

# Kol Yisra'el THE VOICE OF TEMPLE ISRAEL





Sunday, April 8 at 4:00 p.m.

FREE CONCERT

featuring Cécilia Tsan, principal cellist with the Long Beach Symphony Pierre Génisson, clarinet • Timothy Durkovic, piano



Joys of Jewish Learning YIDDISH SONGS OF THE JEWISH GHETTO *Tears, Joy and Hope!* 

## Thursday, April 12 - 7:00 p.m.

HARRIET BENNISH Accompanied by Ben Gown, accordian and Diana Parmeter, cello (See page 10)

GOT SHABBAT? SERVICE Generously sponsored by Debbie & Rob Feldman

## Friday, April 27 at 7:00 p.m.

A jazz-infused musical Shabbat Service featuring Kendra Cogert and the Shabbatones April 2018 • Nissan/Iyar 5778



## SHABBAT HANEFESH

Friday, April 13 at 6:00 p.m.

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

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Saturday, April 7 at 10:00 a.m. 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** 

## Get Well Wishes To ...

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#### **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.

## SHABBAT SERVICES

Friday, April 6 7:00 p.m. Family Shabbat Service

Saturday, April 7 8:45 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Sabbath Fellowship Service

Friday, April 13 Congregational Retreat Weekend 6:00 p.m. Shabbat HaNefesh

Saturday, April 14 8:45 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

Friday, April 206:00 p.m. Tot Shabbat7:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service

### Saturday, April 21

8:45 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of Eli Minkoff

Friday, April 27 7:00 p.m. Got Shabbat? Service

Saturday, April 28
8:45 a.m. Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service Bar Mitzvah of Simon Van Divort

# PASSOVER SERVICE



Friday, April 6 10:30 a.m. Passover/Yizkor Service Luncheon to follow

Please RSVP for lunch to Charmaine *clw@tilb.org* 

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2017 - 2018**

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



#### WE ARE ALL VOLUNTEERS!

By Joyce Feldman, Temple President



Happy April! Last month I highlighted the Board of Directors and encouraged you to make a difference by serving the needs of the community. In February, I asked you to think of those that inspire you and I focused on our amazing clergy. This month with Purim behind us, Passover waning (depending on when you are reading this) and our Annual Gala on the horizon, I felt it was fitting to highlight the many volunteers who lend a hand to create

the experiences that make Temple Israel THE place to be.

First, this article would be severely lacking if I didn't include YOU. Yes, you! With our current voluntary financial commitment structure (rather then traditional dues) all of you are our most important volunteers. In this era when you have many choices as to "how to be Jewish", you have voluntarily chosen to be Jewish with us and your pledges help us provide enlightening Shabbat services, holiday observances and celebrations, educational programs, social action opportunities and social activities. We are one busy Temple! I have said this before, there truly is something for everyone on our packed calendar. Of course, our dedicated staff leads the way to make sure each offering is as seamless as possible but without a huge cadre of volunteers behind them many of the things you attend at temple just wouldn't happen. The next few paragraphs will highlight just a few of the many people who work tirelessly behind the scenes. I apologize if I forget someone: please email me with names I might have forgotten and I will add them in a future article.

Every year our local Jewish Federation asks us to select a woman to honor at the "Visions" event and a man to honor at the "Above and Beyond" event. This year we selected Chana Ham-Rosebrock as our woman of Visions. Chana (and her husband Glenn) work tirelessly behind the scenes often hiding out in our kitchen. Chana is our hamantaschen baker baking literally thousands of those yummy treats to fill the Purim Bags and for our temple needs. Chana is also our chef for our Shabbat fellowship luncheon. For "Above and Beyond" we were asked to choose a veteran: Jay Eiser was an easy choice. Jay is a past president of our Board of Directors and Past Foundation President. Jay and (his wife Cheryl, of blessed memory) have dedicated many hours volunteering for numerous projects in their many years of membership. Congratulations to both Chana and Jay for this honor.

In February, we celebrated Purim! Karen Ben-Shmuel and Chana Ham Rosebrock led our annual Purim Bag fundraiser. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this year a tremendous success: the bakers, the bag assemblers, the distributors and the delivery volunteers; it truly takes a huge group to create and deliver bags to all 580 family units that are currently members! Purim wouldn't be complete without our annual Purim Shpiels! Both the adult cast of "You can't stop the Shpiel" (available for viewing on youtube) and the teen "Frozen" cast dedicated many volunteer hours to preparing truly memorable performances. Special thanks to Jonathan Kass, Paul Levitt, Paul Krugman, Johanna Brown and Abby Harmatz who provided the background skill to make the shpeils successful.

We gathered last month with the community at our annual "Make a Difference Day." Andrea Friendthal and a Chana Ham-Rosebrock were our Temple Israel representatives who led this effort along with our staff. I know many of you participated as volunteers that day and your efforts are greatly appreciated by the organizations that benefited. Our temple benefits on an ongoing basis from members who step in to lend a hand. Susanne Cameron spends many hours throughout the year working on tasks when needed. Joan Leb has chaired the Library Committee for many years and along with other volunteers keeps our temple library well organized. The Social Action Committee, led by Myron Wollin, is an active group of volunteers who plan social action activities and educational forums year round. We are blessed with a strong Caring Community Committee led by Natalie Swit, and Dawn Haldane. This large group of volunteers are called to action, many times at the last moment, to provide meals and other services when the need arises.

