



# The Menorah

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## Notes from the Rabbi: Ethan Seidel

### Reading Torah – Proud Past, Uncertain Future

We have quite a crop of Torah readers here at TI! For many years, I rarely got a chance to read Torah on Shabbat morning because we had so many folks willing and eager to *leyn*. We had young folks, and old folks; readers who had been reading for years, and readers who had just learned to read Torah in one of my Torah reading classes.

Alas, things are a bit different now. We still have an impressive *list* of capable Torah readers. When our coordinator sends out his regular email request for Torah readers, I count 30 names on the distribution list. However, for a wide variety of good reasons, many of the folks on the list rarely read much anymore. Twice in the last month, I ended up having to read almost the entire *parashah*.

It's time for some new blood! Would you like to learn how to read Torah? I'm planning to start a Torah reading class, to begin during the last half of May, and continuing through the end of June. If you can read Hebrew (even if you cannot understand much), and if you can sing a little bit, you can do this. And if you do this, you will find yourself developing a much more intimate relationship with Torah.



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## President's Column: John List

### Building a Vibrant Future

The month of May marks the end of our year-long Centennial Celebration with the theme of Proud Past, Vibrant Future. One of my joys while serving as President during the year of TI's Centennial and Rabbi Seidel's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary was to have worked closely with all those who designed, developed and delivered our many programs throughout the year. As a congregation we are fortunate to have so many who share their time and talents willingly for the enrichment of all of us.

During our Centennial Year, Rabbi Seidel championed a listening campaign, the major themes of which were explored during our Retreat in early March. One of those themes, Leadership Development, has been a topic I have been discussing with the TI Board. TI has applied to, and

been accepted by, the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism (USCJ) to participate in the USCJ's Sulam for Current Leaders.

This year-long program will engage the entire Board, Executive Director and Rabbi in a structured process to foster a sacred, inspired and effective leadership community with sessions devoted to: Leadership Planning; Change Management; Delegation; Accountability; Volunteer-Staff Part-



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## Notes from the Rabbi (continued)

Now, maybe you're worried that as a beginner (or as a rusty returning Torah reader) you may have trouble with the long Torah readings we read in the traditional yearly cycle? Not to worry!

We can usually carve out a shorter reading for you by subtracting verses from the beginning or end of the *aliyah* you'd like to read, and adding those verses to the adjacent *aliyah*.

Let me know if you'd like to take my upcoming class (which will probably be held in conjunction with Segulah), and if so, at what times of the week you could attend.

Rabbi Seidel

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## President's Column (continued)

nerships; and, Volunteer Development. Daniel Turner, VP of Governance; Andrew Reamer and I will act as the facilitators for this program.

The Sulam ("ladder," in Hebrew) Program begins with the active engagement of the current Board. Its objective is to expand a leadership development model to the larger TI community. For many years, TI has relied on lay participation by our many member volunteers.

We will use this new development approach to build on the TI value of lay participation as we learn new processes to identify the interests and skills of our members, welcome new participants into active engagement, and move participants into roles of greater responsibility.

As our Centennial year comes to an end -- and as my role of TI President is also ending -- I am excited that the USCJ's well-regarded Leadership Development program will be able to provide TI with professional assistance as the first step to building the foundation for TI's vibrant future.

### TI Honors High School Graduates

Join us during Shabbat morning services on **May 13** as we recognize the high school graduates in the congregation, who will be called to the bimah:

*Bella Alterman  
Ezra Grimes  
Talia Kellner  
Esther Kimelman-Block  
Adam Kritz  
Lena Siskind  
Hannah Verschell  
Michael Weinberger  
Margaret Wolfson*

If you would like to make a donation toward the Kiddush, please go to <https://tiferethdc.shulcloud.com/event/grad17>.

### Visits by Rabbi Seidel

Are you homebound, or hospital-bound, and would like a visit from Rabbi Seidel? Or do you know of someone in the congregation who could use such a visit? Please let Rabbi Seidel know, either by phone at 202-882-1605 x 302, or by email at [tirabbi@tifereth-israel.org](mailto:rabbi@tifereth-israel.org).

