal office hours.

Please call Nancy Hays at 610-417-5918 for your own personal appointment for invitations.

The Gift Garden is always looking for volunteers to help.

Please contact Linda Phillips at 484-431-3724.



## **Our Caring Hospice**

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**Contact Rabbi Rigler or Cantor Marx  
at the Temple or call  
Pam Haas 484-802-1186 or  
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## ***JNF TREES AND WATER FOR ISRAEL***

This is an important message from Sisterhood about supporting JNF by planting Trees in Israel and/or contributing to the JNF Parsons Water Fund to alleviate their severe water shortage:

Planting trees helps to create green forests in previously barren land. Contributing to the Water Fund helps in the building of water reservoirs and dams which provide life-giving water to more than 1.2 million Israelis.

Tree purchases are \$18.00 each and contributions to the water shortage also begin at \$18.00. This is the perfect opportunity to honor and/or remember a family member, loved one, friend, etc. The honoree will receive a lovely certificate which can be framed for an additional nominal fee. Consider acknowledging birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, graduations, bar & bat mitzvahs, confirmations, and other special occasions in this very special way. This is also a way to honor and/or remember the memory of dear friends and loved ones. For further information call Shirley Birenbaum at 610-328-2171 or [surabassa@aol.com](mailto:surabassa@aol.com).

A Ring of 3 trees was planted by Evalyn Elias, & Jim & Cindy Meyer in memory of Robert Buller, beloved father, father-in-law & grandfather of Mrs. Stephanie Albero & Family.

A tree was planted by Shirley & Marty Birenbaum in memory of Irving Hanover, beloved husband, father, father-in-law, & grandfather of Mrs. Jackie Hanover & Family.

A tree was planted by Mary & Charles in memory of Precious & Smarty, beloved friends of Dorothy & Ned Towle.

A tree was planted by Shirley Chalick & Eve Mortenson in memory of Precious & Smarty, beloved friends of Dorothy & Ned Towle.

A tree was planted by Ken Weiss in memory of Norman Cohen, beloved husband, father & grandfather of Barry & Anna Cohen & Family.



There is one very special way to mark a sad or happy occasion and benefit Israel at the same time. All you need to do is purchase a Jewish National Fund tree that will be planted in Israel.

- \* The cost of one JNF tree is \$18
- \* A Ring of three trees is \$54
- \* A Circle of five trees costs \$90
- \* An Orchard of ten trees is \$180
- \* A Garden of 100 trees is \$1,800

With each purchase, the recipient receives a beautiful (and frame-able!) certificate noting the gift size. You can even visit the trees when you go to Israel. The purchaser receives an acknowledgement in *The Temple Tidings*.

## Lobby Collections

We continue to collect pots/pans/kitchenware items, glasses, dishes, gift cards & comforters for the *Nationalities Service Center*. This organization provides comprehensive services to refugees and immigrants from around the world.

<https://nscphila.org/stories>.

## TEMPLE SHOLOM DIRECTORY

The directory contains confidential information provided for the convenience and exclusive use of Temple Sholom congregants and their families for Temple Sholom related purposes only. Other uses including business and political uses are strictly prohibited.

## MITZVAH MEALS

As many of you already know, Temple Sholom continues to provide 200 dinner-time meals on the second Tuesday of every even-numbered month at the Life Center of Eastern Delaware County starting at 7 p.m. for the homeless and disadvantaged among us, six times each year.

Howard Cylinder 484-868-2578

[hcylander@msn.com](mailto:hcylander@msn.com) and

Stephanie Albero

[Stephalbero061573@gmail.com](mailto:Stephalbero061573@gmail.com)

Sign Up Today

Together as a community, we provide meals for the Delaware County Life Center.

We still need helping hands for the next date, which will be

February 12

Please click on the link below to see how you can help.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044da5ac22aaf85-life3>

Scroll down to the bottom of the page until you see the February 12<sup>th</sup> date.

New Link!

**DMAX Foundation's 5th Annual Educational Event**

# Finding Strength in Broken Places

**April 24, 2019**

**Keynote speaker**  
**Dr. Lise Deguire**, psychologist, author, burn survivor and survivor of 4 family suicides

**Tom Burgoyne**, author and Phillie Phanatic

**Register:**  
[www.dmaxfoundation.org/events](http://www.dmaxfoundation.org/events)

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Becoming a **L'Dor V'Dor Legacy Member** is a simple process that has a significant impact for our community. To find out how, please contact Abbey Krain at 610-356-5165.

Your commitment will help provide for the continued success of Temple Sholom so your children and your children's children can experience the fond memories of the open, inclusive and accepting Jewish perspective at Temple Sholom.

## MI SHEBEIRACH LIST CONTACT US ONLINE!

Is there someone in your family or in your circle of friends whom you'd like added to our *Mi Shebeirach* list? Your privacy is assured -- we still only print names with permission.

Mi Shebeirach List Online Submission Form is on the Temple Sholom homepage. You can also go to: <http://www.temple-sholom.org/community/mi-shebeirach-list-submission-form>

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## HAVDALAH AT HOME

Havdalah in the Home group will meet  
January 26 at the home of  
Gloria and Ed Kresch.

Invitations will be sent to members of the group. If you are interested in joining OR forming your own group contact Bob Slater at [bobnmarians@aol.com](mailto:bobnmarians@aol.com). We start with a song, then *Birchot Havdalah*, and any brief readings that one wants. This short service is followed by a delicious pot luck meal and shared friendship. It provides a nice way to strengthen and form your Temple friendships and enhance our "Jewish connection."

## DISCUSSION GROUP

The Temple Sholom Discussion Group had a wonderful meeting on Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. We had a minion plus 1 discussing the new Israeli Law declaring Israel a Jewish State.

We had no hard liners claiming that it was the worst possible thing to do at this time, and no strong views from the right insisting it did not go far enough. We all saw the nuance needed for Israel to be a State for Jews but needed to be democratic and granting rights to all. However we all recognized the difficulty of the task in a country surrounded by hostile Muslim nations that have no room in their countries and possibly the world for a Jewish state. We look forward to our next meeting and encourage all to join. Although the average age is over 60, all over 13 are welcome.

We hope you will join or continue to explore this midst, spiritual path with us!

The next discussion of the Temple Discussion Group will be on Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup> (Holocaust Remembrance Day) at 10:30 a.m. at the Temple. The topic will be:

Immigration past present and future  
Ideas vs realities  
Public vs private policy  
History the good the bad and the ugly  
Any other thoughts

Periodic readings will be mailed to all on discussion mailing list. To add your name, please email Bob Slater at [bobnmarians@aol.com](mailto:bobnmarians@aol.com).



