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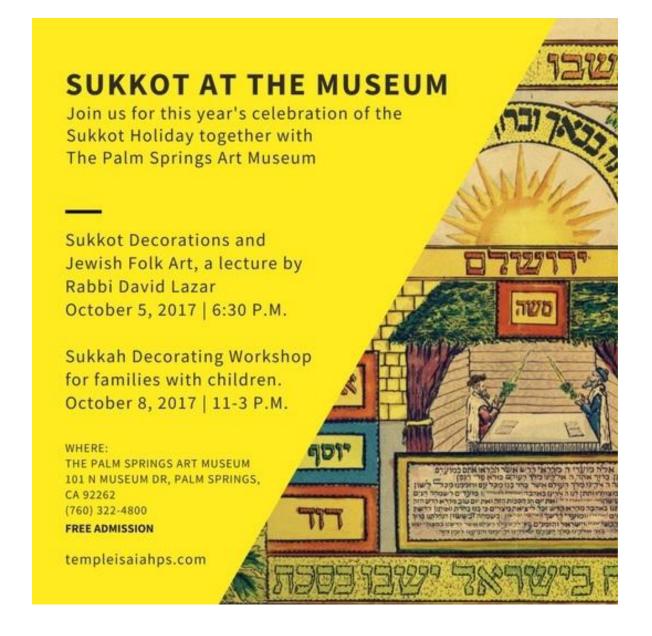
RABBI DAVID LAZAR



Sukkot & Simchat Torah

- Thursday, October 5 10:00 AM First day Sukkot Services; followed by kiddush in Sukkah
- Thursday, October 12 10:00 AM Shemini Atzeret Services ~ YIZKOR 6:30 PM Simchat Torah Services





From Our President's Desk Christopher Spellman

Below are excerpts from our President's Yom Kippur appeal to the congregation on Kol Nidre.

I once said to a friend that our most precious commodity is time. It's not our house or cars, or the money that you donate tonight to the temple - it's time. And now, at Temple Isaiah, this is our time.



Throughout our lives most of us have attended a synagogue. And over all these years we have donated to our respective Temples. But, I ask, how many times when we donated did we **know** we were making a real difference **at that particular time?** Really think about it for a moment. If you have wondered "am I making a difference," tonight you are. Now is our time.

I am excited and encouraged to witness how our congregation is pulling together so quickly for its well being and its future. We are moving forward, coming together in large turnouts, to discuss our future. New members are joining. In a time where people are leaving synagogues, new members are coming to ours.

When I became president, my objectives were to implement accountability, organization, and unity. We are on our way. What's missing is what has been missing at our Temple for many years. We need that war chest; a Temple Isaiah war chest!

Much of our holiday services have been a time of reflection, but this issue is not one to reflect on. This is the one on which we must act. Your gift tonight is giving to your future, here in Palm Springs, for your Temple. And it starts now, not yesterday, not ten years ago, not 50 years ago, but now.

We are moving forward. Through tireless efforts of our office, our board and our committees, we are working to not just survive, but to thrive. This is a time when our religion has to exist in more than our hearts; it has to exist in our actions. And, we are doing it.

We are holding congregational forums that are bringing us together. But we need that **war chest**. What can you do? My response: "Do what you can do. And then, do a little bit more." We need to build that war chest back up. We all need to invest in the well being of this Temple. Working together we can assure our future. It's our time. We are the current caretakers of our beloved Temple. And we all need to step up!

Anistopha h. Spettum

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY CAFÉ

Join us the first Thursday of the month from 3-5 pm in Temple Isaiah's Warsaw Ballroom (lower level, but there is an elevator!) at 332 West Alejo Road, Palm Springs.

This is a monthly event for people in our community who are living with memory loss, their families, care givers and friends.

NOTE DATE CHANGE IN OCTOBER!

The first Thursday coincides with the holiday of Sukkot, so for that month only we'll

meet on Wednesday (October 4th). Same time. Same place. Come! Have fun and make new friends! No cost. RSVP helpful.

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First lecture October 22

ANNUAL JERRY BEHREND MEMORIAL LECTURE

Sun, October 22, 2017, 4:00pm

Father Andrew Green and Rabbi David Lazar

"Loving God and Neighbor in the Jewish and Christian Traditions."



Rabbi David Lazar F

Father Andrew Green

Sun, January 28, 2018, 4:00pm

NAOMI ACKERMAN

"Thursdays in Juvie: A Jewish Educator Working in the Prison System."

