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WHY IS THIS NIGHT DIFFERENT? FIND OUT AT
CONGREGATIONAL SEDER ON SATURDAY, MARCH 31

Passover begins on Friday, March 30 when we retell the story of the Jews' exodus from Egypt and freedom from bondage. No Shabbat service will be held that evening at the Temple. Please join us for the [second Seder](#) on Saturday, March 31 at 6 p.m. to read the Haggadah and dine on a traditional Pesach meal.



Students enrolled in Religious School may attend at no charge by making a reservation and when accompanied by a parent.

Please call the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 with your reservations no later than Friday, March 16 and then follow up by sending your check made payable to "CAV - The Temple." The meal will be catered by Splendid Fare.

The cost for Temple members is \$30 for adults, \$15 for children ages 3-12 who are not enrolled in the Religious School, and free for children under age 3. For non-members, the cost is \$36 for adults, \$18 for children 3-12, and free for children under age 3. No refunds will be issued for cancellations or no-shows. Reservations AFTER the March 16 deadline will be taken if space is available at an additional cost of \$5 per person.

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HOT TOPICS SHABBAT: DRUG COURT

Our next Hot Topics Shabbat on Friday, March 9 will focus on a criminal justice program that helps those addicted to opioids and other drugs. Following an abbreviated Shabbat service at 7 p.m., [Allen Superior Court Judge Fran Gull](#) will join us to talk about the [Allen Superior Court's Drug Court](#). The program is sponsored by the Temple's Social Action Committee with support from the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation.

GRAB A GROGGER AND JOIN US FOR PURIM FUN!

Wear a crown, cape or costume, grab a grogger, and join us for a visit to the streets of Shushan on Friday, March 2 at 7 p.m. during our Purim celebration at the Temple. We'll make merry when Rabbi Lenny reads from Migillat Esther, retelling the story of how Queen Esther and her cousin Mordechai save the Jews of Persia. Our Shabbat Katan group for young children will join the fun when we boo Haman's name and nosh on delicious hamentashen.



Please bring boxes of macaroni and cheese to shake – and then we'll donate it to the food bank at [Wellspring Interfaith Social Services](#). Plan to join the fun at [FOrTY's annual Purim Carnival](#) on Sunday, March 18 with food by the ROMEOS. Find out more on page 5. [What is Purim?](#)



UPCOMING events & SERVICES

*RSVP Needed

MARCH EVENTS

Talmud Class*

Tuesdays, March 6, 13, & 20
7 p.m. at the Temple
[Online attendance](#) also available

Thoughtful Thursdays Bag Assembly

Wednesday, March 7
10 a.m. at the Temple

Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 18
Noon to 2 p.m. at the Temple
Admission is \$2 per person. A pasta lunch prepared by the ROMEOs will be available for purchase. [Find out more.](#)

Congregational Second Seder*

Saturday, March 31
6 p.m. at the Temple
Please RSVP by March 16. [Find out more.](#)

APRIL EVENTS

Joseph Katinsky Bar Mitzvah

Saturday, April 14
10:30 a.m. at the Temple

Yom Hashoah

Monday, April 16
7 p.m. at the Temple
Sponsored by the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#), the guest speaker is [Martin Goldsmith](#), former host of NPR's Performance Today and author of *The Inextinguishable Symphony* and *Alex's Wake*.

NFTY-Ohio Valley Spring Kallah*

April 19-22
Wise Temple in Cincinnati
For Students in grades 8-12

Community Israel@70 Shabbat Service

Friday, April 20
7 p.m. at Congregation B'nai Jacob
No Service at the Temple.

Israel@70 Celebration

Saturday, April 21
7 p.m. at the Temple
Entertainment by [The Bible Players](#)

Indiana Jewish Historical Society Meeting

Sunday, April 22
1 p.m. at the Temple
[Find out more.](#)

Seven Species: Cooking With

[Chef Marla Cohen*](#)
Sunday, April 29
1 p.m. at the Temple
RSVP by Friday, April 20.
Cost is \$7/ person.