HILLTOPPERS OF TEMPLE SHOLOM PRESENT

## CATHRYN MILLER-WILSON: HIAS-PA, YESTERDAY AND TODAY



Cathryn Miller-Wilson is currently the Executive Director of HIAS Pennsylvania. She graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Law School in 1993 and has spent her career doing social justice work: representing parents accused of abuse and neglect at Community Legal Services, Inc., representing persons with HIV/AIDS at the AIDS Law Project of Pennsylvania and teaching and supervising law students who represented low income persons in a variety of civil matters at both Drexel University School of Law and Villanova University School of Law.

HIAS (Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society) PENNSYLVANIA is an organization that provides legal and supportive services to immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 17  
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# CULTURE CLUB

If you grew up with the band, you belong in the Club!



## Karaoke NIGHT

### Get Down in Chinatown with Culture Club!

**January 12th 6 PM- 8 PM**

Join Culture Club friends for a night of singing and sushi  
in our own private karaoke room at Yakitori Boy  
(211 N 11th St, Philadelphia, PA 19107)

Many of us cannot sing, so no need to be shy!  
Or just enjoy sake and the acclaimed Japanese menu and cheer on your friends.

Cost is \$10 per person plus the food/drinks you order.

RSVP at <https://doodle.com/poll/6fk46knawn8ashg6>

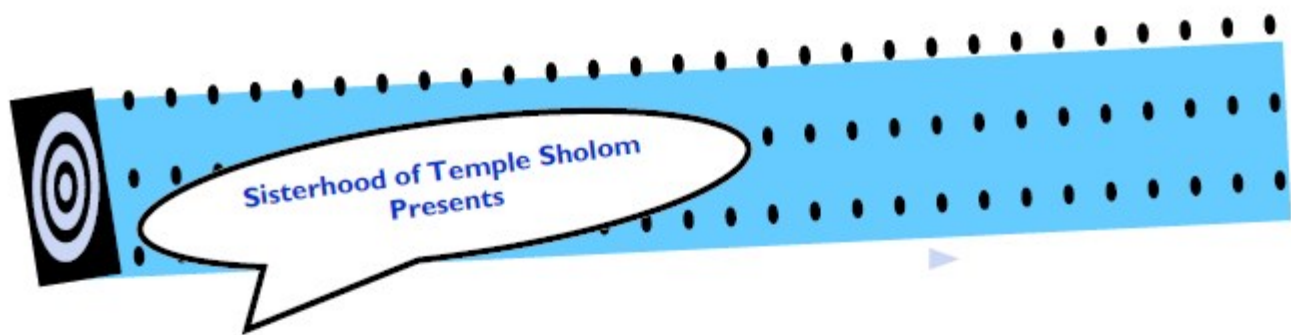
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#### Who is Culture Club?

Who is Culture Club? We are a welcoming group of couples and singles who are empty nesters (or soon to be), who have the energy and curiosity to visit new places, try new foods and make new friends!

If you grew up listening to 80's bands and watching Brat Pack films, you belong in the club!





## Jackie Cohen is **CRAZY IN CLEVELAND**

Join Sisterhood for this fabulous, heartwarming show at Temple Sholom! Jackie is a therapist and part-time performance artist in Merion, PA who knows the healing power of laughter. Her 45-minute one-woman show takes us into the world of 1960s Cleveland where we will meet her eccentric and sometimes outrageous collections of characters that make up her family. You will hear delightful and humorous stories from a rich immigrant upbringing while hearing her stories of childhood/adolescence that will resonate in a meaningful way. Following her show, Jackie will invite the audience to share their own childhood stories and immigrant experiences.

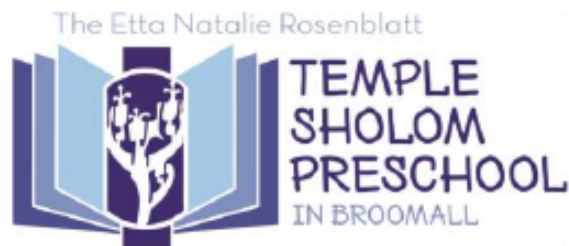
**Sunday, January 27, 2019**

**2:00 PM**

Refreshments will be served.  
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Walk-ins welcome  
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# Trivia Night

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Can't wait until the next update?

Feel free to reach out to April Else (April.R.Else@gmail.com)  
if you have questions or would like to get involved!



# Paint With Passion

**February 9<sup>th</sup>**

**7 PM – 9 PM**

**Painting with a Twist Studio**

**107 Lancaster Ave, Wayne, PA 19087**

**Cost is \$35 per canvas**

**Share the canvas with a partner or create your own masterpiece**

**BYO Food & Wine**

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BROTHERHOOD OF TEMPLE SHOLOM PRESENTS

# POKER NIGHT

Saturday, February 9

A multi-table Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament with multiple cash prizes to top finishers. Prize payouts dependent on number of entrants.

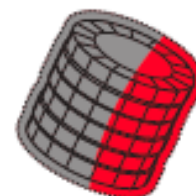
6 pm - Registration and  
Light Dinner Fare Provided

7 pm - Tournament begins!

Expected to finish around 11:30 pm - 12 am

Cost: \$100 at the door, \$90 in advance  
RSVP to [brotherhood@temple-sholom.org](mailto:brotherhood@temple-sholom.org)  
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# Consultation *on* CONSCIENCE

MAY 19-21, 2019



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For more information and to register, visit [rac.org/consultation](http://rac.org/consultation)

~~Register by November 23 - \$249 (use code Flashsale)~~

Register November 24 - January 30 - \$349 (use code Earlybird)

Register February 1 - April 8 - \$499

Register April 9 - May 8 - \$599

This event will be held at the Grand Hyatt Washington. Rooms are available for participants at \$299/night.

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Lori-An Penchansky, Early Childhood Ed. Dir.  
Marissa Kimmel, Communications Assoc.  
Nertilla Kobiechi, School Admin. Assist.  
Claire Williams, *Rimon* Admin. Assist.

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(two year term 2017-19)

Evalyn Elias, Michael Galvin, Evan Gold, Donna Hendel, Ira Kedson, Terri Watson

(two year term 2018-2020)

Melissa Fein, Susan Friedman, Beverly Granoff, Nancy Hays, Eric Lieberman

## **BIMAH BASKETS**



*Festive baskets to decorate the Bimah and benefit Temple Sholom's Religious School and the Life Center for Eastern Delaware County.*

*Two Bimah baskets are \$150 (\$75 each)*

*and a smaller Oneg Basket is available for the Oneg Table for \$45.*

*Interested in ordering the baskets? Please contact Sandy Barth at*

**610-353-0293 or email her at**

[sandy.she@comcast.net](mailto:sandy.she@comcast.net)

## *The Temple Tidings*



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Barbara Barr, Sisterhood  
Sophia Isayev, ToaSTY President  
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Jr. Youth Group Director-Open



## **HERE IS HOW TO FIND OUR LIVE WEBCAST ....**

Go to our website:  
[www.temple-sholom.org](http://www.temple-sholom.org)  
Click on **"Live Webcast"**  
It's on the home page.  
It's that simple!  
*\*Not all services will be webcast.*

## **MITZVAH CORE CARES!**

Please let us know if you are aware of someone:

- ★ Entering the hospital
- ★ With a new baby
- ★ Death in the family
- ★ Shut-in
- ★ Other



We want to help! Working together we are truly a caring community.