## New Members

### Jared Garelick

#### Michelle and Michael Strollo

Michelle grew up in Silver Spring, and Mike in West Long Branch, New Jersey, near the shore. Michelle works as a health care researcher for NORC, a non-profit research organization. She serves a mix of government and private clients to study their programs and public policy impacts. She had previously worked for various private and government organizations dealing with long term care, Medicare and Medicaid policy, and other health issues.

Mike, a career federal employee, is a financial analyst for the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation. He monitors corporate transactions and analyzes their impact on pensions. The Strollos have two daughters: **Mia**, who is seven; and **Ava**, eight. They live in Chevy Chase, Maryland.

In recent years, Mike has practiced taekwondo, which he picked up when his daughters did. Michelle is trying to get back to running. Mia is their swimmer, and Ava enjoys ballet. As a family they enjoy tennis and travel together.

While the Strollos are new members, they are not completely new faces at TI. For many years, while members at a different synagogue, Michelle's parents have chosen to attend high holiday services at TI, bringing Mike and Michelle along. They have been regulars in the front row of the balcony, sitting next to this reporter and his family. They have come to appreciate the warmth and genuine feel of community they experienced at TI, and decided it was the right place to begin the Jewish education of their children.



### TI Collection

We are now collecting linens for **A Wider Circle**.

Bedding — comforters, blankets, and sheet sets.  
Towels — all sizes.

Only items that are in good to excellent condition.

Collection ends **Tuesday, June 6**.

Note: The collection bin has moved to the elevator lobby (on the left as you go from the Juniper Street entrance to the sanctuary).

Thanks in advance for your help.

### Funeral Practices Committee Always On-Call

Haverim of the Funeral Practices Committee are on call to provide counsel and services to synagogue members and their dependents.

In the event of a death, prior to contacting the funeral home, please contact one of the following haverim, Rabbi Seidel, or the TI office (202-882-1605).

**Shelly Heller** h: 301-942-1836  
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**David Cohen** h: 301-652-2872

**Marcia Goggin** h: 301-593-8480  
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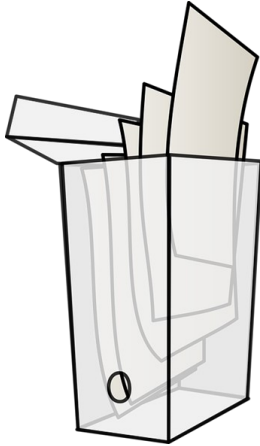
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c: 301-346-9862

**Robert Rovinsky** h: 202 237 1036  
c: 202 815 8707

## TI Centennial, 1916–2016

### Cynthia Peterman



Are you a good organizer? Do you like history?

The Centennial year may be drawing to a close, but we are still documenting TI history. We are looking for a few people to help us organize our archive. Maybe you have an hour or two to spend once a week or so?

Please contact Cynthia Peterman for more information: 301-384-7277 or [cynp25@gmail.com](mailto:cynp25@gmail.com).



## Tikkun Leil Shavuot

Mark Berch

Have you been studying some Jewish topic and want to give a presentation on it? Or would you like to hear some of those items? One of the most distinctive Jewish study forms is the *Tikkun Leil Shavuot*, a study session on the eve of Shavuot. We do this every year at Tifereth Israel.

Except for the presenters, there's no preparation to do in advance. Just tell yourself that, for one night, or part of a night, or even just one hour, you will give yourself over to learning. We'll be doing it jointly, as in many past years, with Minyan Segulah, Ohev Sholom and likely other organizations, starting in the evening of Tuesday, May 30.

The evening will be in three phases. First, we start with our own program at TI, an evening service followed by two sessions. These sessions are on the shorter side, typically about 40 minutes each.

Second, will be four or five longer joint sessions, typically running 50-60 minutes. Some will be at Ohev Sholom, some at TI.

Finally, there will be a joint Minyan Segulah-TI service, starting about 5 a.m. These services have always had a lot of *ruah!* And if you'd like to hear *Akdamut*, this is your only chance, since we don't do it at the regular TI morning festival service, which is at 9 a.m.

Most people don't stay for the entire set of teaching sessions, so please consider coming even if you know you can only stay for a part. The topic is up to the presenter, so long as it has a significant Jewish content. Refreshments are served throughout the night.

