



**KOL YISRA'EL • THE VOICE OF TEMPLE ISRAEL**

*Celebrating 100 Years!*



February 2024 / Shevat / Adar I 5784

# Temple Israel's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

**Saturday, February 10  
6:00 pm**

*Join us for this special and exclusive  
"Members Only" event,  
where we celebrate 100 years of being  
the Reform Jewish community in Long Beach,  
and thank all our members for  
their continued participation and support.*

*With recognition of the occasion and inspirational message  
from President of the URJ, Rabbi Rick Jacobs,  
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**YOUR DONATION OR LEGACY GIFT  
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The Next 100 Years Campaign has currently raised over three 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

at Temple Israel

Generously sponsored by Lauren Friedman

**Friday, February 23 at 6:00 pm**  
with Rabbi Fox and Cantor Cooper

Followed by a **FREE dinner!**



Tot Shabbat is a fun, informal, child-centered Shabbat Service, designed especially for children, their loved ones. Through songs, prayers, stories, and Torah time, children love this Service! Free Pizza Dinner provided.

Please RSVP to Michelle at [mdt@tilb.org](mailto:mdt@tilb.org)

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**Our Mission Statement** Guided by Reform Jewish values, our mission is to engage in a journey of prayer, learning, and community that inspires us to transform ourselves and the world.

## FEBRUARY SHABBAT SERVICES

### Friday, February 2

6:30 pm Camp Shabbat  
3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Family Service with Youth Choir

### Saturday, February 3

8:45 am Torah Study  
10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service  
Bat Mitzvah of Elyanna Guzman

### Friday, February 9

7:00 pm Shabbat Service Celebrating TI's 100 Anniversary with Singer - Songwriter, Julie Silver

### Saturday, February 10

8:45 am Torah Study  
10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service  
Bar Mitzvah of Robert DeFrance

### Friday, February 16

6:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service (Learner's Shabbat)

### Saturday, February 17

8:45 am Torah Study  
11:00 am Senior Shabbat and Luncheon (at Alpert JCC)

### Friday, February 23

6:00 pm Tot Shabbat  
7:00 pm Refugee Shabbat with Rabbi Jocce Hudson

### Saturday, February 24

8:45 am Torah Study  
10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service  
Bat Mitzvah of Alma Cardona-Perlman



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**IN PLAIN SIGHT**

By Jerry Levy, Temple President



*Abraham lifted his eyes and saw, and behold, behind him a ram caught in the thicket by its horns, and Abraham went and took the ram and offered it as a burnt offering in place of his son.* (Gen. 22:13). The rabbis wonder if the miracle was not in the sudden appearance of the ram, but in Abraham himself. In this verse, Abraham looks up and sees something previously unseen. He was so focused on his task before him that he could not see what was there all

along, right in plain sight.

So often in our lives we are focused, hurried, or distracted and we fail to notice little things in our surroundings. Recently, I noticed a page from a Torah, next to Sharon's office, with a brass plate indicating the parchment originated from Yemen in 1610! How had I not noticed this remarkable piece of "art" before? I came to realize that our temple has many beautiful, sacred, and historic objects, most of which I had not "lifted my eyes" to see or taken the time to appreciate.

I am curious by nature and so to learn more about the Temple's art and objects, I reached out to dozens of our long-time congregants. I have reproduced their stories as accurately as possible, but recognize the fallibility of memory, especially when many decades have passed. There are far too many stories for one column, so I plan to revisit this topic in future months. **If you have information about any of the art pieces around the Temple or interesting stories from the past, please send me an email.**

A few objects have followed our congregation from our first building on West Anaheim to our current location. One of the most visible is the Ner Tamid that hangs in front of the ark. This eternal light was present in the original building and hung in the back of the old sanctuary. It was then restored and re-installed in our sanctuary for the reopening in 2012. Also, from the West Anaheim building came the large, round-framed Star of David-stained glass that hangs outside the Arts and Crafts room. This beautiful glass star was found by a work crew behind a wall when the West Anaheim building was renovated sometime in the late 90's. Bonnie Lowenthal was serving on the Long Beach City Council and was given the star by the crew because they thought she would know what to do with it.

Torah scrolls usually have interesting histories and ours are no different. Our most famous Torah is one of two that were present on the Queen Mary. In 1967, the Queen sailed her last voyage, ending up in Long Beach. Rabbi Wolli Kaelter acquired the Torah scrolls, along with several other items from the ship. Our Queen Mary Torah is the small one that sits front and center in the ark and is used by our B'nai Mitzvah students. It has two beautiful rimonim that are engraved "RMS Queen Mary Cunard

White Star". The original Queen Mary Ark resides in the Judah L Magnes Museum in Berkeley, California. According to the museum's director "Jews were not welcome in Germany or on German ships. In an obvious gesture against Nazism, the British determined to build a synagogue on the Queen Mary as a sign of welcome to the Jews." The ornate wood cabinet in the Garden View Room was on the Queen Mary, but not as an ark. Before Temple Israel had air conditioning, it was repurposed as a portable ark that could be moved into the social hall for services on hot summer days as well as used for High Holy Days services held at the Carpenter Center.

