



# Kol Yisra'el THE VOICE OF TEMPLE ISRAEL

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## COMMUNITY TU B'SHEVAT SEDER WINE, MUSIC AND TREES

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3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

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## Joys of Jewish Learning TORAH ON THE TRAILS: Hike and Study at the Bolsa Chica Wetlands

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1:00 pm

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## TEMPLE ISRAEL 96<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY

Friday, February 28

5:00 pm Extended Pre-Shabbat Oneg  
6:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service  
7:00 pm Kiddish and Birthday Cake!



### YOUR DONATION OR LEGACY GIFT WILL HELP FUND OUR FUTURE!

The 100 Years Campaign has currently raised nearly two million dollars that will allow Temple Israel to continue to maintain our beautiful facility and continue services and programming for our community.

If you are interested in supporting the campaign, or getting more information, please call the Temple office.

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# Tot Shabbat

Friday, February 21 at 6:00 pm



Tot Shabbat is a fun, informal, child-centered Shabbat Service, designed especially for children, ages newborn to early elementary school age and their loved ones. Through songs, prayers, stories, and Torah time, children love this Service. Evening Tot Shabbat will be followed by challah and grape juice.

FREE PIZZA DINNER FOLLOWING THE SERVICE!

Please RSVP for Friday's Tot Shabbat by  
Wednesday, February 19 to Michelle at [mdt@tilb.org](mailto:mdt@tilb.org)

## Get Well Wishes

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**Our Mission** is to actively engage in a journey of Jewish spiritual, educational and social growth.

**Our Vision** is to be a vibrant, caring Reform congregation of living Judaism that embraces the rich legacy of Jewish thought, practice and spirituality.

## FEBRUARY SHABBAT SERVICES

Join us at 5:30 pm for our  
Pre-Shabbat Wine and Appetizers Oneg  
before our 6:00 pm Services.

### Friday, February 7

#### Camp Shabbat

7:00 pm Family Shabbat Service

### Saturday, February 8

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service  
Bat Mitzvah Sophia Sala

### Friday, February 14

6:00 pm Shabbat HaNefesh

### Saturday, February 15

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service  
Bar Mitzvah of Samuel Meinstein

### Friday, February 21

#### Welcoming Jewish Long Beach

6:00 pm Tot Shabbat with Cantor Hass

7:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service

### Saturday, February 22

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service

### Friday, February 28

#### Celebrating Our 96th Birthday!

6:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service

### Saturday, February 29

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



### YOUR SUPPORT HELPS WRITE OUR FUTURE

By Steve Gordon, Temple President



During my remarks on Rosh HaShanah, I commented on how proud I am to be part of an organization that is giving its membership what it wants, and what it needs. I am also equally proud to be part of a membership that understands the importance of supporting its organization.

Support, of course, often refers to financial support. Our current membership commitment model is based on folks contributing what they can, at whatever level that may be. All commitments are very much appreciated, and simply put, we cannot sustain this model without people doing what they can. Part of my feeling of pride is that you are doing so, and I thank you for that.

But support also occurs in other ways. I would argue that support, ironically, includes those behaviors and activities that in addition to benefiting our synagogue, also benefits the congregant. We have such a wide variety of services including Shabbat HaNefesh, Got Shabbat, Kol HaShabbat, Family Service, as well as our traditional services. I'm very fond of the phrase, "One size does not fit all," and by offering a wide array of worship services, we are appealing to a diverse variety of preferences for observance. The irony is that by choosing to attend, you are not only supporting our Temple, you are also enriching yourself. I strongly encourage you to check out the different opportunities available to all of us.

Support also includes attendance at the plethora of Joys of Jewish Learning programs. There are so many to choose from, and again, participation in these programs not only supports the efforts of our JJJ Committee, it also provides the participant with gratification and fulfillment that comes from learning.

All of these opportunities for engagement are terrific and meaningful, but I haven't yet gotten to the main thrust of what I'm trying to say in this article.

Here I go...

As everybody knows, we are right in the middle of an extremely significant transition at Temple Israel, something that hasn't happened in over 15 years. And it is my belief that the only way for that transition to be successful is for all of us to embrace the importance of what we have to do. When I was in our Kogan/Lipeles Social Hall following the first candidate's teaching, I was struck by the energy in the room. People were no just milling around, they were talking about what they had just witnessed. The enthusiasm and joy were palpable, as evidenced by smiles and engaged interactions. I made note of the conversations and was thrilled by what I was hearing.

Filling our sanctuary during the candidate's teachings was not the only display of support. Completing the surveys, providing feedback, and showing up to cast your vote, as you did, were all necessary components of the process.

Our task at hand cannot, and will not work without all of you. We are at the beginning of an exciting new chapter at Temple Israel. The words of that chapter have yet to be written. But, the pen is poised over a blank piece of paper, all of us have our fingers on that pen, and I can't wait to see what it will look like.

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

*Victoria Davis  
John and Marietta Schloss  
Mike and Dale Strok*



**MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY**  
LONG BEACH, CA

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Sunday, March 29, 2020**  
**YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**



### COUNTDOWN TO 100!

Join us as we celebrate  
Temple Israel's 96<sup>th</sup> Birthday!  
**Friday, February 28, 2020**

**5:00 pm** Extended Pre-Shabbat Oneg  
**6:00 pm** Shabbat Evening Service  
**7:00 pm** Kiddush and Birthday Cake

**COME CELEBRATE WITH US!**





**DO WE ENABLE/SUPPORT/TOLERATE ABUSERS?**

By Rabbi Jim Simon



Once a year, wherever I am “interiming” I make sure that I devote at least one column/sermon to abusive behavior in general and specifically, to spousal abuse. I wrote my first sermon on this subject 20 years ago but I wonder if we have made any progress since the year 2000.

