

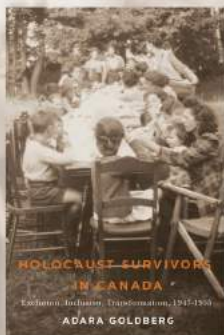


*Temple Israel
Imre Y. Rosenberg Lecture
Thursday May 10, 2018 at 7pm*



*Adara Goldberg
Holocaust Survivors in Canada*

*After WWII 35,000 Jewish Holocaust survivors arrived in Canada. The unprecedented scale of the relief effort required for the survivors challenged both the established Jewish community and resettlement agents alike. *Survivors in Canada* represents the first comprehensive analysis of the resettlement, integration, and acculturation experience of survivors in early postwar Canada.*



Adara Goldberg received her PhD from the Strassler Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Clark University. She is currently the Director of the Holocaust Resource Center, Kean University

*Shabbat Morning Services
Saturday May 12, 10:15am*

*Dr. Goldberg will address the congregation:
"Belonging or Faith? Survivors, Shuls and
Organized Religion After The Holocaust"*

Temple Israel



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Worship Schedule

Holiday	Dates	Times	
SHABBAT	Friday May 4 Saturday, May 5	6:15 pm 10:15 am 10:30 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Emor JBaby Shabbat Playgroup (See page 9)
SHABBAT	Thursday, May 10 Friday, May 11 Saturday, May 12	7:30 am 6:15 pm 7:00 pm 10:15 am	Morning Minyan Kabbalat Shabbat Service Bring your Own Dinner Shabbat Service, Parsha Behar-Bechukotai
SHABBAT	Friday, May 18 Saturday, May 19	6:15 pm 10:15 am 6:15 pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Bemidbar Erev Shavuot (NOTE SPECIAL TIME) Yizkor, Liturgical Choir
SHABBAT	Thursday, May 24 Friday, May 25 Saturday, May 26	7:30 am 5:30 pm 6:30 pm 10:15 am	Morning Minyan TOTally Shabbat Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Naso
SHABBAT	Friday, June 1 Saturday, June 2	6:15 pm 10:15 am 10:30 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Beha'alotecha JBaby Shabbat Playgroup (See page 9)
SHABBAT	Friday, June 8 Saturday, June 9	6:15 pm 7:00 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Bring your Own Dinner Shabbat Service, Parsha Shelach Bar Mitzvah of Tyler Evans
SHABBAT	Thursday, June 14 Friday, June 15 Saturday, June 16	7:30 am 6:15 pm 10:15 am	Morning Minyan Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Korach
SHABBAT	Friday, June 22 Saturday, June 23	5:30 pm 6:30 pm 10:15 am	TOTally Shabbat Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Chukat Bar Mitzvah of David Cottin
SHABBAT	Thursday, June 28 Friday, June 29 Saturday, June 30	7:30 am 6:15 pm 10:15 am	Morning Minyan Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Balak Bat Mitzvah of Sara Bier
SHABBAT	Friday, July 6 Saturday, July 7	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Pinchas

From the Pulpit

Shavuot: Yizkor and Unity



Shavuot, will be on Saturday EVENING May 19th. It is perhaps, the least observed of our 3 ancient pilgrimage festivals. When the ancient Temple stood in Jerusalem three times each year, on Sukkot, Pesach and Shavuot the people would make a special pilgrimage to offer sacrifices at the Temple. Sukkot was the harvest festival. A time to give thanks for the food God had provided. Pesach, our celebration of freedom from Egyptian slavery. Finally, Shavuot, a celebration of receiving Torah.

When the Temple was destroyed in the year 70, and we were forced out of the land of Israel, sacrifices were no more. We began to develop what we now practice, commonly referred to as Rabbinic Judaism. Our worship of God changed from sacrifice to spoken prayer. We no longer had priests who acted as intermediaries between the people and God, we established rabbis, teachers to teach us our ancient texts and guide our practices.

One of the liturgical rituals that our rabbis created was Yizkor – or the memorial service. These series of prayers, said during Yom Kippur as well as on the 3 holidays of Sukkot, Pesach and Shavuot, is a way for us to honour and connect to the generations that have come before us.

For each of the holidays there are, at least traditionally, both evening and morning services. In our congregation we have evolved to holding only the morning service of Sukkot, Pesach and Shavuot, during which we include the Yizkor or memorial service.

After much study and conversation with the Ritual Committee, it was decided to try a new model for Shavuot. We will observe Shavuot and include the Yizkor service in the EVENING – 6:15pm on Saturday May 19th. The music for this service will feature our Liturgical Choir.

The evening will be filled with beautiful music, hearing once again the reading of the 10 Commandments from Torah, the occasion to explore the Book of Ruth and its powerful story of dedication and commitment to Jewish life, as well as giving us all the opportunity to remember and honour the memories of our family and community who are no longer with us.

After services, everyone is encouraged to continue our Shavuot celebration by participating in our joint Tikun Leil Shavuot (an evening of learning and exploring) with our partners Kehillat Beth Israel and Or Haneshamah.

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President's Message



Spring has finally arrived, a season of rebirth and new beginnings.

