

Temple Israel



Celebrating 50 Years

the BULLETIN

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MAZEL TOV!



2017 Raoul Wallenberg Citation For Moral Courage in the Face of Anti-Semitism Awardees
Rabbi Emeritus Steven Garten and Imam Mohamad Jebara with Naima Sidow, Merle
Haltrecht-Matte and Cantor Daniel Benlolo

(Photo courtesy of Ezra Miller)

Worship Schedule

Holiday	Dates	Times	
SHABBAT	Friday June 30 Saturday, July 1	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Chukat HAPPY CANADA DAY
SHABBAT	Friday, July 7 Saturday, July 8	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Balak
SHABBAT	Thursday, July 13 Friday, July 14 Saturday, July 15	7:30 am 6:15 pm 7:00 pm 10:15 am	Morning Minyan Kabbalat Shabbat Service Bring your Own Dinner Shabbat Service, Parsha Pinchas
SHABBAT	Friday, July 21 Saturday, July 22	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Matot-Masei
SHABBAT	Thursday, July 27 Friday, July 28 Saturday, July 29	7:30 am 6:15 pm 10:15 am	Morning Minyan Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Devarim, Shabbat Chazon
SHABBAT	Friday, August 4 Saturday, August 5	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Va'etchanan Shabbat Nachamu
SHABBAT	Thursday, August 10 Friday, August 11 Saturday, August 12	7:30 am 6:15 pm 10:15 am	Morning Minyan Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Ekev
SHABBAT	Friday, August 18 Saturday, August 19	6:15 pm 7:00 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Bring your Own Dinner (NOTE: Special Date) Shabbat Service, Parsha Re'ev
SHABBAT	Friday, August 25 Saturday, August 26	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Shoftim
SHABBAT	Thursday, August 31 Friday, September 1 Saturday, September 2	7:30 am 6:15 pm 10:15 am	Morning Minyan, Bar Mitzvah of Dylan Ages Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Ki Tetze

From the Pulpit

Happy 150th Birthday Canada!!



For me, being Canadian is being deeply grateful to the country that allowed my refugee grandparents to settle here. It is where I was born and where I spent the first 25 years of my life.

When I was thinking about what being Canadian means, I was struck by how similar in many ways it is to being a Reform Jew - socially liberal, accepting, progressive and inclusive. These are many of our congregation's core values.

We have had a wonderful year, full of programs and celebrations to mark our congregation's 50th anniversary. When I proposed that we add a special Shabbat Morning Service to the roster of programs, lectures and concerts, I had no idea what a beautiful Shabbat we were going to create. It was a Shabbat filled with joy and gratitude.

How wonderful to have over 30 current and past members of our choir, led by Ellen Asherman, along with our dedicated Shlachai Tzibur (lay cantors) coordinated by Sue Potechin, who led us in such beautiful music of prayer. It was an honour for Rabbi Garten and me to lead such a special service, and for us to have the opportunity to reflect on the past and share hopes for the future. Thank you to our 50th anniversary committee chaired by Margot Montgomery and Pat Dunphy.

One of the incredible results of this past year has been the discovery of the wonderful talents of our Temple Israel community. We are looking forward to your continuing to share those talents, as well as continuing to build on the very positive energy, in order to create an excellent program of events for next year.

Mazel Tov to everyone for making this year an incredible success! I am so thankful to all those who throughout our 50 years have helped make Temple Israel the incredible, warm and welcoming community that we are. We have much to be proud of as we look forward to a vibrant future.

Have a great summer! Happy Birthday Canada!

Shalom,
Rabbi Morais

HIGH HOLY DAY ALIYAH



If you would like to suggest someone for an honour at High Holy Days, or if you would like to offer to have an honour, please contact the Ritual Chair Garry Kessler garry_kessler@rogers.com or leave a message for Garry to call you at the office 613-224-1802 #4. Please contact Garry Kessler by July 21. Thank you for your participation.

President's Message



Great things are happening at Temple!

When I was a teacher, I always thought of summer as holiday time to do whatever I wanted, at the pace I wanted, and always involving the family and friends out at the farm.

Lately though, summer has become a time to dedicate to projects, mine and Temple's, when I don't have to bundle up or shovel snow to get to meetings, when we can sit back on the deck to plan, and when people are that little bit more relaxed and available.

All sorts of great things are happening at Temple, and my focus right now is on the building project. As I write this, we are studying the fee proposals from the architects from whom we will select one to collaborate on renewing and enlarging our building. Several major donors have expressed strong interest in our rejuvenation and the strategy for fundraising is being formulated.

Committees will shortly be formed to oversee publicity for the project, project management from our side, fundraising, congregational relations and so forth, all under a Steering Group. Naturally, I want to be part of this until completion in two or three years' time. At each stage of the work, we will endeavor to keep the whole congregation informed and listen to you, as you are the stakeholders.

The past year of 50th Anniversary events cannot be ignored; the job done by all of our volunteers was amazing. Events were very well attended and the audiences were full of praise for the topics chosen and the organization of the sessions. Using the example of the 50th Committee, we have created a small volunteer co-ordination team who will advise those who create and carry out programs on our behalf in the future.

