



Kol Yisra'el THE VOICE OF TEMPLE ISRAEL

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ALL SHUK UP! Sunday, November 17 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Join our Sisterhood for an Israeli marketplace filled with Mediterranean food and gifts to win or buy

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SHABBAT HANEFESH Friday, November 8 ~ 6 p.m.

Please join Cantor Hass, Bill Shafon 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.



GOT SHABBAT? SERVICE

Friday, November 22
at 7:00 pm

A Jazz-infused Muscial Service featuring

Kendra Cogert and the Shabbatones



TOWN HALL MEETING

Sunday, November 24
at 10:30 am

Join us as we hear an update from our Organization Improvement Initiative and Rabbi Search Committee

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Tot Shabbat

Friday, November 15 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 and

FREE PIZZA DINNER FOLLOWING THE SERVICE!

Please RSVP for Friday's Tot Shabbat by

Wednesday, November 13 to Michelle at mdt@tilb.org

Rabbi Wolli & Sarah Kaelter SABBATH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM & SERVICE

featuring

BOGART & BOYD

MUSICAL ENTERTAINERS

Saturday, November 2 at 10:30 a.m.

This musical duo's enjoyment of performing together is contagious, drawing in listeners of all musical tastes.



**\$5 per person,
includes
lunch and entertainment**

Please RSVP to Charmaine chw@tilb.org

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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.

NOVEMBER SHABBAT SERVICES

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

Friday, November 1

7:00 pm Family Shabbat Service

Saturday, November 2

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Sabbath Fellowship Service

Friday, November 8

6:00 pm Shabbat HaNefesh

Saturday, November 9

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service
Bat Mitzvah of Sadie Brown

Friday, November 15

6:00 pm PreSchool Tot Shabbat with Cantor Hass

7:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday, November 16

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service

Friday, November 22

7:00 pm Got Shabbat? Service

Saturday, November 23

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service
Bar Mitzvah of Nathan Friedman

Friday, November 29

7:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday, November 30

8:45 am Torah Study

10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service

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REFLECTIONS ON THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

By Steve Gordon, Temple President



When I sat down at my computer to write this article, it was the day after Yom Kippur, and I felt compelled to write about my experiences over the last ten days. Being in a leadership role, there is often a certain amount of pressure and stress leading up to a significant event. And I think it's safe to say that the High Holy Days qualify as a significant event. Fortunately for me, I did not have the responsibilities associated with logistical arrangements that needed to be made.

Those tasks fell on our amazing staff. Rabbi Simon, Cantor Hass, Eric, Sharon, Charmaine, Michelle, and Jackie were the ones who put everything together, from preparing for and leading services, to making certain we had what was needed for havdallah at the end of Yom Kippur, and everything in between. I would also like to thank our custodial staff of Mike and Keke for all of their hard work as well.

From the very beginning at Erev Rosh HaShanah, I sat in the pews, looked back, and saw the room filling up. The same was true for the other services I attended. Each time, we had a full house, which filled my heart with joy. When I was able to let go of the feelings of concern that things would go well, I settled into my seat, let the beautiful music wash over me, and recited the prayers that make the High Holy Days, holy. Many of the prayers we say on a regular basis, of course, but when we have the raised bima, transcendent music, and a room full of fellow congregants, the atmosphere itself becomes holy.

This year, we are blessed to have Rabbi Simon, and his unique sense of humor, along with us. Although I'm not certain that Rabbi read the portion of his contract that says he needs to give back some of his salary when he tells jokes that people don't laugh at. Luckily for him, I've heard at least mild chuckles at virtually all of his jokes. In addition to his humor, and leading us in prayer, Rabbi Simon also inspired us with his sermons. They made me think and feel, as well as stimulate conversation. Whether you agree with what he had to say or not (and virtually everyone I spoke to raved about them), the sermons inspired intelligent and respectful dialogue.

On Yom Kippur morning, as I drove up to Temple, I saw the familiar sight of a truck being loaded up with bags of food. I want to thank all of you who contributed to a very successful food drive. As we break our fast, and eat what we choose each day, it's very easy to forget about those who don't have enough to eat. Seeing that truck being filled up with food reminded me of how fortunate we are. It also reinforced the importance of gratitude, which sometimes gets hidden while we experience our daily routines. During my talk at Rosh HaShanah, I mentioned how proud I am to be a member of Temple Israel. Observing my faith by ritual practice in such a meaningful way with so many other fellow congregants, and

witnessing those same fellow congregants displaying the generous act of feeding the hungry, confirmed how proud I am to be part of our synagogue community.

To complete my reporting of the last ten days, last Sunday I attended a meeting of the Settled Rabbi Search Committee, and was blown away by the talent sitting at that table. This edition of the Kol Yisra'el includes an article about the search, so I'm not going to steal their thunder. But I do want to say how pleased and impressed I am with the people on that committee. I also want to emphasize the need for everyone's involvement. Thank you very much to those who responded to the survey sent out seeking your input. And as we continue through the process, there will be additional opportunities to share your thoughts and feedback. Choosing our next Rabbi is an enormously impactful decision, and it is critical to hear from as many of you as possible.