Our Board Renovation Vision Project is progressing well in the formative stages. Under the leadership of Patsy Royer, working groups have been set up to look at two areas. One area is the Congregational Vision. This Vision will be used for both spiritual and physical purposes. Soon members of our congregation will become congregational

Ambassadors to dialog with congregants to present the evolving Vision and to obtain their feedback. The second working group will investigate potential facility improvements, interfacing with architects who will use the Vision to formulate conceptual plans. These plans will be conceptual only at this time: nothing is cast in stone. This iterative approach will allow the greatest flexibility and feedback as we gradually move forward. More to follow over the next months.

The Tulipathon to support the Multifaith Housing Initiative will take place on May 27 at Commissioners Park (across from Dow's Lake Pavilion). Team Temple Israel, with Board approval, will be soliciting funds in our community and in the greater Ottawa community to support this worthwhile project. Thank you to Fran Klodawsky for spearheading this effort. I encourage all of you to get involved.

The Adult Education Committee, under Dar Blue, is setting up a task force to determine Temple's responses to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission report, specifically with regard to Jewish – indigenous relations at Temple Israel and beyond. This will likely also have a Social Action component. Keep an eye out for more information coming soon.

Our entire Board has become the Membership Committee. A March 22 brainstorming session, led by Mark Holzman, identified ways to welcome and involve new members and to involve existing members. Ideas were grouped into areas such as Invitation and Outreach, Facilitate Relationships, Facilitate Participation, and Social. Board members will discuss these ideas with their committees, who will then identify one or two short term actions and one longer term action to be taken. We look forward to progress reports at subsequent Board meetings.

I just returned from the Scheidt seminar in Atlanta. This four day morning to night event for 87 newly elected and incoming presidents (including three Canadians) was beyond amazing. There were interactive workshops, Torah study, panel discussions, worship, and informal networking. Friday night's Shabbat service held in an outdoor amphitheatre surrounded by nature with a pond with four resident Canada geese as a backdrop and a song bird singing during Kaddish: no words can describe it. Workshop topics included Start with Why, a Sacred Partnership, Financial Stability Through Philanthropy, Strengthen Your Congregation through Tikkun Olam, and How to Think like a Congregation President.

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Together our congregations will present an evening focused on Jewish healing. We will begin at 9:30pm with a Healing service, and then go into break out learning sessions. This promises to be a wonderful experience.

Looking forward to seeing you at Temple!

Shalom,

Rabbi S. Robert Morais

Condolences



זכרונום לברכה

May their memory forever be a blessing.

Condolences are extended to the families of:

Vita Winthrop

Esther Dusia Conway, mother of Rosalind Conway (David McKercher)

Morning Minyan

Join us SEMI monthly for our Thursday morning Minyan

We begin at 7:30am and conclude by 8:15 am. Those who wish to leave immediately may do so and start their day with a strong boost of Torah and prayer.

Those who need a caffeine boost, a bagel and a little conversation, can stick around and ease into the morning

The next minyans will be held:

May 10 & 24

June 14 & 28

(President's message continued)

The leadership, devotion, and dedication of URJ President Rabbi Rick Jacobs and his amazing team are truly inspiring.

We shared ideas, identified problems and issues that many of us face, along with solutions. While there were congregations that ranged from 30 to over 2000 family units and congregations from 30 years to over 150 years old, we all deal with similar matters: finances, maintaining / growing membership, staff / volunteer issues, succession planning, buildings. We will use the shared ideas and the assets of the URJ to assist us in these areas and more.

We are not alone as Reform Jews, Reform Congregations, and Congregation Presidents. We are a movement. I could never have anticipated this inspiring, sacred journey to Atlanta.

Ellen and I wish you and yours a Chag Shavuot Sameach.

Stephen Asherman, President

Shabbat Oneg

Temple Shabbat Oneg is a wonderful time to catch up with friends and maybe meet some new ones.

Did you know that you can help sponsor an Oneg?

Some good reasons to sponsor a kiddush lunch or oneg Shabbat:

- It's your birthday, or your friend's or your pet's etc.
- It's an anniversary of a special event
- In memory of a loved one
- To celebrate special event
- Because you are a swell person who likes to support your favorite synagogue

Your sponsorship helps to offset the cost of providing the weekly basics and more.

Kiddush sponsors are thanked in our newsletter unless you choose to remain anonymous.

Thanks to our past Oneg/Kiddush sponsors and co-sponsors:

Norma Golcher & Daniel Chemla in honour of the yahrzeit of Daniel's mother

Margo & Frank Rosen in honour of the 50th anniversary of Margo's Bat Mitzvah

The **Winthrop family** in memory of Vita Winthrop

Verena & Ben Shapiro in honour of their son, Yonas' Bar Mitzvah

Karen & Rob Rishikof in honour of their daughter, Sarah's Bat Mitzvah

School News



March and April were very busy months for our TIRS families of all ages and our Temple Israel community. We celebrated Purim, Pesach and Yom Ha'atzmaut. We commemorated Yom Hashoa and Yom Hazikaron. Here are a few of the highlights:

- Erev Purim celebrations began in the school and continued through a Persian-style dinner and then a joint program with OrH. School-age children made gifts for those less fortunate, edible and wearable crafts, cards for Israeli soldiers and so much more! In addition, we had a little group of babies and toddlers enjoying the celebration, too!

