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In commemorating Yom HaShoah, we share the following written by Karen Szteinberg's mother:

LOOKING OUT OF THE WINDOW

Living Through the Holocaust by Paula Plafker

The window that I looked out as a young child in Europe was one created by my own imagination. My parents, my sister and I were forced to evacuate our comfortable home and leave our roots, family and friends during the German occupation of Romania. We kept moving from place to place, unsure of our future or survival.

At one time during the war, we hid in a deep, dark, cold, airless and damp cellar for many months. In that cellar with us were about fifteen other Jewish men, women and children. Some were very young, others were old and ailing, while others were still strong and well. However, what we all had in common was the constant fear of being permanently extinguished from this world.

In order to sustain the hunger, humiliation, unsanitary conditions and the shivering cold, my mind created a little window in the spot where a small crack barely appeared on the door leading to the steps of the cellar. That crack, my window, only showed us if it was day or night and nothing else.

This little window was my escape from the constant crying, moaning, foul odor and the rats, mice and insects whose domain we now occupied. From there I could see the white pony I used to ride, the pretty dresses made of lace I used to wear, and the beautiful doll my uncle bought me from Italy. I would remember my friends and the times we climbed up the trees and shook the branches until the apples or pears fell to the ground. In the dungeon I found myself in now, my mouth salivated for the apples we left behind. I often thought about my two closest friends and wondered whether they were safe. Later I found out that only one had survived. My friend who perished left her doll at my house. I held onto that doll for a long time after the war, although I never played with it.

Today, more than seventy-five years since we became liberated, I am sitting at my kitchen table looking out of the window. I cherish these few precious minutes of solitude and luxury that I indulge in to look out of my real window. As I watch the sunset and twinkle of the stars, I remember both my secret window and those I lost, and I feel grateful and blessed.

A significant number of the author's family and friends did not survive the war. Many were suffocated in the Death Trains while others were eradicated in pogroms, mass shootings and concentration camps. About 6 million Jewish men, women and children perished in HaShoah, roughly two-thirds of the European Jewish population. An additional 5 million non-Jews were murdered by the Nazis including Roma (gypsies), Jehovah Witnesses, political or ideological opponents and homosexuals. On Yom HaShoah, we should remember and honor them all.

This picture was taken at an Acknowledging Yom HaShoah service at Temple Israel. The shape and color of the daffodils represent the yellow stars that Jews were forced to wear during the Holocaust. Yellow is the color of remembrance. Daffodils represent our poignant hope for the future. They are resilient and return with a burst of color each spring, signifying hope, renewal and beauty. The daffodils also honor those who survived the Holocaust and went on to build new lives after this dark and difficult period. There are six to represent the six million Jews that perished.





From the Executive Director

Karen Szteinberg, Temple Administrator/Executive Director

I came across a wonderful meme the other day, an image of a man with a broom on the beach, sweeping back the ocean with every crashing wave, only to have another wave crash and then sweep back even more water to the ocean.

While we might have the desire, we simply cannot control everything in life. We cannot sweep back the ocean but we can try to “take arms against a sea of troubles” (*Hamlet*).

During the Holocaust, some people tried to “take arms”; most of these individuals were executed while others made a difference. There were both concerted and distinct efforts to hide neighbors, smuggle children to safety and take on unique opportunities to help. In a small Romanian town, a group of men were ordered to line up, their yellow stars of “Jude” clearly identifying them. As if a game, the two Nazi soldiers shot the first, skipped the second, shot the third, skipped the fourth... only a few remained standing. One soldier lifted his gun for another round when suddenly a neighbor came running toward them wearing no yellow star. He pleaded with the soldiers to allow HIM to shoot the last man, explaining that he had been employed and berated by that Jew. He wanted to beat the man, make him suffer, and then kill the Jew himself. The Nazis laughed and agreed, even giving him a pistol with one bullet in it. They watched as the man started to kick the Jew mercilessly. They watched as the man cursed and spit on the Jew. They watched as the man told the beaten and frail Jew to run as fast as he could and he would follow and shoot him in his last dying breath. And they heard the yelling in the distance... and the final shot.

What the soldiers didn't hear was the Jew crying out to the man, asking why he was doing this to him. He had been a good employer, he had held the man's infant son when he was ill, he had given them money and food. How could he have turned so against him? And what the soldiers didn't hear was the man's answer – that he was doing this to thank him, to save him, to save his family. He told the Jew to yell, yell out in pain, and then run home, pack up and leave. And with that, the man pointed the gun to the sky and fired the bullet. He proudly walked back to the soldiers, handed them the gun and thanked them for letting him get justice.

This April we commemorate four Jewish holidays – Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day), Yom HaZikaron (Memorial Day), Yom HaAtzmaut (Independence Day) and Lag B'Omer (the ending of a plague). We remember all those who suffered in the Holocaust. We remember those who lost their lives in the Israeli armed forces and we celebrate the independence of Israel with gratitude to those who fought. We also commemorate the end of a plague on Rabbi Akiva's students... and with this we pray for our current plague to also cease. May this month be one of gratitude. We cannot control everything, but perhaps as Hamlet continued, “by opposing, end them.”

On a personal note, I am also grateful for that man 77 years ago who chased my Zeida with a single bullet and told him to run.



