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ISRAEL**  
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# Kol Yisra'el THE VOICE OF TEMPLE ISRAEL

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## TEMPLE ISRAEL'S ANNUAL GALA CIRQUE DU SHALOM AN EVENING TO IMAGINE OUR FUTURE

*Saturday, May 11, 2019*

During this evening, we will recognize and honor the leadership and dedication to our community of these three amazing couples:

*Lynne & Jonathan Nass  
Ann & Gene Lentzner  
Joanne & Jerry Levy*



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# Kol HaShabbat LEVITICUS

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

## SHABBAT SERVICES

### Friday, May 3

6:00 pm Tot Shabbat with Cantor Hass

7:00 pm Family Shabbat Service

### Saturday, May 4

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Sabbath Fellowship Service

### Friday, May 10

6:00 pm Shabbat HaNefesh

### Saturday, May 11

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service

### Friday, May 17

7:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service / High School Shabbat

### Saturday, May 18

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service

### Friday, May 24

6:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service

### Saturday, May 25

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service

B'not Mitzvah of Carly and Jacs Ferdman

### Friday, May 31

7:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service

### Saturday, June 1

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Sabbath Fellowship

### Saturday, May 18 at 7:30 pm

*Followed by a dessert reception*

In Kol HaShabbat-Exodus, we invoked the rhythms and harmonies that call us to our deepest freedom. In Kol HaShabbat-Leviticus, we will explore as a community the power, responsibility, and purpose we all have as Kohanim to manifest the meaning and wisdom that imbues the Shabbat prayer service offerings, all leading to a Havdallah celebration of all that lies ahead. Dessert Reception.

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE'S CREATING COMMUNITY

*Special Oneg*

**Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**

### Are YOU an EMPTY NESTER?

Join us at the Oneg following our Shabbat Services  
Come meet other empty nesters!

We are also looking for a volunteer to coordinate  
an Empty Nesters Group if you are interested  
please contact the Temple Office

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10<sup>th</sup> of the preceding month prior to publication.

## PROFESSIONAL STAFF

Rabbi Steven Moskowitz • Cantor Sara Hass • Cantor Emeritus Marvin Finnley  
Eric J. Sbatzkin, Exec. Director • Sharon Amster Brown, Educator  
Kara Liu, Youth Director • David York, Accompanist

### Our Mission Statement:

To actively engage in a journey of Jewish spiritual, educational  
and social growth.

### Our Vision Statement

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

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2018 - 2019

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## COMMUNICATION

By Joyce Feldman, Temple President



Happy May. Our congregation has been talking a lot about communication lately. Last month, we had two opportunities for the congregation to meet, provide their input and ask questions. As we move forward we will have focus groups to help us look at our mission, vision and values. Our annual congregational meeting will be on June 2. This is our annual meeting where we elect the new members to the board, adopt our budget for the upcoming

year and evaluate the year behind us and you will have the opportunity to submit your input as to what values you feel are most important for our community. I hope you will mark your calendar for this important congregational meeting. This will be another opportunity to keep our communication channels open.

During the last months some questions have arisen: "How do I know what is going on with the board?" "What information is available to me as a congregant?" "How do I communicate with the board thoughts, ideas, compliments, criticisms?" We are also hearing a lot of questions about our future: "What steps are we taking to secure a new Rabbi?" "What has the board/congregation learned from what happened?" This month's article will be dedicated to answering these questions.

"How do I know what is going on with the board?" The board meets 10 times a year. Our meetings are typically the fourth Tuesday of the month. Our meetings are open to congregational members. If you would like to be placed on the agenda you need to submit a request to the president one month prior. Your request will be reviewed by the executive committee and then, if approved, you will be placed on the agenda. When time allows, the president can allow a designated period during the board meeting for congregants to make statements without being on the agenda. These statements (or questions) will be limited in time and will be available on a first come/first serve basis. Our May board meeting is scheduled for May 30th. If you plan on attending it is helpful, but not required, that you let us know in advance so we can provide extra chairs. We will have time for statements and questions at the beginning of the meeting. For most of the last two years, I have provided a brief list in the Kol Israel, titled, "Board Bytes" This list highlights the major items the board has been working on from the previous months. The executive board (officers of the board and senior staff) also meet once a month to make preliminary decisions and decide on agenda items. The whole board (without staff) occasionally meets in "executive session" when personnel and contract matters are discussed. Both Executive board and executive session are not open to visitors.

"What information is available to me as a congregant?" The minutes of past board meetings, the reports submitted for those

meetings, the annual temple budget and quarterly budget forecasts are available upon request. Foundation board minutes are available to you. You may also request a copy of our employee manual and a copy of our current By Laws. All of these items can be obtained by emailing our Executive Director, Eric Shatzkin. Due to confidentiality, congregants do not have access to senior staff contracts.