• Our annual Chocolate Seder was very well attended by FROSTY and Grades 6-12 students and with a few new twists from previous years.

- Grades 3 and 4 lead Kabbalat Shabbat services lichvod (to honour) Israel's 70th birthday. They shared with us the history leading from the Holocaust to the creation of the State of Israel.

- Celebrations continued that Sunday with a variety of stations and activities about Israel for Pre-K to Grade 6. Thank you so much to Phil Kretzmar for coming in to teach Israeli dancing!

- On Yom Hazikaron, Morah Sigal shared stories that helped the children understand the sacrifice made by Israeli soldiers as well as victims of terror in Israel.

In March, Morah Ranit initiated a new program called JBaby, a Shabbat morning play group for families with babies and toddlers. After song, music and movement, parents can stay and shmooze with each other while the little ones play or go upstairs to join the service. As JBaby gains momentum, we will be expanding the program to include a weekday volunteer adventure at Hillel Lodge. Bring your little ones for music and movement and share a smile that will warm the hearts of the seniors and your babies.

At the end of March, FROSTY (our senior youth group) hosted the NFTY-Northeast Lakes regional elections and Board meeting. It was a huge success largely due to the efforts of Lisa Rossman (Advisor), Angus Smith (former Advisor), Hana Shusterman (Youth Committee Chair) Maya Ruckenstein (FROSTY President) and David Khazam (FROSTY Programming VP) and all of the volunteers that helped with everything from hosting, baking, driving, cooking, cleaning and more!

This year's Open House on April 8th was a huge success. We are so fortunate to have continued interest in TIRS in all Grades. Students and their families continue to be happy with our school and are spreading the word. I can confidently say that TIRS is the best supplementary school in this city and I am very proud to be the Principal.

TOTally Shabbat evenings with Rabbi Morais and I have really picked up momentum in the last few months.

I am always eager to try new things with the kids --- sometimes while standing on one foot. It is a fun way for families with children under 6 to come together in a multi-generational setting (up to 4 generations in one family!) for songs, movement and stories for Shabbat followed by a pasta dinner. Some of the young families stay for the Erev Shabbat Service at 6:30 pm. On May 25th, we will welcome two TIRS parents and their Klez band while June 22nd will give us an opportunity to hear classical music.

On June 8th we will have our last class-led Kabbalat Shabbat service and we're going out with a bang. Please join us in support of our Grades 1,2 and 9. Bring your dinner and share in community with our TIRS Family.

On June 10th we will celebrate the last day of school with outdoor activities and lunch for not just the students. There are several ideas already in the works that join us with a special program at Temple Israel that afternoon. Are you curious about Curious George?

Registration forms for the 2018-2019 (5779) school year will be available by May 1st. I will send out an email when it is ready and post it on the website. Don't miss out on the early bird discount!

The school calendar is in it's final stages as well. If you have any questions about any grade at TIRS, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Looking forward to having a wonderful close to this year. (I can't believe it's just around the corner!)

*Sue
Sue Potechin
TIRS Principal*



TIRS Grade 7 class show off their yads

Temple Programs

Are you curious about Curious George? Join us Sunday June 10 at 1pm for Canadian Premier and an event you won't want to miss



You may remember Curious George as a sweet little monkey who can't help but get into trouble and his friend "The Man in the Yellow Hat," who tries to take care of George and always ends up saving the day. However, did you know that the book series was written and drawn by Hans Augusto Rey and Margret Rey, a Jewish couple that grew up in early-20th-century Germany? Have you heard the story of how they fled Paris on bikes carrying the Curious George manuscript with them just a few hours before the city fell to the Nazis? A new documentary, *Monkey Business*, directed by Ema Ryan Yamazaki and narrated by Sam Waterston, tells the full story of the Reys, using animation, photographs and interviews of the people who knew them.

Temple Israel is proud to announce that on Sunday, June 10th at 1pm we will have the honour of hosting the Canadian Premier of this amazing film. During the premier of the documentary, there will be programming for children between the ages of 4 – 10 that will include games, crafts, book readings, and videos all about Curious George. There's a rumour that a character from the book series may even make an appearance!

There is no cost to attend this event – all we ask is that you bring your family, friends and your curiosity about the stories that have been favourites of children and parents alike for over 70 years.



Temple members invited to join task force on response to Truth and Reconciliation Commission Report

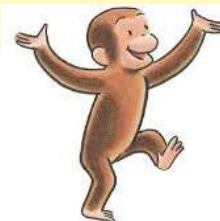
You can help strengthen Temple's commitment to social action, particularly regarding Jewish indigenous relations at Temple and beyond.

Members are encouraged to lend their knowledge, interest and energy to Temple's Adult Education Committee on this topic. Committee members will reflect and consider how best to respond to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, particularly recommendation #49 that calls upon "all religious denominations and faith groups who have not already done so to repudiate concepts used to justify European sovereignty over Indigenous lands and peoples, such as the Doctrine of Discover and terra nullius."