More details, and exact times, will be available in mid-May. If you'd like to make a presentation, contact Mark Berch at [mberch@mac.com](mailto:mberch@mac.com).

## Shavuot Schedule May 30-June 1

### Tues., May 30 - Erev Shavuot

9:00 p.m. Ma'ariv Service  
9:50 p.m.–  
5:00 a.m. Tikkun Leil Shavuot

### Wed., May 31 - Shavuot 1

Office closed

5:00 a.m. Early Morning  
Holiday Service

9:00 am Morning Holiday  
Service

### Thurs., June 1 - Shavuot 2

Office closed

9:00 a.m. Morning Holiday  
Service

10:15 a.m. Reading of the  
Book of Ruth

11:00 a.m. Yizkor Service



## Himmelfarb & Chai School Happenings

Rina Rebibo

### Only One More Month!

Before Pesah break, our younger students celebrated with a model seder while our Chai School shared their digital projects with their parents, Kitah Daled, Hey & Jr. Chai, (see photos on next page).

Now that Passover is behind us, the school year is quickly coming to a

close. During the final month of the 2016-2017 school year, we will be focusing on Lag B'Omer, Yom Yerushalayim & Shavuot.

### Upcoming Dates

**Sunday, May 7.** We will hold our final PTA meeting for the year. Please join us in the Cherner, 9:45-10:45 a.m., to help with the end of

the year event as well as learn how you can be more involved next year.

**Shabbat, May 27 & Sunday, May 28.** Memorial Day Weekend -- No Kitah Vav (Saturday) or other classes (Sunday).

**Wednesday, May 31.** Shavuot -- No Himmelfarb School.

**Sunday, June 4.** End of Year Celebration!

## Shepherd Elementary School Third Grade Visits TI

(photos by Rina Rebibo)

As part of the Tifereth Israel partnership with Shepherd Park Elementary School, Shepherd's third grade classes came to visit TI on April 3.

Laura Schiavo took each of the two classes through the centennial exhibit, Rabbi Seidel opened the Torah for them to see, and Rina Rebibo gave them a tour of the

building and answered a lot of questions they had about Passover, Kosher, Judaism & Hebrew! It was a great experience for all participants. See photos below:



## Youth and Family Corner

Wilhelmina Gottschalk

The school year is winding down, and TI youth are looking forward to next year. We want to make sure that the 2017-2018 USY/Kadima year has programs and appeal for everyone, and that all members of that age cohort have a place they feel they belong in the synagogue.

To learn more about how to best serve our youth members, we will distribute a survey soon to all youth members and their parents. We want to know what you want to do,

how USY and Kadima can serve you, and how you generally get your information. Help us make the youth group that *you* want to join!

This spring, we will also re-inaugurate the youth lounge. The lounge, just off of the Cherner auditorium, hasn't been a great casual spot for several years, but we hope to change that. We are planning a massive clean-up in June, and by the fall we hope to have a room where it's cool to hang out with friends.

Did you know that we have an active Youth Committee that assists our USY and Kadima chapters? Its members have children of all ages, and include parents of young children and parents of young adults.

If you would like to give any feedback about the Youth Committee, or to inquire about joining the committee, feel free to email me at [Wilhelmina@tifereth-israel.org](mailto:Wilhelmina@tifereth-israel.org).

## Himmelfarb School Model Seder, April 2

(photos by Rina Rebibo)





## Library News

Michele Sumka

Are there books that you would like the library to purchase? Now that order has been restored, after the closing of the library for the asbestos abatement, and some reorganization, I am planning to purchase new books.

Please send me your suggestions. Of course, I can't promise that I will buy all of them, but I'll do my best.

We've received a number of wonderful books from the Rodenstein family in memory of Alfred Leon Schwartz,

as well as from the estate of the late David Cohen.

We have just finished packing up the Passover books, which I couldn't have done without the help of **Diana Zurer, Dana Neimark, Beth Naf-talin,** and **Judi Berland.**

Regarding new books, we have very few titles for Shavuot, so if you know of any new titles for the holiday, please let me know as soon as possible at [msumka@gmail.com](mailto:msumka@gmail.com).