For those who attended the panel discussion on palliative care in April, and all those interested in participating in a course on providing pastoral visiting with a Jewish approach, we are looking at 10 classes from October to December 2017. Please let the office know if you would like to be part of this worthwhile activity of bichur cholim.

In the coming year, we will be connecting with younger Jewish Ottawans to make sure that they know that a Liberal Reform Synagogue exists in the city and offers the gamut of religious services and other programs that they need. Part of the process will be upping the ante on electronic communications like Twitter and Instagram, which is where many of those younger people get their information. Another is creating a closer link with Hillel on the campuses and with Parliament Hill staff so that they know they will be welcome on High Holy Days and for other celebrations. We want several events aimed at this demographic to take place in the coming year, and welcome your input.

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From the Emeritus



A challenge to our thoughts and actions about the Jewish future.

There were 150 rabbis, cardinals, bishops, priests and seminarians from every continent invited to Domus Galilea, a large conference centre on the Mount of Beatitudes overlooking the Kinneret, for a four-day exchange of views concerning Catholic Jewish relations and theology.

The overwhelming number of rabbis from Israel were ultra-orthodox or Chabad. Most European rabbis were traditional and Chabad. There were 27 North American rabbis registered, two from Canada. There was only one woman rabbi present and that they did not refer to her as Rabbi. At the inaugural event two years ago there 15 woman rabbis, but none returned.

We were all invited by the Neocatechumenal movement, a charismatic missionary movement of the Catholic Church. The movement claims to have 2.5 million adherents, implemented in small parish-based family communities of up to 50 people. They paid for all visiting rabbis and hosted all the participants.

The Neocatechumenal Way, also known as the Neocatechumenate, NCW or, colloquially, The Way, was formed in Madrid in 1964 by Kiko Argüello and Carmen Hernández.

It is difficult to do justice to their theology in such a short piece. However some visuals might help. In their magnificent Domus overlooking the Kinneret the main hall is dominated by two sculptures, a large 10-foot-tall tablet of the Ten Commandments in Hebrew and another of the commandments in Latin. On the outside patio there is a 12-foot tall obelisk which proclaims a prophetic vision in Hebrew and Latin.

The "Way" believes that only by understanding and honouring their Jewish roots can they understand the fruits of the tree known as Christianity. Their seminarians spend 18 months in Israel and their Hebrew is outstanding.

Kiko has written a symphony for orchestra and choir that expresses Christian forgiveness and understanding of the Shoah, which has been performed throughout the world. It was presented to us on the first day, with the entire Catholic gathering joining in the stirring presentation of our creed, made into theirs. Some rabbis stood and sang, some just stood; we all felt uncomfortable with the strange reality of THEM singing OUR prayer.

Three days later as part of a Christian prayer service, the Shema and Vahavta were sung again. The emotions in the auditorium were intense. They believe that the Shema charges them to love God and to hear God's words. They believe that to love God is the essence of

faith. How strange to hear our Torah thrown back at us by others.

As the days progressed, it became clear that this movement like so many charismatic religious movements sees itself as under attack by secularism. They verbally assaulted all who offered opinions contrary to theirs on issues of abortion, divorce, sexual life styles, marriage and divorce. In those areas they found an alliance with the chief rabbinate of Israel. It was as if at those moments, I was clearly on the side of the infidels.

Two modern orthodox rabbis spoke, Rabbi Yitz Greenberg of CLAL and Rabbi Shlomo Riskind of Efrat, two wonderful presentations of how Jewish thought and Catholic thought intertwine. Rabbi Greenberg spoke of the plight of Syrian refugees and Rabbi Riskind spoke of economic and environmental justice. These were the Jewish offerings in the public sessions.

A powerful personal speaker, Kiko spoke a total of nine hours, and even accounting for repetition and ego, he captivated his followers.

One last reflection: Weeks like this challenge our thoughts and actions about the Jewish future. Kiko and his followers fear modernity and secularism. They believe that their way of promoting family values, small communities of faith, making the family the centerpiece of the faith, formal interpersonal connections between parents and child builds a bulwark against the threatening hordes. I left wondering if we are as intentional in our response, or are we so busy defending modernity we that we cannot fathom how to successfully respond to it.

*Rabbi Steven Garten
Rabbi Emeritus*

President's Article (Continued from page 3)

I've been doing a lot of reading about synagogues and how they will function in the future. It's an interesting study. We do everything we can to build relationships, with the Almighty, with our clergy, staff, caretakers and teachers, and with each other, in order to make our Temple a kind of "home away from home" for our whole community. I hope that you, too, will take a part by introducing yourself to others and getting to know them.

On that subject, I'll be at Camp George on the weekend of August 12th when there is an open house and teaching sessions on welcoming folks to our Temple. If you want more information, please let me know. It should be a great weekend.

And finally, have a great summer!

*Patsy Royer
President*

School News



What an incredible year we have had! I am so proud of everyone in our school including students, Madrichim (TA's), Shinshiniyot (Noga and Canaf) and teachers. Our staff has worked very hard this year, introducing new curriculum and adventures with our students. They have connected with our Temple Israel family through 50th anniversary projects and through the broader Jewish community both in Ottawa and in Israel.

