Temple Topics

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Temple Office Hours

Monday -Thursday 8AM - 4PM

Friday 8AM - 3PM

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Temple Avodah

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE SIMCHAT TORAH!

> Sunday, October 16 5:00pm 'MOCKTAIL HOUR'

crafts, hors d'oeuvres & 'mocktails'
Garden Room

Followed by

6:00pm

DANCING WITH THE TORAHS

Ballroom

Yizkor to follow

Please RSVP to Phyllis Pellman @ religiousschool@avodah.org for 'Mocktail Hour'



October Service Schedule

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7TH

6:00PM EARLY SHABBAT SERVICES

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8TH

8:45AM TORAH STUDY VIA ZOOM & IN PERSON 10:00AM BAR MITZVAH OF LUCAS GREENBERG

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14TH

6:30PM BAT MITZVAH OF ELLA BODNER
7:00PM SHABBAT SERVICES - GARDEN ROOM
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15TH

8:45AM TORAH STUDY VIA ZOOM & IN PERSON

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21ST

7:00PM SHABBAT SERVICES BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY SHABBAT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22ND

8:45AM TORAH STUDY VIA ZOOM & IN PERSON

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28TH

7:00PM SHABBAT SERVICES
SPECIAL EVENING WITH SCHLEPPENWOLF! & ICE CREAM!!
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH

8:45AM TORAH STUDY VIA ZOOM & IN PERSON

IF YOU WOULD PREFER, ALL OF OUR FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE VIA LIVESTREAM.

Watch for notices for possible changes to services



High Holidays 5783/2022 Yom Kippur Schedule of Services

Tuesday, October 4th

Erev Yom Kippur 7:30pm Kol Nidre

Wednesday, October 5th

Yom Kippur

10:00am Service

1:00pm Yizkor

Open to the community-registration required

4:00pm Afternoon Service

5:00pm Neilah Concluding Service

A SPECIAL THANK YOU!!

Temple Avodah is so grateful to our devoted live streaming crew who donate their time and energy to enable our members to view services from home. A special shout out to *Elliot Shulman*, *Phil Perlmutter* and *Eric Abbey*!

We need more volunteers and will train anyone who wants to help! Please contact the office if you are interested.

In My Opinion

The High Holidays are over, can I have my regrets back please?



We cannot forget the message of the High Holidays. Every year we direct our thoughts to where we want to go in the coming year. We all want to get "there," and for that we are willing to do a lot of things and put in a lot of effort. What usually happens is that, on our journey, we stop and wonder not only where we want to go, but also what we are doing to get there? You know what I am talking about: the journey of life, the one thing we all want to do and that needs frequent stops in order to evaluate where we are going and how we will get there.

One of the best ways to get to where we are going in life, to a place of feeling peace and tranquility, is by acting in a way which will leave us with no regrets. We must not only think before we act, but we must also control the temptations that surround us. Achieving our goals in life is important, but just as important is how we reach those goals. Happiness is achieved by walking the path of life without compromising to the extent that we are miserable. Yes, it is all about not regretting our actions and controlling what the world tells us we must do in order to get there. We all know that sacrifices are needed, no matter what our goal in life might be. However, what is always very important is NOT to do what we might regret a few hours later.

Trusting our sense of right and wrong is always a good tool to avoid regrets. Yes, life is unpredictable, but it's a much better life if we can have the least amount of, "I should not have done that" in our daily vocabulary. In Judaism, we would say that we need to control our yetzer harah -- our evil inclination. This is not easy. However, it's the best possible way. If we look for a simple non-issue existence, we can even get to that peaceful place much faster. More often than not, the problem lies deep in our feeling of entitlement. We deserve it, we need it and we want it, no matter the consequences and, when the regret shows up, we all say, "I wish I had thought about it first!"

Strive for a happy and non-regretful life. Don't choose the easy way out. Do what is right and, if there are regrets, there may be only a few. I can live with a few regrets. I definitely cannot live with too many. They are easy to avoid. Just think before acting! Ask yourself, "How will I feel if I.......?"