In 2000, one of our Torah scrolls was permanently 'loaned' to a synagogue in Lviv, Ukraine. Given the events of the last two years, one wonders where that scroll is today, or if it still exists. In 2003, Rabbi Howard Laibson commissioned a new Torah to be written to replace the one loaned to Lviv. It took sofer Rabbi Shmuel Miller approximately one year to complete the Torah on site at Temple Israel. Sy and Reva Alban were the primary benefactors, but most congregants took part in the project by sponsoring a word, a sentence, or a longer passage.

Over the years, our precious Torah scrolls have been housed in different arks. The current bronze ark was crafted by Gerard Basil, a sculpture artist from Laguna Beach. He incorporated metal from the tree of life and commemorative leaves from the social hall, as well as bronze memorial plaques from the front lobby. Prior to renovation, the sanctuary's "Kaelter Ark" was made entirely of glass with an enclosed Ner Tamid behind stained glass. For the year our services were held outside of the building, I repurposed the brass door handles and mahogany from the old pews to build a portable ark to house a Torah. Cathe Hagerman-Beizer used the satin liner from the old ark to create a beautiful parochet (curtain) for the portable ark. This ark is used annually for our Rosh HaShanah Celebration in the Park and other services we hold in Alban Hall or outside the building.

These are but a few of the beautiful objects and stories from our temple building. Stay tuned for more to come. Meanwhile, the next time you come to the Temple, take a moment to "see" what is in plain sight.





## RITUAL PRACTICES MESSAGE

By Ron Artstein, VP Ritual Practices



In a few days we will enter the month of Adar – actually, the two months of Adar, since this is a leap year – and as the Talmud says, “When Adar enters, one increases rejoicing” (Taanit 29a). The Ritual Practices Committee is planning a wine-tasting event to help us rejoice, though admittedly this will only take place towards the end of the month, on 28 Adar II (April 7), just over two weeks before Passover. The tasting will be led by Temple member and wine expert Jerry

Hirsch, and will feature quality kosher wines from California, Israel, and Europe, in the hopes of helping Temple members enjoy a more meaningful Passover experience.

This is a good opportunity to talk about the Ritual Practices Committee, and how this wine-tasting event fits in with what we do.

The role of the committee is stated in our Temple Bylaws: “The Ritual Practices Committee 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.” The Bylaws also specify what the committee is not charged with: “The senior Rabbi... shall be the spiritual leader of the congregation and shall be responsible for its religious services and the supervision of its educational program...” In other words: the Rabbi is responsible for religious services; the committee’s role is to enhance.

One of the ways we enhance the worship experience is simply by helping out: for example, the Ritual Practices Committee has traditionally coordinated greeters, ushers, and forum leaders for the High Holy Days, and we recently helped with preparations for the Tu B’Shevat seder. Other committee activities include organizing our Shabbat at Home, Sukkot at Home, and Passover at Home programs, which offer an alternative to services at the Temple. We do some ritual object maintenance: last year, for example, we fixed some of the prayerbook bindings that were starting to fall apart. We do occasionally bring matters up for discussion, as we did a few months ago regarding the use of Hebrew in our congregation, but our main focus is not on deliberation but rather on doing things to enhance the ritual lives of our members.

We are always looking to do more, which brings us back to the wine-tasting event: this falls squarely within our mandate, though the idea did not originate with us; it came from Jerry Hirsch and Joanne Levy, who brought it to the committee to help carry it out. So if you have an idea for an activity or experience in the ritual domain, please let us know! It would be especially helpful if, in addition to the idea, you are also able to help with the execution. The Ritual Practices Committee can then help bring your idea to fruition, in order to increase rejoicing for all members, in the month of Adar and throughout the year.

Please share your thoughts with me on this or other issues at [VPRitualPractices@tilb.org](mailto:VPRitualPractices@tilb.org)

## 100TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

### Temple Israel

*This is Your Life*

**Saturday, May 11, 2024**

We are reaching out to you with an exciting opportunity to elevate Temple Israel’s 100th Anniversary Gala to extraordinary heights. Below you will find a link to a donation letter, and we kindly ask you to share it with establishments.