Religious School

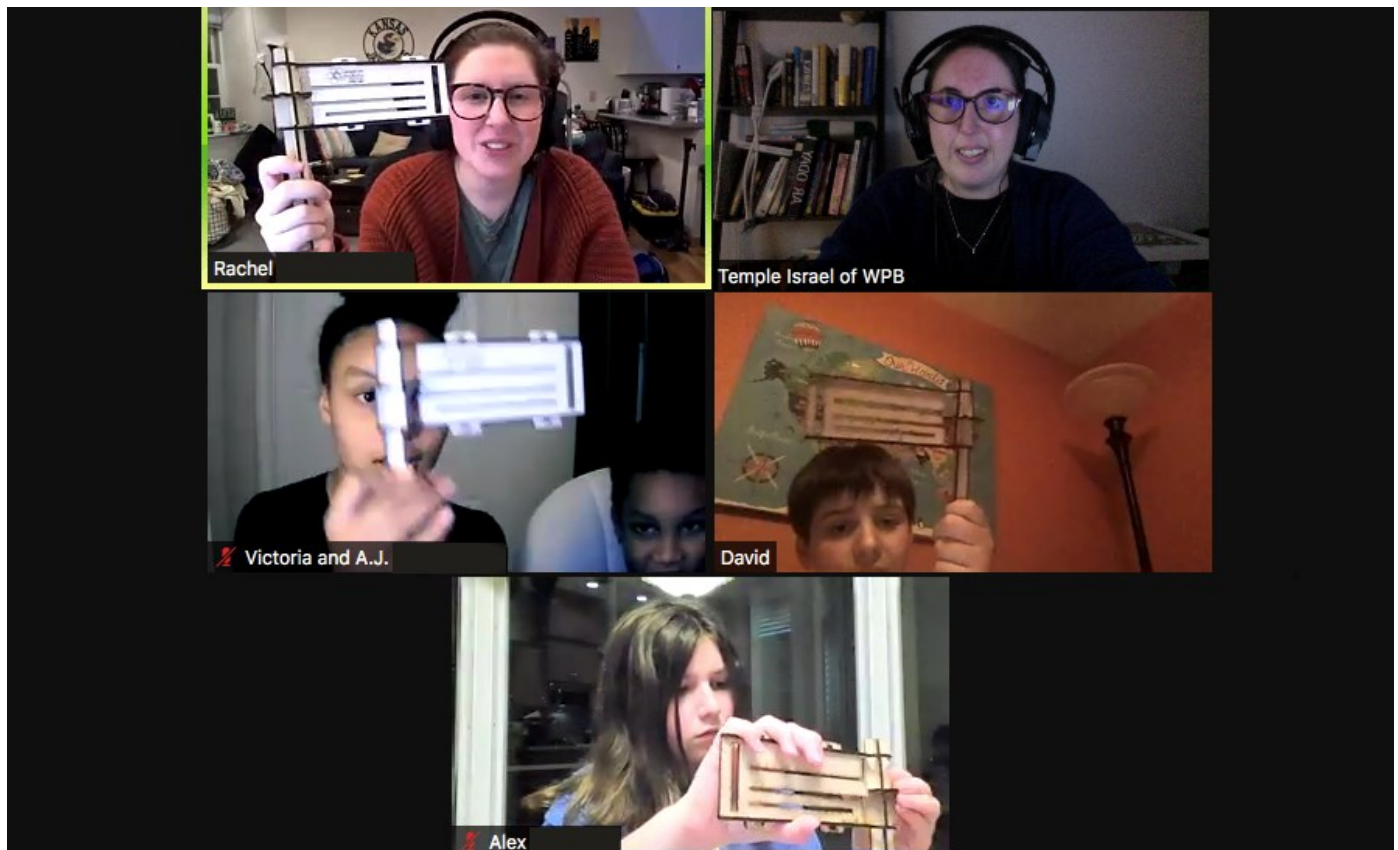
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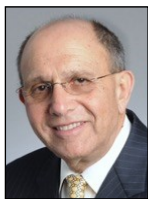
A few months ago, our Madricha Maya Green let me know she would need to take some time off to help volunteer with the Covid vaccination effort. I assured her that it would not be a problem and in fact it was a *mitzvah* to be part of the holy work of helping those in need. In Judaism, we are commanded to do whatever we can to save a life, *Pikuach Nefesh*. We are even told that we can desecrate *Shabbat* for the *mitzvah* of saving a life, and helping to steward others in the vaccination effort is part of this commandment. I am so glad that our students understand this necessity and feel called to be a part of that process. To that end, I asked Maya to share some of her own thoughts of this process that she has participated in over the last couple of months.

"For the last few months, my mom and I have been volunteering at a few COVID-19 vaccination sites in Broward County. We have done many different things while volunteering. We have helped watch people for allergic reactions in the observation area (and we tell them when they are allowed to leave as well), we have made packets that get distributed when people arrive for their appointments, and we have directed cars to vaccine tents as they become available. I'm glad I've been able to play a small part in making our community safer!"
– Maya Green

Kol HaKavod, Maya!