PLEASE CALL THE TEMPLE OFFICE  
AT 610-356-5165

## **ONGOING AND LOBBY COLLECTIONS**

Toiletries are needed for the Life Center of Delaware County - bring to the Temple Office.

Canned Goods are always needed to help with empty pantries - a donation box is located in the coat-room closet.

We continue to collect pots/pans/kitchenware items, glasses, dishes, gift cards & comforters for the Nationalities Service Center. This organization provides comprehensive services to refugees and immigrants from around the world.  
<https://nscphila.org/stories>.

*NOTE: We are no longer collecting wool. We have no one to knit the blankets and hats.  
Thanks to all who have donated wool over the years. Your generous contribution has warmed many people.*

## **TEMPLE FUNDS**

### **Cantor's Discretionary Fund**

Contributions to this fund will be used at the discretion of our Cantor.

### **Capital Improvements Fund**

This fund supports major improvements to our facility above and beyond routine maintenance.

### **Danowitz Junior Youth Fund**

### **Excellence in Early Childhood Education Fund**

To support the programs of the Etta Natalie Rosenblatt Preschool.

### **Financial Assistance**

To offset the reduction of revenue incurred when a Temple Sholom family cannot afford to pay their total dues. Contributions go directly into the General Fund.

### **General Fund**

To support Temple operations.

### **Hospice and Healing Fund**

To assist the Hospice Committee in carrying out its support programs.

### **Howard Weiner Library Fund**

An endowment fund in which the interest is used to purchase books and supplies for the library.

### **Inclusion and Special Needs Fund**

To purchase services, supplies, and equipment to assist congregants, students, and guests in need of accommodations that enable them to participate fully in all aspects of congregation life.

### **Jubilee Endowment Fund**

To secure the future of Temple Sholom.

### **Marlene B. Kleinman Campership Fund**

Interest is used to send students to a URJ camp each year.

### **Mayer Selekman Jewish Leadership Fund**

To provide grants for graduate study toward becoming a Jewish professional.

### **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund**

Contributions to this fund will be used at the discretion of our Rabbi.

### **Religious School Education Fund**

To support programs, special events and materials for education at all levels.

Contributions can be earmarked for Women's Spirituality Group studies at the donor's discretion.

### **Cantor Patrice Kaplan Chair for Sacred Music Endowment**

To endow the cantorial position at Temple Sholom, ensuring the future of Jewish music in our congregation.

### **Sanctuary Book Fund**

To defray the cost of purchasing books for our sanctuary. A book plate is placed in each book indicating the donor's name and the occasion, for a minimum donation of \$36.

### **Scholar-In-Residence Fund**

To help bring scholars to present and engage with the Temple Community, since 1983.

### **Technology Fund**

To maintain and improve all aspects of technology, including our new Webcast used by Temple Sholom.

### **Temple Beautiful Fund**

To improve and maintain the aesthetics of the Temple, including decor, furnishings, grounds and gardens.

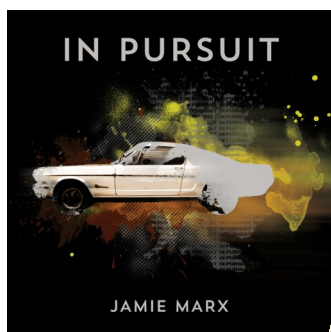
### **Tzedakah (Food) Fund**

To feed the hungry in our community. Contributions are distributed at the close of each fiscal year to outside charities at the discretion of a special Tzedakah committee.

### **Youth Scholarship Fund**

To send Temple Sholom Youth Group members to National Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) sponsored events. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need.

Contributions also may be made directly to the **Temple Sholom Brotherhood, Sisterhood, Hilltoppers or Women's Spirituality.**



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- Leo Jacquot, Jr.*  
father of Kate Jaffe
- Ida Jacquot,*  
grandmother of Kate Jaffe
- Joy Gilman,*  
mother of Laurie Browngoehl
- Jane Lazarus,*  
cousin of Laurie Burstein-Maxwell
- Janine Schantz,*  
niece of Pam & Dan Haas
- Joseph O'Reilly, Jr.,*  
friend of Mary Ann Gould
- Dr. Dean Pratt,*  
father of Susan Shandler
- Irving Hanover,*  
friend of Shirley & Martin Birenbaum
- Van Gabbard,*  
father of Elizabeth Shanefield
- David Shooster,*  
husband of Donna Shooster
- Jerome E. Rattner,*  
father of Dr. Susan Rattner Mendel
- Peggy Ann Welt,*  
mother of Jonathan Wolf
- Morton Weinberger,*  
cousin of Rosanne Perry
- Trudy DiNardo,*  
friend of Daniel & Elyse Endy
- Fred Beste,*  
friend of Daniel & Elyse Endy

<b>CONTRIBUTION FORM</b>	I wish to make a donation to the _____ Fund in the amount of \$ _____
	The contribution is in (check one): _____ memory _____ honor _____ appreciation of: _____
	The card should read: _____
	This gift of tzedakah is from: _____
	Address: _____
Area/Phone: _____	Please send this form with your check made payable to: TEMPLE SHOLOM, 55 North Church Lane, Broomall, PA 19008

# TZEDAKAH

## Or L'Atid Annual Giving Fund

In honor of our 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
Jay & Nancy Handwerker

## Cantor's Discretionary Fund

Rabbi Mayer & Ann Selekman

In appreciation of Cantor Jamie Marx

Kenneth & Susan Rattner Mendel

In memory of Dr. Edwin J. Powell

David & Julie Leavitt

In memory of Toby Ponnock & Richard  
Zamsky

Robert & Sharon Zamsky

In honor of a speedy recovery for Nancy  
Bloomfield

In memory of Howard Lipsky

Warren & Arline Lieberman

In memory of Martin Metoxen

Yvonne Brockman

In memory of Freeda Presser

William & Ronny Kozin

In memory of Thelma Gabbard

Andrew & Elizabeth Shanefield

## Cantor Patrice Kaplan Chair for Sacred Music

## Endowment Fund

In memory of Ethel Schoenfeld

David & Missy Lowdermilk

In memory of Henry Freed

Jeffrey & Patty Kaplan

In memory of Ann Barron

Daniel & Linda Litwin

## Capital Improvement Fund

In memory of Robert Buller

In memory of Leo Jacquot, Jr.