"How do I communicate with the board thoughts, ideas, compliments, criticisms?" Board members are active in our building. You will find them at services, at JJJL classes, Torah Study, fundraisers and at Torah Center. Board members try to always wear their badges when in the building. When you see them, say "hi" and start a conversation. We really want to hear from you. A list of current board members is in each Kol Y'Israel newsletter. Emails and phone numbers of board members are provided in the directory. Please feel free to send us your input at any time. If you have a concern, don't assume we have heard from someone else: let us know. Our board members are trained to pass your input onto the correct person, (personnel committee, VP's, senior staff). If you want your input to remain confidential, let the board member know and they will honor your request. The president email, [President@tilb.org](mailto:President@tilb.org) is a great email to add to your address book as it is transferred from one president to the next.

"What steps we are taking to secure a new Rabbi?" An interim Rabbi search committee has been working extremely hard under the leadership of Past President Ron Feldman these last months. We have members representing quite a few of our key groups ( Board, past president, Torah study, Torah school parent, long time members, newer member, Jew by choice, and a teen). An applicant was submitted to the CCAR (Central Conference of American Rabbi's) and we received several strong candidates. Skype interviews were held, visits by top two choices were held (or will be soon). These visits gave us the opportunity to widen our group of people who were able to meet and give input about our candidates. Again we made a huge effort to gather representatives from all aspects of our temple, including our staff. Based on the input from this group and the committee the board will vote to approve the hiring of the Interim Rabbi. The Interim Rabbi will begin July 1. Interim Rabbis are specifically trained to work with congregations who are undergoing a (sometimes difficult) transition between "Settled" (permanent) Rabbis. Our Interim Rabbi will guide us through our transition year: aid us in healing; provide spiritual leadership; supervise/mentor staff; advise board; work directly with Torah Center students; attend to life cycle events and more. Our search for our new "settled" Rabbi will begin next month with much of the same format but expanded to include more opportunities for input from you, our congregation. The congregation will have the opportunity to vote to approve the final candidate. We will continue to keep you updated as to our progress as we move through the process. If you would like to be involved in the process please let me know.

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“What has the board/congregation learned from what happened?” The importance of proper communication is key to what we have learned. Moving forward, the board is determined to do a better job of communicating with the congregation and giving more opportunities for input on an ongoing basis. Incoming President Steve Gordon, (he begins his term July 1) will let you know about his plans in the upcoming months. Rabbi Moskowitz expressed concerns that he feels we need to take a strong look at our systems and structures for our staff and for our board governance. We are doing several things to evaluate and make changes. Under the leadership of Freda Ross and Dawn Haldane, consultants are being evaluated to aid in this process. A task force will be formed to carry this work forward. In addition a group of leaders are currently attending a course conducted by the URJ on governance. Our incoming Interim Rabbi will also be able to offer support as we go through this self evaluation and re alignment process in the following year. Again, there will be opportunities for congregational input as we go along.

I feel open lines of communication will be crucial to preventing future misunderstandings. Communication all ways between the board and congregation. Communication all ways between the board and the senior staff. Communication all ways between the senior staff and the congregation. Let's continue to work together to further open these lines and keep them open.

May this month allow us to increase our communication among our sacred community and allow us to continue to support each other as we work to maintain the strong spiritual community we have built.

Happy May.

## **MAY BOARD BITES**

### **“What has the board been doing lately?”**

- Approving nominees for Board from Nominating Committee\*
- Examining proposals from Systems & Structures Consultants
- Attending a URJ Webinar on Governance
- Reviewing the Temple budget for 2019/2020\*
- Hearing report from Interim Rabbi Search Committee
- Collecting names for Settled Rabbi Search Committee
- Hosting town hall meetings to gather input from congregation

*\* to be approved by congregation at congregational meeting June 2*

## **ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING Sunday, June 2 at Temple**

**8:15 a.m. Budget Discussion**

**9:00 a.m. Bagel Breakfast**

**9:30 a.m. Annual Meeting**

Please join your Temple Israel family at our Annual Congregational Meeting. It is essential that we have 50 members in good standing\* to conduct business.

*\*Must be current in all Temple obligations 5 days prior to the Annual Meeting to vote.*



CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE FOR EQUALITY AND JUSTICE

## **HUMANITARIAN AWARDS DINNER**

**Thursday, May 16 at 5:30 pm**

**Hyatt Regency,**

*200 S. Pine Ave., Long Beach, 90802*

Each year, CCEJ pays tribute to a group of outstanding humanitarians who have dedicated their personal and professional lives to improving human relations and supporting the principles upon which CCEJ was founded.

**Humanitarian Awards Honorees:** Dr. Jane Close Conoley, Rev. Dr. Phyllis Hayes-Reams, Kevin & Jennifer Peterson

**Building Bridges Award:**

**Performance Plus Tire - Hank & Joyc Feldman**

**Henry Meyer Youth Award:** Taizin Barnhardt

CCEJ invites you to join our efforts by attending the Humanitarian Awards Dinner and supporting this important cause and our exceptional honorees.

The sponsorship & ticket registration form is available at

[www.ccej.org/humanitarian-awards-dinner/](http://www.ccej.org/humanitarian-awards-dinner/)

For questions about this year's dinner, please call 562-435-8184 or email [kmcilquham@cccej.org](mailto:kmcilquham@cccej.org).