Now that we are in November, and moving away from the High Holy Days, I wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving, filled with lots of good things to eat, family to cherish, and friends who provide meaning and fulfillment to our lives.

PERSONNEL - CONTRACT EXTENSION

We are pleased to inform you that at a special meeting of the Board of Directors held on Tuesday, October 22, the Board voted overwhelmingly to extend Cantor Sara Hass' current contract for another year, through June 30, 2021. This means that Cantor Hass will be with us for the duration of the 2019-2020 year, as well as the 2020-2021 Temple calendar year. In the fall of 2020, the Board will take up the question of offering the Cantor a new, multi-year contract.

After hearing reports from Interim Rabbi Jim Simon, who functions as the Cantor's mentor and supervisor, as well as the Temple's Personnel Committee, led by Linda Burney and Freda Ross, a majority of the Board felt this was the right decision for many different reasons.

We all know that this is a transitional year for Temple Israel. As such, the entire Board of Directors and professional staff are committed to bringing continuity and stability to our Temple community. The Temple as a whole, and in particular the B'nai Mitzvah students and families, have benefited from Cantor Hass' extensive training, as she is the first ordained Cantor in the nearly 100-year history of our synagogue. Her presence complements the outstanding professional staff who serve our community with dedication, competence and creativity. We are optimistic that by working together, we (the congregation, Board of Directors, Rabbi Simon, Cantor Hass, Executive Director Eric Shatzkin, and Educator Sharon Amster Brown) will not only attract an exciting and charismatic new Senior Rabbi to join us as of July 1, 2020, we will also determine our future together.

As the year goes by, we will continue to keep you informed as to all significant developments occurring at Temple Israel. In the meantime, if you have any questions/comments about the decision made by the Board, please don't hesitate to contact any or all of us.

Shalom,

Steve Gordon, *President*, Linda Burney, *Personnel Committee Chair*
Interim Rabbi Jim Simon and Freda Ross, *Personnel Committee*



GOD KNOWS EXACTLY THE KIND OF RABBI TILB NEEDS - ARE YOU ON THE SAME PAGE AS GOD?

By Rabbi Jim Simon



When it becomes clear that Moses is not going to get to the Promised Land, (some of this is because of unpaid parking tickets) God begins to lay the ground work to inform the Israelites that they will require a new leader once they cross over to the land of Israel.

However, before God can articulate the key attributes that are necessary in a leader, (see Deuteronomy, Chapter 31) the Israelites are reminded that the new leader will fail unless the Israelites are willing to accept two very important ideas – first, the new leader must

be given the requisite authority so that he/she has a fair chance to succeed, and second, the new leader must be seen and accepted by the people as the legitimate successor to Moses.

What does this mean for us? The first reminder is directed to a Board of Directors or other leaders who seek to diminish the required authority that a Rabbi needs to do his/her job. The second reminder is for congregants (all of you reading this) and a concise and brutally candid summary of what God is warning against is the idea that congregants might be unwilling or unable to accept the new Rabbi because he/she is not named Kaelter, Brown, Laibson or Moskowitz. Further, we cannot even look at this new Rabbi because he/she does not look like or sound like our previous beloved Rabbis. (Ouch!)

If we cannot move beyond our nostalgic dreams, we will spend all of our energy trying to bring back Rabbi Kaelter from the grave or find a way to return these other Rabbis to our pulpit. If we look at the new Rabbi and constantly compare him/her to the others, we lose out on our opportunity to get to know the new Rabbi as a unique individual who brings his/her own set of experience, skills and abilities to our congregation.

In sum, this is what God is saying to the Israelites- I love Moses, you love Moses, but Moses is not indispensable. Soon, he will die, he will never return, and you must accept the fact that there will be a new leader, and he/she will fail unless he/she is seen and accepted as the new and the only leader.

The Torah is very clear about the qualities you should be looking for (again, please look at Chapter 31 in Deuteronomy) in the new Rabbi. I have identified four of the qualities that God recommends for a worthy leader.

- 1) COURAGE - A Rabbi who has the courage of his convictions.
- 2) BOLDNESS - She is not afraid to be innovative and to dream.
- 3) FEARLESS - He is not intimidated by anyone and is not afraid to be unpopular.
- 4) REFUSES TO BE DISMAYED - She is patient and willing to go forward even when everyone else wants to turn back. She is not a quitter.

Fortunately, we have a wonderful Search Committee with a diverse group of individuals who bring wisdom, common sense and experience to this difficult task. I am confident in their ability to find a Rabbi who will lead TILB into the future. Hopefully, you will be able to see and accept our new Rabbi as the Rabbi of Temple Israel.

I know that is what God would want from all of us.