MAY EVENTS

L'dor Vador Shabbat Service

Friday, May 4
7 p.m. at the Temple

Temple Mitzvah Day

Sunday, May 6

People of the Book Lecture

Author [Anita Shreve](#)
Monday, May 7
7:30 p.m. at the Rifkin Campus
Sponsored by the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#)

Temple Book Club*

Tuesday, May 8
7 p.m. at the Temple
We'll e-visit with Author Lauren Belfer to discuss her book [And After The Fire](#).
Please RSVP to the Temple office by Friday, May 4.

ONGOING EVENTS

Mah Jongg Open Play*

[Sign up to play](#) in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center. Check dates and times by following the link at www.templecav.org

Lunch With The ROMEOs

Join the Retired Old Men Eating Out for lunch at noon:

- **Thursday, March 1**
Calhoun Street Soups, Salads & Spirits
1915 S. Calhoun
- **Thursday, March 15**
Casa Grille
411 E. Dupont Rd.
- **Thursday, March 29**
Joanna's Family Restaurant
10368 Leo Rd.

RSVP to Rich Manalis at richmanalis@me.com

MARCH SERVICES

Purim & Shabbat Service

Friday, March 2
7 p.m. at the Temple
Shabbat Katan for young children will be part of the fun.

Hot Topics Shabbat Service

Friday, March 9
7 p.m. at the Temple
Following an abbreviated service, [Judge Fran Gull](#) will discuss Drug Court.

Shabbat Service

Friday, March 16
7:30 p.m. at the Temple

Shabbat Service

Friday, March 23
7:30 p.m. at the Temple

No Shabbat Service

Friday, March 30
First Night of Passover

Kiddush follows Shabbat services.

USHER IN SHABBAT WITH CHALLAH

Get involved at the Temple by volunteering to usher at Shabbat evening services and receive a delicious challah! All Shabbat ushers receive a gift certificate for a tasty loaf donated by [Waynedale Bakery](#), 2610 Lower Huntington Road. Please call to volunteer.



RABBI LENNY SARKO

JEWISH HOLIDAY EXPERIENCE PROVIDES A CONSTANT IN OUR LIVES



The role Judaism plays in our lives varies with the individual and family. Yet there are certain times in our lives and in our year that it plays a larger role. Passover is certainly one of those times. Outside of the High Holy Days, it is the one religious holiday that most Jews partake in, although with varying degrees. Yet for almost all it will play a part.

When I was little, our extended family would get together for the seder. There were also friends that joined in. The friends may not have been Jewish, but were welcomed and enjoyed the evening. It was a chance to show what Jewish hospitality was all about. The numbers ranged from 30 – 50 each year and it was always a fun night, a joyous night, a night to remember.

When I was little, most of the family lived within a few miles of each other. Passover became one of those times of year when everyone knew the extended family would be together. As time went on, like most American families, our family spread across most of the United States. We could no longer come together for that infamous seder evening.

Other changes came to our seder celebration. There was a point in time when my parents grew old enough that they no longer could take on this large celebration. Although my siblings were older than I, my enthusiasm for Judaism, as well as the support

and desire of my wife Karen, shifted our seder celebration to our house.

Changes took place. Although relatives up to 100 miles away would come for the seder, it still reduced those numbers by at least two-thirds. A shift socially took place as this characteristic was not unique to our family. What resulted were very strong ties to friends and their immediate families that lived in our area. In many ways they became our new extended family. We would attend their important family functions and were very much involved in a family-type way in their lives as they were in ours. For Passover seder, it was expected that these friends/new extended family would get together. The resultant number remained at 30-50 for the evening, but the faces were very different from my youth.

Changes happen throughout our lives. It is a constant that permeates all people. We adjust and move on. Judaism and how we practice our religion becomes a stabilizing and comforting aspect in our lives. We know we will experience matzah, marror, gefilte fish, much wine, and other holiday delicacies. We may celebrate with different people every year, we may make new memories, yet we are surrounded by familiar religious customs and it helps us make our way down the pathway of life.

Karen and I wish you all a great holiday season. Hag Sameach.

