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# Koleynu

Cherish the Glow: A Peek into the  
Enchanting Moments of Temple Israel's  
Chanukah Celebrations!

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# From Our President

## Charlie Eaton, President



### Happy 2024!

I've graduated from co-president to president. Marty List has gone out with flying colors after a four-year stint as president and then co-president. Marty is a tough act to follow. He guided Temple Israel through some of its most challenging times: COVID, new rabbis, new cantorial soloist, new staff, and plans for a new campus. His big-picture vision, hard work, persistence, and expertise literally saved Temple Israel from a looming financial crisis. We should all be grateful. I am. I have big shoes to fill, literally; Marty's shoes are a full two sizes larger than mine. And figuratively; Temple Israel has new momentum and needs even more to grow and carry us through the challenges of relocating.

As Temple Israel President, I

have three goals for the next two years. The first goal is Temple Israel board development. Our Board of Trustees is an amazing group. I want to empower our board members further, streamline our procedures, engage more congregants in board activities, foster a culture of respect and compassion, and – very importantly – create an inviting environment for my successor. The second goal is to ensure Temple Israel's long-term financial stability. Although the proceeds from our campus sale averted financial calamity, this is only a one-time temporary stopgap measure. In the middle of record harvests, Joseph advised Pharaoh to prepare for lean years with immediate action. We must act now to prepare for the fiscal challenges of our relocations and avoid returning to an unsustainable financial scenario. We need a large endowment to sustain Temple Israel far into the future, and we will create this together, starting now. The third goal is to support our rabbis as they take new steps to keep Temple Israel relevant, engage our growing local

Jewish community, sustain our current congregation, and keep our staff happy and productive. When Rabbis Carlie and Ryan make suggestions and present new ideas, my reaction isn't "What?" - it's "Why didn't I think of that?" Our rabbis foster a culture of directness and approachability. If you have an issue or request relating to or involving our rabbis, they ask you to speak with them directly. They are the clerical point persons. If you have an issue or request relating to our staff activities, speak directly to Tamekia Graham, our Acting Executive Director. She is the office point person. For all other Temple Israel issues or requests involving lay leadership, speak directly with me. I'm the board point person, and it's my job to steer you in the right direction.

I'm grateful for Marty and our past presidents' guidance and encouragement. I look forward to the time when I can be as helpful to my successors as my predecessors are to me.

# Let's Start with 'Why?'

## Rabbi Carlie Daniels & Rabbi Ryan Daniels



**At the beginning of this New Year,** we stand poised and ready to build upon our congregation's rich past and plan for the future. As we come together to celebrate our formal Installation on January 26th as Temple Israel's Co-Senior Rabbis, we are eager to partner with you in the next phase of our synagogue's evolution, transforming Temple Israel and the wider Palm Beach County community.

Together we will write Temple Israel's next chapter, collectively imagining what we will be and how we will get there. However, we must start by first defining "Why?," a much more compelling and motivating place to begin. In that spirit, we must clarify our mission, exploring our beliefs and purpose, to build upon Temple Israel's approach over time to living Judaism, as well as respond to the current and evolving needs of our thriving congregation.

As author and inspirational

speaker on business leadership Simon Sinek teaches, "The problem is that WHAT and HOW do not inspire action. Facts and figures make rational sense, but we don't make decisions purely based on facts and figures. Starting with WHAT is what commodities do. Starting with WHY is what leaders do."

As Sinek observes, every single company or organization knows what they do, fewer know how they do it, but very few can articulate why they do what they do. This is certainly true for many Jewish organizations, including synagogues. As the great Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks, of blessed memory, taught, "There is much in Judaism about what: what is permitted, what forbidden, what is sacred, what is secular. There is much, too, about how: how to learn, how to pray, how to grow in our relationship with God and with other people. There is relatively little about why."

We invite you to be part of this important conversation; we need your ideas and input. In partnership with laity and staff, we feel both humbled and fortunate to be tasked with

guiding the congregation through this next period of exploration, moving us toward a sustainable, vibrant future for generations to come. As we have shared many times, everyone is a stakeholder and community matters. We believe that our community is a place where people feel safe and cared for. We believe that our community is a place where we can learn and grow together. We do this in Shabbat and holiday worship, lifecycle celebrations, learning, tikkun olam, "repairing the world," and of course in the many ways we each continue to care for one another.

As we start this journey together, we are anchored by the wisdom of our tradition. We will learn and worship, growing intellectually and spiritually through study and sacred practice. Together we will celebrate, travel, and do the work of tikkun olam, "repairing the world," finding meaning, connection, and relevance in Judaism's ancient teachings. We will have the privilege of walking with you through times of joy and celebration as well as inevitable times of loss and sadness. We are honored to walk this path with you, collectively and as individuals, as we forge this sacred relationship.

# From Our Cantorial Soloist

**Suzanne Guinane**



**It is said** we each have our own song to sing. Everyone's song is uniquely written for them. Only we can sing our song and the world needs our song.

Each *Torah* scroll has its own unique song to sing, too. There is a *trope* chart that lists the melodies to chant for each *trope* phrase in the *Torah*. I like to think of this as the first layer of the *Torah's* song. Each person who chants *Torah* adds their own voice and song to the scroll. The richness of layers of song in each *Torah* is beautiful and immeasurable. Many have the gift of hearing and sensing the history and/or layers of songs contained in a *Torah*. I will admit I am one of them. This may not surprise many of you. For me, it was a little overwhelming and unsettling when I began chanting *Torah*, especially when the letters would seem to dance across the page. Add to this that chanting *Torah* is very meditative for me and can transport me "off the scroll" in an instant, despite my deepest level of concentration. One of the cantors I studied under would chuckle when, after reviewing a

*Torah* portion before a service, I'd say, "Okay. Thank you. Please stay right where you are. I'll be back soon," to the Hebrew letters in a scroll.

