### **Temple Israel**

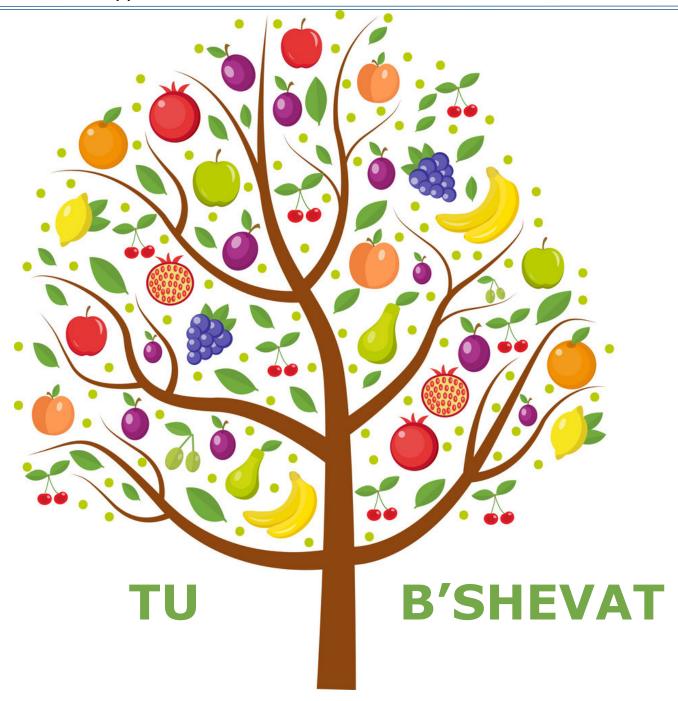


the BULLETIN

January/February 2020

Tevet/Shevat/Adar 5780

Jewish Life Happens Here



Monday, February 10, 2020
The "birthday of the trees" is a time for seders, tree-planting and more.

## **Worship Schedule**

Holiday	Dates	Times		
SHABBAT	Friday, January 3 Saturday, January 4	6:15 pm 10:15 am		
SHABBAT	Thursday, January 9 Friday, January 10 Saturday, January 11	<b>7:30 am</b> 6:15 pm 7:00 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Bring your own dinner	
SHABBAT	Friday, January 17 Saturday, January 18	6:15 pm 10:15 am		
SHABBAT	<b>Thursday, January 23</b> Friday, January 24 Saturday, January 25		Morning Minyan TOTally Shabbat Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Va'era	
SHABBAT	Friday, January 31 Saturday, February 1	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Bo	
SHABBAT	Friday, February 7 Saturday, February 8	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Beshalach Musical Guest Daniel Geigerman & Temple Liturgical Choir	
SHABBAT	<b>Thursday, February 13</b> Friday, February 14 Saturday, February 15	<b>7:30 am</b> 6:15 pm 7:00 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Bring your own dinner	
SHABBAT	Friday, February 21 Saturday, February 22	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Mishpatim Shabbat Shekalim	
SHABBAT	<b>Thursday, February 27</b> Friday, February 28 Saturday, February 29		TOTally Shabbat Kabbalat Shabbat Service	
SHABBAT	Friday, March 6 Saturday, March 7	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Tetzavah Shabbat Zachor	

### From the Pulpit



It's not every day that you have the opportunity to join 5000+ brothers and sisters for Kabbalat Shabbat services. I and our all star delegation of Temple leaders had this unique opportunity recently at the Union for Reform Judaism Biennial in Chicago. True, the room was diverse in every way, but we shared so much as Reform Jews commit-

ted to leading our people into the next generation. Our values, our passion, our Torah bound us together as one.

#### A few highlights to share:

- The president of our movement, Rabbi Rick Jacobs, focused us on expanding the concept of big tent Judaism. Whether considering ethnicity, gender identity, family formation, just to name a few topics, we are called to affirm the countless ways to serve Jewishly. He introduced the term "Jew adjacent" as in members of our community who are not formally Jewish, but support their Jewish families and community. The term "Jew adjacent" better describes the commitment offered by these loved ones, rather than defining oneself based on what one is not, ie. non Jew.
- We were inspired to serve as loud and proud voices for pluralism in Israel. Our progressive brand is under threat by the Orthodox monopoly of the state and we were reminded of the need to demonstrate both our love of Israel and our commitment to our liberal practices. A concrete way to show our support is to join ARZA Canada as a voting member. If you have not already done so, please sign up right away at:www.arzacanada.org.
- I had the honour of representing the Temple on a panel examining young family programming. Rather than sit orderly, we left our rows and explored our youthful sides with song and creativity. Our youngest members will carry our hopes and dreams, we're called to prioritize their place in our spiritual homes.

