

Temple Emanu-El
telethon

Join your Temple Emanu-El family for a fun-filled evening of *music, entertainment, and online community!*

During these challenging times, we would love to gather in person. But until then, we are going old-school with an online Telethon!

— Sunday, January 31st at 5pm —

There will be all kinds of talent to keep you entertained: local talent, Temple talent, national talent — there could even be a few surprises!

Mark your calendar and plan to join us!

Keep an eye on our website, Bulletin, and emails for Telethon news.



[Click here to learn more about the Telethon & our sponsors!](#)

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Purim

Sunday, Feb. 21st: Purim Food Drive

10am: drop off your donations at the Youth Lounge

One of the three commandments that Jews are encouraged to perform on Purim (in addition to hearing Megillah Esther and having a large meal) is "giving gifts to the poor" or Matanot L'Evyonim. The food drive is a great opportunity to fulfill that Mitzvah.

The Tikkun Olam Neighborhood is sponsoring a Purim Food Drive! Donations will go to the Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless. Drop off your donations on Sunday, February 21st from 10am to 1:00pm at the Youth Lounge. If you are unable to donate food or grocery items, the local food pantry would appreciate gift cards to Market Basket or Stop and Shop to assist with stocking their shelves.

The Massachusetts Coalition is in need of the following:
paper towels, toilet paper, and other non-perishable items
canned fruit and vegetables
cereal, rice, pasta and sauce

Added Bonus! When you drop off your donations, pick up your Purim Prop Bag from us to celebrate the holiday!

Thursday, Feb. 25th: Erev Purim

4pm: Families with Children Neighborhood Hamantaschen baking led by Neighborhood Chairs (Erin Cullen and Sarah Waelchli)
Recipe on page 4!

6pm: Family Megillah reading on Zoom
hosted by Rabbi Meyer and Jon Nelson

7pm: Adult Megillah reading on Zoom
hosted by Rabbi Meyer and Jon Nelson

[Click here for Zoom events!](#)



Hamantaschen

Ingredients:

3/4 cup unsalted butter, room temperature
2/3 cup sugar
1 large egg, room temperature
1 tsp vanilla
1 tsp grated orange zest
2 1/4 cups flour
1/4 tsp salt
1-5 tsp water (if needed)

Directions:

- **Slice** room temperature butter into small chunks and place in a large mixing bowl.
- **Add** sugar to the bowl. Use an electric mixer to cream the butter and sugar together for a few minutes till light and fluffy.
- **Add** the egg, vanilla, and orange zest to the bowl. Beat again till creamy and well mixed.
- **Sift** flour and salt into the bowl. Mix with the electric mixer on low speed till a crumbly dough forms. (I didn't sift)
- **Begin to knead** dough with hands till a smooth dough ball forms. Try not to overwork the dough, only knead till the dough is the right consistency. If the crumbles are too dry to form a smooth dough, add water slowly, 1 teaspoon at a time, using your hands to knead the liquid into the dough. Knead and add liquid until the dough is smooth and slightly tacky to the touch (not sticky), with a consistency that is right for rolling out. It can easily go from the right consistency to too wet/sticky, so add water very slowly. If the dough seems too wet, knead in a little flour till it reaches the right texture.
- **Form the dough** into a flat disk and wrap in plastic wrap. Place in the refrigerator to chill for 3 hours to overnight.



Torah Study & Shabbat Services



Shabbat Worship Services

Fridays, at 6pm via Facebook Live
Join Rabbi Meyer and Jon Nelson for uplifting services every Friday night.



Torah Study

10am on the 1st and 2nd Saturday of each month
February 6th with Rabbi Meyer
February 13th with Rabbi Allison Peiser
Both classes are via Zoom at 10am.



Torah Portions

Readings for February

February 5/6:
Parshat Yitro
Torah Portion: Exodus 18:1 – 20:23
Haftarah: Isaiah 6:1 – 7:6; 9:5-6

February 12/13:
Shabbat Shekalim: Parshat Mishpatim
Torah Portion: Exodus 21:1 – 24:18
Haftarah: II Kings 12:5-16

February 19/20:
Shabbat Zachor: Parshat Terumah
Torah Portion: Exodus 25:1 – 27:19
Haftarah: Esther 7:1-10; 8:15-17

February 26/27:
Parshat Tetzaveh
Torah Portion: Exodus 27:20 – 30:10
Haftarah: Ezekiel 43:10-27

February B'nai and B'not Mitzvah



We congratulate Sydney Berman and her family on this special occasion!