Chanting *Torah* is a sacred gift for me and my *D'verei Torah*. I especially love sharing and passing on this tradition to *B'nei Mitzvah*. Watching their eyes light up and soul shine through their smiles when they "get it" is priceless. They are empowered and add their voices and songs to each *Torah* scroll, joining our ancestors and all who have come before them. *L'dor vador*, from generation to generation, they and we add our voice, our song, our link to and in the chain, connecting us to our ancestors.

On Sunday, November 12th, I had the honor of accompanying Rabbi Ryan and our Holocaust *Torah* scroll from the Czech Republic as it was reunited with 27 Holocaust *Sifrei Torah* on permanent loan to congregations in South Florida from the Memorial Scrolls Trust (MST) of London. The 60th anniversary reunion took place at Temple Emanu-El in Palm Beach. I was overcome with emotion as each *Torah* scroll was carried into the sanctuary. I could hear their unique songs sung by so many of our ancestors who chanted from them before the Holocaust,

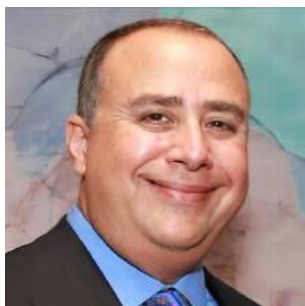
saved and hid them, and the *Soferim* who restored them, allowing us to continue their song, story and history. The sight of all 28 *Sifrei Torah* on the bimah still defies description. I could feel their excitement at being together again after so many years. It was wonderful to share this experience with post *B'nei Mitzvah* David Partheniou and his mother Maya Blackett. David chanted from our scroll last May; our scroll was still rolled to his *Torah* portion, *B'midbar*.

Our Holocaust *Torah* scroll is one of approximately 1,000 scrolls rescued and restored from the Holocaust. Our scroll is from Zamberk, a small town in Bohemia, west of Prague. The words of Isaiah 27:6, *Haftarah for Sh'mot*, appear on the cover, *yatzitz ufarach Yisrael* – Israel shall sprout and blossom. Underneath these words is the yellow star worn by Lora Baum's grandfather while he was in *Theresienstadt*.

May we each embrace and sing our own unique song, adding its beauty to the world for our ancestors and those who have been silenced. This is how we strengthen and protect the long chain of our history while ensuring Israel shall and will continue to sprout and blossom. *Kein y'hi ratzon* (May it be so).

# The Mussar Moment

Dr. Barry Horowitz



**We all face obstacles in life,** so-called “bumps in the road.” These obstacles could be health challenges, financial reversals, strife with family or friends, and the list goes on. From a Mussar perspective, life is a curriculum and the challenges we face are meant to help us grow and move in the direction of *sh’lemut*, or wholeness.

But when we are in the midst of these waves that can knock us for a loop, how do we deal with them? One answer is to have a spiritual practice akin to working out in the gym to strengthen your muscles. This gives us the tools and fortitude to face tough times. Another approach is to use different *middot*, or soul traits, germane to the situation.

One that immediately comes to mind is *Bitachon*, or trust (in God). This gives us a choice

over how we can evaluate and respond to this world. *Bitachon* does not mean that we should trust that things will work out for the best. Rather, it gives us the opportunity to understand that whatever is happening in our lives is nothing more or less than the curriculum that is in front of us. If we understand that there are so many forces in the universe that we cannot control and that we can truly only see part of the situation, we can live and act from a place of no fear. It is a most powerful tool.

Another *middah* to put in play is *Hakarat Ha’Tov*, translated as gratitude. Most of us focus so heavily on the deficiencies in our lives that we barely perceive all of the good that counterbalances them. When we practice gratitude, we make an effort to heighten our awareness of the gifts we already possess, and doing so provides us with resources that help us face whatever we encounter in our lives. Another aspect of this is that from where we stand in any given moment, we cannot

really know if a given situation is truly “good” or “bad.” The challenge is to try and see that even in the troubles we face in this world, we can find good and something to be grateful for.

Finally, it is useful to focus on the other and not ourselves. This creates space in our hearts for love. To quote Alan Morinis from *Everyday Holiness*, “If you think you are supposed to be the master of your life - as if that were possible - the terrible happenings that inevitably come your way in this imperfect world are defeats, making happiness impossible. The Jewish tradition actually gives us a different job description and advises us not to seek happiness, but to recognize instead that we are meant to be servants of God. As such, the challenges of life are just the stuff of a day’s labor in the fields of the Lord. Though the direct pursuit of happiness is a sure-fire recipe for suffering, living your life as a servant of God paradoxically makes happiness possible.”



Check out Dr. Barry Horowitz & Rabbi Howard Shapiro’s adult education class “Mussar in Action” on page 26!

# From Our Executive Director

**Tamekia Graham**



**As I sit here,** reflecting on the journey of the past 5 years, I find myself contemplating the concepts of growth, change, transition, and my willingness to accept the unknown. These are not merely buzzwords, they are notches that contribute to defining the parts of our character that people see, and the parts we think they don't see. My season of change has coincided with periods of significant transitions at Temple Israel, including my own evolution within my role. My involvement at Temple Israel began under the spiritual leadership of Rabbi Olshein, followed by a transition to Rabbi Salkin, our COVID-Interim which ended up lasting 3 years. I have also seen various installations of presidents and several terms of lay leadership, each offering their unique leadership styles and strengths to our synagogue. Throughout this time, Rabbi Emeritus Howard Shapiro has been a consistent, guiding

presence, especially as we navigate the installation process of our current and soon-to-be permanently installed Co-Senior Rabbis, Carlie and Ryan Daniels, who have emerged as transformative leaders within our community.