According to the TRC, reconciliation means "establishing mutually respectful relationships" and entails awareness of the past, acknowledgement of the harm inflicted, atonement for the causes and action to change behaviour.

The members of the Adult Education Committee met recently to brainstorm how to proceed on these matters. While they have identified adult education as a focal point for the task force, they want to involve interested and knowledgeable Temple members in the planning and implementation of relevant initiatives and activities.

For more information, please contact Adult Education Chair Dar Blue at blued@me.com.



Erev Shabbat Service
4th Friday of each month
at 6:30 pm

Mark your calendars!
The next 2 services are on
May 25th and June 22nd




Join us each month on a musical adventure! These services may introduce different music, preview an upcoming concert, or participate with a musical guest.

Temple Programs



WHAT ARE YOU READING?

Welcome to the Bulletin's first book column initiated by the Books and Bagels Committee.

If there is a fiction or non-fiction book of Jewish interest that you would like to recommend, please write a brief description of the book and why you enjoyed it. (200 words or less)

Parents, feel free to recommend books your children have enjoyed and encourage them to enter their own submissions.

Send your recommendations to lilycox@bell.net for publication in the Bulletin.

From Temple member **Sheila Baslaw:**

I highly recommend The Librarian of Auschwitz by Antonio Iturbe. It is a great book for all in the family over 13 to read and discuss.

Based on the true story of Dita Kraus, it chronicles the 14-year old's daily struggle in Auschwitz, circa 1943-44. Recently arrived along with her mother, Dita is attempting to adjust to the constant terror in the camp when she is asked by one of the Jewish leaders to be the camp librarian. The library consists of eight tattered books that have been smuggled into Auschwitz. At extreme peril to herself, Dita hides and buries these books every night and surreptitiously transports them to the classroom.

I liked this book because the events rang true and the characters and their lives came alive and will stick with me forever. In spite of the unimaginable, heart wrenching circumstances, this is a story of hope and courage. As one character says, "They think we are broken, but we are not."

For more information about books and bagels or to contribute an article please contact Lily Cox at lilycox@bell.net or call 613-521-6070.



TIRS celebrates Yom Ha'atzmaut with Phil Kretzmar and Israeli dancing



Jewish Bereavement Support Group
Thursdays 10:30 am - 11:30 am
May 24 - June 21

Experiencing the death of a loved one is something each of us, sooner or later will face. When the time comes, the Jewish community does its best to answer our needs in so many ways. We have incredible rituals that help us navigate the stages of grief and mourning. The rituals and practices of Funeral; Shiva, the first 7 days of mourning; Shloshim, the first 30 days; then yahrzeit, the yearly anniversary and Yizkor the special memorial services that happen four times a year at our major festivals. These ritual observances help guide us on a path that helps us express and experience the emotions of grief and mourning.

Our tradition is keenly aware that grief and loss have permanent effects on us. We don't observe yahrzeit for only a few years after someone dies. It becomes a permanent part of our yearly experiences.

However, healing and helpful these rituals are, sometimes people need a safe place to talk about their grief and mourning process.

Beginning May 24th we will be holding a Jewish Bereavement Support Group. If you have experienced a loss, either recently or in the past, please join us in sharing your grief. This 5 week program will be a place where everything is safe to talk about in this open-ended support group for the bereaved. You are welcome, please join us.

There is no charge for this 5-week program, and you can join us any time.

If you are interested in joining us please contact Cathy in the Temple office at 613-224-1802 ext 5 or by email to reception@templeisraelottawa.com .

Shalom,
Rabbi S. Robert Morais

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Temple Programs

T BABY
is on the move
to volunteer
at
Hillel Lodge!!

10:30-11:30am

May 28th

Bring your Babies to
Sing, Read & Kibbitz
with Seniors

**10 Nadolny Sachs
Ottawa, ON**

For more information and to RSVP
contact Ranit Braun @
ranitb@hotmail.com

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**TOTally
Shabbat**

Temple Israel
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A multi-generational
Shabbat program with music,
movement and stories for families
with children ages 6 & under

Mark your calendars! May 25th, and
June 22nd at 5:30 pm

With Rabbi Morais & Morah Sue,
TIRS Principal

Join us for a family-friendly
dinner (usually pasta) at 6:00 pm

RSVP required by the Thursday
before 613-224-1802 x 5 or
reception@templeisraelottawa.com

Coming this July and August! Everything you ever wanted to know about the Talmud, really!

You hear it talked about all the time but you don't actually know what it is? This is a course for those with little to no knowledge of this seminal Jewish text:

The Talmud: Who, What, Where, When, Why?

Stay tuned for more specific dates and times.
For info: contact Dar Blue at blued@me.com

B'nai Mitzvah



Saturday June 9, 2018

TYLER EVANS

Son of Sharon & Darwin Evans.

In honour of his Bar Mitzvah, Tyler will donate to Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind (CGDB).



Saturday June 23, 2018

DAVID COTTIN

Son of Cindy & Chris Cottin.