<http://tinyurl.com/yt4vt482>

## PRE-PASSOVER WINE TASTING AND CLASS AT TEMPLE ISRAEL

**SUNDAY, APRIL 7 AT 2:30 PM**

**Join us for an afternoon of  
wine tasting and learning**

Join us for a pre-Passover wine tasting and class told through the international world of high-quality kosher wine. Sample vintages from California, Israel and Europe as we learn why kosher wine isn’t the syrupy sweet beverage of your parents and grandparents. Learn how to store wine properly, what to do with that half-drunk bottle and what varieties and blends pair best with the myriad foods of the Passover Seder. Wine will be available for purchase and order in time for Passover.

The class will be taught by Jerry Hirsch, a Temple Israel member who covered the business of food, wine and agriculture for many years at the Los Angeles Times. Jerry also has served as a wine judge for the Long Beach Grand Cru and the L.A. County Fair Wines of the World competitions.

**RSVP required. Cost: \$18 per person**

**If you are interested in sponsoring,  
contact Joanne Levy at (562) 673- 7327**

**Sponsors will receive 2 admissions and a bottle of wine!**





*Join Sisterhood as we  
Celebrate  
Temple Israel's  
100 Year Anniversary*

Enjoy a century of history at three homes with appetizers and desserts

**Saturday, March 16  
5:00 pm**



**Cost is \$18 per person**  
*Spaces are limited*

*RSVP by March 1  
sisterhood@tilb.org*

**COOKING CLASS**  
**Trendy or Tradish Knish?**  
**They're Both Delish!**

*In partnership with Joys of Jewish Learning*

**Thursday, February 22 at 7:00 pm**

Teacher: Eve and Levi Lunt, Temple Israel Congregants



Mother and Son duo Eve and Levi Lunt will take on the beloved Jewish dumpling in both classic and TikTok styles. Eve will teach you the absolute easiest way to make a yummy potato knish and then her son Levi will take her traditional filling, add some spice and create knishentaschen, a savory cross between a knish and hamantaschen

with a nod to international flavors. Come hungry and ready to roll (a knish that is!) **Cost \$10/person**



**Ladies of Temple Israel,**  
**join the fun...join the Sisterhood Board!**

We're looking for a few new members for the 2024-25 Board.

If interested, please contact Renee Florsheim  
[raflosheim@yahoo.com](mailto:raflosheim@yahoo.com) or Robin Lilien [robinlilien@earthlink.net](mailto:robinlilien@earthlink.net)



**THE SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP**

**The Gift Shop will be open during Torah Center  
Wednesdays at 4:30 pm  
Sundays at 9:30 am  
and by appointment.**

**Contact Elyse at (562) 619-8829**

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- **March 10th** - Bagel Making with Paul Levitt at 11:30 am
- **March 13th** - Women's Night Out - details pending
- **April 16th** - Cooking class at Temple Israel taught by Martine Korach (Vegetarian/Vegan), co-sponsored with JJL.
- **May 18th** - Picnic at Wardlow Park at 12:30pm. BYO lunch - drinks and noshes provided.
- **June 10th** - Board Installation Dinner - details pending





**THIS MONTH'S B'NAI MITZVAH**



**Elyanna Guzman**  
February 3, 2024

My name is Elyanna Guzman, and I will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. I am in 7<sup>th</sup> grade at Rogers Middle school where I play the bass clarinet in the Intermediate Band. I love being active, doing activities such as snowboarding and playing soccer, as well as taking bike rides. I especially enjoy hanging out with my friends at school and on the weekends. I have attended Torah Center at Temple Israel since 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and I feel very lucky

to be a part of this community. For my Mitzvah Project I am volunteering at the senior Shabbat luncheon at the Alpert JCC and Tot Shabbat at the temple. I am very excited for my Bat Mitzvah and can't wait to share this day with family and friends.



**Robert DeFrance**  
February 10, 2024

Robert Martin DeFrance has walked on the Golden Gate Bridge and enjoys the Getty Villa Museum. He loves hiking and nature. He has been a vegetarian for eight years. Robert enjoys acting and performance. He has been a part of the South Coast Repertory Acting classes for the past two years. He has enjoyed being in their productions as well as small productions at his school.

Robert made honor roll last year and has made principal's list with every opportunity this school year. Robert has been a member of his school's basketball team for three years. Robert plays piano and drums. Every year at the talent show, Robert shows off his stand-up, another hobby of his. Robert really enjoys being a member of his school and a member of our community here at Temple Israel. Robert is an avid and voracious reader.