Change is the shifty cousin to comfort; it often brings us uncertainty, anxiety, fear and discomfort. One day, you're minding your business planning a vacation (LOL), and next, you find yourself surrounded by colleagues and leadership who seem to have multiplied overnight. You may think to yourself, who are these people? One thing is for sure, change causes resistance, as it disrupts the familiar while pushing towards the unknown. Change hurts, it causes malice and mistrust, it speculates and rumors, it feels like loss and sadness; change requires mourning. We can agree, change is hard, but change can teach us to adapt and embrace the unexpected as it carries us, sometimes dragging us, along the way!

Change is the vehicle we take towards the journey called

growth: a relentless pursuit of personal development and expansion. Growth isn't always welcomed, but it is usually fulfilling. Bridging the gap between the old and the new, the past and the future, requires a willingness to transition. Acceptance has taught me to extend compassion to myself and others, while finding unity in the midst of diversity.

As I reflect upon these profound concepts, I realize that they are not isolated fragments of my journey, but rather interconnected threads that weave the tapestry of my personal life and my life at Temple Israel. Growth, change, transition, and acceptance are not destinations to be reached, but rather ongoing processes that shape our existence. I invite our community to embrace the lessons of growth, change, transition, and acceptance. Let us dance with the winds of change, navigate the transitions with grace, and cultivate a spirit of acceptance that celebrates the beauty of our shared humanity and community. In doing so, we will embark on a journey of self-discovery and transformation.

# Temple Israel Stands with Israel

## Show Support for IDF Reservists, Facilitated by Debbie Hirsch

Temple Israel is supporting the grassroots effort to purchase and ship essential supplies to IDF reservists, facilitated by longtime TI member Debbie Hirsch. Read more about the program here:

### Support IDF Soldiers

“To our South Florida Community of Israel Supporters:

We are coordinating a grassroots effort to purchase and ship basic supplies needed by IDF reservists in the field. The two of us teamed up when we were introduced by activist/philanthropist Lisa Bardin, the wife of Noam Bardin, Post.news founder and former Waze CEO.

### The Challenge:

The Israeli government is overwhelmed, given that 350,000 reservists have been called up. Their protective equipment needs (such as

special goggles) are not yet being met.

### The Solution:

We are collecting the needed supplies, packing them into duffel bags, and flying them from Miami to Israel with El Al passengers multiple times per week. When the planes land, IDF-connected Israelis use their network of drivers to deliver the duffels to military bases. So far, more than 500 bags have reached IDF soldiers within two days of leaving Miami International Airport.

### How Can You Help?

1. Purchase basic supplies (gloves, socks, backpacks, rain gear, etc.) on our Amazon Wish List (scan QR code below). After adding items to your cart, choose “Jacquie” on the shipping page.
2. Items purchased from U.S. wholesale suppliers will be shipped on pallets in cargo planes. Please contact us if

you are a wholesaler or know of one.

3. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, we are affiliated with the Mark and Anna Ruth Hasten Family Foundation, a Jewish philanthropy based in Indianapolis, Indiana. Please contact us to make a tax-deductible donation through PayPal or Zelle.

Your assistance is truly invaluable. Thank you for caring and providing your support for Israel. Please share this with everyone you know and feel free to contact us with any questions. Am Yisrael Chai!

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Scan the QR code to purchase from the Amazon Wish List. Choose “Jacquie” on the shipping page!



For the full list of additional resources, information, and ways to support Israel that is continually being updated, please visit our website [www.Temple-Israel.com/Israel/](http://www.Temple-Israel.com/Israel/).

# President's Circle

## Amy & Michael Jonas, Co-Chairs



**We are pleased to report** that the President's Circle remains strong. We have 76 donors composed of both families and singles.

As Jews, we know that we are required to give *tzedakah*; it is not voluntary. According to Maimonides, "Even a poor person who lives entirely on *tzedakah* must also give *tzedakah*." But, the President's Circle membership is not an act of *tzedakah*; it is an expression of *t'rumah*. God asks the children of Israel to donate gifts (*t'rumah*) for the building of the Tabernacle so that God may dwell among us (Exodus 25:1-9).

The question has always been whether it is right to celebrate the donation of gifts. According to Rabbi Solomon Freehof, a noted scholar and past president of the CCAR (1943-45), the celebration of contributors is permissible if the purpose is to safeguard the gift and especially to

encourage others to give "to open the door to the other doers of good deeds." This is the approach we have taken to our President's Circle events.

No good deed should go unappreciated or uncelebrated. To show our appreciation, we are inviting all President's Circle members to join us on February 10th for a special event: "A Night At The Opera... At The Temple." Between 5pm and 7:30pm, we will enjoy a cocktail reception followed by a special musical presentation, featuring opera singers from the highly acclaimed University of Miami Frost School of Music.

To open the door to the other doers of good deeds, those donors attending the event are encouraged to bring as their guests, someone who is not a Temple member, but who could join Temple Israel at the President's Circle level. We are pleased to further report that in 2024, Howard Kaslow and Brigitte Merey have committed to opening the door to the President's Circle, Traci and Keith Braun have increased to the Gold

Level, and Barbara Brizel has increased her commitment to the Diamond Level. We hope as the year progresses, we will be able to report many more additions and increases. Remember, membership in the President's Circle is inclusive of, and not in addition to, your annual commitment.

We encourage anyone who is able to consider becoming a President's Circle member to join. And if you already are a PC supporter, please consider joining Barbara, Traci, and Keith in making a move up. Updating the President's Circle Donor Recognition Plaque that hangs in the social hall lobby is a job that we truly never tire of doing.

If you have any questions about the President's Circle or the February 10th event, please contact Traci Braun at [Traci@temple-israel.com](mailto:Traci@temple-israel.com) or call the Temple's office at 561-833-8421 or if you want, speak with Amy on her cell at 561-714-9000.