In honour of his Bar Mitzvah, David will donate to the Ottawa Kosher Food Bank.



Saturday June 30, 2018

SARA BIER

Daughter of Paloma Perez and Victor Bier.

In honour of her Bat Mitzvah, Sara will donate to Magen David Adom.

Is your child born in 2007?

We are now booking Bar/Bat dates through the end of December 2020.

If the answer is yes, and you have not yet booked a Bar/Bat Mitzvah date, please contact Heather at execdir@templeisraelottawa.com to request an application form. Complete information will be provided and requirements noted on the application form.

Temple Celebrations

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

May Anniversaries

Robyn & David Aaron
 Jenn & Mark Cohen
 Glennis & Philip Cohen
 Margaret & David Delicate
 Kim Corace & Gary Garber
 Lisa Hans & Steven Garten
 Penny Gershon-Giaccone & Roberto Giaccone
 Nancy & Martin Green
 Hannah & Gerald Halpern
 Merle Haltrecht-Matte & Guy Matte
 Mary-Anne & Mark Hammer
 Joan Rosenberg-Hartman & Melvin Hartman
 Diana & Len Heitin
 Lana Fawcett & Gilad Helman
 Rhoda & Stanley Hock
 Andrea Rosen & Gabe Karlin
 Marie Carmen Berlie & Charles Khazzam
 Brad Meulenkamp & Carly Kirshen
 Angela & Brad Koskie
 Kaarina Baker & Phil Kretzmar
 Katya Feder & Paul McKeague
 Marcia Saipe & Theodore Miller
 Marian Morrill-Leimovici & Steve Morrill
 Shaina Lipsey & Morrie Paul
 Melanie & Michael Rosenblatt
 Mona Klinger & Michael Takefman
 Debra & Gary Viner
 Marilyn & Evan Weiner
 Debbie Halton-Weiss & Ronald Weiss
 Paul Morisset & Joyce Willmot

June Anniversaries

Tanya & Martin Abrams
 Anne & Howard Alper
 Gail & Reg Angel
 Jackie & Kevin Barwin
 Paloma Perez & Victor Bier
 Anne Vespry & Dar Blue
 Janet Dollin & Zave Chad
 Heather & Mark Evenchick
 Joanne Burgess & Martin Freeman
 Sue & Bernie Gold
 Rosalind & Stanley Labow
 Bruce Gottfred & Michelle Lajzerowicz
 Sherri Katz & Mitchell Leitman
 Marci Surkes & Dara Lithwick
 Marsha & Allan Maslove
 Janet & Steven Mendelsohn
 Diane & Michael Parkin
 Tonya & Gary Pomerantz
 Karen Ginsberg & Ted Ramsay
 Sherri & Jeff Ramsay
 Bryna & Ilan Rumstein
 Sharon Clark & Martin Scheinberg
 Harriet & Henry Schneider
 Violet & Ben Segal
 Susan & Mark Silverman
 Fran Klodawsky & Aron Spector
 Milena Gibson Srikant & Suresh Srikant
 Lynne Oreck-Wener & Robert Wener
 Patricia Henry & David Zackon



Temple celebrates Purim!

J BABY SHABBAT PLAYGROUP
 INCLUSIVE BABY & PARENT
 SHABBAT PROGRAM
10:30am
1st Shabbat of the Month
Spring Sessions
 May 5th
 June 2nd
 MUSIC-SONG-PLAY-SNACK & KVELL
Temple Israel Of Ottawa
 1301 Prince of Wales Dr
 Ottawa ON
 Temple Israel
 Jewish life happens here
 R.S.V.P with Ranit
 at
 ranitb@hotmail.com

Farewell from Angus



How do you begin a love letter?

At the beginning.

"It seems to me," said Rabbi Garten, surveying me sceptically as I sat in his office for the first time, all those years ago, "that you've been living privately as a Jew for a very long time."

He let that sink in for a while. Then he sighed, obviously wondering what he was getting himself, and me, into. "So. If you really want to live as a Jew, then you are going to have to live publically as a Jew. Do you understand the difference? Whatever you think you are, you can't be a Jew by yourself. Start showing up."

And then he left it up to me. I thought about it, and thought about it, until finally, one cold February Shabbos morning, I showed up. I came to shul. For me, that took a lot of guts, not just the first time, but to do it again and again, Shabbos after Shabbos. I think it was a couple of months before I stopped getting cramps in my legs because I was so tense.

But even as I sat there, surreptitiously massaging my aching calf muscles and trying to follow the Hebrew, people kept coming over to me. But not, as you might think, to wish me a perfunctory "Good Shabbos" and then ignore me.

No, they asked me impertinent questions. They piled food onto my plate. They said, "what's a Yid doing with a name like Angus?" They critiqued my haircut. They told me I had paid too much for my suit. And, they complained, incessantly, to me. They complained about the service. They complained about the oneg. They complained about the Rabbi, about the weather, about the wine, they complained about each other.

If I missed a Shabbos, people asked me where I'd been. If I showed up for more than three weeks in a row, the very same people asked me how I could possibly stand the tedium.

