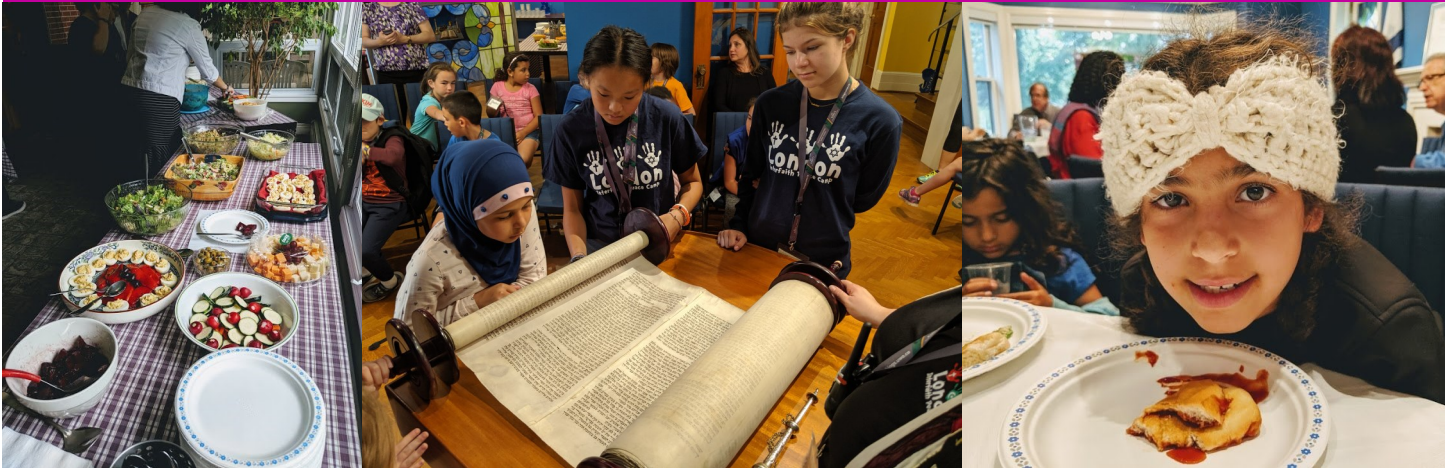




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## What's been happening at Temple?



## SUMMER HIGHLIGHTS

Many people think of summer as the 'slow season' at Temple Israel, but nothing could be further from the truth. Here's a run-down of what's been happening.

### Shavuot

In early June we celebrated the giving of the Torah and indulged in a cheesecake and blintzes Kiddush.

### Summer BBQ

A few days later we officially welcomed summer with an evening Shabbat Service, followed by our annual BBQ.

### London Interfaith Peace Camp

The seventh annual London Interfaith Peace Camp brought young members of the three Abrahamic faiths together for a week of fun and learning, August 12 – 16. Temple Israel is proud to be a founding member of Canada's first peace camp and we were delighted to welcome campers into our sanctuary.

### B'not Mitzvah

August also brought two b'not mitzvah celebrations. Luciana Tudor reached this milestone on August 3, followed two weeks later by Jessica Macpherson.

### Temple Israel Website

Many thanks to Linda Zimmerman who created the first Temple Israel website in 1997 and who has been keeping it up to date ever since. We were due for a revamp, and our new website is now live! Check out our new look at [templeisraelondon.ca](http://templeisraelondon.ca).

# High Holy Days

The High Holy Days are almost here, so mark your calendar for service times and other special events! Please note that services for Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur are held in the Harris Room in the Jewish Community Centre.

