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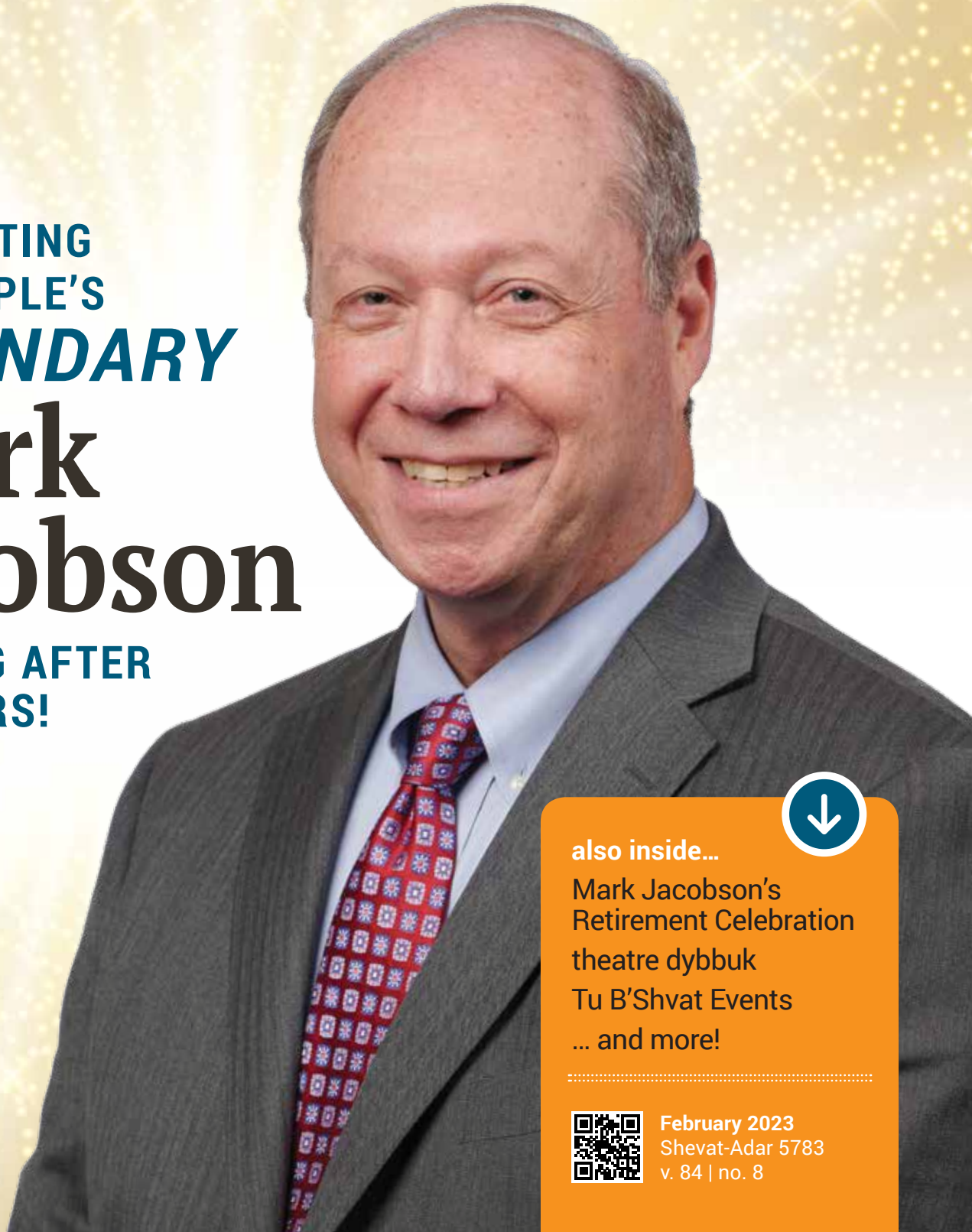
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CELEBRATING
THE TEMPLE'S
LEGENDARY

**Mark
Jacobson**

RETIRING AFTER
45+ YEARS!

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also inside...

Mark Jacobson's
Retirement Celebration
theatre dybbuk
Tu B'Shvat Events
... and more!