Rachel, Victoria, AJ, David and Alex had a lot of fun with URJ 6 Points Sci Tech making physics Groggers at our Religious School & Youth Activity!





The *Mussar* Moment

Rabbi Emeritus Howard Shapiro

Some of us are beginning to feel that the year long (plus) struggle with Covid 19 is abating. Not that the virus has disappeared; not that we still don't have to be aware and cautious; not that the dangers of infection have dissipated. We are not out of the woods and even if there is a glimmer of light at the end of the tunnel, life is still shadowed by the specter of a terrible disease with potential for horrible harm.

But more and more of us are vaccinated. And as of this writing, infection rates are decreasing. (K'eyna Hora – Yiddish saying from the Hebrew that the 'evil eye' shouldn't see what I just wrote or said and take the opportunity to reverse the good news.) And it is happening because scientists worked long and hard and brilliantly to find a vaccine. And it is happening because lots of us (not all unfortunately) took the medical recommendations seriously and wore masks and socially distanced and washed our hands more frequently. And because our nurses, doctors, first responders sacrificed to care for us. The Rabbis taught: save one life and you save the world. They are the true heroes of this war for survival as in signs and placards placed on buildings and in front of senior living facilities and hospitals: "Heroes Work Here". And the science of these new vaccines is nothing short of a miracle.

Which brings us to Mussar and one of the fundamental axioms upon which Mussar is built. Everyone is a soul. Not everyone has a soul. The true essence of each of us is the Divine or Eternal that animates us. In the Genesis creation story, God breathes life into the first human. That breath resides in all of us. The trick/challenge is to get in touch with it and let it shine through you. I believe that those who brought us to this point in our battle with Covid actualized their soul (Neshamah). And that is the Mussar challenge to all of us. To learn how, find the Godly inside and live it in this messy world. The Mussar masters taught that we do this by interacting with the challenges of everyday living. From anger to patience, from trust to despair, from humility to arrogance, from faith to fear, all these are our teachers. And we learn and grow from how we engage the positive and negative sides of each.

So, blessed are those who brought us to this moment of opening. Blessed be their faith and courage. Blessed be their diligence and inquiry. Thank you is barely sufficient.

All those who brought us to this moment have what we call in the lexicon of Mussar terms: A Neshamah – a living breathing soul that connects them with God. Some of you may be surprised but for me, the most important word in that previous sentence is the word "connects". It is not the word "God".

Passover Seders Meals

We hope you had a *zissen Pesach*! Our temple was smelling absolutely delicious just before Passover as Dan and Carol Katzenberg of Café Coconut were here cooking brisket, chopping apples for *charoset*, baking macaroons and cake, and so much more!



Upcoming Special Erev Shabbats Services *Commemorating or In Honor of*

April 9 – Yom HaShoah
April 16 – Yom HaZikaron & Yom HaAtzma'ut
April 30 – Lag B'Omer
May 7 – Teachers & Students
May 14 – TI Brotherhood



Upcoming Yizkor Services (at 11:45am)

April 3 (with Rabbi Howard Shapiro)
May 17

Temple Israel Sisterhood

Deborah Hirsch, Communications Vice President

Mitzvah Day may be Sunday, April 11, but Sisterhood got an early start in March. Responding to the storm devastation in Texas and immediate need due to power outages, the Sisterhood Board sent a \$500 donation to Jewish Family Service Houston on behalf of our entire Sisterhood membership. After doing some research, Social Action Vice Presidents Jane Herring and Janice Rosenberg determined that JFS Houston was the best facilitator for our donation, as they reach a very large population. Look for additional opportunities for individual and family Mitzvah Day projects in your temple emails. Contact Jane Herring at Jhc48@yahoo.com for more information.

On April 18, turn your Sunday into a Zen Day as we take a self-guided group tour of the beautiful Morikami Japanese Gardens. An optional post-tour lunch is available outdoors on the Museum Café's patio. The entry cost is \$14 (\$13 for ages 65 and older), due April 9. Contact Michell Escobar at beanerymom@yahoo.com to reserve your spot via check, Venmo, Zelle or Cash App. If anyone would like to carpool, let Michell know and she will organize a hub that meets at the Hilton Hotel just off I-95 at Southern Boulevard.

Save the Dates:

May 16 – Shavuot Cheesecake – Chairs: Valerie Eaton & Ellen Goldenson

May 25 – Annual Election and Installation of Officers at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Please contact our Nominating Committee Chair Ellen Goldenson at ellengoldenson@gmail.com if you're interesting in joining our dynamic Board of Directors.

All female members of Temple Israel are automatically Sisterhood members. However, our Supporting Members go the extra mile in helping to expand our programming. If you aren't already, please consider becoming a Supporting Member for only \$36. Simply send your check (indicating Sisterhood in the memo line) to the temple office or include it with your upcoming statement payment.



**Join TI Sisterhood for a Day of Zen
in the Morikami Japanese Gardens**

Sunday, April 18th at 11am

Sisterhood is hosting a socially-distanced group self-guided tour in the beautiful Morikami Japanese Gardens.

Masks are required

Enjoy a stroll through the picturesque gardens with your Sisterhood friends. Anyone interested in staying for lunch, please join us on the outdoor patio at the Cornell Café after the tour.