April brings us one of my favorite weekends of the year: our annual congregation retreat, affectionally know as "Family Camp."There is still time to sign up for a cabin spot and join the fun! This year's committee is led by Melissa Pearson Campbell. The weekend cannot succeed without volunteers! If you are attending, please reach out to Eric or Melissa and spend a few moments at the weekend lending a hand.

Next month brings us our biggest fundraiser of the year, our Annual Gala. The funds we raise at the Gala are critical to allowing our Temple to continue to provide many programs. This year's Gala, "Chai Society," celebrates Sharon Amster Brown's 18th year as our Educator and recognizes the many volunteers in our Torah Center "Grandparent Program." The committee is working hard to plan this very special evening. The committee is led by chairs Mindy Casas and Sarah Jacobson along with Deborah Lewis as auction chair. You should have received your invite last month, if you didn't, please contact the Temple Office. To make this event a success we truly need everyone's volunteer help. So this leads me to our Gemitut Chasadim (nurturing act of kindness) for the month of April. This month I encourage you to, in some way, support our Gala. There are many ways: consider being a sponsor; place an Ad in our tribute book; donate a gift card for our auction; ask a business you frequent to donate to our auction; help set up for the gala; attend the gala! Choose one or several and help us to make this Gala a success!

Thank you for being a volunteer. We are all in this together and even small efforts make a difference! Happy April!

## **RPC MESSAGE / FOCUS ON NEW MEMBERS**



### YOM HASHOAH

By Jennette Fackler, VP Ritual Practices



Yom HaShoah, also known as Holocaust Remembrance Day, falls on the 27<sup>th</sup> of Nisan or April 11-12, this year. Yom means day and Shoah means catastrophe or destruction in Hebrew. It is a day dedicated to memorial and somber reflection in recognition of the millions of lives lost under Nazi persecution during World War II. The Shoah (HaShoah) is also known as the Holocaust, from a Greek word which means sacrifice by fire.

Today, many commemorate Yom HaShoah by lighting yellow candles in order to keep the memories of the victims alive. Most synagogues and Jewish communities gather together to commemorate the day through worship, music and the stories from survivors. It is very important how we, the communities, remember not only the deaths but the lives connected to those deaths. Many different societies need to commit to *tikkun olam*; for example, acknowledgement and apology, so the trauma and also the mourning becomes a shared experience, after all, the Holocaust happened to all of us, directly and indirectly.

Our tradition teaches, when we approach someone we have hurt and ask for forgiveness, they have an obligation to forgive us. If they refuse us more than twice, the burden of our sin transfers to them. This day of Holocaust Remembrance we should also forgive those who have transgressed us in order to recover the part of ourselves that we lost or damaged due to anger.

How can we better understand and relate to the survivors of the Holocaust and their families?

Listen to them, no matter how painful the experiences that you might hear. Because if you do not listen to them, you are merely re-victimizing the survivors. Do not deprive yourself of memories that connects you with your people's history, and besides, those memories, even if they are traumatic, serves as a learning tool. Never forget, but forgive.

It has been so long since World War II but the effects of the Holocaust still linger on like they were just yesterday. For Yom HaShoah, commemorate with our Long Beach community on Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at the Alpert JCC, where they have created a special program. More information is in their ad on page 17.

Educate yourself and your family on the horrors of the genocidal activities taking place in other places and then take action. As a people who are most aware about the pain and suffering brought about by genocide, we should be obliged to speak out and take action when other peoples are similarly threatened.

If you have no direct familial connection to the Holocaust but want to help children understand the impact of the tragedy, learn about one individual or family who went through the Holocaust – You can research millions of names and victim biographies at <u>YadVashem.org</u>

Take the time to connect and rebuild, starting with our community.

## FOCUS ON NEW MEMBERS Parisa Vinzant



Welcome to Temple Israel Parisa Vinzant! She recently moved to Long Beach to live closer to her sisters. A proud alumna of UCSD, Parisa is self-employed working as a strategy consultant, entrepreneur coach, and motivational writer and speaker. She is civic-minded and now serves as a commissioner on a City of Long Beach commission. In her free time, Parisa enjoys yoga, nature walks, meditation, writing, volunteering, and

mentoring teens.

Having worked in human rights advocacy, Parisa has a keen interest in social action and justice. She is a persuasive poet and storyteller, often on topics close to her heart, including ways to connect with each other and to build greater compassion, empathy, tolerance, and respect.

Parisa is excited by the many ways to participate and connect within our community. She has already jumped right in to participate in the social action committee and "Make a Difference Day." She plans to participate in the membership committee, so she can help welcome, connect and uplift all newcomers. Keep an eye out, you're bound to meet her soon at Temple!

Through her participation at Temple, Parisa is looking forward to belonging to a community that leads with its heart, shines true and bright, and uplifts each other and the larger community through service and social action. She also hopes to connect with and create lasting friendships with members of all ages and backgrounds.