EXPERIENCING THE LITURGY

By Mark Dressner, VP Ritual Practices



For those who are new, or newish, coming to service, the order, the ritual, the tunes, and the meaning can be quite confusing. Torah Center teacher Rachel Van Raalte will be teaching **Shabbat Morning Services 101 on Sunday morning Nov. 17 at 9:30**. This is a great opportunity to more informally learn about the service. You can ask any questions in order to make your next attendance at service more comfortable and meaningful.

The liturgy remains the same but how it is presented may vary greatly. We are so fortunate at Temple Israel that we have such a variety of ways to experience our liturgy. We have more traditional services, Family Service, Shabbat HaNefesh, Got Shabbat, Kol HaShabbat, Tot Shabbat, Teen Service, and more.

Approximately two services per month, usually the 3rd and 4th Friday, we have the more traditional services. This is where the music is usually familiar following Reform and Temple Israel tradition. Occasionally a new tune is snuck in but if what you are looking for is something comfortable to help you arrive where you would like, this is it. Also if you are trying to understand and learn a more traditional service this might be where to start.

The second Friday of the month is usually Shabbat HaNefesh. This is a folkish/new age kind of service with guitar, percussion, and sometime cello and piano. There is much poetry. There are new tunes and new songs that open up our liturgy in new ways. This may seem unfamiliar to you but after attending a few times the tunes and words become part of you. As one congregant said “When she sings an unfamiliar song I just close my eyes and feel so much peace.”

Got Shabbat is approximately four times per year. This is a wonderful jazz service with piano, bass, percussion, and a variety of reed/wind instruments. The music with the same prayers moves one in entirely different directions. If you want to get up and dance, or rejoice in watching others dance, this is a joyous and soulful service. Kendra Cogert melts my heart as she sings before the mourner’s Kaddish.

Kol HaShabbat is a post Shabbat, havdallah, rocking celebration led by Bill Shafton. Anyone with skill can play strings or percussion. If there is a poem you love or a prayer you love then become part of the service. If you want to hear some of our best singers and different cantors in our congregation rock out separately or together this is the celebratory service for you. Welcome the new week, and new book of the Torah with good cheer and a mini music fest.

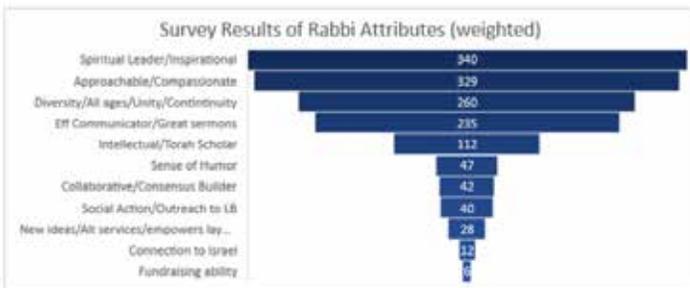
At Temple Israel we are not scared to experiment AND we are not scared to hold onto traditions. I challenge you to regularly try out the different types of services. Let the unfamiliar rapidly become familiar. Learn the traditional services so that they become meaningful and prepare you to be comfortable in any reform temple. If you are not sure, just close your eyes and let yourself be taken away. As always, if you have any comments, please contact me at VPritualpractices@tilb.org



RABBI SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

Thank you so much to all of you who participated in the congregational survey for the Rabbi Search Committee. We are happy to see about 25% response rate for this survey. We realize that it was difficult for you to choose only three attributes. The reason we limited your choices to three was that the Central Conference of American Rabbis (CCAR) application includes eight questions in addition to the demographics and data related to the synagogue. One of the narrative questions is “What three qualities are most important to your congregation in your new rabbi?” Although all of the qualities are desirable in a rabbi, we needed your help to distinguish which qualities were the most important to our temple. So thank you for your involvement. Thank you also for the thoughtful comments on the survey and emails. We found that on some issues, congregants had widely disparate responses especially in the areas of Israel and Politics. But that is what is so wonderful about our highly diverse congregation: no matter our differences, we are one family. We can still enjoy each other, learn together, celebrate together and support each other during both good and bad times.

In analyzing the data, we first grouped the attributes into categories BEFORE we examined the numbers so that the data would not influence our decisions. Because we wanted the results to reflect your first, second and third choices, we weighted the data (3 points for each first choice, 2 for second choice, 1 for third choice). The data very clearly shows that, as a synagogue, we want a rabbi that is our spiritual leader, who inspires us, who is approachable and compassionate, and who values diversity, is good with all ages and promotes temple unity. The categories and weighted results are shown in the following graphic.



Though these categories do not encompass all the attributes that we need and desire in a Rabbi, these results are an important piece in the mosaic of information that the RSC will draw from as we move forward in the process of seeking our new Rabbi.