The entry cost is \$14; \$13 for ages 65 and older; free for Morikami members

RSVP by April 9th with payment to Michell Escobar beanerymom@yahoo.com

If anyone would like to carpool, let Michell know and she will organize a hub that meets at the Hilton Hotel just off I-95 at Southern Boulevard

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Recipe

Join us on Sunday, April 25th at 4pm when we cook up this delectable dish with Pam Wiener and Bill Baker!

FARFALLE WITH GOLDEN BEETS & PINE NUTS

- 1/3 cup pine nuts
- 4 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided
- 2 large onions, quartered lengthwise through root end, sliced crosswise (about 4 cups)
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 bunches 2-inch-diameter golden beets with fresh healthy greens; beets peeled, each cut into 8 wedges, greens cut into 1-inch-wide strips
- 12 ounces farfalle (bow-tie pasta)
- 1/3 cup grated Parmesan cheese plus additional for serving



- ⇒ Heat heavy large skillet over medium heat. Add pine nuts and stir until lightly toasted, about 3 minutes. Transfer to small bowl.
- ⇒ Add 2 tablespoons oil and onions to same skillet and sauté until beginning to soften and turn golden, about 10 minutes. Reduce heat to medium-low and continue to sauté until onions are tender and browned, about 30 minutes longer. Add garlic and stir 2 minutes. Scatter beet greens over onions. Drizzle remaining 2 tablespoons oil over; cover and cook until beet greens are tender, about 5 minutes.
- ⇒ Meanwhile, cook beets in a large pot of boiling salted water until tender, about 10 minutes. Using slotted spoon, transfer beets to medium bowl. Return water to boil. Add pasta to beet cooking liquid and cook until tender but still firm to bite, stirring occasionally. Drain, reserving 1 cup pasta cooking liquid. Return pasta to pot.
- ⇒ Stir onion-greens mixture and beets into pasta. Add pasta cooking liquid by 1/4 cupfuls to moisten. Season with salt and coarsely ground black pepper.
- ⇒ Stir in 1/3 cup Parmesan cheese. Divide pasta among shallow bowls. Sprinkle with pine nuts.

Serve, offering additional cheese.

Check out this delicious treat we baked in March
with Dr. Barry Horowitz!

Recipe

BARRY'S CRANBERRY PISTACHIO BISCOTTI

Makes about 3 dozen biscotti

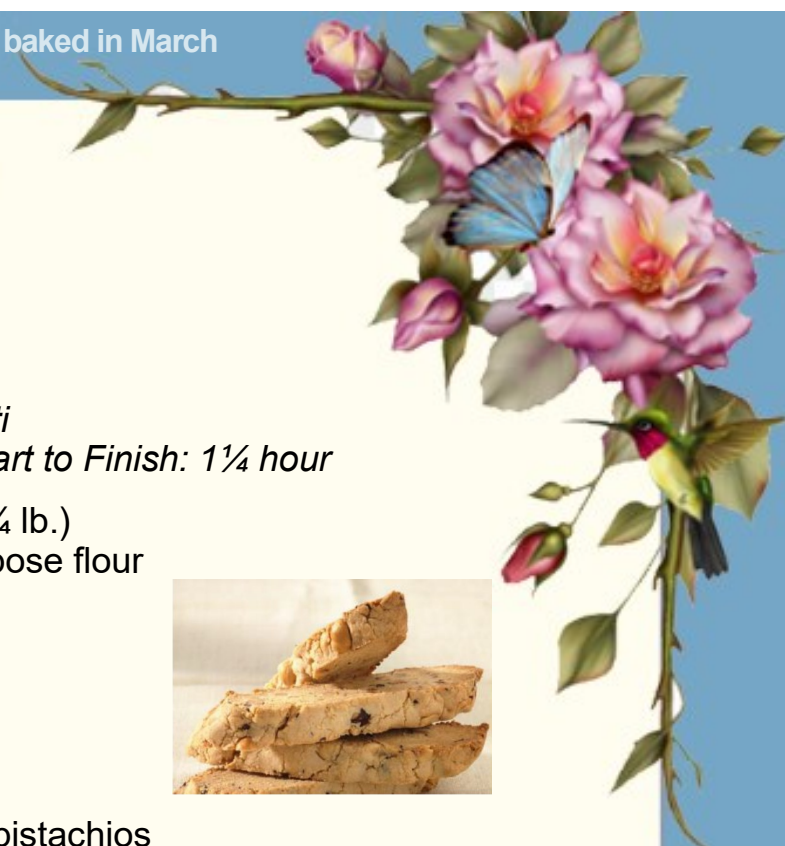
Active Time: 20 minutes | Start to Finish: 1¼ hour

- 1⅓ cups dried cranberries (¼ lb.)
- 2½ cups unbleached all-purpose flour
- 1 cup sugar
- ½ teaspoon baking soda
- ½ teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 3 large eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 cup salted shelled natural pistachios
- 1 large egg, lightly beaten with 1 teaspoon water to make egg wash