Just three thoughts, many more to come. A todah rabah to Margot Montgomery, Sue Potechin, Mark Kamins, Sue Fried and Dara Lithwick for representing Temple Israel in this important mission. Mark your calendars for Dec 2021 and come join us in Washington.

Rabbi Daniel Mikelberg



Temple **Biennial** attendees: Dara, Sue, Mark, Rabbi. Margot & Susan

### **President's Message**



It is a pleasure to join other lay leaders who work so diligently for our sacred community. Let me share a little about myself:

- I hold dear the Jewish values of learning, tikkun olam to repair our world - but even more so translating these into actions: inclusion, diversity, connectedness, welcoming.
- My Jewish journey took a big step in 1991 when my husband and I joined Temple and our daughter Sarah attended Religious School;
- Over the years, I participated in several 'Introduction to Judaism' courses, we joyously celebrated Sarah's Bat Mitzvah, travelled on a Temple trip to Israel with our extended family and in 2006, with Rabbi Garten's support, I became a Jew by Choice;
- In short, my connections with our community have steadily grown. I consider Temple my Jewish home where together we worship, learn, celebrate, comfort, share and care for one another.

For the coming two years, I hope to focus on three areas:

First: I will work to nurture a collaborative and effective sacred partnership with our clergy, staff, other lay leaders and congregants. This year we are blessed with the arrival of Rabbi Mikelberg - this is a wonderful opportunity to work together from the beginning to strengthen our sacred community.

Second: I hope to develop a leadership pipeline, particularly to engage younger leaders. I will be looking for new ways to invite congregants to contribute creativity and energy as we work together for the shared future of Temple Israel.

Third: our building, our physical home. Almost 45 years old, its aging infrastructure needs rejuvenation. Temple's building is not only a physical home where we worship and celebrate but also a hub for progressive Jewish voices and actions such as education and social action programs, school and youth activities and inspiring mu-

As we face essential upgrades to building systems, safety, security and accessibility that are estimated to cost \$2-3M, it makes sense to plan thoughtfully to maximize these investments to meet future needs. Our vision is our guide.

Lastly, I believe in communicating. I will strive to listen to congregants, consult committees and share the challenges and results of the Board. If you can help with communications, it would be a mitzvah! Shema is our command to listen, with our ears, our hearts, our minds, our souls.

Please join me on the journey ahead!

It is my pleasure to acknowledge the legacies of past presidents Steve Asherman, (2017-19) and Patsy Royer (article continued bottom of page 4)

### **School News**

#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Our new TIRS and TI ShinShinit, Shai Sagi, arrived from Israel at the end of November. She is settling in nicely both in our school and shul and has started to run programs with our kids in most grades starting with our Chanukah program on December 8th. Shai has hit the ground running and we look forward to an amazing year with her. She will generally be working

in the school on Sundays and Mondays and some Wednesdays as well as joining us for Shabbat morning services approximately twice per month starting in January. Please introduce yourself to her if you see her.

November and December were very busy for our Grades 7-10 in TI High. We had guest speakers that engaged our older students in very deep and thoughtful discussions on antisemitism and antizionism in our lives and in the media. We learned how to continue to support Israel in a variety of ways even if we don't agree with all of the policies or goings on. We also attended the Knitting Pilgrim multifaith program where some of our students actually learned how to knit!

Our JYG (Junior Youth Group) continues to offer creative programming that brings up to 25 Grade 6-8 participants. Your child does not have to be a student in TIRS to join us! JBotics is underway thanks to a microgrant from JFO, Dungeons and Dragons with a Jewish twist has returned, and our tweens are already gearing up for a Trivia afternoon on January 5th. Plans are underway for a Shabbaton with Temple Solel in Mississauga January 31st to February 2nd. (See flyer). There is also the possibility that we will be joined by Temple Emanuel Beth Shalom in Montreal. I met with the Directors of Education from both synagogues at the URJ Biennial. I hope to be able to plan this type of exchange yearly moving forward.

TIRS, JYG and FROSTY joined the rabbi's installation Friday night service and then had mixers and a movie. This weekend, we will be volunteering at In From the Cold at Parkdale United Church which is an annual event. We have so many eager volunteers that I have to plan for a second session. Not a bad predicament to be in but I find myself having to turn people away as we are only allowed to have 20 and we had over 30! We are in the process of hiring a new FROSTY Advisor. More information to come very soon. Thank you so much to Lisa Rossman for her years as our JYG and then FROSTY Advisor.