We look forward to having her continue her religious education through Confirmation.

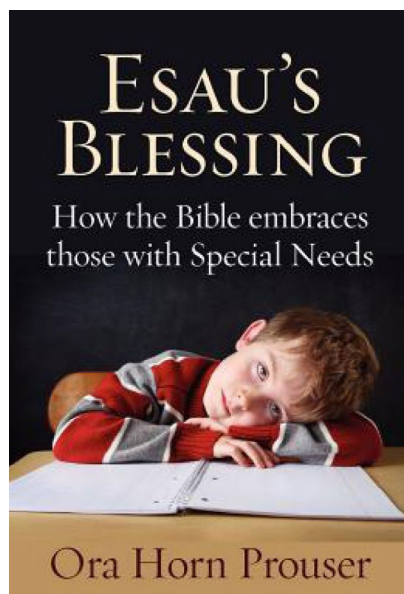
Sydney Berman
February 6th 2021
Daughter of Julie and Benjamin Berman

What's new in the Library:

The library is now open... sort of! Feel free to contact Amy Saltz at: 781-718-0477 to make arrangements to borrow or return items.

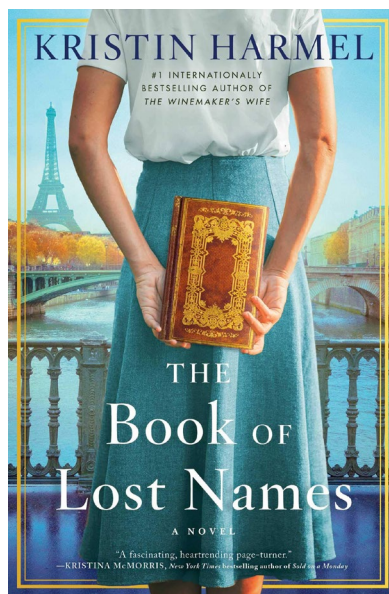
Esau's Blessing
by Ora Horn Prouser

How the Bible embraces those with special needs



The Book of Lost Names
by Kristin Harmel

A young woman with a talent for forgery helps hundreds of Jewish children flee the Nazis

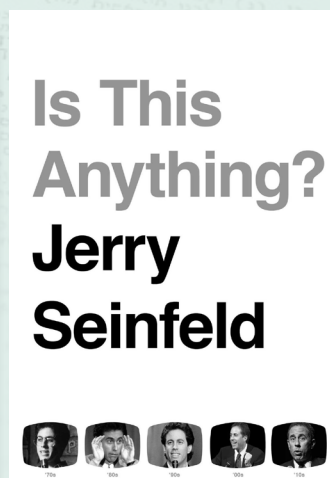
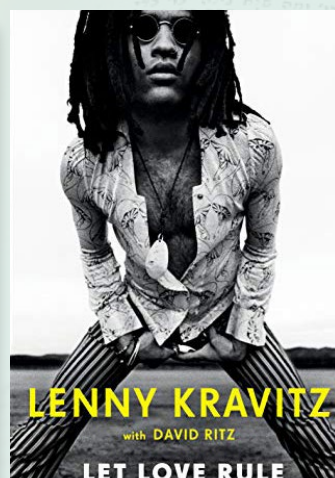
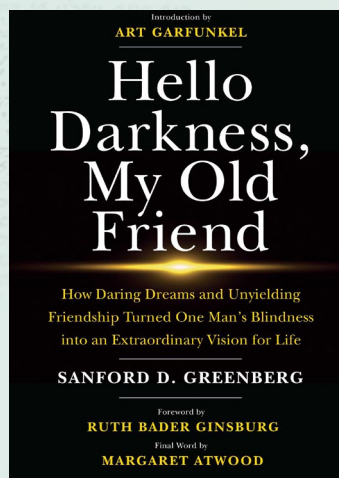


Red Sea Spies
by Raffi Berg

The true story of Mossad's fake diving resort



Books added in January...



Hello Darkness, My Old Friend
by Sanford D. Greenberg

Let Love Rule
by Lenny Kravitz

Is This Anything?
by Jerry Seinfeld

Neighborhoods

Jewish Music Neighborhood

"MUSICABILTY"

Wednesday, February 17th, at 7:00 pm.