In memory of Joy Gilman

Steve & Beverly Granoff

In memory of Samuel Weiss

Kenneth Weiss

In memory of David Shackman

Kenneth Shackman

In memory of Solomon Mellman

In memory of Janet Mellman

In memory of Edna Strauss

Liz Mellman

## Excellence In Early Childhood Education Fund (Preschool)

In memory of Joy Gilman

John & Barbara Barr

Evalyn Elias

Michele & Michael Cooperstein

Lori-An Penschansky

David & Barbara Smilk

Mark & Cheryl Feinberg

Edward & Robin Bender Stevens

Scott & Mary Ann Gould

In memory of Dr. Sidney Mellman

Daniel Mellman

In memory of Paul Steinbach

Brook Levin

## Financial Review

Michael & Judith Bolotsky

In memory of Mary Steinbach

Brook Levin

In memory of Lois Marcus

John & Barbara Barr

## General Fund

In memory of Nancy G. Pautz

Roger & Sharon Opstbaum

In memory of Frances Marie Sharf

Norma Munin

In memory of Dr. Dean Pratt

Wesley & Katherine Gray & Family

In memory of Lottie Morley

Matthew & Erica Ezold

In memory of Van Gabbard

Cynthia Beckman

In memory of Natalie Silverman

Norma Munin

## Hilltoppers Fund

In memory of Louis Sommers

Roger & Sharon Opstbaum

In memory of Bertha Gartman

Loraine Bailie

In memory of Myer Levy

Robert & Shirley Plotkin

## Hospice and Healing Fund

In memory of Janet Mellman

Daniel Mellman

In memory of Frances Solomon

In memory of Leonard Jacobs

Barry & Carol Jacobs

In memory of Hilda Barth

Sanford & Sandra Barth

## Howard Weiner Library Fund

In memory of David Perelman

Ian & Caryn Gourley

Inclusion & Special Needs Fund

Michael & Judith Bolotsky

In memory of Anna Persky

Adele Persky

## Marlene B. Kleinman Campership Fund

In memory of Sarah Pulda

Steven & Ruth Gail Cohen

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In appreciation of Rabbi Peter Rigler &

Temple Sholom in Broomall

Priscilla Rosenwald

Toby Levy

Ryan Haaz

Frances Ley

Michael & Heddy Belman

In appreciation of Rabbi Peter Rigler

Feri Law

In honor of Leah Berkowitz's installation

Andi Stern

In memory of Dr. Edwin J. Powell

David & Julie Leavitt

In memory of Nina Joie

In memory of Goldie Goldberg Fastman

Daniel & Beverly Joie

In memory of Dean Gabbard

Andrew & Elizabeth Shanefield

In memory of Jeffrey Levin

Adele Persky

In memory of Stuart Fine

H. Jeffrey & Judy Newman

In memory of Robert Rosenblum

Jeffrey & Lon Rosenblum

In memory of Bernice & Elliot Levin

Kenneth & Christine Levin

In memory of Morey Wollin

Ted Blinder

In memory of Evelyn Moldawer

In memory of Phillip Goldstein

Richard & Lisa Learner-Wagner

In memory of Harold Litt

Barbara Litt

In memory of Dora Sherin

In memory of Jerry Sherin

In memory of Steve Sherin

Maury & Penny Reiter

In memory of Lottie Besterman

Allen & Ardeth Pinsk

In memory of John Fisher

In memory of Gertrude Kelner

Frederick Kelner & Ellen Covner

In memory of Morris Lieberman

Warren & Arline Lieberman

In memory of Ethel Stein

Mitchell & Trudy Itzko

In memory of Ann E. Hersh

William & Jessica Charmont

In memory of St. George Hunt

Susan Robinovitz

In memory of Leaneore Nathans

Leza Raffel

In memory of Stanley Brockman

Yvonne Brockman

In memory of Wendy Stone

In memory of Mary Stone

Mollie Plotkin

In memory of Albert K. Besterman

Allen & Ardeth Pinsk

In memory of Joyce Dichter

David & Beth Verman

In memory of Irving Shanefield

Andrew & Elizabeth Shanefield

## Religious School Education Fund

In memory of Lee Schultz

In memory of Herb (Pat) Rosenblatt

Harriet Schultz-Rosenblatt

In memory of Dora Laster

Howard & Ilene Brouda

In memory of Rose Rosenberg

Howard & Ruth Rosenberg

## Scholar-in-Residence Fund

In memory of Robert Buller

In memory of Joy Gilman

In memory of Jerome E. Rattner

Alan & Debra Kirsch

In memory of Ruth Bleiman

Jeffrey & Harriet Bleiman

In memory of Sylvia Gesoff Thomas

Michael & Lisa Pottiger

## Selekman Jewish Leadership Fund

In memory of Harry Schwartz

Neil & Judy Schwartz

In memory of Oscar Reiner

Steven Querido

## Temple Beautiful Fund

In memory of Mitchell Wolfson

William & Jessica Charmont

In memory of Newton Berger

John & Merraine Rein

In memory of Leaneore Nathans

Robert & Joanne Nathans

## Tzedakah Fund

Michael & Judith Bolotsky

In memory of Belle Sacks

Adele Persky

In memory of Sally Feldman

Lauren & Robert Frantz

In memory of Rusty Lipschutz

In memory of Sadye Lipschutz

Ellen Lipschutz

In memory of Dr. Dean Pratt

Lauren & Robert Frantz

Rebecca & Stephen Silver

## Women's Spirituality Fund

In memory of Sheara Golub Whalley

Dan Golub & Kimberly Wall

## Youth Scholarship Fund

In memory of Joseph Schneider

Paul & Ellese Snyder

## YAHREZEITS IN JANUARY ... Z"L

### January 1

Irving J. Dorfman  
grandfather of Drew Dorfman  
Bernard Rovin  
uncle of David Berkowitz  
Mike Witkowski  
friend of David & Amy  
Berkowitz  
Morris Zaretsky  
grandfather of Susan  
Friedman

### January 2

Philip Drucker  
grandfather of Dina Stonberg  
Mollie Gutkind  
mother of Michael Gutkind  
Saul Levin  
father of Larry Levin  
Jill McClenaghan  
sister of Philip Rosenfeldt  
Esther Roth  
grandmother of Matt Frankel  
Irving Shanefield  
father of Andrew Shanefield  
Paul Steinbach  
uncle of Brook Levin  
great-uncle of Emily Mendell