**Alma Cardona-Perlman**  
February 24, 2024

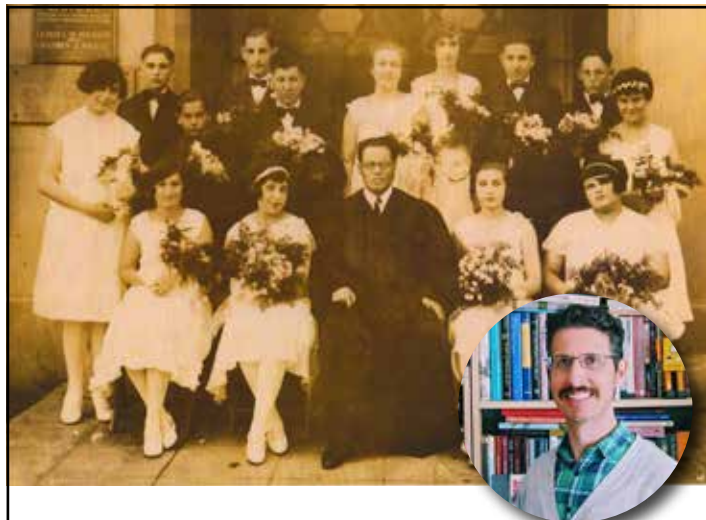
Alma Mariana Cardona-Perlman attends 7<sup>th</sup> grade at Stacey Middle School, a Spanish Dual Language Immersion, AVID, Robotics & Computer Science public school in Huntington Beach. She leads an active life as an athlete, running a mile in 6 minutes 14 seconds, is a junior black belt in Gōjū-ryū Karate (the same style as the original Karate Kid), plays tennis at the Seal Beach and Pickleball Center, and has won the Caring Award

at school for three consecutive years.

As an avid reader, she loves books and the library. For her Bat Mitzvah Project, she chose to be a Library Assistant. The Garden Grove Tibor Rubin Library is her neighborhood library, and she has spent many hours there with her family.

Alma is truly looking forward to her upcoming Bat Mitzvah on February 24, 2024, and sharing this momentous occasion with family and friends, coming in from both near and far.

She extends her heartfelt gratitude to the lay leaders and staff of Temple Israel, along with family, who have been guiding her through this process.



*100th Year Anniversary*

**History of Temple Israel  
Book Release**

*Join us as we welcome*

**Cantor Jonathan Friedmann, PH.D.**  
*Lapid-Shapiro Scholar-in-Residence*  
**Friday, April 26 - Sunday, April 28**

**Friday Night: A Temple is Born:  
Jewish Long Beach in 1923**

**Saturday Morning:**  
**Torah Study: Chol Ha-mo'ed Pesach:**  
**Exodus 33:12-34:26**  
**"Lead this people forward"**  
**Long Beach as a Promised Land**

**Sunday Morning Book Talk:**  
**Centennial by the Sea:**  
**100 Years of Temple Israel**

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**KOL M'YISRAEL / A VOICE FROM ISRAEL**

By Jeremy Rosen



“Total victory.” Total victory against pure evil—this is our goal. Simple sounding words, an easy slogan to rally the troops and the home front. But three months in, after tens of thousands dead and cities laid wasted, what is total victory? Can there even be victory? After the deadliest day for our people since the Holocaust? After a security failure, greater than 1973? When we were caught completely off-guard and defenseless? After thousands of terrorists rampaged freely across the land? For hours and hours? After hundreds of people were kidnapped? And are still held kidnapped? And already many will never be brought back in safety?

How can there be total victory against an idea? Deeply rooted in and supported as the cause of the “enemy” that no amount of land and tolerance has diminished? Of hatred that is two thousand years old? That half the next generation supports? And tens of thousands rally for in the capitals of even the most liberal countries? Supported by superpowers working to destroy freedom and light in the world?

And if the idea persists, how can we achieve total victory tactically? Against an enemy hiding in unknown hundreds of miles of tunnels? With tunnels that stretch into the darkness from shafts that appear in every corner of Gaza? With entrances laid with traps from an enemy that knew we were coming? Against an enemy that had two decades to prepare? With tunnels that completely neutralize our technological superiority and even the playing field? Tunnels that require us to turn cities into dust and rubble? Tunnels that require us to choose between returning the hostages and destroying Hamas?

How can we even achieve “total victory” if we have to choose between returning the hostages and destroying Hamas?



**Carly Ferdman**  
Teen Council TC Rep.

I can’t believe it’s already 2024 and so much has already happened! To kick off the new year, the Keshher teens enjoyed a movie night and havdalah at the Alpert JCC where they saw *You Are So Not Invited To My Bat Mitzvah*. They snacked on pizza, popcorn, and desserts while catching up on what they did over winter break. Rewinding to December, the teens had two super fun events: the Winter Wellness Retreat and the ANDI/SHMOFTY Lock-In.

The Winter Wellness Retreat took place at the Pali Retreat Center in Running Springs. Many of the Keshher teens attended and had a blast doing activities including yoga, painting, hiking, and more. They got to hang out with other friends from NFTY that they haven’t seen since the last event. At the ANDI/SHMOFTY Lock-In, we played games, participated in an awesome social action program, went to services, and had our famous “midnight moment.” There were activities such as temporary tattoos, board games, and karaoke. Everyone was excited to hang out together for a whole night.