# SISTERHOOD



## SISTERHOOD LUNCH ON SUNDAY, APRIL 14



### Sisterhood Annual Meeting and *Board Installation Dinner*

**Monday, June 10 at 6:30 pm**

Peris Restaurant  
12155 Carson St, Hawaiian Gardens  
(corner of Carson and Norwalk Blvd.)



Mediterranean Cuisine  
**\$35 - Buffet Style**

Please RSVP by Thursday, June 6  
to Charmaine at [clw@tilb.org](mailto:clw@tilb.org)



### *Sisterhood Gift Shop*

Looking for the perfect birthday gift,  
b'nai mitzvah gift or hostess gift?

SHOP AT OUR GIFT SHOP!



## HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

By Natalie Petersen



Greetings Temple Israelites! We are looking forward to an action packed month here in the High School Program. We will kick May off with our 9<sup>th</sup> grade trip to a Buddhist Temple, where students will learn about the value of tolerance and became more worldly and traveled. That very same day, our new ANDI representatives will be installed, already on their way to add their own unique flair to

Temple Israel. We are excited to announce our new ANDI Board for 2019-2020! President: **Johanna Brown**, Programming VP: **Olivia Lerer**, Social Action Co VP's: **Sasha Pullman and Samantha Rosenfeld**, Religious and Cultural VP: **Abby Hartz**, Membership VP: **Trevor Davis Dressner**, Financial VP: **Amanda Berman**, Communication VP: **Chloe Pullman**, 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep: Sarah Factorman, 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep: **Brandon Brown**.

On May 5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders will combine efforts to participate in a rehearsal of the much-anticipated Teen Service. Even after all that rehearsing, our ANDI Board will meet once again to do what they do best: tailoring our experiences here at Temple Israel to enrich and cultivate the experiences of our high schoolers to further their Jewish identity and education.

Beep Beep! On May 8<sup>th</sup>, Temple Israel will hold its meeting for the annual 8<sup>th</sup>-grade New York field trip, where parents will receive itineraries for this once-in-a-lifetime Jewish trip to the Big Apple! That next Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders will strengthen their bonds at their Shabbat at Home get-together. They will laugh, they will eat, they will talk, and then they will eat little more. We're going to miss those 12<sup>th</sup> graders next year, but we can't wait for the 11<sup>th</sup> graders to step up and fill their shoes!

On May 15<sup>th</sup>, the 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders will participate in the second rehearsal for the Teen Service, which will be a precursor to our fabulous Teen Service. Ever a highlight of the High School Program, this year's Teen Service is sure to be spectacular (but I might just be saying that because I am helping run it!). Our seniors' reflections this year will reflect a diverse array of experiences here at Temple Israel, from those who attended since Kindergarten to those who came in 6<sup>th</sup> grade; all positive and fulfilling experiences that had come as a result of Temple Israel's kind and nurturing staff and environment.

We invite the entire congregation to attend the **Teen Service on Friday, May 17 at 7:00 pm**. It is not something you want to miss.

And finally, to finish up the month of May, our teens will participate in the final lock-in of the year, where we will play games, hang out, and create everlasting memories long into the night. Here's to next year!

## THIS MONTH'S B'NOT MITZVAH



**CARLY FERDMAN**

May 25, 2019

Hi my name is Carly Ferdman and I will become a Bat Mitzvah on May 25, 2019. I am in seventh grade at McAuliffe Middle School. I have a twin sister named Jaclyn.

I like playing with my cats Snowflake and Pumpkin and hanging out with my camp friends.

My Mitzvah Project was to help raise money for my second home Camp JCA Shalom.

My project is important to me because I get to help rebuild my camp that burned down in the Woolsey Fire.

I held a silent auction at the Jewish Community Center during the Purim Carnival and raised over \$1200.00 for camp.



**JACS FERDMAN**

May 25, 2019

Hi. My name is Jacs Ferdman and I'll be becoming a Bat Mitzvah on May 25, 2019. I am in 7th grade and attend McAuliffe Middle School. I like to travel to different places around the world with my family. I love going to sleep away camp, writing essays, drawing and being around friends.

My Mitzvah Project is called Make A Wish, a non-profit organization that helps grant wishes to children with terminal illnesses or diseases. I am part of the make a wish club at my school. We hold events and

fundraisers in order to grant wishes to kids. This year, the club granted its fourth wish. We were able to send a 4 year old boy to his favorite place—Disneyworld. He was so excited and happy!

Being part of the make a wish club has right me that anything is possible when people work together. I can't wait to see what other wishes we make happen over the years.





### **BUILDING A COMMUNITY, ONE NAIL AT A TIME**

By Paul Levitt, *Social Action Committee and Temple Israel Representative to the Long Beach Area Faith Coalition for Habitat for Humanity.*

Temple Israel is active in the Long Beach Area Faith Coalition for Habitat for Humanity. Our coalition partners include, but are not limited to, representatives from Methodist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Latter Day Saints, Congregational, Catholic and Muslim congregations.

