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# From the Rabbi

Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin

Perhaps, by now, this will all be a faint, unpleasant, and ultimately redemptive memory.

But, as of today, I write these words in the wake of the hostage crisis at our sister Reform synagogue, Congregation Beth Israel in Colleyville, Texas.

For eleven hours this past Shabbat, the Jews of America and the world held their collective breath. We were reliving the prayer from the Days of Awe: “Who shall live, and who shall die?”

Only one person died — the gunman himself. The rabbi, Charlie Cytron-Walker, emerged as a true hero.

What lived – stubbornly – during that hostage crisis? What sprang to life? What refused to die?

Jewish values.

First, I offer a heartfelt *yasher koach* (colloquially: you done good!) to my colleague for embodying the Jewish value of welcoming the stranger. Rabbi Cytron-Walker had initially allowed the gunman to enter the synagogue, thinking him in need. According to the ancient sages, *hakhnasat orchim*, welcoming guests, is one of those mitzvot that we do in this world, and yet their spiritual legacy lives on beyond this life, and even shines in the world to come.

But second, an additional *yasher koach* to the rabbi for demonstrating the equally Jewish value of resistance. When my colleague realized that the situation was getting desperate, he threw a chair at the gunman which allowed the hostages to escape.

Welcoming, and resistance. Two Jewish values that live with each other, and sometimes, in radical tension with each other.

I have been thinking about this for this past weekend – of that sense of welcoming, and that sense of resistance. For the past eighteen months, ever since the beginning of this pandemic, we have constantly had to refine and re-think what it means for us, as a Jewish community, to be welcoming – and what it means to demonstrate a judicious sense of resistance.

To be clear, and even ironic: We have constantly had to re-think how we build resistance to an invisible enemy – the virus.

By the same token, we must still think about the visible enemies – antisemites who wish us harm.

As I write these words, the larger story of the siege at Congregation Beth Israel is still emerging. But, one thing remains certain.

Let there be no doubt: the gunman was aiming at not only Jews, but at the Jews.

The attacker believed, absurdly, that the Jews had the power to secure the release of Aafia Siddiqui who had been convicted in 2010 of attempted murder of American soldiers and officials in Afghanistan. Her nickname is Lady Al Qaeda. During her trial, she made vile antisemitic remarks, demanding there be no Israelis or Zionists on the jury.

But, beyond that: This was an attack on **the Jews**. As in Pittsburgh and in Poway, California, the attack happened at a synagogue. It happened during a Shabbat morning service.

That attack at a synagogue underscores the reality: if you are seeking the address of the Jews, you seek the synagogue. For good, and yes, horrifically, for evil.

There is no institution in the Jewish community that is as ancient, as sacred, and as evocative of everything we stand for than the synagogue.

And, if the events in Colleyville, Texas are to prove anything – there is no institution in the Jewish community as resilient.

So may it be for us, as well, here at Temple Israel.





## From the Executive Director

Karen Szteinberg, Temple Administrator/Executive Director

As I write this, I am awaiting my father-in-law's imminent death. Of course I am saddened beyond words but I believe the existence of life does not cease with death – our loved ones remain within us in soul and spirit; the words and actions they have taken, the lessons they have taught us, and the visions etched in our minds stay with us long after they walk beside us.

As Jews, we are commanded to honor our parents. The Ten Commandments does not say to express love as it does with “love thy neighbor” or even to love God. Instead, it specifically states “honor”; despite any turbulence within a family, there remains an obligation to respect our parents, to be responsible to them as they have been responsible to take care of us. Both our parents and God are partners in bringing us into this world.

Going back to my current situation, I acknowledge that this man whose body is failing, partially paralyzed and without hope, is not my own father. He did not give me life, he did not raise me. But he has been my father-in-law for 34 years and the grandfather of my daughters. The lessons he taught me include patience and to constantly ask questions. A man of several languages who always asked, “what does xxxx mean” and “how do you...”? He taught me not to worry about *shteeyot* (nonsense). And he taught me how to hang kitchen cabinets and a drop ceiling – and helped us along the way. In essence he taught me to keep learning and to always help each other.