Over break, the Keshher teens did some pretty fun and cool things. Some of us celebrated the New Year with friends, went out of state, and others worked. To kick up 2024, we had our Purim shpiel auditions which went amazingly. We have 23 wonderful and talented teens in the cast, and seven teens working behind the scenes to make the show happen. You won’t want to miss our Beauty and the Beast themed shpiel! Our other big event this month was West Coast Party, hosted by NFTY at URJ Camp Newman in Santa Rosa. We had 17 TI teens fly up to Northern California, ready to have the time of their life. The weekend started out great with Shabbat services and mixers where we met new friends. On Saturday, we stayed inside most of the day due to rain, but that didn’t stop our fun. The day was filled with Maccabiah-style games, free time, and food. Many of the teens had fun playing in the rain. The teens participated in the first “big fun” event of the weekend which was a Mario-themed carnival. On Sunday, we did our social action program where we learned about car emissions. There were also staff-led, educational programs. I participated in a program where I learned about the different types of mushrooms that grow at Camp Newman. That evening, we had a silent disco and an ice cream bar. On Monday, we had our emotional closing circle where the seniors did their “senior strip” (a chance for our seniors to show off all their past NFTY merch) and gave little speeches about their time at NFTY. Before we knew it, it was time to say our goodbyes and go back home. We still have one last big NFTY event in the spring to look forward to.





It is wonderful to welcome back **Rhonnie and Harvey Gobas!**

Many of you will remember the Gobas family, who were members of Temple Israel from 1998 through 2007. In 2007, they became members of Congregation Shir Chadash (CSC) in Lakewood, where they remained active members until earlier this year when CSC disbanded. As a Board member for the past 2 years, Harvey says it was difficult to preside over the closing of a beloved synagogue that had served the local Jewish community for 70 years.

Harvey and Rhonnie have two adult daughters, Melissa and Carina, who grew up at Temple Israel and attended Torah Center. Melissa graduated from UCLA and is the Deputy City Manager of Artesia. She is married, and along with her husband Craig (Burke), and two daughters, Audrey, age 8 and Eva who is 5, are members of Temple Israel. Carina is a CSULB grad and works at Disneyland.

Harvey grew up in the Downey area where he attended the Reform Congregation Temple Ner Tamid (TNT). That is where he first met Rabbi Howard Laibson, whose family were also TNT members. Harvey celebrated both his Bar Mitzvah and Confirmation at TNT and he and Rhonnie were married there in 1981. They have lived in Long Beach ever since.

Harvey is a civil engineer who graduated from USC. He began his career with the L.A. County Flood Control District, followed by consulting work for 3 civil engineering firms. In 2017, he retired and opened his own consulting firm. He has been serving as a Public Works Consultant Project Manager for several local municipalities for the last 6 years. He has been very active serving in several professional organizations throughout his career. Rhonnie graduated from CSULB with a degree in Accounting and was a business tax auditor for the CA EDD until "retiring" when Melissa was born. She volunteered with the Girl Scouts and school PTAs when the girls were younger.

In years past, Rhonnie and Harvey enjoyed traveling the world. They have visited all seven continents, 65 countries, all 50 US States, and all 10 Canadian Provinces plus the Yukon Territory.

In 2019, Rhonnie was diagnosed with a benign brain tumor (meningioma) which has resulted in her need for assistance with her routine activities of daily living and live-in help. While their lives are substantially different from what they were 5 years ago, Harvey and Rhonnie have adapted to changed conditions and take it one day at a time. They try to visit their condo in Mammoth Lakes whenever possible and just last month enjoyed a cruise of the California Coast.

Please welcome back Harvey and Rhonnie Gobas!



Welcome to our newest congregant, **Isaac Waksul!** Isaac was introduced to Temple Israel through friends he met at the Alpert JCC. After attending a few events, he decided that he liked the environment and experiences and he decided to become a member.

Isaac's parents migrated to Israel after escaping from Nazi Poland, where the vast majority of their family were lost. He was born and grew up in Israel. At age 15, he migrated to the US to live with an aunt, and his mother followed a year later. Being in a new and very different environment, and not speaking a word of English on arrival, it was a bit of a struggle, but he persevered and graduated from Lincoln High School in Brooklyn, NY, and then State University of NY at Buffalo. Isaac moved from LA to Long Beach in 1987 and has found it a good place to call home. Now mostly retired, Isaac participates in a bit of business coaching and community volunteer work.