The coalition's primary mission is to raise money for the home builds planned by Habitat for Humanity within the Long Beach area, and to bring together different faith communities to pool energies to help provide affordable housing to those in need in Long Beach.

The coalition raised \$150,000 to fund one of the four homes completed in August 2018 in the Washington Heights area off of Henderson Avenue, and so far has raised about 30% of the \$150,000 necessary to fund one of the 10 homes slated for the 14th Street- Pine/Pacific site.

Also, the coalition sponsors several build days per year. During this time together, participants often share spiritual beliefs and practices while working on projects such as painting, flooring, siding, and roofing. "These builds are always an example of ways different faith communities join together to express common tenets of community service for those in need," said Chris Untiet, Director of Faith Relations, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Los Angeles.

Many congregants from Temple Israel have enjoyed participating in these builds. Long time member Barry Mitnick said, "What a rewarding experience! Knowing that you are helping a deserving family become homeowners moving into their first home; coming together with other volunteers to make their dream a reality."

Adding to the experience, we sometimes meet and work with the future homeowners. They are required to put in "sweat equity" hours on homes and other projects as part of the purchase agreement with Habitat. They are always extremely thankful for any and all assistance, as they watch their new homes being built by volunteers.

Recently, Habitat for Humanity worked with cities to schedule builds on Sundays for Jewish organizations. For example, in February this year, Habitat successfully organized the first Sunday build for Wilshire Boulevard Temple in Los Angeles.

Opportunities for participation from Temple Israel congregants will be abundant since volunteers will be needed to construct the 10 homes at the 14th Pine and Pacific site beginning in late summer of this year. After that, 38 additional homes are planned at 1332 Locust for a total of 52 units in the Long Beach area.

During this construction, Habitat for Humanity plans to designate one day per month specifically for Long Beach coalition builds where 3 to 5 congregants participate from each congregation. The Social Action Committee is looking forward not only to recruiting congregants for these coalition builds but also will be sponsoring build days specifically for Temple Israel.

In the meantime, if you would like to participate on a build, please go to [www.habitatla.org](http://www.habitatla.org). If you have any items like furniture, appliances, building supplies, tools or other items to donate, go to the Habitat Restores at [www.habitatla.org/restores](http://www.habitatla.org/restores). For more information feel free to email [plevitt@gmail.com](mailto:plevitt@gmail.com) or stop by one of the monthly Social Action Committee meetings at Temple Israel to be part of building "a world where everyone has a decent place to live."

### **ISCD THANKS TEMPLE ISRAEL FOR ITS SUPPORT**

By Jared Goldin

Trish and I returned recently from a trip to Israel, where we participated in Good Wheel 2019, a cycling and trekking fundraising journey through the northern Galleli to benefit the Israel Sport Center for the Disabled (the ISCD and "Spivak" to the Israelis), located in Ramat Gan (Tel Aviv). The collections from the TI Tzedaka Box from March--which was Jewish Disability Awareness and Acceptance Month--were generously donated towards our fundraising goal for this event, as were direct donations made by numerous TI members, all of which helped Trish and I come close to doubling our initial goal (although no one will get angry if you still want to go to [goodwheel.net](http://goodwheel.net) and make a donation!).

Although the trip was somewhat about the cycling I did (we lost one day to rain, but got in over 150 miles over 3 days, during which I rode with many Israeli para-cycling champions and other athletes with disabilities), the hiking and exploring Trish did, the wonderful new friends we made, the incredible food and the amazing places we visited, at the beginning and at the end of the day, the trip was about getting to see first hand the magic that takes place at the ISCD--from watching the only woman play on their wheelchair rugby team, to seeing young children with CP learning to swim--and meeting, interacting with, breaking bread with and watching in action the athletes and their trainers and teachers who through their courage, commitment and hard work (often all coming after going through the many stages that a person facing adversity has traveled through, including denial, anger and fear) become the best person they each can be, oftentimes elite and sometimes even world class competitive athletes. That's why, instead of one of the many great biking, trekking or travel pics we took, I chose the picture below to convey both ours and the ISCD community's thank you for your support as it best represents why Trish and I went and why we are now even more committed to finding ways to support and interact with the ISCD and its US support arm, the American Friends of the ISCD, efforts which we hope to further engage the TI community in going forward. And, of course, everyone is invited to join me for Good Wheel 2020 in October, 2020. As they cheer for their athletes at the ISCD, "Go Spivak!"



## NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

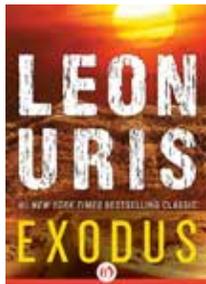
by Joan Leb

There are two important observances this month: **Yom HaShoah-Holocaust Remembrance Day** on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and **Yom Ha'Atzmaut-Israel Independence Day** on May 9<sup>th</sup>.

We have many books in our library on the Holocaust and on Israel. The Holocaust has its own classification number, 736, and books on Israel can be found in the 800 section.