Parisa first found Temple when she followed her heart and attended a Shabbat service in late-December. In her own words: "When the prayer was recited before reading from the Torah, I became overwhelmed with such emotion, as somehow my soulself recognized that prayer as well as when the Cantor read from the Torah (even though I don't know Hebrew). In awe, I cried tears of joy and gratitude. For the first time ever in my limited religious background, I felt at home. The warm welcome I have received from every person I have met during and since that service has increased my sense of belonging and my desire to be a part of this community. Not only did I immediately join Temple, but I have chosen to begin my journey to adopt Judaism as my faith. I am beyond grateful, and I cannot wait to continue my spiritual journey!"



## **URJ BIENNIAL RESOLUTIONS - DEC. 2017**

By Amy Lipeles Member, URJ Board of Trustees Myron Wollin, *Social Action Committee Chair* 

At the recent Union of Reform Judaism Biennial held in Boston in December 2017 over 5,000 reform Jews met. In addition to the many speakers that they heard, they attended many workshops which included topics such as, managing temple finances, best principles for congregational engagement, gouvernance, and social justice.

The convention adopted 8 resolutions that showed that the URJ is a movement committed to social activism with underlying Jewish values above all. Below is an abbreviated version of the resolutions passed. For the full resolution please see: <u>https://urj.org/what-we-believe/resolutions/resolutionssearcb?keyword=resolutions+2017</u>

- **1. Resolution on Religious Equality in Israel** The URJ voted to provide leadership for a large-scale campaign to end the ultra-Orthodox monopoly in Israel.
- **2. Resolution on Redistricting** The URJ affirmed its longstanding commitment to restore the Voting Rights Act's original intent of addressing racially discriminatory voting laws.
- **3. Resolution on Addressing the Impacts of Climate Change** -The URJ encourages congregations to urge the government to uphold or go beyond the commitments of the Paris Climate Agreement.
- **4. Resolution on Responding to the Global Refugee Crisis** The URJ recognizes the vital role that Canada and the U.S. can play in addressing the global refugee process by welcoming refugees.
- **5. Resolution on School Discipline and Academic Climate** -The URJ supports efforts that will limit the flow of students into the juvenile justice system and prisons, including reforming school discipline policies that tend to criminalize minor student misconduct.
- **6.** Resolution on Student on Student Sexual Violence in Schools The URJ urges Reform congregations and leaders to educate their constituents from an early age on preventing, responding to and dispelling myths around sexual violence.
- **7. Resolution on Our Community's Pursuit of Racial Justice** The URJ will encourage the Reform Jewish Movement to implement a plan of action that shows how racial justice is a core component of our Jewish values and identity.
- 8. Resolution on Protecting Individuals at Risk of Deportation from the United States - The URJ recommends that congregations, after discussion within their congregations and with legal counsel, adopt a plan that could include one or more of the following: provide sanctuary in the form of temporary shelter within their facilities; provide legal assistance to fight deportation cases; provide material, financial or educational support.

## TEMPLE ISRAEL COMMITTED TO SOCIAL JUSTICE

By Myron Wollin, Social Action Committee Chair

The Board of Directors of Temple Israel has agreed to sign the Brit Olam of the Religious Action Center of the Union of Reform Judaism (URJ) <u>https://rac.org/brit-olam-covenant-our-</u> <u>world-0</u> We have joined 131 congregations across the country, including 28 in California who have also signed.

So what does this mean for our congregation? First, the Brit Olam, or a Convenant with our World, commits our Temple to join the Reform Movement's vision for social justice. With this commitment, our congregation has agreed to:

- 1. Foster a culture of sacred and civil dialogue in our congregation where all opinions are heard;
- 2. Act in solidarity with vulnerable communities;
- 3. Build relationships across lines of difference in our local community; and
- 4. Participate in a future issue campaign through the Religious Action Center (RAC)

Board members and the Social Action Committee are cognizant and respectful of the diversity of the synagogue's membership and the range of views held by the congregation. There is no political litmus test for congregational membership.

The signing of the Brit Olam is a recognition of the pursuit of social justice that is central to our congregation's moral leadership. As we coordinate with the RAC in the future, we hope to use their initiatives as a guide for our ongoing social justice work.



For thousands of years, the land of Israel has been for the Jewish people a dreamscape, a land of promise. Today it is a living dynamic reality: a place of rebirth for a language, a people, and a magnificent heritage. I invite you to join us on this extraordinary journey. This trip is open to all, so please feel free to invite friends and family. - Rabbi Steven Moskowitz



## SISTERHOOD

## **TIS MEMBERSHIP BRUNCH**

The room was decorated like an Academy Awards party ready to embrace an eager audience. On Sunday March 4, Temple Israel Sisterhood was treated to a delicious brunch and a wonderful speaker, Sarah Goldfinger, television writer/producer of CSI, Brothers and Sisters, and Jane the Virgin gave us insight about the ins and outs in the world of a television writer/producer.

We give many thanks to Sarah plus the TIS Membership Committee under the leadership of Nancy Linden and Judith Hardaker and assisted by Bobbi Horowitz, Judy Blumenthal, Sharon Coleman, Paula Avchen, and Susie Amster for planning such a great event.

Thank you to new members that joined us for a memorable afternoon.