## SERVICES AT JCC

### Rosh HaShanah - September 29-30

**Erev RH – September 29, 6:30 - 8 pm**

*Playzone will be open from 6:15 pm for babysitting*

**RH Morning – September 30, 10 am - 1 pm**

*Playzone will be open from 9:45 am for babysitting*

### Yom Kippur – October 8-9

**Kol Nidre – October 8, 7:30 -9 pm**

*Playzone will be open from 7:15 pm for babysitting*

**Yom Kippur Morning – October 9, 10 am - 12:30pm**

**Healing Service – 4 - 5 pm (in the JCC Lounge)**

**Afternoon Yizkor – 5 - 6 pm**

**Closing N'ilah – 6 - 7pm**

*Playzone will be open 9:45 am – 12:45 pm & 3:45 pm – 7:15 pm for babysitting*

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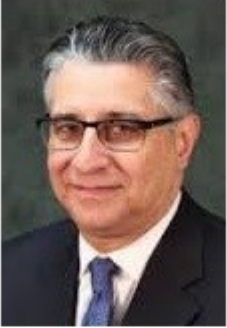
Potluck PreNeg at 6 pm, followed by Erev Simchat Torah service at 6:30 pm

#### Simchat Torah and Shemini Atzeret - October 21

Morning Service Hallel, Yizkor and Consecration at 10 am



## From our President



### Jason Mandlowitz

On behalf of Daryl, myself, and our Board I want to extend to all members our best wishes for good health and peace for the upcoming New Year. We look forward to seeing all of you at Rosh HaShanah, Yom Kippur and Sukkot.

The new Bulletin will provide you with updates on our successful programs and activities over the summer months and our calendar for the months ahead.

Temple Israel was blessed this year to celebrate four (4) b'not mitzvahs.

At our Annual Meeting held in June two important decisions were taken by the Congregation. First, a new slate of Officers and Directors was approved for 2019-2020. Second, an amendment was passed to allow Executive and Board members, with Congregational approval, to serve an additional, single 2-year term beyond the limits originally established by our Constitution. My thanks to all who attended the meeting and those who have committed to serve the Congregation.

Let me remind you that again this year, for security reasons, Temple Israel is issuing and will be mailing High Holy Day tickets to members who have arranged to meet their financial commitments for 2019-2020. For other members and guests, High Holy Day tickets will be available at the JCC as you enter services. You are encouraged to remit your 2019-2020 membership information and dues as soon as possible. Your financial support and generosity are greatly appreciated.

As the New Year approaches check Temple e-mails, our Bulletins, and other communications to follow our initiatives such as our new Website, Book Club, enhanced Yahrzeit notices, commencement of our Religious School program, and start-up of Congregational bowling.

Again, best wishes for a "good and sweet" New Year.

## Around the Property

It's been a busy summer around our property. Here are a few things you may have noticed.

- We'd like to thank David Rosner and Susan Agranove for maintaining our flower beds this summer.
- The eavestroughs around the garage house have been replaced. They were badly damaged by ice and leaked into the foundations.
- We have placed a new rock beside the driveway. This should protect the grass from car tires and allow the flooded sections to fill in.
- We still need to scrape and repaint the soffits on the rear second floor. This will probably be deferred until the spring.
- Our front fence requires a lot of work and will soon have to be replaced completely.
- Many of the overgrown weeds have been removed from the hedges and a huge amount of brush carted away. We have removed the dead cedars behind the garage house and placed black plastic over the weed bed. Temple Israel is looking for a company to trim our tall hedges. If you know someone who can help, please contact Jim Stevens or contact the office at [office@templeisraelondon.ca](mailto:office@templeisraelondon.ca).



## From our Rabbi



### Rabbi Debra Stahlberg Dressler

*L'dor vador - from generation to generation...*

Every summer since 2013, the London Interfaith Peace Camp has held a one-week day camp for Jewish, Christian, and Muslim children and teens. Each year, we choose a theme to highlight our shared ideas and values. This year we chose “generation to generation,” a classic concept (not surprisingly, it originated with me, the Jewish representative).

To illustrate the challenges of passing down a consistent Jewish religious culture for over 3000 years, I had the kids play telephone tag.

The first message I sent consisted of ordinary information (I went to skating on Tuesday, soccer on Wednesday, etc.). The message didn't make it through intact, but at least its variation was comprehensible (oddly, something about a Sunday, not included in the original message at all). The second message I sent was brief, but in Hebrew, “*mitzvah goreret mitzvah*” (one mitzvah leads to another). Not even the Jewish campers were successful in transmitting any of these words. The final message I sent was, “*O Canada, our home and native land, true patriot love in all of us command.*” This last statement came through accurately, albeit somewhat truncated from my original.