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SCHEDULE: FEBRUARY 2023

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3

6:00 PM Shabbat Worship Service with Professional Band
& Scholar-in-Residence Aaron Henne
& theatre dybbuk Residency

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

9:00 AM Torah Study (Virtual)
10:30 AM Shabbat Worship Service (Virtual)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

6:00 PM Shabbat Worship Service featuring Shulhouse Rock
and BEC 5th Grade

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

9:00 AM Torah Study (Virtual)
9:30 AM Mini Shabbat
10:30 AM Shabbat Worship Service (Virtual)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

6:00 PM Shabbat Worship Service with Volunteer Band

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

9:00 AM Torah Study (Multi-Access)
10:30 AM Shabbat Worship Service (Virtual)
Bar Mitzvah of Max Johnson (Off-Site)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

6:00 PM Shabbat HaNefesh Worship Service

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

9:00 AM Torah Study (Multi-Access)
10:30 AM Bat Mitzvah of Caroline H. Massey

TORAH & HAFTARAH:

FEBRUARY 4: Beshallach-Shabbat Shira

Torah/Exodus 13:17-17:16
haftarah/Judges 4:4-5:31

FEBRUARY 11: Yitro

Exodus 18:1-20:23
Isaiah 6:1-7:6 and 9:5-6

FEBRUARY 18: Mishpatim-Shekalim

Exodus 21:1-24:18
2 Kings 12:5-16

FEBRUARY 25: T'rumah

Exodus 25:1-27:19
1 Kings 5:26-6:13



The month of February... a Torah Treasure Trove!

Since my retirement last June, I've had the pleasure of seeing many of you gathered at The Temple for a life-cycle event, a worship service, an adult-education class, or even off-site at a local grocery store or dining establishment. The two questions most often asked of me are "So, how's retirement going?" and "What do you miss the most about being at The Temple full-time?"

Retirement is going great. I split my time between some Temple responsibilities, traveling to see family and friends, and exploring new opportunities with my newfound time! The answer to the second question is a bit harder because there were so many things that brought fulfillment and joy throughout the years. Notably, one of the most rewarding aspects of my day to day was to assist our b'nei mitzvah students; accompanying them on a journey from doubt and insecurity to a place where they eventually felt empowered to lead worship and chant the sacred words of Torah in front of their families and our congregational community.

Chanting Torah is one of the most awesome (filled with awe) tasks one can embark upon. Like any skill, chanting requires a lot of practice and repetition to get it just right. As I look at the calendar for February and see the prescribed Torah portion for each week, my heart takes wing...for February holds some of the most exciting portions in the entire Torah scroll!

Let's take a look!

On February 4th: The portion *Beshallah* (Exodus Chapter 15) contains the Song of the Sea which is always chanted on *Shabbat Shirah*, the Shabbat of Song! Cantors universally love this Shabbat for obvious reasons! At a glance, one can see how unique it is. It is not written in prose like most of the Torah; rather, it has a one-of-a-kind formatting that reflects the Exodus from Egypt and calls to mind the brick structure of the pyramids (see photo #1).

Furthermore, it is not only the visual presentation that is unique. The chanting must be a blend of weekly Torah chant combined with a very special "triumphant cadence"—heard every time God lends a triumphant hand to the Israelites. The chanter must be agile and travel seamlessly from one melodic mode to the other and back again (and again)!

On February 11th: The portion *Aseret Hadibrot* (The Ten Commandments—Exodus Chapter 20) is clearly the most well-known and beloved portions in the Bible! It too has a definitive appearance for it contains some of the shortest as well as some of the longest verses in the Bible; on one hand making it super easy to locate in the Torah scroll, but also extra challenging to chant in a proficient and authentic way (see photo #2).

To further distinguish itself from all other portions, The Ten Commandments holds two different chanting patterns: one set of trope melodies for private study, and a different set of trope melodies for public recitation. It is the public recitation option that divides the portion by commandment, thus creating some very short verses (don't kill, etc.) along with the much longer verses which describe our relationship with and commitment to God alone. This portion requires so much skill and expertise to navigate that I can remember and name every single student who chanted this on their b'nei mitzvah day!

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About Cantor Hartman:

Cantor Deborah Hartman retired in June 2022 after 35 years of devoted leadership. Like our Rabbi Emeritus, Alvin Sugarman, Cantor Hartman maintains an office at The Temple and continues to take part in Temple activities and worship.