Best regards,

Amy & Michael Jonas  
President's Circle Co-Chairs

# Membership Committee

## Michell Escobar and Terry Hork, Co-Chairs



### Wear White, Eat Light, Ballot Site!

The last few months of 2023 certainly brought member engagement to new heights. Our 100th-anniversary celebration was spectacular, and almost 100 menorahs at the Simply Jewish Special Chanukah Celebration added a lovely touch to the evening and full sanctuary. So now, what is happening in the first months of 2024? Below are the events planned by the membership committee. Mark these dates on your calendars and be sure to read the Koleynu and Monday emails for last-minute information. Don't forget to pick up a flyer

when you are at Temple. The flyers are a great tool to hand out to friends.

### Wednesday, January 24th -

**WEAR WHITE!** Croquet Lunch and Learn. 11:30am at the National Croquet Club. Refer to the flyer on page 25 of this Koleynu for details. This is a perfect event to bring a friend. This is a private club and we need a minimum of 20 participants. RSVP by Jan. 3rd or as soon after as possible.

### Tuesday, January 30th

Membership Committee meeting at TI. The exact time will be in an email, but it will be in the early evening.

### Saturday, February 17th -

**EAT LIGHT!** Brunch after Torah Study. 11:00am at Loic Bakery on Hibiscus Street, not far from TI. See the flyer on page 26 for details. You don't need to have been at Torah Study to join the group for

brunch, but you need to RSVP.

### Friday, April 5th

New Member Shabbat

### Wednesday, April 18th - BALLOT SITE!

We hope the new Palm Beach County Voter Equipment Service Center will be ready for us in the morning for this free private tour (with lots of SWAG), showing how the Palm Beach County votes are processed (This is non-partisan... just operational). We need 30 participants (bring a friend!). Both of your co-chairs attended one of these tours a couple of years ago, and it was fascinating to see the behind-the-scenes operation. If this new facility is not completed by April, we will attempt to reschedule it for May.

Hope to see you at one of the events.



## Reunion of Holocaust-Surviving Torah Scrolls

Temple Israel was invited to a special gathering to honor the rescued Holocaust-surviving Sifrei Torah Scroll that we have the distinct and sacred honor of housing. The Sefer Torah – one of about 1,000 rescued Czech Torahs – is on permanent loan to us from the Memorial Scrolls Trust (MST) of London. Czech Torah scrolls from all over Florida were reunited and honored during this service, highlighting the resilient spirit of a dispersed community coming together.

# Brotherhood

## Howard Solomon, Brotherhood President



**When we often think of Brotherhood**, we think of the events and services Brotherhood provides. There is the Shababeque, the annual steak dinner, the dinner in the Sukkah with Brother Barry Horowitz's famous Texas-style brisket, the breakfast provided at the first religious school class of the year, and the generous donations we make, such as to Temple Israel itself and to Israel to support its war effort against Hamas.

There is another little-known

Temple Israel service, staffed by many Brotherhood members, that provides a valuable service to members of our community. I'm talking about the West Palm Beach Food Pantry. Our food pantry is run by Cros Ministries and is located at the First Christian Church on South Congress Avenue. For several years now, Temple Israel has staffed the food pantry on the first and third Fridays of every month. Other churches and synagogues are assigned other days.

On our days, several of us check the clients in and escort them around the pantry, which is lined with shelves of various non-perishable food items. The clients pick out what they want among the available items. In addition,

the pantry has a refrigerator with different produce or dairy items and a freezer with different kinds of meats. After choosing what food they want, the clients are escorted to their cars, where we help them load up the cars. We are generally met with a sincere "Thank You" and/or "God Bless."

The food pantry is regularly staffed by Brotherhood members including me, Howard Berman, Jim Eisenberg and Paul Klein. In addition, other regular helpers are honorary Brotherhood members Carole Klein, Esther Perman and Amy Wilkinson. Please feel free to join us in this worthwhile endeavor by contacting me (561-254-9867) or Jim Eisenberg (561-371-2386).



**Join TI's Brotherhood at the Food Pantry!**

# Sisterhood Corner

**Sondra Hoffman, VP of Administration**



## **The Temple's 100th**

Anniversary Celebration in November was a wonderful evening. Congratulations and thanks to the chairwomen and their committee for creating such a beautiful soiree. The food was amazing, the costumes remarkable and the dueling pianos and dancing made for an anniversary to remember.

By the time you read this, it will be 2024. Happy New Year to you and yours.

Who would have thought that we, as Jews, would be where we are today? When I reflect on Rabbi Ryan's December 1st sermon, I too have experienced vivid and unsettling dreams related to the horrific events of October 7th. No doubt we are all feeling a range of emotions about the conflict in Israel. We hope that the remaining 140 hostages (at the time of this writing) will soon be released. We experience joy to see families reunited in Israel,

which makes us appreciate our loved ones and friends even more. We send prayers and support to the people of Israel and hope that this war and the global rise in anti-Semitism tempers soon.

But other than hope and pray, what more can we do?

Our Sisterhood donated \$2,500 to the Federation's Terror Relief fund immediately following October 7th. We donated another \$2,500 to the Jewish National Fund USA in November; 100% of the donation goes to the Resilience Campaign, supporting a wide variety of needs resulting from the October 7th massacre. This was approved unanimously by our board members.

Debbie Hirsch, Sisterhood Recording Secretary, is working to secure supplies for IDF Reservists. This is a grassroots effort to purchase and ship supplies needed by IDF reservists in the field. The supplies are sent in duffel bags from Miami to Israel. You can purchase items from their Amazon Wish List. The link can be found on TI's website at [Temple-Israel.com/Israel/](https://Temple-Israel.com/Israel/).

