



Temple Israel - Tallahassee

TEMPLE ISRAEL

Tallahassee's Jewish Community Center

Weekly Message from Rabbi Romberg

This week's Torah portion is quite short, but its first word has interesting implications. Vayeilech Moshe v'yedabeir et had'varim ha'eileh el kol Yisra'el, "And Moses went and spoke these things to all Israel." Why is the first word interesting? Well, at this point it is made clear Moses is 120 years old, and the verb yelech indicates he was walking therefore still had vigor. Different commentary looks at this and says Moses was trying to speak to each person of Israel, showing that even though he was 120, and that God had declared he was not going to accompany the people of Israel into the Promised Land, he wanted to show he was still capable of caring and interacting with everyone. Another thought is that he wanted to take time to say goodbye to all of Israel. However, I think this sentence about Moses has to be put in a larger context. The words he would share are instructions and inspirations to Joshua, who took over leadership from Moses after his death, as well as to all the people of Israel. His words were written down and given to the leadership to provide teaching for the future. Here, then, is another key point. The structure of the verb vayeilech in Biblical Hebrew can be interpreted as "Moses will go and speak these things..." The purpose of this simple passage, therefore, is to indicate that what Moses achieved was not just in our people's past, but key inspiration and teaching for our future.

As we are in the “Days of Awe,” the time in which we should be evaluating our actions, asking forgiveness from other people and forgiving those who approach us; we should also be thinking about our actions not just in terms of the impact they had in the past, but will they also have an impact in the future? Perhaps that should guide our thought process as we head into Yom Kippur next week.

Have a Shabbat of peace and blessing,

Jack Romberg
Rabbi

Temple Israel Weekly Calendar

Wednesday, September 12

- Weekly Minyan at 7:15 AM in the Gibbs Family Chapel.
- Lunch and Learn at 12 PM in the Turner Adult Education Room.
- Spinning Dreidel Gift Shop Open from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM and 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM.
- PARTY at 6 PM and BFRS at 6:30 PM. Pizza Sales \$1 per slice.

Thursday, September 13

- Mah Jongg from 1:00 - 4:00 PM in the Turner Adult Education Room.

Friday, September 14

- Kabbalat Shabbat Service at 7:30 PM.

Saturday, September 15

- **No Tanach study.**
- Shabbat morning service at 10:15 AM in the Gibbs Family Chapel.

Sunday, September 16

- Block Family Religious School at 10 AM.
- Spinning Dreidel Gift Shop Open from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM.
- High Holy Day choir Rehearsal at 2 PM.

Monday, September 17

- High Holy Day choir Dress Rehearsal from 6 PM-9 PM.

Tuesday, September 18

- Kol Nidre Service at 8 PM.

Wednesday, September 19

- Yom Kippur Services beginning at 10 AM and ending with Break the Fast at 7 PM. Click [HERE](#) for the full schedule of services and cemetery visitations.

May Their Remembrance be for Blessing Sheloshim

Rabbi Dan Treiser, friend and colleague of Rabbi Romberg (8/17/18)

Yahrzeiten for September 13 - 19 / 4-10 Tishri:

Glen Coleman
Marian Poller Feldman
Edward Gage
Salmon Portland Halle
Geraldine Haskins
Vinson James ElwynHays
Beatrice Kapp
Russell Gary Kurzer
Betty Nye Lendway
Miriam Levitan
Steven Allan Merzer
Lino Palacios
Robert Reinstein
Laszlo Roth
Dr. Louis Schwartz

David Sokolow
Ron Story
Sydney Schochet
Dale Travis
Larry Volk

Oneg and Kiddush Luncheons

Friday, September 14-Oneg available for sponsorship.

Saturday, September 15-Regina Palacios will be sponsoring the Kiddush Lunch in memory of her father Lino Palacios.



SPONSOR A KIDDUSH LUNCH OR ONEG

We welcome sponsorship of our weekly Oneg Shabbat on Friday and our Kiddush Lunch on Saturday following services. Sponsorship is the perfect way to honor or remember a loved one, or celebrate a happy occasion.