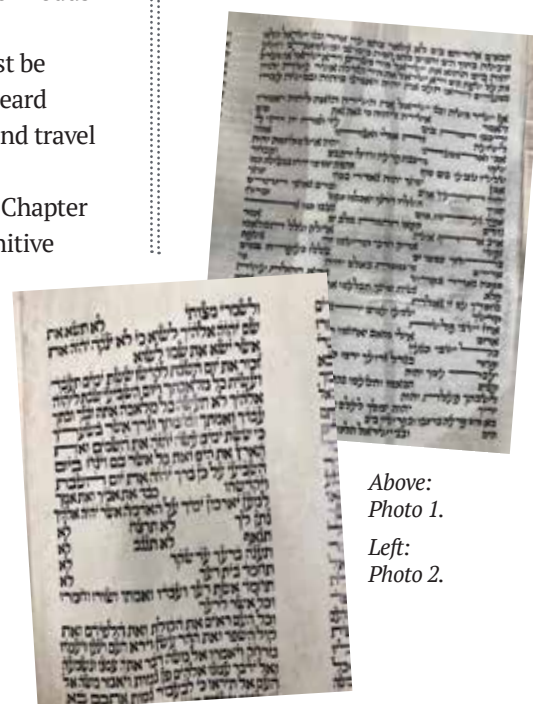
Since 1998, Cantor Hartman has been an active member of the American Conference of Cantors, serving on its executive board, membership and nominations committees, and most recently as co-chair of their annual convention, held in Atlanta in June 2019.

Deborah is married to the also retired Sanford Hartman. Together they have 5 children and 10 grandchildren, who along with baking, traveling, and fitness, make for a very full retirement!

Connect with Cantor Hartman:

✉ dhartman@the-temple.org

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Photo 1.

Left:
Photo 2.

EDUCATION



Daffodil Project

The Worldwide Daffodil Project is an initiative of Am Yisrael Chai that aspires to plant 1.5 million daffodils in memory of the children who perished in the Holocaust. The effort, made possible through a generous grant from the Jewish Federation of North America, is an intergenerational tzedakah project. Ruth Menter and Randi Stillman of the Rothschild Social Justice Institute's Environmental Protection & Sustainability group partnered with the Breman Education Center's 6th graders to plant the bulbs. The shape and color of the daffodils represent the yellow stars that Jews were forced to wear during the Holocaust.

JF&CS Parent Program

Sunday, February 26 • 10:00am-12:00pm

Join Joel Dworkin, Program Manager for HAMSA (Helping Atlantans Manage Substance Abuse), for a program specifically for parents of teens. After spending time earlier that morning (or February 12) with our 8th-10th graders, he will do a parallel program for parents to help understand trends with drug and alcohol use among teens in Atlanta, warning signs and ways to see when our teens need help, and resources to help with engaging families in conversation.

8th & 9th Grade Trip to New Orleans



Breman
EDUCATION CENTER
at THE TEMPLE

FEBRUARY 2023 PROGRAMMING

- 4** 4th Grade Shul-under
6:00-11:00pm
- 4-5** Confirmation Shul-in
6:00pm-9:00am
- 5** Sunday Program @ 9:30am
theatre dybbuk Residency with
6th & 7th Grades @ 9:30am
2025 B'nei Mitzvah Parent
Meeting @ 10:00am
- 10-13** 11th & 12th Grade Trip to
Washington, DC
- 12** Sunday Program @ 9:30am
B'nei Mitzvah Parent Coffee
@ 9:45am
JF&CS Program with
Confirmation @ 10:30am
PreK Family Social @ 11:00am
- 19** No Sunday Program
- 26** Sunday Program @ 9:30am
JF&CS Program
with 8th & 9th Grade
@ 9:30-10:45am
JF&CS Program for Parents
@ 10:00am-12:00pm



WELC PRESCHOOL

WELC Registration is Now Open!

Priority registration for the 2023-2024 school year is currently open for the children of our Temple Members until February 14! It then opens to everyone starting March 1st! Schedule a virtual tour and see why so many Temple families call WELC their children's home away from home! For more information contact us by phone at 404-872-8668 or email welc@the-temple.org.



Weinberg Early Learning Center
at The Temple



Camp Minimac 2023

Camp Minimac information will be coming out at the end of February! Please call 404-872-8668 or email camp@the-temple.org for more information.



Temple Israel Trips 2024 NOW MORE THAN EVER, WE NEED ISRAEL AND ISRAEL NEEDS US!