For a people that has always cherished *shalom bayit* (domestic harmony and tranquility) it is very sad that unlike previous generations of Jews, the world

we live in today shows that, WE ARE NOT REALLY DIFFERENT FROM OTHER GROUPS AND WE CERTAINLY AREN'T ANY BETTER. For many years, divorce, alcoholism, gambling, and adultery-those things happened to other people (i.e.-non-Jews), not to the Jews. We were not like them. We were smart and cultured- in fact, we had more Nobel Prize winners than the entire country of Elbonia combined.

Today we know that spousal abuse has existed in our communities for many years, and we know that spousal abuse cuts across all educational, economic, racial and religious lines.

Any form of abuse (physical, verbal, sexual and economic) is simply OPPRESSION, and we as Jews should be very sensitive to those who suffer from oppression. The abuser’s behavior is the essence of power, control and dominance. The abuser in a sense attempts to murder the spirit of the victim. If he is able to deplete the victim of her self-worth, personhood and identity-eventually she will longer be whole. In Hebrew, she is no longer shalem. And as she becomes depleted, she might still exist in a body but she has nothing inside that will help her to live.

I find it interesting that the abuser and the victim are sometimes linked together by denial. The abuser cannot accept the fact their behavior is abusive and many years ago, the victim looked for ways to NOT blame the abuser. Besides, who would listen to them?

Fortunately, we as a society have made some progress in the last 20 years - we note the increasing number of women who have transcended denial and are now willing to name/confront their abusers since the "ME TOO" movement began in 2006. And they should be exposed for what they have done.

**JEWISH FAMILY & CHILDREN’S SERVICE**

JFCS provides a safe and welcoming place where children, families and individuals can access a wide range of services and support. <https://jfcslongbeach.org> or (562) 427-7916

**OII SUBCOMMITTEE ON FOUNDATIONAL STATEMENTS: MISSION, VISION AND VALUES**

By Joanne Levy and Laurie Arroyo

We probably don’t need to remind you that last year was a time of challenge and growth at Temple Israel. As you know, we formed a task force to evaluate areas of governance including communication, leadership development, board processes and other aspects of our synagogue’s governing practices. As the Organizational Improvement Initiative task force, known as OII, we began our work focused on an assessment of our current state, with the goal of making recommendations for areas needing change, leaving the actual change making for a future function.

Our working group within OII was tasked with examining Temple Israel’s existing Foundational Statements: our Mission Vision and Values Statements (Joanne Levy, Laurie Arroyo, Roni Love, Trish Goldin)

To understand the current state of Temple Israel’s foundational statements we first reviewed URJ materials on foundational statements, including definitions and best practices and learned that:

Foundational Statements are the sincerely held beliefs that guide an organization’s path. They articulate the purpose and aspirations and they should ground and drive its work. They should be used actively in setting priorities, allocating resources and making policy decisions. And, the leadership should regularly review these foundational statements to be sure that they are relevant, meaningful and current.

- A Mission Statement is a brief, powerful statement of the reason we exist. It answers the WHY question.
- A Vision Statement describes what an organization will look like when it is living its mission. It is a guiding image for the organization, highlighting the hopes and ambitions for the future (think 5 to 10 years.)
- Finally, a Values Statement represents the deeply held, core beliefs of the organization and connects to its higher purpose. Values guide choices in how an organization behaves, deals with people and makes decisions.

We then researched the foundational statements of Temple Israel as well as other nonprofit organizations: Jewish, other religions, and secular. We learned that our current mission and vision statements were developed around 2010 and we do not have a Values Statement per se. Also, we have no set schedule to review and update them.

These are our Foundational Statements:

**Mission Statement: To actively engage in a journey of Jewish spiritual, educational and social growth.**

**Vision Statement: A vibrant, caring Reform congregation of living Judaism that embraces the rich legacy of Jewish thought, practice and spirituality.**

To accomplish the necessary initial task of internal examination it

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was very important to hear from as many congregants as possible about our existing Mission and Vision Statements. To collect a representative sampling of temple members' opinions, feelings and ideas, we scheduled information-gathering small group meetings, both by taking advantage of already scheduled groups, and by organizing others, to capture as wide a spectrum as possible within the time constraints. From September through early November 2019 we met with 12 groups, numbering 142 individuals, ranging in age from 16 to 90. As part of each meeting, we invited the participants to discuss their personal values and the values they associate with Temple Israel, and then invited them to complete a survey ranking the top 5 values they felt represented our synagogue. In each of our group meetings, there were the robust discussions you might expect from this congregation comprised as it is of individuals with diverse backgrounds, experiences and opinions.

- We learned that the majority of our members were unable to articulate our Mission and Vision and were unaware of where these statements could be found. From this we concluded that our Foundational Statements need to be more visible within our building, on our website and in our printed materials so that they can be used consistently when engaged in discussions of policy and resource allocation. We also concluded that we need written policies and procedures delineating the frequency of their review and the process to be followed.
- We also learned that most congregants felt the Mission and Vision Statements were mostly current and relevant, AND incomplete. The Mission Statement has two main areas requiring improvement: (1) the term "social growth" is unclear; and, (2) our remarkable culture of community needs to be included. Most felt that the Vision Statement needs new and meaningful aspirations, specifically to encompass social justice and social action. We concluded that it is appropriate to convene a task force to review and revise our Mission and Vision Statements together with the new Rabbi, once installed.
- You will not be surprised; the consensus is that most things are working quite well, and we should definitely not be fixing anything that isn't broken.