As we wait for a call from the hospice workers, I watch my daughters and family with a sense of pride. We are each at our laptops working remotely. One daughter is discussing HR laws, the other is fixing a computer coding issue, my nephew is working on a multi-million-dollar pharmaceutical transaction... all the while making arrangements for a funeral and planning to provide for my mother-in-law. We have said *MiSheberach* each night, we have looked through mounds of photo albums, and we have held my father-in-law's hand, said our farewell and thanked him for giving us a good life. I am thankful that my daughters have learned well the responsibilities of taking care of others, of being responsible, and I know that they will continue to follow the commandment of honoring our parents. I am truly blessed.



### PERI SMILOW – LIVE!

Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

Save the date for our **Shabbat under the Stars** in our Horowitz Courtyard when artist-in-residence Peri Smilow will be in person to enchant us!

Peri will be in Florida visiting family and couldn't resist making Temple Israel a stop on her vacation. She loves us as much as we love her!

Note this evening will be livestreamed but not available via Zoom. More information forthcoming.





# From the President

Marty List

## A SPECIAL CHALLENGE

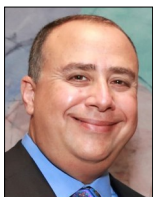
I am so appreciative of everyone who joined us for last week's Annual Meeting. Between those who participated virtually and those who participated in person, this annual meeting had our best attendance in a long time! Special thanks go to our Budget Chair, Carole Klein, and our Treasurer, Mark Feldmesser, for calmly explaining the financial realities Temple Israel is facing and for the insightful questions from our members. Clearly, we must think outside the box to increase revenue from all sources – new donors, new programs, increased philanthropy, etc.

It is my pleasure to announce a special challenge from the List Family in memory of Cynn timer List on the second anniversary of her passing. Starting February 1<sup>st</sup>, for every \$2000 of **new or increased** unrestricted giving by all Temple members, the List Family will add another \$1000, up to \$75,000. It is our hope that together we may raise at least \$225,000 in additional funds in the next three months! Members may choose to make your **new or increased** contributions through a number of avenues, including Presidents' Circle and the Annual Campaign.

Please call me if you would like to learn more or if you would like to participate in this challenge.

B'shalom,

*Marty*



# The *Mussar* Moment

Barry Horowitz, M.D.

Volumes — literally, volumes — have been written on the notorious rabbinic concept of the *yetzer hara*, the “evil inclination.” It’s the tug we feel to do something we know is wrong, our baser instinct, our id, a powerful self-interest that can sometimes overwhelm the better angels of our nature (the bedroom scene in *Animal House* comes to mind). It is this aspect of our characters that makes us so heartbreakingly human.

Other names for the *yetzer hara* are “uncircumcised,” “impure,” “enemy,” “stumbling block,” “stone,” and “hidden one.” Each of these clearly comes with its own connotations or implications: antipathy toward adversaries; concerns about ritual purity; obstacles to growth, progress, or forward movement; or a talent for stealth. As you can see, there’s no love lost between the talmudic rabbis and the evil inclination.

While there is fairly uniform condemnation of the *yetzer hara*, curiously not all rabbis agree that the evil inclination is, well, evil. In a collection of rabbinic midrashim called *Genesis Rabbah*, one rabbi brings a more balanced perspective, using God’s comment that creation was “very good” (Genesis 1:3) as a springboard:

**Rabbi Nahman said in Rabbi Shmuel’s name: “Behold, it was good” refers to the *yetzer hatov*, the good inclination; “And behold, it was very good” refers to the *yetzer hara*, the evil inclination.**

Indeed, this interpretation is immediately questioned. The midrash continues:

**Can then the evil inclination be “very good”? That would be extraordinary! But without the evil inclination, no one would build a house, take a wife or beget children.**

Rabbi Shmuel and Rabbi Nachman agree that the evil inclination serves a purpose: Without it, no person would undertake endeavors to improve their own lives and the lives of their families. We’d all be satisfied, but listless and unproductive.

While this pair may have more sympathy for the evil inclination and the role it plays in human development, clearly the evil inclination has more detractors than supporters. But perhaps it is a comfort to know that it is a universal trait — we are all plagued by it. And they also provide us with an antidote: the study of Torah. With spiritual reflection, we can operate on a higher level, the level of the *yetzer hatov*. In doing so, we can then become more concerned with the other than ourselves as we move on a path towards wholeness and holiness.

Special Thanks Go Out to Members of **Temple Israel’s Greeting Corps**  
who served during January:



Steven Fligman  
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## President's Circle

Michael and Amy Jonas, Co-chairs

This past year was an outstanding one for Temple Israel's President's Circle. It experienced record growth in terms of both the total number of congregants who joined the President's Circle and the number of existing PC members who stepped up to a higher level of Annual Commitment.