- ⇒ Soak cranberries in boiling hot water to cover in a small bowl until softened, about 10 minutes. Drain, then pat dry with paper towels.
- ⇒ Preheat oven to 325 F. Butter and flour a large baking sheet, knocking off excess flour.
- ⇒ Mix together flour, sugar, baking soda, baking powder and salt in a large bowl with an electric mixer at moderate speed until combined well. Add eggs and vanilla and beat just until a dough forms. Add cranberries and pistachios and mix at low speed.
- ⇒ Turn out dough onto a well-floured surface and knead several times.
- ⇒ Halve dough, then form each half into a 13"x2" slightly flattened log on baking sheet, using floured hands and spacing logs about 3" apart. Brush logs with egg wash.
- ⇒ Bake in middle of oven until golden, 25 to 30 minutes. Cool logs on baking sheet on a rack for 10 minutes. Transfer to a cutting board and cut diagonally into ½"-thick slices with a serrated knife. Arrange slices, a cut side down, in one layer on baking sheet (don't worry if slices touch each other). Bake in middle of oven, turning once, until golden and crisp, 20 to 25 minutes.

You can store biscotti in an airtight container at room temperature for two weeks.



Re-Opening Committee News - Barry Horowitz



With more people being vaccinated, Covid cases and positivity rates have been on the decline. As such, a Re-Opening Committee was convened to explore when and how in-person worship and other activities can occur. We have started with *Shabbatot* and, based on CDC and other medical guidance, have instituted different levels at which we can worship in the sanctuary. This will be determined by Covid positivity rates in Palm Beach County over 7 days with stable or declining rates as indicated by covidactnow.org:

Level 0

Positivity rate is greater than 7.5%

Temple sanctuary will be closed to in-person worship

Level 1

Positivity rate is greater than 5% and up to 7.5%

Temple sanctuary will be open to in-person worship at capacity of 50-70 people

Level 2

Positive rate is greater than 2.5% but less than 5%

Temple sanctuary will be open to in-person worship at a capacity of 75-100 people

Level 3

Positivity rate is less than or equal to 2.5% but mask and social distancing recommendations have not been lifted by the CDC

Temple sanctuary will be open to in-person worship at a capacity of 75-100 people

Level 4

Mask and social distancing recommendations have been lifted by the CDC

Temple sanctuary will be open to in-person worship at 100% capacity

In order to accomplish this, the facility will be prepared with intensified cleaning, disinfection and ventilation. In addition, there will be limited access to rest rooms and no access to other parts of the campus. Strict social distancing guidelines will be adhered to as follows:

- Stay home when you are sick or have travelled by plane in the past 2 weeks
- Only TI congregants may attend; no visitors until Level 4
- Only those with reservations may attend (see below)
- Correctly and consistently wear a mask that completely covers your nose and mouth
- Stay at least 6 feet away from others who do not live with you
- Seating will be assigned in a socially distanced fashion and pods of family members will be allowed to sit together
- Don't come too early as there will be no Proneg
- A limited socially distanced outdoor Oneg will be planned as circumstances allow
- Ejection for non-compliance

A reservation system will be set up for congregants to contact the temple office the Monday before services. Reservations will be taken on a first come, first served basis with priority given to those with yahrzeits, honors and those who are technologically challenged or who have not been at in-person services in the recent past. Decisions will be made based on the positivity rate on the Wednesday before services, and congregants will be informed only if in-person services are cancelled.

We are hopeful that we can proceed with in-person worship in April, but this will be assessed on a weekly basis based on positivity rates. Virtual services will continue for those who wish to worship remotely. Please contact the temple office with any questions.



TEMPLE ISRAEL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL EXCITING NEWS!

Our Religious School is an innovative model of interactive learning and exploration where discussions, stories and personal narratives become springboards to the pursuit of answers, awareness and discovery. Our curriculum not only imparts the basics of Judaism, but also fosters connections to the synagogue and broader community. We instill an understanding that Jewish learning leads to Jewish living. And we do all this in an intimate setting of smaller classes with more one-on-one learning and focus for our students to soar.

So what can be better than that?

Nothing... but we can do even more! We are planning to expand our classes next year from about twice a month to three or four times each month... more learning, more activities, more connections! At Temple Israel, we use Chai Curriculum and Shalom Learning – top-rated programs – with advanced educational techniques and structural and curricular models. Our students are engaged in fascinating discussions and lessons which include special projects and activities, including Social Action modules this coming year. We pride ourselves on providing a fun, nurturing and dynamic environment with more individual attention based on smaller class sizes. Our students become excited and better identify with their religion and culture, and establish many friendships as well!

We're so excited about our plans so tell your friends and family!

For more information, contact Jackie Klein, our Religious School & Youth Programming Director, at jackie@temple-israel.com or (561) 833-8421.

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If you missed our New Member Shabbat in March, you missed hearing the heartfelt words some of our members said! Many thanks to Stephen Goldstein for reaching out to our new members and helping to organize the evening!



From Roger Lourie:

I'm from Greenwich, CT and have been coming to Palm Beach for about 15 years. Early on I looked at other synagogues and I came to Temple Israel. I attended 4 or 5 pre-pandemic services and met Amy Jonas. She guided me around the temple and introduced me to some congregants. She is a skilled and effective ambassador for Temple Israel.

I went to a few Onegs and Shabbat services and am impressed by the warmth, friendliness and cordiality shown by people whom I met. Then Temple Israel closed its doors and moved to

everything Zoom, but despite the social distancing, I still felt a certain openness and grace from the people with whom I interacted.

