



# HONOURING THE CHANUKAH HEROES WHO REPRESENT OUR LIGHTS



## SUNDAY NOV 28TH - 5:30PM | RETURN OF THE CHANU-SKI-AH

Last year we cut edges with our homemade Chanu-SKI-ah (thank you Michael Parkin!). Let's light it in an outdoor ensemble in the Hellenic Centre parking lot. There will be bundled up schmoozing, latkes to eat in our cars and festive music to warm the soul, even if our bodies are a bit cold. A livecast will also be available on Facebook so that you can join us from home.

## MONDAY NOV 29TH - 7:30PM | STANDING UP TO ANTI-SEMITISM WITH MICHAEL LEVITT

We'll be joined virtually by former MP and current CEO of the Canadian Friends of Simon Wiesenthal, Michael Levitt, for a presentation on the difficult realities of Anti-Semitism in modern times. Our TIRS high school students will join us for this interactive conversation reflecting on our roles as Jewish leaders. You can participate in this conversation live from Temple or on Zoom.



## THURSDAY DEC 2ND - 7:30PM | LIVING JEWISHLY POST COVID WITH RABBI ESTHER LEDERMAN

A community organizer, a trailblazer for justice, a leadership visionary - we welcome Rabbi Esther Lederman to speak with us virtually from Washington, DC. Rabbi Lederman has been on the forefront of re-imagining congregation life; she also happens to be a homegrown Ottawan. As a leader of the Reform movement, Rabbi Lederman will reflect on the Jewish experience of the past 18 months, with a specific focus on the realities of Post-Covid times. The conversation will be streamed on Zoom.

## FRIDAY DEC 3RD - 5:30PM | FAMILY FUN CHANUKAH SHABBAT

One, shtayim, trois, four, chamesh, six. Let's celebrate the 6th night of Chanukah with our youngest friends (ages 2-6). We'll make hats that represent dreidels and spin to our hearts content as we mark one of our favourite holidays. At the season of light, we will beam bright with festival songs, stories and creative fun. This program will be held in the Temple basement.

## FRIDAY DEC 3 - 6:30PM | TEMPLE FAMILY CHANUKAH SHABBAT CELEBRATION

Our youngsters will serve as our beaming lights as we watch taped performances of their Chanukah themed songs and dances from TIRS. In addition, new members will receive a blessing as we take note of our growing family. You are invited to join us either in person in the sanctuary or via Zoom.

## SUNDAY DEC 5TH - 10:00AM | FROM THE BACK OF THE BUS TO THE TOP OF THE AGENDA WITH ANAT HOFFMAN

In recent years, Israel has been dealing with demands for more modesty in the public sphere and adjusting religious standards. This has resulted in incidents of gender discrimination such as segregation between men and women on public transportation and the discrimination of girls wishing to have a Bat Mitzvah at the Western Wall. This webinar presents an overview of landmark victories over gender segregation and exclusion and will look at current challenges in this delicate area. Grab a cup of coffee and join us on Zoom, Anat will join us from Israel.



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For more information, please contact the Temple office at **613-224-1802** or **info@templeisraelottawa.com**. You can also visit our website at **www.templeisraelottawa.com** or **Temple Israel Ottawa on Facebook**. Pre-registration is required for all ZOOM programming.

Please note that for in-person activities all participants must be fully vaccinated (plus 14 days) against COVID-19. Additionally, participants must be masked, remain socially distant and be symptom free. We thank you for your understanding and support in keeping our community safe and healthy.