With not too many regrets, I remain,

Rabbi Uri Goren

If you are in need of the Rabbi for a life cycle emergency and it is after business hours, please contact him at 516-395-1629. Please be sure to also contact the Temple Office by emailing office@avodah.org, or leaving a message at 516-766-6809.



Cantor's Notes

Ushpizin





This year, my family received an early crash course in one of the major themes of the Sukkot holiday: hachnasat orchim, or welcoming guests. Returning home one night in early September, we found a small crowd of neighbors gathered around a little gray cat on the sidewalk in front of our apartment. Unlike the neighborhood ferals, she crouched calmly despite the flurry of activity, and enthusiastically welcomed a few experimental pets.

Convinced she must be someone's lost house cat, we knocked on our neighbors' doors and took her to a nearby vet to check for a microchip. Some of our neighbors reported seeing her around for the past few days, but no one knew where she came from. She wasn't chipped, and mysteriously a plastic carrier had appeared on the block around the same time. Not knowing what else to do, we brought her upstairs to our apartment for the night and figured we would call around to shelters in the morning.

Animal loving softies that we are, by the next morning we had fallen in love and resolved to make our apartment her forever home. However, welcoming a new cat to a home where cats already live is a daunting, multi-step process. As we go about introducing our new cat, Storm, to our resident cats, Macy and Liam, we are learning that hachnasat orchim takes patience, dedication and a lot of empathy.

On Sukkot, we are instructed to open our homes both literally and symbolically. Maimonides teaches that we should invite the poor and needy in our community to share in each of our Sukkot meals. Many families choose to donate to food pantries or other organizations fighting hunger in honor of Sukkot. Building on this tradition, the kabbalists created the ritual of ushpizin-- aramaic for guests- in which a different biblical figure is invited to join us in our Sukkah on each night of Sukkot. They teach that the ushpizin do not enter a sukkah where the poor are not welcome.

Many people believe that cats are solitary animals, but the truth is that cats are a social species. Feral cats usually live in family and colony groups, and house cats are better off living with at least one feline friend. That said, cats are highly territorial, and once they have claimed a space any new animal that appears there is likely to be seen as a threat. In order to get along, cats need to blend their scents together–in litter boxes, on furniture and especially on humans. They need to be taught to view each other not as opponents competing for resources, but as team members who contribute to the wellbeing of the group.

Each one of the traditional ushpizin– Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, Aaron and David–is defined by an experience of escape or wandering in the wilderness. On Sukkot, just as the weather begins to turn cold, we leave the comfort and safety of our houses to dwell in a structure that is by definition temporary and permeable. These rituals remind us that despite a social order that makes some poor and some rich, we are all ultimately one human race at the mercy of the same forces. The only way forward is to rely on each other. Like acclimating new cats to each other, Sukkot trains us to stop competing and start cooperating.

Message from the President



First, I want to convey from my family to all of you a safe, healthy, and happy New Year.

This is a good time of year to acknowledge how fortunate Temple Avodah is to have so many members offering support in so many different ways. Support takes many forms: whether it is through monetary contributions, such as High Holiday pledges; Oneg sponsorships; purchase of Templegrams, or making donations; or by devoting time, energy and expertise to the many events and programs that take place throughout the year.

I have spent the past many months writing articles for the temple bulletin about joining committees, arms, and other forms of volunteering. While our board members deserve a special thank you, recognition must be made to all who have volunteered their time this year - ranging from assisting with mailings to cooking for our dinners, to ushering at and streaming of services. We will formally recognize all of our volunteers in the spring at a special Shabbat service and we all can observe the large number of members who help out in any way they can.

These are exciting times as Temple Avodah moves into the future with significant changes taking place. We must adapt to the changes that a new spiritual leader will bring. Many of you may not know, but since Temple's founding in 1952, there have only been three Rabbis. This is quite an achievement, and I am confident in saying that it is unmatched by any other synagogue. We are planning several events this year to celebrate Rabbi Goren in his last year in the pulpit. We are fortunate that he and Peppy will remain valued members of our community afterward. Please SAVE THE DATE – Saturday June 17 – when there will be a full Kombert Dinner Party in Rabbi's honor. There will also be a special oneg at his last service on Friday, June 30th. Several other events and surprises will be taking place throughout the year, so please watch your emails for more information.