Isaac has had a varied interesting and exciting career beginning in NY theatre, in creative and managerial positions. His first professional gig, the managing team he was part of for a number of years, received a special Tony Award. He moved on to managing ballet companies, including The Atlanta Ballet and worked as stage manager for American Ballet Theater. He was also involved in the music industry, including management work with Pat Benatar. In 1980 he moved to LA to work in the film industry and had the opportunity to manage over thirty events of the '84 LA Olympics Arts Festival. Ultimately, Isaac moved to the corporate side and opened a creative agency company that developed, produced, and managed projects for companies such as AT&T, Boeing, IBM, Disney, and Apple.

Outside of his career work, Isaac served on a number of community boards and the LA County Museum of Natural History. In his free time, Isaac enjoys gardening, dancing (West Coast Swing), and recently, art.

Isaac is looking forward to getting to know other congregants and participating in all that Temple Israel has to offer. Please welcome Isaac Waksul.





# Family CHALLAH BAKE



THURSDAY | FEBRUARY 8 | 4:30 PM

Our 2nd annual Family Challah Bake! Make your own challah from scratch to bake at home for Shabbat, plus enjoy Kosher trail mix and live music from Jelly of the Month Club! A special tot area is available for children under 5 years old. Please help us reduce waste by bringing your own bowl, baking sheet, and spoon.

**\$25/Challah Kit**

Save \$5 when you buy before January 31  
Limited space available!

**Additional \$5 for Bowl, Baking Sheet, and Spoon**

**Scan to buy tickets or visit [alpertjcc.org](http://alpertjcc.org)**

For more information, contact Dana Schneider-Chanzit at [dschneider@alpertjcc.org](mailto:dschneider@alpertjcc.org)



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## SECURITY TRAINING FOR USHERS / GREETERS

**Tuesday, February 27 at 5:30 pm**

Training with our congregants who serve, or potentially will serve, as greeters and ushers at Shabbat and other worship services, as well as other largely attended events.

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

## HOW TO SURVIVE AN ACTIVE SHOOTER

Will you know what to do if you find yourself in an active shooter situation? Come to our interactive training that will teach you the tools you need to:



Avoid and escape from an active shooter



Hide, barricade yourself, and stay calm



Fight back to survive



## Senior Shabbat and Luncheon

**Saturday, February 17 at 11:00 am at the Alpert JCC**

Led by Temple Israel Clergy followed by Luncheon and Entertainment

Entertainment funded by TI's Sarah & Wolli Kaelter Sabbath Fellowship Fund

RSVP

Call Anneise Thompson (562) 426-7601

<https://jewishlongbeach.ticketspice.com/senior-shabbat>



## SHABBAT MIDBAR

*at El Dorado Nature Center*

**Saturday, March 2**

Meeting at the grass area picnic tables at the rear of the parking lot

*Torah Study at 8:45 am*

*Hike and Meditation 10:00 am*

**HILLEL AT 100: JEWISH TRENDS ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES**

*A Wine and Cheese Event*

**Sunday, February 4, 4:00-6:00 pm**

Location: Long Beach Hillel House

Facilitator: ChayaLeah Sufirin,

Cal State Long Beach Hillel Director



Join us for an enlightening lecture titled “Exploring Identity: Navigating Jewish Life on Campus.” Delving into the dynamic and diverse experiences of Jewish students, this lecture offers a profound exploration of how young adults navigate their Jewish identities in the college environment. From celebrating traditions and religious observances to embracing cultural heritage and fostering connections with peers, to standing up to anti semitism, we will delve into the intricate tapestry

of Jewish life on campuses. As we address the challenges of balancing academic pursuits with preserving cultural roots, we aim to inspire meaningful conversations about building a strong Jewish identity while engaging with the broader campus community. Through personal anecdotes, thoughtful reflections, and expert insights, this lecture aims to inform the community of the work Beach Hillel is doing locally and what is happening nationally as students try to navigate their journey of self-discovery and thrive as proud members of the vibrant Jewish community on college campuses.

**LET’S TALK ABOUT ISRAEL**

**Thursdays at 7:00 pm**  
**February 15, March 21,**  
**April 25, and May 23**

Facilitator: Mark Dressner, Temple Israel Past President



We are very pleased to share a new 10-part Israel educational curriculum, to be facilitated by Mark Dressner, offered by URJ (Union of Reform Judaism) and ARZA (Association of Reform Zionists of America). The curriculum is based on the framework of the “4 Hatikva Questions” – “To Be,” “A People,” “Free,” “In Our Land,” taken from the penultimate line of Israel’s National anthem “Hatikva.”

It is a resource to address all of Israel’s complexities in a safe and thorough way, focusing on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Sessions will include: Introduction to the concept, Peoplehood, Democracy, Israeli General Elections, Home-Land, The Kotel, Israeli Judaism, The “O” Word, and Morality of War .