## Oh Gala, Oh Gala

Rona Siskind

Buy your tickets for the Gala - don't delay

This special event is but a week away.

Celebrate TI's history, long and strong

And our dear Rabbi Seidel, at TI 25 years long.

We're so thrilled for his leadership and his unique style

For his insight and humor, we'd go that extra mile.

Buy an ad in the program book or a memorial plaque

To make a lasting tribute, the opportunities don't lack.

The deadline's May 1st, which is this very week

Or a ticket scalper you may have to go seek.

[Buy your tickets here](#), buy them now and be set

Or call the office for the answers you need to get.

### Centennial Gala

**May 7, 2017**

**6 p.m. - 9 p.m.**

**\$54/ticket**

<https://tiferethdc.shulcloud.com/event/gala2017>

Please call Wilhelmina at (202) 882-1605 if the cost of a ticket is keeping you from attending!

## Help Needed for Syrian Family

Janet Nesse

There are many opportunities to help the Syrian family that Tifereth Israel is assisting. Help is needed with:

- Green card application. The family is not yet eligible, but a meeting during the summer at their sponsoring organization should be attended with them, and paperwork completed.
- Appeals with denials or reduction of benefits.
- Locating a summer program that the children can attend within a reasonable distance from their home, as it is uncertain their elementary school will have a summer program.
- Boys clothing (new), size 12.
- Gift cards to either Costco or Target for some things for the girls and the home.
- Outfitting back-to-school backpacks for the children in the fall, based on the PG County Public Schools list, at a cost of about \$100 per kid.
- Perhaps doing a birthday party for each child.
- Arranging for the father to go to the PGCC English as a Second Language program at Prince Georges Plaza location, which operates five mornings per week, fitting into his afternoon work schedule.

Getting a start date, helping him sign up, and accompanying him once to make sure he is squared away. His organization may pay for this, so this would involve contacting them as well.

If you can volunteer for any of these tasks or take other action, please send a group email to me, Alice Burton and Gene Herman.

### Tot Shabbat

May 20

June 17

11:10 a.m.

## Nayes un Mekhayes for TI'ers

### Barbara Raimondo

#### Oh, the Places You'll Go!

Eagle Eye **Melanie Gross Greenfield** recently won Second Place in the Photography Division at The Woman's Club of Chevy Chase's 42nd Annual Community Art Show! Winner was a photo taken in Denali National Park which was also displayed at TI a couple of years ago.

**Judi Berland** took some pics on her magical trip to the Galapagos Islands. Although a really difficult trip, lots of hiking even in the rain, with breakfast at 6:00 a.m., she had an adventurous time. Got to swim with turtles (Hey Dude!) avoided the sharks, checked out the starfish, and even got pushed by a sea lion. The giant tortoises were – well – giant, and the blue-footed boobies were – well – extremely blue-footed.

For Pesah Judi led a Seder at one of the Jewish Group Homes. Marcia Goldberg asked her to do this many years ago, and it's been a great learning experience every time.

#### Oh, the People You'll Know!

Grandchildren are so active, **Gene** and **Esther Herman** can barely keep track of theirs! **Talia Liu**, daughter of **Alisa Herman-Liu** and **Tony Liu**, returned from Israel where she and her classmates studied Jerusalem during their spring break from Rice University. Her sister, **Arielle**, also at Rice, went to visit universities in the Boston area to check up on old friends.

**Adam Cohen**, son of **David** and **Elana**, during his minimester at Sidwell Friends, went to Paris and Normandy to study action sites of World War II. Cousin **Jenny Firschein**, at the Washington International School, daughter of **Rachel** and **Joseph**, became a finalist for a poem she wrote titled *Peace* for a

contest of poetry on same. Her spring break included a trip to the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, with her sister, **Ava**, her parents and her grandparents, Esther and Gene.

Get out your reading glasses. **Claudine Schweber** and **Ed Koren** are continuing a five-year tradition of going to the Charlottesville Book Festival (aka Virginia Festival of the Book). It's four and a half days of author panels discussing a theme as it relates to their work, such as researching history, fresh perspectives on the civil war, fiction in short form, women writing history, Andy Warhol, the first ladies, and blue-footed boobies. (And that's just part of Day One.)