### January 3

Flora Dorfman  
grandmother of Drew  
Dorfman  
Lorraine Learner  
mother of Lisa Learner-  
Wagner  
Jack Rein  
father of John Rein  
Rose Rosenberg  
mother of Howard  
Rosenberg  
Norman Rubin  
husband of Carol Rubin  
uncle of Carol Jacobs

### January 4

Marian W. Cantor  
mother of Eric Cantor  
Sadie Horwitz  
mother of Ellen Shapiro  
Sol Kedson  
father of Leonard Kedson  
Theresa Schiaffino  
aunt of Dan Joie

### January 5

Elma Baxt  
mother of Betty Hirsch  
Bernice Feldman  
aunt of Laurie Albert  
Rose Ostroff Lickman  
mother of Sharon Kremens  
January 6  
Jack O. Samans  
father-in-law of Elaine  
Samans  
grandfather of Debby Samans  
Steven Sherin  
cousin of Bonnie S. Sherin  
Esther Young

### January 7

Ruth Cohn  
mother of David Cohn  
Herbert Ferdman  
Sally Kellman  
mother of Carol Rubin  
Dr. Alexander Leavitt  
father of David Leavitt  
Feyga Litvina  
grandmother of Gene Isayev  
Sarah Pulda  
mother of Ruth Gail Cohen  
Harold Schwartz  
uncle of Annilee Seitchick  
William Skirboll  
father of Pam Haas  
Eric Solomon  
friend of Carol Herman  
Julian Trachtenberg  
Allan Weiss  
friend of Martin & Shirley  
Birenbaum

### January 8

Betty Bronstein  
mother-in-law of Nina  
Bronstein  
Anna Fishkin  
grandmother of Deborah Uhl  
Herman Kresch  
father of Edward Kresch  
Bertoldo Nathusius  
great-uncle of Vera  
Neumann-Sachs  
Morey Rosenbloom  
husband of Marsha  
Rosenbloom  
Thomas Stone  
grandfather of Mollie Plotkin  
Abraham Waxman  
father of Richard Waxman

### January 9

Harry Blaufeld  
father of Andrea Stern  
Joseph Edward Broscoe  
father of Joseph Broscoe  
Karol Danowitz  
mother Michael Danowitz  
Albert Goldblum  
father of Diane Graff  
Mitzi Golub  
grandmother of Melissa  
Shusterman

### January 10

Edward Hendel  
father of Steven Hendel  
Frances Kaspin  
mother of Barbara Goldstein  
January 10  
Thomas Broscoe  
brother of Joseph Broscoe  
Morris Faktorow  
father of Sylvia Oxman  
Carole Hildebrand  
friend of Harriet Bleiman  
Richard Schulman  
son of Judy Zon

### January 11

Jerry Sherin  
uncle of Bonnie S. Sherin  
Mollie Victor  
grandmother of Sharon  
Goldman

### January 12

Martin Cohen  
Dorothy Dunn  
grandmother of Samantha  
Getz  
Betty Friedman  
aunt of Barbara Clarke  
Isidore Goss  
father of Cynthia Fastman  
Isadore Kramer  
uncle of Mark Kramer

### January 13

Bea Miller  
mother of Carl Miller  
Dora Morgenstern  
grandmother of Myra Rios  
Ida Segal  
mother-in-law of Jon Arnon  
Phillip Veloric  
Mary Blackman  
aunt of Loraine Bailie  
Herman Goldman  
father of Charles Goldman  
Mabel Levin  
grandmother of Emily  
Mendell  
Janet Stern  
mother of Barbara Clarke  
January 14  
Maxwell Frank  
Jordan Hersh  
father of Eileen Wolfson  
grandfather of Rachel  
Thomas  
grandfather of Jessica  
Charmont

### January 15

Walter Isle  
father of Timothy Isle  
Vicki Lee (Rogosin) Lansky  
sister of Phoebe Resnick  
Theodore Finder  
grandfather of Roni  
Robinson  
Harry Goldman  
father of Leslie Pumphrey  
Eleanor Irvine  
aunt of Daniel Endy  
Sarah Bell Rogat  
grandmother of Jodie Gold  
Abe Rosenblum  
grandfather of Alan Gold  
Sally Cohen Shane  
mother of Marlene  
McPherson

### January 16

Martin Frankel  
brother-in-law of Jerome  
Goldstein

### January 17

Henry Morley  
grandfather of Erica Ezold  
Bernard Prusack  
father of Rosanne Perry  
Morton Schwartz  
David H. Lynn  
father of Thomas Lynn  
June Mendel  
mother of Kenneth Mendel  
Emanuel Robbins  
January 18  
Stuart Grant  
Dr. Norman Learner  
father of Lisa Learner-  
Wagner

### January 19

Pearl Brouda  
mother of Howard Brouda  
Alvin M. Engleman  
father of Jayne Wessels  
Herb Schwartz  
friend of Ellen Lipschutz  
Barbara I. Scolnick  
grandmother of Daniel  
Scolnick

### January 20

Bea Goldstein  
cousin of Ken Lester  
Fannie Grant  
grandmother of David &  
Barbara Smilk  
William Munin  
father-in-law of Norma Munin  
Fannie Shereshevsky  
aunt of Adele Persky

### January 21

Jim Berger  
uncle of Cynthia Nissen  
Abe Faske  
Miriam Finkelstein  
mother of Samuel Finkelstein  
Bernard Frank  
brother-in-law of Shirley  
Plotkin  
Rose Indig  
Loretta Smilk Spitz  
mother of David Smilk

### January 22

Mae Glick  
R. John Gould  
Max W. Pottiger  
father of Michael Pottiger

### January 23

Lillie Frank  
Emanuel Hymowitz  
Herbert Kaspin  
uncle of Barbara Goldstein  
Meyer Psigoda  
uncle of Natalene Kramer  
Shirley Rubin  
mother of Scott Rubin  
Florence Zbar  
mother of Deane Lappin

### January 24

Eva Elfman  
grandmother of Linda  
Hershman  
Ruth Litt  
mother-in-law of Barbara Litt  
Lester Silverman  
cousin of Ken Lester  
January 26  
Samuel Chazen  
father-in-law of Laura  
Chazen  
Rita Haas  
sister-in-law of Dan Haas  
Milton Hershhorn  
grandfather of Samantha  
Smith  
Mildred Kaufman  
mother of Richard Kaufman  
Beverly Mellman

### January 27

David Dipertein  
brother of Barbara Polsky  
uncle of Candice Polsky  
Anne Kedson  
mother of Leonard Kedson  
Albert Spritzler  
uncle of Eileen Buckwalter