**REFUGEE SHABBAT**  
**PUSHING OURSELVES BEYOND:**  
**AN EVENING WITH RABBI JOCEE HUDSON**  
*In partnership with the Social Action Committee*

**Friday, February 23 at 7:00 pm**

Jocee Hudson is a Rabbi, Spiritual Director, and Teacher. In July 2021, she joined LA Voice, a multi-racial, multi-faith community organization that awakens people to their own power, as their Clergy and Formation Lead.



Rabbi Hudson attended Brandeis University. She received rabbinic ordination and a Masters in Jewish Education from Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, the seminary where she now serves as a visiting professor in Rabbinic Practice. For 12 years prior to joining LA Voice, Jocee was a rabbi at Temple Israel of Hollywood. Jocee and her partner Rook live in Los Feliz and are

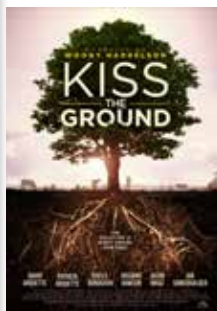
the proud parents of Sela, Max, and Solomon, ages 8, 6, and 6, who fill their lives with so much love.

**MOVIE SCREENING AND DISCUSSION:**  
**KISS THE GROUND**

*In partnership with the Social Action Committee*

**Sunday, February 25 at 2:00 pm**

Discussion Facilitator: Dori Chandler, Policy Advocate and Temple Israel Climate Justice Committee Member



Narrated by and featuring Woody Harrelson, *Kiss the Ground* is an inspiring and groundbreaking film that reveals the first viable solution to our climate crisis. Kiss the Ground reveals that, by regenerating the world’s soils, we can completely and rapidly stabilize Earth’s climate, restore lost ecosystems and create abundant food supplies. Using compelling graphics and visuals, along with striking NASA and NOAA footage, the film artfully illustrates how, by drawing down atmospheric carbon, soil is the missing piece of the climate puzzle. This movie is positioned to catalyze a movement to accomplish the impossible – to solve humanity’s greatest challenge, to balance the climate and secure our species’ future.

**RSVP requested for all  
 JIL Programs  
 to Charmaine clw@tilb.org**





# *Celebrate Temple Israel's 100 Year Anniversary*

*with these upcoming events*

*Join us as we spend this year celebrating our 100th Anniversary  
with special programs throughout the year*

## **ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND CELEBRATION**

**Shabbat Services**

**with Singer Songwriter, Julie Silver**

**Friday, February 9**



**Torah Center Family Concert  
with Singer-Songwriter Craig Parks**

**Sunday, February 11**



## **High Tea & Temple Israel Stories**

**Sunday, March 3**

**Lapid-Shapiro Scholar-in-Residence**

**Cantor Jonathan Friedmann**

**History of Temple Israel**

**Book Release**

**April 26-28**



## **Temple Israel Gala**

**This Is Your Life**

**Saturday, May 11**

**An Evening at Joe Jost's  
100 Years of Long Beach Fun**

**Thursday, June 6**

**WE RECOGNIZE THE GENEROSITY OF OUR SUSTAINING MEMBERS**

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# Yahrzeit Observance

## “Zecher Tzadik Livracha”

*The memory of the righteous are a blessing*



### February 7-13

Ruben Baines \*  
 Mira Kanishtshiker Berger  
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 Martin Bleich  
 Laura Bohlen Roos \*  
 Dorothy Brindze \*  
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 Milton Riskin  
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 Alan Singer  
 Steven Solomon  
 Marie Van Raalte  
 Tilly Weil \*  
 Laurie Zeluck

### February 14-20

Nancy Albert Allan  
 Sonia Balan \*  
 Mathilda Berro  
 Vida Ann Bleich  
 Alden Bohlig  
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 Helen Brenton  
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### February 21-27

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### February 28 - Mar. 5

Monte Abram \*  
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Mr. Howard Davis \*  
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 Gertrude Spears \*  
 Mr. Mark Speizer \*  
 Anne Stern  
 Ruth Treidel \*  
 Louis Wolfe

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



# February Anniversaries

- 4 Brett Dickstein & Lara Vu - 16 years  
5 Mark Beizer & Cathe Hagerman-Beizer - 46 years  
Joel & Lyn Epstein - 47 years  
Jason & Stefanie Ivener - 19 years  
8 Donald & Stacey Moore - 21 years  
9 Philip & Jacqueline Fritz - 49 years  
11 Jeff & Nancy Barrad - 40 years  
13 Alan & Rosecarrie Brooks - 52 years  
14 Brian & Rachel Farrell - 26 years  
Larry & Maggie Kosmin - 34 years  
15 Leon & Barbara Shoag - 60 years  
17 Andrew & Eve Lunt - 34 years  
20 Jack & Binnie Berro - 69 years  
Mark & Susan Paletz - 41 years  
Dustin & Maryellen Jackson - 19 years  
22 Martin & Charlotte Axel - 54 years  
Steven Gratch & Judith Irving - 22 years  
24 Lance & Barbara Brukman - 33 years  
26 Barry & Amy Hodis - 18 years

## Welcome Baby!



Mazel Tov to Chuck Leff on the birth of his great granddaughter Meira Rus Ungar born January 6, 2024 weighing 7 lbs. 15.2 oz and 20 in. long. We also extend congratulation to parents, Yossi and Elyah Ungar and big brother Binyamin.