While not all of our students are members of Temple Israel, it is important that they know that they are still part of something bigger than just TIRS. It has been my goal this year to instill the notion of Am Echad --- one Jewish nation. Whether our students are members of Temple Israel, Or Haneshamah, KBI or not affiliated with a synagogue, I believe we have come one step closer to achieving this goal and will continue on this path.

Our old fashioned end of year picnic was a huge success!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help in any way and to those who brought desserts and drinks. We couldn't have done it without you! Special mentions go to Morah Ranit for everything she did behind the scenes and to Morah Malca for her help at the picnic. And to Miriam and Mario Burke for arranging to have their Ad Mare Food Truck available for dinner at the park. It was fantastic having the Co-Chair of the School Committee serving dinner!

We are already gearing up for next year. I have heard from happy parents with happy children who can't wait to come back. I have also heard from several new parents that they have heard we are a force to reckon with and want their children to join us! Keep spreading the word. It's the best way for people to get to know us. I am available throughout the summer to meet with or speak to new parents.

Have a wonderful summer!
See you in September if not before!

*Sue Potechin
Principal*



Temple member and author
David Handelman reading to
TIRS students

TIRS grades 7 & 8 on a field trip to
the NCC International Pavilion to see
the "From Stone to Sea" exhibit



Temple Programs

Ismaili Students visit Temple

On April 29, we welcomed a group of Ismaili students from Ottawa to attend our Saturday Shabbat service.

They were a lovely group and their leader, Nawaaz Makhani passed along the following comments from his students about their experience at Temple:

Almost all of our students rated the experience as a 4 or 5 out of 5, and they really enjoyed themselves. Here are some student reflections for you to have a look at.

"I enjoyed how similar the ceremony was to our prayers and I liked how the translations were similar to our beliefs"

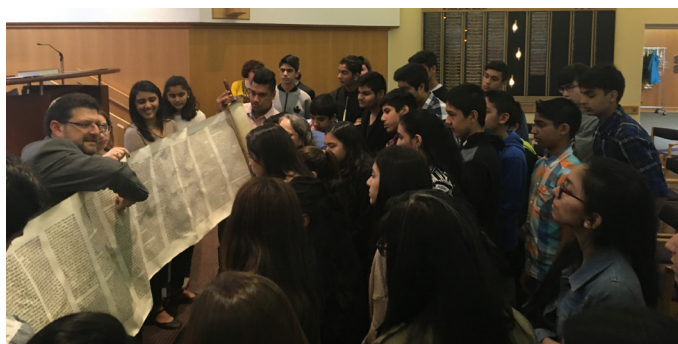
"I liked all the meaningful details in the space and how everyone was singing together in the service"

"Everyone was welcoming and felt part of the community"

"Everyone is part of the community. We both try to balance form and spirit, we both use form to enhance the spiritual experience"

"Praised God through songs to express love, and certain parts of the ceremony where young kids lead the congregation"

"When looking at the meaning it felt the exact same"



Rabbi Morais with the Ismaili Students



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.

Temple Israel Sisterhood

For almost as long as there has been a Temple Israel in Ottawa there has been a Temple Israel Sisterhood, more recently known as Women of Reform Judaism.

This group of women met on a monthly basis and enjoyed a variety of programming, including guest speakers, book reviews, cooking demonstrations and Nearly New Sales, to name but a few. Often, there were fund-raising events, the proceeds of which went to a variety of Temple funds.

Over the last year or so a group of women have been speaking about reviving this once vibrant organization. One of the main goals would be to offer programs and projects that appeal to as wide a range of ages and life stages as possible. If you are interested in learning more about our thoughts so far and feel you might have ideas to contribute, please feel free to contact me.

Janet Cohen

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A Letter From ARZA Canada



Dear President,

Your congregation was fortunate to host Rabbi Benjie Gruber this past year. His visit to Canada was truly inspiring on a variety of levels and his message about Reform Judaism in Israel was clear and compelling.

To reiterate Rabbi Gruber's thoughts:

"We have an obligation to ourselves, to the future of Judaism and to the future of the State of Israel as a democratic and pluralistic society, to continue our struggle for human rights and for religious pluralism, as we move forward spreading the word of Reform Jewish Zionism across Canada and Israel"

"Israel is a rich country with many resources. Our economy is strong. Our government is able to fund all that is needed to run a vibrant democracy. We can finance security, agriculture, hospitals, universities, even forests. Where funds are needed is in developing a society based on liberal and forward thinking values. That is where your donations to Israel should go. That is why you need to support the Reform Movement in Israel."

In honour of Rabbi Gruber and to help him and his colleagues change Israeli society we are asking for your donation to the Israel Reform Movement. Please give generously. Donations can be made on line at

<https://www.canadahelps.org/dn/31032>



Temple Celebrations

Mazel tov to Ellen Asherman on receiving the Zemer Lach Choral Group Outstanding Service Award.

Mazel tov to Carly Kirshen & Brad Meulenkamp on the birth of their son, Ezra Joseph Meulenkamp.

Mazel tov to Debbie & Mark Holzman on the birth of their grandson, Riley Arthur Leikin.