More good news! Our application was accepted by CCAR and posted. By the time you read this, we should already have received and started processing the resumes of candidates. We are right on schedule and moving into phase two of the process. The next step is for the RSC to evaluate each of the candidates and decide which candidates the RSC will conduct virtual interviews with. We are optimistic that we will be able to introduce you to a great set of candidates during their in-person visits at the end of this calendar year and into the start of the next. In the meanwhile, please be sure to continue to communicate with us via the dedicated email

address: TRabbiSearch@tilb.org. Also, make sure to look at the Temple website and e-blasts for updates on the RSC progress between bulletin articles.

B'shalom,

Temple Israel Rabbi Search Committee

Anne Gundry (co-chair), Vicki Scherwin (co-chair), Carmel Artstein, Deborah Fabricant, Alan Kreida, Alan Lilien, Amy Lipeles, Barry Potter, Andrea Salisbury, Scott Smeltzer, David Tillman, Rachel Van Raalte, Ed Zwieback

TEMPLE ISRAEL GRANDPARENT PROGRAM RECOGNIZED BY URJ



We are proud to announce that the **Temple Israel Torah Center Adoptive Grandparents Program**, has been officially selected as a winner of the URJ Best Practices in Programming Award and will be recognized at the URJ Biennial in Chicago this December. **Mazel tov to all of those involved in our Adoptive Grandparents Program!**

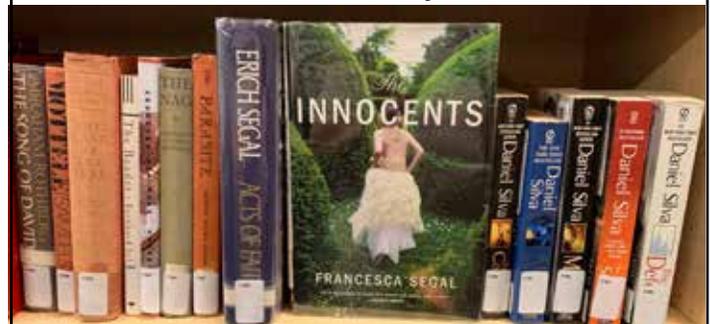
NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

by Joan Leb

JEWISH BOOK MONTH
this year begins **November 23** and
continues until **December 22.**

It is always the month before Hanukkah.

Read one of our 3100 books for Jewish Book Month.



CURRENTLY THE LIBRARY IS NOT ACCEPTING DONATIONS. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE UNWANTED BOOKS AT THE LIBRARY



WE GET LETTERS

By Laurie Arroyo, VP Membership

There is much to learn when joining a temple for the first time or when changing to a different temple. This is especially true if you are new to the area, do not know others in the community or if this is your first Synagogue membership experience. How do I find out information? When are services? What other activities are offered? How can I become involved? What about parking?

Approximately 4 years ago, the Membership Committee developed a mentorship program, part of our Audacious Hospitality initiative, to help our new congregants feel welcomed. We provide a contact person, “mentor,” available to answer questions and listen to concerns. This mentoring continues throughout the first 2 years. To evaluate and improve this program, we have recently begun to ask for feedback on the 2-year anniversary of the congregant joining our community. New member feedback can provide valuable suggestions which will be passed along to the Board, Clergy or staff and we are very pleased with the responses. We appreciate the suggestions, and especially the compliments!

Here is a sampling of some of our recent letters.

Hello!

I just wanted to email you to give you my answers to the letter I received regarding my membership at Temple Israel. I felt extremely welcomed into the temple family and found everyone to be open and nice. I received phone calls wondering how I was doing and if I had any questions. I felt that I was given the information to become more involved and where I could go if I needed any additional information. So far, the experience has been great and I don't feel you need to change anything. I appreciate the temple welcoming me in and I'm glad I joined! - Thanks so much! JL

Dear Membership: Thank you for your inquiry letter & your kind personal message. I have felt from the beginning an immediate sense of being welcomed at Temple Israel. I feel more now that I am somewhat settling in to this Synagogue family. Everyone at Temple Israel is to be commended for excelling in this kindness for hospitality. Having said that, I must admit it was a while before I felt myself step into the mainstream of family life at Temple Israel. I don't believe it was anything lacking on the Synagogue's part, but my own personal adjustments acculturating back into Reform Judaism, after years of study in a Hasidic environment. The service prayer book was hard for me to follow; the music to familiar songs is often different. I have given thought to how new joiners/converts may feel at a service when first attending. I think some help and mentoring would have benefitted me. By reading the Bulletin, I am impressed by the listings of committees and ways to make a donation. However, I didn't know how to become a part of it really. I would like to be involved and a questionnaire would have helped me get into the mainstream sooner. Other than these suggestions, I'm happy & excited getting to know more of you more personally. I really like this follow-up letter you sent me. Having a chance, now

that some time has gone by to reflect and answer these questions. Hope my answers help. Be well. Sincerely, AE

We appreciate hearing from you:

- If you joined Temple Israel over the last 3 – 4 years and want to share your thoughts on your experience when you first joined, please do so.
- If you have an activity you think others would enjoy that you would like to lead, we can help to facilitate a first meeting.
- If you want to be a mentor to a new congregant or family, please let us know! You will surprise yourself at how fulfilling it can be to share the community that is such an important part of your life. To say nothing of the mitzvah you will be doing.