PASSOVER MATCHMAKING FOR FIRST NIGHT

Do you need a place to go on the first night of Passover? Or, perhaps, you have an empty chair at your Seder table that could accommodate another Temple member. Please call the Temple office at (260) 744-4245. We will try to match Seder seekers with Passover providers. It is a true mitzvah to welcome others at your Seder table. The first Seder is Friday, March 30.



THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS CREATES LASTING IMPACT



[Thoughtful Thursdays](#) started as a grass roots project of the Jewish community. The idea was to help the Temple Head Start families by providing food and personal hygiene items.

In the early days before we were fortunate enough to receive generous grants from the Dr. Harry W. Salon

Foundation, Girl Scout Troop 20517 held canned food drives and knocked on their neighbor's doors asking for food donations.

Some of my fondest memories were of Girl Scout overnights in the Environmental Center in southwest Fort Wayne, where the girls were excited to bring the donations they collected, assemble and decorate bags, and share their ideas on how to improve the program.

Recently, nine years after we began, we received a lovely note from Troop 20517 that talked about the lasting impact for many scouts of the Thoughtful Thursdays program. The letter

said many of the girls received their Silver and Gold awards by volunteering for Thoughtful Thursdays. Most of the members graduated from college, with some in graduate school, and as the last activity of Troop 20517, they wanted to continue helping their community. Enclosed was a generous donation to Thoughtful Thursdays!

Wow! On the same day we received this lovely letter, I was contacted by another Girl Scout troop on the north side of town. They are going to assemble our dental hygiene bags and Mother's Day bags. We are excited to work with a new group and hope the legacy continues!

Our bag assembly team will meet this month on Wednesday, March 7 at 10 a.m. at the Rifkin Campus to put together items for the 66 Brightpoint Head Start students who attend class at the Temple. New volunteers are welcome to join our dedicated group from Congregation Achduth Vesholom, Congregation B'nai Jacob, and the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne.

Jamie Berger, Thoughtful Thursdays co-chair

NEW TITLES TO CHECK OUT IN THE LIBRARY!

In the last few weeks, we've added several new books to the Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library. Of note are a number of 2017 National Jewish Book Award Winners and Finalists, announced this past January.

Lioness: Golda Meir and the Nation of Israel by Francine Klagsbrun was named the Jewish Book of the Year for 2017. Bettina Berch from the Jewish Book Council asks, "how is it, that in 2017, an 800+ page biography of Golda Meir can be an absolutely riveting page-turner?" Ethan Bronner of the New York Times Book Review calls the book, "A thorough and absorbing examination of the woman and her role in Zionism and Israel."



Club Award. From *The Forward*, "*The Weight of Ink* has enough mysteries to keep readers turning pages, and a fair amount of thematic and intellectual heft...Rewarding." It tells the story of two women of London, separated by more than 300 years.

The winner in Debut Fiction, *Barren Island* by Carol Zoref is a historical novel of immigrants set off the shores of Brooklyn after World War I. David Grossman's *A Horse Walks Into a Bar* took the JJ Greenberg Memorial Award for Fiction for 2017. From NPR, "Unsettling and mesmerizing... As beautiful as it is unusual, and it's nearly impossible to put down." It is also a New York Times and Washington Post Notable Book.

Other non-fiction award-winning titles include *The Choice: Embrace the Possible* by Dr. Edith Eva Eger, a moving memoir of a Holocaust survivor and a guide to healing, and *The Book Smugglers: Partisans, Poets, and the Race to Save Jewish Treasures from the Nazis* by David E. Fishman, a recounting of residents of the Vilna ghetto who struggled to save rare books, Torah scrolls, and other treasures from the Nazis.

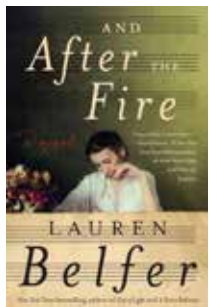
Several finalists in the various fiction categories are also now in our collection. These include *4 3 2 1: A Novel* by Paul Auster, *Waking Lions* by Ayelet Gundar-Goshen, *Three Floors Up* by Eshkol Nevo, *We Were the Lucky Ones* by Georgia Hunter, and *Viva, Rose!* by Susan Krawitz.