SISTERHOOD MEMBERSHIP Received as of March 10, 2018 (to date we have a total of 134 members)

**Renewing Members:** Harriett Bennish, Marilyn Day, Trish Goldin, Chana Ham-Rosebrock

New Members: Andrea Friedenthal, Deborah Goldmann, Michele Goodman, Nicole Goodman, Jackie Love, Jean Potter, Lenore Roth, Lysa Saltzman



Sisterhood Ladies Night Out Thursday, April 19 at 6:30 p.m.

> Aroma Italiano Cafe 4959 Katella Ave. • Los Alamitos, CA 90720

Join your Sisterhood friends for dinner and schmoozing! All women are welcome to attend. If you need a gluten free meal let us know at least 3 days before the event.

> **Dinner Cost - \$25** Please RSVP to Charmaine at clw@tilb.org

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Temple Israel Sisterhood



### TUESDAY, APRIL 24 9:30 am. - 2:30 p.m. \$ 36.00

Includes snacks, lunch, dessert, beverages

Bring your own Mahjong set for your table, and any other game boards you like.

To RSVP please turn in the form below

www.tilb.org/Sis GameDayForm Apr18.pdf (or pick up a hard copy in the Temple lobby) and send it to Debi Felsenthal - (562) 594-0424 3322 Kenilworth Dr. • Los Alamitos, CA 90720

## Sisterhood Gift Shop

Looking for the perfect birthday gift, b'nai mitvzah gift, or hostess gift? Shop at our Gift Shop!

Sisterhood Members, if you are interested in joining the Temple Israel Sisterhood Board, please contact Judy Blumenthal <u>jblume75@gmail.com</u>





## AUDACIOUS HOSPITALITY, WELCOME BAGS AND CREATING COMMUNITY

By Joanne Levy, VP Membership

- "I am overwhelmed (in a good way) by the warm welcome and all the kindness I have received."
- "On behalf of our family, I thank you, your committee, and the Temple for hosting the New Member Dinner and service Friday."
- "I am beyond grateful for your help and guidance as I get settled into the Temple Israel community."
- "Thank you very much for your visit on Saturday and the time you took to answer my questions and walk through the options available to get to know the Temple Israel community. You helped me feel that Temple Israel is the right spiritual home for me!"



These are some of the words of appreciation I have received from a few of our newest congregants. Since January 2016, our congregation has grown by 103 (family) units and as of today our congregation has over 580 family units. We have many, many new families with young children, such that our Torah Center is bursting at the seams. We have a growing number of "empty nesters," single seniors, and recently, young adults in their 30's and

40's. These are exciting changes to our Temple demographics and at the same time, pose a challenge to us, as a congregation and as a Membership Committee, to integrate new members and engage existing members.

As we grow in size, we are cognizant of the need to make sure we embrace our new members, helping them to feel a sense of connection. In order to do so, the Rabbi and Cantor send each a personal note of welcome. As Vice President of Membership, I contact each new congregant and offer them some suggestions on how to stay informed (read the Tuesday eblast!) and work with those new members who wish to share a personal bio in the Kol Yisrael. A "mentor" is assigned and within the first month, the mentor calls, perhaps sets up a time to meet and gets to know the new member. A follow-up contact is made at six months, a year, and two years.

On a Friday afternoon, a volunteer from the Membership Committee personally delivers a Shabbat "Welcome Bag" containing a fresh challah, some Shabbat candles, sparkling cider, a guide to celebrating Shabbat at home, some Temple Israel swag, some helpful written information and a note of welcome from the Membership Committee. This personal connection, along with the calls and notes, has been received with great appreciation. Additionally, once a year, our new congregants are treated to dinner and Shabbat services, where they have an opportunity to meet and schmooze with other new members, representatives from the Board, our clergy, and many long- time congregants.

Another recent innovation from my committee is our New Member Interest Survey. Our new members are providing us with a more complete picture of their individual interests and goals, as well and how they see Temple Israel serving them. It's a two-way street! The Membership Committee mentor is able to ask and answer questions in their calls and connect the new member with others of similar interests, committee chairs and activities. The mentor acts as an on-going contact for questions and concerns.

As we grow larger, our Temple family is challenged to maintain a warm, welcoming and enriching community for all. Last year, many congregants participated in focus groups for the Strategic Plan and completed a Congregational Survey authored by the Creating Community Task Force. The data from that survey is helping us create goals and objectives for the next several years. We hope to identify congregants who want to develop small group communities within the congregation. In the meantime, we have added small community groups of interest, such as quarterly Israeli dancing, a Mussar (Jewish values) study group and a women's Rosh Chodesh (celebration of the new moon) group. Our JJL catalogue offers multiple opportunities to connect and learn and we hope you will take advantage of these great programs.

I am most excited to announce the return of the Adult Shabbaton/ Weekend Retreat scheduled for November 30-December 2, 2018 as a complement to our Congregational Retreat (Family Camp) April 13-15. The Adult weekend will be an exciting and enriching retreat that you won't want to miss! Stay tuned for more details from the planning committee.