Mazel Tov to our confirmands Talia Caplan, Jazz Rosenberg and Sarah Stern!



Mazel Tov to our Adult B'nai Mitzvah! Cindy Cottin, Chris Cottin, Tonya Pomerantz, Victor Bier, Glenn Johnson & Pam Cogan (with Rabbi Morais & Sue Potechin)

Mazel Tov to Sue Potechin on receiving her Bachelor of Arts from Carleton University.

Welcome to our new and returning Temple members:

Deborah Cosman
Valerie Taller & Fred Neubacher

Mazel Tov to our B'nai Mitzvah



Saturday August 31
DYLAN AGES
Son of Tina and Ken Ages

In honour of his Bar Mitzvah, Dylan will donate to CBB Ottawa.

Is your child born in 2006?
We are now booking Bar/Bat dates through the end of December 2019.

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.

SIDDURIM DONATIONS

In observance of the **yahrzeit** of
Yetta Segal by *Jim Merson*



Celebrating a milestone, simcha or a special event?

If you would like to make a donation in honour of this occasion, please see our website, contact our volunteers (see TIOF page 11 or Temple information page 12) or the office and we will make it easy for you!

TREE OF LIFE

A Leaf has been donated
on the Past President's Tree
of Life



In honour of **Bryna & Ilan Rumstein** on their
50th wedding anniversary by their children and
grandchildren

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Temple 50th Celebrations



Shlichei Tzibur team and choir members at June 10 Shabbat

June 10 Shabbat Celebrations!

Temple held a special Shabbat service to honour all of our members, past and present. It was a beautiful celebration and we received a lot of positive feedback about the day.

We had an extra large choir on this day as our choir director, Ellen Asherman, invited choir members past and present to be part of our service.

Pat Dunphy, representing the 50th Anniversary Committee, had some wonderful words, a copy of which is below.

Rabbi Emeritus, Steven Garten, gave a lovely sermon, and we had many requests for a copy, so we have provided it on the following page.

Todah Rabah for the Past Year!

In a perfect world, there would be over 50 people standing here in front of you. We are very grateful for all the people who stepped up and took the lead on organizing all of the 50th projects and events. And we are very grateful for their superb team of volunteers who worked so hard to make these events successful.

We aren't going to thank each one of you by name today - that will come in a couple of months' time.

But today, Margot and I want to say a special and very heartfelt todah rabah to the amazing staff of Temple Israel: Heather Cohen, Cathy Loves and Steve Elliott.

We know that the 50th events added enormously to your already heavy workloads and we are very grateful to the 3 of you for your enthusiasm, good humor and your support. I am sure that there were times when the air in the office was blue after you read one of our many emails. But through it all you kept smiling (at least to our faces). None of the events could have happened without the 3 of you. We are so lucky to have you. Thanks to each and every one of you. Todah Rabah and Shabbat Shalom.

*Pat Dunphy & Margot Montgomery
50th Committee Chairs*

TGT Wrap Up

When Temple's Got Talent was planned, the aim was for Temple members, family and friends to share and enjoy the many talents amongst us. The event on April 30, 2017 more than met these expectations!

A total of 68 participated:

- 5 in the organizing committee
- 13 volunteers
- 15 bakers
- 9 authors
- 22 exhibitors
- 4 musicians

An actual count of visitors was not taken but 160 cups of coffee were consumed and there was no count on cups of tea!



The program, from 9:30 until 3, consisted of displays of art and crafts, a tea room, two musical interludes, and seven presentations by 6 authors. There was a friendly buzz throughout the day as visitors browsed, chatted with exhibitors, socialized over tea, listened to music and heard author talks.

Our exhibitors included several generations of Temple membership: in addition to the "old timers", we had five who were graduates of the Temple school; in fact there were two families in which two generations were displaying their art and craft and one in which there were three.

According to the comments received from both participants and visitors, the day was a tremendous success.

Temple 50th Celebrations

Rabbi Garten's 50th Anniversary sermon

'To help us find the strength to change, that is our greatest challenge'

Fifty years ago, I was living in New Jersey, preparing to enter university and to begin four years of marching and protest. My colleague, Rabbi Morais, was not yet in school.

Nonetheless, we are both happy to celebrate this special anniversary.

All moments of celebration deserve words of Torah and our parasha speaks of "passing of the torch" from one generation to another. We know those who have brought us to Sinai, but it is to a new generation that the rest of the journey is entrusted.

While it may have been possible for the Levites of a previous generation to mentor the new generations and it is possible for founding generations to mentor succeeding generations, there is often a disconnect between the generations.

In a fascinating insight on change, Professor Ronald Heifetz of Harvard distinguishes between technical challenges and adaptive challenges. A technical challenge is one where you have a problem and someone else has the solution. You are ill; the doctor diagnoses your condition and prescribes a pill. All you have to do is follow the instructions.

Adaptive challenges are different. They arise when we are part of the problem, and when we are part of the solution. You are ill and you go to the doctor who says: "I can give you a pill, but the truth is you're going to have to change your lifestyle." Adaptive challenges are called for when the world is changing, circumstances are no longer what they were, and what once worked works no more.