For Jewish Disabilities Awareness, Acceptance, and Inclusion Month, Jon Nelson and Amy Saltz will highlight some performers who persevered and built their lives around music. Musicians include: Frank Sinatra, Ringo Starr, Stevie Wonder, and several others. Join us for this uplifting gathering on Zoom. *Everyone is welcome!*

[Click here to join this Zoom meeting!](#)



Ringo Starr



Frank Sinatra



Stevie Wonder

LGBTQIA Neighborhood

Politics!

Thursday, February 18th, at 7:00 pm

Join us for an update on current political issues concerning LGBTQIA folks. We will be joined by Alyssa Jones of Salem, member of Human Rights Campaign's National Board of Governors. Post-election, post-inauguration—so much to talk about!

[Click here to join this Zoom meeting!](#)



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If you have any questions or ideas for the LGBTQIA Neighborhood, feel free to contact Bob Goldman at: 617-378-1776.

Senior Connection Neighborhood

All Tuesday morning Senior chats in December will be held on Zoom.

[Click here to join this Zoom meeting!](#)



"Adult Helping Senior In Hospital" by Flickr user Vormingplus Gent-Eeklo vzw, CC BY CC BY-ND 2.0

Neighborhoods



Families With Children

Hamantaschen baking

Thursday, Feb. 25th, at 4pm

Led by Neighborhood Chairs (Erin Cullen and Sarah Waelchli)

Make your Hamantaschen dough, be sure to let it chill for three hours, and then join us for a fun baking session on the 25th! To make the dough, make sure you have the following ingredients on hand:

unsalted butter, sugar, 1 large egg, vanilla, orange zest, flour, salt

— and your own favorite fillings to complete your hamentaschen!

Recipe on page 4!



[Or, click here to view the recipe online.](#)

[Click here to join this Zoom meeting!](#)

Tikkun Olam

Help Deliver Food to Low Income Families

Christophers Cafe in Lynn, along with the Mass Coalition for the Homeless, has been preparing and delivering meals to low income people with COVID throughout the pandemic. Funding from the city has been terminated, but they wish to continue providing meals, and need volunteers to deliver the meals.

THIS IS CONTACT FREE.

In just 2-3 hours, you can make a big difference. Drivers are needed every Wednesday between January 20 and March 31. You pick up the meals from Christophers Cafe, between 9am and 12noon, and leave them on the doorsteps of the families, and text them to let them know the food has been delivered. Exact instructions will follow when you sign up.



Questions? Please contact Marcy Bernstein
at: auntmarcyb@gmail.com
or Deahn Leblang at: deahnlee@gmail.com

[Click here to sign up!](#)

Programs

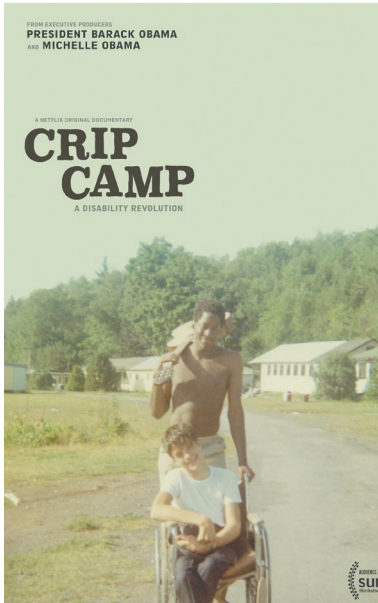
[Click here to join all Zoom meetings](#)

Meeting ID: 235 688 2603

Password: 378322

Note: the Tot Shabbat event conflicts with Feb. 6th's Torah Study; use the button in the Tot Shabbat section to attend the event. The Sisterhood-sponsored program has a different zoom (included on page 9 with other details on the event.)

Movie Night:



1st Wednesday of every month. Watch the movie on Netflix or Amazon Prime, and then join us on Zoom for a discussion.

"Crip Camp: A Disability Revolution" (on Netflix)
Wednesday, February 3rd, at 7:00 pm via Zoom

In recognition of Jewish Disabilities, Awareness, Acceptance, and Inclusion Month, let's watch and discuss this film produced by the Obamas.



Our movie to discuss for March is the Netflix film *The Life Ahead* starring Sophia Loren on Wednesday, March 3rd, at 7:00 pm. A Holocaust survivor running a daycare business forms an unlikely friendship with a bitter street kid when she takes him in after he robs her.