Since December 2020, thirteen families have joined the President's Circle with our most recent supporters being Jacqueline Michel and David Weisman. We are also pleased to tell you that four of these thirteen new PC members are relatively new congregants, having first joined our Temple family within the past two years.

We are especially excited to report that since the end of 2020, thirty-one of our existing President's Circle donors moved up to a higher PC level of Annual Commitment. *Note: All PC Levels are inclusive of one's regular Annual Commitment and not in addition to.* Currently there are seventy-six families who belong to the President's Circle and support the Temple with an Annual Commitment at one of the PC Levels. This is the most PC members that has ever been.

During 2021, there were three exciting special events for our PC donors: in April, a virtual wine reception; in June, a Sunday afternoon boat cruise on the Intracoastal; and in December, a brunch with noted author Dara Horn. We thank Harriet Miller, one of our PC members and a long-time congregant, for generously sponsoring and hosting this beautiful brunch at her building, One Watermark Place. Whether by Zoom or in person, our President's Circle events have been a wonderful opportunity for our PC members to experience something new and to socialize with one another.

We are now busy planning for our next event which will take place this spring. Please stay tuned for more details in the coming month and, if you're not already a PC member, consider becoming one to join in on our fun and commitment to Temple Israel.



## Help Us Help You

There are many opportunities to sponsor something at Temple Israel, big or small.

- When some of our sanctuary piano keys were broken this autumn, Nancy & Barry Horowitz stepped up to pay for the repair.
- Many of our Torahs needed to be evaluated recently for restoration and Nancy & Barry contributed to the cost of the scribe.
- Amy & Don Carter had sponsored our Welcome Back Oneg and Welcome Home Dinner in December.
- An anonymous donor sponsored our Annual Meeting Dinner in January.
- Fred Apel has contributed to the cost of Zoom and some of our new audio-visual equipment.
- Judy & Alan Shuster have paid for Cheesecake Onegs year after year.
- Barbara Willen has paid for bottles of wine for special occasions.

We apologize for omitting the many others who contribute, but **we greatly thank ALL OF YOU** who help us out! If you'd like to sponsor or contribute towards an event, call Karen Szteinberg at (561) 833-8421. Every bit helps us to help you!





## Religious School

Jackie Klein, Religious School & Youth Programming Director

January 15. I didn't know it but this particular Shabbat would be different.

As a community, we were excited to celebrate Ben Bagatell's Bar Mitzvah together. It was indeed a wonderful *simcha*. Ben led wonderfully and everyone *shepped nachas*.

Afterwards, while eating lunch with my partner Nick, Maggie Kaufman and Rabbi Salkin, we acknowledged how long it's been since we last ate at Kiddush after Shabbat Morning. It was a beautiful day.

Later that same day we would learn of the hostage situation occurring at a synagogue in Texas. A stranger was let into a *Beit Kneset* for shelter. Rabbi Cytron-Walker, the brave community leader for the synagogue that soon became a victim to yet another act of antisemitism, shared in an interview how a synagogue is a *Beit Kneset* or House of Gathering. It's a space for all to come and worship and find community.

The man who asked for shelter with ill will and a plan to do harm, has harmed the trust that so many have in places of worship as a space of peace, and respite, and peaceful prayer. I have no doubt that there was much prayer that went on in that building throughout the day.

In some ways I am privileged to never have had direct antisemitism toward me. In other ways, it creates an even larger shock wave when the moments like what happened on this past Shabbat occur. It's unreal to me, and yet it shouldn't be. Along with our teachers and staff, I have taken security training over the years and we continually review where the exits are and where we should hide if someone did breach the building. We also have extra security for our classes each week as well as our Temple Israel Tefilla.

It is difficult to be an inclusive space for all when we must protect our grounds from those who wish us harm. And it is so incredibly devastating to have to provide the reminder of the importance of security due to increased antisemitism in our country.

For now, though, I am going to remember the joy that was felt dancing the *hora* at Ben's Bar Mitzvah and be thankful that we had a beautiful Shabbat Morning of Innocence. Moments like these are the inspiration to continue in this work of importance – educating our youth in their Jewish tradition.

Last, I will share the traditional blessing that is recited in our morning blessings.

*Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu, Melech Haolam, Matir Asurim.*

Praise to You, Eternal One, Sovereign of the Universe, Who Frees the Captive.