What the congregation faced 50 years ago were technical challenges. There was a problem, no place for egalitarian worship, no place for English in the worship service, no place for newcomers to Ottawa. No place for a sacred community that was religious but not Halachic. No place for a community committed to prayer accompanied by a mixed choir and instrumentation.

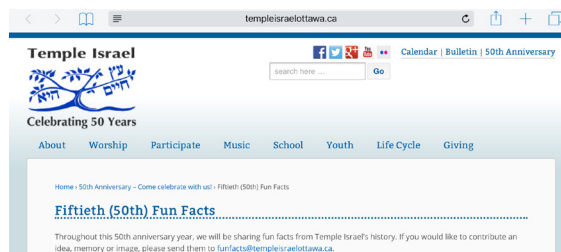
The technical challenge was met by creating a community affiliated with the Reform movement which articulated powerful responses to these needs. The founders of Temple met the technical challenges with forthright determination and now it is time to pass the torch.

But 2017 is not 1967. The challenges facing the new generation are adaptive not technical. We are now solely responsible for meeting the long list of adaptive challenges - changing patterns of affiliation, changing understandings of Jewish identity, changing patterns of spiritual life, and access to a cornucopia of alternatives to congregational life as the basis for Jewish affirmation.

I do not offer solutions to these challenges. Someone else has the honor of leading you into the next 50 years. Joshua was to ensure that he and the people kept faith with the covenant that they had made with God. This demanded exceptional courage. So too does change. To fight an external enemy is hard; to fight yourself is harder still. To help us find the strength to change, that is our greatest challenge. That is the torch we pass on to you, the younger Levites.

Did you know that...

Each week during Temple's 50th Anniversary year I've been sharing a Fun Fact about Temple's history. Together we've walked down memory lane, told the story of our ritual and decorative objects and relived some memorable events and "firsts" in Temple life. The weekly Temple email newsletter offers just a snippet and photo about the new Fun Fact. But, clicking on the link takes you to the Fun Facts



webpage <http://templeisraelottawa.ca/50th-anniversary-events/fifty-fun-facts/> with much more detail about the topic along with a variety of images including archival photos, Bulletin and newspaper clippings, as well as quotes and recollections of congregants.

The Fun Facts have described our Torah scrolls, mantles, crowns and breastplates and items on our bimah including the Ark, Menorah, Ner Tamid, tables and flags and told the story of the congregants who created, obtained or donated the objects. We've seen our Rabbis, presidents and religious school teachers, students, B'nai Mitzvahs and Confirmants. I've documented the first Board meeting, first High Holy Days, first Consecration ceremony, first religious school classes, first congregational seder, first concert, first art show, first picnic and first wedding. When writing about "firsts" I've also tried to include examples and photos from later decades, often linked to a holiday or event taking place that week.

There will only be a few more Fun Facts over the summer and we'll finish off the year at High Holy Day time. I want to thank everyone who provided comments, suggestions, corrections and additional information or photos. Special thanks go to Cathy Loves for including the Fun Facts in the weekly email and to Debbie Holzman for posting all the information and photos on the website. I found many photos in the wonderful album that Margo Rosen put together for the 40th Anniversary and dates of "firsts" in the 40th Anniversary calendar prepared by Merle Haltrecht-Matte and her team. All source information will go into the Temple archives and the Fun Facts will remain on the website at <http://templeisraelottawa.ca/50th-anniversary-events/fifty-fun-facts/>.

Mark Holzman

Temple Celebrations



July Anniversaries

Avital Winer & Alain Boucher
Sarah Casteel & James Casteel
Anna Krieg & Mark Chodos
Janet Cohen & Eric Cohen
Karen Marcus & Roland Collins
Luana Cotsman & David Cotsman
Deborah Gorham & Toby Gelfand
Robin Chernick & Norm Leckie
Rosalind Conway & David McKercher
Polly Moran & Jack Moran
Joyce Pagurek & Bernard Pagurek
Joan Monahan & David Sacks
Debra Smeltzer & Jay Saslove
Zelda Shore & Stephen Shore
Diana Kaan & Leonard Stern
Cheryl Pagurek & Stephen Van Mossel
Margo Viner & Norman Viner

August Anniversaries

Tina Ages & Ken Ages
Jasmine Albagli & Peter Hansen
Arlene Angel-Blair & David Angel-Blair
Estelle Backman & Sydney Backman
Aviva Gluss- Balkovec & Adam Balkovec
Hal Burnham & Kevin Bisback
Lynn Bloom & Leonard Bloom
Jennifer Tarof Burns & Kyle Burns
Laurie Chochinov & William Chochinov
Barbara Crook & Daniel Greenberg
Kim Doran & David Goldstein
Jessica Walker & Micah Garten
Sophia Gertsman & Michael Gertsman
Rosemarie Skoll & Les Grumach
Sue Potechin & Mark Kamins
Christine Kessler & Garry Kessler
Nicolette Kovesi & Tom Kovesi
Daniella Sandre & Paul-Michael Litowitz
Miriam Maarse & Kevin Maarse
Nancy Maddams & Lorne Weiner
Debbie Pagurek & Dave McIlhagga
Orly Rumstein McKean & Greg McKean
Dina Namer & Michael Namer
Jessica Gluss & Owen Purcell-Sutherland
Louise Rachlis & Lorne Rachlis
Heather Gilman & Tony Shewchenko
Andrea Spanglet & Yaron Spanglet
Julie Taub & Hillel Taub
Alexandra Wexler & Charles Wexler
Alisa Viner & Jeff Wheeldon
Dina Schneider & Matt Wilbur



Talk to me, please! We really need your help.