As part of this process, and to assist the Rabbi Search Committee, another focus was on understanding our congregation's deeply held beliefs about what is most highly valued at Temple Israel.

To accomplish this goal, we developed a list of questions to stimulate conversation about values, collecting qualitative data. As we engaged in this process, we honed our craft. Thanks to the Men's Minyan, our second group meeting, we discovered that a quantitative survey would be more appropriate to collect measurable data. The conversation was a good opener, allowing participants to explore their beliefs, to be followed by the survey.

With assistance from Rabbi Simon, we developed a list of 10 commonly held Jewish values. We asked participants to rank the top 5 they believed were most important to Temple Israel. We also collected the qualitative comments and suggestions from the discussion groups for future consideration. Qualitative themes

that were consistently expressed were: our remarkable culture of community, caring and sacred community, compassion, justice, lifelong learning, Tikkun Olam, family, welcoming and diversity. On the survey of values, many congregants struggled to limit their choices to 5 or to rank them at all. We believe the data from the survey was consistent with the comments we heard in discussion and reflects our Temple members.

The Rabbi Search Committee credited our values focus group results for helping them to better understand our Temple culture as they conducted their search. Further, creating a Values Statement that reflects our congregation will be useful for our new Rabbi and leadership in guiding future decision making.

The weighted ranked order of values expressed during our focus groups is:

1. Building a Caring Community/loving kindness - Gemilut Hasadim
2. Building sacred community - Kehila Kedosh
3. Justice/Compassion – Tzedek
4. Lifelong Learning – Torah
5. Healing the World – Tikkun Olam
6. Common Decency and Courtesy – Derech Eretz
7. Generation to Generation – L'dor Vador
8. Celebration of Diversity – Simchat Ha-Amin
9. Study of Torah – Talmud Torah
10. Welcoming the Stranger – Hachnasat Orchim

Thanks to all of you who participated in our focus groups. Our objective was to listen to you and we hope you feel heard. It is our hope that you continue to be engaged as we move into the future together.

**COMMUNITY TU B'SHEVAT SEDER**  
*Wine, Music, and Trees*

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9**  
**3:00 pm - 5:00 pm**  
 at the beautiful home of Allen & Deanna Alevy in Bixby Knolls  
*(address provided upon RSVP)*

**\$ 20 per person**  
 Cash or Check Preferred  
 Pay at the Door

**THIS EVENT IS FOR ADULTS ONLY**

**RSVP REQUIRED**  
 Email Dana Schneider - dschneider@alpertjcc.org

**Questions?**  
 Call the Alpert JCC (562) 426-7601 ext. 1067



## THE ROLE OF RPC

By Mark Dressner, VP Ritual Practices



Sooooo, what is the role of the Ritual Practices Committee? What is the committee tasked to do? What does the committee in fact do?

Our role as described in our bylaws is:

“... in partnership with the clergy shall be concerned with the nature of the ritual aspects of the congregation, and shall work to enhance the significance of the worship experience.

Particular focus shall be on assisting in the enhancement and empowerment of the ritual lives of the congregational community. The RPC shall be empowered to formulate and evaluate new and revised Ritual Practices with our religious leadership and our Temple Israel community.”

In fact, the activities that we engage in include:

- **High Holy Days** – help clergy coordinate services, organize forums, coordinate ushers and volunteers.
- **Shabbat at Home** – a once a year event where people volunteer to host Shabbat dinner and congregants sign up for different houses.
- **Sukkot at Home** – hosts volunteer their sukkah for an evening and congregants sign up.
- **Music Around the Shabbat Table** – monthly Shabbat at someone’s home on the first Friday of the month at the same time as family service. Cantor Finnley attends and provides the musical/clergy element.
- **Kol HaShabbat** – 4-5 x a year musical celebration for each book of Torah.
- **Caring Community** - please see these amazing resources and function, <http://www.tilb.org/caringcommunity.html>
- **Sabbath Fellowship** – first Saturday of each month lunch and entertainment
- **Outreach** – looking at Sunrise Senior Facility in Seal Beach to do a monthly service
- **Torah Maintenance**
- **Holidays** - Chanukah, Passover, etc. - delineate responsibility and make sure nothing falls through crack.
- **Monthly Kol Yisrael column and weekly eblast announcement or brief teaching**

Rabbi Simon has offered the following advice of what he visions and has seen for a ritual practice committee.

1. The committee is the bridge between the congregation and clergy enhancing the worship experience for ALL congregants.
2. The committee should have regular study
3. There should be collaboration with clergy and the committee though clergy has final say.

4. The committee should identify obstacles that keep congregants from coming to service.

I look forward to a new era of Temple Israel starting in July with our new Rabbi. The committee and congregation have the opportunity to relook at our services in order to explore what works, what doesn’t, what should be added or changed? What would inspire more people to attend service? As, one congregant suggested, perhaps after different types of services we should meet afterwards to share with the group what meant something to us during the service and why? How do we appeal to those who embrace Temple Israel tradition, embrace the tradition in which they were raised or had at other temples, and the new traditions and innovations that are prominent in 21st century Judaism? It will be so exciting and rewarding working with our new Rabbi, Cantor Hass, and the committee to work on these questions.

As always please contact me at [VPRitualpractices@TILB.org](mailto:VPRitualpractices@TILB.org)



## WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS

By David Philips

What if you received an invitation to join Jews from around the world to have a say in the allocation of 400 million dollars a year for the next four years? Would you join? How would you spend the money? How much would go to Jewish education? Jewish identity? Aliyah? Jewish outreach? Jews at risk? Would you fund building Jewish settlements, or fund efforts to stop the building?