In my view, **ALL OF YOU**, are associates of the Membership Committee. Every time you have the opportunity to welcome a new member, smile and say "hello" to someone you don't know, and participate in any event at the temple, you are an **ambassador of audacious hospitality.** There are many other ways you can help us create community:

- Volunteer to be a greeter at Shabbat Services; Contact Jay Alhadeff (jba1997@aol.com);
- Volunteer to be a "mentor" to a new congregant or family; Contact me (blucroo27@gmail.com)
- Volunteer to deliver New Member Welcome Bags; Contact Trish Goldin (mmegoldin@att.net)
- Invite someone to Shabbat dinner or to sit with you at Shabbat services
- Call someone who is ill, offer transportation, provide a meal;
- Attend JJL events, services, socialize in the foyer before and after Torah Center;

Most of all, tell us how you want to engage in your temple community! I look forward to hearing from you.

I hope you and your family had a wonderful Pesach.

### THIS MONTH'S B'NAI MITZVAH



My name is Eli Minkoff and I am looking forward to becoming a bar mitzvah on April 21<sup>st</sup>. I am in 7<sup>th</sup> grade at Rogers Middle School where I play the alto saxophone in the Jazz and Intermediate Band. I also play club soccer with Strikers FC in Huntington Beach were I am a midfielder. On top of my classes and extracurricular activities, I have been working one-on-one with Cantor Hass and Rabbi Moskowitz to prepare for my bar

mitzvah. It truly has been a very busy and productive year.

For my Mitzvah Project, I have the pleasure in doing two projects involving two different age groups. One is to help coach my younger brother's U8 soccer team during the fall and spring season. Teaching 6-7 year olds how to properly dribble and pass a soccer ball has taught me to be patient when dealing with 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders with short attention span. The other Mitzvah Project is helping out at Temple Israel's Sabbath Fellowship Service at the first Saturday of every month since September of 2017. I have learned how to serve meals and I have met so many wonderful Temple Israel's elder members.

In addition to school and my Mitzvah Project, I enjoy the company of my family especially my brother Ben and older cousins, Riley, Aaron, and Luc. You can find us playing soccer, watching movies, and hanging out on weekends. You will always find us at Alamitos Bay or Crescent Cove during the summer either body surfing or paddle boarding. I also love playing the alto saxophone and learning different rhythm to play a song, and of course collaborating with friends online.

I'm very happy that friends and family from near and far will be able to share this special day with my family and me, and I can't wait to celebrate with everyone.



Hi, I'm Simon Van Divort and I will be celebrating my Bar Mitzvah on April 28<sup>th</sup>. I have been preparing diligently for the past six months and everyday I get a little more excited.

I'm in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade at Rogers Middle School where I'm the first chair bass in the Intermediate Orchestra. I am in the Jazz Band, run Cross Country and I love riding my bike with my dad. I also have fun putting together complicated

lego sets-which my younger brother eventually destroys. I love

to travel with my family and I am learning to ski. I gave up golf when I was about 8 years old which my grandfather says was a very wise move.

Since I've grown up with Rescued animals (and Legos) around all of the time, it was natural for my Mitzvah Project to help the Long Beach Spay and Neuter set up and take down their adoption equipment every week. Seeing a cat or kitten get adopted by a loving family really makes me feel that I've helped accomplish something worthwhile

I have attended Temple Israel Torah Center since fifth grade. I see my Bar Mitzvah as the first step in understanding what it is to be Jewish.

ANDI TEMPLE ISRAEL'S 9-12 GRADE YOUTH GROUP

By Owen Sweeney, ANDI President



March was a communityfocused month for ANDI! The weekend of March 2 – 4, we gathered together with 175 other NFTY SOCAL teens to attend Leadership Kallah. We learned about our own personal leadership styles, how to work with others utilizing our strengths, and elected our new regional board for NFTY SOCAL.

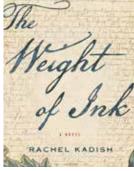
On Sunday, March 11th, ANDI attended with our Temple Israel High School Program the Interfaith Youth Council of Orange County's Faith Forum and Festival. We gathered together with 187 other interfaith teens to learn about each other celebrating our uniqueness and similarities. Our own Temple Israel teen musical group Shir Harmony kicked off the Forum with two beautiful songs about love and community. On Sunday, March 18th, many ANDI teens participated in Make a Difference Day with their families. We worked with our community on several service projects Later on that week, ANDI teens hosted Faithchella at Temple Israel. It was an amazing interfaith concert event! Musical guests from many different faiths performed, and we got to know our neighbors even better. It was very fun for all the teens and a great opportunity for us to invite our non-Jewish friends to a Temple event. Featured performances included our own Shir Harmony, the youth bell choir from First Congregational Church, and many more! In April, ANDI has plans to attend a Justin Rudd beach clean-up on Saturday, April 21st and hold a meeting on April 22nd after Torah Center. If you're a teen, come join us! Our last NFTY SOCAL event will be our Spring Kallah, April 27 - 29. We are happy to announce that the Temple Israel Foundation is providing every teen attending a \$50 scholarship toward registration. In addition every senior will have their senior event (\$90) paid for by the Foundation. We are very grateful for their generous support!

### **NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY**

by Joan Leb "And the winner is...."