Mah Jongg:

Every Tuesday night at 7pm via Zoom

Fun for all ages and levels of experience! We will use RealMahJongg, either the app or the website: realmahjongg.com. Then, join us via Zoom! Players can either play in groups of 4, 3, 2 or 1 and the computer can fill in.

[Go to website](#)

SHABBAT TOTS

Saturday, February 6th,
at 10am via Zoom

Temple Emanu-El and Lappin Foundation invite children pre-K and younger and their parents or caregivers to join other families for an interactive Shabbat experience over Zoom.

[Click for Zoom](#)

Programs

Sisterhood

Jewish Psychology: Pathways to New Possibilities in Your Life's Journey

Sponsored by Sisterhood in collaboration with Rabbi Meyer

Thursday, February 18th at 7pm

Open to Sisterhood members and non-members!

Join us as we welcome guest speaker Dr. Maya Avinadav who will discuss how Judaism provides a profoundly textured view of human nature. The emerging field of Jewish Psychology reflects a Jewish understanding of the complexities inherent to the human psyche and offers new approaches and models to achieve a deeper understanding of life's challenges and struggles within our modern context.

Utilizing Jewish sources and concepts, this program will engage its participants to think about their personal, professional, familial, and communal lives, applying Jewish Psychology to offer novel approaches, methods, and models as paths for personal change, growth, and healing.

About our speaker...

Dr. Maya Avinadav is the Founder and Director of Inspired Jewish Learning. Dr. Avinadav has extensive experience teaching, facilitating, training, and consulting.

Her work focuses on personal and professional development, improving interpersonal relationships, building resilience, navigating life transitions, including parenthood, and enhancing women's empowerment in today's daily challenges.



[Click here to register for the Sisterhood event!](#)

[Click here to join this Zoom meeting!](#)

This event isn't only open to Sisterhood members. Everyone is invited!

WHEN EVERYTHING CHANGED: FOUR TURNING POINTS IN JEWISH HISTORY

Atlantic Avenue Limmud

A Collaboration for Continuing Adult Jewish Learning

Presented by:

Temple Emanu-El (Rabbi David J. Meyer)
Congregation Shirat Hayam (Rabbi Michael Ragozin)



— Dec. 8th, 2020 —

The Babylonian Exile

— Jan. 12th, 2021 —

Yavneh: The End of the Temple and the Rise of the Sages

— Feb. 9th, 2021 —

Enlightenment and Emancipation

— March 9th, 2021 —

Israel: A Nation Re-Born

Classes will be held on the Zoom platform at 7:30pm - 8:30pm.

There is no charge, but pre-registration is required.

Click here to register & receive
your personal sign-on information

Birthdays

February 1	Lloyd Torgove	February 16	Gilbert Asher
February 1	Jill Donovan	February 16	Steven Lipsky
February 3	David Lowy	February 17	Jacqueline Robbio
February 3	Virginia Dodge	February 18	Laura Kurzrok
February 3	Jan Warner	February 18	Iris Orlen
February 3	Marlene Badolato	February 18	Mark Chambers
February 3	Illarion Dobkin	February 19	Jeffrey Shribman
February 4	Mary Alice Alexander	February 19	Eyal Oren
February 4	Ethan Forman	February 19	Steven Field
February 5	Phyllis Lurie	February 19	Jo Ann Simons
February 5	Susan Ferris	February 19	Norma Rooks
February 5	Richard Weiss	February 20	Gwen McCoy
February 6	Robert Jacobs	February 20	Marilyn Dreben
February 6	Paul Tassinari	February 20	Robin Friedman
February 6	Micki Hirsch	February 20	Neal Goldman
February 7	Judith Takata	February 21	Rafe Hershfield
February 7	Nancy Baer	February 21	Marilyn Segal
February 7	Renee Tatis	February 21	S. James Coppersmith
February 7	Brenda Pluss	February 21	Jerry Somers
February 7	Kenneth Stoll	February 22	Jared Charney
February 7	Mark Engelberg	February 22	Jessica O'Gorman
February 9	Craig Strasnick	February 22	Joel Markus
February 9	Teresa Medlinsky	February 22	Lori Sherf
February 10	Cara Shaer-Maney	February 23	Susan Feinberg Stelk
February 11	Bruce Male	February 23	Jessica Black
February 12	Anthony Tramonte	February 25	Arlyne Campbell
February 12	Lisa Harris	February 26	Arlene Addis
February 12	Cindy Leong	February 26	Christopher Hockert
February 13	Beverly Baum	February 26	Andrea Liftman
February 13	Dottie Rich	February 26	William Mishkin
February 14	Ronnie Shrinky	February 27	Marc Navon
February 15	Christian Torstensson	February 27	Alyssa Fafel
February 15	Brian Strasnick	February 27	Paul Michaels
February 15	Andrew Freed	February 27	Jacqueline Miller
February 15	Alan Hertz	February 28	Arnold Kline
February 15	Peter Brown	February 28	Kim Overbaugh