Sun, February 18, 2018, 4:00pm

RABBI BRAD HIRSCHFIELD

"Bridging The Gaps: What Pits Jews Against One Another, and What We Can Do About It."

Sun, April 29, 2018, 4:00pm

RABBI CHAYA ROEN BAKER

"O Jerusalem!: The Joys and Challenges of Being a Rabbi in the Holy City."



ABOUT THE LECTURES

Join us for these fascinating lectures presented by Temple Isaiah with the support of the Jewish Federation of the Desert

Judaism, both cultural and spiritual, has always developed and adapted throughout the ages and our time is no different. While tradition has always been important to our people, models of thinking, believing and practicing from the past should constantly be assessed and reexamined in light of new realities.

These lectures will focus on the intellectual spiritual and practical aspects of being lewish in our own time and place.

ABOUT TEMPLE ISAIAH

Founded in 1940's, Temple Isaiah and Jewish Community Center of Palm Springs, is a non-denominational synagogue community. We constantly endeavor to keep ourselves attuned to the three pillars of Jewish Life: Torah (intellectual growth), Avodah (spiritual practice), and Gemilut Hasadim (fixing the world).

TICKETS

Members \$12 - Individual Lecture Guests \$18 - Individual Lecture

Order tickets online at templeisaiahps.com or call the office. Tel: (760) 325-2281

Tickets may also be purchased at the door.



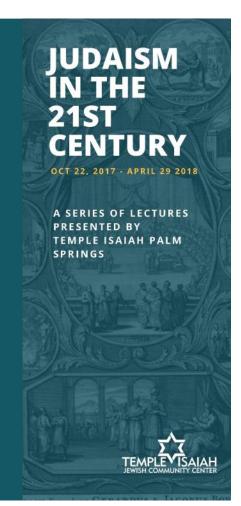
Office

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From the Executive Director **Douglas Morton**

Washer Koach! DO 76"

There is always so much to do before and during the holidays. Everything from deep-cleaning the carpets, arranging for the break-fast, making sure everything is clean, obtaining security, getting the sound system in working order, checking lights, having the piano moved and tuned, printing and mailing out tickets,



selling guest tickets and just making sure everything sparkles! Needless to say, for our entire staff it is a very

busy time. While it was hectic, it all got done!

Special kudos to Rabbi David Lazar, who was instrumental in bringing Rabbi Ariel Pollak from Berlin to be our holiday cantor. What a treat! Rabbi Lazar's remarkable gift to harmonize to Rabbi Pollak's singing raised the level of prayer to breathtaking heights. I personally noticed many people with tears in their eyes during the prayers at the end of the Torah

service as the torahs were returned to the ark. I know I did.

Thank you to Steve Gorosh and his partner Scott Knutson for sponsoring a Twice Blessed get together between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, where we had a chance to meet and to get to know Rabbi Pollak better.

Our Mincha and Neilah services were enhanced by Rabbi Lazar bringing gifted singer and pianist Deanna Bogart to accompany those services and to sing two contemporary songs that tied into the themes of the services.

We were also introduced to our new Temple pianist, Joel Baker. He's a gifted pianist and will be a great asset to our Temple.

Larea Pettersen, you balanced so many calls, ticket sales, programming issues and so many, many other details, all on top of your work, without missing a beat and always with a smile! We at Temple Isaiah are so lucky to have you! George Tyler, with help from Clarence Smeltzer made sure everything was clean, lights were working, oversaw gardening, worked tirelessly to prepare the Break-Fast and make sure everything was perfect. Billy Dixon was here for many, many hours, helping set up the sanctuary and even helping to polish all the pews before services! What a great volunteer we have in you.

All of our office volunteers have also handled extra calls and helped through the holidays, including Gail Goff Kanter, Richard Jeffery, Susan Roberts, Ovesen and Irwin Sacks. Thanks to Jake Wright for helping us with our sound system. And David Parrott came all the way from Idlewild to help us adjust our mics!

Ana Landau, with 2 days notice, you brought enough fresh herbs for everyone to enjoy during Havdalah! This is

the second year in a row you've done it and we truly appreciate it. Miriam Bent, thank you for all you do to arrange for the aliyahs and making sure that our services run smoothly. Where would we be without you? Special thanks to Sandie Ovesen for taking all the tallitot to be dry cleaned between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur ... and then covering the cost! Thank you, too, to Kelsev Axelrod for the baked goodies you provided the office to share with the security quards during the High Holidays!