Not enough of us knows that we have an invitation to do just that. The World Zionist Organization is a body that oversees the allocation of over 400 million philanthropic dollars a year to a variety of Jewish initiatives in Israel and throughout the world. Founded in 1897, the World Zionist Congress (WZC) is the legislative body of the World Zionist Organization (WZO), essentially the Parliament of World Jewry. It was originally formed as a movement to create a Jewish State. After 1948, it became the forum for the Jewish world to decide (or argue about) what the State should become, and how.

The WZC holds elections every 4-5 years, electing officers and deciding policies; as well as the Jewish Agency, which handles absorption and settlement; and the Jewish National Fund, which owns approximately 13% of Israel’s land. The outcome of the elections will not only decide the prioritization of funding, but will partially determine who controls which budgets. This has a great influence over money and policies that affect Israel and the entire Jewish world!

Voting began on January 21 and runs through March 11. If you are 18 or older, identify as Jewish, and consider yourself a Zionist of some flavor or another: you can vote. Voting will be online and require paying a \$7.50 security fee. Visit [ZionistElection.com](http://ZionistElection.com). **Vote for Slate #2 - The Reform Slate, to secure funting and promote Reform/Progressive Jewish priorities.**



**NEW SISTERHOOD BOARD MEMBER  
MARYSE FUJIMORI, MEMBER-AT-LARGE**



Maryse was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She lived in Ohio for 10 years after which she moved with her family to California in 1969. She graduated from Cal State Long Beach with a degree in business marketing.

Maryse has worked in advertising media research. She also worked for the Red Cross in blood services organizing blood drives and blood mobiles. She was an event coordinator

for many years, mainly planning Bar and Bat Mitzvah receptions at Temple Israel.

Maryse and her husband Danny were members of Temple Israel for 30 years and rejoined the temple last year. They have two children: Eric is 28 and Jennifer 32. Their children were Bar and Bat Mitzvah at Temple Israel.

Maryse now works part-time for WestEd, a private and government funded resource for schools and teachers. She enjoys crafts such as beading, collaging, and card making. She loves yoga, reading, and traveling. Her newest interest is playing the Taiko Japanese drum.

**COME VISIT  
THE SISTERHOOD  
GIFT SHOP**

**See our array of new items!**

Open one hour before Friday Evening Services,  
Wednesdays 4:00 pm- 6:30 pm, and  
Sundays 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

*To visit the gift shop at other days and times,  
please contact the Temple office*

**SAVE THESE SISTERHOOD DATES**

- Wednesday, March 4 at 7:00pm: Craft make, take and donate
- Thursday, March 19 at 7:00 pm: Medical Marijuana Disussion
- Sunday, April 26: Membership Event
- Tuesday, April 28, 9:30 am - 2:00 pm: Game Day
- Sunday, May 3 at 1:00 pm: Bingo!
- Monday, June 8 at 6:30 pm: Annual Meeting & Sisterhood Board Installation

**MORE DETAILS TO COME!**

*Sisterhood  
Women's Night Out*

**Monday, February 24 at 6:30 pm**

FRIDA - 11169 183rd St., Cerritos

**\$25 includes your choice of one of four entrees,  
beverage, and all gratuities.**

Entrees include:

tostada salad, taco combo, burrito Frida, or fish tacos.

*Gluten free will be accommodated.*



**ROSH CHODESH**

Come join us on  
**February 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 - 11:00am**  
as we welcome the month of Adar  
- a month full of joy and laughter.

We will be exploring creative journaling.

No experience required!

Please RSVP to Cantor Hass [cantorhass@tilb.org](mailto:cantorhass@tilb.org)  
in order to purchase enough material for the creative activity.

**Upcoming Rosh Chodesh Dates**

- Thursday, March 26, 7:00 pm
- Friday, April 24, 10:00 am
- Tuesday, May 19, 10:00 am

# TEMPLE ISRAEL HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM



**JOHANNA BROWN**

Happy New Year Temple Israel Family! I hope your 2020 has been a great start to an amazing year. January was a fun month for the teens at Temple Israel!

There have been lots of field trips for our Torah Center students.

On January 5<sup>th</sup>, the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade class went on a field trip to visit a Central Bible Church, as a part of their comparative religion studies. They were welcomed warmly by the community and hope to organize an exchange, so our new friends can experience Temple

Israel. On January 11<sup>th</sup>, the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class went to visit congregation B'nai Israel, a conservative synagogue in Tustin. They they got to experience a bar mitzvah and enjoy a lovely Kiddush lunch.

The parents of our high school parents have also had fun this month. On January 12<sup>th</sup>, our parents went to a program led by Matt Ghan, the assistant regional advisor for NFTY SoCal, all about what's new is social media. It was the perfect opportunity for them to learn more about the apps that our teens use!

We have also started rehearsals for our teen Purim Shpiel! Our cast is ready to take on the task! We all know that it will be amazing! This year's theme is Aladdin!

Some of our teens also attended NFTY SoCal's Winter Kallah from January 17<sup>th</sup> to January 20<sup>th</sup>. It was extra special, because it was a joint event with NFTY CWR, or Central West Region. It was a super fun weekend full of quality time with new and old friends, exceptional programming, and making connections.

Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> was a busy day for our teens. ANDI started off with a successful snack sale for the Torah Center students. Our 8th grade class also had a family learning day, at which they compared family immigration stories and ate some delicious family favorite dishes at their potluck. Afterwards, 8th grade families met for the New York trip meeting before they leave over President's Day Weekend for their adventure. It sure is going to be an exciting time!