In the meantime, there is a strong diverse committee in place to try and find the best new Rabbi available. Town hall type meetings were held to hear from our congregation about what is most important to them in the next Rabbi. Rest assured that all decisions shall be made with the best interests of temple's future in mind and with the hope that such decisions will reflect what most, if not all, of our members would like.

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This past year also saw us trying to return to in-person events while respecting the various concerns our members expressed regarding COVID. We certainly have to learn to experience synagogue life in new ways, as many of the recently adopted policies will be with us going forward. We have strived to find ways to encourage our members to come back into our sanctuary, and I believe a middle ground was reached. The hope is that many congregants are willing to change to meet new trends and challenges. We must have the ability to learn new things and be respectful of different views in order to keep our temple family life fresh and alive.

While many of you continue to live stream, we will continue to work on getting our family of Jews back into our Pews. Religious institutions all over the country are facing these same challenges. This new age has ushered in an era of multi-access worship, rather than calling it a hybrid. It will hopefully bring new opportunities for people to join us during the year when they physically cannot be with us. For example, this will work well if ever a storm is predicted for a Shabbat. We will still be able to be together by switching to Zoom access so that nobody risks being out in the storm.

The High Holy Days are a time each year for self-reflection. What are the good deeds I've done this year? Have I been a good person to those around me? As your President, I always wonder if I have acted in the best interest of temple? What lessons have I learned from my mistakes? Whom have I hurt with my words or actions? Have I kept my personal commitments as a Jew to my friends, family, and community? Have I lived "Jewishly, according to God's commandments?"

I want to take this opportunity to personally apologize to the congregation and the board of trustees if I hurt anyone with words or actions. I apologize if I've let you down, was impatient with you, forgot your name, or was not available to you when you needed to consult with me. I would like to be forgiven for making choices you might not have liked. In short, to those I may have wronged, I ask forgiveness. To those I may have helped, I wish I had done more. To those I neglected to help, I ask for understanding. To those who helped me, I sincerely thank you so much.

Let me again say that my family and I wish you all a safe, healthy, and happy New Year. Please contact me if you want to participate in assisting Temple in any way you can.

Thank you.

Marian Keilson



Just a gentle reminder...PAY YOUR DUES! Sisterhood cannot exist without you! Please be sure to pay your Sisterhood membership dues as soon as you can (still only \$36)! We need the support of every Temple Avodah woman to continue raising money and bringing events to our Avodah family! Remember all Sisterhood members can attend our meetings-come see how we do, what we do and be a part of the process.

We will be hosting a Sisterhood Shabbat in October (date TBA). We hope to see our service packed with ladies in pink! Watch for an email asking for your input to our "Woman of Valor" Award which will be given that evening.

Also in October, on Sunday, the 30th, Sisterhood will be supporting the Temple Avodah Mini-Mitzvah Day. Watch for information on what we will be collecting and the hours of collection. Again, thank you for helping Sisterhood fulfill the mitzvah of Tikkun Olam (repairing the world).

It's not too early to start thinking about our Fall thrift sale on the calendar for Sunday, November 20th. As the seasons change and you start cleaning your closets and drawers, save your unneeded new and gently used clothing, linens, shoes and handbags to donate to our sale. Of course, more information will follow.

If you have a college student, please be sure to submit their campus address to receive Sisterhood college packages. For those who participated, we hope your away students enjoyed receiving their Rosh Hashana greeting! Our next package will be sent out to our college students in time for Passover. This is a free program for the children of Sisterhood members, \$36 for Temple Avodah non-Sisterhood members or \$18 for grandchildren of Sisterhood members. Please contact SheilaLondon.Sisterhood@gmail.com for more information.

The Book Club is open to paid-up Sisterhood members only. The October 12th discussion will be Eli's Promise by Ronald H. Balson. If you are interested in joining, please contact Connie Axelson at Kenaxe@optonline.net.

We are happy to announce that a date has been chosen for the "Non" Fashion Show Dinner! Save the date, Wednesday, March 29th. Our committee is already hard at work gathering raffle prizes and working with Kombert to plan a fabulous evening!