This blessing is often said in relation to our physical bodies, as a blessing for being able to stretch, but this week it was a blessing for the literal freeing of the captive, and I hope you all join me in saying *Amen!*

Our teens are going to Washington, DC in February with Jackie Klein and Rabbi Salkin! What an amazing schedule and educational experience we have lined up for them! Our Religious School and Youth Programs continue to integrate social action and community-based interactive opportunities that enable our students to truly understand their role in the world as responsible Jewish young adults. Learning is fun!

# Temple Israel Sisterhood

Deborah Hirsch, Communications Vice President

Sisterhood kicked off the new year on January 9 with a private docent-led tour of the special exhibit *Frida Kahlo/Diego Rivera & Mexican Modernism* at the Norton Museum of Art in West Palm Beach. Close to 30 participants enjoyed the tour with their TI Sisters, followed by art-themed raffle prizes and goody bags. Thanks to Ellen Goldenson for organizing the event.

**Save the Date:** Sunday, March 20, we'll be offering a socially-distanced opportunity for a *Walk 'n' Talk* with your Sisterhood friends at Downtown Palm Beach Gardens. We'll meet at 2 p.m. outside the Cheesecake Factory and enjoy a nice stroll once or twice around the lake. Afterwards, enjoy beignets and beverages on Voodoo Bayou's outdoor patio. (Sisterhood will provide the beignets; you will be responsible for your beverage.) *RSVP by March 12* to Michell Escobar at 469-360-6488 or beanerymom@yahoo.com.

**New Date:** Due to the pandemic, February's tea party is postponed until April. Enjoy an outdoor High Tea with sweet and savory finger sandwiches, scones, pastries and desserts catered by Serenity Garden Tea House. Check this space and your e-mail blasts for more information.

**Community Support:** Sisterhood sent a \$500 donation to The Temple, a reform synagogue in Louisville, Kentucky, partnering with Jewish Federation of Louisville and The Red Cross to assist the victims of December's devastating tornado.

**Gift Shop:** Whether holiday-themed or general Judaica, the temple Gift Shop is your one-stop shopping experience. Our Fundraising Vice President Lynn Levy is happy to place special orders. Contact her at 561-632-1877 or LRL5194LL@gmail.com.

**Supporting Members:** Please remember that 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 statement payment.

**Sisterhood Shabbat:** This January 28 service has been postponed to a later date. Check this space and your e-mail blasts for updated information as it becomes available.



**Thank You, Thank You, Thank You  
From Karen Szteinberg**

In the last several months, our amazing Annual Journal team has been working hard to create our journal and have kept me, the honoree, in the dark. This has been quite a challenge all around, as the office staff has had to circumvent calls and mail that referred to the journal, and I have had to hold back my desire to oversee and edit everything (quite difficult for me!) Only after the journal was published and even after distribution began, did I finally get to open its glorious pages... pages filled with admiration, friendship and respect. I am overwhelmed by your kindness, generosity and support, and I thank you from the bottom of my heart. My cup has truly runneth over.



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
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## Our New Board of Directors

We thank those board members whose terms recently expired for serving our Temple so earnestly this last year. We now welcome our new board of directors and thank each one for taking on the important role of leading us into our 100<sup>th</sup> year!

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## MEMORIAL PLAQUES



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.

## PLANNING ASSURES THAT YOUR WISHES ARE CARRIED OUT

Temple Israel has a section in the Star of David Cemetery with plots still available for purchase by any Temple Israel Member at \$5,000, considerably less than the cost of purchasing them directly from Star of David. Temple Israel also has an affiliation with Eternal Light Memorial Gardens for your consideration and planning.

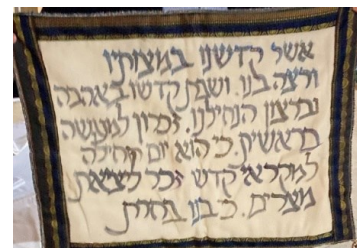
Advanced funeral arrangements will be comforting for your loved ones during their grieving. For more information, contact Karen Sztainberg at (561) 833-8421 or [karen@temple-israel.com](mailto:karen@temple-israel.com).