Anniversaries

February 3	Howard & Sharon Rich	37th Anniversary
February 13	James Abbisso & Melinda Grosser	21st Anniversary
February 15	Melissa & Darren Aizanman	17th Anniversary
February 15	Brian & Rosalyn Moore	45th Anniversary
February 19	John Schey & Ruth Hazen	44th Anniversary
February 20	Virginia & Dexter Dodge	33rd Anniversary
February 25	Mark & Nicole Sherf	22nd Anniversary
February 25	Illarion & Svetlana Dobkin	43rd Anniversary

Contributions

Thank you for your generous donation.

Your contribution will have a significant impact in our community, helping us to enhance and expand our programs.

Tributes Fund

In appreciation of...

Temple Emanu-El
Jon Richmond

In honor of...

The birth of Audrey and Gary Brenner's grandson
Suzanne and Brian Fin

Barbara Cantor's special birthday
Virginia Dodge

Debbie Field's special birthday
Suzanne and Brian Fin

Debbie Fishkin's birthday
Suzanne and Brian Fin

**The engagement of Debbie
and Richard Fishkin's daughter Jaki**
Suzanne and Brian Fin

Jeff Frankel's retirement
Suzanne and Brian Fin

David Herwitz's special birthday
Virginia Dodge
Ruth Remis
Jane L. Simon

Lisa Nagel, Rabbi Meyer, and our Temple leadership
Wendy and John Webber

Our 7th Jewish wedding anniversary
Iris and Eric Reines

Jodi and Douglas Smith's 25th wedding anniversary
Virginia Dodge

Jack Stahl's special birthday
Virginia Dodge

In memory of...

Samuel J. Abramovitz, at yahrzeit
Anne Winograd

Larry Alexander, at yahrzeit
Mary Alice Alexander

In memory of...

Abraham Alter, at yahrzeit
The Tregor Family

Arthur Berger, at yahrzeit
Barbara Cantor

John J. Bonn, at yahrzeit
Andrea and John Bonn

Lois C Braun, at yahrzeit
Carole and Kenneth Shutzer and Family

Jack Braver, at yahrzeit
Debra and Ralph Sevinor

Evelyn Cohen, at yahrzeit
Ronney and Peter Weiss

Eleanor Fafel, mother of Steven Fafel
Wendy and John Webber

Nellie Feltman, at yahrzeit
Janet Lack and Family

Mildred Field, mother of Steve Field
Virginia Dodge
Suzanne and Brian Fin
Joan and Richard Kessel
Leslie Sack and Steve Baratz
Ronnie and Jason Shrinsky
Sandi and Arnie Shuman
Mim Shutzer
Wendy and John Webber
Hope and Larry Zabar

Joseph Gladstone, at yahrzeit
Stefanie and Bob Gladstone

Janet Goldberg, at yahrzeit
Stefanie and Bob Gladstone

Janet Hennick, at yahrzeit
Rachel, Tom, Zach, and Alex Perrella

Shirley Himelfarb, at yahrzeit
The Tregor Family

Rose Kanter, at yahrzeit
Francene and Todd Kanter

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Tributes: In memory of...