The We Care blanket project is ongoing! Knit or crochet a baby blanket (any pattern or color in washable acrylic yarn in 36 x36") is acceptable and it will be donated to a local hospital for pediatric patients. Contact Ellyn Katz (Ellyn143@aol.com) for more information or to make your donation.

Our Judaica Shop has everything you need for your own home or gift giving. We can also order kippot for your Simchat. Contact Lisa Goldberg at Lisacarolgold@gmail.com or Robyn Drangel Drange

Happy New Year,

Wendy Brumberg & Sheila London Sisterhood Co-Presidents

Social Action In Action

Our Social Action Committee has had a busy Autumn: we are collecting canned goods during our High Holiday Food Collection, and we thank Connie Axelson for again leading a Meditative Walk on Yom Kippur, October 5, 2022, at 2:15 p.m.

Next up will be our Fall Mitzvah Day on October 30, 2022, so please plan to stop by for fellowship and service in the Temple Parking Lot between 11 and 2.

We are looking forward to again collaborating with Oceanside Jewish Center and Young Israel of Oceanside on a Blood Drive scheduled for January 10, 2023. If you would like to donate or need more information, contact Betsy Meyerson at tortgirlny@aol.com.

We welcome new committee members! We meet the first Saturday of every month at 10:30 a.m. Contact the undersigned and we will give you the zoom link and physical location for the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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We were happy to welcome our students back to school, and fifteen new families to our Temple Avodah Religious School kehillah (community). Rabbi Goren blew the shofar and reminded us to use this time of introspection to find meaning in our lives.

We are taking advantage of the Jewish calendar which has afforded us the opportunity to teach about the High Holidays -- customs and rituals, vocabulary and meanings of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah. Our K-4 students made Shanah Tovah cards for their families, and our 2nd graders also made apple plates to be used at their Rosh Hashanah tables. In keeping with hiddur mitzvah (beautifying the mitzvah) our older grades decorated honey spoons with the special blessing for a sweet year attached.

Everyone enjoyed apples and honey while reciting the corresponding blessing. We participated in our own version of the Tashlich (casting off) ceremony in which we symbolically cast off our sins by tossing bread into a flowing body of water as part of our teshuvah (repentance). Our students were asked to think about and write down something they needed to work on and improve and toss it into our makeshift kiddie pool.

Please join us on Sunday, October 2nd, for the PTO sponsored 'Decorating the Sukkah.' Later this month, our younger students will make edible Sukkoth while our 5th-7th graders will participate in the mitzvah of eating in the sukkah for 'Pizza in the Hut.' Our rounds of celebration culminate on Sunday, October 16th, with our 'Mocktail Hour' at 5 p.m. and then dancing with the Torahs at 6 p.m., in honor of Simchat Torah (see flyer for details). Looking forward to seeing you!

B'Shalom,

Phyllis Pellman



Our 2nd graders making an apples & honey plate





Our 3rd graders making beautiful Rosh Hashanah cards





PTO started off our year with our annual pizza party! Although the weather didn't quite cooperate as we hoped it would and we were unable to hold this fun-filled event on the beach, we still managed to make it a "round" to our beloved temple and celebrate the oncoming school year together. It was a "saucy" good time had by all!!!

We are gearing up to for fun at our upcoming PTO Sukkah Decorating event for Sunday, October 2, 2022. Come one, come all to help make our Temple Avodah sukkah beautiful, and enjoy a nosh as well! More formal details to follow soon!

JEWS FOR REFUGEES

Attorney General Merrick Garland swore in 250 former refugees as citizens of the United States. He used the Great Hall on Ellis Island, which served as the point of entry for millions of immigrants from 1892-1954. At times he had to collect himself as he recounted his grandmother's flight from what is now Belarus, and his wife's mother, who fled from Austria in 1938.