On January 26<sup>th</sup>, the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade class had their adoptive grandparents program. ANDI also had a meeting where they discussed and planned our upcoming events. Later that evening, the 11th and 12th grade class came together for dinner at Cantor Hass' house. It was a fun night full of food and good company.

We also had an all middle school day on January 29<sup>th</sup>. All 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders came together for a joint learning session. They all had a chance to get to know one another better.

Our 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade class went to a Shabbat dinner with the Long Beach State Hillel chapter at their director ChayaLeah's house. It was a fun night where the students got the chance to learn what it is like to be Jewish on a college campus.

January was very busy for our Temple Israel teens, and we can't wait for February!

## THIS MONTH'S B'NAI MITZVAH



**SOPHIA SALA**

February 8, 2020

Sophia will become a Bat Mitzvah on February 8, 2020. Sophia is in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and attends Rogers Middle School in Long Beach and lives with her mom, two cats, Jack and Stash and bearded dragon, Sir Cheddar McBanana Pants. Sophia's lived in Long Beach for her entire life. Her Jewish Journey began when she was three and attended pre-school at ECE at the Alpert JCC. She is still best friends with the kids she met on the first day at the J. She started attending Temple Israel Torah Center in 2011.

Sophia has always been remarkably energetic, athletic, and fearless. She's been on baseball and football teams from the time she was small and won a Martial Arts sparring championship, when she was eight. She does tricks on her pogo stick, skateboards, break dances, climbs trees, walls, and anything that's tall and doesn't move faster than she does.

Sophia was part of the 2019-20 All-City Champion Rogers Middle School Basketball Team and will be competing on the 2020 Rogers Track Team. She won a bronze medal in the long jump at the 2019 California State Games and won three silver medals (long jump, high jump, 200m) and a gold (100m) at the 2019 JCC Maccabi Games in Atlanta.

Sophia has spent the last several months working as a volunteer with the Urban Community Outreach Project Drop-In Center in Long Beach. She's learned a lot and has made many new friends. She plans to continue working with UCOP until she leaves for college (Howard University is the plan). Sophia has also spent the first Saturday of each month working with the Temple Israel Sabbath Fellowship.

Sophia loves her family, friends, and pets (and candy) more than anything and is gratefully looking forward to sharing her special day with our wonderful and supportive community.

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**SAMUEL MEINSTEIN**

February 15, 2020

June 2020.

Music is such an important part of my life, so I wanted to use it in my Mitzvah Project. At a Long Beach rehabilitation hospital, I have been playing a 30-minute piano set for the residents. After I play, I then call Bingo in the game room. It really seems to cheer up the patients, and I enjoy it, as well.

Along with music, another major interest of mine is animals. I especially love dogs of all types, so I've also become a volunteer at the Long Beach Animal Shelter in the Pet Literacy Program. I choose different dogs who appear scared or withdrawn and read to them. This helps to get these dogs more comfortable around people and increases the chances of them being adopted.

I would like to thank Rabbi Simon and Cantor Hass for all the time they have spent helping prepare me for my bar mitzvah, as well as the Temple Israel teachers and staff. I also thank my family for their support and encouragement.

My name is Samuel Weinstein and I am excited to become a bar mitzvah on February 15, 2020. I am a seventh grader at Rogers Middle School where I play saxophone in the Advanced Band and piano in the Jazz Band. Also, I have been a chorister in the Southern California Children's Chorus since I was in first grade. I am now in the Concert Chorus level and, along with my brother, Joseph, we will be performing in Budapest, Vienna, and Salzburg in



## INTERFAITH GREETINGS

### What is the SCIC?

By Roni Love, SCIC Member

The SCIC is the oldest and largest interfaith council in Southern California! Established in 1953 as the South Coast Ecumenical Council representing the various Christian denominations, the Council voted to become interfaith in 2004.

### WHAT DOES THE SCIC DO?

We help create communities of compassion among people of different faiths and cultures using a 3-pronged approach ~ service, education and celebration ~ guiding all of our programs and events.

### SERVICE programs include:

- Interfaith Build with Habitat for Humanity
- Feeding the Homeless
- Long Beach Religious Leaders Association (LBRLA) bringing religious leaders together on a monthly basis to discuss societal issues and ways we can better serve.
- CROP Hunger Walks raise money to fight hunger in local, national and international communities.
- SCIC Beach Clean Up
- Cancer Awareness/Prevention Workshops run by our members of the health community.

### EDUCATION programs include:

- Religion 101 Seminars offering faith communities and educational institutions an opportunity to focus on the diverse faith traditions we represent.
- Interfaith Panelists (Muslims, Jews and Hindus, for example) are invited to participate in worship services of diverse faith communities, sharing from their own faith perspectives.
- Heart to Heart ~ Connecting with the Divine provides members of the interfaith community an opportunity to experience worship services other than their own.
- Interfaith Cafes discuss the ways faith can impact our daily lives and allow us to relate to and appreciate those from other faith traditions. Cafes are an opportunity to share what it means to be a Jew, Muslim, Baha'i, Zoroastrian and so on.

### CELEBRATION programs include:

- Cooking with the Cantor, celebrating Jewish culture through delicious food!
- Divine Dining & Faithful Feasts where people of different faiths and cultures delight in the sharing of food, song and poetry.
- Festival of Music Benefit Concert
- Interfaith Unity Awards Dinner
- MLK Interfaith Celebration
- Interfaith Unity Bike-a-thon joining people of various cultures and faiths for a day of bicycling, comradery and great food while helping support the SCIC.

90% of SCIC funding comes from donations of our local interfaith community. We are a grassroots organization and believe in the power of collaboration with community and national organizations such as the CCEJ, Habitat for Humanity, the Archdiocese of LA and those which promote peace and understanding. As a member of Temple Israel, YOU are already a part of this great organization, the South Coast Interfaith Council!