I attended my first Biennial last week and came back with so much information to share. I went to sessions for educators specifically and others that are relevant to our school, our families and to Temple Israel in general. From services geared to all grades, especially the younger ones, to involving grandparents; from engaging post-B'nai Mitzvah students to dispelling myths about Millennials; and from early childhood development to traditional vs interpretive music, I enjoyed it all! Chag Chanukah Sameach! Sue Potechin, TIRS Principal

### **Past Events at Temple**



The *Knitting Pilgrim*, Kirk Dunn, captivated the 200 attendees with his personal fifteen-year journey towards understanding the common heritage and values of Judaism, Christianity and Islam, expressed through his creation of the three large knitted tapestries. The audience included congregants of sponsors Temple Israel and All Saints Anglican Westboro, TIRS and Taste of Judaism students, members of the Muslim community and Ottawa knitters. Proceeds will be used to support sponsored refugee families of both congregations.



Temple TIRS students learning to knit at the Knitting Pilgrim program.

#### President's Article (continued)

(2015-17). To recognize their leadership and as a token of our esteem and gratitude, we are adding two leaves in their names to the lobby Tree of Life. Both have worked hard to forge strong relationships with our clergy, staff and congregants and, most comforting to me, are still smiling and very much standing up for Temple!

Board members invested a November Sunday to get to know one another better as we work together for Temple and to build on our shared vision of an inclusive community 'Kehilah', lending our voice and actions as liberal Jews to the larger community 'K'lal Yisrael' and caring for one another and the world we inhabit 'Gimilot Chasadim' and 'Tikkun Olam'.

The results are motivating: we learned, laughed, cried and noshed. Plans are afoot to improve board effectiveness and focus on strategic issues. Stay tuned.

Margot Montgomery, President

### **Installation Review**

### THANK YOU!

We are so grateful and thankful to everyone who took part in welcoming Rabbi Mikelberg and his family into our community during the Installation Weekend. It was wonderful to see so many people at the various events and there was excitement in the air as we prayed, ate, danced and sung together. A truly beautiful weekend filled with hope, promise and new beginnings.

This weekend wouldn't have been possible without the dedication and help of so many wonderful people - a huge thank you to all our organizers, coordinators, singers, chanters, bakers, sandwiches makers etc.

Organizers/Coordinators: Heather Cohen, Cathy Loves, Jen, Steve, Thyekia, Barbara and Karl Elliott

Lay Cantors: Larry Tarof, Hillel Taub, Evan Weiner, Ezra Miller, Sue Potechin, Mark Kamins

TIRS: Sue Potechin, Ranit Braun, Selene Herz-Fischler, Cathy Deri, Mitch Leitman

Choir: Ellen Asherman- Director Carol Gurofsky-accompanist

Barbara Crook, Valerie Taller, Andrea Paul Purcell, Cherie Douglas, Fran Russell, Janet Cohen, Shaina Lipsey, Mindy Finklestein, Sandra Thomas, Sue Potechin, Hyman Cooper, Mark Kamins, Daniel Chemla, Victor Bier, Morrie Paul, Aron Spector

Sandwich makers: Miriam Burke, AC Dolgin, Bobbi Soderstrom, Sandy Bennett, Sharon Michaelson, Ellen Asherman

Bakers: Anne Alper, Ellen Asherman, Sandy Bennett, Jackie Barwin, Miriam Burke, Lily Cox, AC Dolgin, Eva Esrock, Susan Gold, Aviva Stewart-Goldstein, Selene Herz-Fischler, Kayla Jacobs, Dara Lithwick, Marian Leimovici, Jen Martin, Margot Montgomery, Adrienne Paknadel-Powell, Diane Parkin, Cynthia Powell, Lisa Rosenkrantz, Patsy Royer, Zelda Shore, Debra Viner, Bobbi Soderstrom

Musical Guests: Ruth Mendell and the wonderful A B'isl Klez.

Many thanks and gratitude.

Tamara Taub and Deidre Butler Committee - Co-chairs



Thank you to A Bisl Klez for their performance at installation weekend: Ernie Brodo, Fred Brown, Alison James, Howard Kaplan, Eric Elkin, Keira Leibovitz, Don McVeigh, Ruth Mendell, Steve Shapransky & Peter Teitelbaum



Rabbi Dolgin formally installs Rabbi Mikelberg

Temple board of directors at Rabbi Mikelbera's installation





Youth programming at installation



Sandwich makers prepare for installation



Put your business card size ad in the Temple Israel Bulletin, only \$180 for six issues. Please contact the office at 613-224-1802 for information.

### **Upcoming Temple Events**

Adult Education with Rabbi Mikelberg

### Sunday January 19th, 2020 10:00am



### Leaving Legacies of the Heart: Preparing an Ethical Will

All too often we neglect to prepare words to offer our loved ones in the event of our passing. These thoughts include significant memories, the values we cherish, and hopes for the future.