Teen: June 2-16

Family: June 12-24

Adult: June 8-19

JOIN US ON APRIL 15 OR 16 TO LEARN MORE:

Adult Trip: Saturday, April 15 at 5:30pm

Teen Trip: Sunday, April 16 at 11:00am

Family Trip: Sunday, April 16 at 12:15pm

RSVP Requested at

www.the-temple.org/israel2024





B'NEI MITZVAH



FEBRUARY 18:

Max B. Johnson

Son of Jennifer & Ben Johnson
(Off-Site)



FEBRUARY 25:

Caroline H. Massey

Daughter of Corey Massey
& John Massey

Meet Our Staff!

*Get to know some of the
friendly faces at The Temple.*

Kelli Harran

Director of Engagement

Kelli is a native Atlantan. Her interests and background are at the intersection of communications, marketing, programming, and development. She was previously the Director of Program Support for the largest international operator of Montessori schools. Kelli received her BA from Mount Holyoke College, an MS in journalism from Northwestern University, and a second master's degree, in education, from Loyola University Maryland. She lives in Decatur with her Israeli husband, Roe, a professional cellist, and 7-month-old daughter, Karine.

Likes: Café Sunflower, classical music, and peanut butter Zig Zag dairy-free ice cream

Dislikes: Green beans, feeling cold, and Daylight Saving Time

Fun Fact: Kelli's first newspaper job was as a reporter at *The Montgomery County Sentinel*, the same suburban Maryland newspaper where Carl Bernstein got his start.



MAY THEIR MEMORY BE FOR A BLESSING

Our Heartfelt Sympathy to the Families of:

Thomas "Tom" Asher (husband of Spring Asher, father of Joey Asher, Hugh Asher and Juliet Asher)

Don Blackman (husband of Meredith Northcutt, son-in-law, Virginia Hein)

Barry Bonoff (father of Teri Bonoff)

Dr. Cliff Feiner (husband of Lisa Feiner)

Cookie Arnovitz Frank (wife Milton Frank III)

Gail Rosalie Hirsch (grandmother of Lauren Hirsch)

Cathy Kelley (Miriam Serra mother-in-law)

Scott Kozol (cousin of Lynne Keating)

Eva Nieto (sister of Carole Kirschner)

Barry Potlock (husband of Elaine Potlock and mother of Fran Putney)

Gabriel Lawrence Pressman (son of Sandi & Richard Pressman, brother of Amanda Pressman-Smoot and Stephanie Pressman)

Dale Shields

Phil Stahlman (cousin of Lissie Stahlman)

Susan Kaplansky

James "Jim" Thornton (husband of Jill Thornton)

Jackie Viener (mother of Helene Shuck)

Lindsay Wright (cousin of Judy Cole)

MAZAL TOV!

**Have good news to share? Please email
Dianne Ratowsky at dratowsky@the-temple.org.**

Steven Joseph Prager and Lillia Terkel on their marriage

Josh Stanton and Jaffa Panken on the birth of their son, Harel Stanton and to big sister, Ravit

Cory and Lauren Levinson on the birth of their daughter Isabelle Riley Levinson and to Lauren's parents, Barbara and Bill Goldstein

NEW&RETURNING MEMBERS

Emily Bianchi & Jonathan Markham •
Alexandra, James, & Anna Markham

Jennifer & Arthur Cohen

Erin Ellison

Talitha & Noah Kauffman • *Jaffa & Shiloh Kauffman*

Lori & Ryan Karaian • *Sydney & Leah Karaian*

Sarah & Andrew Legum • *Daniel Legum*

Karly & Daren Martin • *Silas & Sydney Martin*

Rachael Tartell & Brian Stultz • *Deklan Stultz*

EVENTS & NEWS




TU B'SHVAT TREE PLANTING
02.05.23 | 1-4 PM | WADE WALKER PARK

TU B'SHVAT SEDER
02.06.23 | 6:30 PM | ZOOM




Tu B'Shvat Tree Planting
Sunday, February 5 • 1:00-4:00pm
We are excited to, again, partner with Trees Atlanta to celebrate the Jewish New Year of the Trees at Wade Walker Park in Stone Mountain. Please register at: gipl.org/event/tu-bshvat-tree-planting-2

Tu B'Shvat Virtual Sustainability Seder
Monday, February 6 • 6:30pm
Join Rabbi Lydia Medwin and the Jewish community for a special evening of prayer, education and connection to shmirat ha'adamah, protecting our planet. Families are most welcome! We will partake in the different fruits and grains native to the Land of Israel, known as the "Seven Species" and enjoy a mixing of wines, a symbol for blending our own needs with those of our communal sustainability. Please register here: gipl.org/event/tu-bshvat-seder.

