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From the Rabbi

Rabbi Cookie Lea Olshein

Celebrating Lifelong Jewish Learning –

The *Talmud* teaches us that formal Jewish education should begin at least by age 6 ... but it never puts a cap on the age when we should stop learning. In fact, the word “*Torah*” is often translated to mean “instruction”, which means we should consider the *Torah*, and all our sacred literature, as an “instruction manual” for our lives.

Every spring we ask members of our congregation what opportunities for Jewish learning they would like Temple Israel to make available, sometimes formally and sometimes informally. This year, we are planning to be more formal once again, inviting our membership to attend one of two drop-in conversations on what you want/need in order to continue your Jewish education.

The first of these conversations will take place during the *Oneg Shabbat* dessert reception following our special “Education *Shabbat*” worship service on Friday, 5/10. (This is particularly appropriate since we will be celebrating our Religious School students year-long learning that night.) The second of these conversations will take place on Thursday, 5/23, at 7:30 p.m. To frame each discussion, we will begin with a text study on the importance of lifelong Jewish education.

Additionally, if you are unable to attend either of these facilitated conversations, I invite you to send me an email at Rabbi@Temple-Israel.com to let us know what topics you would like us to explore. In other words, we really want to hear what our congregation wants to learn so we can try our best to meet your needs.

Finally, we have had a wonderfully-committed group of adult learners this year living out these Jewish values through studying together with our Adult *B’nai Mitzvah*/Adult Confirmation Class. Everyone is invited to celebrate with Charlie Eaton, Carlos Escobar, Michell Escobar, Carol Garrett, Jim Garrett, Janice Rosenberg, and Alev Yalman on Friday, 5/17, during our evening worship at 6:30pm, and then again when they will each read from the *Torah* on Saturday, 5/18, at a special *Shabbat* morning service beginning at 10:30a.m. (Please note that, if you plan to attend the light *Kiddush* following Saturday morning’s worship service, you must RSVP to the Office no later than Monday, 5/13, so the group can plan appropriately.)

One piece of being a member of a sacred community is that we must all recognize that each of us is on a sacred journey, and that we must support each other along the way. Sharing your needs and ideas regarding how best to continue your Jewish journey is one step you can take towards helping Temple Israel support you. Together, let’s make a plan regarding setting some learning goals for next year. I look forward to being in conversation with you about where your Jewish journey might take you!



Rabbi Olshein is the “Rabbi in Residence” at Bethesda By the Sea Church 5/1 & 5/8

TI members are invited to participate in the two thought provoking sessions led by Rabbi Olshein along with Bethesda By the Sea parishioners.

Judaism and the American Legal System

6:30 p.m. | Guild Room

Criminal law, judicial ethics, witness tampering, personal injury law: rules about all of these areas of law can be found within Jewish sacred teachings. During two sessions, Rabbi Olshein will explain how the laws from the *Torah* evolved to become the basis for so many of our laws today.

For those attending Rabbi Olshein’s class, you are invited to the Community Supper

5:45 p.m. | Parish Hall East

You are invited to join an informal Community Supper. The cost is \$10 for adults; \$5 children under 12; \$25 family max (payable at the door). Kindly RSVP by calling the church office at (561) 655-4554 **BY NOON ON THE MONDAY PRIOR**.

Parking is on Via Bethesda (between Bethesda By The Sea and The Breakers), Barton Avenue (on the south side) and Pendleton Ave (perpendicular in front).



From the Co-Presidents

Judy Shuster and Elaine Feldmesser

As I was looking for a source of inspiration to write this article, I found it sitting in our Executive Committee and Board of Trustees meetings. We are very fortunate to have all of them in leadership roles with Rabbi Olshein and Cantor Kruk. They are dedicated and interesting people and care deeply about TI. If you don't already know who they are I encourage you to meet them. I know they would love to meet and get to know you a little bit better if they haven't done so already. When you lend your effort and support to the leadership of your friends, our temple will not only continue to grow but it will continue to be a true success story.