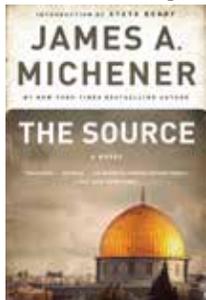
I recently heard an author discuss why she writes fiction. She said it was because it was her way of getting at the truth. Of course, everyone has a version of the truth, and I thought it would be interesting to learn what some fiction writers had to say about the two events that we are observing this month.

### Holocaust



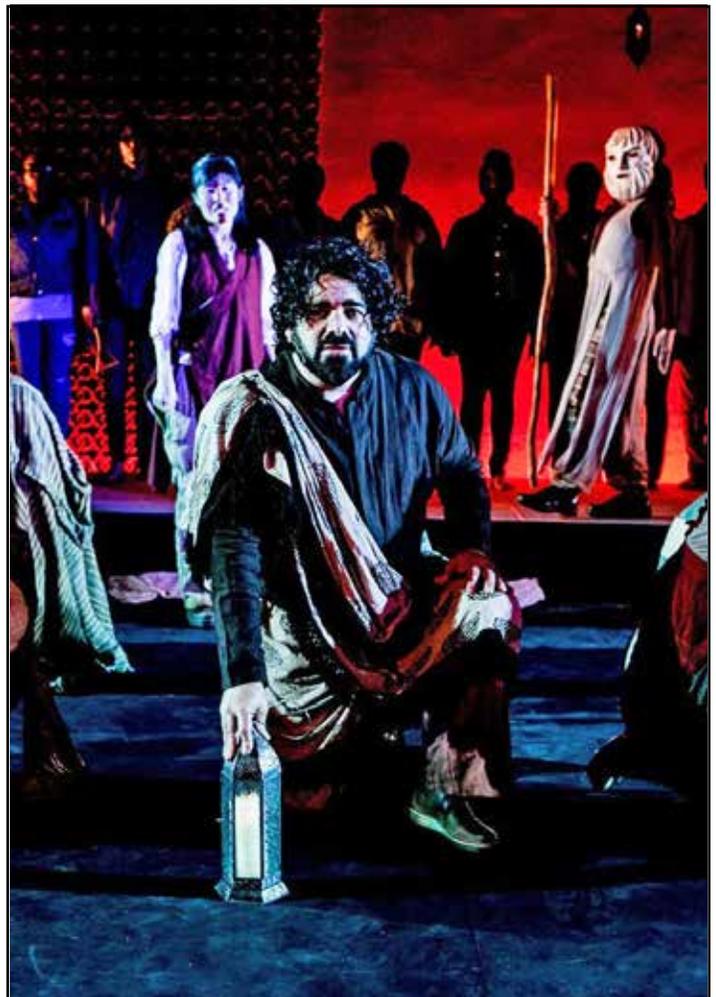
*Exodus* by Leon Uris  
*The Autobiography of God* by Julius Lester  
*The Tenth Witness* by Leonard J. Rosen  
*Once We Were Brothers* by Ronald H. Balson  
*A Boy in Winter* by Rachel Seiffert  
*In the Memory of the Forest* by Charles T. Powers  
*The Shawl* by Cynthia Ozick

### Israel Independence Day



*The Source* by James Michener  
*The Secret Chord* by Geraldine Brooks  
*The Betrayers* by David Bezmozgis  
*To the End of the Land* by David Grossman  
*The Dovekeepers* by Alice Hoffman  
*Drawing in the Dust* by Zoe Klein  
*What We Talk About When We Talk About Anne Frank*  
by Nathan Englander

Look into these books to learn the authors' truths or check out the two sections on the topics.



**JOIN US FOR  
TIKKUN LEIL SHAVUOT**  
FEATURING A WRITING WORKSHOP  
AND PERFORMANCE  
**BY THEATER DYBBUK**  
**One Community, Many Stories:  
Standing at Sinai**

**Saturday, June 8 at 6:45 pm**

Join us, as we gather in song and study, in celebration of the Festival of Shavuot. Theatre Dybbuk, Southern California's premiere Jewish theatrical arts and education company, comes to Temple Israel to take us on a journey through our own personal narratives of revelation and transformation. The evening will culminate with a reading by professional actors of the community's stories. Don't miss this unique experience at Temple Israel!

