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Facebook Live

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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.

SERVICES AND TORAH STUDY **ZOOM LINKS**

Friday Evening Services - 6:00 pm https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87165332931

Saturday Morning Torah Study - 8:45 am https://zoom.us/j/163280737

Shabbat Morning Services - 10:30 am

https://zoom.us/j/987542891

(Please Note: if there is a Bar/Bat Mitzvah a different link will be provided)

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



FAITH

By Steve Gordon, Temple President



"Faith," is certainly not an unusual title for an article in a house of worship's monthly bulletin. My use of the word, however, has nothing to do with religious observance. The "faith" that I'm thinking of has more to do with needing the patience necessary while we wait for some normalcy to return to our world.

As I sit to write this article, I'm coming off the joyous occasion of Rabbi Fox's first Shabbat with us. That included

Friday night services, Saturday night Havdalah, both of which I attended, as well as Torah Study and services on Saturday morning. I also thoroughly enjoyed being part of the drive by caravan in front of the Temple on Friday afternoon welcoming Rabbi Fox to our community. Prior to the caravan, I chose to enter the building (with my mask), for the first time in nearly four months.

The wave of emotion I felt as I sat in an empty sanctuary was completely unexpected. This was a place where all of us would gather, pray, and practice our own observances, in whatever form that took. I also wandered through the empty halls of a building that is the centerpiece of our congregational community; the place where we catch up with old friends, share a nosh at an oneg, and wrap ourselves in the culture of our people. For the last four months, we have been deprived of the full enrichment our synagogue has to offer. Walking through the building that afternoon brought all of that back to me.

The technology of Zoom and other virtual means of connection are all wonderful. Much has been written, and accurately so, of the effort our Senior Staff have put in to provide our congregation with as much as they possibly can during this shutdown. They have been beyond fantastic. But let's be honest here... it's just not the same. Attending services and other activities through Zoom is a great way to stay connected, but it's nowhere near the same as chanting melodies with friends while sharing a pew.

The phrase "new normal" has been used quite a bit. For me, I prefer the phrase "temporary new normal." Being in our current situation is beyond our control. We also have no idea of when we will be able to return to the "regular normal." But despite our *not* being able to exist as we once did, nor as we would like, we are still congregants of Temple Israel. Our building still sits on the corner of 3rd and Loma, but more importantly, the soul within our building is bursting through the walls just waiting for our return, whenever that may be.

Given our inability to gather, and the very scary environment we are living with, it might seem strange that the next thing I want to tell you is how excited I am. The excitement I'm referring to is the arrival of our new spiritual leader, Rabbi Fox. The sheer joy and effervescence he is displaying with every interaction, is a delight for all of us. It has picked me up and reminded me of why I love

Temple Israel so much. We are on hold, to be sure. But deep in my heart, I know that hold button will not stay pressed forever. And I cannot wait for the flow of beauty when it is released.

In the meantime, please remember that we all still have work to do. That work includes making good decisions so as to remain safe and healthy, embracing the blessings in our lives, and staying engaged with our beloved temple. I fully acknowledge that it isn't easy. But it's important. Very important.

During my remarks on Rosh HaShanah last year, I said the following:

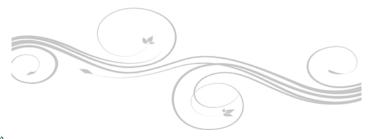
"Five years ago, we changed our dues structure to a voluntary membership commitment. At the time, there was concern that our commitments would decrease. But that's not what happened. I am very proud to report that during the last five years, our commitments have increased... I just used the word proud. I am proud. I'm proud to be part of an organization that is giving its membership what it wants and what it needs. And I'm also proud to be part of a membership that understands the importance, the absolute necessity, of supporting its organization. Even now, during this time of transition and uncertainty, people are doing what they can. Simply put, we cannot sustain this model unless people do what they can, at whatever level that may be. And you are doing so. Thank you for that."

My intention here is to remind you of the temple we are, not the temple we are forced to be during this crisis. It is currently the season of membership renewal. For those of you who have already sent in your paperwork, thank you for doing so. If you have not, I ask you to consider renewing at the same or even a higher level than last year (I suspect that even if you have returned your materials and would like to increase your membership commitment, that can be arranged).