## A Special Challah Cover

Eunice and Jim Baros, along with their cousin Sarah Jacobs, a Judaica fiber artist in New York City, have donated Sarah's unique and original challah cover to Temple Israel. Its meaningful and beautiful hand-painted words come from the text of the kiddush and read:



אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וּרְצָה בָּנוּ. וְשַׁבַּת קִדְּשׁוּ בְּאַהֲבָה וּבְרָצוֹן הִנְחִילָנוּ. זִכְרוֹן לְמַעֲשֵׂה  
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Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of All, who finding favor with us, sanctified us with *mitzvot*. In love and favor, You made the holy Shabbat our heritage as a reminder of the work of Creation. As first among our sacred days, it recalls the Exodus from Egypt. You chose us.

Sarah shared her story: "Many years ago I was given a family heirloom challah cover that was produced in Palestine in the early 1930s. It was printed with every possible text one might say at the Shabbat table. The challah cover was jammed with texts. I was completely charmed by the idea of a challah cover completely covered by the texts you would recite while it was in use, Shalom Aleichem, Kiddush, the blessing of the children, and the candle lighting blessings. It is almost as if by using the challah cover you have fulfilled the saying of all of the texts you are obligated to say. I have made several variations on this theme. I find the act of painting the text to be deeply meaningful for me. I hope that using this challah cover will be meaningful for the users."

What heirlooms do you have in your own homes? What has special sentimental value that you cherish and desire to pass on to your children?

## Serving the Community at St. George's Center

Our annual Temple Israel tradition continued this year as we took care of those less fortunate by bringing lunch and so much more to St. George's Center in Riviera Beach on Christmas Day. Much appreciation goes to Ellen Goldenson, Jane Herring and Janice Rosenberg who put together nutritional goody boxes and organized our members' donations of 200 sandwiches, \$425 in Publix gift cards and more than 120 pairs of socks. We thank everyone who supported this wonderful mitzvah!



Ellen Goldenson among other volunteers



Debbie Hirsch



Jane Herring



Gee Gee Eisenberg

# MLK SHABBAT

Our annual interfaith service once again honored the life and legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr., this year with presentations from the Historic Tabernacle Baptist Church choir, readings by our local dignitaries and a special conversation between Rabbi Salkin and Janice Rothschild Blumberg, the widow of Rabbi Jacob Rothschild who had been at The Temple in Atlanta from 1946-1973 and a friend of the King family. Congratulations go to Josephine "Joey" Schneider, an amazing 6<sup>th</sup> grader from Broward County who won our MLK Essay Contest on "What can our communities – Jews and Blacks – learn from each other?" We thank Rabbi Salkin and our Social Action Committee Co-Chairs – Terry Resk and Mary Arpe – as well as Reverend Kevin Jones for organizing this uplifting evening. We are also grateful to our Sisterhood – particularly Valerie Eaton and Ellen Goldenson – for creating a wonderful Oneg which included "dove of peace" cupcakes!



Mayor Keith James, County Commissioner Mack Bernard, Vice Mayor Gregg Weiss, Josephine "Joey" Schneider



Janice Rothschild Blumberg



Historic Tabernacle Baptist Church choir

## A Blast From The Past (25 years ago!)

How wonderful it is to dedicate ourselves and celebrate our Jewish lives at any age. If you are interested in joining a learning group and/or becoming a bar or bat mitzvah, let us know!



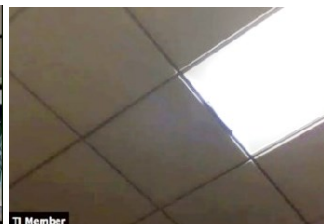
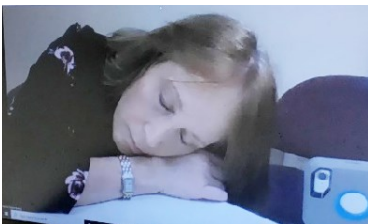
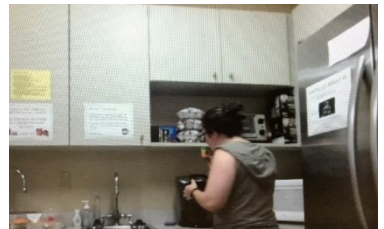
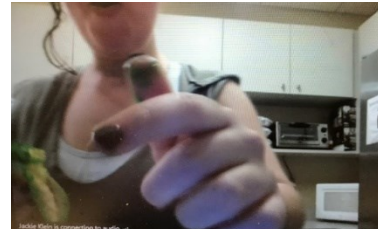
Credit to Eunice Baros for submitting this photo