He said, "In taking the oath of allegiance to the United States, you took your place alongside generations who came before you, many through this very building, seeking protection, freedom, and opportunity." (as noted in the NY times)

The Social Action Committee

DID YOU SHOW... THAT THE GERMANS. MEETING LITTLE RESISTANCE IN THE INVASION OF DENMARK IN OCTOBER, 1940, ALLOWED THE DANES TO SELF-GOVER J THEMSELVES. HOWEVER, BY MID 1943, AFTER SUFFERING SEVERE LOSSES IN NORTH AFRICA AND STALINGRAD, AND WITH THE DANISH RESISTANCE FIGHTERS MORE AGGRESIVE IN THEIR SABOTAGE ACTIVITIES, THE GERMANS TOOK FULL CONTROL OF THE DANISH GOUT. UNTIL THEN, THE 7500 OR SO JEWS IN DENMARK HAD FEW PROBLEMS, BUT NOW THEIR LIVES WERE IN JEOPARDY.

PLANS HAD BEEN ALREADY FORMULATED TO ROUND UP THE JEWS ON OCT. 1 (THE 20DAY OF ROSH HASHAWA IN 1943) AND TRANSPORT THEM BY TROOP SHIPS AND BUSES TO CONCENTRATION CAMPS THROUGHOUT EUROPE.

IT WAS ON SEP 11 TH WHEN GEORG DUCKWITZ.

A GERMAN NAVAL ATTACHE HEARD OF THIS, AND
HE IMMEDIATELY FLEW TO BERLIN TO SEE IF HE
HALT THE DEPORTATION OF THE JEWS. MEETING
WITH NO SUCCESS, A WEEK LATER HE FLEW TO
STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN, & STENSIBLY DISCUSSING
GERMAN SHIPPING, BUT CLANDESTINELY MEETING
WITH SWEDISH PRIME MINISTER HANGSON IN
HOPES THAT SWEDEN WOULD TAKE IN THE
DANISH JEWISH REFUGEES. UNSURE OF ANY
SUCCESS IN SWEDEN, DUCKWITZ (WHO HAD

GREAT FEAR OF THE GESTAPO) RETURNED TO COPENHAGEN, AND CONTACTED THE SOCIAL DENDORAT LEADER HANS HEDTOFT, AND TOLD HIM TO WARN THE JEWISH LEADERS AND RABBI MARCUS MELCHIOR OF THE IMMINENT DANGER TO THE JEWISH POPULATION.

IT WAS THEN WHEN THE DANISH PEOPLE "ROSE TO THE OCCASSION", HIDING ALMOST 7000 JEWS...AND THEN GRADUALLY SMUGGLED THEM ACROSS THE DRESUND STRAITS INTO SAFETY IN SWEDEN.

BOTH DUCKWITZ AND THE DANISH RESISTANCE HAVE BEEN HONORED AT YAD VASHEM AS "RIGHTEOUS AMONG THE NATIONS!"

WIDELY READ

LIBRARY NOTES

Featured book of the month: The Book of Jewish Customs, by Harvey Lutske, deals with questions you may have wondered about but didn't ask. One chapter is entitled Superstition and Folklore. Other chapters deal with birth, marriage and death. You are welcome to borrow it.

Study: The Shabbat Torah Study Group (weekly zoomed at 8:45 AM). They study the portion of the week that the Rabbi often refers to, and currently the saga of the period when the Israelites had Kings. You can meet in the temple library where masks are worn or join on zoom.

The Amanda Kanowtiz Children's Library is available by appointment. Call or email the librarian. We give you time to browse with your child.

If you wish a private tour of the library, we welcome such requests.

Some of our favorite Jewish Internet sites are: urj.org, myjewishlearning.org. Kveller.org, Yiddishbookcenter.org. The Tablet.org. What are yours?

If you wish to be on the mailing list of the Yiddish Culture Club you let us know. We gather relevant Internet material and on occasion send it to our "Membership." Most of it is about Yiddish, not in Yiddish. When it is in Yiddish, there are captions (untertitlen).

Divesting: The Book Fairies in Freeport NY will accept books for all ages that meet certain standards.

They are at 70 No. Main Street in Freeport. It is best to call 557-6648 first.

The Freeport Library has a large book bin in the rear in the parking lot.

We are moving to a senior facility and are willing to donate filing cabinets to anyone who will remove them from our basement. I am of limited assistance so you would need one other person.