### January 28

Denise Abelson  
mother of Samantha Abelson  
Alice Berkowitz  
Herman Brontz  
uncle of Natalene Kramer  
Henry Miller  
brother of Carolyn Clein  
Tom Sherak  
uncle of Scott Kalish  
Rande Stottlmyer  
uncle of Erin Gold

### January 29

Theodore E. Aronow  
brother of Pearl Klausner  
Joan Broscoe  
mother of Joseph Broscoe  
Henry Freed  
father of Patrice Kaplan  
Jeanne Goldberg  
mother of Andrew Goldberg  
Bella Mescon

### January 30

Martin Gottlieb  
Norman Kasendorf  
grandfather of Eric Rubin  
Jack Pine  
Sylvia Solomon  
mother of Carol Jacobs  
sister-in-law Carol Rubin  
January 31  
Ida Kaplan Bluestone  
mother of Nancy  
Handwerger  
Anne Granite  
aunt of Trudy Itzko



# Yahrzeits in February ... z"l

## February 1

Rose Drucker  
aunt of Amy Berkowitz

## February 2

Ford Bayuk  
uncle of Myra Rios  
Milton Goldberg  
grandfather of Valeri  
Riesenfeld  
John Ingram  
father of David Ingram  
Jean Much  
mother-in-law of Elaine Smith  
Herman W. Smith  
father-in-law of Elaine Smith

## February 3

Grace O. Davis  
grandmother of Thomas Lynn  
Eugene Fine  
father of Judy Newman  
Joan Leopold  
wife of Sandy Leopold  
Myra Levy  
sister-in-law of Shirley Plotkin  
Joseph Sacks  
father of Adele Persky  
Ben Sassler  
father of Norman Sassler  
Barry Vitow  
husband of Nina Vitow  
Richard Weinberg  
husband of Eleanor Weinberg

## February 4

Gertrude Kelner  
mother of Frederick Kelner  
Harry Milkis  
Leon Poch  
father-in-law of Honore Poch  
Martha Psigoda  
aunt of Natalene Kramer  
Teddy Sherin  
grandfather of Penny Reiter

## February 5

William W. Clear  
friend of Nancy Hays  
Eva Elias  
aunt of Eileen Wolfson  
Muriel Kornspan  
mother of Regina Levin  
Cecelia Manashil  
Perri Miller  
great-niece of Carolyn Clein  
Edward Rose  
Lois Ruth  
friend of Richard & Lisa  
Learner-Wagner

Myer Sherak  
grandfather of Scott Kalish  
Jean Tintner  
mother of Eleanor Segal

## February 6

Betty Danowitz  
aunt of Michael Danowitz  
Bernice Levin  
mother of Kenneth Levin  
Harvey Slater  
brother of Robert Slater

## February 7

Samuel Barth  
father of Sanford Barth  
Phillip Feinberg  
grandfather of Daniel Feinberg  
Bernardo Neumann  
father of Vera Neumann-  
Sachs  
George Persky  
father-in-law of Adele Persky  
Ruth Seid  
mother of Jay Seid  
Pauline Shapiro  
mother-in-law of Sara Shairo  
Ella Varshavsky  
grandmother of Dorilona Rose

## February 8

Mary Coplan  
Mark Frank  
friend of Linda Hersman  
Rose Hoffman  
Henry Rosenfelt  
husband of Pam Haas  
Jacquie Stiefel  
mother of Eileen Buckwalter

## February 9

Edward Burstein  
father of Laurie Burstein-  
Maxwell  
Anita Ender  
mother of Robin Weinstein  
Gustavo Heinemann  
uncle of Vera Neumann-Sachs  
Elizabeth Schiller  
grandmother of Stacy Rigler  
Mary Weinberg

## February 10

Mary Brecher  
Emma Greenberg  
grandmother of Barbara Barr  
Samuel Myers  
Rose Opstbaum  
grandmother of Roger  
Opstbaum  
Arlene "Cookie" Scharf-  
Obstbaum  
cousin of Roger Opstbaum

## February 11

Maurice Fienman  
Reba Kolsky  
Rose Ann Rose  
February 12  
Frances Berlin  
mother-in-law of Barbara  
Berlin  
Morton Fastman  
father-in-law of Cynthia  
Fastman

Ruth Fein  
mother of Melissa Fein  
Ruth Justan  
mother of Sandra Barth  
Mary Ann Litwin  
mother of Daniel Litwin

Samuel Milgrom  
step-father of Arthur Rabin  
Isadore Rosenblith  
father of Shirley Sheffler

Beverly Slater  
sister-in-law of Robert &  
Marian Slater  
Dr. Howard Smith  
husband of Elaine Smith  
Gilbert Soifer  
father of Harvey Soifer  
Richard Swart  
February 13  
Chan Bailie  
husband of Loraine Bailie  
Ida L. Greene  
Janet Davis Lynn  
mother of Thomas Lynn  
Norma G. Steinberg  
mother of Linda Cantor

## February 14

Hannah Friedman  
aunt of Carol Rubin  
Eric Heinemann  
grandfather of Vera Neumann-  
Sachs

Rudy Lidsky  
grandfather of Robin  
Weinstein  
Eliezer Lunzicki  
husband of Dvora Lanzicki  
Caroline Pliskin  
grandmother of Mindy Haenn  
Steven Schoenstadt  
husband of Bobbi Schoenstadt  
Marsha Schwartz  
aunt of Robin Weinstein  
Franklyn Steinberg  
father of Linda Cantor  
Esther Usset  
Ruth Wolfson  
aunt of Eileen Wolfson

## February 15

Esther Abrams  
grandmother of Erica Ezold  
Gloria Choukroun  
cousin of Amy Berkowitz  
Myndi Rosenfeldt Christie  
cousin of Michele Cooperstein  
Ada Kresch  
mother of Edward Kresch  
Patricia Kresch Fisher  
niece of Dan & Pam Haas  
Nancy Roomberg  
sister of Charles Goldman  
Nathan Roth  
grandfather of Matthew  
Frankel  
Hilda Savar  
Alvin Tarash  
brother-in-law of Linda Tarash

## February 16

William Greenstein  
Nathan Kaspin  
grandfather of Barbara  
Goldstein  
Leonid Kogan  
brother of Irene Gorelik  
Deborah Platt  
mother of Carryl Platt  
Ida Rosenblum  
grandmother of Alan Gold

## February 17

Judith Cohen  
Blanche Graff  
mother of Harold Graff  
Michael Haas  
father of Dan Haas  
Louis Kolsky  
Thomas Palisano  
father of Margaret Yarmel  
Jeffrey B. Schwartz  
Netta S. Waldbaum  
Jean Weinstein  
grandmother of Robin  
Weinstein