## Videos On... or Off?

Zoom is a wonderful tool for our members to remain connected with Temple services and friends. But just like being at Temple, there should be some decorum... people do see you when your video is on. At services, Rabbi Salkin sometimes shares his screen and our Zoom guests are prominently seen on our overhead screens. It's so nice to see our remote participants, but what we sometimes see is often quite inappropriate and thus our Zoom hosts may shut off your video to be considerate of both you and others. We want you to enjoy your food but we don't need to see you preparing or eating it. We know you might be tired or just listening in the background, but we don't need to see you reading a book, talking on the phone or even sleeping during the service. And when you leave the screen or move about, the images we get can be quite distracting with the constant movement, angle of your video or the times when we see you going into the bathroom (yup, we've caught those times too!)

So please do join us on Zoom when you can't be in-person. But be courteous and shut off your video if you're eating, moving about or falling asleep... and please understand that if our hosts shut off your video for you, there was a reason. Simply use the chat option and let the host know you're back and ready for the video to be on. It's that easy. Thanks.



### Jacqueline Palmer, our new Administrative/Clergy Assistant

Kismet. That's what it was when we first met Jacqueline. With an outgoing personality, eagerness to help people, solid work experience and a superb skill set, she was hired on the spot. Jacqueline has joined our team seamlessly and has taken the lead on many of our events already.

Before coming to Temple Israel, Jacqueline held numerous responsible positions including as an administrator and fundraiser for the Los Angeles Zoo and more recently as a Support Sales Administrator at Coldwell Banker.

In Jacqueline's word: "Being a Sagittarius means I love to travel and so I moved from Germany to the States by myself at the fabulous age of 21. I lived in various states... but absolutely love Florida! I'm a huge animal advocate and work with two organizations here to close down the puppy mills! I foster on a regular basis besides having four dogs of my own. I've always loved volunteering and so it was the easiest decision for me to make after interviewing with Karen to become a part of the team here at Temple Israel. I can't wait to meet everyone!"



## An Afternoon at the Norton Museum of Art with our Sisterhood

Many of our Sisterhood members, friends and spouses enjoyed a fabulous private tour of the Frida Kahlo/Diego Rivera and Mexican Modernism exhibits followed by reveling in the works of Saul Steinberg: A Writer Who Draws. What a wonderful time we had!



## Annual Meeting

Temple Israel's Annual Meeting was held on January 18<sup>th</sup> with both in-person and remote attendance. We thank all of our members who joined us to review this past year and hear plans for our future. We thank all of our presenters for updating our congregation. If you missed our Year in Review video, please visit our website's home page at [www.temple-israel.com](http://www.temple-israel.com).





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Jason McKinney is an award-winning performer who has performed at such prestigious venues as The Kennedy Center and The White House, as well as opera houses and theaters in the U.S. and Europe. He has played the title roles in Don Giovanni, Le Nozze di Figaro, and Porgy and Bess among other performances including LaBoheme. McKinney has premiered new works by celebrated artists and as a concert soloist has been featured with critical acclaim throughout the world.

Educated in Judaica at the Hillel Academy in Fox Point, WI, McKinney was introduced to Jewish Music at an early age. McKinney continues to compose Jewish liturgical music and has served for over 15 years as a cantorial soloist, currently at Temple Emanuel in Winston-Salem, NC.



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## NEW at Temple Israel: ShulCloud

For those unfamiliar with “the cloud”, it is actually computer servers throughout the world that store data and allow people to access and manage that data via the internet without needing to purchase their own storage equipment.





So how does this effect Temple Israel and our members? A lot!



Our new database, ShulCloud, will enable us to email our members their yahrzeit letters, statements, donation acknowledgements and other information on a timely basis -- saving time, printing and postage. Paying your statement or making a donation can be done easily by clicking the link in your email, and setting up a payment plan is simple with new options. Even more, you will be given access to your account to view and edit information such as updating your address (especially helpful for our seasonal members) and adding a yahrzeit, and you will be able to see your financial information as well.

We've been working on this upgrade to ShulCloud for the last few months and have just recently gone live, so please understand there will be a learning curve, we still need to set-up templates and do behind-the-scenes tasks, and we ask that you bear with us if we can't answer all your questions so soon. In the next few months, we will be rolling out many of the new features – including emailed correspondence and member access – but there are a few items we still need from you.