I asked the campers and counselors what made it easy or difficult to transmit each message. Consensus was, number one was simply too long and detailed to be shared verbally. Number two, obviously, was in a language almost no one knew well. The final message, the opening phrases of our national anthem, wasn't difficult at all. “Why?” I asked. “Because it's from O Canada,” was the initial responses. I probed further, “But why is O Canada easier to remember?” Their response, “Because it's the national anthem.” Ultimately, I was able to elicit factors such as the following: we all learn it; it's in a language we all speak; we sing it every day at school; and we sing it our whole lives, even outside of school where we learned it.

The vicissitudes of children playing telephone, even without inevitable changes deliberately introduced by an impish participant, illustrate the challenges for any community to maintain religion or culture from one generation to the next. If we are lucky, we build a common language and prioritize our values in a way that creates a broad familiarity with its essential tenets. If we are not, the beautiful and compelling messages get lost along the way.

In the wake of my recent citizenship oath, and as I approach the High Holy Days, I find myself thinking deeply about my link in the chain of traditions - both civic and religious. I am eager to play my part voting in my first Canadian federal election. And I am challenged every day by the question, “will the generations who follow me and my community understand what we hold dear?” This is probably a question only answered in hindsight. Nonetheless, I am going to try my very best to do my part.

Shanah Tovah.

## Education

### Education

Our students and teachers go back to school on Sunday, September 8 and Wednesday, September 11. We're excited to begin another great year of learning, and will be keeping in touch with our Religious School families throughout the year.

We look forward to welcoming young and old to our family programs for the High Holy Days, Sukkot, and Consecration/Simchat Torah. Check out the new Temple Israel website for details.



# TI Board

## Introducing your TI Board for 2019-2020

A new slate of Officers and Directors was approved at June's Congregational General Meeting.

### Directors & Officers

President	Jason Mandlowitz
VP Finance, Treasurer	Vacant
VP, Operations	Jim Stevens
VP, Programming	Vacant
VP, Education	Elizabeth Teevan
VP, Communications	Nicole Laidler

<b>Board</b>	Barbara Lent
	Vivian Macdonald
	Sharon Marks
	Jeff Phillips
	Terry Sicular
	Judith Wiley
	Ailene Wittstein
	Ana Porzecanski (ex-officio)

**Please note that we are still looking for people to serve as VP Programming and VP Finance, Treasurer. If you are interested, or would like more information please contact Jason Mandlowitz at [jason@templeisraelondon.ca](mailto:jason@templeisraelondon.ca)**

### 2019-2020 Meeting Schedule

All members of Temple Israel are welcome – and encouraged – to attend our Board meetings. To make it easier to plan ahead, here's the schedule for 2019/20.

September 15, 2019 – Executive @ 2:30 / Board @ 3 pm  
November 3, 2019 – Executive @ 3:30 / Board @ 4 pm  
January 5, 2020 – Executive @ 2:30 / Board @ 3 pm  
January 19, 2020 – Annual Meeting @ 3:30 pm

March 29, 2020 – Executive @ 3 / Board @ 3:30 pm  
May 13, 2020 – Executive @ 6:30 / Board @ 7 pm  
June 24, 2020 – General Meeting @ 7 pm

Please note that Board members, and TI members, are not required to attend the Executive meeting. All meetings are held at Temple Israel.









# Donations

## DONATIONS - GENERAL

in memory of Valerie Miller from Bill Miller  
In memory of Jack Taub from Carla Taub  
In memory of Frieda Rosenblatt from Carla Taub  
Randy Kissack  
Davida Sobel

## SPONSORSHIPS - KIDDUSH/ONEG

Josh & Kay Dubitsky

## SPONSORSHIPS - PROGRAMMING

Rabbi Dressler & family  
Bing Siang Gan & Pearl Langer  
Henry & Claire Bendheim

## SPONSORSHIPS - RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

in honour of Stephen State from Carol Townsend  
in honour of Yuki MacDougall's Bat Mitzvah from Jason Mandlowitz & Daryl Fridenberg  
in honour of Lily Wright's Bat Mitzvah from Jason Mandlowitz & Daryl Fridenberg  
Jeff & Joyce Phillips  
Linda Fried