For more information contact us: VPmembership@tilb.org

FOCUS ON NEW MEMBERS

SETH & SARA LINDEN



Seth and Sara Linden recently moved to Long Beach in July with their two boys, Ezra (6) and Pax (3) after many years in San Francisco. Seth grew up in Long Beach (at Temple Israel) and Sara grew up in Phoenix, AZ.

Seth is principal of Gather Consulting, supporting nonprofits by enhancing their board culture and strengthening board governance. Previously, he was a program officer for the Jim Joseph Foundation, a private foundation in San Francisco, which funds Jewish education to create greater meaning, purpose and connection. Before that he ran a tutoring company for 10 years, and started his career in education as a high school teacher in the Bay Area. Seth is a Coro Lead LA fellow, is on the board of Jewish Studio Project, and is a PTA volunteer. He has a Bachelors degree from Stanford and Masters in Teaching from Brown University.

Sara is a part-time Executive Assistant for Reboot, an arts and culture nonprofit that reimagines Jewish thought and tradition. Previously, she was Associate Director of Admissions for Jewish Community High School of the Bay, and before that was a program manager for the JCC in San Francisco, where she created Saturday's Unplugged, a popular Shabbat extravaganza that offered food, music and activities for hundreds of young families. Sara began her career as a biomedical engineer for St. Jude Medical, and after stints at various biomedical start-ups, rekindled her passion for Jewish community engagement, and teaches Mahjong on the side! Sara is a room parent at the JCC. She has a Bachelors degree from Tulane University.

Ezra loves baseball and swimming and started first grade at Cubberly, and Pax loves painting and reading, and is in preschool at the Alpert JCC. Together, the Lindens love hanging out in their backyard gardening, having picnics, and going for bike rides in the neighborhood. They are excited to be back in Long Beach living near their Nana and Zaydie and re-connecting with old friends and family.



ALLISON & SHANE WITHERSPOON



Temple Israel is happy to welcome new members Allison, Shane and Hudson Witherspoon.

Allison grew up at Temple Israel. She is the daughter of member Walter Levy. Her parents, relatives and siblings all celebrated Bar and Bat Mitzvahs at Temple Israel and Allison was confirmed here as well.

Both Allison and Shane are life-long Long Beach residents and are thrilled to be raising their son Hudson in the same community, temple and with the same holidays and traditions. They enjoy spending time as a family, camping, going to the beach and any water activities they come across. Shane also plays hockey, Hudson plays soccer and does Martial Arts and Alli is an avid crossfitter.

Allison has been a teacher in the Compton Unified School District for the past 18 years. Shane is a CT tech for Kaiser.

Hudson, age 5, attends Emerson Elementary School and recently began Kindergarten at Temple Israel.

UPDATE: ORGANIZATIONAL IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE

By Dawn Haldane and Freda Ross

Work continues on OII, the Organizational Improvement Initiative. Currently the teams are researching and documenting potential improvements at Temple Israel. You may have participated in a focus group related to our foundational statements (Mission, Vision, Values), and may have also participated in the discussion held at the recent Town Forum.

Again, listed below are the areas under study, and key people participating in the groups.

1. Review/refresh Mission, Vision, and create Values (Laurie Arroyo, Joanne Levy, Roni Love)
2. Evaluate board purpose, function and structure (Mark Dressner, Bobbi Horowitz, Sheryl Stahl)
3. Develop overall Communication Plan to improve communication with congregation, to include digital task force (Dawn Haldane, David Philips and Alan Lilien)
4. Create ongoing Leadership Development program for board members and congregants, including pipeline and training (Lysa Saltzman and Greg Endelman)
5. Review and update personnel processes (Freda Ross, Linda Burney, Norma Stein, and Stuart Friedman)

The OII group will assemble their work and an Assessment will be produced by end of the year with recommendations. Those recommendations will include improvements we should undertake now, improvements we should undertake within the next one-two years, and improvements we should consider beyond the two-year period. They will also include gaps we have identified but may or may not have the internal resources to assess and/or close.

One thing we have learned is that there has been too much reliance on oral tradition over the years. As such, when the Assessment is concluded, we will also put in place some sort of repository to store documents to facilitate a smoother knowledge transfer, especially as Board Members change.

We will also update our Bylaws as necessary as improvements are implemented.

One of the key areas for improvements involves communication with the congregation. At the recent Town Hall, we put forth several questions:

1. What information are you getting from the Temple and enjoy reading? How do you get it?
2. What information do you really not enjoy getting?
3. What information is missing?
4. How do you communicate with the Board?
5. How would you make your feelings known to the Board?
6. How would you like to communicate with Board?
7. Do you know when Board meetings are held? If you did, would you be interested in attending?