If you would like a copy of the Tanakh, or The Five Books of Moses. we can give you an all English edition. The Five Books of Moses do not contain the saga of David and Goliath, Samson and Delilah, or Queen Esther. They are all in the Tanakh which we can offer you. There is no commentary.

Robert Epstein, (536-7911, epsrr@aol.com) Volunteer Masked Librarian

NOBODY ASKED ME but.....

Yom Kippur for preschoolers:

During the ten days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur,

we think about the things we did that hurt other people and made them feel sad. Even though we try to be kind and help our friends and family, sometimes we do things that hurt other people's feelings.

On Yom Kippur we remind ourselves to treat other people nicely, to be more understanding of other people's feelings and to answer when someone asks for our help.

Enduring the fast:

We learned that over- hydrating the day before Yom Kippur will help deal with the fast.

SoPA, The Sage of Park Ave.

Searching for God on the Internet

Every Saturday morning a small group of temple congregants led by Rabbi, some in person and some on zoom, go searching for God and our Jewish heritage using a wonderful tool called Sefaria. Pre Covid that search included bagels and other tasty items. These days however, the intellectual stimulation has to suffice for the scholarly hunger.

The group is composed of some true scholars as well as those who are new to the search. All are accepted and, over time, the group becomes far more than just a study group.

Sound interesting? Give it a try any Saturday morning at 8:45 AM in the Temple library. (Photos from Mark Milch)



Exclusive Club Formed at Temple Avodah

TABM²

There are lots of clubs, committees and groups at Temple Avodah; just prowl around www.Avodah.Org and you will see them. But when a Temple Member reaches their 83rd birthday (achieving the biblical lifetime of 70 plus 13 years to reach a bar mitzvah) they are entitled to have a second Bar Mitzvah with all the responsibilities and celebrations that go with it. And what a special event that turns out to be!

Given that this special event endows the participants with special blessings, the recent celebrants have decided to form a most exclusive club, a club dedicated to Temple study, reflecting on their preparation for their second Bar Mitzvah.

Club participants are entitled to very special treatment TBA.

Interested in joining? Just ask Rabbi Goren for a membership application.

Temple Avodah "Stream Team"



We are looking for new members to join our "Stream Team".

If anyone is interested in learning about what we are doing and how the Livestreaming works, please join our "Stream Team". We will teach you how to run the show, including switching cameras, adjusting camera angles, zooming in and out and panning. We have professional quality equipment here, and you will learn valuable skills while enjoying the experience. Great for anyone interested in broadcasting, or those who just want to learn! This is really cool stuff and a lot of fun!

We have some special things planned so please let us know if you have anyone in your family who might be interested. We'd like this to be the start of a special club at Temple Avodah, open to all member families.

Contact Elliot Shulman: Elliot.shulman@avodah.org for more details

AVODAH GAZETTE

Latest News.....

Rabbi Uri Goren to make comeback playing with Schleppenwolf at Friday night services. Reuniting with group for the first time in 6 years. The star drummer was coaxed out of retirement when he was promised an ice cream oneg for after the services. Peppy, his wife, wasn't happy with the announcement of the ice cream but she will be looking forward to seeing him back on those drums.



When Rabbi Goren was questioned about his decision for a comeback he replied, "Not a comeback, just a one time reunion with the band. They've been asking me to join them for the past several years and now, with my concluding year looming, I thought the timing would be perfect. It will be interesting to see if I still can 'slap those skins' the way I used to".

In other news....

Temple Avodah to bring back a real deal ice cream oneg for Friday night, October 28th

When co-chair Wendy Brumberg was asked what drove the decision, she said, "The timing was right. The kids and the Rabbi have been clamoring for one for the past couple years. It will be the 'real deal'. Ice cream, whipped cream, sprinkles and toppings. Lots of goodies for us all".



Remember when.....

Rabbi Goren married us.....

Rabbi Goren named our baby.....

Rabbi Goren officiated at the bar-mitzvah of our son....

And the bat-mitzvah of our daughter.....

Rabbi Goren married our children.....

Rabbi Goren officiated at my bar-mitzvah....

Rabbi Goren officiated at my bat-mitzvah....

Rabbi Goren comforted us when we were sad....