## February 18

Milton Cooper  
father of Glenn Cooper  
Geraldine Phillips  
mother of Linda Phillips  
Abraham Rose  
uncle of Gerri Sassler

## February 19

Rose Fishelman  
mother of Barbara Litt  
David Goldsmith  
Gregory M. Kamis  
son of Diane Kamis-  
Wasserman  
Reba Rosen  
Adolph Rosenberg  
father of Howard Rosenberg  
Teddy Sherin  
grandfather-in-law of Bonnie  
S. Sherin  
Marcus Silverman  
grandfather of Amy Berkowitz

## February 20

Allan Cherksey  
Benjamin Finkelstein  
uncle of Deane Lappin  
Herman Shooster  
uncle of Donna Shooster  
February 21  
Annie Fine  
aunt of Mayer Selekman  
Erwin Friedman  
cousin of Barbara Clarke  
Arnold Kalin  
grandfather of Amanda Neill  
Eli Matusow  
father of Arthur Matusow  
Leona P. Somers  
mother of Ann Selekman  
Benjamin Stewart  
Louis Winitsky  
father of Stella Maser

## February 22

Saul Erinstein  
father of Rebecca Parmet  
Larry Richelson  
cousin of Carol Borloff  
February 23  
Joe Daly  
friend of Joseph Broscoe  
Yetta Mark  
grandmother of Jerald Mark  
Howard Rosenbloom  
father-in-law of Marsha  
Rosenbloom

Amanda Safirstein  
grandmother of Julie Massey  
Adam Phillip Wachtel  
nephew of Gene & Jennifer  
Isayev

## February 24

Tom Baum  
Eugene Gordon  
father of Deborah Gordon  
Eliezer Lunzicki  
father of Tali Mayan  
Lester Miller  
father of Carolyn Clein  
Alice Cohen Morgenstern  
grandmother of Jodie Gold  
Jean Munin  
mother-in-law of Norma Munin  
Esther Reiter  
Walter Wildman

## February 25

Edward Berman  
Joseph Chanin  
grandfather of Jennifer Morgan  
Sadye Goldman  
mother of Leslie Pumphrey  
Irvin Hoffman  
Moise Marcovici  
father-in-law of Mia Marcovici  
Peter N. Marcus  
father of Barbara Barr  
Erma M. Rittenhouse  
grandmother of Sharon  
Opstbaum

## February 26

Harry Bernhang  
Esther Gold Clein  
mother of Warren Clein  
Rita Essreg  
Shirley Kresch  
sister of Pam Haas  
Celia Meyers  
grandmother of Penny Reiter  
Leon Rosenfeldt  
father of Philip Rosenfeldt  
Sidney Rowling  
father of Michael Rowling  
Anne Shackman  
mother of Kenneth Shackman


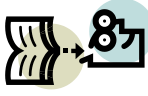







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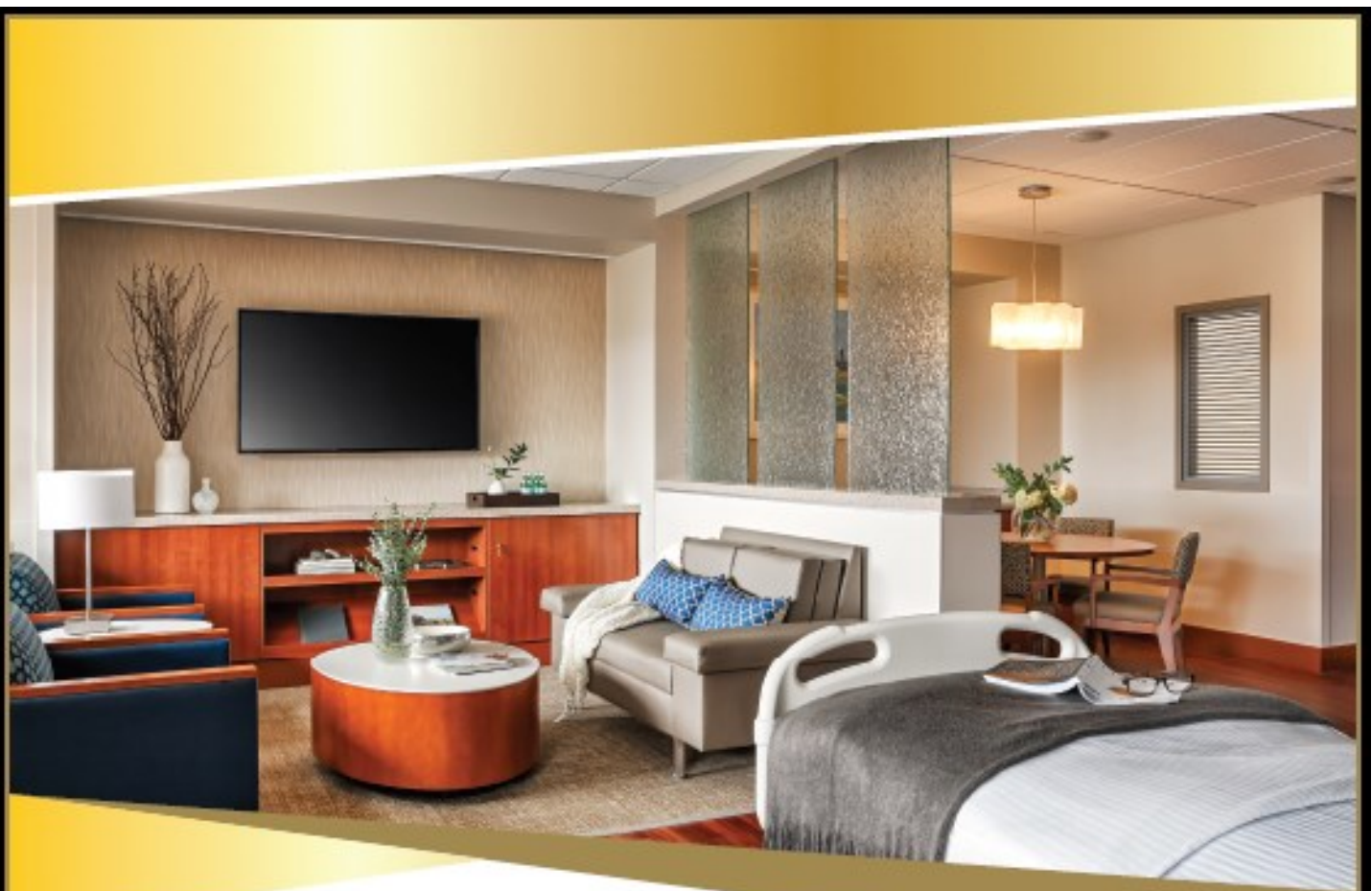
Arlene Ames  
aunt of Rachel Ebby-Rosin  
Emily Fuhrman  
grandmother of Barbara Mark  
Irving Hyman  
father of Becky Krangel  
Mary Grace Kiesel  
mother of Judith Bolotsky