I started this article off with the words faith and patience. I now want to use the word excitement. With Rabbi Fox now among us, the joy and excitement (even through Zoom) is palpable. Even though I felt pangs of loss while I was sitting alone in the sanctuary thinking about what we currently don't have, that sadness quickly dissipated as I witnessed the forty or fifty cars drive by the temple to say hello to Rabbi Fox and his family.

Are we living through and enduring a "new normal?" Yes, unfortunately we are. But that "new normal" is only a precursor to what the real normal is. And that real normal is going to be just as terrific as ever.

It's just going to take a little faith, patience, and commitment to get there.





RABBI'S MESSAGE

By Rabbi Scott Fox



I, for one, welcome it. It seems more of a surprise than anything else. I've been so focused on how to make the most of my time while at home, balancing work and family in the same space, that I almost forgot about it. Just the other day I was in a meeting and in the middle of a sentence, little Adi came waddling into the room. Not only is new for me to have a toddler around at all, but I'm not used to including anyone under the age of five in a staff meeting. We stopped the conversation and Adi giggled at the

screen while the staff of Temple Israel played for a minute between discussing programming and pastoral needs.

I know that we are all in a place of upside down. In a space where the expected can't be counted on and where we are relearning even the basic elements of our daily routine as many of our commutes shrank from a comfortable drive to a very short walk. Our workspaces are now divided up among living and bedrooms and missing that fresh sheen that comes when you step back into the office after 15 hours away.

So I welcome this surprise. I am glad that while everything else is completely different, that Rosh HaShanah is still on the same day it always was. Given the virus I half expected the calendar to go into quarantine as well, call in from a virtual office somewhere in the course of time and share that due to the pandemic the holiday was either postponed or completely off. Instead, there it was in the same box on my calendar. Waiting patiently as we slowly drove along the weeks to its address. This year, Rosh HaShanah has a smile, a plate of cookies, and a glass of milk. Even if everything else is different this year, we can count on the holiday. Same day, same time.

I think there is a reason that holidays live on a calendar that we can't affect. There's no slowing down the sun, there's no changing the days even though there are times when I feel like a holiday comes at a time that's not quite convenient. Some people say the holidays come early, or late, depending on where land in the Gregorian calendar, but the truth is that on the Hebrew calendar they are always the same. Written in stone, or fire, or parchment right there in the Five Books of Moses, and so we oblige. I love that we can't change the date. That it comes even as life moves on around it, in spite or despite it. We would likely not celebrate our holidays if we could postpone them to a convenient or even expected time. They always come when we have something to do that day. I'd like to suggest that that is why they exist. They are a holiday, like a vacation to another planet of hours. They move us to do differently.

This year we have so much that is up in the air, so much that has changed and that is changing every day. There's not much that we can rely on to be the same, and the holidays will certainly look different this year, but the day is still there for us. Our holy days are an anchor in a storm, a constant in the middle of uncertainty. It will be inconvenient, a difficult thing to stop and be with the holiday when the kids are running around, the sink is dripping

and the floor needs to be swept, but I invite us to take a little bit of this unexpected normal and be with one another. I invite us to snap back to our holiday-self, hear some old melodies, and remind ourselves of the new year. This fall let's offer ourselves a taste of normal, may it be like honey.

L'shanah tovah, wishing all of us a safe and sweet New Year.



A MESSAGE FROM OUR HIGH HOLY DAYS TASK FORCE

Due to the ongoing concerns over the Covid19 pandemic, services this year will be very different than any year in the past.

All of our services will be virtual,
meaning no one will be in the synagogue.
other than the Rabbi, Cantor and David York,
The services will be broadcast over the internet.
The Taskforce is working on which platform will be used,
most likely ZOOM, Facebook and YouTube,
or some combination of the three.

In the next few weeks we will send out more information about the schedule of the services, where you can access them and if you wish to participate by being a reader, how to sign up.

Special note to the Volunteer Choir and the Shofar Choir:

We are working on ways to incorporate both into the services. Time to warm up your vocal cords or lips as the case maybe!

If you do not have reliable internet access, have never used Zoom, FaceBook or YouTube and would like to have help, contact the office. Since the services are virtual, feel free to invite NON-members including family and friends to join us. Send an email to the office with the subject line: **Invites for High Holy Days**, so we can provide them all the information.