We've also added several adult fiction titles to our shelves. *The Weight of Ink* by Rachel Kadish was the winner of the Book

If you're looking for a good read, look no further than our Temple library shelves. Stop in and check us out!

START READING FOR NEXT

TEMPLE BOOK CLUB!



And After the Fire by Lauren Belfer is our next Temple Book Club selection. We'll e-visit with the author on Tuesday, May 8 at 7 p.m. Inspired by historical events, the novel tells the story of two women – one European and one American – and the mysterious choral masterpiece by Johann Sebastian Bach that changes both their lives.

SUPPORT TIKKUN OLAM EFFORT BY RECYCLING

Look for the new blue recycling containers throughout the Temple for use when you're in the building. When you're done with papers, cans or other recyclable items following a meeting or Oneg Shabbat, please support our tikkun olam (repairing the world) effort at the Rifkin Campus by using the blue bins. Each is labeled with items eligible for recycling. Thank you for helping the environment!



LEAVES NOW GROWING ON OUR OLIVE TREE



The first donor leaves have sprouted on the [olive tree mural](#) in the hallway leading to the Madge Rothschild Resource Center!

Purchasing a leaf on the tree is a wonderful way to recognize an important person or significant occasion. Leaves are \$180 each and may be personalized with

three or four lines to highlight a lifecycle event, anniversary, or special kindness. Proceeds benefit the resource center.

INTERESTED IN JEWISH GENEALOGY?

Temple members Irv Adler and Betsy Gephart are working together to establish a local chapter of the [International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies](#) to serve Northeast Indiana. Activities would include exchanging ideas, working on projects of interest, and connecting to the broader Jewish genealogical community. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact Irv at irv@adlerfw.com.



ISRAEL CONSUL GENERAL TO VISIT

Aviv Ezra, Israeli Consul General to the Midwest, will be in Fort Wayne on Wednesday afternoon, March 28 for an invitation-only reception sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne.

YOUTH NEWS

PURIM CARNIVAL INCLUDES GAMES AND ROMEO'S SPAGHETTI MEAL

"Heroes and Villains" is the theme of this year's Purim Carnival hosted by our high school and middle school youth groups on Sunday, March 18 from noon to 2 p.m. at the Temple. Join us for lots of games, a cake walk, bouncy house, costume contest, and a spaghetti lunch made by the [ROMEOs](#) (Retired Old Men Eating Out).



Come dressed as your favorite hero or villain from biblical or modern times. Admission is \$2 per person and includes access to all games and activities, including face painting, a board and card game area, and community mural painting. Stop by the "PJ Reading Nook" provided by the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#) and [PJ Library](#). A pasta lunch will be available for \$5 per person. Hamentashen also will be on sale.

Thanks to FORTY and Junior Youth Group students from Achduth Vesholom and B'nai Jacob and advisor Taylor Replane for putting together this fun event. We also thank the ROMEOs for their help.

CAKE WALK DONATIONS NEEDED

Donations are needed for the popular Purim Carnival Cake Walk as part of the Temple Youth Group's annual Purim Carnival set for Sunday, March 18. Baked goods may be brought in advance and placed in the Temple freezer or early the day of the carnival (marked with your name). Thank you for your help and support. Contact us at fortyyouthgroup@gmail.com.



SHABBAT KATAN JOINS PURIM CELEBRATION

Don your costumes and join our monthly Shabbat Katan program for families with young children on Friday, March 2 at 7 p.m. for our congregational Purim celebration at the Temple.

STOP BY PJ READING NOOK

Need some quiet time during the Purim Carnival? Feel like coloring a picture? The [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#) and [PJ Library](#) invite you stop by our "PJ Reading Nook" on Sunday, March 18 from noon – 2 pm. Books and coloring pages will be available to all.