If you are a new to the Temple, have been here a long time, anywhere in between and would like to find out about helping out and working on a committee, please call me, Patsy, 613-233-3099.

We have committees begging for new and returning people, for example, our sacred community desperately needs people for the Religious School Committee (do you have a child new in our school or well along the path, do call me), or Ritual : are you interested in what is happening on the Ritual side of the shul, please call me and we can have a chat, or Social Action: are you interested in social action needs around you, please call me, we need people to work on social action projects, to suggest avenues of need, I would love to speak with you.

This is only a small sample of what we need in our community, please call me and let me know what interests you, guess what, we can make it happen!

Patsy Royer
President

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:
July 13 & 27
August 10 & 31**

TIOF

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To support one of these funds with a donation, call Bobbi Soderstrom 613 230-5865 or
email foundation@templeisraelottawa.ca

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Bob Moon and Miriam Salamon

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Celebration of their New Home

Margot Montgomery & Paul Wiens

Memory of Laura Spergel

Merle Hartrecht-Matte

HANNAH AND GERALD HALPERN FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND

In Memory of Marianne Daisy Vespry

Hannah and Gerald Halpern

Bat Mitzvah of Granddaughter of Margaret and David Delicate

Hannah and Gerald Halpern

Memory of David Albert Walsh

Hannah and Gerald Halpern

Memory of Ivan Berkowitz

Hannah and Gerald Halpern

Memory of Laura Spergel

Hannah and Gerald Halpern

Condolences

Condolences are extended to the families of:

ELAINE KURTZMAN

MARIANNE DAISY VESPRY

Beloved mother of Anne Vespry
(Dar Blue)

BEATRICE WOLFSON

DAVID ALBERT WALSH

Beloved father of Michael Walsh
(Lisa Rosenkrantz)

DAVID SHENTOW

Beloved husband of Rose Shentow

IVAN BERKOWITZ

Beloved brother of AC Dolgin (Marc Dolgin)

LAURA SPERGEL

Beloved wife of Gordon Spergel

JOAN GLUCK

May their memory forever be a blessing.



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; Capital; CCRJ Camp George; Library; Joseph Ginsberg Educational; Liturgical Resource Library; Outreach; Pentateuch Prayerbook; Piano; Rabbi's Discretionary; Rabbi Steven Garten Fund for Jewish Living and Education; Dr. Imre Rosenberg Memorial; Social Action; Potechin Accessibility Fund; Sylvia Goldblatt Leadership Youth Development; Temple Israel; Youth Scholarship

Please note: donations are \$18 minimum. Tax receipts are given.

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 or email **Sandy Bennett** (sb@templeisraelottawa.ca 613-270-9567) or **Diane Parkin** (dp@templeisraelottawa.ca or 613-729-9163) and they will send out a card on your behalf.

BERNARD PEARL LANDSCAPING FUND

Honour of Rabbi Steven Garten receiving the Raoul Wallenberg Award

Patsy and Georges Royer

CCRJ CAMP GEORGE FUND

50th Anniversary of Ilan and Bryna Rumstein

Ron and Marilyn Goldberg

Sharon and David Michaelson

Arnold and Jeanette Finkelstein

Memory of Ivan Berkowitz

Sharon and David Michaelson

GINSBERG EDUCATIONAL FUND

Appreciation of Sue Potechin

Sophie and Charlotte Brantz

LIBRARY FUND

Bat Mitzvah of granddaughter of David and Margaret Delicate

Ilan and Bryna Rumstein

50th Anniversary of Ilan and Bryna Rumstein

Sandy and Al Bennett

Joanne Burgess receiving the Knight of the Order of Montreal

Robin Chernick and Norm Leckie

Memory of Marianne Daisy Vespy

Fran Klodawsky and Aron Spector

PENTATEUCH PRAYERBOOK FUND

Memory of Jean Zackon

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Yahrzeit of Samuel R. Hock

Stanley and Rhoda Hock

Yahrzeit of Merle Paquin

Bonnie and Steve Gertsman

Yahrzeits of Edward Polowin, Jacob Polowin, Rose Shandler Polowin, Mina Max

David Polowin

POTECHIN ACCESSIBILITY FUND

Thank you to Sue Potechin and the Teachers

Patsy and Georges Royer

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Appreciation of Rabbi Morais

Shirli Penner

Shia Ismaili Muslim Community

Honour of Rabbi Garten receiving the Raoul Wallenberg Award

Robin Chernick and Norm Leckie

Memory of Goldie Sandler

Sharon and David Michaelson

Memory of David Shentow

Don Segall

SOCIAL ACTION FUND

Honour of Diane Parkin receiving the Assn. of Ontario Midwives Lifetime Achievement Award

