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RABBI DAVID LAZAR



There is a lot happening at Temple Isaiah! Check out this issue for all the details!





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Sun, November 12, 4:00pm

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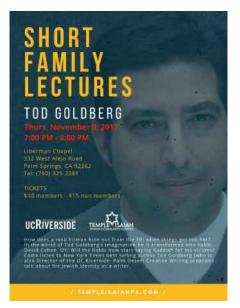


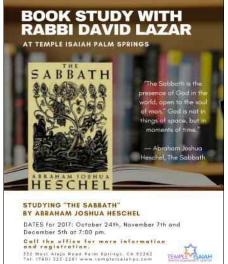












♦ From Our President's DeskChris Spellman

Hello Family and Friends,

We are at a time in our valley where we are finding a plethora of choices to keep us busy in our daily lives. It is exciting that our Temple Isaiah calendar is filling up with plenty of incredible and amazing things to experience. Look no further then next week's upcoming lecture with NY Times best selling author and Coachella Valley resident Tod Goldberg, or down the road to our own Chanukah Bazaar, Jews Do the Blues Too,



and so much more. We are just getting warmed up.

If you had a smile on your face while hanging at the Temple that must mean you attended the ice cream social on October 19th. How fantastic of the Membership Committee to bring our members together for an afternoon of creamery and conversation. I hope the next one happens sooner than later, don't you? Please let Larry Fechter and the Membership Committee know that you would like to attend another ice cream social ... and it would be great if you could offer to help with the next one. Any suggestions for other member events? No idea is too silly; that's why Baskin Robbins made 31 flavors!

It is very important to put the Temple Isaiah Annual Meeting {Tuesday, December 19th at 6:00 pm in the Bochner} on your calendars and plan to attend. If you are interested in running for the Board, please send a message to the office, attention Gary Miller.

Both the "Stay" and "Move" committees will have more information that they will present that evening. They continue to work with a unified approach and we thank them for their diligence and focused efforts.

I invite you to contact me at cspellman126@aol.com or Doug Morton at dmorton@templeisaiahps.com if you would like to volunteer for our new Rental Committee. I will be chairing this committee, which will focus on identifying and reaching out to organizations or individuals who might want to use the one or more locations within our facility for their programs and/or celebrations.



Please know you do not need to be on the committee to share your ideas. I would love to hear from you! Your support is important ... both in spirit and body.

And, finally, please attend services when you can. Bring a friend to

experience the joy of Shabbat that our Rabbi Lazar brings to our weekly services.

Sincerely,

Chris Spellman, President



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DEMENTIA FRIENDLY CAFÉ

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

This is a monthly event for people in the greater Palm Springs area who are living with memory loss, their families, care givers and friends.

Next two programs:

December 7 & January 4. Come! Have fun and make new friends! No cost. RSVP helpful. Call 760-325-2281 or email to mail@templeisaiahps.com.



From the Executive Director Douglas Morton

With the High Holidays behind us, we have put our energies into calendaring for "the season" and we have an exciting year planned. With our diverse programming, there will surely be something for everyone. Take the time to really read all the flyers in this month's Chai Lights and choose which resonate with you ... then RSVP!



We offer two ongoing classes,

ExplozaTozah and 2BaJew. ExplozaTozah has a devoted core of 18-24 regular attendees. In October a year ago the group decided that rather than discuss the week's torah portion each week, the class would start with the beginning of Genesis and slowly study the torah. I checked this week, and after over a year, they are still in Genesis! ... but loving the in-depth discussions and the breadth of knowledge that Rabbi brings to the class. Sound intriguing? Attend a class and check it out for yourself. ExplozaTozah meets Wednesdays from 3-4:15 pm in the library on the lower level.

Our other ongoing class is 2BaJew, for those exploring conversion to Judaism, as well as those who want to learn more about their Judaism. There is a fee for this course. Call the office for more information.