## DONATIONS - EDUCATION

in honour of Nicole Laidler and Stephen State from Debbie Rosenzweig  
in honour of Stephen State from Gary & Ruth Rohekar, Bonnie Teevan & Elizabeth Teevan  
in honour of Lily Wright and in honour of Ailsa Gan from Jeremy & Dinah Frank  
in honour of Jacob and Heather Megdell from Rael & Margie Wienburg  
in honour of Jessica Macpherson's Bat Mitzvah from Rael & Margie Wienburg  
in memory of Helmuth Gumprich, Harry Sturman, Monya Gumprich, Tillie Sturman and Max Gumprich from Allen & Carole Gumprich  
in memory of Gilda Kischinovsky's mother and in honour of Gilda Kischinovsky's new grandson, Noam from John & Susan Dean  
In memory of Andy's father from Andy Barak & Sally Cozens

## DONATIONS - BUILDING

in memory of Sidney A. Kochav from Leslie & Nurit Kochav  
Jeffrey & Ruth Seigel  
Shirley Seigel

## DONATIONS - MUSIC & CHOIR

in honour of Michael & Jill Simmons' 50th anniversary from Dr. Ricky Pasternak  
in honour of Michael and Jill Simmons 50th wedding anniversary from Jason Mandlowitz & Daryl Fridenberg

## DONATIONS - RON MARKS

in memory of Ron Marks from Arthur & Sandra Benjamin  
in memory of Sidney A. Kochav from Leslie & Nurit Kochav  
in memory of Ron Marks from Michael & Jill Simmons  
in memory of our family members from Sharon Marks

## DONATIONS - RDF

in honour of Abella's wedding from Clive & Brynah Schneider-Friedman  
in memory of Lisa Faden from Bonnie Teevan, Elizabeth Teevan, Jason Mandlowitz & Daryl Fridenberg, Jeremy & Dinah Frank  
in memory of Bernard Fried from Linda Fried  
In appreciation of Rabbi Dressler from Davida Sobel

## DONATIONS - RITUAL

in memory of Leonard Rosenberg from Arthur & Sandra Benjamin

## DONATIONS - SOCIAL ACTION

in memory of Lisa Faden from Arthur & Sandra Benjamin, Linda Freedman, Melody Enzel, Robert Solomon & Barbara Lent  
in honour of Yuki MacDougall's Bat Mitzvah from Louise Shanfeld  
Jeremy & Dinah Frank for Make-a-Wish Fund  
Randy Kissack

## DONATIONS - RABBI JOEL & AILENE WITTSTEIN CAMP GEORGE

in honour of Maya Dressler & in memory of Harold Sobel from Melody Enzel

## DONATIONS - TZEDAKAH

In memory of Betty Wayne from Allan & Ruth Michaels

## DONATIONS - ARZA

in memory of Irvine Paghis from Jeffrey & Ruth Seigel  
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Henry & Claire Bendheim  
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David & Thelma Rosner  
Brynah & Clive Schneider-Friedman  
Jeffrey & Ruth Seigel  
Terry Sicular & Kim Moodie  
Ronald & Denise Wexler

Note: Donations included through August 14, 2019. If we have inadvertently missed an acknowledgement on your behalf, please let the office know so that we include your kindness in our next publication.

## Upcoming Events

### Temple Israel Book Club

The Temple Israel Book Club meets at 2 pm on Saturday afternoons at Temple Israel. Here are the books and dates for 2019 / 2020. You'll find two copies of each title in the Temple Israel library!

The Last Watchman of Old Cairo, by Michael David Lukas – October 26

Dear Zealots, Letters from a Divided Land, by Amos Oz – November 30

The Chosen Wars, by Steven Weisman – January 25

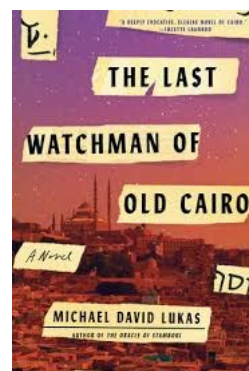
Memento Park, by Mark Sarvas – February 22

Jumping Over Shadows, by Annette Gendler – April 18

In The Garden of Beasts, by Erik Larson, May 9

Everyone is welcome to join the discussion!