## February 28

James Graff  
father of Robert Graff  
Sadie Lieberman  
mother of Warren Lieberman  
Rosella Linder  
aunt of Pam Haas

# January 2019 Tevet/Shevat 5779

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		24 Tevet Building Closed <b>Happy New Year!</b>	1 25 Tevet 10:30 AM Tanakh Class	2 26 Tevet 10:30 AM Hilltoppers Board Meeting	3 27 Tevet 7 PM Shabbat Service	4 28 Tevet  <i>Torah Portion: Vaeira</i> 
29 Tevet 9:30 AM <i>Rimon</i> 9:30 AM <i>Gesherim</i> Kids 10 AM Hebrew Reading Course	6 1 Shevat 5:30 PM <i>Rimon</i> Hebrew 7 PM <i>Rimon</i> Noar	7 2 Shevat 4 PM <i>Rimon</i> Hebrew 5:30 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	8 3 Shevat 10:30 AM Tanakh Class 4 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class 6:30 PM Executive Board Meeting 7:30 PM General Board Meeting	9 4 Shevat 1:30 PM Hilltoppers Book Club 	10 5 Shevat 5:45 PM Tot Shabbat 6:15 PM Potluck Dinner 7 PM Shabbat Service	11 6 Shevat 10:30 AM Bat Mitzvah: Jordan Charmont 6 PM Culture Club: Karaoke 6 PM Brotherhood Poker Night  <i>Torah portion: Bo</i> 
7 Shevat 9:30 AM <i>Rimon</i> 9:30 AM <i>Gesherim</i> Families 9:30 AM Conversations with Men 10 AM Hebrew Reading Course 12:30 PM B'Yachad 1 PM Purim Spiel Auditions 	13 8 Shevat 5:30 PM <i>Rimon</i> Hebrew 7 PM <i>Rimon</i> Noar	14 9 Shevat 4 PM <i>Rimon</i> Noar 5:30 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	15 10 Shevat 10:30 AM Tanakh Class 4 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class	16 11 Shevat 1:30 PM Hilltoppers Event: Cathryn Miller-Wilson, HIAS-PA	17 12 Shevat 7 PM Family Shabbat Service  	18 13 Shevat  <i>Torah Portion: B'Shalach</i> 
14 Shevat 20 15 Shevat Building and School Closed - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day 	21 16 Shevat 4 PM <i>Rimon</i> Hebrew 5:30 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	22 17 Shevat 10:30 AM Tanakh Class 4 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class	23 18 Shevat 10:30 AM Tanakh Class 4 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class	24 19 Shevat 7 PM Shabbat Service  	25 20 Shevat 8:45 AM Torah Study 10:30 AM Bat Mitzvah: Riley Noble  <i>Torah Portion: Yitro</i> 	26 21 Shevat  <i>Purim Spiel March 20 7 PM</i>
21 Shevat 9:30 AM <i>Rimon</i> 9:30 AM <i>Gesherim</i> Kids 10 AM Hebrew Reading Course 10:30 AM Discussion Group 2 PM Sisterhood Education Event	27 22 Shevat 5:30 PM <i>Rimon</i> Hebrew 7 PM <i>Rimon</i> Noar	28 23 Shevat 4 PM <i>Rimon</i> Noar 5:30 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	29 24 Shevat 10:30 AM Tanakh Class 4 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Women's Spirituality	30 25 Shevat	31 26 Shevat	



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# February 2019 Shevat/Adar I 5779

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<i>Scholar in Residence April 5-7</i>				26 Shevat 7 PM Shabbat Service	27 Shevat 7 PM Trivia Night  <i>Torah Portion: Mishpatim</i> 
28 Shevat 9:30 AM <i>Rimon</i> 9:30 AM <i>Gesherim</i> Families 10 AM Hebrew Reading Course 12:30 PM B'Yachad 1 PM Purim Spiel Rehearsal	29 Shevat 5:30 PM <i>Rimon</i> Hebrew 7 PM <i>Rimon</i> Noar	30 Shevat 4 PM <i>Rimon</i> Hebrew 5:30 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	1 Adar I 10:30 AM Tanakh Class 4 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Executive Board Meeting	2 Adar I 1:30 PM Hilltoppers Board Meeting 7:30 PM Sisterhood Book Club	3 Adar I 5:45 PM Tot Shabbat 6:15 PM Potluck Dinner 7 PM Shabbat Service	4 Adar I 10:30 AM Bat Mitzvah: Skylar Casnoff 7 PM Culture Club: Painting with a Twist  <i>Torah portion: Trumah</i> 
5 Adar I 9:30 AM <i>Rimon</i> 9:30 AM <i>Borim</i> Family Program 10 AM Hebrew Reading Course 12:30 PM B'Yachad 1 PM Purim Spiel Rehearsal	6 Adar I 5:30 PM <i>Rimon</i> Hebrew 7 PM <i>Rimon</i> Noar	7 Adar I 4 PM <i>Rimon</i> Noar 5:30 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class 6 PM <i>Mitzvah Meds</i> 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	8 Adar I 10:30 AM Tanakh Class 4 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Religious Practices Mtg.	9 Adar I 1:30 PM Hilltoppers Book Club	10 Adar I 7 PM Shabbat Service	11 Adar I  <i>Torah Portion: Tetzaveh</i> 
12 Adar I	13 Adar I Building and School Closed - President's Day 	14 Adar I 4 PM <i>Rimon</i> Hebrew 5:30 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	15 Adar I 10:30 AM Tanakh Class 4 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class	16 Adar I	17 Adar I 7 PM Shabbat Service	18 Adar I 8:45 AM Torah Study 10:30 AM Bat Mitzvah: Madison Smoley 5:30 PM Preschool PJ Haydalah  <i>Torah Portion: Ki Tisa</i> 
18 Adar I 9:30 AM <i>Rimon</i> 9:30 AM Conversations with Men 10 AM Hebrew Reading Course 12:30 PM B'Yachad	19 Adar I 5:30 PM <i>Rimon</i> Hebrew 7 PM <i>Rimon</i> Noar	20 Adar I 4 PM <i>Rimon</i> Noar 5:30 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	21 Adar I 10:30 AM Tanakh Class 4 PM B'nei Mitzvah Class 7:30 PM Women's Spirituality 7:30 PM General Board Meeting	22 Adar I		<i>First Night of Passover April 19</i>
				28		<i>Second Night Seder April 20</i>

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