The festival is free and panels are held in book stores, on the UVA campus, downtown Charlottesville, city hall, the library and occasionally in one of the bars. Claudine is working toward becoming a Book Festival Groupie (bfg), so this is one of the local events they go to annually. Claudine welcomes ideas for other festivals in the northeast.

#### Oh, to Run in the Snow!

**Alan Landay** concluded his winter athletic season of skiing and running by completing the Cherry Blossom Festival 10 Miler. It was a gorgeous day for running, unlike the half-marathon two weeks earlier which had rain, snow, wind, cold, sand, fire, and even a tidal wave. Probably the earlier race toughened 'im up as he ran very well at Cherry Blossom and had fun doing it.

**Simcha Kuritzky** exhibited at the Whitman Expo in Baltimore, where his new exhibit titled "Engraved Coins of the Three Abrahamic Faiths" won second place in open competition. Mazal tov, as always!

#### Sad News

**Sorah Rivka Rosenblatt**, sister of TI member in Alaska **Gordon Glaser** (**Mary Jo Robinson**) and cousin of TI member **Mark (Mona) Berch**, died in April. The funeral was in Jerusalem.

**Gary Harmatz**, son of Tifereth Israel member **Miriam Alpern**, died in March. He was buried in Mount Lebanon.

Longtime Tifereth Israel member **Edith Lopatin** also died in March. Mrs. Lopatin, a Holocaust survivor, was 91. She was buried in Mt. Lebanon.

And **Edith Seewald Ratner**, mother of TI member **Jacqueline Ratner**, died in March after a short illness. She was 98. The funeral was in New York.

May their memories be for a blessing.

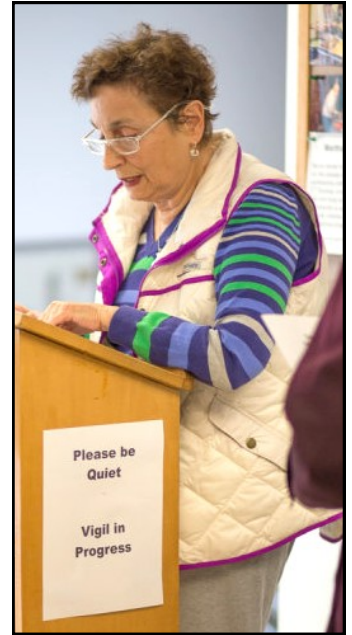
And now for the meaning of last month's word, *penultimate*: next to the last.

Thanks to all who sent me news, sent me to others who sent me news, or otherwise helped sniff it out. This brings to a close Your Faithful Columnist's last edition of Nayes un Mekhayes for TI'ers.

**Editor's Note:** As previously noted, *Barbara will be a hard act to follow, but I am pleased to announce that Diana Zurer has agreed to take over the Nayes un Mekhayes column, beginning with the July/August issue. TI'ers will have two months to get their juicy news items into Diana, who can be reached at [diana@zurer.com](mailto:diana@zurer.com).*



## Yom HaShoah Commemoration, April 23 (photos by Jeff Peterman)



Debra Stern, Diana Zurer, Judi Berland and Esther Herman read Holocaust victims' names in Juniper St. Lobby vigil



Featured Speaker Ruth Messinger

## Kol Nashim

### Rose Halper



#### Hillwood Estate Tour

Join Kol Nashim on their trip to Hillwood Estate on **Sunday, May 21**, 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Two guided tours will be provided. On one tour, you will view many objects of Russian and French 18th century decorative art. Another tour will take you through the estate's serene gardens.



This estate offers an escape that is well worth it! The cost is \$18 per person. Limited spaces are available. Sign up at: <https://tiferethdc.shulcloud.com/event/hillwood2017>.

## KN Book Club

### Jessica Weissman

For **May 16**, at the home of **Janice Mehler**, we read *The Education of H\*Y\*M\*A\*N K\*A\*P\*L\*A\*N*, by Leo Rosten (using the pseudonym Leonard Q. Ross in some editions). It's just as funny as you remember, and if you have never read it you have a treat coming.