# February Anniversaries

- 3 Terry and Elizabeth Fiskin - 63 years
- 5 Mark Beizer and Cathe Hagerman-Beizer - 42 years  
Joel and Lyn Epstein - 43 years
- 8 Donny and Stacey Moore - 17 years
- 9 Phil and Jackie Fritz - 45 years
- 11 Jeff and Nancy Barrad - 36 years
- 13 Alan and Rosecarrie Brooks - 48 years
- 14 Brian and Rachel Farrell - 22 years  
Larry and Maggie Kosmin - 30 years
- 15 Leon and Barbara Shoag - 56 years
- 17 Andrew and Eve Lunt - 30 years
- 20 Binnie and Jack Berro - 65 years  
Mark and Susan Paletz - 37 years
- 22 Martin and Charlotte Axel - 50 years  
Steven Gratch and Judith Irving - 18 years
- 24 Lance and Barbara Brukman - 29 years
- 25 Jeffrey Kirshenbaum and Uyen Nguyen - 3 years
- 26 Barry and Amy Hodis - 14 years
- 28 David and Leah Bleidistel - 19 years

## Jewish Yoga

**Sunday, February 9 at 9:45am**

Instructor: Alana Weinberg

Jewish yoga is a wonderful way to relax, let go, and return back to your Jewish spirituality. All levels are welcome, including beginners, as we journey inward while stretching and moving our bodies. Postures, breath work, and Jewish inspiration are included in all classes. Yoga mats are provided or you may bring your own.

**Suggested donation: \$5**



## Krav Maga

**Thursday February 13 at 7:00pm**

Instructor: Hadas Nuriel Cootware



Come and join other TI members for this fun and practical class and walk away with tools to protect yourself and others.

Krav Maga is the official martial art and self-defense approach used by the Israel Defense Forces (IDF). Krav Maga is a form of street fighting based on a combination of boxing, wrestling, karate and more. It is a very practical self-defense training, and it's great for all ages and sizes. No matter how strong or big the attacker might be, if you are aware of

your surroundings, know his weakness, and act with confidence, you will be able to protect yourself.

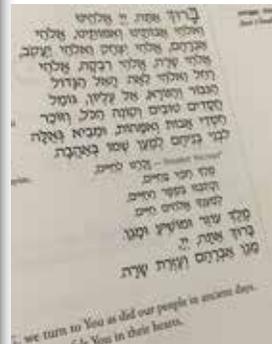
**Suggested donation: \$5**

## Blessings and Prayers Two

**Tuesdays at 7:00pm**

**February 18, 25, March 3, 10, 17, and 24**

Instructor: Janet Liss



This six-week class is for people who want to learn in a fun and encouraging environment some basic blessings that we use often, as well as a standard prayer recited at every service. Prayers will depend on who enrolls in the class and interest level for specific prayers. We will look at the meaning of the prayers, as well as learning the Hebrew. Knowing beginning Hebrew is a plus but not necessary.

**Cost: \$80, including learning materials**

## Cooking Jewish Classics

### from the Old Country

*Everything You Wish to Know*

*about the Knish*

**Thursday, February 20 at 7:00pm**

Instructor: Eve Lunt

Knishes are the ultimate traditional Jewish food for a journey. They taste great at room temperature, you don't need utensils, and there are different ways to make them, depending on where they're from.

**Cost: \$10**



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**Torah on the Trails:**  
*Hike and Study at  
the Bolsa Chica Wetlands*

**Saturday, February 22 at 1:00pm**

Join us as we go outdoors for a beautiful walk and spend some time doing a little Jewish text study throughout the Bolsa Chica Wetlands.

**Cost: none**



**Israeli Dancing Cardio Fun**

**Sunday, February 23 at 9:45am**

Instructor: Johanna Brown

Nothing gets the heartbeat going like a good Israeli dance! Join us for some fun and exercise, as we learn the latest trends in Israeli dancing. Move over Zumba, here comes ... Jewmba!

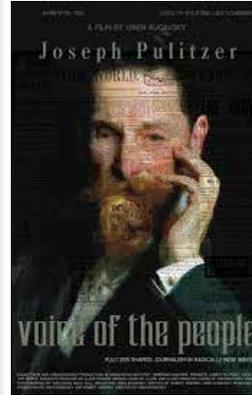
**Suggested donation: \$5**



**Movie and Havdallah**  
**Screening of Joseph Pulitzer:**

*Voice of the People*

**Saturday, February 29 at 7:00pm**



Joseph Pulitzer's New York newspaper, The World, would transform American media and make him wealthy, admired and feared. Throughout his four decades as a reporter and publisher, he created a powerful artistic vehicle that spoke to an unprecedented number of readers. Towards the end of his life, both sickly and blind, Pulitzer's commitment to fearless reporting would be tested by the most powerful person in American life.

He fought the dangers that the suppression of news had for a democracy long before our present threats to press freedom. How did Joseph Pulitzer, once a penniless young Jewish immigrant from Hungary, come to challenge a popular president and fight for freedom of the press as essential to our democracy?

**Cost: none**

**Torah Study 101**

*Parashat Tetzaveh:*

*Talking to Children about God Without Lying, Clichés, or Fables*

**Sunday, March 1 at 9:45am**

Facilitator: Rabbi Jim Simon

Please join us for Torah Study 101, taught by Rabbi Simon. He knows a lot of Torah, because he was a personal friend of Moses. We will study the portion of the week and then relate its teachings to issues we are struggling with as human beings and parents. Everyone is welcome - no prior experience or background needed.