Our Sisterhood has many wonderful upcoming programs. We strive to plan events that will offer engagement opportunities for members of all ages. If you joined us at Dramaworks, we hope you enjoyed the afternoon of theatre and friendship.

Mark your calendars for the programs below and look in TI's Monday emails or this Koleynu (pgs. 24-26) for registration information:

- Sisterhood Meet & Greet - January 17th at 11am
- Walk & Talk - February 4th at 11am. Docent tour at Pan's Gardens, followed by a lunch.
- Sisterhood/Brotherhood Shabbat - February 23rd
- Brotherhood Family/Date Night at the Ball Field - March 16th at 6pm. Join us as the Astros play the Mets.
- Sisterhood Annual Fashion Show - March 17th.

As always, we encourage involvement in your sisterhood. Welcome to our new TI members. Join us! We're a spirited group of awesome women who will welcome you with open arms. I am available to you should you have questions, suggestions or comments at 561-628-1856!

# Congratulations to Zelda Mason on Receiving Alpert Jewish Family Service's Luminary Award

**Congratulations** to Long-time Temple Israel member and former TI president Zelda Mason on receiving Alpert Jewish Family Service's Luminary Award! Zelda is being honored for her extraordinary philanthropy, leadership, and dedication to Alpert JFS.

During her six decades of residence in Palm Beach County, Zelda has made a commitment to charity, which she has showcased through numerous leadership roles. Her notable contributions include serving as the

Immediate past Board Chair and President of Ferd & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family Service and Melvin J. & Claire Levine Jewish Residential & Family Service. Additionally, Zelda has played a pivotal role as the Founding Chair of the Alpert JFS Chai Society and as a member of the Board of the Palm Beach Fellowship of Christians & Jews.

Zelda's dedication extends to various prestigious positions, including past Presidential roles at the Brandeis National Women's Committee, Mandel Jewish Community Center of

the Palm Beaches, and Temple Israel of West Palm Beach. She has also served as the Past Women's Philanthropy Campaign Chair at the Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County and as a Board Member of the Armory Art Center.

Zelda will be honored at Alpert JFS's 20th Annual "No Excuse for Abuse" Evening at the Kravis Center. Zelda, Congratulations on your well-deserved recognition! May this acknowledgment be a celebration of your hard work and an inspiration for others.



Zelda pictured with (left to right) Gary Hoffman, Board Chair & President, her daughter, Traci Braun, and Marc Hopin, CEO

# Congratulations to Karen List on Her Election to the National Board of Women's Philanthropy



**"I am honored** to have been elected to the National Board of Women's Philanthropy. Women philanthropists are the change makers and the community shapers of the world. The national board is made up of about 120 women from the U.S. and around the world. We are women in action at every stage of life who are committed to making the

world and our communities a better place. We are building and shaping Jewish life for generations to come." - Karen List

Karen's dedication to impacting the world and shaping communities is truly inspiring. Her role as a change maker and community shaper is a testament to her leadership. We eagerly anticipate the positive influence she will undoubtedly bring on a national scale, shaping Jewish life for generations to come. Congratulations Karen, from Temple Israel!

## Temple Israel Receives a Tribute from the City of West Palm Beach

**Temple Israel is honored** to receive a heartfelt tribute from the City of West Palm Beach and Mayor Keith A. James. This recognition is a testament to our century-long commitment to spiritual development, community service, social action, and education. As we celebrate 100 years of existence, we are grateful for the continued support of the city and its leadership. This tribute also acknowledges the unwavering dedication of our clergy, lay leaders, staff, and members who have tirelessly supported the temple's mission and played a crucial role in our journey of growth and service to the community. This tribute reflects the enduring impact Temple Israel has had on our community, and we remain dedicated to fostering these pillars of growth for many years to come.

Temple Israel lay leaders and clergy met with Mayor James on December 21st to receive the tribute.



# Thanks to our Outgoing Board Members for your Service!



**We express our heartfelt** gratitude to the dedicated Co-President and board members whose terms have recently concluded, concluding their tenure on our board. Marty List, Lori Ackerman, Fred Apel, Michael Jonas, Terry Resk, Howard Solomon, and Linda Solomon have contributed significantly, and we extend our sincere thanks for their valuable service. Your commitment has played a crucial role in Temple Israel's success, and we appreciate the lasting impact you've made.

Please join us on January 5th

for a special Friday Night Worship Service and Oneg reception as we honor and celebrate the remarkable contributions of our outgoing co-president and board members. We invite you to join us for a light wine and cheese gathering at 6pm, followed by service at 6:30pm. Come share in the joy, gratitude, and community as we pay tribute to leaders whose dedication has enriched our congregation.

We would also like to introduce the nominees who are running for TI's 2024-2025 Board. Our new Board

will be guiding us as we thrive into our next year. This year's board nominees include Allan Adelson, Joel Levine, Amy Devore, Naomi Hoffman, Cindy McDonald, and Harry Kaufman.

Please mark your calendars for our Annual Congregational Meeting on January 16th at 6pm. At this meeting, we will enjoy a pizza dinner, the board nominees will be voted on, and the Related Companies will give a special presentation on exciting updates to our building plans. It is a meeting you won't want to miss!



**Our Sisterhood & Brotherhood had a wonderful time watching *The Messenger* at Palm Beach Dramaworks!**

# Reflecting on Temple Israel's Centennial Celebration!

**On November 11th**, Temple Israel of West Palm Beach joyously celebrated a remarkable milestone – our 100th-year anniversary. This historic achievement stands as a testament to the enduring commitment of the Temple and our members to community, faith, and tradition.

To commence the centennial weekend, we initiated the festivities with Friday Night Shabbat services. During this sacred occasion, members reflected on the past century, looked optimistically toward the future, honored TI's esteemed board members, and relished a delightful dessert Oneg reception.