Our very special upcoming program is "Jews Do the Blues Too" on Sunday afternoon December 3rd. The first concert was last November, and celebrated Rabbi Lazar's installation as our Rabbi. The afternoon was so much fun that we decided we absolutely had to do it again! Go on line at www.templeisaiahps.com and purchase your ticket.



Our Interfaith Pride Kabbalat Shabbat is Friday, November 3rd at 6:30 pm and, as last year, we anticipate a huge turnout as we celebrate with our friends and neighbors during Palm Springs Pride Week.

Our first Short Family Lecture will be Thursday, November 9th at 7:00 P.M. in the Liberman Chapel. Tod Goldberg is the New York Times best-selling author of over a dozen books, including the novels "The House of Secret", "Gangsterland" and the recently published "Gangster Nation." He'll talk about how his Jewish identity is reflected in his writing and will be available to sign copies of his new book immediately following the lecture. Please join us!

Time for the movies! In good Jewish tradition, we are offering a "forshpeis" of our fabulous March 18-21, 2018



Fifth Annual Palm Springs Jewish Film Festival. We are offering a 'season opener' on Tuesday, November 14th at 7:00 pm at the Camelot Theatre. For only \$5 you can see the charming Israeli comedy "A Matter of Size." After losing his job at a salad bar because of his weight, morbidly obese Herzi finds employment in a Japanese restaurant. When Herzi's coworkers and new boss introduce him to sumo wrestling, he finds his calling. A comedy about overweight people learning to accept themselves. Space is limited so go online and buy your ticket now (or call the office 760-325-2281). This should be a sell out!



Our Temple Isaiah Auxiliary is busy planning an incredible Hanukkah Bazaar on Sunday, November 19th from 1-4 PM, here at the Temple. Included will be beautiful Judaica from our Jewel of the Desert Gift Shop, plus exciting vendors with designer labels from faux to fabulous. A great place to buy your Hanukkah presents for family, friends ... and yourself!

Kudos to our Membership Committee for their wonderful

Ice Cream Social last month, which included a speaker from the Historical Society, who brought back memories to those who have made Palm Springs their home for many years. It was



exciting to see that among the attendees were several of our senior members who aren't always able to access the Temple.

Our Stay Committee is working extremely hard and it is my hope that the hard work is about to pay off! Everything from fundraising to a Legacy Society here at the Temple is being discussed. Our Modernism Committee is kicking into full gear, planning tours of the Temple next February during Modernism Week, Twice Blessed has exciting programs in the works. And kudos to our Finance Committee, which is busy updating our financial figures to make sure everything is accurate, realistic and ready to go for the future.

Reminder to everyone: Put our Temple Annual Meeting & Hanukkah celebration on your calendars now: Tuesday, December 19 at 6:00 pm. This is an important opportunity to learn about and impact our future.

As you can see, there is so much going on. The Temple is ours.

Participate! I look forward to seeing you at services and at our exciting variety of programs and events!

Shalom,

Douglas





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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

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

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TICKETS

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

Order tickets online at templeisalahps.com or call the office.



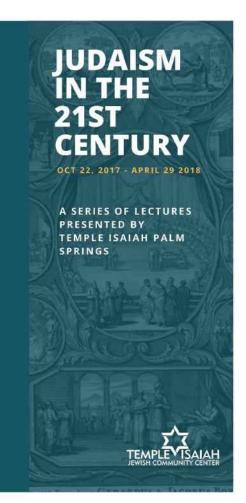
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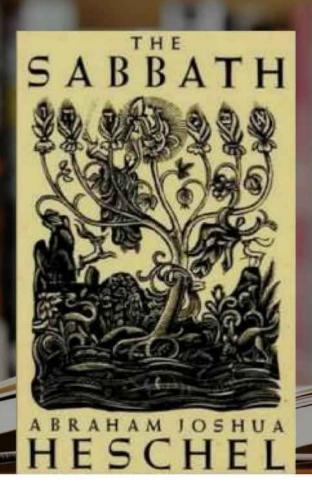
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BOOK STUDY WITH RABBI DAVID LAZAR

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"The Sabbath is the presence of God in the world, open to the soul of man." God is not in things of space, but in moments of time."