Ushers were great this year. Everyone was on time, willing and extremely welcoming to all of our members and Ushers included Billy Dixon, Johannes Rheinheimer, Mitchel Karp, Ron Martinez, Sandie Ovesen, Caryl Olins, Gary Stone, Soo Borson, Peter Gordon, Marc Becker, Rita Claire and Bill Thom, Jonathan Goldman, Melanie Garver, Harold Clumeck. Larry Fechter, and Madalina Garza. I truly hope I remembered everyone. Forgive me if I forgot to list you, and please let me know so that I can thank you in the next Chai Lights.

And, finally, a heartfelt special thank you to all members who contribute both financially and/or with their time to help make our congregation the great Jewish institution here in Palm Springs.

OF course we still have Sukkot and Simchat Torah coming the next few days. Join us for our services on Thursday, October 5 at 10:00 A.M. Later that day, at 6;30 PM, we have "Sukkot at the Palm Springs Art Museum" event, with Rabbi Lazar giving a lecture on "Sukkot Decorations and Jewish Folk Art."

On Sunday, October 8th there will be a sukkah decorating workshop at the Palm Springs Art Museum for families with children, between 11:00 AM and 3:00 PM. We are so fortunate that temple member Kelsey Axelrod offered to share her creative talents and will be running the program.

Shemini Atzeret services and YIZKOR will be Thursday October 12 at 10:00 AM, and that evening, at 6:30 PM, we'll celebrate Simchat Torah.

As always, we are busy preparing for a year full of great services, classes, lectures and many other activities that will hopefully offer something for everyone.

In his Kol Nidre appeal, our President, Christopher Spellman, said that "this is our year." I have every confidence that with the hard work of our Board, the Commitment of our Rabbi and staff and the deep concern and caring from our members, Temple Isaiah will thrive as a congregation for many years into the future. Come, be a part of it.

TEMPLE ISAIAH





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This pluralistic prayer service with a core of Jewish liturgy will include song, ancient poetry, contemporary readings and meditation led by members of our local clergy.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Oct	tob	er 2	2017			
1 Temple office closed	2 Temple office closed	3	4 3-5 pm Dementia Friendly Café Note day change Erev Sukkot	5 10 am First day Sukkot services Temple office closed 6:30 pm Sukkot Decorations & Jewish Folk Art lecture by Rabbi Lazar at the Palm Springs Art Museum - free	6 7:30 pm Shabbat services Temple office closed	7 10 am Shabbat service
8 Temple office closed 1-3 pm Sukkot Decorating Workshop at the Palm Springs Art Museum	9 Temple office closed	10	11	12 10 am Shemini Atzeret service & YIZKOR Temple office closed 6:30 pm Simchat Torah service	13 6:30 pm Shabbat services	14 10 am Shabbat service
15 Temple office closed	16 Temple office closed	17	18 3-4:15 pm ExploraTorah with Rabbi Lazar resumes	19 2 pm Ice Cream Social, honoring our 80+ years young members.	20 6:30 pm Shabbat services	21 10 am Shabbat service
22 Temple office closed 4 pm Judaism for the 21st C lecture: Rabbi Lazar & Father Andrew Green	23 Temple office closed	24	25 3-4:15 pm ExploraTorah with Rabbi Lazar	26	27 6:30 pm Shabbat services	28 10 am Shabbat service
29 Temple office closed	30 Temple office closed	31	NOVEMBER 1 3-4:15 pm ExploraTorah with Rabbi Lazar	NOVEMBER 2 3-5 pm Dementia Friendly Café	NOVEMBER3 6:30 pm Interfaith Pride Kabbalat Shabbat service	NOVEMBER4 10 am Shabbat service



Candle Lighting Times

Wednesday, October 4 Thursday, October 5 Friday, October 6 Wednesday, October 12 Thursday, October 13 Friday, October 13 Friday, October 20 Friday, October 37 Friday, November 3 Erev Sukkot 5:46 pm Second Day Sukkot After 7:09 pm Hol Hamoed Sukkot 5:43 pm Shemini Atzeret 5:37 pm After 7:00 pm Simchat Torah 5:34 pm Shabbat Bereshit Shabbat Noach 5:25 pm Shabbat Lech Lecha 5:18 pm Shabbat Vayera 5:11 pm

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A very special thank you to some very special people!

Every member is precious and we sincerely thank you for choosing Temple Isaiah to be your spiritual home. However, we want to recognize those members who are able and have chosen to support us as either Megillah or Menorah Members. The extra funds that they give help us keep our doors open and be there for everyone every day. A heartfelt thank you to these 'super members' for their generosity.

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