**Cost: none**

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Jean Feldman  
Ron and Sylvia Hartman  
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Barry and Rita Zamost  
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\* *Of Blessed Memory*





# Yahrzeit Observance "Zecher Tzadik Livracha"

*The memory of the righteous are a blessing*



## February 5-11

Ruben Baines\*  
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 Mazaltov Berro  
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 Sarah Chester\*  
 Max Dworkin\*  
 Cheryl Eiser  
 Harold Epstein  
 Charles Joffe  
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 Eva Schwartz  
 Judie Senfeld  
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 Thelma Shevick  
 Steven Solomon  
 Belle Stern\*  
 Marie Van Raalte

## February 12-18

Nancy Albert Allan  
 Iona Alpert  
 Sonia Balan\*  
 Jack Ben-Sabat  
 Mathilda Berro  
 Vida Ann Bleich  
 Laura Bohen Roos\*  
 Alden Bohlig  
 Harry Browarny  
 Lee Brozinsky  
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 Ivan Faigen  
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 Ruth Felsenthal  
 Benetta Fenimore  
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 Elaine Goff  
 Carl Hartman\*  
 Leah Heft\*  
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 Manuel Kaplan  
 Henry Lager  
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 Sarah Miller  
 Michael Musicant  
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 Joseph Seifer\*  
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 Jerry Stuhlberg  
 Mildred Tillman  
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## February 19-25

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 Charlotte Eiser  
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 Marilyn Gale  
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 Beatrice Hartman\*  
 Lynda Heidelberger  
 Adele Holden  
 Herman Kaufman  
 Robert Kim  
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 Mort Lippe  
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 Michael Segal  
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## February 26 - Mar. 3

Jake Dobrofsky  
 Buddie Edelman

Lloyd Richard Ehrenberg  
 Mildred Epstein  
 Helen Fiffer  
 Conner Firstman  
 Rebecca Godfrey  
 Sol Green  
 Wayne Hammer  
 Judge Moses Hartmann\*  
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 Sydelle Levin  
 Ida Levin\*  
 Joey Lipeles  
 Joel Livne  
 Sally McKibben  
 Philip Megdal  
 Rose Reed  
 Mary Reiss  
 Herbert Samuels  
 Ruth Sandler  
 Henry Sassoon  
 Roslyn Shohen\*  
 Rosaline Sisholtz Maurer  
 Eva Sreiberg  
 Anne Stern  
 Helen Wolff

*\* These names are permanently inscribed on our memorial wall and will be read in perpetuity.*

## CONDOLENCES

**Kull family**  
 on the death of Jeanette Kull

**Herman Rubin**  
 on the death of his wife, June Rubin

**Carl, Janet, Arielle and Eric Schultz**  
 on the death of father and grandfather, Irwin Schultz



# TEMPLE ISRAEL FUNDS

Tzedakah is a central mitzvah of Judaism. It humanizes both the giver and the recipient. It acknowledges an important occasion, honors a person for a job well done, or pays tribute in sympathy.

## TEMPLE ISRAEL FUND

- General Fund**  
*For the support of on going congregational activities*

## DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

- Rabbi**  
*Tzedakah projects at the Rabbi's discretion*
- Cantor Sara Hass**  
*Tzedakah projects at the Cantor's discretion*
- Educator**  
*For benefit of the Torah Center and its teachers*
- President**  
*For special projects at the President's discretion*

## COMMUNITY FUNDS

- Homeless Assistance**  
*Helps those in need pay first and/or last month's rent*
- Caring Community**  
*Funds programs for Temple families in need*
- Nancy Leff and Donald Leff Memorial**  
*Purchases Hanukkah gifts for children of needy families*
- Yad B'Yad**  
*Purchases kitchen and catering supplies for Yad B'Yad*

## BOOK FUND

- Library Fund**  
*Purchase of library books*

## MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS

- Rabbi Wolli & Sarah Kaelter Sabbath Fellowship**  
*For Sabbath Fellowship senior programming*
- Stan Solomon Building**  
*For building repairs*

## MUSIC FUNDS

- Rob & Debbie Feldman Family Got Shabbat**  
*Funds quarterly alternative music service.*

- Music Patrons**  
*Funds musical programs*

## CAMP FUNDS

- Paula & Michael Avchen Campership**  
*Camp/trip program for children in financial need*
- Lester Elbert and Corinne Van Boemel Memorial Campership**  
*Camperships for those in financial need*

- Lipeles Family Camp & Adult Shabbaton**  
*Fund for Families in need*

- Jewish Campership**  
*Camperships for those in need*

- Miriam Berro Krugman**  
*Helps teens participate in the URJ Mitzvah Corp.*

## TORAH CENTER FUNDS

- Torah Center Fund**
- Polly Alevy Memorial Education**  
*Funds for Torah Center*
- HUM (Horim U'Morim)**  
*Funds Torah Center projects*
- A. Estin Comarr Memorial Torah Scholarship**  
*Funds scholarships for Torah Center*

- Torah Center Scholarship**  
*Assists with Torah Center fees and scholarships*

- Roselle & Herbert Sommer Scholarship Fund**  
*Assists with Torah Center fees and camp scholarships*

## PROGRAMMING FUNDS

- ANDI**  
*Programs for our teens*
- Jack Bard Memorial**  
*For Jewish programs of interest to the congregation*
- Social Action**  
*For social action and programming needs*
- Joys of Jewish Learning**  
*Funds adult education programs at the Temple*



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*Please make checks payable to TI Foundation*

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*Funds building beautification and refurbishment*
- The Speizer Youth Development**  
*Funds youth activities*
- Pilger Lectureship**  
*Funds annual guest speaker lectures*
- Lapid-Shapiro**  
*Funds annual lectureship programs and Torah Center educational programs*
- Syd Lemmerman Jewish Camping and Youth Fund**  
*In support of Jewish camping, Israel experiences, and other informal Jewish educational programs*

To make a donation, please check off any fund above to which you would like to donate and fill out the form below.