Looking at Moses' last days we will have the opportunity to explore various means to prepare an ethical will. Rather than a topic to avoid, this will be a soulful conversation about the ideals that we honour.

Please contact the office at 613-224-1802 or reception@templeisraelottawa.com to register

### SOCIAL ACTION SHABBAT



Saturday February 29, 2020 10:15 am

Strengthening the Sukkah that Represents our Ottawa Home

Temple Israel has been a founding member of the Multifaith Housing Initiative (MHI). We recognize the essential need to ensure affordable housing for all residents of our beloved city. We know that Ottawa is one of the most expensive cities in the country to rent an apartment or home.



We welcome **Salhado Alolo**, executive director of MHI to speak on the topic of affordable housing. Let's learn how to serve as strong advocates for a loving and just society.

# **Project ABRAHAM**



RESETTLEMENT & SUPPORT FOR VICTIMS OF PERSECUTION

# For you were once Strangers: Standing up for the Yezidis

With guests Debbie & Gary Rose from Project Abraham

# Sunday February 23, 2020 10:00 am at Temple

On the morning of August 3, 2014, ISIS fighters entered the Yezidi city of Sinjar, bent on total destruction. In the days that followed approximately 10,000 Yezidis were executed in cold blood – shot, beheaded, burned alive. As well, 7,000 Yezidi women and girls were abducted.

Since 2015 Project Abraham has been supporting the resettlement of Yezidi survivors of ISIS in the Greater Toronto Area. Now, with over 300 volunteers, we work to help these traumatized people re-establish their lives in the safety of Canada. With the freedom to practice the Yezidi religion without fear, we are empowering them to create a future for themselves and their children as fully integrated Canadian citizens.



### Tu B'Shevat Seder Monday February 10, 2020 7:00 pm

There is a newfound push for environmental concern spreading near and far. However, our ancient texts have long held the importance of demonstrating our love for the globe.

Rabbi Mikelberg will lead a creative seder intermingling traditional sources with contemporary responses. Snacks and refreshments provided.

Please RSVP by Thursday February 6 to 613-224-1802 or *reception@templeisraelottawa.com* 

### **Biennial Review**

Temple Israel's contingent of 6 participated enthusiastically in the Union of Reform Judaism (URJ) Biennial Conference in Chicago, Dec 11-15. This year the Canadian arm of URJ, the Canadian Council for Reform Judaism (CCRJ), offered a 'We the North' \$500 grant for first time attendees - and 4 of us benefited!

Thousands of Jews from across North America and around the world - including over 100 Canadians - gathered to learn, pray, share ideas, dance and sing, hear inspiring speakers and leaders of our Movement, reunite with old friends, create new connections, and make decisions about the policies of the Reform Movement.

Over 5,000 people attend the Biennial, every time slot offers about 10 program choices. Fortunately, there is a Biennial App to help sort out where, when and who. An extensive exhibit area offered Judaica, shul systems, even a kosher food cart! To participate from afar, plenary sessions were live streamed from the URJ website; canned versions are still available for viewing here: https://www.urjbiennial.org/livestream-recordings

Highlights of sessions our team attended:

Margot Montgomery: 'Supporting Jewish Adjacent Members in your congregation' introducing a new and positive term for the role of non-Jewish family members; 'Building a leadership pipeline in your congregation' how to create leadership opportunities and attract people to serve eventually on the Board; 'An Agenda for Reform: Based on the 2018 Survey of Canadian Jews' an interesting recent survey of over 2,000 Canadian Jews. The Powerpoint document is available through the Temple website.

Sue Potechin: How Your Congregation Will Benefit from Paying Serious Attention to Grandparents; Bright spots in post B'nei Mitzvah Engagement; Forget what you thought about Millennials: The Kids are right!

Mark Kamins: Emerging Artists' Showcase - introducing some newer and emerging voices in Jewish music; Creating Powerful Musical Artist-in-Residence Programs in your Congregation - what is your community seeking and how can an artist-in-residence program help you find it. Using Music to Build Bridges in Social Justice and Interfaith Endeavors; The Color of Love – exploring the intersection of religion and race in America through the memoir authored by Marra Gad.

Dara Lithwick: Until All of Us Are Free, None of Us Is Free, co-led by Dara with members of the JewV'Nation Fellowship: Jews of Color Cohort and the LGBTQIA+ Cohort in multi-cultural, multi-racial, and inclusive worship. Mobilizing Around the Environment and Climate Change: How Your Community Can Take Action; Beyond Tot Shabbat: Multi-Generational Community Building (featuring Rabbi Mikelberg); Canadian, Eh? What We Can Learn from the Canadian Reform Experience; Yoga Shalom: Restorative prayer, chant and embodiment practice.