I look forward to meeting Rabbi Salkin, Karen Szteinberg and some of the congregants in person and to taking part in several of the outreach initiatives of the synagogue. So I can only say that for me Temple Israel has so far lived up to its mission of inclusiveness, social outreach and deeper study of modern Jewishness that I seek. I am delighted to become a part of your congregation.

From Andrew Levy:

I'm a new member of the congregation, but have been visiting Temple Israel for the last five years since I moved down to Florida from New York. I was a little anxious to find the right temple for the holidays as that can mean a lot. I have always enjoyed coming to the temple for the high holidays, and who knows, maybe sometime I'll make it for other events.

What was so meaningful to me in 2020 was that in April I was diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma just about the time COVID was coming to a peak! It was a very unnerving and unsettling time. I'm a strong guy but when something like this happens, one needs more than strength. As the high holidays approached, I would have loved to lose myself in the temple while the Hebrew flowed over me. ,But with COVID that was impossible. ,As the timing would have it, my PET scan to determine the status of my cancer was between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. I ached for something and, as luck would have it, the temple was conducting the service via Facebook and Zoom. Just listening was enough to give me something to lean on. I had my scan, and then Yom Kippur came and I listened like before the words flowing over me. I immediately committed to become a significant donor to the temple and became a member. Two days later, I got the news my cancer was in remission.



From Lee & Stephen Goldstein:

We've been in four Temples, two up north and two in Florida. This is our second time around in Temple Israel and very simply it's home with its warmth and friendly atmosphere. I have been in the sanctuary with Rabbi Shapiro and as best as I can recall I suggested that the Bimah should be only two steps so the congregation would be together... and here we are. It's the only sanctuary where you can turn around and engage your neighbor and just begin talking. It's a m'chayeh. God Bless.

The pandemic has certainly prevented many things, but it's never too late to welcome and honor our newest members (listed are from 2019 to present):

Sammy Alzofon
David Aronberg
Merelin Braymes
Audrey Chouraqui
Anika Cooper
Daniel Dvorkin
Rachel Fendrich
Lee & Stephen Goldstein
Suzanne Holmes

Jay Jacknin
Lynn Jeffery
Iris & Conrad Koller
Cindy & Jay Kreisberg
Kodi & Nicole Laskin
Andrew Levy
Roger Lourie
Julie & Lee Marsh
Gerald Modell

Pamela Rada
Maya Shynkareno
Kenny Sims
Colby Stern
Diana Strauss
Meryl Tischler
Kate Weingart
Barbara Willen

MEMORIAL PLAQUES

All of our members and their families are so important to us. Remember a loved one by adding a Memorial Plaque in our sanctuary and be a part of a longstanding Jewish tradition and practice. The plaque, which is engraved and mounted for a \$500 donation, will be lit on your loved one's yahrzeit each year. To order a plaque for a loved one who has passed, or to reserve one for yourself, contact the Temple Office.



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A Wonderful Way to Honor or Remember Someone or to Commemorate an Occasion with a Donation to TI

“Special Funds” and Where Does the Money Go

There are various funds you may contribute to at Temple Israel; however, many of you may not know how the money for each fund is used and how these donations not only help Temple Israel thrive, but also help the greater Palm Beach County (PBC) community.

Below is a breakdown of each fund and how your gift is a wonderful way to honor someone you care about.

ARZA

This fund contributes to The Association of Reform Zionists of America (ARZA), the American Reform movement's Zionist organization. Their mission “endeavors to make Israel fundamental to the sacred lives and Jewish identity of Reform Jews”.

Beautification Fund

This fund not only keeps TI beautiful, but also allows us to bridge our past with our future. You can see the effects of this fund on the outside of the building – in garden areas with our patio furniture for our congregants to enjoy the great South Florida weather – and on the inside with displayed works of Judaica, our ballroom chairs, linens, etc. Another example is the framed former *Torah* covers that are now hanging in the Kraft Sanctuary, allowing our history to be shared with our current members.

Building Maintenance Fund

This fund supports the physical demands of our brick and mortar structure. It allows us to make repairs and improvements for a more secure, functioning and beautiful Temple for all who enter our doors.

Continuing Jewish Adult Education Fund

This fund helps TI bring in guest speakers and scholars-in-residence, and to host programs, at little to no cost to the congregation. It also supports our TI Learns courses and catalogue.

E. Ross Religious School Fund

This fund supports all expenses, materials and programs, etc. for our Religious School.

Harvey Goldberg Technology/Innovation Fund

This fund supports all of TI's technology needs including software & hardware (monitors, computers, projectors, etc.)

Jewish Education for Youth Fund

This fund supports our Religious School and funding for education supplies.

Judaica Fund

This fund allows TI to purchase and/or repair various religious and cultural items/artifacts, including our *Torahs*, *Havdallah* set, *Seder* plates, *Shabbat* candles and other ritual items.

Kraft Cultural Arts Fund

This fund supports our Kraft Cultural Luncheon.

Kraft Family Life Education Fund

This fund contributes to family programming and education at TI.