**No Cost to Attend • RSVP Requested**

Please RSVP to Charmaine at [clw@tilb.org](mailto:clw@tilb.org)

**REMINDER**

**PLEASE RETURN  
ALL LIBRARY BOOKS  
BY SUNDAY, MAY 19**

## EARLY CHILDHOOD TOT PROGRAMS

# Tot Shabbat

WITH CANTOR HASS

Friday, May 3 at 6:00 pm

Next Tot Shabbat - June 21



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. Tot Shabbat Services will be followed by challah and grape juice as well as a **FREE PIZZA DINNER after the Service!**

Please RSVP by **Wednesday, May 1**  
to Michelle at [mdt@tilb.org](mailto:mdt@tilb.org)



**Saturday, May 4 at 10:00 am**

at Marina Vista Park (near tennis courts)



Come join us for our next Shabbat ShaPARK Shalom! This gathering at Marina Vista Park is designed for families with young children. Come meet other parents and celebrate Shabbat with us at the playground. Kids can play...Parents can chat. Shabbat singing and challah too! **See you at the park!**

All are welcome to attend. **FREE OF CHARGE**

## SHABBAT SERVICES

Rabbi Wolli & Sarah Kaelter

### SABBATH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM & SERVICE

**Saturday, May 4 at 10:30 am**

featuring American Cirque Entertainers

**Allan Laurano,**

*acrobat/juggler*

**David Martinez,**

*comedic magician*



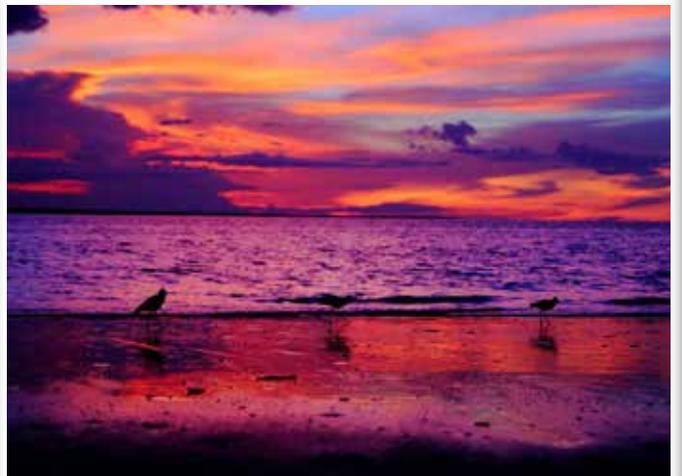
**Lunch included - \$5 per person**

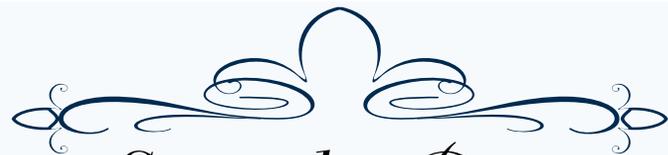
Please RSVP to the Temple Office (562) 434-0996

## SHABBAT HANEFESH

**Friday, May 10 @ 6:00 pm**

Please join Cantor Hass, Bill Shafton and percussionist Christo Pellani as they embark on a spiritual and uplifting Shabbat journey. Come enjoy the melodies we all know and love, presented with an acoustic, meditative flare, filled with powerful readings.





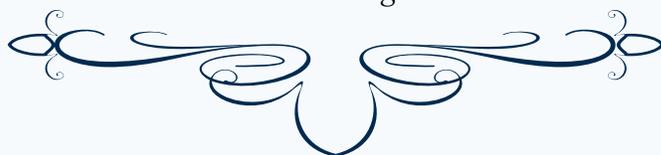
## Save the Date

Brunch honoring  
Rabbi Moskowitz

**Sunday, June 23 at 10 am**

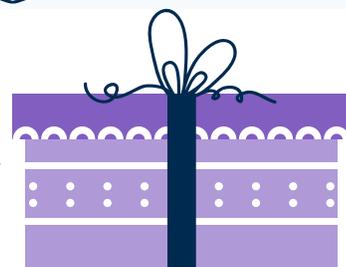
*Join us as we come together to  
appreciate Rabbi Steven Moskowitz  
for his 15 years of inspired leadership.*

Details Coming Soon



## *A Special Gift for*

# *Rabbi Steven Moskowitz*



As a community, we come together to express our appreciation to Rabbi Moskowitz for his 15 years of inspired spiritual leadership with these gifts:

Two forms of remembrance will be presented to **Rabbi and Ana at the event on June 23** to accompany them to their next adventure. We hope everyone will take the time to share their memories and express their gratitude in one form or another and to encourage others to do the same.

### **Box of Appreciation** *(Private)*

This is a private collection of letters, memories and appreciation, which will be given to Rabbi Moskowitz and Ana. Which personal experiences with the Rabbi have meant the most to you? Open your heart and share them in a letter. All submissions will be placed (unopened, if sealed) in a handsome archival box for Rabbi and Ana to open at their leisure.

Please hand deliver to the Temple Office, or email your note to: [thankUrabbi@gmail.com](mailto:thankUrabbi@gmail.com) (*it will be printed out and placed in the box*). **Deadline: June 19.**

### **Book of Appreciation** *(Digital)*

A digitally collected and designed book of your experiences and appreciation of Rabbi Moskowitz will be printed and bound into a book. Please submit pictures, anecdotes, experiences and

appreciation that you are willing to share with the congregation. The book will be sent with Rabbi and Ana on their next adventure. In addition, these images may also be used in a photo montage shown during the event.