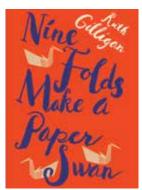
Since 1968, the Association of Jewish Libraries (AJL) has given the Sydney Taylor Book Awards to honor new books for children and teens that combine high literary standards with authentic portrayals of the Jewish experience. The award is named in memory of Sydney Taylor, author of the All-of-a-Kind Family series.

This year AJL has inaugurated the Jewish Fiction Award for adults. This award also honors excellent literary achievement with significant Jewish content. Other requirements include being written in English and available in the United States. The committee received over 50 works, testimony to the vibrant state of contemporary Jewish fiction.

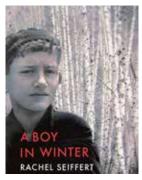


The grand prize winner is *The Weight* of *Ink*, by Rachel Kadish. Set in London in the 1660s and in the early twenty-first century, this is the story of two women; one a scribe for a blind rabbi and the other a historian with a love of Jewish history. The award committee said that "Rachel Kadish has crafted an extraordinary cast of characters who speak to each other within and across the divides of

centuries as well as those of age, religion, and class...." (F KAD)



*Nine Folds Make a Paper Swan*, by Ruth Gilligan uses Irish lore and history woven with the Jewish experience "to illuminate the stories of a young girl and her family who emigrate from eastern Europe, a suddenly mute boy incarcerated in a home for the mentally disable, and awoman who considers the implication of converting to Judaism." (F GIL)



*A Boy in Winter*, by Rachel Seiffert takes place in three days in November 1941 after the Germans have invaded a small town in Ukraine A variety of characters are forced to face the invasion's terrible consequences and make life-altering decisions. (F SEI)

Be the first on your block to read these award-winning books. Stay tuned next month for the 2018 Sydney Taylor Award winnes.



## Led by Kelly Cooper Perler Friday, April 20 at 6:00 p.m.



Tot Shabbat is a fun, informal, child-centered Shabbat Service, designed especially for children, ages newborn to 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.

FREE pizza dinner!

#### Please RSVP to Michelle at mdt@tilb.org



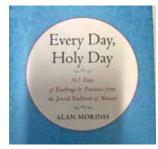
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Joys of Jewish Learning Adult Education OPPORTUNITIES

MUSSAR STUDY GROUP Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. April 4, and May 2 Facilitator: Trish Goldin



"Mussar is a system of introspective practices that can help you identify and break through the obstacles to your inherent holiness, using methods that are easy to integrate into daily life. The program laid out in this book focuses on 26 traits (middot)-such as loving-kindness, strength, generosity, compassion,

honor, and equanimity-each of which takes center stage for a week of contemplation and exercises, in order to develop and refine that quality in yourself," says Alan Morinis.

Our study group will get together once a month to study and share ideas on one trait using the Morinis book "Every Day, Holy Day" and other resources. We are thrilled to have Cantor Hass be our clergy liaison and hope to integrate music into our study. **Cost: none** 



SYMBOLS OF FAITH: A Collaborative Creation of Art in partnership with Belmont Heights Methodist Church Tuesdays, April 10 and 17 at 7:00 p.m. Instructor: Eve Lunt

Join with your Temple Israel family and members of other Long Beach faith organizations to create a beautiful collage of symbols of our faiths. Using up-cycled tin tiles as a background, you will contribute to an assemblage project using paints, art paper and found objects. The final piece will be shared by the community and travel through different places of worship in Long Beach. **Cost: \$10**  YIDDISH SONGS OF THE JEWISH GHETTO

Tears, Joy and Hope!

Thursday, April 12 - 7:00 p.m.



HARRIET BENNISH Accompanied by BEN GOWN, accordion DIANA PARMETER, cello



A FREE concert performing songs of Jewish composers and poets that perished in the Holocaust. The Jewish composers and poets may have died in the Holocaust, but need the music die with them?

Every song has a story ... and Harriet wants to tell it!

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW.

Please RSVP to Charmaine at *<u>clw@tilb.org</u>* 



Joys of Jewish Learning

Screening of the films, "VIOLINS OF HOPE" & "JOE'S VIOLIN" Discussion, and Havdallah Saturday, April 21 at 7:00pm



For Jews during the Holocaust, there wasn't much reprieve from the despair and horror surrounding them, but music— particularly that of violins, which hold an important role in Jewish culture offered temporary solace and a glimmer of humanity. Violinists in concentration camps were sometimes treated better and even spared their lives because of their ability to play this important instrument. Narrated by Adrien Brody (The Pianist and The Grand

Budapest Hotel), Violins of Hope: Strings of the Holocaust follows the journey of Israeli violinmaker Amnon Weinstein in his efforts to restore violins recovered from the Holocaust, and captures the lessons and highlights the music the instruments now bring to others. These special artifacts from the Holocaust, which Weinstein has dubbed the "Violins of Hope," include instruments that were played by Jewish prisoners in concentration camps and others that belonged to the Klezmer musical culture. The winner for "Best Documentary" at the 2016 Vienna Independent Film Festival, the film captures the powerful sights, sounds, reflections and conversations brought about by those who were touched by these violins.