Hope to see you at the next URJ Biennial, Dec 8-11, 2021 in Washington, DC (National Harbor). Mark your calendar!

### **Building Update**

The Building Architecture Renovation Committee (BRAC), co-chaired by Patsy Royer and Shirli Penner, is pleased to announce that Figurr Architects Collective has been selected to design Temple Israel's renovations, following Temple's Request for Proposals in October 2019. The Figurr contract covers Concept Design Services (pre-design, concept design approval and implementation strategy and 3rd party cost estimator consulting support) at a cost of \$41,000 plus HST.

Figurr, with offices in Montreal and Ottawa, describes itself as: - an impassioned group of highly skilled professionals collaborating with discerning clients to create outstanding projects through personal service, depth of expertise, and sophisticated design

- focused on making its clients—rather than itself—look good, Figurr imbues itself in its clients' philosophy and aspirations; - taking the time to explore and draw from our clients' very DNA, our team is truly able to create buildings and spaces that are an extension of Figurr's and our clients' values.

Figurr Architects Collective have many personal ties to the Jewish Community in Montreal and Ottawa and are experienced with synagogues, parochial schools, recreation centres and more, such as:

Shaare Hashomaym Synagogue - Elevator addition Shaare Zion Synagogue - Exterior envelope Har Sinai Temple - New construction Temple Emauel - New construction Solomon Schecter Academy - New construction Hebrew Academy - New construction/Renovation Toldos Academy - New construction/renovation Jewish General hospital - Misc renovations Jewish Rehabilitation Hospital - Misc renovations Mikvah Israel - New construction



Har Sinai Temple addtion - Pennington, NJ

BRAC is excited about the opportunity to work with Figurr to recreate our synagogue space to meet our needs for many years to come. We look forward to collaborating on Vision and inspiration, welcoming and access for all, the environment and sustainability.



Mikvah Israel addition & renovation - Montreal

BRAC is excited about the opportunity to work with Figurr on our challenging building project!

### **Temple Celebrations**

Our Chanukah Seniors lunch was a huge success with over 60 attendees enjoying a wonderful lunch including latkes





A huge thank you to all of our volunteers who helped prepare, serve and clean up!

Also thanks to our entertainment, the Sunset Singers and Phil Cohen.

Rabbi & Mark Holzman compete for "best" Chanukah sweater



On Friday December 20 we welcomed our new members to our Temple family with our "Bring your own" Chanukah dinner. We had over 170 people join us in celebration!

Welcome to the following new members and their families:

Tina Azarin; Corey Bainerman and Anita E.; Sam and Sarah Berns; Fran Cherry; Jessica Cohen; Joyce and Daniel Coldrey; Pierre Coulombe and Ann Heathcote; Leona Crabb; Daniel Davies and Maya Phansalker-Davies; Jennifer Douek-Maayani; Cherie Douglas; Neil Fine and Kelsey Burns; Mark and Carol Froimovitch; Jordana Globerman and Mark McSorley; William and Gertrude Greenberg; Lisa Halpern; Ilana Hanes and Joshua McCaughen; Brit Hemming; Erin Henry; Sarah Ives and Joachim Agou; Carly Jaruk and Thomas Desjardins; Michael Kalin and Tejaswinhi Srinivas; Kira Kaminsky and Douglas Watson; Josh Kardish and Ellen Goldbloom; Joel Karwatsky and Debbie Zimmerman; Kayla Keenan and Lucas Gibson; Cynthia Laitinen; Ron and Judy Levine; Jessica Loeb and Alexi Gherman; Marie Helene Lyon; Michael Margel and Brittany Rizzo; Karen Marcus and Roland Collins; Myrna Marcus; Langa Mtimkulu; Lina and Lionel Pereira-Mendoza; Steven Poleski and Sandra Pollack; Jasmin Ralph and Clayton Powell; Lisa Rosen, Rebecca Shepherd and David Johnson; Mindy Sichel and Kevin Neden; Daniel and Leah Stolarski; Matthew and Melissa Thompson; Claude Weil and Lucie Theoret; Gabriel Wolinsky and Codie Allen; Dan Yachnin and Leah Gold.

If you are a new member, and we have missed you on this list, please contact the office!



January Anniversaries

Inbal Marcovitch & Michael Gershuny
Susan & Brian Gold
Heidi & Mario Rodriguez
Verena & Ben Shapiro
Bobbi & Rick Soderstrom

### February Anniversaries

Marjorie & Elliott Berman Heather & Gary Cohen Nicole Menard & Bruce Handel Amalia & Stanely Winer



Margot Montgomery presents Heather Cohen gifts in honour of her 30 years of service to Temple Israel



Heather is presented with memory book!