Rick and Bobbi Soderstrom

Honour of Rabbi Garten receiving the Raoul Wallenberg Award

Sandy and Al Bennett

50th Wedding Anniversary of Ilan and Bryna Rumstein

Marjorie and Elliot Berman

Appreciation of Tonya Pomerantz

Sandy Bennett

B'nai Mitzvah of Pam Cogan and Glenn Johnson

Louise and Lorne Rachlis

Special birthday of Manny Agulnik

Louise and Lorne Rachlis

TEMPLE ISRAEL FUND

50th Anniversary of Ilan and Bryna Rumstein

Myrna and Isaac Blaichman

Mary and Phil Dorland

Jack and Helaine Gould

50th Anniversary of David and Margaret Delicate

Charles and Alexandra Wexler

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Memory of Marianne Daisy Vespy

Rick and Bobbi Soderstrom

Fran Klodawsky and Aron Spector

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.

<i>June 30 - Jul 1 Chukat</i>	<i>July 7 - 8 Balak</i>	<i>July 14-15 Pinchas</i>	<i>July 21 - 22 Matot-Masei</i>	<i>July 28 - 29 Devarim Shabbat Chazon</i>
Hannah Chaya Angel Moses Morton Baslaw Alec Bloom Ruth Corbisiero Jean Dover Mary Dudar Anne Ray Gerson Martin Ginsburg Queenie Davis Gordon Philip Hauptman Rona Hollenberg Levenstein Mina Max Susan Miller Sam Schwartz Claudine Esther Shiller Esther Stein	Stanley Barkun Lisa Beame Lily Brauer Sophie Corber Albert Goorman Sydney Lipsey Joyce Loeb Mima Lowenbach Isaac Mendel David Rotstein Josh Silburt Robert Farries Tarof	Rose Ann Angel Yaakov Angel Regina Ann Angel Pinchas Angel Samuel Bloom Norman Bolter Sara Bornfriend Joel Brandes Helen Demuth Berel Esrock Jack Feldman Jennie Goldenblatt Gertrude Hughes Karen Isaacson Felicia Karlin Anna Kaufman Robert Levenstein Eleanor Maddams Yetta Segal Elaine Singer Joseph Swedlove Zvi Taub	Roger Albagli Clara Anna Albertini Sicuso Joseph Applebaum Lillian Carpman Joseph Cooper George Liebel Claire Mandel Jack Mendelsohn Jack Moraff Jacob Victor Polowin Kenneth Ritt Benjamin Schneider Joseph Schwartz Bessie Shapiro Marcelle Gai Thomas Evan Jerome Weiner	William Canter Wilfred Capstick Lawrence Carpman David Fine Isidore Finkelstein Nettie Lebofsky Henry Levison Dmitrij Malanka Howard Mallek Josephine Mallek Pari Marvizi Mildred Moon Otto Press Anna Singer Harold Speevak Norman Spunt Eliabeth Wheat
<i>August 4 - 5 Va'etchanan Shabbat Nachamu</i>	<i>August 11 - 12 Ekev</i>	<i>August 18 - 19 Re-eh</i>	<i>August 25 - 26 Shoftim</i>	<i>September 1 - 2 Ki Tetze</i>
Edward Bonn Thomas Deroche Abigail Gorham Beatrice Handel Sarah Hollenberg Bessie Kett Iris Loves Edith Migie Howard Polowin Louis Rappaport Molly Zelikovitz	Evelyn Asherman Melvyn Baker Mortimer Goldenblatt Alica Gonda William L. Hersh Samuel (Karowlinski) Kalin Hyman Kerdman Robert Lajzerowicz James Charles Nimmo Gordon John O'Neil Joseph Schwartz Pearl Takefman Maurice Tarantour Mary Tomiuk Ed Tomkins	Lottie Bambiger Jean Bonn Pearl Bossin Marion Cotsman Harry Esrock Wallace Guberman Arnold Haltrecht Ellen Hanes Sylvia Hartman Estella Katz Harte Sol Klyman Sybille Malkin Anne Mendelsohn Alan Nozick Beatrice Nozick Margaret Rachlis Sheila Rosen Anna Lazear Saslove Pearl Taller Belle Weiss	Jack Aaron Helen Janet Bliss Sylvia Bloom Jack Corber Isadore Garten Harry Goldstein Margaret Griffin Devra Hendelman Samuel Horovitch Yaghoob Marvizi Recia Mendelsohn Abe Padolsky Ruby Smolkin Philip Teitelbaum	Jack Backman Zelda Brandes Frances Burnham Ruth Cox Lawrence Friedman Anne Gencher Harry Gross Sheila Hammer Mollie Heitin Ethel Konweisser James Jacob Riff Louis Rosen Rebie Schwartz Helen Shusterman Fred Smeltzer Ida Teshar James Wheat

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:

Victor Bier, Pam Cogan, Cindy Cottin, Chris Cottin, Glenn Johnson, Tonya Pomerantz *in honour of their Adult B'nai Mitzvah.*

Gila Shoshany *in honour of Glenn Johnson's Bar Mitzvah*

David Hartman and Bethany Goldstein & Jennifer Hartman and Howard Miller *in honour of Rachael's and Nathan's B'nai Mitzvah.*

Robin Chernick & Norm Leckie *in memory of Byrtha & Leon Leckie*

Lynne Oreck-Wener & Bob Wener *in observance of the yahrzeit of Norman "Babe" Oreck*

Sue Potechin & Mark Kamins *on the yahrzeits of Lena Kaminsky and Irving Kamins*

Jackie Holzman, Debra & Gary Viner, Cathy & Ron Loves, Heather & Gary Cohen, Margaret & David Delicate, Marcia Saibe & Ted Miller *in honour of Temple Israel 50th Anniversary*



Outside, the plague of mosquitoes and black flies was biblical; inside, we were safe and warm and all together for Spring Camp, FROSTY's last event of 5776 / 5777.