We invite you to participate in this discussion by providing your own feedback. Please send an email to OII@tilb.org to participate.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Douglas and Joy Wadleigh

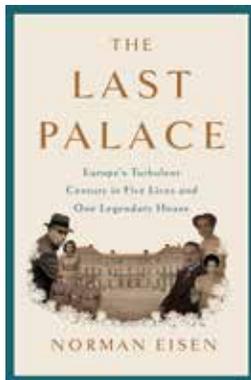


WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, November 13 at 7:00 pm

Discussing the book

The Last Palace: Europe's Turbulent Century through Five Lives and One Legendary House



A sweeping yet intimate narrative about the last hundred years of turbulent European history, as seen through one of Mitteleuropa's greatest houses —and the lives of its occupants.



Join us for Temple Israel Sisterhood's
"All SHUK Up!"
 Sunday, November 17th 1-3pm
 At Temple Israel
 269 Loma Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90803

Visit an Israeli marketplace filled with
 Mediterranean food to enjoy
 And gifts to win or buy

\$36 per person (Adults Only)
 includes Mediterranean lunch
 and one opportunity ticket
 for the gift basket drawings
 Additional tickets will be \$5 for 1,
 \$10 for 3 and \$20 for 8

RSVP by November 8th
 Checks made payable to
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 Send checks to the Temple Office
 with your name (s)
 and number attending

Reservations Required. No walk-ins.



ROSH CHODESH

SAVE THE DATE - DECEMBER 3

SAVE THESE DATES

- Sunday, January 12 at 1pm: Speaker on Elder Abuse
- Monday, February 24 at 6:30pm: Women's Night Out
- Thursday, March 19 at 7pm: To be announced
- Sunday, April 26: Membership Event
- Monday, June 8 at 6:30pm: Annual Meeting & Installation

MORE DETAILS TO COME!



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September 17, 2019

Temple Israel Sisterhood
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Dear Members of the Temple Israel Sisterhood:

Thank you for your kind words during this difficult time for our city. We always know that words matter, but never more than when you are on the receiving end during a tragedy. It means so much that you took the time to reach out.

I continue to be empowered by all of the people who are thinking of us. Please continue to keep our city in your prayers as we grieve and comfort one another.

Sincerely,

 Nan Whaley
 Mayor



WHY DONATING DIRECTLY FROM YOUR IRA MIGHT MAKE SENSE

In planning your charitable giving (including to Temple Israel or the Foundation), getting the best tax treatment is usually a consideration. Income tax rules in the USA have always had a soft spot for charitable donations. These expenses are tax deductible – so for every dollar you donate to a legitimate charity, you reduce your combined Federal and state taxes by up to 45 cents or so, depending on your tax bracket.

However, in order to get this benefit, you have to itemize your deductions. And -- particularly since the 2017 tax bill dramatically increased the standard deduction -- many people do not itemize, because their total deductions are less than the standard deduction.

HOWEVER, if you have an individual retirement account (IRA), and are over 70½ you must take required minimum distributions (RMDs). RMDs are taxable income. BUT, the good news is you can make a charitable donation **directly from your IRA** (a “qualified charitable distribution”) and the donation is not included as taxable income – it is not taxed. AND YOU CAN STILL TAKE THE STANDARD DEDUCTION. You can have your cake and eat it too (so to speak).

To do this, you need to request your IRA custodian write a check from your IRA payable to the charity (NOT TO YOU). They will typically mail it to the charity (or via electronic transfer), identifying your IRA as the source. Note that there are limitations to this – for example there is a \$100,000 annual maximum, and you cannot donate tax free from a 401K (but you could indirectly if you rolled it into an IRA first...)

So, of course, **check with your tax advisor** – they’re the experts, not us.

IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER

How it works



Instruct IRA custodian to distribute assets directly to Temple Israel



IRA distribution to Temple Israel is tax-free



How you benefit



- Your distribution is tax-free
- You can satisfy all or part of your annual required minimum distribution
- You can satisfy outstanding pledges with an IRA distribution

Tax code requirements

- You must be 70½ at time of distribution
- Distribution cannot exceed \$100,000 per year per individual
- Distribution must come directly from IRA custodian
- You cannot receive any goods or services in return for the gift

FOUNDATION HONORS NANCY & MARK SPEIZER

WITH JEWISH SLEEPAWAY CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS FOR THIRD GRADERS



The Temple Israel Foundation is proud to announce a \$100 scholarship to Temple families looking to send their children to Jewish sleepaway camp this upcoming summer, supported by the Foundation’s Speizer Youth Development Fund, in memory of Nancy and Mark Speizer. On February 7, 2020 at the 3rd Grade Family Shabbat, a representative of the Temple Israel Foundation will present a certificate for a \$100 scholarship to each third grade child, to be utilized summer 2020. It is the hope of the Foundation Board of Trustees that these scholarship funds could be made available on an annual basis to all Temple third grade students who will be attending Jewish Sleepaway camp for the first time. The Speizer Fund is utilized annually to support scholarships for our ANDI youth group programs as well as for our Torah Center’s 8th Grade New York Trip.