Leadership Development Fund

This fund makes it possible for TI's leadership (board members, committee members and congregants) to receive leadership training both at Temple Israel and at conferences, as well as provide materials for our lay leaders to better serve the TI family and PBC community.

Library/Media Fund

This fund supports the physical TI library structure/Media Center and the various books, multimedia and materials for the space and educational components for the Temple.

Mitzvah Fund

This fund supports our congregants in times of need, including birth of a new baby, illness or a loved one's passing (for example, by sending flowers or a *shiva* platter.)

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Programming Fund

This fund supports various programs, guest speakers and meals which TI is able to host throughout the year.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Rabbi Salkin directs the use of this fund. It is primarily used to help those who require assistance to meet their basic needs, as well as fund unfunded programs here at the synagogue and in the greater community.

RHS Youth Fund

Named after TI's Rabbi Emeritus, Rabbi Shapiro, this fund provides scholarships and financial assistance to our school age children to attend URJ programs/camps, as well as supporting our youth group/informal youth education activities.

Social Action Fund

This fund supports all of TI's Social Action and Social Justice programs and allows us to make a real difference in our community.

Social Hall/Kitchen Fund

This fund allows TI to improve our social hall and kitchen with upgrades such as furniture, dinnerware, machinery, lighting, A/V, etc.

Special Needs

This fund allows TI to support various worthwhile causes in our community and within our TI family. It is dispersed where it is needed most.

Tishman Staff Development Fund

This fund helps make it possible for our TI staff to receive leadership training both in our community and at conferences, as well as provide materials for our staff to better serve our TI family and PBC community.

Tree of Life Fund

This fund supports TI's operating budget while providing a keepsake in memory/honor of a loved one. A leaf may be purchased for \$180 and is a wonderful way to mark a special occasion in your family's life.

Tzedakah

This fund allows TI to support the needs of our Temple and both our local and international communities.

Vineberg Floral Fund

This fund provides flowers on our *bimah* during our worship services and for special programs.

Warren Canfield Music Fund

This fund allows TI to secure guest musicians and singers for the High Holy Days and throughout the year. It also supports the needs of our volunteer choir.

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WEEKLY TORAH STUDY

Saturday mornings* at 9:30am via Zoom

Facilitated by Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin

A group conversation on the weekly Parashah, providing references that provoke thoughtful discussions of the ancient texts and how they can be applied to modern day life.



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**Except on Holy days*

Join Sisterhood in April

As we do something for others...
and then for ourselves

Mitzvah Day on April 11
features two projects:

We will be collecting Publix gift cards for Alpert Jewish Family Service's food pantry.

We will also be making sandwiches at home for St. George's Center, to be distributed as part of their feed-the-homeless program.

To participate, start with a large loaf of bread and then choose one or more fillings:

- Peanut butter and jelly
- Turkey
- Cheese
- Bologna
- Mustard (but no mayonnaise)

Wrap each sandwich and stack them back in the loaf bag. Please deliver your donation of gift cards and/or sandwiches to the TI parking lot from 3-4:30 pm on April 11.

We can arrange for pickup, if necessary.

RSVP to Jane Herring (jhc48@yahoo.com) or Janice Rosenberg (topcookjr@aol.com)

Then join Sisterhood for a Day of Zen in the Morikami Japanese Gardens on April 18 at 11 am

Masks are required for the socially-distanced group self-guided tour through the picturesque gardens.

Entry cost is \$14; \$13 for ages 65 and older; free for Morikami members.

Carpool and lunch options are available.

RSVP by April 9 to Michell Escobar (beanerymom@yahoo.com)



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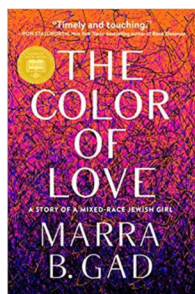
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in a joint session with our
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Thurs., April 15th at 7pm



This Month's Selection Is:

THE COLOR OF LOVE
A Story of a Mixed-Race Jewish Girl

By Marra B. Gad

Facilitated by Jane Herring & Mary Arpe

"Winner of the 2020 Midwest Book Award in Autobiography/Memoir, *The Color of Love* is an unforgettable memoir about a mixed-race Jewish woman who, after fifteen years of estrangement from her racist great-aunt, helps bring her home when Alzheimer's strikes." - Amazon review

As an adopted child, Marra found herself to be "a mixed-race, Jewish unicorn", often unaccepted as black or Jewish, including within her own family. But despite heart-wrenching experiences, she chooses love and a relationship even to her great-aunt who so bitterly hurt her. This is an inspirational, heartwarming story of what we inherit from our families – biological and learned – with love being our greatest inheritance.

Look for Zoom information in our "THIS WEEK & NEXT" emails which are sent every Monday morning. For more information, contact Mary Arpe at mcarpe@gmail.com or the Temple Office at (561) 833-8421 or tioffice@temple-israel.com.

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Black Letters, White Spaces: Learning About Jewish Mysticism

Wednesdays: March 24, 31, April 7 at 7pm

Is *kabbalah* just another spiritual fad or does it have something to teach us about God, history, the world and ourselves?



Join us via Zoom for this user-friendly introduction to Jewish mysticism: ancient, medieval and contemporary.
Led by Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin.