In the Oscar-nominated Joe's Violin, a donated musical instrument forges an improbable friendship between 91-yearold Holocaust survivor Joe Feingold and 12-year-old Bronx schoolgirl Brianna Perez, proving that the power of music can bring light into the darkest of times, and that a small act can have a significant impact. Nominated, 2017 Academy Award for Best Documentary Short Subject. **Cost: none** 

## INCLUSION AND B'TZELEM ELOHIM Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. April 26, May 3, May 17 Teacher: Rabbi Michal Loving

Everyone on earth is unique, and we are all created b'tzelem Elohim, formed in the image of God. Join us as we read Jewish foundational texts that inform how we treat one another, no matter what our perceived differences. We will explore the power of language and discuss how we can become advocates for those with disabilities today. **Cost: none** 



Israeli Potluck and screening of the film, "IN SEARCH OF ISRAELI CUISINE" in partnership with the Experience Israel Committee Sunday, April 29 at 4:00pm

Come celebrate Israel's 70th birthday with your friends at Temple Israel. We will watch the film *In Search of Israeli Cuisine* and bring a potluck dish from cook book Zahav (available in the Temple Library or contact Mark Dressner <u>cesto@aol.com</u>.) We will also review Israel's national anthem, HaTikvah, so we can do a rousing birthday chorus in honor of Eretz Yisrael's 70th birthday!

In Search of Israeli Cuisine is a portrait of the Israeli people told through food. The feature length documentary puts a face on the culture of Israel, profiling chefs, home cooks, vintners, and cheese-makers drawn from the more than one hundred cultures that make up Israel today – Jewish, Arab, Muslim, Christian, Druze. A rich and human story of the people emerges. **Cost: none (bring an item for potluck dinner) Please RSVP with the dish you will be bringing.** 

#### HEBREW BLESSINGS & PRAYERS 1 Tuesdays at 7:00pm May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and June 5 Teacher: Janet Liss

This six-week class is for people who want to learn in a fun and encouraging environment some basic blessings that we use often as well as the Mourners Kaddish or Kaddish Yatom. We will look at the meaning of the prayers as well as learning the Hebrew. Knowing beginning Hebrew is a plus but not necessary. **Cost: \$75, including learning materials** 

PLEASE RSVP FOR ANY JJL PROGRAMS TO CHARMAINE AT CLW@TILB.ORG



## YAHRZEIT OBSERVANCE "Zecher Tzadik Livracha" The memory of the righteous are a blessing

#### April 4-10

Marty Altman \* Ronald Balan \* Martha Berger Joseph Berro Curtis Blank Estelle Brukman Barbara Jean Coster George Desh George Elbert \* Ben Fabric \* Lynne Faigen Greg Feldman Paul Fields Hal Fimberg \* Hal Fimberg \* Harry Finer Rhoda Friedman Sylvia Friedman Michael Glickman Michael Gordon Herbert Greene Earl Ham Harry S. Harris \* Paul Hartstein Leonard Hoffman Harry Holden Jacob Horowitz Yetta Jampolsky \* Nicholas Kelderman Marty Klein Fernand Klotz Mary Leib Daniel J. Lowenthal Zelda Magida Leona Masback \* Lee Rose Miller \* Rose Peyser \* Josef Plotnik Sherman Pottebaum Allan Sackstein Gitti Simon Rose Sommer \* Robert Stepner Tillie Stotland Juda Sukman \* Ala Wilkinson

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#### **OUR CONDOLENCES TO...**

Harriette Ellis on the death her life partner, Frank Weinberger Diane Guest

on the death her husband, Ron Guest

Leon & Janet Daniel & Tammy and Evan & Michelle Minkoff on the death of broher and uncle, Sherman Minkoff Nancy Speizer on the death of her husband, Mark Speizer

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



2 Jason and Rebecca Rabenn - 7 years
3 Steven and Pamela Keiles - 13 years Rick and Nealy Solymar - 14 years
6 Bob and Wendi Bender - 27 years
7 Kevin and Robin Vest - 34 years
8 Kip and Christina Boatwright - 8 years
11 Al and Rita Birch - 42 years
17 Ross and Mireya Gonzalez - 30 years
20 Saul and Falina Budeshtsky - 44 years Mark and Marilyn Weiss - 51 years
21 Julian and Jennifer Gardner - 1 years
23 Michael and Suzanne Brodsly - 18 years
26 Jonathan and Beth Dobkin - 9 years

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Karen Fried

in loving memory of her beloved brother, Robert Aron Fried and in loving memory of her beloved mother, Genevieve Fried

> Seth & Amy Goldman in honor of their daughter, Kylie's Bat Mitzvah

Michael & Cheryl Laven in honor of their son, Sam's Bar Mitzvah

Mark Meinstein & Joann Doti in honor of their son, Joseph's Bar Mitzvah

Matthew & Sharon Sloan in memory of Matt's parents, Harold Sloan and Lillian Sloan Rosenberg

Melanie Spellens in loving memory of her husband Dan Spellens and their parents and grandparents

#### WE RECOGNIZE OUR SUSTAINING MEMBERS

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Julie Alban Reva & Seymour Alban Barbara Alpert Helen Barrad Binnie & Jack Berro Jean Feldman Sylvia & Ron Hartman Fred Masback Sidney Schulman Nancy Speizer Karen Zoller & David Tillman

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

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## COMMUNITY FUNDS

□ Homeless Assistance Helps those in need pay first and/or last month's rent

**Caring Community** Funds programs for families in need

Nancy Leff and Donald Leff Memorial Purchases Hanukkah gifts for children of needy families

□ Yad B'Yad Purchases kitchen and catering supplies for Yad B'Yad

## **BOOK FUND**

Library Fund
 Purchase of library books

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Rabbi Wolli & Sarah Kaelter Sabbath Fellowship For purchase of kitchen items and programming

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□ Rob & Debbie Feldman Family Got Shabbat Funds quarterly Friday Shabbat alternative music service.