TISHA B'AV - PROTECT US ALL

By Mark Dressner, VP Ritual Practices



Tisha B'Av is the primary summer observance on the Jewish calendar. This is the ninth day of the month of Av. Attributed to have taken place on this day are both the destruction of the First and Second Temple. This day has become the day where other atrocities also have occurred to the Jewish people. Some of these include the edict for expulsion from Spain being issued, massacres during the crusades occurring, and some of the worst

atrocities during the Holocaust taking place. This is clearly a day of mourning. This is a 24 hour fast day similar to Yom Kippur. Torah is not studied because that would bring joy to a day that is not joyful. The mourning period starts three weeks early on the 17th of Tamuz, which is thought to be the day that the Babylonians first breached the walls of Jerusalem. During these three weeks there are no weddings, haircuts or joyous celebrations. On the first of Av mourning becomes intensified with no consuming of meat or wine, no purchasing of new clothes and no shaving. (Daniel Syme, The Jewish Home)

What can we take from a day that represents the destruction, twice, of the Jewish Temple? We can never let this happen again. The Jewish people must remain strong and a positive force in society. How do we do that? We need to be leaders. We need to be involved in all aspects of making society a better place. Temple Israel exemplifies this from governmental leaders, student leaders, leaders in the arts, in variety of professions, in social justice, and so much more. We need to stay strong, especially in this challenging year of 2020. As you are able, please support as much as possible, financially, the operations of Temple Israel. Preservation of the Jewish people goes beyond our own religious denomination but also to Jewish people of other denominations as well as secular Jews. We can do this by supporting the Jewish Community Center bringing all the different Jewish groups together from synagogues and schools (including Hillel of Long Beach State) as well as being there for the community as a whole. Also support Jewish Long Beach (formerly the federation) and Jewish Family and Children's

If Jewish people are to survive, and people in general must survive, do your part in the pandemic. We need to protect ourselves but also do our part to protect the vulnerable. As frustrating as it is — wear a mask, physically distance, wash up if you have touched possible contaminated surfaces. DO NOT gather without practicing these precautions and where others are not practicing these easy precautions. Remember when no one used to wear seatbelts?

Lastly, to generalize the theme of preservation and preventing destruction, BLACK LIVES MATTER. The time is now for our society and the world to stop treating people with dark skin differently. Yes Jewish people matter. Yes gay people matter. Yes

women matter. The time though now is, once and for all, to make BLACK LIVES MATTER the biggest priority to truly make us treated equal in the U.S. and the world.

As always, please share any thoughts on this or other issues at VPRitualPractices@tilb.org

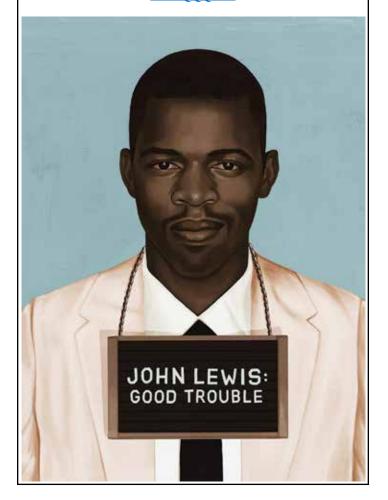
JOYS OF JEWISH LEARNING MOVIE DISCUSSION

Thursday, August 27 at 7:00 pm

Discussing the movie John Lewis: Good Trouble

This intimate account of legendary U.S. Representative John Lewis's life and legacy takes us through his more than 60 years of activism-from the bold teenager on the front lines of the Civil Rights' movement to the legislative powerhouse he is today.

https://www.amazon.com/John-Lewis-Good-Trouble/dp/ B087QQQVKC





SISTERHOOD WELCOMES RABBI FOX

Sisterhood members are invited to attend an online Zoom event with Rabbi Fox!

On Wednesday, August 5th at 7:00 pm

This is planned for 30 minutes.

To attend RSVP to <u>sisterhood@tilb.org</u> by August 3rd and you will receive an e-mail with the Zoom information.

We will be collecting questions for Rabbi Fox.

Please send questions for Rabbi Fox to <u>sisterhood@tilb.org</u>



ON ZOOM

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19 7:00 PM

A set of 5 cards and Zoom info will be sent to the first 25 who respond

There is NO charge to participate.
OPEN TO ANYONE

RSVP must be in by August 10th to sisterhood@tilb.org



SISTERHOOD SCHMOOZE! With Scavenger Hunt At Home

Let's connect online from home with Zoom and have a fun scavenger hunt!

Tuesday, October 6th from 7:00 to 8:00 pm

Sisterhood members will receive an e-mail with the Zoom information.