On Saturday, Temple Israel hosted an unforgettable birthday bash in our ballroom, featuring the extraordinary talents of HOWL2GO – a musical ensemble that brought the house down with dueling pianos, a guitarist, and energetic drums that had everyone dancing throughout the night. Attendees delighted

in a cocktail buffet, desserts, and an open bar all night long, fostering meaningful conversations and connections. What made this celebration truly unique was the diverse array of attire, as guests donned fashion from their favorite decade spanning 1923 to the present – flapper dresses, fedoras, poodle skirts, and 70s rock band t-shirts added a playful and nostalgic touch to the evening.

To conclude the celebratory weekend, families from Temple Israel's religious school gathered in the courtyard for their own 100th-anniversary celebration on Sunday morning. Singing and dancing, led by the clergy team and staff, cupcakes, ice cream, balloon animals, and an enriching session with guest speaker Neo, a shinshinit visiting from Israel, added to the festive spirit. Neo shared insights into his life in Israel, assisted students in crafting thank-you cards for IDF soldiers, and provided

support with Hebrew lessons.

As Temple Israel reflects on its 100th-year anniversary celebration, it serves as a poignant reminder that this community has stood resilient in both moments of joy and times of struggle for a century. The weekend's festivities not only honored the Temple's history but also symbolized our collective strength and pride as a community. In every shared laugh, in every heartfelt conversation, and in every dance that filled the ballroom, we demonstrated our unwavering commitment to one another. This celebration was more than just a commemoration of the past; it was a powerful affirmation of TI's enduring spirit. This 100th year milestone signifies not only where Temple Israel has been, but also the promise of where we are going. Temple Israel celebrates not only a century of history but also the boundless potential of its future as a community that stands strong, resilient, and proud.



# Reflecting on Temple Israel's Centennial Celebration!



# Chanukah Highlight: Chanukah in Bradley Park

**Our Chanukah in Bradley Park** event, in partnership with Palm Beach Synagogue, Temple Emanu-El, Temple Beth El, and New Synagogue, was a true festival of lights and love! From devouring donuts to savoring matzah ball soup, every moment was a taste of tradition and togetherness. Amidst the festivities, our hearts remained dedicated to praying for and working towards the safety of those in Israel. Avraham Shamriz, whose son is still being held hostage, shared powerful words of unity in front of the menorah, which was wrapped in blue ribbons for Israel and stood tall as a beacon of hope.



Juliana Kohl Gendelman, Rosie, Chris Goldberg, Rabbi Ryan Daniels



Rabbi Ryan Daniels



Lisa Kay & Sara Harary



Avraham Shamriz



Stu Weisbrod, Ivy-Ariel, Heather Agatstein



Jenna List, Cora, Rabbi Ryan Daniels, Marty List



The lighting of the Menorah, wrapped in blue ribbons.



The event had a huge turnout!



Rabbis Ryan & Carlie Daniels, Amalia

# Chanukah Highlight: Celebration with Elana Arian

**Our Chanukah celebration** this year was nothing short of magical, drawing a remarkable crowd that filled the atmosphere with joy and warmth. Elana Arian's musical talents added a unique and uplifting dimension to the festivities, creating a memorable experience for all. The abundance of family activities fostered a sense of togetherness, and the aroma of freshly cooked latkes filled the air, reminding us that Chanukah is not just a festival of lights, but also a celebration of community, music, and traditions.



Elana Arian



Karen List, Kaia, Willa,  
Lori Ackerman



TI children receiving a Blessing  
on the Bima



Asher participated in tikkun olam & bagged  
care packages for Inner City Innovators!



Kylie, Rabbi Ryan Daniels,  
Julie Marsh



Ellen Goldenson, Elaine  
Feldmesser, Suzanne Guinane



Jedidiah Maness, Elana Arian,  
Suzanne Guinane, Ben



The glow from the menorahs  
added warmth to the celebration.



Tami Lesser & Craig Glover

## Chanukah Highlight: Additional Events!

**Our Chanukah celebration** continued all week long! On the first night, Rabbi Carlie had the honor of lighting the menorah for the Lake Clark Shores community, reveling in the tight-knit community as the first candle was lit. TI also participated in Temple Beth El's "Lights Unite: Community Concert to Banish Darkness," featuring the captivating performance of our cantorial soloist, Suzanne Guinane. The event not only showcased musical talents, but also contributed to meaningful causes, with 100% of ticket sales donated to FIDF, Stand With Us, and ELEM—organizations dedicated to the welfare of Israel and combating anti-Semitism.

### Thursday, December 7th - Annual Lake Clarke Shores Menorah Lighting



### Sunday, December 10th - Lights Unite: Community Concert Banishing Darkness at Temple Beth El



## Special Shabbats at Temple Israel!

### Friday, November 3rd - Musical Kabbalat Shabbat on the Beach with Saul Kaye



### Friday, November 26th - Mystical Kabbalat Shabbat with Cantorial Soloist Suzanne Guinane, Julio, Samara, and Jedidiah



### Lois Pope Donates 16th Magen David Adam Mobile Unit



Rabbi Ryan had the honor of offering a blessing at the dedication ceremony of a new American Friends of Magen David Adom mobile unit, the 16th unit generously donated by Lois Pope. Mrs. Pope's unwavering compassion and dedication shine as a guiding example, urging us to dedicate ourselves to tikkun olam, the repair of the world, and help those in need.