### **Oneg/Kiddush Project**

### **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 a special event
- •Because you are a swell person who likes to support your favourite 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 the following who made recent contributions to Temple.

Stephen & Sandra Goldstein in honour of Stephen's special birthday

Jeremy Goldstein & Aliza Rudner in honour of Stephen's special birthday

Verena & Ben Shapiro in honour of Noah's Bar Mitzvah

#### **Rosalind & Stanley Labow**

Melanie & Michael Rosenblatt in honour Darah's Bat Mitzvah

Fran Klodawsky & Aron Spector in observance of the yahrzeit of Morris Spector

Marie Carmen Berlie & Charles Khazzam in observance of the yahrzeit of Juan Berlie

Gail Krochmalnek & David Nozick in honour of Rabbi Mikelberg's installation

Mark Kamins & Sue Potechin in observance of the yahrzeit of Aaron Kamins

**Deborah & James Farrow** in observance of the yahrzeit of Seymour Levine & Sarah Jean Farrow

Patsy & Georges Royer in honour of Patsy's birthday and their anniversary

Gabriella Goliger in observance of the yahrzeit of Ruth Goliger

Hal Burnham & Kevin Bisback in memory of Dennis Chesnel & David Clements

### **Shabbat Oneg (continued)**

Michelle Albagli, Anne Alper, Joyce Pagurek, Zelda **Shore & Ruth Steinberg** in memory of Lynne Young

**The Viner family** in observance of the yarhzeit of Joe

Ellen & Stephen Asherman in honour of their special anniversary

Sandra & Stephen Goldstein in honour of their anniversary and Aliza Rudner's birthday

### Mark your calendar!

#### WELCOME BACK CANTOR DANIEL!



We have two upcoming opportunities to continue to be inspired by Cantorial student Daniel Geigerman.

Daniel will join us for Shabbat worship on the weekends of Jan 10-11 and again Feb 7-8.

Get set to sing, learn and lift your spirits high.





Mazal Tov to Dara Lithwick on her upcoming rabbinical ordination. Stay tuned for a Temple celebration in March.

If you have any lifecyle announcement that you would like to appear in our next bulletin, please send pictures and information to the office.

### Temple Sunday Afternoon Concert Series



Sunday March 29, 2020 - 2PM

"Hot Club Jazz"

Justin Duhaime's Gypsy Muse with special guest William
Lamoureux – violin

Take yourself back in time to Paris in the 1930's when the famous Hot Club featured the likes of Stephane Grappelli and Django Rienhart. That's the feel of this band. Jazz on these acoustic instruments has a unique sensibility that is fun, soulful and always approachable to ears less familiar with the jazz category. While still quite popular in Europe, this style often takes a back seat to the brassier avant garde at local jazz festivals. Toronto based William Lamouruex returns to Ottawa to join the band to deliver a performance that is sure to have your foot tapping.

### **Bnai Mitzvah**

Is your child born in 2008?

We are now booking Bar/Bat dates through the end of February 2021.

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.



Sunday April 19, 2020 - 2PM

"Music of the Diaspora"

Nina Gordon - cello, Dina Namer - piano

This program will feature rarely performed works by Jewish composers Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Paul Ben-Haim, Freidrich Gernsheim and Pancho Vladigerov. Much of the program is derived from the research of Cellist Nina Gordon, who is on the music faculty at Illinois Wesleyan University, and Ottawa based Dina Namer, who teaches piano at Queens University. Both are featured soloist at Temple Israel's high holiday services.

Morning Minyan

Join us semi-monthly for our Thursday morning minyan

We begin at 7:30am and conclude by 8:15 am which allows us to start the day with a strong boost of Torah and prayer.

Some people choose to leave immediately after, but we also offer a caffeine boost, a bagel and a little conversation for those who choose to stick around and ease into the morning.