Rabbi Goren laughed with us when we were glad...

In his concluding year as Rabbi in Temple Avodah we should thank him and honor him with a sponsorship for an oneg. An honor that you will remember and he will remember for our lifetimes.

Please contact the Temple office for more information or

Click here to Sponsor an Oneg



Rabbi & Cantor lead the Havdallah Service

Switching to our White High Holiday Torah Covers



Rabbi Goren blows the Shofar ushering in the High Holidays

Rosh Hashanah Shofar Blowing



MEETS THE 2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

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We Remember With Love, The Following People Whose Yahrzeits Are Observed During The Month October



Week of October 7

Selma Boyarin Pickoff Walter Davis Mildred Fenton Nettie Goldberg Marvin Goldstein Winifred "Ruth" Gorman Mildred Greenberg Ellen Haber **Aaron Lehman** Sophie Lehmann **Diane Lewis Charles Margett Jack Margolis Ruth Portnoy** Eugene Rosen Pearl Sorocki Ann Sosnoff Abraham Weinstein

Week of October 14 Week of October 21

David Joseph Alexander Dorothy Axelson Morris Berkowitz Freda Bruder **Nettie Crayne** Jean Dattner Paula Horowitz Seymour Horowitz Mel Kayle Harriet Lehman Elaine Metalsky Florence Rosengarten Edith Singer Samuel I. Steinberg

Florence Ahrend Henry Axelson Ena Bullock Hugh Burns Sarah Cooperberg Steven Crayne Abraham Eichenbaum Eli Goldsmith Carol Hirschberg Florence Jacobs Katie Klein Fannie Kleinman Ceil Levine Irene Mermelstein Tillie Miller **Arthur Schwartz** Helene Sperling Hilde Sternberg

Week of October 28

Rose Berkenblit
Sarah Buchman
Sol Daniels
Harvey Feinberg
Lillie Fried
Blanche Fromewick
Ada Herman
David Klessner
Mildred Leon
Karin Ohlsson
Dorothy Reisman
Hanan Rubin
Audrey Schwartz
Sidney Stern

Happy Birthday to Our October Birthdays!

Robyn Fishelson 10/2 Nicole Tsynman 10/3 Tammy Neumann 10/3 Abbie Lebowitz 10/4 Jonathan Lieberman 10/4 Amy Shaberman 10/12 Evan Long 10/6 Lee Mizel 10/7 Alex Paskoff 10/8 Brandon Hoffman 10/8 Lenore Greenberg 10/9 Joyce Savoy 10/10 Zelda Volpe 10/10 Felice Menchel 10/11 Robert Ruderman 10/11 Sara Yaverbaum 10/11 Matthew DiStefano 10/11 Justin Rosenthal 10/18 Lily Drew 10/12

Florence Tannen 10/12 Lexi Thailer 10/12 Ella Bodner 10/12 Max Thailer 10/12 Jackson Krasnovsky 10/12 Ingrid Rosenberg 10/20 Jodi Kessler 10/13 Benjamin Kaufman 10/14 Jared Sacco 10/14 Lisa Goldberg 10/14 Sarah Herman 10/14 Erica Feigenbaum 10/15 Nella Rabkin 10/16 Scot Mackoff 10/17 Eric Waitzman 10/18 Carol Gluck 10/18

Mindy Weiss 10/18 Robert Steig 10/19 Eric Ruderman 10/20 Jocelyn Weston 10/20 Leslie Dattner 10/20 Linda Mizel 10/21 Alexandra Steig 10/22 Caroline Steig 10/22 Stacey Seltzer 10/22 Rena Rauch 10/22 Brian Skupp 10/23 Cindy Baumann 10/23 Julianne Calabrese 10/23 Jennifer Wigdor 10/30 Susan Henkus 10/23 Larson Banilower 10/24 Madaleine Weinstein

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Mazal Tov To Our October Wedding Anniversaries!

10/24

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Mazal Tov Lucas Greenberg on becoming a Bar Mitzvah!

Mazal Tov Ella Bodner on becoming a Bat Mitzvah!