# January & February Celebrations!

## January Birthdays

2	Rabbi Paul Menitoff	13	Benjamin Bagatell	22	Rhona Shugarman
3	Jacqueline Kandel	13	Linda Solomon	22	Kenny Sims
3	Joan Schneider	14	Richard Cohen	23	Aubrey Roscher
4	Ellen Schorr	14	Vera De Chalambert	23	Robert Wacks
6	Tiffany Kapner	16	Robert Blank	24	Karen Lederman
7	Gayle Bard	17	Phyllis Gurwin	25	Richard Greene
7	Beryle Goverman	17	Nancy Roth	26	Cindy McDonald
7	Michelle Jacobson	17	Kris Thurston	27	Stephen Elliot Tannenbaum
8	Herbert Siegel	17	Ira Warshaw	28	Marc Sirkin
10	Henry Bagatell	19	Michael Agatstein	29	Gee Gee Eisenberg
10	Stella Small	21	Len Gray	30	Maddie Leibowitz
11	Barbara Hatzfeld	22	Beth Levinson	30	Glenn Smith

## February Birthdays

1	Eleanor Shiffman	7	Stacy Laskin	19	Lynn Ross Levy
1	Irv Silver	10	Judy Kanter	22	Carole Klein
2	Lisa Silver	11	Marcia Segal	23	Gemma Tannenbaum
3	Adrianne Weissman	11	Sylvia Siegfried	24	Rick Baer
4	Ella Preefer	14	Mollie Elana Hoffman	25	Marcie Gorman-Althof
4	Drew Lederman	15	Barbara Stern	25	Cindy Kreisberg
5	Erik Bernstein	15	Beth Pennamacoor	25	Hernando Mora
6	Stan Althof	15	Ann Small	26	Alvin Jagoda
6	Gregg Weiss	15	Donna Fishman	28	Zelda Mason
6	Linda Yosinoff	18	Stuart Bagatell	28	Jelani Luis Morales
7	Aden Bentolila	18	Rachel Green	28	Marty List
7	Noah De Chalambert	19	Colby Stern	29	Alla Onitskansky
7	Ted Leopold				

## January Anniversaries

2	Harry & Maggie Kaufman
6	Gustavo Hoefs & Therese Brady
12	Don & Amy Carter
12	Richard Greene & Ellen Morris
18	Alvin & Bryna Jagoda
24	Stan & Marcie Althof

## February Anniversaries

18	Ray & Linda Golden
20	Michael & Cherri Alexander
28	Robert & Meryl Tillis

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As of 12-22-23

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## Become a Temple Israel Greeter!

What better way to meet people and make new friends than to be a greeter at Temple Israel's services and events or an usher at our High Holy Day services?

For more information, contact Mark Simkowitz at [mgoose54@aol.com](mailto:mgoose54@aol.com)

PLEASE JOIN TEMPLE ISRAEL IN HONORING

**Outgoing Co-President Marty List & board members: Lori Ackerman, Fred Apel, Michael Jonas, Terry Resk, Howard Solomon & Linda Solomon**

JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL FRIDAY NIGHT WORSHIP SERVICE & ONEG RECEPTION AS WE HONOR AND CELEBRATE THE REMARKABLE CONTRIBUTIONS OF OUR OUTGOING CO-PRESIDENT AND BOARD MEMBERS. WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR A LIGHT WINE & CHEESE GATHERING AT 6:00 PM, FOLLOWED BY SERVICE AT 6:30 PM. COME SHARE IN THE JOY, GRATITUDE, AND COMMUNITY AS WE PAY TRIBUTE TO LEADERS WHOSE DEDICATION HAS ENRICHED OUR CONGREGATION.

**JANUARY 5, 2024 AT 6PM**

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# SENIOR Connections

**Building Bonds, Sharing Stories, & Learning Together**

**Thursday, January 11th at 12pm**



Temple Israel is excited to introduce Senior Connections, a monthly gathering where seniors meet, connect, and learn through cultural experiences and shared meals, fostering a vibrant community of wisdom and friendship.

## Piano Performance & Sing-Along with Jedidiah Maness

Join us for an enjoyable musical experience with Temple Israel's Accompanist, Jedidiah Maness. This event includes lunch, making it the perfect opportunity to savor both exceptional music and good company.



**Jedidiah Maness**

**Experience & Lunch included for \$10! RSVP at [bit.ly/tiseniorconnections](https://bit.ly/tiseniorconnections)**



## MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY INTERFAITH SHABBAT CELEBRATION

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 12  
6:30 PM**

Join us for an inspiring event with featured speakers and special musical offerings, followed by an elevated Oneg Shabbat dessert reception.

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## MEET & GREET Luncheon

Please join us for a delightful meet & greet luncheon in the Temple Israel David & Pauline Carter Ballroom.

All women of the congregation are Sisterhood members and are encouraged to attend, enjoy a delicious meal and connect with others.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17TH, 2024  
12 - 2 PM**

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# CROQUET LUNCH & LEARN

Wednesday, January 24 at 11:30am

National Croquet Club (NCC)

700 Florida Mango Road, West Palm Beach

Enjoy a buffet lunch on the shaded veranda with a view of the exclusive National Croquet Club courts, which are typically only open to club members. Learn from NCC instructors, enjoy 60 minutes of play, join a "shoot-out" competition, and win prizes! Equipment provided.

## Dress Code

All white attire preferred. Add a pop of color with a ribbon belt, hat band, or emblem on a collared shirt. No tee shirts. Flat shoes required. Consider wide-brimmed white or straw hats for eye protection.

## RSVP Now!

The cost for the buffet and to play is \$60. Luncheon onlookers/non-players are also welcome to lunch and look for \$60. RSVP at [www.temple-israel.com/croquet/](http://www.temple-israel.com/croquet/) by January 3rd.

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PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE  
THE INSTALLATION OF



*Rabbis Carlie & Ryan Daniels*

Friday, January 26th at 6:30 PM

Join us to formally welcome Rabbis Carlie & Ryan as Co-Senior Rabbis with a joyous Shabbat service of commitment and song, followed by a **celebration dinner** for \$18 per person.