The three options to sponsor Onegs/Luncheons are:

- \$0.00** - You provide all the food, paper products, utensils, beverages and are responsible for set-up/clean-up.
- \$50.00** - You provide the food, paper products, utensils, & beverages. Temple will be responsible for set-up/clean-up.
- \$125.00** - Temple will be responsible for food, paper products, utensils, beverages and set-up/clean-up.

Contact
Akol Mirowitz
programs@templeisraelth.org or 850.877.3517, Ext. 6

OR

Contact Judith Lyons
jsblyons@gmail.com OR 850.264.1990

TEMPLE ISRAEL'S
YOM KIPPUR

BREAK THE FAST

September 19 | 6:45 pm

Just RSVP with your item [HERE](#).
For more information, contact
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Sign your student up for this incredible Shabbat experience just for kids!



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&
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SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 29, 2018

REGISTER NOW!



For more information, please contact Morah Stefanie Posner at educator@templeisraelth.org or call 850.877.3517 Ext. 4.

Social Action

Grace Mission volunteers needed on September 16 from 9-11:30 am.
Sign up [HERE](#) .

Temple Israel Shelter Dinner Committee needs your help on September 30.

Look at the ["Thankful to be able to Help!" sign up](#) and let us know how you can help.

Hartsfield's Garden Club Needs You!

The Garden Club grows young gardeners and great veggies - and we can use

your help! The club starts meeting again in September, on Thursdays from 4:15pm to 5:30pm. Share your time and skills helping the kids learn about growing, cooking and eating veggies. Or help the kids with writing and communication skills as we expand the Garden Club journal and start a new

Hartsfield Garden blog.

Returning volunteers are Tom Ballentine, Marney Richards and Marie-Claire Leman. We are looking for volunteers who will either join us on a weekly basis to help with gardening or blogging/journaling, or join us once or twice throughout the school year to share a special skill or expertise.

We welcome anyone, green thumb or not, including High School Juniors and Seniors looking for volunteering opportunities. If you or someone you know is interested, please send a message to hartsfieldgardenclub@gmail.com.



Jewish Food & Cultural Vendor Applications are now open. Click [HERE](#) for the application.

Sisterhood

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The Spinning Dreidel has all your Jewish New Year supplies - calendars, books, cards, toys, shofars, honey pots and apple dishes, challah plates, covers and knives, Shabbat candles and even Yahrzeit candles.

Come shop on Wednesdays from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM, and beginning on August 19th, Sunday mornings from 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM.

Sisterhood Calendar

Thursdays - Mah Jongg, 1:00 - 4:00 PM, Adult Education Room

COME JOIN US



Who:

Sisterhood Members and Guests

What: Fall Dinner

When: Thursday September 27, 2018, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Where: Temple Israel Social Hall

Come join us for a chicken dinner (with plenty of vegetables for the vegetarians). See what's going on this year with Sisterhood. Meet your new officers and committee chairwomen and learn about upcoming events. Get to know other Sisterhood members better with our interactive dinner program!

RSVP to Rebekka Istrail (ristrail78@gmail.com or 703-727-6007) by Monday September 17, 2018. The event is free if Sisterhood membership dues have been paid, and they can be paid at the door. Guests are welcome at a cost of \$10.00 each.

Community Events and Programs



EARLY ACCESS
WITH PROMO CODE:
CONGREGATION PRESALE

SUNDAY
March
31

2 P.M.

Temple Israel

TICKETS
\$50



MATT HAIMOVITZ
The Bach Suites: A Moveable Feast

To show our appreciation for hosting this performance, we invite the Temple Israel congregation to purchase tickets starting July 12—before they go on sale to the general public on August 23. Use the promotional code **Congregation Presale** when purchasing your tickets to this performance online at OpeningNights.fsu.edu. For more information, call **850.644.7670** or email OpeningNights@fsu.edu.