Send any questions to sisterhood@tilb.org

THE SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP

The Gift Shop will be open by appointment only, Monday through Friday between 10am and 3pm. Contact Elyse at (562) 429-8626



IT'S TIME TO MAIL IN YOUR SISTERHOOD MEMBER RENEWAL!

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TEMPLE ISRAEL HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

By Sasha Pullman ANDI President and

Trevor Davis-Dressner ANDI Social Action Vice President

As Jews, we are taught to accept others, without prejudice or bias. The Torah states "You shall not hate your kinsfolk in your heart. Reprove your kinsman, but incur no guilt because of him. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against your countrymen. Love your fellow as yourself: I am the Eternal." (Leviticus 19: 17-18).

In the Talmud, we learn that all people are descendants from a single person so that no person can say, "my ancestor is greater than yours." We learn that God created humanity from the four corners of the earth - yellow clay, and white sand, black loam, and red soil. Therefore, the earth can declare to no part of humanity that it does not belong here, that this soil is not their rightful home.

Judaism also teaches the importance of working with others in the community to achieve social justice. We are taught that "in a city where there are both Jews and Gentile, the collectors of alms collect from both Jews and Gentiles; they feed the poor of both, visit the sick of both; bury both and restore the lost goods of both, for the sake of peace" (Yerushalmi Talmud, Tractate Demai).

With these important teachings in mind, ANDI has chosen to focus on the issue of racial injustice during the coming year. We are committed to doing so through ongoing communication, education, programming, and advocacy around this topic. As individuals and as a youth group, we have already taken several steps this summer to do our part in raising awareness and supporting local organizations dedicated to promoting a more equitable, just, and kind world for everyone.

ANDI Social Action Vice President Trevor Davis-Dressner lead the way by doing a running challenge to raise awareness and money for Black Lives Matter Los Angeles and raised over \$2,000 to empower the black community. Members of the ANDI youth group publicized, participated, and contributed to the effort.

ANDI President Sasha Pullman, ANDI Religious and Cultural Vice President Carmel Artstein, and ANDI Financial Vice President Chole Pullman also contributed to the cause by peacefully participating in the recent protests in downtown Long Beach, adding their voices to this critical time in history. ANDI Communications Vice President Sadie Brown spent time learning about the effects of racism and our responsibility to be allies to people of color, as part of her virtual Camp Newman Teen Fest experience this summer.

ANDI is currently working with African American teens from Faithful Central Bible Church in Inglewood to create programming for both of our youth groups to exchange ideas and life experiences with one another. In addition, ANDI has taken steps to inform its members, as well as others, of resources to become more informed about the Black Lives Matter and how they can become involved.

As Jews, we have a history and a past of being left out and pursued and as allies with the Black community, we will continue to attend events, fight for change, and empower the community of color around us. We, as the present and future of the Reform movement, acknowledge the importance of promoting change in society and affirm our commitment to Tikkun Olam (repairing the world).

TEMPLE ISRAEL FOOD DRIVE

By Paul Levitt, Social Action Chair

For four days in June and July, the Social Acton Committee sponsored a drive-up food drive at Temple Israel. Some 18 volunteers received donations from approximately 45 congregational and neighborhood families.

At the end of each day, a food bank from the Long Beach area picked up the day's donations which amounted to one very full pick-up truck per day.

The organizations receiving the donations were Catholic Outreach in Action, East Village Food Bank, Wrap the Kids, and Long Beach Community Table.

The Social Action Committee would like to thank all those who helped coordinate, donate goods and volunteer to make this food drive a success.







Mazel Tov to Alan & Stephanie Pullman on the birth of their first grandchild, **Luca West Stewart** born on Sunday, July 5, 2020 weighing 6 lbs. and 8 oz. Mazel Tov to parents Alyson & Tom Stewart and aunties Chloe and Sasha Pullman.



Mazel Tov to Jodi & Larry Weber on the birth of their grandson, **Bryce Thomas Weber** born on Sunday, April 12, 2020 weighing 7lbs. 2 oz.



BRINGING MEMBERS TOGETHER

By Laurie Arroyo, VP Membership



When I moved to Long Beach several years ago, I began a new journey with many unknowns. Born into a fiercely secular Jewish family, I was culturally Jewish. It never occurred to me to look to a synagogue for community. After all, aside from Passover and Chanukah, organized religion was more foreign than this new city. It took a few years for me to find Temple Israel and even more to become immersed. First I attended Torah Study for a while

before joining. As Rabbi Fox teaches, in Judaism learning is the precursor of action. Making the commitment to this journey, I participated in the Joys of Jewish Learning and Membership committees, was one of 10 women in the Adult B'not Mitzvah class of 2016-2017, joined the Temple Board, and am now Vice President of Membership.