The service will feature special guests & friends of the Rabbis:

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# SISTERHOOD WALK & TALK

Sunday, February 4th, 2024 at 11am

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Contact Michell Escobar at [Beanerymom@yahoo.com](mailto:Beanerymom@yahoo.com) for questions and carpooling options. Please note: Lunch expenses are individual responsibility.

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## MUSSAR IN ACTION

Facilitated by Dr. Barry Horowitz &  
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**DATES: 11/14, 12/12, 1/9, 2/13, 3/12, 4/9**

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**7:00pm – in-person with optional virtual access**



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This course is free and open to all but we suggest an online donation of \$54 directly to the Mussar Institute in honor of Temple Israel for use of their materials and guidance.

Register at <https://bit.ly/timussar> or scan the QR code.



## TORAH STUDY & BRUNCH

**Saturday, February 17th**

**Loic Bakery, 480 Hibiscus St Unit 116**

Join us for Torah Study at Temple Israel at 9:30am. After our enlightening discussion, we will enjoy a delightful brunch at Loic Bakery at 11:00am.

**Please RSVP to Michell Escobar at**  
**Beanerymome@yahoo.com**

(Please note: Brunch expenses are individual responsibility)



## A NIGHT AT THE OPERA... *AT THE TEMPLE!*



A SPECIAL EVENT FOR  
PRESIDENT'S CIRCLE MEMBERS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, 2024

5:00 - 7:30pm

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2/25/24 – Come Meet the Leaders of Compass

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## BIKUR CHOLIM (VISITING THE SICK)

In an effort to fulfill the *mitzvah*, *Bikur Cholim* (visiting the sick), our rabbis and cantorial soloist visit members who are hospitalized in the West Palm Beach area. This has become increasingly difficult, as hospitals cannot contact houses of worship when members are hospitalized. Please feel free to call the synagogue office at 561.833.8421 to advise the clergy when you, a relative or a friend is hospitalized in any hospital in our area. In doing so, you will become a partner in the *mitzvah* of *Bikur Cholim*.

## IN CASE OF AN AFTERHOURS EMERGENCY

Death of a loved one, unexpected hospitalization or accident — please call the synagogue office at 561.833.8421 and follow the prompts for an emergency. One of our staff will call you back as soon as possible.

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# TI Reads

7:00 PM on Zoom

<p><b>PAUL AUSTER</b> The Book of Illusions</p> <p>Sept. 21, 2023 Mary Arpe</p>	<p><b>BREAD GIVERS</b></p> <p>Oct. 19, 2023 Karen Davis</p>	<p><b>Michael Chabon</b></p> <p>Nov. 16, 2023 Rabbi Howard Shapiro</p>	<p><b>CATCH-22</b> JOSEPH HELLER</p> <p>Dec. 21, 2023 Elaine Feldmesser</p>
<p><b>Jews Without Money</b> MICHAEL GOLD</p> <p>January 18, 2024 Karen Davis</p>	<p><b>TORAH AND TORAH</b> ZEPHANIAH</p> <p>February 15, 2024 Gee Gee Eisenberg</p>	<p><b>LEON URIS</b> EXODUS</p> <p>March 21, 2024 Rabbis Carlie &amp; Ryan Daniels</p>	

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31	01	02	03 9:30am - Mat Yoga 10:30am - Chair Yoga	04	05 6:30pm - Shabbat/Friday Night Worship Honoring Outgoing Co-President & Board Members	06 9:30am - Weekly Torah Study
07 9:30am - Chat & Chew w Rabbis Carlie & Ryan 9:30am - Religious School	08	09 7:00pm - Mussar in Action	10 9:30am - Mat Yoga 10:30am - Chair Yoga	11 12pm - Senior Connections with Jedidiah Maness	12 6:30pm - MLK Jr. Day Interfaith Shabbat Celebration	13 9:30am - Weekly Torah Study
14	15	16 6:00pm - Annual Congregational Meeting	17 9:30am - Mat Yoga 10:30am - Chair Yoga 12pm - Sisterhood Meet & Greet Luncheon	18 7:00pm - TI Reads Book Club (via Zoom): "Jews Without Money" by Mike Gold	19 6:30pm - Shabbat/Friday Night Worship Services	20 9:30am - Weekly Torah Study
21 9:30am - Religious School Tu B'shevat Seder with Parents	22	23	24 9:30am - Mat Yoga 10:30am - Chair Yoga 11:30am - Croquet Lunch & Learn	25 12pm - Tour of the Lord's Place	26 6:30pm - Friday Night Worship Service celebrating the Installation of Rabbis Carlie & Ryan Daniels	27 9:30am - Weekly Torah Study
28	29	30	31 9:30am - Mat Yoga 10:30am - Chair Yoga	01	02	03

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28	29	30	31	01	02	03 9:30am - Weekly Torah Study
04 9:30am - Chat & Chew 9:30am - Religious School 11:30am - Sisterhood Walk & Talk	05	06	07 9:30am - Mat Yoga 10:30am - Chair Yoga	08	09 6:30pm - Shabbat/Friday Night Worship Services 6:30pm - Shabbat/Friday Night Worship Services	10 9:30am - Weekly Torah Study 5pm - President's Circle Members Night at the Opera
11	12	13	14 9:30am - Mat Yoga 10:30am - Chair Yoga	15 7:00pm - TI Reads Book Club (via Zoom): "The Netanyahus" by Joshua Cohen	16 6:30pm - Shabbat/Friday Night Worship Services	17 9:30am - Weekly Torah Study 9:30am - Torah Study & Brunch
18 9:30am - Religious School Tu B'shevat Seder with Parents	19	20	21 9:30am - Mat Yoga 10:30am - Chair Yoga	22	23 6:30pm - Shabbat/Friday Night Worship Services	24 9:30am - Weekly Torah Study
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