It's the transformation you feel when you walk through our doors and see the beauty of our spaces, when you connect with friends and make new friends, and when you take a breath and leave the week behind at our services or by participating in one of our many programs offered here at Temple Israel. Just to name one of those events, our Second Night Seder. We had a great turnout and the buzz was that it was a wonderful service and the food was delicious. We want thank our two Board of Trustees members, Michell Escobar and Jennifer Strauss, for all their hard work in chairing this event for TI. They made it very special and different this year and we look forward to hearing your feedback.



Membership Committee News

Carol Safran and Amy Jonas, Membership Co-Chairs

We would like to thank those Greeting Corps members who signed up in the month of March:

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If you are interested in becoming a Greeting Corps member, Please contact:

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Hugo Ottolenghi, hugoott@aol.com, (C) 561-818-2946



The *Mussar* Moment

Barry Horowitz, M.D.

A few weeks ago on a Sunday, there was a board retreat to discuss the short and long term goals for the Temple. It was a fantastic day and much was accomplished with near full attendance of the entire board. At one point, the facilitator asked us why we had come to participate. Don Carter answered: “I am on the board.” His meaning was clear: he had a responsibility (*achrayut* in Hebrew) to the synagogue and his fellow board members to attend.

Rabbi Alter Hensch Leibowitz was the late *Rosh Yeshiva* of the Chofetz Chaim Yeshiva in Queens, N.Y., which his father had started in 1933. In 1941, when the younger Rabbi Leibowitz was still only in his early 20s, the untimely death of his father thrust him into the role of leading the yeshiva. He was unexpectedly cast into a position of responsibility and he embraced it, building the Chofetz Chaim into one of the foremost yeshivas in the world. This reveals a lot about his embodiment of the trait of responsibility.

But it is actually another story about Rabbi Leibowitz that is a more penetrating example of the trait of responsibility that was rooted in his heart. Rebbetzin Leibowitz did not want her husband to wash the dishes. Once she had to go to an appointment, and to ensure that he didn’t clean the dishes, she put a note on the sink: “Please don’t wash the dishes. There is a problem with the faucet.” When she returned home, she found that Rabbi Leibowitz had moved the dishes into the bathroom and was washing them in the tub.

A person who has grasped the importance of responsibility and has implanted that trait in his or her heart will find opportunities to use it, whether on the large stage of fulfilling their life mission or in the mundane and menial tasks required in their home. It is a sign of real spiritual elevation for a person to take care of the small needs of the people around them because that attitude reflects humility and sensitivity, the crown jewels in real spiritual growth.

There is debate among scholars whether *achrayut* is derived from the Hebrew root *achar*, which means “after,” or “*acher*,” which means “other.” In other words, is the essence of responsibility being concerned about what comes after (i.e., the consequences of one’s actions) or to be sensitive to the other (i.e., attending to the needs of the people around you)?

The answer is both. The beauty and value of the trait of responsibility is the awareness it creates that everything we do has consequences and that those outcomes really matter, whether they play out over time or in the lives of other people. When that sensitivity is ingrained in your heart, it will affect the major decisions and actions you take where the consequences will be so glaringly obvious. But it will also show up in the tiny things you do, like washing the dishes or being alert to the feelings of others.

Indeed, it is one of the truest measures of our souls to demonstrate responsibility in every context, including the lives of the people who are closest to us.



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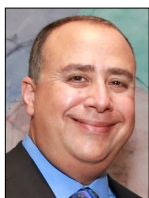
Charlie Eaton, M.D. Brotherhood President

Mark your Calendars! It's time to RSVP for the 2019 Temple Israel Brotherhood Annual Supporter Dinner 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 15, in the Temple Israel Carter Ballroom.

This year's annual Brotherhood meeting will feature a delicious free steak dinner catered by amazing chef, brother Jeff Gingold, and a presentation by TI member and Palm Beach County Commissioner, brother Gregg Weiss.

Make plans now to attend this wonderful evening of community and dinner! If you have not yet paid your \$36 annual Brotherhood supporter fee, please bring cash or a check made out to Temple Israel.

RSVP now by email to tiwpb.brotherhood@gmail.com or text Charlie Eaton 561-346-2526. Don't miss out on the fun and please RSVP now!