Mini Shabbat

Saturday, February 11 • 9:30am Service
10:00 am Bagels and Coffee and Playtime!

Join your favorite puppet, along with their clergy, to learn more about Shabbat! You can wear your pajamas and snuggle up with us as enjoy some Shabbat menucha, or rest! We will start together with our mini friends for a fun service, and then enjoy some treats and coffee and run off the energy on our playground. We'll meet in The Temple's Motor Lobby—make sure to pay attention to the weather and dress accordingly, because we can play outside after refreshments! Questions? Email Rabbi Lydia Medwin at imedwin@the-temple.org.

Disney's Encanto Sing-Along
Saturday, February 11 • 4:00pm
Young families, join us to watch and sing along with Disney's Encanto, the sing-along version. Wear your PJs and bring a blanket/pillow for a fun-filled afternoon complete with popcorn machine and other goodies. This event is recommended for kids in grades K-3. Adults are encouraged to stay and schmooze with other parents during the movie and parent program. Details to come soon! RSVP at www.the-temple.org/event/familymovie.

Shalom Corps: A Gift of Audacious Hospitality!

Sunday, February 12 • 1:00-2:00pm

We invite you to join Shalom Corps, a core group of rotating greeters to welcome people at Friday night services. These greeters will provide 5-star service as they welcome attendees, engage in conversation and provide information about The Temple to those who seek it.

Please attend our first training session with snacks and beverages provided to learn how important and valuable we can be to guests visiting our Temple for the first time. We will learn how to make Shabbat feel like an experience from the moment a person enters our doors to the moment they leave.

This session will not require a long-term commitment, and you can decide to opt-out after the meeting. It is designed to be fun, light, interactive and informative. While we hope you will join in-person for the hands-on experiential experience, Zoom-in option is available. If you would like to learn more but cannot attend the meeting, we will provide you with an informational packet.

Please contact Cantor Tracey Scher at tscher@the-temple.org for more information!

Age & Stage – Sages: Vivaldi's Four Seasons Concert

Friday, February 24 • 12:00pm

Emory University's Schwartz Center @ Emerson Hall

This timeless classic will be performed by the Society Chamber Orchestra with four different soloists including members of the Vega Quartet, Amy Schwartz Moretti and Helen Kim. Details to follow!

EVENTS&NEWS

theatre dybbuk Residency

Tuesday, January 31 through Sunday, February 5

More information and RSVP at www.the-temple.org/theatre

The Temple is proud to be the hub and primary partner for theatre dybbuk's residency in Atlanta. While in the city, theatre dybbuk will be offering a variety of performance events, workshops for youth learners, artists, educators, and leaders, and a Shabbat experience.

EVENTS WITH THE TEMPLE:

breaking protocols Reading

Tuesday, January 31 • 7:00pm at The Temple

The Temple presents theatre dybbuk's performed reading of selections from a new theatrical work called *breaking protocols*. In its entirety the play asks, "Why do conspiracy theories arise and in what ways do they show up at times of great crisis and upheaval in society? And what are the motivations and forces underpinning their proliferation?"

Using the sometimes comic and heightened approaches of vaudeville, *breaking protocols* examines the quintessential antisemitic text, "The Protocols of the Elders of Zion," while illuminating contemporary issues connected to antisemitism, propaganda, and false narratives.

This event will include a 60-minute presentation of sections from the play and a 30-minute Q&A with the creative team.

Shabbat Service with theatre dybbuk

Friday, February 3 • 6:00pm at The Temple • No reservation required

Enjoy a unique Shabbat experience from our clergy team in collaboration with theatre dybbuk.

OTHER ATLANTA EVENTS:

A special preview of *The Merchant Project*

Sunday, February 5 • 2:00pm at The Breman Museum

RSVP link on webpage

In this unique event, The Breman Museum will present the team from theatre dybbuk as they read selections from the company's still-in-development *The Merchant Project*, a piece which explores Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice*. The new piece will have its world premiere in Los Angeles in May 2023, and so this will be an opportunity to get a glimpse into the work as it is being created and to learn about the process with the creative team behind it.

There will be a 60-minute reading of selections from the play followed by a 30-minute Q & A.

In addition to these public events, theatre dybbuk is partnering with the Alfred & Adele Davis Academy, The Weber School, and Working Title Playwrights on a variety of learning opportunities for artists, educators, and students.