Mazal Tov to Sue & Ben Velella on the birth of their grandson, Andrew Donato Velella! Congratulations to the proud parents Justin & Brittnie Velella!

Congratulations to Stefani Cassidy, daughter of our bookkeeper, Andrea, on her marriage to Michael Acierno!

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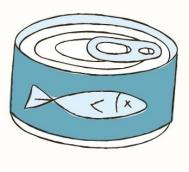
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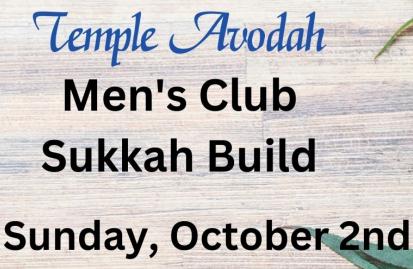












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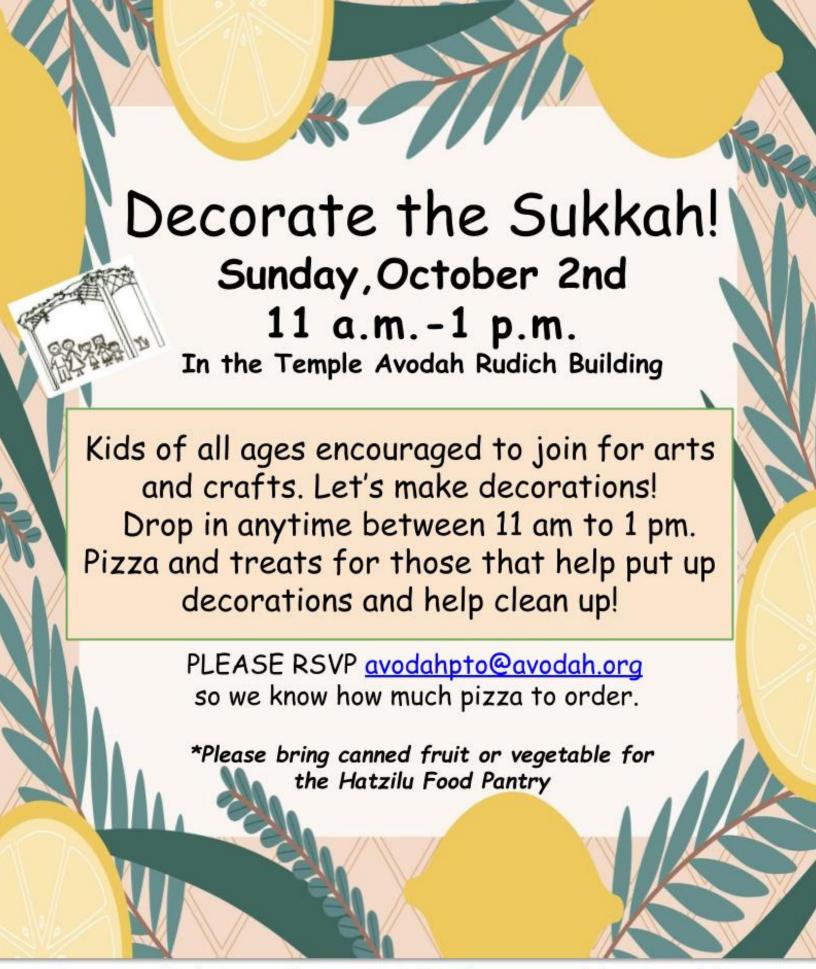
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Men's Club Meeting Wednesday, October 12, 2022 7:00PM

It's about time we all get together again. While Men's Club meetings have been held via Zoom for the last two years, given the pandemic, the Sukkah provides us with an outdoor environment to have our monthly meeting. We will be serving pizza, salad and soda once again and having a great time getting together. This invitation is only available to paid up dues members.

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Men's Club Open Dinner

Wednesday, October 26th 7:30pm

Our dinner is open to all male Temple Avodah members.



Dinner is free, however we require a \$10 reservation fee paid in advance.

\$5 will be returned to all those who attend in person. The other \$5 will go towards a 50/50 raffle.

Menu: steak, salmon, salad, potatoes & dessert.

Click here to reserve your spot

Please consider joining Men's Club.

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