Actually, camping doesn't really describe it – we had the run of Allan and Miriam Silburt's lovely cottage near Plevna, complete with pool table, foosball and hot showers. It was a wonderful opportunity for us to get away from school and work for a couple of days, before the crunch of exams and before we all go our separate ways for the summer.

As always, it was bittersweet. In the midst of the fun, and the Jewish learning, we said farewell to our graduates: Avram Stern, Miranda Rhamey-Smith and Abby Caplan. But we also elected and installed a new FROSTY Board: President Maya Ruckenstein; Programming and Religious and Cultural VP David Khazzam; Social Action VP Talia Caplan; Membership VP Steven Angel and Communication VP Jaz Rosenberg. This awesome group of young people is going to take FROSTY to wonderful places as we move into 5778.

We also formally welcomed Lisa Rossman, who is taking over as Youth Advisor. As both a teacher in the Temple Israel Religious School and our Junior Youth Group Advisor, Lisa brings a tremendous amount of experience to the position and has already started working closely with the new board on programming for next year. Angus, meanwhile, is going to continue his involvement with FROSTY, supporting Lisa and travelling to out-of-town events.

We couldn't have done any of this without the support and encouragement of Hana Shusterman and the Youth Committee, or the volunteers who came to help with logistics and programming. Special thanks to drivers

Matt Caplan and Len Stern; to Rabbi Morais and to Sue Potechin, who came out to help with programming and cooking; and to Allan Silburt who not only opened his cottage to us but who also gave up part of his weekend to spend time with us.

And most of all, thanks to FROSTY. I love your ruach!!

Angus Smith
FROSTY Advisor

The 2017-2018 FROSTY Board



Left to Right: Maya Ruckenstein, President; David Khazzam, Programming Vice-President and Religious and Cultural Vice-President; Talia Caplan, Social Action Vice-President; Steven Angel, Membership Vice-President; Jaz Rosenberg, Communications Vice-President.

Calendar

July 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
						1 7 tammuz Torah Study Shabbat Services HAPPY CANADA DAY
2 8 tammuz	3 9 tammuz	4 10 tammuz	5 11 tammuz Talmud Class	6 12 tammuz	7 13 tammuz Kabbalat Shabbat	8 14 tammuz Torah Study Shabbat Services
9 15 tammuz	10 16 tammuz	11 17 tammuz	12 18 tammuz Talmud Class	13 19 tammuz Morning Minyan	14 20 tammuz Kabbalat Shabbat Bring your own dinner	15 21 tammuz Torah Study Shabbat Services
16 22 tammuz	17 23 tammuz	18 24 tammuz	19 25 tammuz Talmud Class	20 26 tammuz	21 27 tammuz Kabbalat Shabbat	22 28 tammuz Torah Study Shabbat Services
23 29 tammuz	24 1 av	25 2 av	26 3 av Talmud Class	27 4 av Morning Minyan	28 5 av Kabbalat Shabbat	29 6 av Torah Study Shabbat Services

OUR VISION STATEMENT

Temple Israel Ottawa 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

August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1 9 av	2 10 av	3 11 av	4 12 av Kabbalat Shabbat	5 13 av Torah Study Shabbat Services
6 14 av	7 15 av	8 16 av	9 17 av	10 18 av Morning Minyan	11 19 av Kabbalat Shabbat	12 20 av Torah Study Shabbat Services
13 21 av	14 22 av	15 23 av	16 24 av	17 25 av	18 26 av Kabbalat Shabbat Bring your own dinner (NOTE: 3rd week this month)	19 27 av Torah Study Shabbat Services
20 28 av	21 29 av	22 30 av	23 1 elul	24 2 elul	25 3 elul Kabbalat Shabbat	26 4 elul Torah Study Shabbat Services
27 5 elul Capital Pride Day	28 6 elul	29 7 elul	30 8 elul	31 9 elul Morning Minyan Bar Mitzvah of Dylan Ages		

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2017 High Holy Day dates to note

Slichot
Erev Rosh Hashanah
Rosh Hashanah

Saturday evening September 16
Wednesday evening September 20
Thursday September 21

Kol Nidre
Yom Kippur

Friday evening September 29
Saturday September 30

Membership packages and school packages have been sent.
If you are interested in being part of Temple please contact the
office 613-224-1802 #4 Heather or
613-224-1802 #5 Cathy for information.

For school information please call Sue 613-224-3133.

Full time university and college students receive admission to all
High Holy Day services by showing their student I.D.