- To be effective, each individual adult must have his or her own email address; ShulCloud does not allow one to be shared. Those who do not have a separate (or any) email address will not be able to receive emailed yahrzeit notices, specific Sisterhood or Brotherhood information, etc.; such correspondence will instead be sent by mail and will not be as timely. 
- \* If a couple has only one email address, please advise us as to whom should be assigned this address.
- \* If a couple has a second email address which has not yet been given to us, please do so immediately.
- \* If you wish to have paper information sent instead of emails, please know that we will initially be sending you both paper and email, and you can decide at that time what your option is moving forward.
- ShulCloud requires some data that our former database didn't require and, as such, we have had to “clean up” and input much information these last few months. Please confirm all information when you have access to our member data including contact info, birth year, gender, yahrzeit relationship, etc. 

We will be contacting you should we need additional information as time goes by and to update you with our progress.

We're so excited to bring you these upgrades in the next few months as we aim to make your Temple experience the very best!

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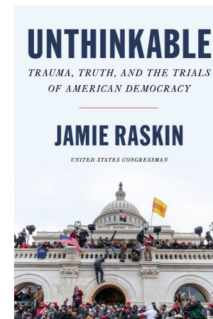
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Thurs., February 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm

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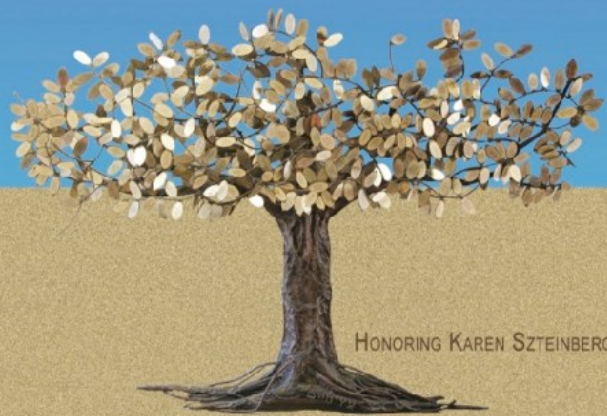
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*Elaine Feldmesser & Amy Jonas*

Note: The journals were handed out at our Annual Meeting and the remaining will be hand-delivered to our members. If you have not yet received yours, please be patient as it is on its way. You can also pick up your copy at Temple.

## MUSSAR IN A TIME OF DIVISIVENESS

Facilitated by

Dr. Barry Horowitz & Rabbi Howard Shapiro

Tuesday evenings at 7pm via Zoom  
Oct. 12, Nov 9, Dec 14, Jan 11, Feb 8, Mar 8



A student of Mussar is someone who wants to become the best possible version of the unique individual he or she already is. Given the divisive times in which we are living, this course will address attitudes and behaviors which can impede our ability to open our hearts to others, including through the study of *middot* (soul traits).

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*We appreciate the thoughtfulness of those who support Temple Israel by remembering and honoring their friends and loved ones through their generous contributions.*

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## Mazel Tov to Victoria Stewart

### on becoming a Bat Mitzvah on February 19

We asked Victoria's parents, Anna & Zach Stewart, to share in their own words a little about Victoria, and they truly spelled it out for us!

"Victoria is a Vivacious, Intelligent, Caring, Talented, Outgoing, Respectful, Imaginative, and overall, an Amazing young lady. No matter what path Victoria chooses in life, she will be successful. Her Bat Mitzvah preparation has only solidified her desire to continue with her educational journey in Judaism."

We are so proud of Victoria's accomplishments and wish the Stewart family a heartfelt Mazel Tov, many more *simchas* and continued *nachas*!



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|                      |                        |
|----------------------|------------------------|
| 1 Eleanor Shiffman   | 15 Ann Small           |
| 1 Irv Silver         | 15 Barbara Stern       |
| 2 Lisa Caplan        | 17 Julia Rothschild    |
| 2 Liam Fine          | 18 Stuart Bagatell     |
| 3 Keren Eckstein     | 18 Rachel Green        |
| 3 Adrienne Weissman  | 19 Carol Loreto-Maddox |
| 4 Drew Lederman      | 19 Lynn Ross Levy      |
| 4 Ella Preefer       | 19 Colby Stern         |
| 6 Stanley Althof     | 22 Carole Klein        |
| 6 Gregg Weiss        | 24 Rick Baer           |
| 6 Linda Yosinoff     | 25 Marcie              |
| 7 Aden Bentolila     | Gorman-Althof          |
| 7 Noah De Chalambert | 25 Cindy Kreisberg     |
| 7 Stacy Laskin       | 26 Alvin Jagoda        |
| 7 Theodore Leopold   | 26 Irma Morris         |
| 10 Judith Kanter     | 28 Martin List         |
| 12 Erica Maltz       | 28 Zelda Mason         |