Sarah E. Lipsky Kline, at yahrzeit
Maria and Arnold Kline

Frank Kunefsky, at yahrzeit
Sally Miller

Kenneth Kupetz, at yahrzeit
Alycin and Barry Yomtov

Hope Langburd, at yahrzeit
Debbie and Steve Field

Mary Langburd, at yahrzeit
Debbie and Steve Field

Jacob Levin, at yahrzeit
Marjorie Levin

Estelle Newberg Marshall
Felicia Roumeliotis

Bertram Miller, at yahrzeit
Jackie Miller and Family

Reuben Miller, at yahrzeit
Jackie Miller and Family

Sarah Miller, at yahrzeit
Jackie Miller and Family

Edward Ornsteen, at yahrzeit
Lynne, Bob, and Jonathan Berk

Robert Remis, husband of Ruth Remis
Laurence Berman

Amanda Righter, at yahrzeit
Lucie Burke

Lee Rosenkrantz, at yahrzeit
Evie and Howie Rosenkrantz

Jack Rotman and Harry Rotman, at yahrzeit
Sandy Rotman

Jane Lee Cohen Sackett, mother of Shelley Sackett
Barbara and David Schnieder

Abraham Schawbel, at yahrzeit
Evie and Howie Rosenkrantz

Rob Schuller, at yahrzeit
Virginia Dodge

Tributes: In memory of...

Ruth Schwartz, at yahrzeit
Judy, Beverly and Arthur Schwartz

Stella K. Silverman, at yahrzeit
Betty and Louis Meyer

Celia Simon, at yahrzeit
Iris and Robert Stein

Ida Somers, at yahrzeit
Margie and Jerry Somers

Steven Strogoff, son of Roberta "Bobbe" Strogoff
Suzanne and Brian Fin

James Sugarman, at yahrzeit
Marlene and Bobby Badolato

William Tenenbaum, at yahrzeit
Joann Tenenbaum

Morris I. Toll, at yahrzeit
Ina-Lee and Larry Block

Harry Zabar, at yahrzeit
Hope, Larry and Josh Zabar

Samuel Zarinsky, at yahrzeit
Irma Zarinsky

Bible and Prayerbook Fund
In memory of...

Harvey A. Remis, at yahrzeit
The Pilarski-Remis Family

Library Fund
In memory of...

Mildred Field, mother of Steve Field
Diane and David Goldenberg
Carole and Kenneth Shutzer

Barry Harsip
Amy Saltz

Rose Kagan, at yahrzeit
Mildred K. Greenbaum

Abraham Kessel, at yahrzeit
Joan and Richard Kessel

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Library Fund
In memory of...

Rachel Koffman, at yahrzeit
Elaine Toll

Estelle Newberg Marshall
Diane and David Goldenberg

Jack Schachter, at yahrzeit
Miriam Pollack

Alvin Shutzer, at yahrzeit
Carole and Kenneth Shutzer and Family

Steven Strogoff, son of Roberta "Bobbe" Strogoff
Arlene Padulsky
Amy Saltz
Temple Emanu-El Mah Jongg Program

Mae Swartz, at yahrzeit
Arlene Padulsky

Morris Toll, at yahrzeit
Elaine Toll

Memorial Park Fund
In memory of...

Anna and Abraham Antell, at yahrzeit
Carla and David Herwitz

Eleanor Fafel, mother of Steven Fafel
Harriett Kaplan
Roz and Brian Moore

Mildred Field, mother of Steve Field
Roz and Brian Moore

Harold Liftman, at yahrzeit
Andrea Liftman

Claire Post, at yahrzeit
Francine and Stanley Goldstein

Samuel Post, at yahrzeit
Francine and Stanley Goldstein

Jim Remis, at yahrzeit
Linda and Arthur Schwartz

Memorial Park Fund
In memory of...

Seymour Salett, at yahrzeit
Sylvia and Darlene Golstein

William York, at yahrzeit
Jill and Brad York

Music Fund
In honor of...

Bob and Jan (of blessed memory) Smith for Hanukkah
Judy Smith

In memory of...

Gary Ogan, at yahrzeit
Leslie and Michael Goldberg

Religious School Fund
In memory of...

Leola Potash, at yahrzeit
Naomi, Robert, Eli, Laura and Daniel Potash

Security Fund
In memory of...

Simon Dobkin, at yahrzeit
Svetlana and Larry Dobkin

Sisterhood Fund
In memory of...

Esther Calia, at yahrzeit
Barbara and Michael Rosenberg

Youth Programming Fund
In memory of...

Edward Cheren, at yahrzeit
The Geiman and Roman Family

Harry Maistrosky, at yahrzeit
Jon Richmond

Rabbi 's Discretionary Fund
In appreciation of...

Rabbi Meyer
Gary Reiser

Rabbi Meyer, on the occasion of Jeremy Kaplan becoming Bar Mitzvah
Melanie and Jeff Kaplan

Rabbi Meyer and Temple Emanu-El
Jessica and Andrew Barnett

In honor of...