— Abraham Joshua Heschel, The Sabbath

STUDYING "THE SABBATH" BY ABRAHAM JOSHUA HESCHEL

DATES for 2017: October 24th, November 7th and December 5th at 7:00 pm.

Call the office for more information and registration.

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SHORT FAMILY LECTURES

TOD GOLDBERG

Thurs, November 9, 2017 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Liberman Chapel 332 West Alejo Road Palm Springs, CA 92262 Tel: (760) 325-2281

TICKETS \$10 members - \$15 non members

UCRIVERSIDE



How does a mob hitman hide out from the FBI when things get too hot? In the world of Tod Goldberg's imagination he is transformed into Rabbi David Cohen. OY! Will the Rabbi now start saying Kaddish for his victims? Come listen to New York Times best selling author Tod Goldberg (who is also Director of the UC Riverside- Palm Desert Creative Writing program) talk about his Jewish identity as a writer.



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- * Judaica collection from the Jewel in the Desert Gift Shop
- * Wonderful gift items!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
No	ven	nbe	r 20	17		
			1 3-4:15 pm ExploraTorah with Rabbi Lazar 6 pm 2BaJew	23-5 pm Dementia Café	3 6:30 pm Interfaith Kabbalat Shabbat Service	4 10 am Shabbat service
5 Temple office closed	6 Temple office closed	7 7:00 pm Book Study with Rabbi Lazar "The Sabbath"	8 3-4:15 pm ExploraTorah with Rabbi Lazar 6 pm 2BaJew	9 7 pm Tod Goldberg Lecture	10 6:30 pm Shabbat services	11 10 am Shabbat service
12 Temple office closed 4 pm Judaism in the 21st C: Father Andrew Green & Rabbi Lazar	13 Temple office closed	14 7 pm JFF film "A Matter of Size" at the Camelot Theatre	15 3-4:15 pm ExploraTorah with Rabbi Lazar 6 pm 2BaJew	16	17 6:30 pm Shabbat services	18 10 am Shabbat service
19 Temple office closed 1-4 pm Hanukkah BAZAAR	20 Temple office closed	21	22 3-4:15 pm ExplozaTozah with Rabbi Lazar 6 pm 2BaJew	23 Temple office closed THANKSGIVING	24 6:30 pm Shabbat services Temple office closed	25 10 am Shabbat service
26 Temple office closed	27 Temple office closed	28	29 3-4:15 pm ExploraTorah with Rabbi Lazar	30		



Candle lighting times

Friday, November 3 Shabbat Vayera 5:11 pm Friday, November 10 Shabbat Chayei Sarah 4:05 pm * Friday, November 17 Shabbat Toldot 4:01 pm Friday, November 24 Shabbat Vayetze 3:58 pm * Daylight savings time ends November 5th.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Dec	emb	1 6:30 pm "Renewing Friendships" Shabbat service	2 10 am "Renewing Friendships" Shabbat service			
3 Temple office closed 4 pm Jews Do the Blues Too	4 Temple office closed	5 7:00 pm Book Study with Rabbi Lazar "The Sabbath"	6 No classes today	7 3-5 pm Dementia Café	8 6:30 pm Shabbat services	9 10 am Shabbat service
10 Temple office closed	11 Temple office closed	12 1 st night Hanukkah	13 3-4:15 pm ExploraTorah with Rabbi Lazar 6 pm 2BaJew 2nd night Hanukkah	14 3 rd night Hanukkah	15 6:30 pm Shabbat services 4 th night Hanukkah	16 10 am Shabbat service 5 th night Hanukkah
17 6 th night Hanukkah Temple office closed	18 7 th night Hanukkah Temple office closed	19 8 th night Hanukkah 6 pm Temple Hanukkah Celebration & ANNUAL MEETING	20 3-4:15 pm ExploraTorah with Rabbi Lazar 6 pm 2BaJew	21	22 6:30 pm Shabbat services	23 10 am Shabbat service
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CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES

Friday, December 1 Shabbat Vayislach 3:56 pm Friday, December 8 Shabbat Vayeshev 3:56 pm Friday, December 15 Shabbat Miketz 3:57 pm*

* Light Hanukkah candles before Shabbat candles

Friday, December 22 Shabbat Vayigash 4:00 pm Friday, December 29 Shabbat Vayechi 4:04 pm







Celebrating Sukkot













Thank you, Doug Morton, for the pictures!