FOUNDATION SUPPORTS TORAH CENTER HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND ADOPTIVE GRANDPARENTS FOR ANNUAL OUTING

The Temple Israel Foundation is proud to support Temple Israel Torah Center’s URJ nationally recognized Adoptive Grandparents Program. The Adoptive Grandparent Program links Torah Center classes with participating individuals/couples as “adoptive grandparents” for that class, beginning in 4th grade. These classes and grandparents stay paired with each other for the years that follow, experiencing Jewish lifecycle programming together, sharing in each other’s simchas and other life events. Through funding from the Foundation’s Lapid-Shapiro Fund, Torah Center high school level participants and their adoptive grandparents will have the funds to have an annual excursion together. This year, the group will attend the musical Ragtime at Musical Theater West, and meet after the show for dessert. It is the hope of the Foundation to be able to support this program on an annual basis.



TEMPLE ISRAEL
HIGH SCHOOL
 PROGRAM



Shalom Temple Israel! In this edition of the High School Program blurb, we will take a look at some of the exciting upcoming and recent events in the world of the Temple Israel teens.

On Sunday, October 6, 2019, the 11th and 12th grade class shared the morning with their adoptive grandparents as part of the Torah Center Adoptive Grandparents Program. Everyone enjoyed refreshments

while engaging in a fruitful discussion about relationships. Each pair of grandparents retold their love fairytales. In their stories, they discussed what it was like to date back when they were teens and what expectations their parents had for them at the time. The teens then related these lessons back to their own lives.

Our 8th grade families attended the Jewish Temple Israel New York trip informational meeting. Parents and students learned what to expect on this once-in-a-lifetime experience. As someone who attended this trip years ago, I can attest to how spectacular it was; from meeting interesting characters on the subway to touring New York's Jewish district, the trip was full of adventure and meaningful learning.

Mark Dressner accompanied the 9th grade class on their field trip to the Islamic Center of Orange County, as our young teens embarked on a year-long journey of comparative religion.

We are very excited about the upcoming L'Taken Social Justice Seminar in Washington D.C. which will take place February 28 to March 2! There are only 6 spots are left for the L'Taken trip. All Temple Israel high schoolers are invited to participate and will have the opportunity to attend interactive programs on Israel, climate change, racial justice, campaign finance reform, economic justice, reproductive rights, LGBTQ civil rights, church/state separation, international relations and more. Contact Sharon Amster Brown for more information and to reserve your spot!

ANDI will have its next meeting on Sunday, November 3. All are invited to attend to help plan and discuss upcoming events.

NFTY SOCAL is back in action and will have its first retreat of the year the weekend of October 25-27. The retreat will be held at Camp Ramah. This retreat will focus on community building and spirituality.

As you can see, the teens at Temple Israel have a lot of exciting things to come. We hope all Temple Israel teens will join us for the fun!

THIS MONTH'S B'NAI MITZVAH



SADIE BROWN
 November 9, 2019

Sadie Abravanel Brown has grown up at Temple Israel and is a proud member of our Jewish community. She is the daughter of Sharon Amster Brown and Adam Brown and sister to Johanna, Brandon, and Levi. Sadie is an eighth grader at Stanford Middle School, where she serves as Student Council President. Sadie loves playing soccer and spending time with family and friends. During the summer, Sadie goes to Camp Newman - her home away from home. Sadie is thrilled to support the organization Water Underground for her Mitzvah Project, as she works toward the goal of funding a water well in rural Mozambique. Sadie is very excited to celebrate her becoming bat mitzvah with the Temple Israel community.



NATHAN FRIEDMAN
 November 23, 2019

Hi! My name is Nathan Friedman. I will become a Bar-mitzvah on Shabbat Chai Sarah, which falls on Shabbat, November 23, 2019. I am in the seventh grade at Rogers Middle School here in Long Beach. Some important facts about me: I was born in Chicago, IL, and moved here in 2010. Love southern CA...I do miss the snow. I am in the school band, I play the tenor saxophone. Recently I was selected for a traveling soccer team, and am on my middle school soccer team. I love to be active; my parents say

I've got the *schpilkes!*

For my Mitzvah Project I was asked to choose something that I had passion for. I think I understand schpilkes: I couldn't chose one area. I continue to support the Challenger Program, supporting disadvantage kids to play baseball; I participate with preparing and serving food for the homeless; I am a greeter and assist Jay Alhadeff with our Shabbat Fellowship programs here at Temple Israel. As a Jew, I am looking forward to this rite of passage, my Bar Mitzvah.