Tear out this sheet and mail to: **Temple Israel - 269 Loma Avenue, Long Beach CA 90803**

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*We appreciate the thoughtfulness of those who support Temple Israel by remembering and honoring their friends and loved ones through generous contributions*

### IN LOVING MEMORY

Susanne Cameron & Jackie Fritz in loving memory of their father, Adolf Stone.  
Leslie Ciletti & Linda Keiles in loving memory of Leslie's grandmother, Isabel Buyer.  
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Janet Pottebaum in loving memory of her aunt, Della Hanna.  
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Moises Sanft in loving memory of his cousin, Sylvia Leibelshon.  
Robin & Randy Schafer in loving memory of Robin's mother, Grace Flitt.  
Elizabeth & Mark Sharzer in loving memory of Elizabeth's grandparents, Jake and Bea Sigoloff.  
Marian & Bill Siegel in loving memory of Marian's mother, Hilda Friedman.  
Marian & Bill Siegel in loving memory of Marian's father, Milton Friedman.  
Marian & Bill Siegel in loving memory of Marian's brother, Joseph Friedman.  
Tim & Karen Strelitz in memory of Leonard Strelitz, beloved father and grandfather.

Sheryl & Jeffrey Stewart in loving memory of Sheryl's grandmother, Annette Grawoig.  
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Libby Wilson in loving memory of her aunt, Bess Rosen.  
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Bea Aron in memory of June Rubin, beloved wife of Herman Rubin.  
Benjamin & Elinore Brown in honor of Sadie Abravanel Brown becoming Bat Mitzvah.  
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Max & Marie Craft in memory of June Rubin, beloved wife of Herman Rubin.  
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David & Susan Philips in support of Temple Israel.  
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Dorothy Levin in memory of June Rubin, beloved wife of Herman Rubin.  
Robin & Alan Lilien in honor of the birth of Abigail Jean Krugman, great-granddaughter of Binnie & Jack Berro, granddaughter of Michele Berro and Paul Krugman.  
Susan Masback in loving memory of her father, Fred Masback.  
Carol Masters in memory of Michael Isadore Reiss, beloved father of Linda Klein.  
Scott & Debbie Mayerson in support of Temple Israel.  
Ralph & Jane Mindess in loving memory of Ralph's sister, Zelma Kimelman.  
Ralph & Jane Mindess in memory of June Rubin, beloved wife of Herman Rubin.  
Janet Pottebaum in honor of the birth of Gayle Nachlis's granddaughter, Rosalind Edith Lu.  
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Aaron & Violeta Stolpen in honor of their newborn son, Elijah Stolpen and the Betty R. and Ralph Sheffer Foundation.

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Shirlee Sappell in loving memory of her daughter, Janis Gail Sappell.  
Shirlee Sappell in memory of her beloved brother, Perry Labow.

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The Jeanette Kull Family in honor of Cantor Hass.

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Cheryl & Allan Waterman in loving memory of Cheryl's father, Saul Feldman.

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Helen Barrad in memory of June Rubin, beloved wife of Herman Rubin.

Helen Barrad in memory of Lucy Pash.

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Jackie & Tom Besley in memory of long time and much loved temple member, Fred Masback.

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Jeanne Halliday in loving memory of her father, Enrico Nahum.

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Jeanne Halliday in memory of Michael Isadore Reiss, beloved father of Linda Reiss-Klein.

Jeanne Halliday in memory of June Rubin, beloved wife of Herman Rubin.

Chana & Glenn Ham-Rosebrock in loving memory of Chana's aunt, Rochelle Abend.

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**MUSIC PATRONS FUND**

Binnie & Jack Berro sent their congratulations to Sadie & David Sacks on their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, a wonderful milestone.

Marcie & John Blumberg in loving memory of Marcie's grandfather, Samuel Wilkofsky.



To Nancy & Jeff Barrad and Helen Barrad on the birth of their grandson and her great-grandson, Levi Joseph Barrad born on December 22, 2019 weighing 7lbs. 12 oz.



To David & Marcia Senteno on the birth of their granddaughter, Gabriela Maycine Anthony born on January 8, 2020 weighing 7 lbs. 7oz. and 21.5 in. long.



To Liz & Mark Sharzer on the birth of their grandson, Landon Jacob Sharzer born on January 8, 2020 weighing 8 lbs. 8 oz.

**THANK YOU TO OUR  
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**Morgan East and Laszlo Fodor**

*in honor of their upcoming marriage*

**Danielle Fudim and Johnny Mermelstein**

*in honor of their marriage*

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*in honor of their son, Samuel's Bar Mitzvah*

**Kellie Sala**

*in honor of her daughter Sophia's Bat Mitzvah*

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*in memory of parents-Harry & Helen Wolowitz and  
Jack & Sylvia Goldberg*

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*You're invited*

to join us for an information session about

**JCC MACCABI SPORTS CAMP**

**Monday, February 10**

**7:00pm**

*At the home of Temple Israel family Lauren & Stuart Friedman*

**RSVP Required**, please email Lauren for address, [Lauren@laurenfriedmanhomes.com](mailto:Lauren@laurenfriedmanhomes.com)

Feel free to email Lauren with questions or call Camp Director Josh, 415-997-8844



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