REGISTRATION OPEN FOR CAMP JOE LEVINE

It is never too early to start thinking about summer! The [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne's](#) Camp Joe Levine will run the weeks of July 9, 16 and 23 at [Fox Island County Park](#). Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne camp scholarships are available on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are interested in finding out more about scholarships, please contact the Federation office at (260) 465-0400 or office@fwjf.org.

JEWISH FRIENDSHIPS AND FUN AT GUCI

Bunks are filling fast for a great summer of fun and Jewish friendships at [Goldman Union Camp Institute](#), our regional Union for Reform Judaism camp in Zionsville. Register soon to ensure your child has a space! Need campership information? Contact the Temple office for an application.



Religious School students tried on sunglasses with the Goldman Union Camp Institute logo following a session to learn about summer 2018 with Camp Director Jeremy Klotz. He also met with GUCI Board member Beth Zweig and Temple Campership Committee Chair Dan Zweig while in Fort Wayne.



Our Tu Bishvat celebration in February included a seder and other activities to learn about the New Year for the Trees.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We're pleased to welcome the newest members of our Temple family:

· **Mike Rigdon & Joel Simmerman** – Mike is an Emergency Medical Technician and firefighter. He has been involved in Temple events for a while and completed his conversion to Judaism with Rabbi Cattapan. Joel is taking EMT training at Adams County Memorial Hospital. The couple live in Fort Wayne.

· **The Cunningham Family** - Shara & Harry Cunningham and their 9-year-old twins, Milly and Oliver, recently moved to Fort Wayne from New York. Harry is Vera Bradley's Vice President for Creative Services, which involves marketing, store design, and overseeing store construction and real estate. Shara is a homemaker. The children attend Religious School and the family looks forward to getting involved in Temple activities.

MAZEL TOV TO:

- **Janet Katz** on her position as director of the newly-launched Northeast Indiana Local Food Network. The organization works to enhance the quality of place of Northeast Indiana by promoting local food culture in the region and supporting local food entrepreneurship.
- **Irv Adler** on being elected to the board of the Indiana Jewish Historical Society.



HELP THE TEMPLE WITH YOUR AMAZON PURCHASES

Did you know that you can help the Temple when you purchase items through [AmazonSmile](#)? [Click on the link](#) to find "Achduth Vesholom Congregation. All eligible shopping will benefit the Temple. Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price.



HOME SHABBAT BROUGHT SABBATH WARMTH

Nearly 75 Temple members gathered in seven host homes on February 9 to enjoy a Sabbath meal and grow friendships as part of Achduth Vesholom's 15th annual Home Shabbat, consistently one of our most popular events. We were pleased to welcome several first-time participants and first-time hosts.

The relaxing evening enabled us to share stories of previous Home Shabbats, swap recipes, explore Jewish geography, and talk about our common bond as Temple members. Brisket, roast chicken, and vegetarian fare were among the delicious culinary treats. One group, inspired by our year-long program on the Seven Species of Israel program, dined on salmon with a pomegranate molasses glaze. Another table hosted teens who enjoyed having what one parent called "a mini youth group meeting."

Thank you to Leah Hadashi and Beth Zweig for co-chairing again this year and providing challahs for each gathering. Many thanks to our hosts: Elissa & Steve Cohen, Betsy & Geoff Gephart and family, Kristin & Scott Goldberg and family, Leah & Shai Hadashi and family, Marcia & Denny Reynolds, Rabbi Lenny & Karen Sarko and Beth & Dan Zweig.



PREPARING TOMORROW'S TEACHERS TO TEACH ABOUT HOLOCAUST

The Holocaust Education Committee is working hard on its next big event, a Symposium for new teachers on how to teach about the Holocaust. In conjunction with IPFW's [Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies](#), we will present a week-long program on May 13-18 at IPFW that will feature informative speakers from the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C., as well as experts and educators from around the Midwest.

We will attempt to teach things about the Holocaust that weren't learned during their formal education. We'll also host a keynote speaker whose field of interest is America and the Holocaust. [Find registration information.](#)

The keynote address is open to the congregation and the public on Wednesday, May 16 at 7 p.m. at the Temple. All are invited. A reception will follow. Sponsors include the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation.