In short, everybody was doing what Jews have always done and always will, all while dragging me, no questions asked, into the extended, boisterous, loving, dysfunctional family that is Klal Yisrael.

And when I started to bring my own family along with me, the arms of Temple Israel opened just a little bit wider to embrace them too. "Come," someone said to Sarah, leading her into a corner the very first time she came to Kabbalat Shabbat, "there's something important I've been meaning to ask you."

My children were admired and fussed over and passed from hand to hand. "Look at those blue eyes," enthused Heather Cohen, showing off my furiously blushing son Nick, "have you ever seen anything like them in your life?"

"Why are those women trying to sell me to the Temple Israel Religious School?" demanded my daughter Miranda, her eyes narrow with suspicion, after an evening getting worked over by Penny Giaccone and Marie-Carmen Berlie.

But in the end, Penny and Marie-Carmen prevailed. Not only did Miranda go all the way through TIRS to Confirmation, but she stayed on as a teaching assistant and, finally, as President of FROSTY.

I can't really remember a time when Temple Israel was not part of my life, part of my family's life, in some elemental way. Temple Israel embraced us from the very beginning, taking communal responsibility for us and for our lives as Jews. You invited us to your Seders, and to your breakfasts. You welcomed us into your families and your friends became our friends.

You were there for our simchas – Miranda's ostensibly "quiet" and "low key" Thursday morning bat mitzvah packed in 60 people over and above the usual minyan crowd (fortunately, I had made just that many devilled eggs!).

You were there for the hard times too. So many people showed up for an evening Shiva service after Sarah's mother died that the overflow got packed into the kitchen and out onto the back porch. And you have all been unfailingly supportive and understanding and even-handed as we have all learned to live with our new family configuration.

For me, Temple Israel gave me the space and the support I needed to be what I have always yearned to be: a self-aware Jew, perhaps not observant in the way that we have come to understand the word, but someone who is both inwardly and outwardly a Jew. And you know that that's not just about coming to services on Shabbos, or at the High Holidays. No, I fully became a Jew because Temple Israel, this community, all of you, generously afforded me every opportunity to signify as a Jew.

Rabbi Garten brought me to the Torah and Torah learning and to the comforting peculiarities of Jewish time and the Jewish calendar.

Hal Burnham and Shlomo Feldberg z"l, with their vast intellects and their maddening questions, introduced me to the miracles and wonders of Jewish scholarship.

Hillel Taub, Ezra Miller, Barbara Okun, Larry Tarof and Shaina Lipsey gave me the gift of Jewish liturgy and, especially, Jewish music, sacred and profane.

Rabbi Garten, Sheli Braun, Jackie Barwin, Rabbi Klein, Sue Potechin, Jenny Tarof, Lisa Rossman and Rabbi Morais all encouraged me to be a teacher and a mentor, knowing full well that in helping others find their Jewish souls I would learn what it was to be a Jew. I am so proud that I helped so many people find themselves as Jews, to build Jewish homes and to make Jewish babies. And an entire generation of Temple Israel parents entrusted their

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Farewell from Angus (continued)

children to me as I schlepped them around northeastern North America, from Washington to Cleveland and every place in between, all the while having just as much fun as they did.

Lily Cox, John Cox and Dar Blue all found ways for me to share my learning with others, incidentally transforming me into the professional writer that I have always wanted to be. They gave me confidence, they encouraged me to find my voice, and they showed me the path towards my next and most meaningful career.

Heather Evenchick, Julie Taub, Heather Cohen, Lorne Rachlis, Elaine Singer z"l and Linda Rossman forced me, usually against my better judgement, to involve myself in the inner workings of Temple Israel, because a community like ours doesn't just happen – it has to be nurtured and cared for, like any other living creature.

There is not a synagogue in this city that I have not davened at. And in my 60-odd years I have happily spent time with every kind of Jew that you can possibly imagine – Hassids and Haredis, the righteous pillars of Montreal and Toronto Conservative Judaism, Russian cab drivers, Yemenite falafel makers, old-time Bundists and Communists, tattooed, sceptical Israelis, Jew-Boos and New Agers, happy Jewish kids from across North America and survivors of just about every terrible thing that has been done to our people over the past century and beyond. The list is endless. But somehow, Temple Israel is the place, the one Jewish place, that I keep coming back to.

And now here I am, getting ready to leave Ottawa. And when I think about leaving Temple Israel and everything that you are to me, my heart aches, truly and deeply and inconsolably.

"Nu, bis meshugge?" You may well ask. You may well ask. Perhaps I am, just a little, but life changes in wonderful ways and suddenly we find ourselves riding off in entirely unexpected directions.

But here's the thing. I am leaving a little piece of my physical self here. Both my parents' yizkor plaques will stay up on the memorial wall of Temple Israel for as long as there is a Temple Israel.

So. If I want to give my Mom and my Dad a kiss, the way I do every Shabbos, I'll just have to come back to Temple Israel, won't I?

How do you end a love letter?

You don't. It just goes on and on.



FROSTY goes to a hockey game!

Welcome back to FROSTY's corner.