One of the joys of being on the Membership Committee is the focus on welcoming new congregants, in addition to our work supporting our dynamic community, a community that encourages growth through engagement. It is this dynamism and our vibrant, diverse, loving community that draws new members to come explore Jewish traditions, and practice with us.

If you have been a member for several years, you may not be aware of how we welcome our newest congregants. Within the first few weeks, they receive a welcome letter from the Rabbi and Cantor, as well as one from me, providing information about ways to connect with the Temple. Also within the first few weeks (Covid-19, notwithstanding) new members receive a welcome bag filled with goodies. Additionally, our new congregants and families are assigned a "mentor" who serves as a resource to help them connect with temple activities suited to their interests. The goal of our mentor program is to help our newest feel a part of our mishpachah. Finally, at the beginning of each calendar year, in normal times, we sponsor the New Member Recognition Shabbat and Dinner, and invite everyone in the congregation to come welcome and celebrate our community's newest additions.

Always on our agenda is to find new ways to bring our busy and diverse congregants together. In the past we have hosted "themed" onegs, such as last year's for "Hikers, Bikers & Birders" and "Empty Nesters." Once we are again able to congregate in our beautiful building, it is our intention to continue nurturing community by offering opportunities to gather, to foster the organic emergence of groups and leaders. By the way, as you know it can be a challenge to come up with new themes and we encourage you to share your creativity. On the horizon, we will be hosting the first annual, "Reunion Service and Oneg," inviting friends and previous members of the congregation to come together with us, in the spirit of a family reunion, to catch up and reminisce.

Temple Israel is only as good as the individuals who participate and volunteer. We are well known for our audacious hospitality and warmth BECAUSE of you, our clergy and staff, our Shabbat Greeters, and our welcoming spirit. If you are someone who enjoys meeting new people and have energy and creativity to share, please contact me. If you would like to mentor a new congregant and family, we would love to have your help. Our committee welcomes new ideas and hopes you will join us. Feel free to email me at \(\begin{array}{c} VPMembership@tilb.org \) or call (562) 708-2478.

I look forward to meeting each of you and continuing our work together building our Temple Israel family.



Welcome New Members

Marianne Appel Gabriel and Zynette Cohen Michele Vadon Patrick and Lisa Varon





Thank you to all those who have renewed your membership in our community.

If you would like to make changes to your membership payment schedule, please contact the Temple Office and speak with Jackie Profeta at (562) 434-0996 extension 103 or email jep@tilb.org

ORGANIZATIONAL IMPROVMENT INITIATIVE



OII UPDATE

By Dawn Haldane and Freda Ross, OII Chairs

Board Review Delayed Due to COVID-19

The OII Committee concluded its formal Assessment in March, listing over 75 recommendations with timelines of "Do Now", "Do in the Next Year", and "Do in the Next Two-Three Years." The guiding principle of the report is that the synagogue is a sacred community.

At the time the Assessment was concluded, the intention was that the OII Committee and the Board would devote a day to review its over 75 recommendations. And then COVID-19 happened, and the Temple closed. Those review meetings did eventually take place, over three separate ZOOM calls held in May.

All Recommendations Approved by Board

For each of the recommendations, the votes were either approved, not approved, or approved with minor changes. The OII Committee and the Board reviewed all of the recommendations, and they were approved in some form, either as originally written, or with minor changes.

Some of the most significant changes involve improved communication with the congregation with more transparency (e.g., regular town hall meetings, advance notice of Board meeting times, and publication of Board minutes), and a re-boot of the Human Resources Committee (e.g., published clear lines of authority, clergy and senior staff job descriptions, and standard and policies regarding employment reviews). Contact the Temple if you are interested in receiving a copy of the full report.

Key Upcoming Assignments to Take the Recommendations Forward

We are pleased to report that Jonathan Kass, a previous President of Temple Israel, and Sheryl Stahl, Temple Borad Member and OII Committee Member, have agreed to act as "Program/ Implementation Managers." Their mission will be to assess progress, on a monthly basis, against action plans to implement the recommendations. They will also be responsible to report that progress to both the Board and to the congregation.