Music Patrons
 Funds musical programs

### **CAMP FUNDS**

- Paula & Michael Avchen Campership Camp/trip program for children in financial need
- Lester Elbert and Corinne Van Boemel Memorial Campership Camperships for those in financial need
- Lipeles Family Camp & Adult Shabbaton Fund for Families in need
- □ Jewish Campership Camperships for those in need

## **TORAH CENTER FUNDS**Torah Center Fund

- **Polly Alevy Memorial Education** *Funds for Torah Center*
- HUM (Horim U'Morim)
   Funds Torah Center projects
- A. Estin Comarr Memorial Torah Scholarship Funds scholarships for Torah Center
- □ Torah Center Scholarship Assists with Torah Center fees and scholarships
- Roselle & Herbert Sommer
   Scholarship Fund
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## **PROGRAMMING FUNDS**

ANDI Programs for our teens

- □ Jack Bard Memorial For Jewish programs of interest to the congregation
- Social Action
   For social action and programming needs
- □ Joys of Jewish Learning Funds adult education programs at the Temple



#### 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 Funds youth activities
- □ Pilger Lectureship Funds annual guest speaker lectures
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To make a donation, please check off any fund above to which you would like to donate and fill out the form below. Tear out this sheet and mail to: **Temple Israel - 269 Loma Avenue, Long Beach CA 90803** 

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The Danziger family in memory of Ken Ross, beloved uncle and brother-in-law.

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Eve Schleich in memory of her beloved father, Henry Lager, her beloved mother, Bernice Lager, her beloved brother, Richard Lager and her beloved grandmother, Annie Saltzman.

Elizabeth & Mark Sharzer in loving memory of Elizabeth's mother, Marilyn Gale.

Martin & Gloria Simon in loving memory of their son, Ira J. Simon. William Teweles in loving memory of his aunt, Marie Klepetar. Jodi & Larry Weber in loving memory of Jodi's father, Sanford Mosenson.

#### **GENERAL FUND**

Binnie & Jack Berro in memory of their dear friend, Frank Weinberger.

Jon & Peggy Feder in memory of Marc Geoffrey Sloan, beloved son of Matthew & Sharon Sloan.

Bill Giser & Margaret Locke sent healing thoughts and get well wishes to Jackson James Coulter.

Erik Ludwig.

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Robert & Jeannie Alban in memory of Dan Spellens, beloved brother of Binnie Berro, beloved husband of Melanie.

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The Kindergarten Festival Committee of LBUSD in memory of Dan Spellens, beloved brother of Binnie Berro, beloved husband of Melanie

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Ann & Gene Lentzner in memory of Dan Spellens, beloved brother of Binnie Berro, beloved husband of Melanie.

Ann & Gene Lentzner in honor of Barbara Wolfe for receiving this year's Woman of Visions Award.

Ann & Gene Lentzner in honor of Nancy Speizer and hoping she feels much better.

Ann & Gene Lentzner in honor of Lauren & Daniel Feldman on the birth of their son, Levi Jaden.

Gene & Ann Lentzner in memory of longtime Temple Israel member Mark Speizer, beloved husband of Nancy Speizer.

Doreen Merich in memory of her brother-in-law, Dan Spellens, beloved brother of Binnie Berro, beloved husband of Melanie.

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Binnie & Jack Berro-to Dawn Haldane and the Caring Community with their heartfelt appreciation for the most generous support and guidance during their time of bereavement.

Jean Feldman in loving memory of her husband, Julius Feldman.

Leon Fultheim in gratitude to Dawn Haldane and the Caring Community for their wonderful and caring assistance.

Harry & Eva Lowenstein in memory of Elaine Goff, beloved mother of Susan Steel.

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Ed & Judy Green in memory of Sol Green, Ed's beloved father. Ed & Judy Green in memory of Ed's beloved uncle, George Danchik.

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Roni, Tontra, Sushila & Nat Love in loving memory of their uncle, Ben Jones.

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Leon Neumann & Janice Wood in honor of the birth of Joanne & David Feldman's grandson, Levi Jaden Feldman.

Leon Neumann & Janice Wood in honor of the birth of Margaret Locke & Bill Giser's grandson, Evan Liam Shenhav.

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#### **MITZVAH FUND**

Emmanuel United Presbyterian Church in support of Make a Difference Day.

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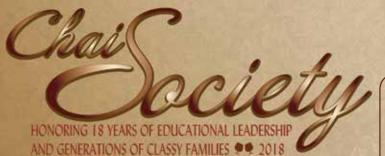
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