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*Jay Albadeff, Carol Beckerman, Chris Bellettini, Barbara Crane, Timu Gallien, David and Susan Philips*

## JOYS OF JEWISH LEARNING

Screening of short film  
**HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR BAND  
AND FEATURE FILM GERMANS & JEWS**  
Havdallah and Discussion

**Saturday, May 4 at 7:00pm**

### Holocaust Survivor Band

This short 2015 documentary by Director Joshua Z. Weinstein profiles two elderly Holocaust survivors in Florida who recently formed their own Klezmer band.

### Germans & Jews

Today, Europe's fastest growing Jewish population is in Berlin. Germany is considered one of the most democratic societies in the world, assuming the position of moral leaders in Europe, as it embraces hundreds of thousands of refugees. None of these developments could have been imagined in 1945. Through personal stories, *Germans & Jews* explores the country's transformation from silence about the Holocaust to facing it head on. Unexpectedly, a nuanced story of reconciliation emerges. What began as a private conversation between the two filmmakers and friends, Tal Recanati (Jewish) and Janina Quine (non-Jewish German), grew into a cultural exchange among many. We realize that the two people are inextricably linked through the memory of the Holocaust. *Germans & Jews* is provocative, unexpected, and enlightening.

*Cost: none*

### COOKING: RUGELACH THEN AND NOW

**Tuesday, May 7 at 7:00 pm**

Teacher: Eve Lunt

A traditional deli cookie grows up into an easy and impressive savory dish that will impress your family and friends. In this class, you'll make a classic chocolate chip rugelach from scratch, as good as Bubbe made - for when you want to bake a treat. But you'll also learn an easy way to take the classic roll up method of making this cookie and make a scrumptious spinach and cheese version that you can make from ready-made dough and frozen spinach. *Cost: \$8 - RSVP requested*



### WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

**Wednesday, May 8 at 7:30 pm**

Discussing the book,  
*Irena's Children* by Tilar J. Mazzeo



Irena Sendler was a young Polish woman living in Warsaw during World War II with an incredible story of survival and selflessness. With guts of steel and unfaltering bravery, Irena smuggled thousands of children out of the walled Jewish ghetto.

### TROPE INTENSIVE

**Wednesdays at 7:00pm**  
**June 5, 12, 19 and 26**

Teacher: Cantor Hass

Have you always wanted to learn how to chant Torah? Well, now is your chance! Join us in a four week course as we navigate the sounds that help bring our Torah to life! Intermediate level Hebrew is a must, as we are limited in our time together. For more information or with questions, please contact Cantor Hass. *Cost: none*



### BEYOND THE WAY OF PRAYER: Hasidic Insights

**Thursdays 7:00 pm**  
**May 30 and June 6**

Teacher: Rabbi Moskowitz

What is the purpose of prayer? What is the power of prayer? To whom is it directed? Guided by Hasidic insights we will examine these questions and more as we explore the spiritual ladder that our liturgy is. *Cost: none*



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## INTERFAITH GREETINGS

By Roni Love, SCIC Member



Following the horrific massacre of Muslims in Christchurch, NZ, Temple Israel's Social Action Committee connected with ICLB and set up two events of support, one sheltering their Call to Prayer and another at their Family Night. The following are my dinner remarks to our sisters and brothers at the Islamic Center of LB on April 13, 2019.

Asalam mua'laikum, sisters and brothers. May peace be upon you...

Those of us who are representing our Temple Israel family, both tonight and also on March 29<sup>th</sup> when we were here to support and shelter you as you answered the Call to Prayer, have done so in peace and in friendship. Our message to you is simple and it is sincere. We want you, the members of the Islamic Center of LB, to know and to be sure that Temple Israel considers you as part of our family ... our sisters and brothers.

The evil that took place nearly 4 weeks ago in Christchurch, NZ has torn at our hearts and wounded our souls. We hold you in our hearts and we stand with you...not only during this painful time, but every day, in solidarity and in love ~ as sisters and brothers; as one family.

We have not forgotten that you stood with us when the misguided members of the Westboro Baptist Church held an anti-Jewish picket outside Temple Israel 9 years ago. Your love touched our hearts and helped push their hate away.

The longtime friendship between Temple Israel and your masjid, the Islamic Center of Long Beach, began when Imam Tarek and I began serving on the board of directors of the South Coast Interfaith Council (SCIC) together and has continued over these many years.

I also bring you words from Rabbi Jonah Dov Pesner, Director of Reform Judaism's Religious Action Center, when he uttered a call to action saying it is true that "liberation from the plague of bigotry" comes only when moral people of ALL faiths, all races and cultures bind together against hateful forces that seek to divide us.

Shukran...thank you. Connecting with you tonight at Family Night is especially fitting. We must do more of this...!

Shalom Aleichem. May peace be with you and those you love...