## INTERFAITH GREETINGS

### Interfaith unity ... a light in the darkness

By Roni Love, member of the South Coast Interfaith Council

In November, I introduced you to a post from NewGround: A Muslim-Jewish Partnership for Change, which empowers Jewish and Muslim change-makers with skills, resources, and relationships needed to improve Muslim-Jewish relations and strengthen cooperation on issues of shared concern. NewGround works with a broad political and religious spectrum of Muslims, Jews and institutions through various programs and fellowships. They are housed at the City of Los Angeles Human Relations Commission and I encourage you to visit them online at [mjnewground.org/in-the-news/](http://mjnewground.org/in-the-news/) and to contact them with any questions or concerns.

“At NewGround, we know that the humanity of one person is interconnected with the humanity of others. We are strengthened, not diminished by seeing and understanding each other. Litmus tests on morality only serve to push us further apart, and leave space for the most opportunistic, most divisive voices to take center stage. There is real pain and suffering right now in the lives of Palestinians and Israelis, Jews and Muslims. We want to help each other and our communities recognize that pain, that suffering, that humanity.

Since the escalation of violence in Gaza and Israel, and the increase in tensions between Muslims, Jews, and connected communities here in the US, NewGround has received 40 requests with more coming in every day for Facilitation, Skills Training, Education and Consultation, spanning states and industries, ranging from grade schools and universities to private companies and local government departments. From all over the country, people are recognizing New Ground’s value in helping people hear one another across deep divides. We are mobilizing our small staff and developing flexible curricula to meet this unprecedented demand.”

In December, Aziza Hassan and Andrea Hodos (Director and Associate Director) spoke with Creative Arts Agency Amplify as part of their series Conversations on Humanity and Allyship, alongside professors from Dartmouth University who also do the challenging work of bringing together pro-Israel and pro-Palestine college students to really hear and understand each other. In addition, they wrapped up their year-long partnership with Sisterhood of Salaam Shalom. NewGround also partnered with the LA Holocaust Museum to hold space for “Navigating Through Chaos and Divide: Finding Our Way Together.” What’s more, Andrea Hodos was interviewed by the Associated Press in a piece highlighting their friends at the Sisterhood of Salaam Shalom.

NewGround is “working to help rebuild fractured communities and strengthen our capacity for compassion and understanding across difference.”

Information borrowed from NewGround’s website and from information sent to me.

Salaam, Shalom, Peace



# 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 Scott Fox**  
*Tzedakah projects at the Rabbi's discretion*
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- Educator**  
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- President**  
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## COMMUNITY FUNDS

- Homeless Assistance**  
*Helps those in need*
- Caring Community**  
*Funds programs for Temple families in need*
- Nancy Leff and Donald Leff Memorial**  
*Purchases Chanukah gifts for children of needy families*

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- Rabbi Wolli & Sarah Kaelter Sabbath Fellowship**  
*For Sabbath Fellowship senior programming*
- Stan Solomon Building**  
*For building repairs*
- Miriam's TC Social Justice Scholarship**  
*Helps Temple teens participate in the URJ Social Action Programs*

## MUSIC FUNDS

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

- Music Patrons**  
*Funds musical programs*

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

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- Library Fund**  
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## PROGRAMMING FUNDS

- ANDI**  
*Programs for our teens*
- Social Action**  
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- Joys of Jewish Learning**  
*Funds adult education programs at the Temple*



## TEMPLE ISRAEL FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Please make checks payable to TI Foundation

- Temple Israel Preservation Fund (TIP Fund)**  
*Funds building beautification and refurbishment*
- The Speizer Youth Development**  
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- Pilger Lectureship**  
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*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.

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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*

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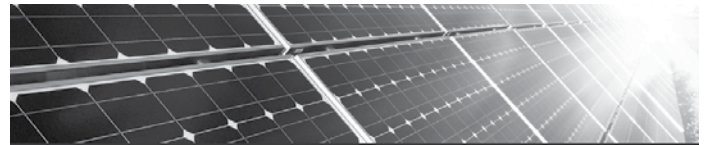
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