SAVE
THE
DATE!





Celebrate
PURIM
at The Temple!

Visit www.the-temple.org/purim
for more information

Sunday, March 5 • 5:00-7:00pm
Join us at Dr. Scofflaw at the Works

Saturday, March 11
Mini Shabbat Morning

Sunday, March 12
Purim at BEC – Costumes encouraged!

- 10:00 or 10:30am: Disney Purim Spiel
- 11:00am: Tot Entrance (4 and younger) to the Carnival
- 11:30: Carnival Open to All!
- Early BEC Dismissal







The month of February...a Torah Treasure Trove!

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On February 25th: I want to draw your attention to the final Shabbat in February when we encounter the portion *Terumah* (Exodus Chapter 25). *Terumah* is remarkable (especially for us as Temple members) because it contains the verses studied by renowned Atlanta architect Philip Shutze as his blueprint for our sanctuary construction in 1929! If you are inspired to read Exodus 25 verses 10-22, the alignment of the Torah text and Temple sanctuary design will amaze you!

Terumah is significant in another way for us at The Temple. We have written the words from *Terumah's* 2nd verse *V'yik-chu li terumah* (acknowledging gifts from "every person whose heart is so moved") to thank all our members who contributed in any way to the reconstruction and renovation of our building in 2004. This *larger-than-life* text is sculpted on the wall outside of Schwartz-Goldstein Hall and contains the names of all who helped to make The Temple the extraordinary congregation it is!

So, whether you consider yourself a Torah *maven* or not, your Temple clergy and I encourage you to dig deeper by attending weekly Torah study or Shabbat morning worship to continue to explore and uncover the secret treasure trove of all that Torah has to offer!

Cantor Deborah Hartman

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Beineinu: The Temple's Marriage Retreat

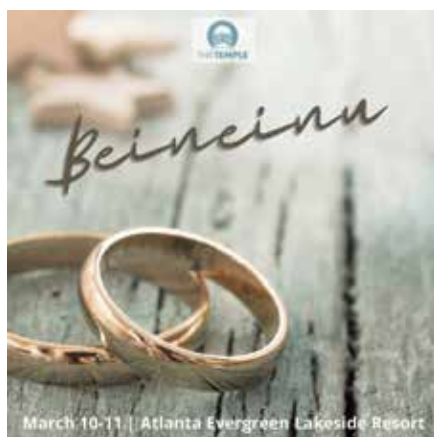
Friday, March 10 – Saturday, March 11
Atlanta Evergreen Lakeside Resort

Take a moment and imagine a night away...an opportunity to have a glass of wine or a meal uninterrupted, a full night's sleep, some time walking in nature, and a chance to revisit the goals and promises that are the foundation of your marriage.

Sounds amazing, right? So come join us for Beineinu (Between Us): The Temple's Annual Marriage Retreat for Younger Couples. With the generous sponsorship of the Leven Family Jewish Identity Institute, this overnight retreat gives couples a chance to rest, as well as to focus on their marriage and meet other couples who are in similar ages and stages. Rabbis Loren and Micah Lapidus and Rabbis Lydia and Dan Medwin facilitate the retreat program designed for couples in their first 10 or so years of marriage.

This year's retreat will be held on March 10-11 at the Atlanta Evergreen Lakeside Resort near Stone Mountain, beginning Friday afternoon and ending early Saturday evening. There is an option to add an extra night for those who choose.

The cost is \$218 per couple for the retreat, which includes room, meals, and resort fees. Register now at: www.the-temple.org/form/marriage-retreat-2023.html



Mazal Tov, Amanda Abrams

Temple member Amanda Abrams, Executive Director of the Zalik Foundation, was named a Wexner Field Fellow! This national award provides

opportunities for growth to promising Jewish Professionals who plan to continue to pursue careers as leaders in the North American Jewish community.

The Zalik Foundation aims to create knowledgeable Jews, ensure children and seniors live with promise and dignity, empower women and girls, promote entrepreneurship, and ensure for a sovereign and thriving Israel. Amanda was previously the Chief Program and Innovation Officer at the Marcus Jewish Community Center of Atlanta and Senior Vice President of Strategy and Planning at Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta.



EVENTS & NEWS



Men's Club Honors Mark Jacobson

Our Executive Director Mark Jacobson was the guest speaker at the December Men's Club meeting. The club honored Mark for his 45+ years of service and upcoming retirement by presenting him with a signed baseball by all the Atlanta Braves on the 1992 World Series team.