The Holocaust Education Committee and IHGS presented a similar program two years ago. Members of the committee are Rena Black (chair), Betty Stein, Fran Adler, Jaki Schreier, Beth Zweig, Steve Carr, and Professor Lee Roberts of IPFW.



JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO HOLD SPRING MEETING IN THE RESOURCE CENTER

Indiana
Jewish
Historical
Society



The Indiana Jewish Historical Society will hold its spring meeting on Sunday, April 22 at 1 p.m. in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center. The program will highlight the new space and Congregation Achduth Vesholom's efforts to preserve and share Jewish history in northeast Indiana.

Now headquartered in Indianapolis, the organization was founded in Fort Wayne in 1972 by Joe Levine to collect, preserve, publish, and share the Jewish experience in Indiana. Wendy Soltz, a member of Achduth Vesholom, is the Executive Director.

COEXISTENCE AT THE GALILEE MEDICAL CENTER AND BEYOND FOCUS OF TALK

Two physicians – a Jewish Israeli and a Christian Arab Israeli – will speak on “Diverse Faiths Together in Israel: Coexistence at the Galilee Medical Center and Beyond” on Thursday, March 22 at 7 p.m. at The History Center.

Dr. Arie Eisenman, head of Internal Medicine in the Emergency Department, and Dr. Khalid Atalla, a specialist in Internal Medicine and resident in Emergency Medicine, will speak about their experiences working as part of a diverse team in the hospital and how the Galilee Medical Center is a microcosm of life in this diverse area.

The program is sponsored by the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#) and the [Partnership2Gether of Western Galilee Central Area Consortium](#).

The medical center, located only six miles from the Lebanese border, serves a demographically mixed population of Jews, Muslims, Christians, and Druze. The hospital has provided medical care for more than 2,000 Syrian casualties over the last several years, about a third of whom were women and children.

QUEEN ESTHER & BELLA ABZUG: COSTUMES, LEADERSHIP, & IDENTITY



On Purim, we dress in costume to create a new persona. We delight in unexpected images. We poke holes in the humdrum everyday roles of men and women, rich and poor, young and old. Our assumptions about people shift, and thus, the holiday transforms us.

What lessons do Esther and Bella Abzug each have to teach us about leadership? How did their dress either hide or reveal their true selves? What messages did their “costumes” send? Please join us as we look at their stories to answer these questions.

We'll gather for the next [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne's](#) Rosh Chodesh women's meeting on Tuesday, March 6 at the new time of 6:30 p.m. at the [Allen County Public Library](#) main branch (near the children's section). All women Federation members are welcome to join us. Costumes are optional!

DONATIONS

General Operations

In memory of Henry Friedman: Norma Friedman
In memory of Michal Ben-Ari Greenberg: *Cindi & Richard Wismer*
In memory of Jacob Yentis: *Jacqueline Orsagh & Jay Yentis*
In memory of Stephen Bosell: *Mary & David Bosell*
In memory of Esther Congress: *Joe Congress*
In memory of Celia Mastbaum: *Cookie & Leonard Mastbaum*
In memory of Clair Johnson: *Kay Safirstein*
A donation was made by: *Richard Grzych*
A donation was made by: *G.I. Latz II Fund*

Holocaust Memorial Fund

In memory of Harry Rush: *Jo Ellen & Mike Rush*

Kathryn Kann Mendelblat Cultural Enrichment

In memory of Sigmund & Mae Porter Kann: *Suzi Stone*

Dr. John Planer Music Fund

In memory of Esther Congress: *Marcia & Denny Reynolds*

Temple Gardens

In memory of Hannah Zacher: *Al Zacher*

S. Wyle Weiman Youth Activities

In memory of Joseph Kutcher: *Rikki & Len Goldstein*

Ryan Goldstrom Memorial

In memory of Ernest S. Iczkovitz: *Linda & Michael Iczkovitz*

Campership

In memory of Suzanne Watemberg: *Nancy & Mike Dicker*

Religious School

In memory of Michael Green: *Marilyn Salon*

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In memory of Sam & Beatrice Cristil: *Marvin Cristil*

Explore all of our [Tribute Funds](#).