The next minyans will be held: January 9 & 23 February 13 & 27

### **Temple Events for Young Families & Kids**

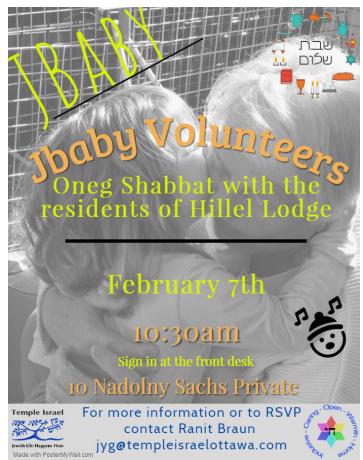


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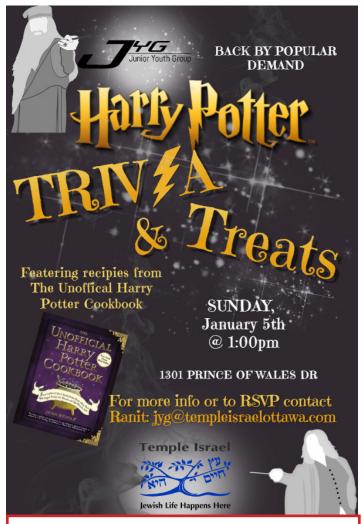
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### **Temple Junior/Senior Youth**





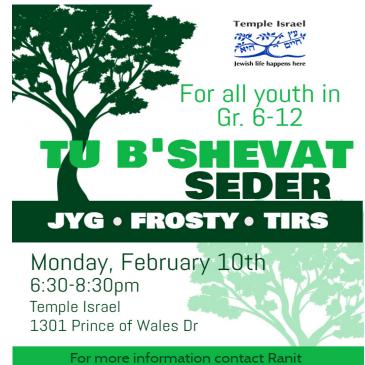
January 12th\*
January 26th
February 23rd
March 29th
April 26th
June 7th

\*make up day for Dec. 15th

1pm-4pm

Pizza Lunch \$5





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#### **HALPERN FUND**

Mazal Tov to Hannah Halpern on her birthday Eva Esrock

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In memory of Pearl Witenoff

Gerald & Hannah Halpern

#### **HALTRECHT-MATTE FUND**

Mazal Tov & in appreciation to Miriam Burke Merle Haltrecht-Matte

In appreciation to Gary Viner

Merle Haltrecht-Matte

Welcome to Ottawa Rabbi Mikelberg, Zach Paul & Jacob

Merle Haltrecht-Matte & Guy Matte

Mazal Tov to Lianne Pelletier on receiving her PhD Merle Haltrecht-Matte & Guy Matte

In appreciation to Merle Haltrecht-Matte Ellis Levine

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In appreciation to Hillel Taub Aaron & Sarah Good

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In appreciation to Dr. Lisa Rosenkrantz Micah Garten & Jessica Walker



### **Temple Donations**

Temple donation cards are a lovely way to wish someone mazel tov, celebrate a birth, extend condolences, and for any and all occasions.

> Please choose from one of various funds for Temple Israel;

**Bernard Pearl Landscaping Building/Temple Rejuvenation CCRJ Camp George** Library **Joseph Ginsberg Educational Kiddush Fund Liturgical Resource Library** Onea **Pentateuch Prayerbook Piano** 

Rabbi's Discretionary Rabbi Steven Garten Fund for Jewish Living and

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**Youth Scholarship** 

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A package of 10 cards/envelopes may also be purchased for you to send yourself. Please contact the office to arrange, cost is \$175 for the package. A tax receipt is given for this donation. If you provide card details to the office, the information will be included in our Bulletin.

You can also call either Sandy or Diane (contact information below) and they will send out a card on your behalf.

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AC & Marc Dolgin & family

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In memory of Ricarda Smith

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Wishing speedy recovery to Estelle Gunner

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In memory of Ricarda Smith

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Mazal Tov to Rabbi Garten on the birth of his grandson

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In honour of Anne Khazzam becoming co-president of Sir Roberg Borden and past president of FROSTY

Sandra Thomas

In memory of Pearl Witenoff

Diane & Michael Parkin

### **Condolences**



זכרונם לברכה

May their memory forever be a blessing.

Condolences are extended to the families of:

Ricarda Smith - beloved mother of Andrew & Alexandra

Roger Dahan - beloved father of Chantal Dahan

**Phyllis Sadowski -** beloved mother of Debra (Gary)

Lucy Chitra - beloved sister of Ted Ramsay (Karen Ginsberg)

**Pearl Witenoff -** beloved mother of Ellen (Stephen) Asherman

Martin Rudner - beloved father of Aliza Rudner (Jeremy Goldstein)

### **Yahrzeits**

### January 3-4 Vayigash

Leah Bercovitch Theodore Brickell Helen Cherry Olga Engel Gus Garber Moses Gencher Sydney Gordon Rena Harris Michael Bruce Kronick Louis Lemkow Nicholas Michelson **Arthur Ramsay** June Rybak Bella Salamon Jack Schneiderman Michael Shabsove Harry Shapiro Anna Trattner Veszi