You can read either the original version, the sequel (*The Return of H\*Y\*M\*A\*N K\*A\*P\*L\*A\*N*) or the later version (called *Oh Kaplan, My Kaplan*) that combined and added to the original and the sequel. Another option: most if not all of the stories were published in the New Yorker. If

you have access to the New Yorker archives you can look them up and read them electronically.

Rosten thinks he improved the original stories by adding a lot of material and streamlining some of the earlier material. This may or may not be true depending on how much you are interested in the inner life of Mr. Parkhill. Library copies are scarce, but used copies are plentiful and the original is still in print. We'll choose readings for July through at least the end of the year at the April 25 meeting.

For **June 20**, at the home of **Claudine Schweber**, we read *The Jew in the Lotus – a Poet's Rediscovery of his Jewish Identity in India*, by Roger Kamenetz.

We meet from 7:30 until 9 p.m. or we run out of things to say. Our meetings are open to everyone, whether you finish the book in time or not.

If you can volunteer to host any of the upcoming meetings, please let me know, and send your book suggestions.

## SHALEM

### Jessica Weissman

April saw a SHALEM program showcasing the many services offered at the beautiful new Silver Spring branch of the Montgomery County library. Thanks to **Audrey Smith** and to the representatives of the library for enlightening us about these riches.

DC residents: you are entitled to use the Montgomery County library system. Go to any branch and you can get a card that opens the way not only to MoCo's large collection of

print and electronic books, but also to a host of online resources.

On **May 6**, as part of the Centennial celebration weekend, **Rabbi James Jacobson-Maisels** will present a SHALEM talk on "Radical Acceptance: Finding Light in the Darkness." Rabbi Jacobson-Maisels is the founder of Or HaLev: A Center for Jewish Spirituality and Meditation and has been studying and teaching meditation and Jewish spirituality for many years.

Looking ahead, on **June 24**, **Adam Immerwahr**, Artistic Director for Theatre J, will distill his 12-session class on How to Watch a Play into a SHALEM talk. Those of us who heard his recent *drash* have a good idea of just how interesting and provocative this talk promises to be. Looking further ahead, it's time to put together a new season of talks. If you want to give a talk or have a topic or speaker to suggest, please contact me. Talks must be of some Jewish interest, defined loosely.

## Gevarim

### Andrew Reamer



#### Movie Nite@TI

For the past two months, Movie Nite@TI has presented the opening episodes of recent popular Israeli TV series. The third such episode, on **Sunday, May 21** at 7:30 p.m. in the Cherner, is *Arab Labor*, a comedy about Amjad, a Palestinian journalist and Israeli citizen in search of his identity. The show is free and nosh is four dollars.

#### Video Course on Medieval Jewish Civilization

Gevarim and the Adult Education Committee have been presenting *Jewish Civilization from Mohammed to Spinoza*, a Great Courses

series of video lectures by Professor David Ruderman, University of Pennsylvania. The next two sessions will be on **Sunday, May 7** and **Sunday, May 14** in the Mollie Berch Library. The lectures run from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. and discussion follows until noon.

On May 7, **Allan Tulchin**, Adult Education Committee chair and Shippensburg University history professor, will show lectures entitled "The Decline and Expulsion of Spanish Jewry" and "Italian Jewry in the Early Modern Period." Lectures on May 14 will be "Kabbalah and Society in 16th-Century Safed" and "Shabbetai Zevi: The Mystical Messiah."

Previous attendance is not required. The audio for previous lectures is available on TI shulcloud.

#### Talmud Study

Rabbi Seidel teaches large sections of Tractate Brakhot approximately twice a month after Shabbat lunch from 1:00 to 1:45 p.m. in the Reamer Chapel. We read and discuss the text in English (photocopies are provided). The next sessions are scheduled for **May 13** and **20**. Even if you've never studied Talmud before, you might enjoy dropping in on our ongoing exploration of this tractate of the Talmud.