NOSH YOUR WAY THROUGH SEVEN SPECIES WITH CHEF MARLA COHEN



[Chef Marla Cohen](#) will bring her culinary skills and whimsy to the Temple on Sunday, April 29 at 1 p.m. with a Taste of the [Seven Species of Israel](#). Join her for a light-hearted cooking demonstration that will keep you noshing, learning, and, most importantly, laughing.

Known as much for her humorous take on life as she is for her creativity and expertise as a chef, Marla is a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America. She has honed her skills in Sanibel, Florida, the former Summit Club in Fort Wayne, and Southern California. If you've been in Fort Wayne for a long time, you may even remember Marla's

Bakery on the southwest side back in the 1980's.

Currently Marla has an expanding spice and food line along with her business partner Lyn Cloninger. You can find her spices in over 700 stores across the U.S., including [The Monogram Shoppe](#) and [Stoner's](#) in Fort Wayne and [The Lasting Light Emporium](#) in Berne. In her "spare time," her hobbies include teaching and consulting.

Cost is \$7 per person. Space is limited, so please RSVP no later than Friday, April 20 to the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 and send your check (payable to "CAV- The Temple"). Thank you to the Adult Education Committee for sponsoring Chef Marla's program as part of our year-long look at the Seven Species and to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for its support.



Nearly 60 people attended an olive oil tasting and program with Lori Berndt, owner of [The Olive Twist](#), in late January as part of our Seven Species of Israel series. Thank you to the Adult Education Committee for organizing the program and for the Oneg Shabbat featuring olive oil cakes, olive tapenade, and other goodies made with our featured species.



MARCH YAHRZEITS

March 2

Chuma Appel
Barbara Berger
Anatoliy Berkovich
Sarah Cohen
Fannie Cohen
Louis Dessauer
Alexander Drozdova
Steven L. Ellis
Victor N. Farhi
Theodore Frank
Dr. Conrad Goode
Nettie Gottlieb
Betty Jane Barton Gubitz
Ruvim Gurevich
Fannie K. Heilbroner
Louis A. Heilbroner
Robert L. Kalver
Mae Porter Kann
Conner Koons
Sam Kramer
Isadore Kramer
Malcolm Lachman
Estelle Lesser
William Lesser
Rae Wolf Levine
Elmer Lewis
Jacob Lipp
Eva Orenstein
Mary Pollak
Pauline Price
Leonard Rifkin
Irwin Rosenbaum
Jacob Rosenberg
Fraida Safirstein
Irwin Samuel Sagan
Estelle Salnitsky
Herbert A. Schiller
Esther S. Stillpass
Larry Wittenberg

March 9

Jesse Amber
Josephine Bach
Shalome Boudai
Ralph Clark
Carrie Dessauer
Raymond Farhi
Rosa S. Fishman
Marian L. Frankenstein
Rose Goldstine
Matilda Hallenstein
Robert P. Hirsch
Penelope Houseman
Morris Kaye
Dr. Robert M King
Charlotte Korin
Louis Kwatnez
Harriet Lesser
Edna P. Levine
Bill Llewellyn
Sarah Kalver Max
Amy Pincus
Abraham Joseph Roseman
Harry Rosensweet
Frances Rothenberg
Ida Rothschild
Arlene Sambur
Estelle King Schaffer
Eugene Schmidt
Rose Schwartz
Julius J. Stein
Sigmund Teitel
William Warshauer
Eve Weinswig
Francis Weisberg
Edie Zweig

March 16

Regina Ackerman
Yochuonon Barton
Rose Becker
Perry Carson
Yetta Dessauer

Lucille Doppelt
Frances Schwartz Edlow
Eddie Field
Benjamin Friedman
Lee Gilbert
Dave Gold
Lois Goode
Max Himelstein
Helen M. Isay
Joy July-Amber
Sigmund W. Kann
Mildred Price Katzenstein
Miriam Light
Hannah Nirdlinger
Stephen Pomerantz
Esther Roseman
Solomon Rothschild
Florence Smith
Rosalie W. Solomon
Rose Sulzer
Edith H. Warschawski
Minnie Weinraub