Also working on a go-forward basis are the following "Owners" of each of the areas listed below. Jonathan and Sheryl will work with these individuals to help them formulate action plans.

Board Purpose, Function and Structure – Kathryn McDermott, previous Board Member and ad-hoc OII advisor

• Foundational Statements

Joanne Levy, previous Board Member and OII co-leader of Foundational Statements section

• Communication with Congregation

Dawn Haldane, OII co-chair, previous Board Member, and OII co-leader of Communication with Congregation section

• Human Resources Operations

Linda Burney, previous President, and Chair of the Personnel Committee

• Leadership Development

Immediate Past President, Joyce Feldman

Bylaws

Current Recording Secretary, and OII co-leader of Bylaws OII section.

An additional important assignment is Jared Goldin as "Procedures Manager." One of the discoveries in the Assessment Process was that, as an organization we rely too much on word-of-mouth regarding "how things get done around here," with little documentation to pass along to the next Board Member or Committee Chair. Jared will work to help us correct that.

Town Hall Meeting

We still want to have a Town Hall Meeting to discuss the OII Report in detail with all you. Holding that meeting – and holding any Town Hall Meetings - is a challenge because the Temple is not even open now. The Temple is in the process of considering other alternatives of communication with its congregants beyond the written communication of emails and monthly bulletins. Rest assured that when the Temple does open, we will get together. And how we look forward to that day! In the meantime, stay well, and stay safe.

JEW IT AT HOME A GLOBAL JEWISH COMMUNITY

Social distancing does not mean social isolation.

<u>Jewitathome.com</u> is a curation of resources to create digital Jewish Community and live a Jewish life even when we cannot gather physically.



RJ ON THE GO Interactive Jewish Experiences for Everyone in Your Family!

ReformJudaism.org is launching a platform to host interactive, meaningful and fun experiences that are easily accessible on the go or at home. RJ on the Go invites you to own your Jewish journey by choosing experiences that speak to you, on a schedule that works for your life. Check it out at http://cloud.email.rj.org/RJonTheGo-Info

THIS MONTH'S B'NAI MITZVAH



SOPHIE CHERIN August 1, 2020

Shalom. My name is Sophie Cherin, I am going into eighth grade at Tincher Middle school, I live in Lakewood with my Mom and Dad, and my little sister, Cosette. We have two dogs, Coco and Baxter, who keep our house filled with life and excitement all the time. I will be Bat Mitzvah'd on the Saturday morning of August 1st. This experience is very special to me for many reasons, one being to carry on the tradition, and another being the first virtual Bat Mitzvah at Temple Israel, I also get to be the first Bat Mitzvah of our

new Rabbi, Rabbi Fox, at Temple Israel. For my Mitzvah Project I volunteered at the Sabbath Fellowship at our temple, where I helped prepare and serve food, lead a service, and socialize with the older members of our community. I really liked my Mitzvah Project because it made me feel like I was giving back to the Temple I have been going to since first grade. I am thrilled to become a Bat Mitzvah, and serve my duties as a Jewish adult.



JD JOHNSON August 8, 2020

Hi my name is ID Johnson. My Bar Mitzvah is on August 8, 2020. I live in Fountain Valley with my Mom, Dad, 2 turtles, 2 lizards, 2 ferrets, 2 pigs and 1 amazing dog Scarlet! Yep, we have our very own small urban farm! Some of my hobbies are playing water polo for United Water Polo Club of HB, skateboarding, surfing, video games, playing my trumpet, and currently I'm trying to learn the guitar. My family and I love to travel and try new foods and restaurants. I am a pescatarian and I love sushi!! I also really enjoy

listening to music, not just playing it. Music frees my mind and relaxes my soul. Some of the genres I like are, classic rock, old school rap and reggae. My mom and I love to jam out in the car and since I can remember we have living room dance parties that are super fun!

For my Mitzvah Project, I was part of a few great organizations. Shabbat Fellowship with Mr. Jay on Saturday's, volunteering my time to varies different activities and events through The Lions Heart Foundation, and Downs Syndrome Association of Orange County.

I strive to do the best I can in everything I do. I take major pride in school and have gotten straight A's all thru middle school so far! In elementary school I ended the year with a great bang! I received the "Heartbeat of Tamura", an award that Is granted to one student in the whole school. Voted by all staff members, it goes to a fifth grader that is not only academically strong, but who's character is stellar. A leader, and inspiration to others. It was an honor to receive.