Taste of Judaism

Thursdays at 7:00pm

November 7, 14, 21

Instructor: Rabbi Jim Simon

This class is especially designed for unaffiliated Jews, intermarried couples, those seeking an initial orientation into an adult approach to the study of Judaism, and all those searching for an entry into Jewish life. If you have any questions about this class, please contact Rabbi Simon. **Cost: none**



Legends of the Tribe: Swimming in the Sea of Aggadah and Talmud

Tuesdays at 7:00pm

November 12, 19, 26

Instructor: Rabbi Moshe Halfon



The last time you heard someone (or a rabbi!) say "There's a midrash that says..." did you wonder where they got it from? Dive into the sea of the collective Jewish imagination with this multi-level exploration of Aggadah, non-legalistic rabbinic interpretations, parables, legends, philosophical discussions, and even wild tangents and satires from the Talmud, various Midrashim (Bible commentaries) and other sources. **Cost: none**

Cost: none

Shabbat Morning Services 101

Sunday, November 17 at 9:30am

Instructor: Rachel Van Raalte

This class is ideal for parents of soon-to-be b'nai mitzvah students. Our class will take a deeper look at the Shabbat morning service structure, our experiences and thoughts about Shabbat morning services, and provide a crash course on Torah blessings. After taking this class, parents will be better able to connect with their students about what they have been studying in Torah Center. Come join us! **Cost: none**



Jewish Yoga

Wednesday, November 13 at 7:00pm

and

Sunday, November 24 at 9:30am

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



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INTERFAITH GREETINGS

The Guibord Center: African Spiritual Roots of Gospel and more...

By Roni Love, SCIC Member

Electrifying describes Dr. Daniel Walker and the Gospel Music Workshop of America (GMWA); a captivating journey discovering gospel's spiritual beginnings in Africa, sponsored by The Guibord Center. For generations, African Americans have molded gospel's powerful art form to communicate and bolster their faith and hope, even in the midst of oppression.

Dr. Walker, internationally recognized scholar, filmmaker, author, public speaker and founding director of the Digital Library of USC's Gospel Music History Archive transported the audience with authoritative historical details while the GMWA uplifted us to heaven in St. John's magnificent cathedral.

Gospel Roots is one of many interfaith events The Guibord Center sponsors throughout the year. All are free and open to the public. They are also professionally filmed and made available at <https://theguibordcenter.org/>

The Guibord Center - Religion Inside Out is an educational interfaith nonprofit founded in LA in 2011 by the Rev. Dr. Gwynne Guibord of blessed memory. The Center partners with faith communities and individuals to open hearts and minds through a range of programs, public lectures and events that reveal the compassion and transformative power central to our many religious and spiritual traditions, dispelling divisive and distorted views held about one another and our traditions while providing a safe and welcoming space for those of all beliefs to have an immersive experience of the views and traditions of their neighbors. Check them out!

Upcoming SCIC events:

- **42nd Annual Festival of Music Benefit Concert** (free) Sunday, November 3rd, 3-5 pm. Location: Temple Beth El, 1435 W. 7th St. in San Pedro.
- **16th Annual Interfaith Unity Awards Dinner & Silent Auction** -Sunday, November 10th, 6-9 pm. Location: St. Cyprian Catholic Church-LB. Rabbi Aryeh Cohen-Bend the Arc, Aziza Hassan-Newground, Shabnam Mogharabi-Soul Pancake, Dr. Victoria Radell-Peace Ambassador & Rev. Emeritus Jerry Stinson-1st Congregational Church-LB are this year's awardees.
- For tickets and information call (562) 983-1665 or email office@scinterfaith.org

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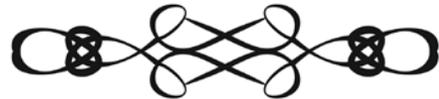
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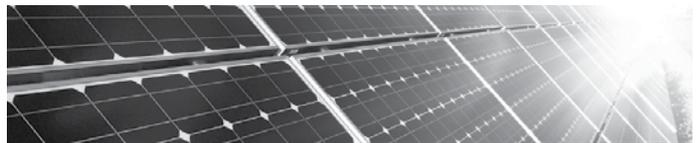
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Saturday, November 16

Torah Study on Parashat Vayerah

8:45am

***Laughter and Love -
How Creativity and Human Solidarity
Are Central to the Human Capacity for Action***

We will explore together themes of compassion, openness to the world, human creativity and freedom as expressed in this week's parasha. Doing this, we will challenge ourselves about what a better future for the United States, Israel, and the world can look like and how we, together, can get there.

Cost: none

Shabbat Lunch and Learn

11:45am, following Shabbat Services

***Voices of Peace and War –
Conversations with Israelis during a
273 Kilometer Solo Sea Kayaking Journey***

In May 2016, Daniel Sherman embarked on a solo sea kayaking journey along the entire coast of Israel from its border with Lebanon in the north to Gaza in the south. Along the way, he met and spoke with Israelis--both Jews and Arabs--about their views on peace, war, politics and solidarity in Israel. Daniel will share their stories along with his own reflections on how kayaking and facing the waves is a metaphor for Zionism.

Cost: \$15 for lunch