March was a thrilling month for FROSTY as we hosted Spring Boards, a weekend for the NFTY-NEL region. FROSTY hosted 60 teens from Cleveland, Rochester, Buffalo, Toronto, and Montreal with 8 of them being from Ottawa as they came together to elect the new NFTY-NEL regional board for 2018-2019. This weekend was full of excitement and competition. Candidates had spent months writing their speeches, and running their campaigns to win the hearts of their peers.

To balance the intense weekend, FROSTY led some relaxing, calm and fun programs. RCVP David Khazzam led an innovative Saturday morning service called "Colour Me in Services" which put a twist on the trendy adult coloring books and President Maya Ruckenstein led meditation sessions. To end the weekend on a high note, the teens played an hour and half long glow in the dark dodge-ball game.

FROSTY's energy and commitment made hosting the event enjoyable but it was the dedication of the following volunteers and staff that made it a success.

- Patsy Royer for being an amazing food fairy and Angus "Gus" Smith for being a "jack of all trades";
- Esther Rossman, Allan Silburt, Josh Finn, Sandra Thomas, Janet Cohen, and Reg Angel for being extra kitchen helpers;
- Seline Herz-Fischler and Mark Hammer for baking up a storm of delicious deserts;
- David Hartman for the wonderful produce;
- Host families – who were mentioned in Hana Shusterman's article;
- Rabbi Morais and Jewish Federation of Ottawa
- Sue Potechin and Hana Shusterman for your support the past seven months;
- Heather Cohen, Cathy Loves, Steve Elliot and Jen Elliott for being the best staff a person could ever hope to work with

Feel like you missed out? Don't worry since Spring Camp is happening in May. Hope you can join us then!

*Lisa Rossman
FROSTY Advisor*



From March 23-25 FROSTY hosted 60 teens from across the NFTY-NEL region for Spring Boards. Without these amazing host families the weekend would not have been possible! A huge thank you to the following families: Angel, Hammer, Kaan, Khazzam, Kropp-Lazar, McKeague, McKean, Potechin, Rosenberg, Silburt & Viner. On a personal note, we hosted for the first time as well, and it was an amazing full-circle moment to watch Morgan experience her first event as a NFTY participant! This is just a small sliver of what went into making this an unforgettable and successful weekend...stay tuned for more details from FROSTY!

Hana Shusterman, Youth Committee Chair

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In appreciation to everyone who made my 50th anniversary Sabbath so special
Margo Rosen

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Yahrzeits

Yahrzeit: Remembering on the Anniversary of a Death

Lighting candles and saying Kaddish each year in memory of a loved one. Yahrzeit is a Yiddish word meaning anniversary of a death. It is the yearly anniversary of a loved one's death. Jews observe yahrzeit at home by lighting a special long-burning candle in memory of the deceased and at Temple yahrzeit is observed by reciting the Mourner's Kaddish at services. The names of those observing yahrzeit during the preceeding week are read at our services on Friday nights and Saturdays.

In addition to lighting yahrzeit candle many individuals chose to make a donation to mark the observance of a yahrzeit. If you would like to make a donation to Temple or sponsor a Kiddush in observance of a loved one, please contact the office.

May 4-5 Emor

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Rebecca Brownstein
Cesare Giaccone
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Edward Israel Merson
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May 11 - 12 Behar-Bechukotai

Mark Leslie Abramson
Georgette Albert
Pearl Altman
Louis Fine
Helen Fisher
Gerald Ginsberg
Harvey Grossman
Samuel R. Hock
Simona Holtzman
Ernst Kummermann
Frank Labovitch
Arthur Levine
Donald C. Montgomery
Rosalie Goodman Namer
Wolf Rumstein
Rose Schatz
Esther Libby Silberman
Simon Skoll
Charles Steiner
Leonard Van Straten
Stan Winthrop

May 18 - 19 Bemidbar

Gordon Allen
J. Arnold Burgess
Emile Chemla
Irving Cohen
Joseph Dover
Sadie Finkelberg
Chaja Fried
Mojse Yehuda Fried
Irving Gencher
Ann Gluzman
Harnat Holtzman
Eleanor Ann Klinger
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Kochava Lupo
Johnny Pagurek
Lorne Rhamey
Nathan Segall
Edith Shabsove
Albert Silverman
Sid Sourani
Phyllis Sternthal
Minnie Waldman
Jean Zackon

May 25 - 26 Naso

Ernie Bennett
Rita Cohen
Marcelle Corin
Moe Gold
Stanley Hollenberg
Irving Kamins
Lena Kaminsky
Michael Kraschewski
Sydney Lithwick
Alex Nyul
Margaret Rhamey
Moshe Rosenzweig
Belle Sadowski
Alfred Scales
Harold Shaffer
Rose Spector
Leah Starkman
Ilona Szucs
Erika Waldmann Volker

June 1 - 2 Beha'alotecha

Stefan Behrendt
Pamela Behrendt
James Buchanan
Rebecca Cohen
Thea Ginsburg
Irene Kleinglass
William Leibach
Archie Levitan
Joseph Levy
Jean Montgomery
Jonathan Penner
Ben Pomerantz
Roy Prud'homme
Imre Rosenberg
Betty Schwartz
David Walsh