Cindy and Ron Matloff's 50th wedding anniversary
Bethany, Moshe, Sue, Claire, David, Sara and Marc

A speedy recovery for Janet Lack
Alisa and Steve Bernstein

In memory of...

Mildred and Michael Berke, at yahrzeit
Joan Tobin

Ruth Charlotte Brown-Solomon, at yahrzeit
Jackson Paul

Mildred Field, mother of Steve Field
Catherine and Randall Shulkin

Gertrude Nadler, at yahrzeit
Jackson Paul

Ellen Paul, at yahrzeit
Jackson Paul

Beatrice Paul-Packer, at yahrzeit
Jackson Paul

Radine V. Pepper, at yahrzeit
The Grosser and Abbisso Family

Rob Schuller, at yahrzeit
Shelby Chapper-Pierce

Steven Strogoff, son of Roberta "Bobbe" Strogoff
Linda Rosenfield and Jackson Paul
Ronney and Jason Shrinsky

Rabbi Meyer Camp Fund
In honor of...

Jeremy Kaplan becoming Bar Mitzvah
Melanie and Jeff Kaplan

In memory of...

Paul Joseph, partner of Susan Wood
Pamela and Greg Silverberg

February Yahrzeit Memorial Wall

February 6th

Faye Ankeles
Israel Berger
Sarah Patt Brenner
Pearl Riversman Cotton
Jennie Gill
Philip Grossman
Rebecca Kane
Louis Langburd
Harold P. Liftman
Minnie Pine
Sidney Richman
Joel Saxe
Fannie Steinberg
Albert Tregor

February 13th

Sarah Albert
Max Berger
Samuel M. Fischer
Stella Keith
Richard H. Miller
Edwin Richmond
Hyman Tenovsky
Moses Whitman

February 20th

Harry C. Barron
Marion Bonn
Marion Dokton
Julius Glick
Isadore Greenbaum
Harry Kaufman
Louis Kleven
Bernard Marks
Minnie Silberman

February 27th

Samuel Albert
Bernard L. Baker
Rose Baker
Candy Barr-Ferrando
Rose Blander
Estelle Braver
Benjamin Call
Marc Pollack
Samuel Rosenstein
Rebecca L. Sahl
Benjamin Somers
Jacob Strome
Ada York

Condolences

On behalf of the entire congregation, we
extend our condolences to the following
families who have recently lost a loved one:

Roberta "Bobbe" Strogoff
on the loss of her son
Steven Strogoff

Sidney Rose
On the loss of his wife
Ellaine Rose

Michael Hoffman
On the loss of his mother
Ellaine Rose

The Family of Paul Feinstein

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 3rd & 5th grade 9-10am Confirmation Online 9-10am PreK-2nd, 4th & 6th 10-11:30am Telethon Fundraiser! 5pm	1	2 Senior Connection: Zoom chat at 11am Mah Jongg: 7pm <i>(via Zoom)</i>	3 Hebrew School: 3:30-6pm Movie Night: 7pm <i>(via Zoom)</i>	4 Hebrew School: 3:30-6pm	5 Family Shabbat: 5:30pm <i>(Via Facebook Live)</i> Shabbat Worship Service: 6pm <i>(Via Facebook Live)</i>	6 Torah Study on Zoom with Rabbi Meyer: 10am <i>(Via Zoom)</i> Shabbat Tots: 10am <i>(via Zoom)</i> Afternoon Worship Service — A Bat Mitzvah will be celebrated: 5:30pm
7 Confirmation 9am 5th & 3rd 9am PreK-2nd, 4th & 6th 10am Post-Confirmation 10:30am	8	9 Senior Connection: Zoom chat at 11am Mah Jongg: 7pm <i>(Via Zoom)</i> Adult Jewish Learning Series: 7:30pm <i>(via Zoom)</i>	10 Hebrew School: 3:30-6pm	11 Hebrew School: 3:30-6pm	12 Shabbat Worship Service: 6pm <i>(Via Facebook Live)</i>	13 Torah Study on Zoom with Rabbi Allison Peiser: 10:00am <i>(via Zoom)</i>
14	15 <i>Temple closed</i>	16 Senior Connection: Zoom chat at 11am Mah Jongg: 7pm <i>(via Zoom)</i>	17 Jewish Music Neighborhood 7pm <i>(via Zoom)</i>	18 LGBTQIA Neighborhood 7pm <i>(via Zoom)</i> Sisterhood Discussion with Dr. Maya Aminadav 6:30pm <i>(Via Zoom)</i>	19 Shabbat Worship Service: 6pm <i>(via Facebook Live)</i>	20
21 Purim Food Drive Donations: 10am-1pm	22	23 Senior Connection: Zoom chat at 11am Mah Jongg: 7pm <i>(via Zoom)</i>	24 Hebrew School: 3:30-6pm	25 Erev Purim Hebrew School: 3:30-6pm Families With Children Hamantaschen baking 4pm <i>(Via Zoom)</i> Family Megillah reading: 6pm <i>(via Zoom)</i> Adult Megillah reading: 7pm <i>(Via Zoom)</i>	26 Purim Shabbat Worship Service: 6pm <i>(via Facebook Live)</i>	27
28 Confirmation 9am Religious School Family Program 10am <i>(via Zoom)</i>						