President's Circle

Nancy and Barry Horowitz

We are so excited to announce that once again our wonderful co-President, Judy Shuster and her very special husband, Alan have graciously offered their beautiful home to the President's Circle as the venue for our year-end event.

The annual Holiday Boat Parade will take place on Saturday evening, December 7, 2019. All President's Circle members will be invited to the Shusters' home to enjoy this enchanting evening as a thank you for your support of Temple Israel.

We welcome more congregants to join the President's Circle throughout the year. Membership is fluid and there is plenty of room and flexibility on the membership board!

Your support is greatly needed and we are very grateful for each and everyone's participation.

Temple Israel's Sisterhood's 5th ...

Day Spa for the Soul

Saturday, 5/4

11:00am - "Out of the Box Shabbat" Creative Morning Worship

12:15pm - Kiddush luncheon

1:00-4:00pm - "Day Spa for the Soul"

***Please RSVP by 5/1 by calling Ellen Goldenson at (617) 967-5175 if you plan to attend the Kiddush luncheon and/or the Day Spa for the Soul. For more information, please see the flyer at Temple Israel. Complimentary ... open to all ... please invite your friends!*

Join Temple Israel for our 10th **Shabbat at the Beach!**



Shabbat at the Beach - Friday, 5/24!

Bring your own picnic dinner at 5:45pm

(We'll meet at the picnic area closest to the tennis courts on the north end of the park.)

Service begins ON the beach at 6:30pm

(It's easy to get to the beach as there is a concrete path that goes very close to the sand!)

Oneg Shabbat (dessert) following

Ocean MALL Park

2500 North Ocean Avenue, Singer Island 33404

(Blue Heron and PGA both turn into North Ocean Drive when driving east from I-95)

There are lots of great restaurants in every price range at the mall in front of the park/beach if you'd like to pick up dinner before or join us for the service and then have dinner after!

Plenty of parking is available on both the mall side and the side closest to the park.

Please call the office if you have any questions ... and join us for this fun evening!

***Don't forget to bring a chair or towel to use ON the beach!**

***If you can, please RSVP to 833-8421**

before 5/20 so we have enough dessert for everyone.

*****PLEASE NOTE: In case of rain, we will be at Temple Israel. Please call the Office at 3pm Friday to confirm our location!***

***THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE AT TEMPLE ISRAEL ON 5/24**



Larry Aronberg, who has been a member for 73 years and was the longest member who attended *Chai Shabbat*, lights the *Shabbat Candles*



2nd Night Seder

Special thanks to our co-chairs, Michell Escobar and Jennifer Strauss





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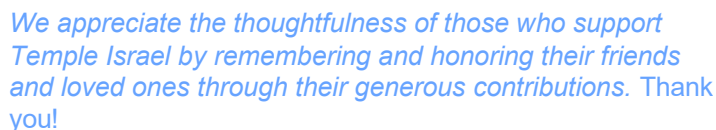
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May Anniversaries