Pictured (left to right), Men's Club members: Tom Holder, Mark Adelman, Mark Winarsky, Eric Schwartz, Mark Jacobson, Steve Tapper, Rick Herzog, Bruce Steinfeld, Phil Azar, and David Zacks. Not pictured but present for the meeting were: Ben Shapiro, David Bockel, Dr. Ron Koenig, and Jonathan Young.

ROTHSCHILD Social Justice Institute

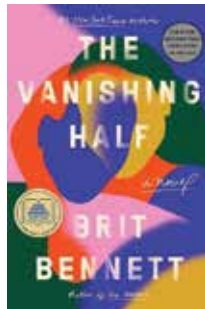
RSJI Racial Justice Group – Reading Race Series

The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennett

Sunday, February 26 • 7:00-8:30 pm • Virtual

The RSJI Racial Justice group is pleased to announce our next Book Group Discussion! Please join us on Sunday, February 26 from 7-8:30pm via Zoom to discuss *The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett. This book has received many accolades, including being #1 on the *New York Times* Bestsellers list, and being listed as one of Barack Obama's Favorite Books of the Year.

Join us on Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84575093289>



Next Up: *The Trees*

Sunday, May 7 • 7:00-8:30pm • Location TBD

If you want to get a head start on reading for our next book discussion, we will be reading *The Trees* by Percival Everett and having our discussion on Sunday, May 7.

TAMID—The Temple's Adult Education

Yiddish Music Through the Ages

Tuesday, February 28 @ 7:00pm • Chapel

Join Cantor Scher and Shir Ami, our volunteer adult choir, to celebrate the history of Yiddish music. This concert celebrates Yiddish song and explores the place of Yiddish song in our Jewish musical history. Have no fear—this concert will not be entirely in Yiddish! We will introduce the songs in English, and Yiddish content will be explained. You will feel the love of the Yiddish language and culture expressed through the focus on Yiddish songs.



MLK Weekend

We were delighted to be back in person for MLK Shabbat with our friends from Ebenezer Baptist Church and to hear from Rev. Raphael Warnock. Before the event, the Temple Young Professionals enjoyed a mixer with the Ebenezer Young Adult Ministry. Over MLK Weekend, The Temple also teamed up with Bagel Rescue and Repair the World at Souper Jenny's Westside location to "save" 4,896 bagels, the most ever in the organization's history, to support hunger relief in metro Atlanta.





When All They Have is Each Other, ZPC is Here

One of our staff members recently ran into a couple at the Arts Center Marta Station who is served by our Emergency Residential Services. The couple shared their excitement about celebrating the new year and the female partner's new job at the airport. They talked about how special it was for them to bring in the new year with other couples at ZPC and how the staff made it a fun time full of hope and promise.

It is difficult experiencing homelessness as a couple. Emergency services for couples are very limited. No homeless service provider in the Atlanta metro, other than ZPC, allows couples to reside together in a residential program. It is also hard to address your own trauma and barriers to stability while also working to address the challenges you face as partners. This is why ZPC's work is so important. When couples only have each other, we are there to support them.

Services Explanation: Emergency Residential Services for Couples

Zaban Paradies Center (ZPC) provides emergency residential services for couples experiencing homelessness allowing them to reset and work towards permanent housing. Couples can be married/not married and gay/straight. Couples can self-refer or be referred through numerous community partners in Greater Atlanta. ZPC and its partner agencies support couples on their transition from homelessness to stability. Beginning September 19, 2022, ZPC's residential services became year-round. The program focuses on providing emergency shelter, hygiene, and food, but also goes further by building individual service and housing plans for each couple. This may include referrals to medical care, counseling, and mental health services, on-site educational and work readiness curriculum, trauma-informed person-centered case management, innovative volunteer-facilitated therapeutic group sessions, housing readiness curriculum, as well as wrap-around services including referrals to additional community support.

In 2021 and 2022, ZPC served over 63 couples through our Emergency Residential Services of which over 50% were housed or re-united with family. Won't you consider partnering with us to continue this good work, as we focus on Tikkun Olam, and rebuilding the world, by supporting couples experiencing homelessness?