I am grateful to everyone who has helped and supported me on my journey to Bar Mitzvah. Thank you for sharing it with me.



HARPER HOGAN August 15, 2020

Harper will become a Bat Mitzvah on August 15, 2020. Harper was born in Long Beach and has lived here her entire life. She is an 8th grader at Rogers Middle School. Harper loves baking and is starting to become excited about cooking of all kinds. She also loves swimming and has participated in the Long Beach Junior Guards for the last three years.

For her Mitzvah Project in 7th grade she participated in Project Chicken Soup, a non-profit

organization that delivers free nutritious kosher meals to people in the greater Los Angeles area living with HIV/AIDS, cancer, and other serious illnesses. She chose Project Chicken Soup in honor of her grandfather, Steven Friedman.

SCAVENGER HUNT 345 YOUTH EVENT

Wednesday, August 5 at 4:00 pm

All TI kids entering 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade are welcome! Our high school youth group ANDI board is happy to bring an exciting zoom scavenger hunt to our 3rd, 4th, 5th graders.

Please RSVP to Kara Liu karaandchun@gmail.com





EMAIL COMMUNICATION TO CONGREGATION JULY 14, 2020

There is no doubt we are all looking forward to the day when we can gather once again back in our Temple building. Yet, as a "kehilla kedosha", a sacred Jewish community, we continue to prioritize the health and well-being of all who are a part of our congregational family.

We know you have many questions about when and how we will return to our building for services and activities. As has been demonstrated over the last few months, our understanding of COVID-19 changes regularly, and the guidance received by the CDC, national, state, and local governments is updated frequently. As the situation changes and we continue to learn more, it is our intention to keep our community up to date with current guidelines.

In order to best evaluate these guidelines, Temple Israel has assembled a very talented group of individuals to help guide us through the reopening process. These members are volunteering their time and expertise to ensure that we are cautious and respectful of what reopening should look like for our community, as well as remaining acutely aware of the consequences should we not do this in a thoughtful and deliberate manner. Additionally, the task force is proceeding with a full understanding of the Governor's recent rollback orders.

The Reopening Task Force is staffed by Eric Shatzkin (Executive Director), Sharon Amster Brown (Educator), Temple President Steve Gordon, and now Rabbi Fox. The members at large on the task force (in alphabetical order) include:

- Susie Amster, retired Executive Director of Temple Beth Sholom in Santa Ana, member of Temple Israel's 100 Year Campaign Committee
- **Greg Endelman,** Dean of Orange County School of the Arts and Temple Israel board member
- Marian Martin, business owner and MBA and long-time 3rd grade teacher in our Torah Center
- **Glenn Newman,** MD, Family Medicine specialist currently working at Santa Monica Urgent Care
- Marcia Alcouloumre Senteno, MD, Infectious Disease specialist at St. Mary Medical Center in Long Beach
- David Tillman, MD, retired President & CEO St. Mary Medical Center, internal medicine and infectious disease specialist and founder of the infectious disease department at St. Mary Medical Center

As you may be aware, the number for COVID-19 cases has continued to increase in recent weeks. We are monitoring the situation closely and determining ways we can be with each other in person while remaining safe. Protocols are now being coordinated for how we may (in the near future should new cases of the virus begin to decrease) reintroduce in-person services, as well as Torah Center and Youth Programming. In the immediate future, we will continue to offer our services and programming via Zoom and

Facebook Live.

You will soon be receiving an email with a brief survey, asking questions about your personal comfort and expectations as we look towards reopening the Temple building, as well as asking how we can fulfill your needs while we continue to operate remotely. Please take the time to fill out the survey completely to assist our task force and staff in making the appropriate decisions for our community.

If you have any questions about the process, or ways to access our programs and services moving forward, do not hesitate to contact Eric Shatzkin, our Executive Director (<code>ejs@tilb.org</code> or ext. 111), or our office staff. Our clergy is also available for counsel as well as questions about our worship moving forward. Rabbi Fox can be reached at <code>RabbiFox@tilb.org</code> or ext. 214, Cantor Hass can be reached at <code>CantorHass@tilb.org</code> or ext. 213.

Wishing you and your loved ones continued health,

The Temple Israel Reopening Task Force: Susie Amster, Greg Endelman, Marian Martin, Glenn Newman, Marcia Alcouloumre Senteno, David Tillman

With great appreciation: we have added Carl Schultz to our Task Force, UCI Professor Emeritus of Emergency Medicine and Public Health, Emergency Medicine and Associate EMS Medical Director, Orange County Health Care Agency since this letter was written.