March 23

Joseph Adler
John Aichele
Racheal Barton
Jacob Ben-Yehoshua
Walter Bordens
Isaac Bosell
Dorothy M. Brazy
Lynn Jeanette Cohen
Louis Cremer
William DuBow
B. David Fishman
Ruth G. Haslacher
Zalman Levine
Alfred Levy
Col. Chester Lichtenberg
Virginia Mayer
Harold J. Novitsky
Madelon J. Rothschild
Paul F. Schwartz

Elizabeth Schwartz
Moses Strouse
Irene Todd
Jack O. Weil
Rachel Weiss
Thomas Zefo

March 30

Jerome Ackerman
Mariana Apfelbaum
Samuel Appel
Mose Caplan
Semen Drozdov
Rena Edlavitch
Lois Levine Edwards
Henriett Erber
Arnie Feinberg
Marx Frank
Hazel L. Grove
Louis S. Hallenstein
Florence M. Hill
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- [Ten Minutes of Torah](#), a daily email
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WE CARE

Please let the Temple office or Rabbi Lenny know if a family member is in the hospital or if other situations arise when the congregation may be of assistance or comfort. We aren't always aware of situations unless family or friends notify us.

DUES PLEDGES

Dues pledge forms for 2018-19 will be coming soon to members! Thank you for your generosity in supporting the Temple.

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WE WELCOME YOUR COMMENTS

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The deadline for the April
Bulletin is Thursday, March 15.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

ELLEN TOM



March used to be one of my favorite months. It was a sign that winter shouldn't last too much longer, school was more than halfway over for the kids, and it was time to enjoy Spring Break with a family vacation. While it still holds true that sunnier days are around the corner, now, with grown children, the latter has changed. It's a reminder that while we get comfortable with the familiarity and the continuity of life, we also recognize the need to adapt to a new familiarity.

This new familiarity is something the Temple Board has been addressing from the results of our Operational Study, which we shared in the [December/January issue](#) of the Bulletin. The study identified ways in which we could streamline processes and allow the Board to focus more on strategic initiatives and long-term planning with some duties incorporated into staff responsibilities rather than board tasks. While we may choose to do things differently moving forward, it does not mean the system is broken. We have been hearing and seeing stories that show us how much opportunity we have to meet the ever-changing needs of our current congregants.

The first opportunity we have embraced is elevating the Temple Administrator position by appropriately renaming it as Executive Director, effective March 1. This role will now become a full-time position and will be generously funded by the recent bequests from Dorothy Gitlin and Danny & Bill Latz. Please join me in congratulating Samara Sheray on her promotion and continued best wishes as she provides management for the day-to-day operations of our Temple.

The Board also feels strongly about embracing some additional recommendations:

- **Reducing the size of our Board.** This change recognizes that we have fewer people available, combined with many who are unable or unwilling to volunteer their time. Decreasing the size of the Board will lessen the burden of finding enough people to fill existing slots.
- **Integrating the role of the Treasurer into the Vice President of Finance position.** This change will allow us to remove duplication of efforts within the two job descriptions. The VP Finance also would work more closely with the bookkeeper to eliminate any disruption to our internal processes.

While the Board would like to implement these changes for the next fiscal year (effective July 1, 2018), these modifications do require some minor changes to our Bylaws. Any changes to our Bylaws require congregational approval.

During the next few months, we'll be hosting a "Bagels with the Board" series on Sundays. The entire congregation is invited so you can gain a better understanding of the proposed changes and the thoughts behind them, as well as ask questions.

Your feedback is critical to the overall success of our congregation. You DO have an impact on the experiences and ongoing health of our community. I hope you will take this opportunity to collaborate with the leadership and ask any questions. Please watch for dates in upcoming weekly and monthly bulletins.