8 Jim & Gee Gee Eisenberg

14 Fred & Adrienne Weissman

15 Marvin & Alisa Maltz

16 Jeffrey & Suzette Gingold

20 Evan & Kate List

22 Ted & Roslyn Leopold

24 Alan & Judy Shuster

28 David & Bonnie Sax

29 Martin & Dena Trust

29 Mike & Jennifer Strauss

31 David & Morgan Kornblum

May Birthdays

1 Wendy Miller

2 Zachary Duncan

2 Fredric Weissman

3 Barbara Horowitz

4 David Aronberg

4 Elliott Edelman

4 Sydelle Neustein

5 Zachary Stewart

6 Jill Botnick

6 Susan Rieser

7 Teresa Aaron

7 Naomi Kaslow

8 Helen Mudrick

9 Ellen Ehrenkranz

9 Harriet Miller

9 Lindsey Sachs

9 Kara Schmidt

10 Sophia Feuer

10 Adrian Sandoval

12 Dale Rands

14 Nolan Frederiksen

14 Melissa Matthews

15 Lori Ackerman

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17 Maureen Katz

17 Seth Schwartz

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18 Samara Vilca

19 Dena Chislak

19 Logan Jonas

19 Elyse Weissman

20 June Kleinwaks

21 Benjamin Devore

21 Lewis Kapner

21 Adam Matias

23 Ann Kritzer

24 Howard Green

24 Stephanie Quinto

25 Suzette Gingold

26 Andrew Freidnash

26 Arielle Gingold

26 Alison Goldberger

26 Kathryn Keslar

28 Scott Bentolila

29 Benjamin Eisenberg

29 Douglas Kern

30 Jourdan Escobar

30 Iris Koller

31 Bernard Kandel

Mazel Tovs

Mazel Tov to Mark Cohen for having his artwork displayed in the show *Ripped From The Headlines* at the The Projects Contemporary Art Space in FATVillage Arts District in Fort Lauderdale in April.



Congratulations to TI members, Drs. Howard & Joanne Green, proud parents of TI member, Sophie Green, on her graduation from The FAU Charles Schmidt College Of Medicine (AOA). Sophie, will be doing her residency - OB-Gyn at Indiana Univeristy Medical Center Indianapolis.

And their other daughter, TI Member, Audrey, is now the Director of Media Partnerships for Jimmy Fallon at the Tonight Show.



Nancy and Barry Horowitz are overjoyed to announce the engagement of their son, Maxwell to Jessica Feldman on April 13, 2019. Jessie's and Max's parents, brothers and sisters joined with college friends at their 5th Duke University reunion to celebrate this very exciting occasion.

Mazel Tov from the Temple Israel Family!



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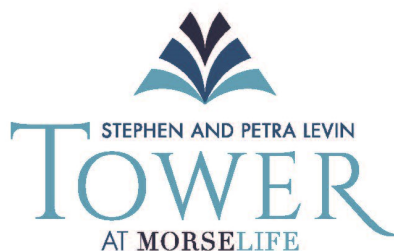
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			1 Yoga 10:30 am Hebrew School 4:15 pm	2	3 Acknowledging Yom Hazikaron & Yom Ha'atzmaut 6:00 pm - Proneg 6:30 pm - Service	4 Torah Study 9:30 am Out-of-the-Box Shabbat 11:00 am Sisterhood's Annual Day Spa for the Soul 1:00 pm
5 Religious School 9:00 am	6	7 Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 pm	8 Yoga 10:30 am	9 TI Learns (Adult Education) Three local artists you need to meet 7:00 pm	10 Religious School Family Dinner & Education Erev Shabbat 6:00 pm - Proneg 6:30 pm - Service	11 Torah Study 9:30 am
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19	20	21 Board of Directors Meeting 7:00 pm	22 Yoga 10:30 am	23 TI Learns (Adult Education) Three local artists you need to meet 7:00 pm	24 Shabbat at the Beach Rain or Shine 5:45 pm - BYO Picnic Dinner 6:30 pm - Service	25 Torah Study 9:30 am
26	27 Office Closed – Memorial Day	28	29 Yoga 10:30 am	30	31	



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Three Local Artists You Need to Meet

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Miroslav ("Miro") Antic received his MFA from The Academy of Fine Arts in Belgrade, Yugoslavia. He specializes in painting and drawing. www.miroslavanticartist.com.

Clarence "Skip" Measelle has been featured in over 100 gallery and museum exhibitions, competitions, group shows, and solo shows throughout the US. He is best known for his work in photorealism and abstract illusionism. www.measelleart.com.

Sam Perry received his MFA from Florida Atlantic University and is a recipient of the South Florida Cultural Consortium's Visual Artists Fellowship. He specializes in paintings, drawings, and multi-media projects and also teaches at Palm Beach Atlantic University. www.samperryart.com.

FACILITATOR Mark Cohen

Mark Cohen is a lifelong student of 20th century American art. An award-winning advertising and marketing practitioner, he divides his time between commerce, painting and teaching, both at the Armory Arts Center and at Palm Beach State College. Most of his paintings are striking, large scale, monochromatic works that resonate with energy and emotional impact. Combining abstract expressionism and pop art, he creates sparse and concise pictorial compositions that investigate issues of anti-Semitism, genocide, and bigotry.

WHERE Temple Israel

WHEN Three Thursdays, May 9, 16, and 23
7:00-8:00pm

COST Free and open to all, so please invite your friends.