FORUM DISCUSSION WITH REOPENING TASK FORCE

Monday, August 17 at 7:00 pm

What The Start Of This Year At Temple Israel Will Look Like and

Update On This Year's High Holy Days Plans

If you have questions for the Task Force that you would like to submit ahead of time, please email Charmaine at chw@tilb.org Subject: Forum Question.



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INTERFAITH GREETINGS

Black Lives Matter

By Roni Love, SCIC Member

"We're going to have to be a little uncomfortable right now, because it's only in pushing through that discomfort that we get to the other side of this and find the place where a high tide raises all ships," said Megan Markle. Feeling this, I believe that statements from both the URJ and RAC will help us "work together across lines of difference to fight the structural racism that is embedded in our society and to advance justice for **all people**, regardless of race or ethnicity." [emphases throughout, mine] This is our time to help make a difference!

Our country simply cannot achieve the values of "justice for all" to which it aspires until we address ongoing racism in all sectors and at all levels of society. URJ

"The Torah teaches us to accept others without prejudice or bias. Judaism also teaches the importance of working with others in the community to achieve social justice. Throughout the past 400 years, Black people in America have been enslaved, subjugated, disenfranchised, murdered, and discriminated against. From generation to generation, white Americans, including white Jews, have failed to own and end the systemic racial injustices on which the nation was founded, and instead have actively or passively perpetuated these injustices.

Our Jewish tradition is replete with instances of moral reckoning when we are asked to be present and accounted for. *Ayecha?*, we are asked. Where are you? We respond with a full throated, *Hineinu*. We are here. As Reform Jews committed to the spirit of this teaching, we say unequivocally, **Black Lives Matter.** To affirm that Black Lives Matter is to commit to a human and civil rights movement, working to end systemic racism against Black people and white supremacy.

To affirm that Black Lives Matter is to recognize that **we are a racially diverse Reform Jewish Movement**, and that our diversity is a source of our strength. To affirm that Black Lives Matter is for white Reform Jews to pledge to be in solidarity with Black Jews and Black people from all backgrounds against racial injustice and to act accordingly.

To affirm that Black Lives Matter is to recognize the imperative to live with complexity and know that we can be steadfast in our love of and support for Israel while working side by side with those who hold differing views and express them respectfully.

To affirm that Black Lives Matter is to accept discomfort, knowing that actions or inaction of white Jews have contributed to ongoing racial injustice. To affirm that Black Lives Matter is for white Jews to reflect on their own thoughts and behavior, to build meaningful relationships with Jews of Color and People of Color generally, and to work for reforms that will achieve real, lived freedom for Black people."

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on the death of her son, Daniel Love

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on the death of her cousins, Sharon and Jerry Klieman

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Rochelle & Jim Anderson to welcome our new Rabbi to our temple and community.

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Harriette Ellis in memory of Mark Fox, beloved brother of Rabbi Scott Fox. Shirlee Sappell in memory of her beloved father, David Labow.

Bill & Kristina Shafton welcomed Rabbi Scott Fox to his new home! Mark & Liz Sharzer in honor of Rabbi Simon "with thanks for his plain spoken, eloquent wisdom in explaining Torah and enriching their Jewish lives".

Wendy Simon to thank Temple Israel for the warm welcome when joining the online Shabbat services.

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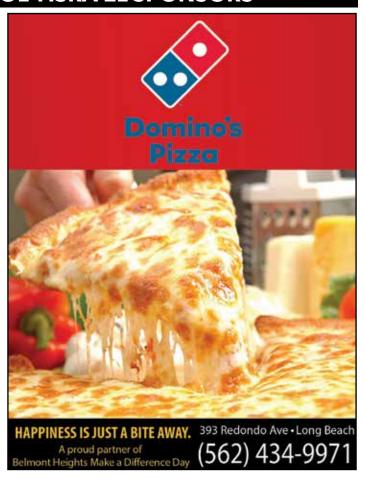
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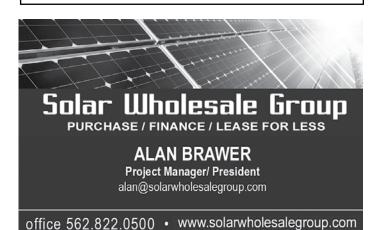


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