**June 8 - 9
Shelach**
Ivan Berkowitz
Emily Florence Blair
Cecil Feldman

Leah Finkelstein
Gittle Ginsburg
Nancy Hoadley
Edna Kett
Gracie Khazzam
Ben Malkin
Issy Morris
Norman "Babe" Oreck
Edward Polowin
Rose Rosen

June 15 - 16 Korach

Lydia Pinkus Azimov;
Alec Bloom
Hyman Borshy
Ruth Corbisiero
Jean Dover
Anne Ray Gerson
Frances Hashmall
Philip Hauptman
Edith Kerdman
Mina Max
Sue Miller
Mark Lewis Nozick
William Parkin
Sam Schwartz
Laura Spergel
Esther Stein
Rose Tomkins

June 22 - 23 Chukat

Hannah Chaya Angel
Lisa Beame
Alec Bloom
Imre Gams
Gizella Gams
Martin Ginsburg
Albert Goorman
Queenie Davis Gordon
Rona Hollenberg Levenstein
Joyce Loeb
Ilona Lubeck
Isaac Mendel
Rezso Pollak
Burton Ramsay
David Rotstein
Claudine Esther Shiller
Josh Silburt

June 29 - 30 Balak

Rose Ann Angel
Yaakov Angel
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Yetta Segal
Elaine Singer

July 6 - 7 Pinchas

Stanley Barkun
Morton Baslaw
Joel Brandes
Helen Demuth
Berel Esrock
Jack Feldman
Felicia Karlin
Anna Kaufman
Robert Levenstein
Claire Mandel
Jack Mendelsohn
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Yahrzeit Plaques

Memorialize your loved ones with a purchase of a Yahrzeit Plaque.

New plaques are installed annually at our 7th day of Passover service.

Donation is \$400 (tax receipt is issued for this amount).

Contact the office for more information or to order.

Calendar

May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1 16 Iyar	2 17 Iyar Talmud Class TIRS	3 18 Iyar	4 19 Iyar Kabbalat Shabbat	5 20 Iyar Torah Study Shabbat Services JBABY
6 21 Iyar TIRS	9 22 Iyar TIRS	8 23 Iyar	9 24 Iyar Talmud Class TIRS	10 25 Iyar Morning Minyan	11 26 Iyar Kabbalat Shabbat Bring your Own Dinner	12 27 Iyar Torah Study Shabbat Services
13 28 Iyar TIRS	14 29 Iyar TIRS	15 1 Sivan BOARD MEETING	16 2 Sivan Talmud Class TIRS	17 3 Sivan	18 4 Sivan Kabbalat Shabbat	19 5 Sivan Torah Study Shabbat Services
20 6 Sivan NO SCHOOL	21 7 Sivan NO SCHOOL	22 8 Sivan	23 9 Sivan Talmud Class TIRS	24 10 Sivan Morning Minyan	25 11 Sivan TOTally Shabbat Klezmer Shabbat	26 12 Sivan Torah Study Shabbat Services
27 13 Sivan TIRS	28 14 Sivan TIRS	29 15 Sivan	30 16 Sivan Talmud Class TIRS	31 17 Sivan		

OUR VISION STATEMENT

Temple Israel is a vibrant and inclusive Jewish community that welcomes all who seek spiritual connection through the sacred values of Torah, prayer, learning, music, Gemilut Chasadim (acts of loving kindness), Tzedakah (Charity) and Tikkun Olam (healing the world).

As an active member of the Union for Reform Judaism, Temple is linked to the Reform movement in North America, Israel and around the world.

Calendar

JUNE 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
					1 18 Sivan Kabbalat Shabbat	2 19 Sivan Torah Study Shabbat Services JBABY See page 9
3 20 Sivan LAST SUNDAY TIRS	4 21 Sivan LAST MONDAY TIRS	5 22 Sivan 19 Adar	6 23 Sivan Talmud Class LAST WEDNESDAY TIRS	7 24 Sivan	8 25 Sivan Kabbalat Shabbat Bring your Own Dinner	9 26 Sivan Torah Study Shabbat Services BAR MITZVAH TYLER EVANS
10 27 Sivan TIRS PICNIC MONKEY BUSINESS See page 6	11 28 Sivan NO SCHOOL	12 29 Sivan	13 30 Sivan Talmud Class NO SCHOOL	14 1 Tammuz Morning Minyan	15 2 Tammuz Kabbalat Shabbat	16 3 Tammuz Torah Study Shabbat Services
17 4 Tammuz	18 5 Tammuz	19 6 Tammuz	20 7 Tammuz Talmud Class	21 8 Tammuz BOARD MEETING	22 9 Tammuz TOTally Shabbat	23 10 Tammuz Torah Study Shabbat Services BAR MITZVAH DAVID COTTIN
24 11 Tammuz	25 12 Tammuz	26 13 Tammuz	27 14 Tammuz Talmud Class	28 15 Tammuz Morning Minyan	29 16 Tammuz Kabbalat Shabbat	30 17 Tammuz Torah Study Shabbat Services BAT MITZVAH SARA BIER

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