A Gift of Love

Looking forward to Valentine's Day with your special loved one? February is the month of love, and what better way to show love than to sponsor a couple transitioning from homelessness in our Emergency Residential Services? ZPC provides many programs to help those experiencing homelessness in our community: Emergency Residential Services for Couples, Day Services, and Community Housing Assistance for Couples and Families are just a few of our programs. In this article, we will focus on Emergency Residential Services for Couples.

Ways to Support ZPC's Programs

We are grateful for the continued support and partnership of The Temple. Here are ways you can help us to be a light to couples, families, and individuals in need in our community.



- To give safely and securely online, please visit www.zabanparadiescenter.org/ways-to-give
- To see our updated winter needs for our residents and the public experiencing homelessness please visit our website at www.zabanparadiescenter.org/ways-to-give and click on the Amazon Wish List link.
- Want to start a gently used men's blue jeans and casual pants drive? Email Bec Cranford for more information, bcranford@zabanparadiescenter.org
- We need year-round meal suppliers. To provide a meal, you can visit our website and connect with our signup sheet, or you can connect directly with Bea Feiman (404-841-7043, bfeiman@yahoo.com) or Bobbi Wilson (404-259-1489, bobbwilson@gmail.com)
- Want to facilitate a therapeutic art, music, poetry, or exploratory course? www.zabanparadiescenter.org/volunteer/
- We need administrative volunteers, Monday-Friday, to help us answer telephones, file, shred, and other lite office and administrative needs. Email Bec Cranford for more information, bcranford@zabanparadiescenter.org.

Multifaith Initiative to End Mass Incarceration Thanks You!



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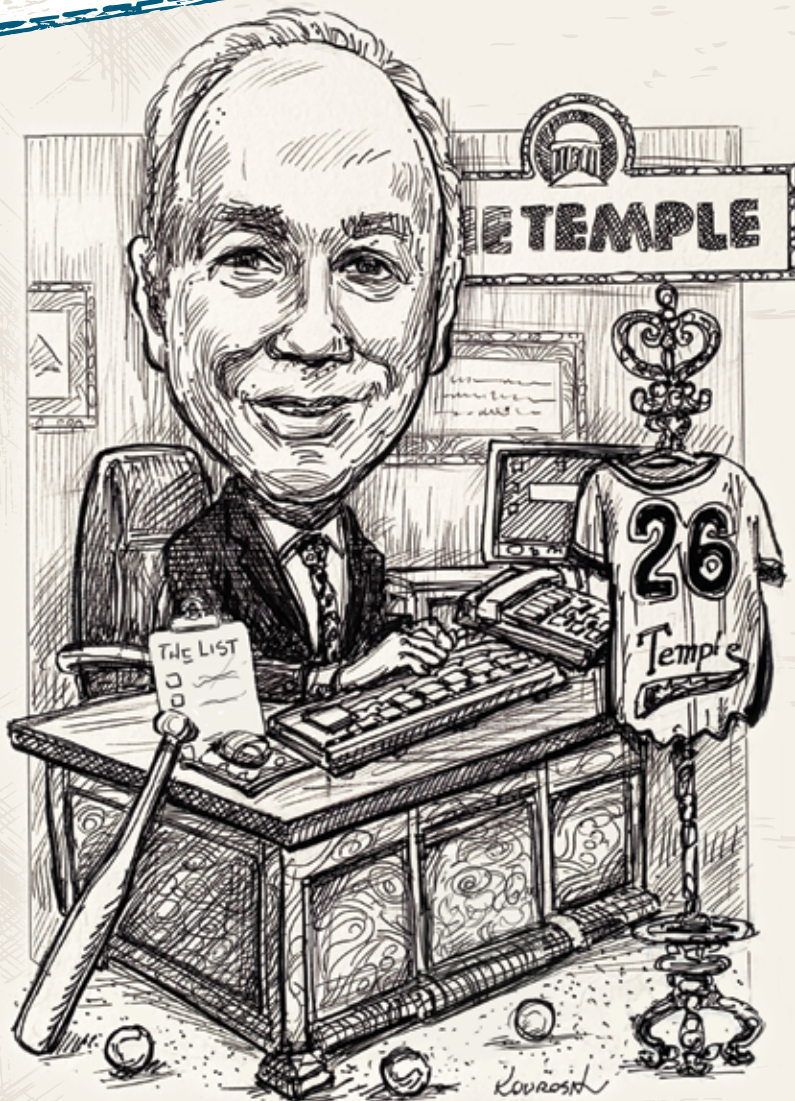
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