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A CHAT WITH BOAZ KONFORTY & YAAKOV ZADA DANIEL STARS FROM THE HIT TV SHOW FAUDA

Wednesday, April 14th – 8pm – via Zoom

An unforgettable discussion about their journeys to become actors, the significance of Jews and Arabs collaborating in the name of art and the impact of the series on Arabs, Israelis and Jews. Join us to hear of their sacrifices, friendship, devotion, fears and overcoming struggles through hard work, persistence and faith.

Fauda is based on experiences in the Israel Defense Forces and can be watched on Netflix.



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Special Speaker: Bari Weiss Sunday, May 23rd 7pm CST / 8pm EST



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Join us via Zoom as Bari Weiss discusses "Cancel Culture Through A Jewish Lens".

Bari Weiss is an award-winning opinion writer, editor, political commentator and the author of *How To Fight Anti-Semitism*.

She has written and edited for *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Vanity Fair*, *Tablet* and other publications. Her columns and discourses are of influential important issues, including #MeToo, freedom of speech and our common culture. Bari is also a regular commentator on television and radio, including *Real Time with Bill Maher*.

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- 1 Barbara Gray
- 1 J. D. Small
- 1 Marcia Stiles
- 4 Rex Bone
- 4 Daniel Dvorkin
- 4 Lawrence Schlager
- 5 Liam Matias
- 6 Selma Horowitz
- 6 Susan Sachs
- 7 Audrey Green
- 7 Richard Rieser
- 9 Don Carter
- 9 Jacob Green
- 9 Deborah Haft
- 11 Jay Jacknin
- 13 Lynn Jeffery
- 14 Andrew Levy
- 16 Michelle Cohen
- 16 Sandra Hollin
- 17 Roslyn Leopold
- 18 Sylvia Douglas
- 18 Magnolia Douglas
- 18 Shelia Lutin
- 19 Tali Green
- 20 Kodi Laskin
- 21 Madeline Hackman
- 22 Nancy Horowitz
- 23 Ludmilla Goldberg
- 25 Isaiah Torres-Nussbaum
- 26 Ruth Abramson
- 26 Valerie Eaton
- 26 Alexa Sherr Hartley
- 27 Brett Golov
- 28 Mark Cohen
- 28 Georgia Newman
- 29 Pamela Wiener
- 30 Karen Davis
- 30 Ashley Devore
- 30 Andrew Mollura
- 30 Hugo Ottolenghi
- 30 Judy Preefer

April Anniversaries

- 11 Jeff & Amy Devore
- 12 Neal & MJ Rothschild



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Eunice and Jim Baros, on the marriage of their daughter Hope Baros to Alex Platt of Deerfield Beach, on February 27th on Palm Beach.

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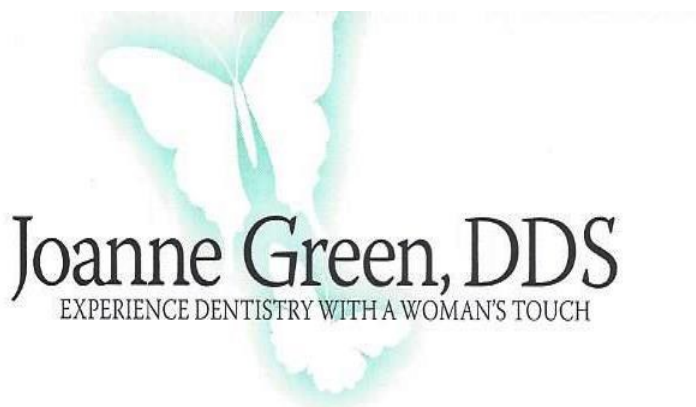


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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	01	02	03
					6:30pm <i>Erev Shabbat</i> worship service	No Torah Study Today 11:45am Yizkor Service
		Hebrew School	Hebrew School Community Jewish HS 10:30am Chair Yoga 7:00pm Black Letters, White Spaces		6:30pm <i>Erev Shabbat</i> worship service - commemorating Yom HaShoah with special program	9:00am (NOTE TIME) Torah Study 10:30am Aiden Conde Bar Mitzvah
11 Religious School Sisterhood's Mitzvah Day	12	13 Hebrew School 8:00pm Special Event for Mussar Participants	14 Hebrew School Community Jewish HS 10:30am Chair Yoga 6:30pm President's Circle Special Reception 8:00pm Special Event: A Chat with the Stars of FAUDA	15 7:00pm TI READS: The Color of Love	16 6:30pm <i>Erev Shabbat</i> worship service commemorating Yom HaZikaron and Yom HaAtzma'ut	17 9:30am Torah Study
18 11:00am Sisterhood at Morikami Gardens	19	20 Hebrew School Board Meeting	21 Hebrew School Community Jewish HS 10:30am Chair Yoga	22	23 6:30pm <i>Erev Shabbat</i> worship service	24 9:30am Torah Study
25 Religious School Madrichim Training 4:00pm TI Cooking: Farfelle with Golden Beets & Pine Nuts	26	27 Hebrew School Teen Confirmation Program	28 Hebrew School 10:30am Chair Yoga	29	30 6:30pm <i>Erev Shabbat</i> worship service acknowledging Lag B'Omer	01

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