Feast of Jewish Learning 3 Participants



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KEYNOTE SPEAKER Dr. Michael Alexander



Rabbi **And rew** Bentley



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In Memory of: Yahrzeit Fund

Mae Cohen in loving memory of her father, Benjamin Honigman

Jackie Smason in loving memory of **Ethel Smason**

Helen Gottschalk in loving memory of Julie Gerson

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Shirley Randolph in loving memory of her father, Louis C. Haas

Marshall Gelfand in loving memory of his mother-in-law, Gertrude Jaffe

Rhoda Lewis in loving memory of her father, Jacob Greenberg

Morris and June Sussman in memory of Jay Waterman

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Bill and Rita Claire Thom in memory of Jay Waterman

Sheldon and Jenny Lehman in loving memory of his parents, Joseph and Ellen Lehman

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Estelle Silberman in loving memory of her sister, Harriet Streem

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Estelle Silberman in loving memory of her father-in-law, Harry Silberman

Stuart and Patricia Barton in loving memory of Patricia's mother, Irene Fink

Don and Geri Shaevel in loving memory of their parents, Fay and Morris Saske

General Contributions:

Pearl White in honor of Rabbi David & Sascha's newest grandson, Sahar Meir Atias

Pearl White in honor of Barbara Platt's birthday

Pearl White in honor of Melanie Garver's birthday

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Call the Temple Office to order Tribute Cards... to honor, console or remember: 760-325-2281

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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- Libby Aaronson ♦Sean Anderson
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Listed November 3/4

*Meyer Beck

November 1 - 4

- *Molly Galant
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November 5 -11 Listed November 10/11

- *Marcia Adass
- *Dora Alpert
- *Morris Baker
- *Leon Bornstein
- *Harry Boscoe
- *Dr. Solomon Bruson

November 2017 Yahrzeits

* Names Inscribed on Memorial Board

Shabbat Services: Friday nights at 6:30 pm & Saturdays at 10:00 am. We will attempt to provide a morning minyan for a yahrzeit if given several days notice.

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- *Arthur Appleman
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November 19-25 Listed November 24/25

- Lottie Berkson
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- Mildred B. Cohen
- Nathan Cohen
- *Perry H. Freeman
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- *Louis Goodman
- Benjamin Gordon
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- *Ben B. Krasnow
- *Alfred Lefand
- *Lillian C. Litke
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- *Samuel Rabinowitz
- *Chaim Rosen
- *Rickel Rosen

- *Irwin Rubenstein
- *Edna Rusalem
- **Edythe Shafton**
- *Munzika Shweid
- *Ruth Silverstein
- Lily Stein
- *Zipora K. Stern
- *Rita Sundell
- Jeffrey Thomason
- *George C. Weill
- *Leo Wittenberg
- Nathan Wolowitz
- *Fannie Yorkin
- *Sanford Ziskand

November 26-30 Listed December 1/2

- *Benjamin Chapman
- *Sheldon Cohn
- *Golda Einstein
- *Jack Gholstin
- *Eugene Jamin
- *Joseph Hain
- Eva Kaminsky *Miriam Malk
- Frank Martinez
- *Herbert (Zeppo) Marx
- *Bruce J. Pinto
- *Molly Rabinowitz
- *Rose Rothbardt
- *Richard Wellencheck
- *Elizabeth C. Welt

May their memories endure for a blessing.



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Memorial plaques are \$500 per plaque for Temple members and \$1000 for non-members.

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