[bitly.com/tibookclub](http://bitly.com/tibookclub)



### Adult Hebrew Classes

It's never too late to learn Hebrew! Stephen State leads our Beginner and Intermediate Hebrew classes, with a focus on Hebrew used during prayer services and biblical Hebrew. New classes will begin this fall. To register your interest, please contact Stephen at [stephen.state@schulich.uwo.ca](mailto:stephen.state@schulich.uwo.ca)

### Jewish Information Class

Temple Israel's Jewish Information Class (JIC) is open to anyone who wants to broaden their Jewish knowledge. New classes will start again on November 3. Check our website for details, or contact the office at

[office@templeisraelondon.ca](mailto:office@templeisraelondon.ca)



### Lunch and Learn

Bring your lunch and join Rabbi Dressler Tuesdays at noon, exploring current events as well as classic Jewish topics. Our learning begins on November 5.



Mondays, 7:30 pm @ JCC

All JEM programs are free of charge and everyone is welcome!

**September 9:** Confronting Hate, Promoting Love: A Personal Journey Through Racist Extremism -Elizabeth Moore

**September 23:** Escape from Vichy: The French Caribbean Connection - Eric Jennings

**October 7:** Why Have the Jewish Refugees from the Arab World Been Forgotten? - Jacob Sivak

**October 28:** Navigating the Holocaust and the Closet: An Oral History of LGBTQ + Children of Holocaust Survivors – Jacob Evoy

**November 4:** The Founding of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra – Howard Mednick

**November 11:** The End of Peak Jewish TV – Michael Fraiman



### **Kol Hakavod:**

Mazel Tov to Rabbi Debra Dressler, Lucy and Maya on becoming Canadian citizens.

Mazel Tov to Luciana Tudor and Jessica Macpherson on their bat mitzvahs.

Mazel Tov to Natan Farhi for winning gold with the Toronto White hockey team at the 2019 Maccabi Games in Detroit.

Mazel tov to Jeff & Ruth Seigel on the birth of their new granddaughter.

### **Welcome to new/returning members:**

Susan Baker

Svetlana Koslow

Nancy Macdonald

### **Condolences to:**

The family of Rob MacDougall on the loss of their wife and mother Lisa Faden.

Rob MacDougall on the loss of his father Duncan MacDougall.

Sharon Marks on the loss of her brother-in-law, Keith Badger

### **Shalom to:**

Temple caretakers, Ira & Sergio, who have undertaken new employment opportunities.

**Please let the office know when you're celebrating something that you'd like us to put in the next bulletin.**



### **Join the Temple Israel Facebook page**

If you're on Facebook, please "Like" our page at [facebook.com/Temple-Israel-of-London-Ontario](https://facebook.com/Temple-Israel-of-London-Ontario). As we continue to work on our new website, we'll also be using Facebook to share the latest news about upcoming events at Temple Israel, as well as news from around the community and articles from URJ.



# *Erev Rosh HaShanah*



## **BUFFET DINNER**

Join us at Temple Israel for a light dinner following services on

**Sunday, September 29, 2019 at 8:30 PM**

### **MENU**

**Spinach and Cheese Manicotti with Marinara Sauce**

**Baked Salmon Fillets with Caper Dill Sauce and**

**Basmati Rice**

**Caesar Salad (no bacon)**

**Sauteed Vegetables**

**Seasonal Fruit Cobbler**

**Wine will be included with dinner**

**Dinner will be prepared by Ian Kennard (Willie's Café).**

**Price: \$35.00 per adult**

**\$15.00 per child (12 and under)**

**Pre-payment is required with your reservation. Contact Jane or Susan at the Temple office, 519-858-4400 or e-mail [office@templeisraelondon.ca](mailto:office@templeisraelondon.ca).**

**Let us know the number of people attending.**



## **OOPS - WE GOOFED!!**

Note, on page 2 in the Bulletin, we inadvertently listed the  
Consecration Erev Simchat Torah Service on Monday,  
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Below is the corrected version.

Our apologies....

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