## Helping the Judaicly/Hebraicly-Challenged

Stan Dorn

Coming out of the retreat, some of us are putting together a short-term task force to recommend concrete steps to make Shabbat morning services more accessible to people with limited Judaic or Hebrew background. Some ideas we're exploring:

- a class taught by Rabbi Seidel on Sunday evenings
- occasional learners' minyans on Shabbat morning
- making transliterations and explanatory materials available on Shabbat morning

- making study materials available on-line during the week.

If you are interested, you are urged to attend a meeting of this task force on **Monday, May 1**, at 8 p.m., lasting no longer than two hours, at our home, 9106 Briery Road, Chevy Chase, MD. If you have questions or comments, or you plan to come to the meeting, please email me at [standorn36@gmail.com](mailto:standorn36@gmail.com), or call my cell (301.943.3663).

## Kolot Ha Lev Annual Concert: Kol Isha (A Woman's Voice)

Please join Kolot Ha Lev at Ohr Kodosh Congregation at 4:00 p.m. on May 21, for the choir's performance celebrating Jewish women, with an emphasis on Jewish women as composers and poets. Titled "Kol Isha" ("A Woman's Voice"), the program will be a wide-ranging presentation of music in several styles and formats.

Shemer and Rahel, the premier selection will be "Miriam's Song of Triumph" by Franz Schubert, a twenty-minute operatic *tour de force*.

Musical pieces will be performed in Hebrew, English and German.

For more information and to purchase tickets please contact **Larry Baizer** at [lbaizer@yahoo.com](mailto:lbaizer@yahoo.com) or visit [kolothalev.org](http://kolothalev.org).

Together with songs by Emma Lazarus, Leah Goldberg, Naomi

Our goal will be to develop recommendations for the Ritual Committee, seeking quick implementation.

### Wednesday Minyan

The Wednesday evening minyan has resumed, at 6:10 p.m. Minyan ends by 6:30 p.m. for Hebrew School pick-up.



## May Highlights at Tifereth Israel

- May 1, 8,  
15, 22      Monday Lunch & Learn  
                  *Parashat HaShavua*, 11 a.m.; Lunch, 12 noon
- May 5      Friday Evening Shabbat Services, 6:30 p.m.  
                  Dinner {sign up by May 2} featuring Rabbi Seidel's favorite foods &  
                  multiple vegetarian dishes, 7:30 p.m.  
                  "Song as Spiritual Practice" text study and practice led by Scholar-  
                  in-Residence, Rabbi James Jacobson-Maisels, 8:45 p.m.
- May 6      Drash by Rabbi Jacobson-Maisels on Parashat *Aharei Mot-*  
                  *Kedoshim*, "Dying into Revelation: Becoming Yourself," 11 a.m.  
                  SHALEM program led by Rabbi Jacobson-Maisels, "Radical  
                  Acceptance: Finding Light in the Darkness," 1:15 p.m.  
                  Minhah, 7:15 p.m.  
                  Seudah Sh'lishit, light dairy meal (no charge, but sign up by May 3),  
                  "Kavanah, Intentions and Chanting: Sacred Cultivation through  
                  Song," 7:45 p.m.  
                  Ma'ariv, 8:30 p.m.  
                  Havdallah, 8:45 p.m.
- May 7      TI Centennial Gala, 6 p.m.
- May 7, 14      "Jewish Civilization from Mohammed to Spinoza," Allan Tulchin,  
                  10:15 a.m.-noon, Library
- May 13, 20      Talmud Study, Rabbi Seidel, 1:00-1:45 p.m., Reamer Chapel
- May 16      KN Book Club, at home of Janice Mehler, 7:30 p.m.
- May 21      Kol Nashim Tour to Hillwood Estate, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
  
                  Movie Nite, *Arab Labor*, 7:30 p.m.
- May 29      Erev Shavuot; Tikkun Leil Shavuot, 9 p.m.
- May 30      First Day of Shavuot; Festival Service, 9 a.m.
- June 1      Second Day of Shavuot; Festival Service, 9 a.m.; Yizkor, 11 a.m.

For further details on these and other TI events go to our website at [www.Tifereth-Israel.org](http://www.Tifereth-Israel.org),  
Facebook at [www.facebook.com/TiferethIsrael](http://www.facebook.com/TiferethIsrael), or Twitter at [www.twitter.com/TiferethDC](http://www.twitter.com/TiferethDC).