# May Anniversaries

- 2 Myron Wollin and Cynthia Gordon - 37 years
- 4 Gary and Regina Roberts - 23 years
- 9 Bob and Ronni Kaplan - 48 years
- 15 Gerry and Kathy Fishkin - 31 years
- 17 Kenneth Chesnin and Gwen Shaffer - 11 years
- 18 Cary Feibleman and Kim Savage - 33 years  
Gerald and Nancy Graham - 6 years
- 19 Glenn and Stacey Levine - 18 years
- 20 David and Mercedes Facterman - 19 years  
Bert and Alexis Rabenn - 46 years
- 21 Ron and Betsy Cheek - 53 years
- 23 Seth and Amy Goldman - 21 years
- 24 Bill and Sharon Coleman - 33 years  
Brian and Laurie Garabedian - 32 years  
Carl and Elise Hartman - 32 years  
Daniel Hart and Sheila Carter-Hart - 27 years  
Joe and Phyllis Parnet - 55 years
- 25 Lloyd and Nancy Blum - 21 years  
Mark and Amber Sokolowski - 7 years
- 26 William Gould and Adelle Drane-Bosch - 6 years  
Andrew and Cantor Sara Hass - 6 years  
Gary and Lisa Marschall - 17 years  
Bob and Phyllis Wallis - 51 years
- 27 Daniel and Lauren Feldman - 7 years  
Marvin and Lory Glickman - 63 years  
Linda Keiles and Leslie Ciletti - 12 years  
David Tillman and Karen Zoller - 40 years
- 28 Rick and Terri Dobrofsky - 13 years
- 29 Barry and Kendra Cogert - 31 years  
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Harold and Gerda Seifer - 64 years
- 30 Paul and Marian Martin - 26 years  
Jeffrey and Sheryl Stewart - 26 years



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## "Zecher Tzadik Livracha"

*The memory of the righteous are a blessing*



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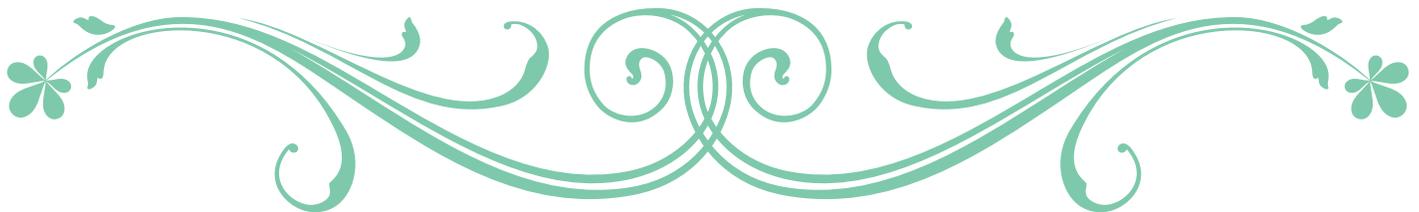
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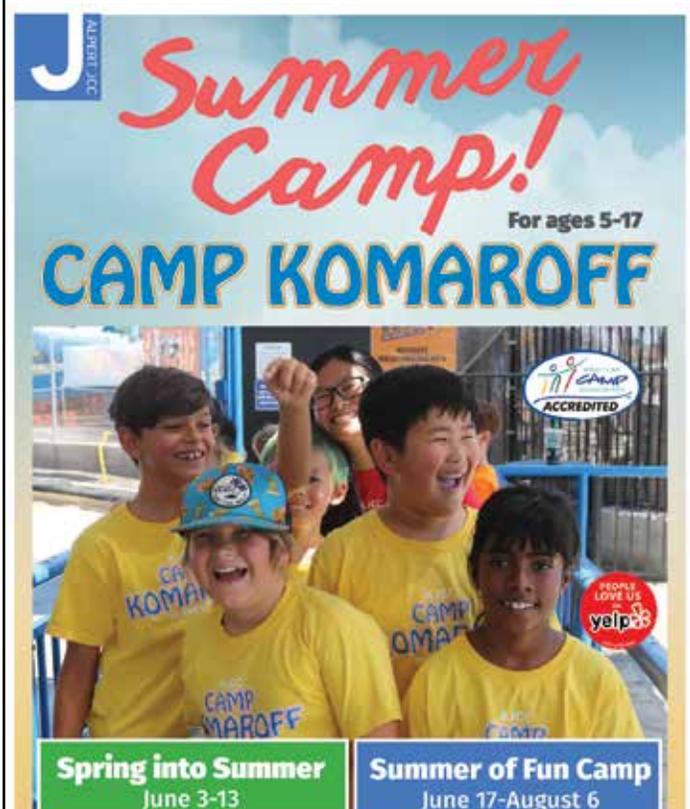
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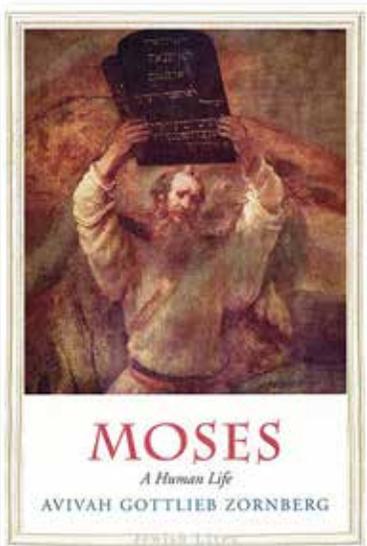
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