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#### January 24-25 Va'era

Anne Abrams Maurice David Brownstein Phillip Dubinsky Florence Finberg Morris Gelfand Gerald Gilman Max Gross Harry Halpern Steffi Halton Frieda Lillian Lauterman Frank Loves Goldie Moraff Joseph Schrier Linda Marcia Silverman Jay Sokoloff Eva Waldman Lillian Webber Max Webber

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#### February 7-8 Beshalach

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#### February 14 - 15 Yitro

Elsie Baker Maya Basina Jacob Chochinov Samuel Frankel John Ginsburg Teena Goldberg Hella Hecht **Igor Livshits** Harry Lyons (Lubetsky) Maurice Miller Helga Ron Izzie Rosenberg Louis Sacks Evelvn Scales Tillie Schneider Irwin Singer Morris John Spergel Robert Sully Philip Whiteside

#### February 21 - 22 Mishpatim Shabbat Shekalim

Shirley Winer

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#### February 28-29 Terumah

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### Calendar

January 2019							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	
			1 4 Tevet	2 5 Tevet	3 6 Tevet Kabbalat Shabbat	4 7 Tevet  Torah Study Shabbat Services	
5 8 Tevet TIRS	6 9 Tevet TIRS	7 10 Tevet	8 11 Tevet 1pm TALMUD TIRS	9 12 Tevet  Morning Minyan	10 13 Tevet  Kabbalat Shabbat  Bring Your Own Dinner	11 14 Tevet Torah Study Shabbat Services JBABY	
12 15 Tevet TIRS	13 <sup>16 Tevet</sup>	14 <sup>17 Tevet</sup>	15 18 Tevet  1pm TALMUD  TIRS	16 19 Tevet BOARD MEETING	17 <sup>20 Tevet</sup> Kabbalat Shabbat	18 21 Tevet  Torah Study Shabbat Services	
19 22 Tevet  TIRS  ETHICAL WILL  10AM  (see page 6)	20 <sup>23 Tevet</sup>	21 <sup>24 Tevet</sup>	22 25 Tevet  1pm TALMUD  TIRS	23 26 Tevet  Morning Minyan	24 27 Tevet  Kabbalat Shabbat  TOTally Shabbat	25 28 Tevet  Torah Study Shabbat Services	
26 <sup>29 Tevet</sup> TIRS	27 <sup>1 Shevat</sup>	28 <sup>2 Shevat</sup>	29 3 Shevat 1pm TALMUD TIRS	30 <sup>4 Shevat</sup>	31 <sup>5 Shevat</sup> Kabbalat Shabbat		

### **TEMPLE VISION STATEMENT**

Temple Israel is Ottawa's Reform congregation where Jewish Life Happens --committing ourselves to Kehilah K'lal Yisrael, and Tikun Olam.

We are a dynamic and welcoming congregation (Kehilah) where varied Jewish experiences offer pathways to learn and to experience God for all, respecting tradition and creating new celebrations.

We are an active liberal presence in the larger Jewish community (K'lal Yisrael).

We strive through social action to fulfill the Mitzvot of caring for others (Gimilut Chasadim) and repairing the world (Tikun Olam).



### Will return in April 2020

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### <u>Calendar</u>

February 2019							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	
						1 6 Shevat  Torah Study  Shabbat Services	
2 7 Shevat  MITZVAH DAY	3 8 Shevat	4 9 Shevat	5 10 Shevat 1pm TALMUD TIRS	6 11 Shevat	7 12 Shevat Kabbalat Shabbat JBABY @HILLEL	8 13 Shevat  Torah Study Shabbat Services	
9 14 Shevat TIRS	10 15 Shevat TIRS TU B'SHEVAT SEDER	11 <sup>16 Shevat</sup>	12 17 Shevat  1pm TALMUD  TIRS	13 <sup>18</sup> Shevat  Morning Minyan	14 19 Shevat  Kabbalat Shabbat  Bring Your Own Dinner	15 20 Shevat  Torah Study Shabbat Services JBABY	
16 21 Shevat	17 22 Shevat  FAMILY DAY NO SCHOOL	18 23 Shevat	19 24 Shevat 1pm TALMUD TIRS	20 25 Shevat BOARD MEETING	21 26 Shevat Kabbalat Shabbat	22 27 Shevat  Torah Study Shabbat Services	
23 28 Shevat  TIRS YEZIDI PROGRAM 10 AM (See page 6)	24 <sup>29 Shevat</sup>	25 <sup>30 Shevat</sup>	26 1 Adar 1pm TALMUD TIRS	27 <sup>2</sup> Adar Morning Minyan	28 3 Adar  TOTally Shabbat  Kabbalat Shabbat	29 4 Adar AFFORDABLE HOUSING SHABBAT (see page 6) Torah Study Shabbat Services	

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