## Upcoming Friday Night Minyan Assignments

### May 12

Eugene & Esther Herman  
 Carolivia Herron  
 James & Annie Hershberg  
 William Hodos  
 Gayle & Erik Hope  
 Hedy Howard  
 Neil Hyman & Rachel Decter  
 Hyman  
 Anita Isicson  
 David & Shana Jacobs  
 Leonard Jewler & Andrea Rosen  
 Harvey Kabaker & Andrea Kline  
 Steven Kalish & Anita Bolt  
 Mark & Sarah Kass  
 Joshua & Jennifer Kefer  
 Kenneth Kellner & Nina Bronk  
 Kellner

### May 19

Rabbi Jason & Devora  
 Kimelman-Block  
 Alexandra Kincannon & Paul  
 Moorehead  
 Shemaya & Dori Klar  
 Morris Klein & Naomi Freeman  
 Aaron Kofner & Anat Shahr  
 Roger Kohn  
 Allan Kolker  
 Edward Koren & Claudine  
 Schweber  
 Michael & Lisa Kraft  
 Anita Kramer  
 Joshua & Francesca Kranzberg  
 David & Amy Kritz  
 Richard Kruger & Naimah  
 Weinberg  
 Matthew Kunkin & Hilary Sachs  
 Simcha Kuritzky  
 Susan Laden  
 Alan Landay  
 Robert Lande & Jeri Roth Lande

### May 26

Alexander Laufer & Jennifer  
 Siegel Laufer  
 Jen Lav & Susan Gilvin

Michael & Iris Lav  
 Mitchell Lazarus & Judith  
 Shapiro  
 Beverly Lehrer  
 Elihu Leifer  
 Ken & Rachel Lemberg  
 Steve LeVine & Nuri  
 Nurlybayeva  
 Wylie & Kim Levone  
 Mark Lewis & Janet Nesse  
 Martin Libicki & Denise Mazorow  
 Dan Liebman & Lis Davis  
 Lisa Traiger  
 Michael Linden & Rebecca  
 Melsky  
 Fred Lipschultz & Rabbi Devorah  
 Lynn  
 John & Lynne List  
 John Lister

### June 2

Oscar & Amy Mann  
 Sarna Marcus  
 Stephen Marcus & Renee  
 Matalon  
 Ilana Marmon & Paul McLeary  
 Joseph & Paula Martin  
 Robert Mathis & Tali Stopak-  
 Mathis  
 David & Carla Matusow  
 Stephanie & Yony Mazal  
 Allison & Colin McMillan  
 Tobi McFarland  
 David & Janice Mehler  
 Robert & Laura Meisnere  
 Stephen Meltzer  
 Ethan Merlin & Joelle Novey  
 David & Dana Mermelstein  
 Sarah & Rachel Meytin  
 Josephine Mickelson  
 Michael & Barbara Milton  
 Emily & Adil Moiduddin  
 Jacob & Elaine Mondschein  
 Ken Morris & Terri Zall  
 Jerry & Sharon Muller

### June 9

Jonah & Stephanie Murdock  
 Myron Murdock & Judy Herzog-  
 Murdock  
 Beth Naftalin  
 Ray & Adele Natter  
 Ari Ne'eman and Ruti Regan  
 Sheridan & Dana Neimark  
 Michael H. New & Linda  
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 Stephen Nelson & Leslie  
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 Lee & Hedy Ohringer  
 Sarah Osborne  
 Jessica & Jonathan Panikoff  
 Larry Paul & Joye Newman  
 Perry & Fylis Peckham  
 Daniel Pederson & Dafna Spear  
 Melissa Perera  
 Adam & Jessica Perlmutter  
 Jeff & Cynthia Peterman  
 Michael Pitch & Elaine Weiss  
 Joshua Pitlick & Janet Blank  
 Lisa Plotkin

### June 16

David & Laurel Rabin  
 Glenn Rapoport  
 Jacqueline Ratner  
 Andrew Reamer  
 Sanford & Shelley Reback  
 Naomi Reem  
 Arnold & Naomi Revzin  
 Ruth Reynolds  
 Howard Riker & Danielle Glosser  
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