All Zoom meetings this month use the same link — except for Shabbat Tots, Sisterhood, & programs not sponsored by Temple Emanu-El, such as The Adult Jewish Learning Series.

Click here to join all Zoom meetings!
(except for the ones specified)

Click here to register for the Adult Jewish learning series!

Click here to register for the Sisterhood event!

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Q&A with Rabbi Meyer

In just a few days the Temple will be hosting its very own online Telethon on January 31st starting at 5pm. This will be a first for the Temple and it will be an exciting mixture of talent from inside and outside of our Temple community. With COVID preventing us from gathering, the Temple's critical fundraising efforts have been greatly restricted. We hope that this unique idea will be both a place of community and entertainment as well as a vehicle to meeting our fundraising goal. We sat down recently with the Telethon's emcee, Rabbi Meyer, to ask his thoughts on this upcoming fun event.

Q: We are told that the initial idea for this unique event came from you! What sparked it?

A: For many years during my childhood, like millions of others, our family would watch the Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon raising funds for fighting Muscular Dystrophy. I was remembering that very successful, national event. I also recalled how singers, comedians, dancers and movie stars would donate their time and talent, believing in the cause of "Jerry's Kids". And considering our own circumstances and limitations, I considered how it was very much a model for how we might create an event both entertaining and engaging in the cause of our congregation.

Q: Is this the first time you have hosted a Telethon?, Are you excited? Any nervousness?

A: I've never hosted a Telethon before. The closest I've come was hosting a segment on WGBH for a PBS Telethon some years ago, where I spent about 15 minutes going over the gifts available for donations of certain levels. And of course I've got some butterflies going into the Temple's event – I get nervous before every service I've ever led, and any lecture or speech I've done! But knowing that I'll be working alongside our Music Director, Jon Nelson, who of course is also my musical partner, makes me feel more at ease and excited. He brings a wonderfully joyful and even playful attitude to these sorts of occasions, and I know it will be fun hosting with him.

Q: The list of acts in entirety is not being released prior to the show, but is there an act or acts that you are particularly looking forward to?

A: There are several acts I'm excited to include. We have some marvelous talent among our own Temple kids – including some teens who will surprise many with the level of their musical talent. Some even have their own YouTube channels! We'll also have professionals sharing talent, such as comedian (and my colleague), Rabbi Bob Alper. And we're most grateful to Christopher Williams, who will perform his song, "Gather", which we've included in our musical rotation for a couple of years now, and which has become a favorite in the congregation. Another musician I'm looking forward to having with us is the talented jazz vocalist, Cassandre McKinley, who performed here at Temple just last year. Jon Nelson and I also plan to share one or two of our music videos which many haven't yet had the chance to see!

Q: How does this Telethon align with the Temple's mission to Connect, Create, Belong?

A: This will be another way to keep us all **connected**, even if only on-line (like our classes, meetings and services). We will share in the **creation** of a novel approach to that, as well as to our most necessary fundraising. And by giving one another a new way to offer tzedakah, we will all reinforce our sense of **belonging** to our cherished Temple community.

Q: Why is the Telethon's success important for the Temple?

A: Fundraising during these pandemic times has been a challenge; not only for us, but for so many worthy organizations and causes – including synagogues. We're hoping that support for the Temple will come from online donations, call-in donations, a great online auction, and sponsorships (which are still available!) We know it will be special event!



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