OPENING NIGHTS
of FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY



HERC Book Club

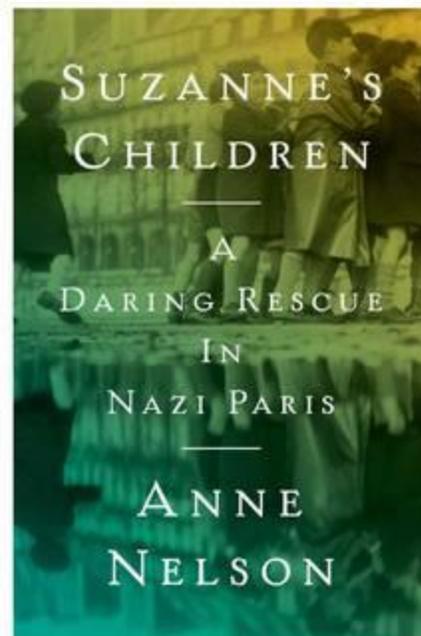
When: Thursday, Sept. 13, 2018

Time: 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Where: Midtown Reader;
1123 Thomasville Road



In a dogged work of research, Nelson illuminates the brave and tragically short life of Suzanne Spaak, whose dangerous work hiding and finding shelter for Jewish orphans during the war in Paris brought imprisonment and death in 1944. As the daughter of one of Belgium's leading financiers, Spaak was in the right place when the Germans invaded in June 1940. Inhabiting a beautiful apartment in the Palais Royal, the Spaaks, though unofficially separated (her husband was living with another woman), were in a unique position to aid the Solidarité network, which provided aid to Jews being rounded up, arrested, and deported to concentration camps. It was Suzanne, however, who took her work helping with forged documents to a new and dangerous level, co-founding an organization called the National Movement Against Racism in 1941. Working with various churches, she and her colleagues knocked on doors to spread the word about the roundups, soliciting money from her rich friends. In the Paris orphanages, Jewish children were in constant danger of being rounded up. Spaak did the underground work of creating papers for them and secreting them out to homes in the countryside. Spaak's story is all the more poignant because of the role her own husband played in obscuring her legacy after the war, and Nelson does a valiant job of bringing together the complex threads of this story. *(From Kirkus Reviews)*



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For more information contact
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www.HolocaustResources.org



Shabbat@Home

Friendship & Food

PJ Library in Tallahassee was awarded a grant from the Harold Grinspoon Foundation to invite families to celebrate Shabbat together.

Join us on

Sunday Sept 16, 2018 10:30am - 12pm

to learn more about participating in these
Shabbat dinners.

Questions?

Visit us on FB

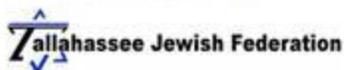
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Contact Nathalie at

850-591-2085

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(contact for location)



The Tallahassee Jewish Federation Presents
Southern Jewish Historian

Dr. Josh Parshall

Sunday, September 30th - 4:00 pm
Congregation Shomrei Torah - 4858 Kerry Forest Pkwy



Southern Jewish History on One Foot: Florida Edition

From the development of Jewish communities in eighteenth-century port cities, to the rise and fall of small-town Jewish merchants, to the explosive growth of Jewish life in sunbelt cities like Miami and Atlanta, this talk packs 400 years of southern Jewish history into a digestible, interactive presentation that will highlight Florida's Jewish histories.

There is no charge for admission but donations are accepted.
Light refreshments will be served.



Tallahassee Jewish Federation

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Another proud presentation of the Goldring/Woldenberg Institute of Southern Jewish Life
For more information: www.isjl.org



Good Friends Social Club, a program of The Alzheimer's Project, is open every Wednesday from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at Temple Israel and is offered free of charge to caregivers and their loved ones who have been admitted through the Alzheimer's Project's intake process. Morning snack and lunch are provided.

Classes for Caregivers will be given on Thursday evenings from 5:00 - 8:00 PM in the Temple's Religious School on the following dates, October 11, 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15. Contact the Volunteer Coordinator, [Megan Bakan](#), for information.

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