## February Anniversaries

|                                |
|--------------------------------|
| 11 Jacqueline & Bernard Kandel |
| 14 Sandy & Fred Fine           |
| 18 Linda & Ray Golden          |
| 20 Cheri & Michael Alexander   |



### MAZEL TOV to...

**Carole and Paul Klein** on their granddaughter

Amanda Seifer becoming a bat mitzvah in January in North Miami Beach, and to Amanda's proud parents Rachel and David Seifer and her siblings Julia and Evan.

**Barbara and Ken Horowitz** on the recent engagements of both of their sons -- Michael to Louisa Lee (to be married this summer in Ithaca, NY) and Jonathan to Angie Kavekos (no date set just yet).



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## 2022 FEBRUARY

| Sunday                 | Monday              | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
|------------------------|---------------------|---|---|--|---|---|
| 30                     | 31                  | 01  | 02  | 03   | 04  | 05  |
|                        |                     | Hebrew School<br><b>10:00am</b><br>Beginning Hebrew for Adults<br><b>1:30pm</b><br>Online Beginning Bridge Lessons  | <b>9:00am</b><br>Mat Yoga<br><b>10:30am</b><br>Chair Yoga   | <b>10:00am</b><br>Duplicate Bridge Game<br><b>1:00pm</b><br>Beginning Bridge Lessons   | <b>6:30pm</b><br><i>Erev Shabbat</i><br>worship service   | <b>9:30am</b><br>Torah Study<br>Haftarah Will<br>Travel (via Zoom)  |
| 06<br>Religious School | 07                  | 08  | 09  | 10   | 11<br>★ ★ ★<br><b>6:30pm</b><br>Shabbat Under the Stars with Peri Smilow in person  | 12  |
|                        |                     | Hebrew School<br><b>10:00am</b><br>Beginning Hebrew for Adults<br><b>1:30pm</b><br>Online Beginning Bridge Lessons<br><b>7:00pm</b><br>Mussar in a Time of Divisiveness | <b>9:00am</b><br>Mat Yoga<br><b>10:30am</b><br>Chair Yoga   | <b>10:00am</b><br>Duplicate Bridge Game<br><b>1:00pm</b><br>Beginning Bridge Lessons   |   | <b>9:30am</b><br>Torah Study<br>Haftarah Will<br>Travel (via Zoom)  |
| 13<br>Religious School | 14                  | 15  | 16  | 17   | 18  | 19  |
|                        |                     | Hebrew School<br><b>10:00am</b><br>Beginning Hebrew for Adults<br><b>1:30pm</b><br>Online Beginning Bridge Lessons<br><b>7:00pm</b><br>Board Meeting                    | <b>9:00am</b><br>Mat Yoga<br><b>10:30am</b><br>Chair Yoga   | <b>10:00am</b><br>Duplicate Bridge Game<br><b>1:00pm</b><br>Beginning Bridge Lessons<br><b>7:00pm</b><br>TI Reads: Unthinkable | <b>6:30pm</b><br><i>Erev Shabbat</i><br>worship service   | <b>9:00am</b> <- note time<br>Torah Study<br>Haftarah Will<br>Travel (via Zoom )<br><b>10:30am</b><br>Victoria Stewart<br>Bat Mitzvah |
| 20                     | 21<br>OFFICE CLOSED | 22  | 23  | 24   | 25  | 26  |
|                        |                     | Hebrew School<br><b>10:00am</b><br>Beginning Hebrew for Adults<br><b>1:30pm</b><br>Online Beginning Bridge Lessons  | <b>9:00am</b><br>Mat Yoga<br><b>10:30am</b><br>Chair Yoga   | <b>10:00am</b><br>Duplicate Bridge Game  | <b>5:00pm</b><br>Family Shabbat on Facebook<br><b>7:30pm</b> 🎵<br><i>Erev Shabbat</i><br>worship service and Simply Jewish: Diversity through Music with Jason McKinney | <b>9:30am</b><br>Torah Study<br>Haftarah Will<br>Travel (via Zoom)  |
| 27<br>Religious School | 28                  | 01  | 02  | 03   | 04  | 05  |
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