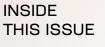
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Celebrate the Festival of Lights amid the warm glow of dozens of *hanukkiyot* that mark the Maccabees' triumph over the Greeks and their rededication of the Temple. Join us on the sixth night of Hanukkah for this luminous Temple tradition on Friday, December 11.

The festivities begin at 6:15 p.m. with a congregational dinner sponsored through the generosity of a Temple family. The meal includes Nelson's Port-a-Pit chicken and latkes. **There is no charge for the meal, but reserva**-

tions must be made to 744-4245 no later than Wednesday, December 2. Each family is asked to provide a baked item for the Oneg Shabbat to serve six people. Please bring your family's *hanukkiya* and candles to light together before we eat. Please also bring boxes of pasta to donate to our December Food Drive to benefit the food bank at Wellspring Interfaith Social Services.

Our Hanukkah Shabbat service follows at 7 p.m. The Oneg Shabbat will feature *sufganiyot,* the jelly doughnuts that are typically served in Israel on Hanukkah, as well as baked items contributed by those who attend the dinner. Shabbat Katan information is on Page 5.

Please join us as our son Caleb is called to the Torah to become a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, December 5, 2015 at 10:30 a.m.

> A Kiddush luncheon follows. Mike & April Barasch





SEASONAL SHABBAT FUN: "CHINESE SHABBAT"

'Tis the season for our a special Shabbat tradition: Please join us for an early service on Friday, December 25 at 6 p.m. at the Temple, followed by our customary meal of Chinese food together. Make a reservation to join us at Yen Ching restaurant by calling the Temple office at 744-

4245 no later than Thursday, December 17.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Need more information? Visit templecav.org or give us a call!

DECEMBER AND JANUARY

Thoughtful Thursdays Bag Assembly

Wednesdays, December 2 & 16 and January 6 & 20 10 a.m. at the Temple

Potluck Dinner* and Torah Study

Friday, December 4 and January 8 5:30 p.m. at the Temple Please bring a side dish for eight people to share for dinner. We'll provide chicken. RSVP by the Wednesday before to the Temple office. During our service, we'll read from the Torah.

Hanukkah Dinner* & Service Shabbat Katan

Friday, December 11 6:15 p.m. Dinner at the Temple (RSVP by December 2), followed by service and Shabbat Katan.

Torah Study*

Saturday, December 12 & 26 and January 23

9:30 a.m. at Rabbi Cattapan's home Temple members are invited to join Rabbi Cattapan on the 2nd and 4th Saturday morning of the month at 9:30 a.m. at his home to discuss the weekly Torah portion. Please RSVP by the Thursday before to the Temple office.

Journey Into The World Of Yiddish*

Sunday, December 13 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Our ongoing Yiddish class is taught by Dr. Lee Roberts, Associate Professor of German Studies at IPFW. Registration is open for sessions beginning February 21. Find more information at www.templecav.org.

HELP KEEP MISHEBEIRACH LIST UPDATED



Our *Mishebeirach* list helps us come together as a congregation and community to think of those among us who need healing,

care and compassion. We encourage you to add your loved one's name to our list by calling the Temple office at 744-4245 or emailing us at office@ TempleCAV.org so that those we hold dear will be called to mind during our Shabbat services.



SERVICES

DECEMBER Friday, December 4 at 7 p.m. Shabbat Torah Service Bimah Honors: Bruce Warshauer Ushers: Katinsky Family Oneg Shabbat: Mike & April Barasch in honor of Caleb's Bar Mitzvah

Saturday, December 5 at 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Service & Bar Mitzvah of Caleb Barasch

Bimah Honors: Joe Cohen Usher: Melissa Kessel Kiddush luncheon follows hosted by Mike & April Barasch Friday, December 11 at 7 p.m. Hanukkah & Shabbat Service Bimah Honors: Beth Zweig Usher: Mike Rush Oneg Shabbat: Community Oneg

Friday, December 18 Hot Topics Shabbat Service at 7 p.m. Bimah Honors: Jan Sarratore Usher: Melissa Kessel Oneg Shabbat: Manny Silverman & Jane Martin Speaker: Dr. Andrew Downs, Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of the Mike Downs Center for Indiana Politics at IPFW, will speak on "What we might expect to hear from the 2016 Indiana General Assembly."

Friday, December 25 at 7 p.m.

"Chinese Shabbat" Service Bimah Honors: TBA Ushers: Norm & Ronnie Greenberg Kiddush follows and dinner* (*RSVP needed).

JANUARY

Friday, January 1 at 7 p.m. Champagne Shabbat Service Bimah Honors: TBA Ushers: TBA Kiddush and champagne toast follow

Friday, January 8 at 7 p.m.

Shabbat Torah Service Bimah Honors: Kathy Sider Ushers: TBA Oneg Shabbat: Lee & Bonnie Pomerantz and Steve & Sally Trotter

Friday, January 15

Hot Topics Shabbat Service at 7 p.m. Bimah Honors: Irv Adler Ushers: TBA Oneg Shabbat: Neal & Eileen Baitcher Topic: TBA

Friday, January 22 at 7 p.m. Shabbat Service & Consecration Bimah Honors: Ellen Tom Ushers: TBA Oneg Shabbat: Consecration Families

Friday, January 29 Home Shabbat No Shabbat Service

Rabbi Javier Cattapan

ON CALENDARS AND NEW YEARS



According to the traditional Jewish view, it has been 5776 years since the creation of the world. The current Jewish calendar was set a little over two thousand years ago. Until then, different groups of Jews had competing calendars. Some calendars followed the cycle of the moon, others the rotation of the earth around the sun.

How many times have we been asked to account for the differences between Christmas and Hanukkah? The simplest answer is that we have a different calendar and that Hanukkah has nothing to do with Christmas. The more complex answer necessitates learning some history. During the first centuries after the destruction of the Second Temple (70 C. E.), a group of Jews that became known as the "Jesus Movement" separated from mainstream Judaism by embracing, among other things, a different calendar, with different festivals and holy days. A more appropriate question would be, "Why did Christianity choose a different calendar?"

The main reason is because controversies surrounding calendars are often more than just disagreements about counting days. Calendars give meaning to time, so whoever controls the calendar is also in control of meaning. If you are trying to establish a new religion, as early Christians did, then adopting a new calendar is a natural consequence.

In an increasingly globalized world, Jews are faced with the issue of whether to celebrate the holidays on the Gregorian calendar or not. We celebrate the secular New Year in part, because we wish to share a common time with people of all backgrounds. All year long we interact with non-Jews and it is fitting to mark the beginning of a new year together. Learning about other cultures and sharing a celebration in community is a Jewish value, and we should take advantage of the opportunity to expand our experiences. Although the New Year was originally part of the Christian religious holiday, it gives us an opportunity to celebrate what we have in common. Happy New Year!

CHAMPAGNE SHABBAT ON NEW YEAR'S DAY

Celebrate the first Shabbat of 2016 with us! Share Sabbath worship on Friday, January 1 at 7 p.m. Kiddush follows the service, as well as a champagne toast. We look forward to seeing you! Happy New Year!





CELEBRATE TOGETHER AT HOME SHABBAT

Kindle new friendships and deepen existing ones at our 13th annual Home Shabbat on Friday, January 29. Services will not be held that evening so we can celebrate the warmth of the Sabbath in each other's homes.

Please call us at 744-4245 by

Friday, January 15 to say you'd like to host other Temple members at your Shabbat table or prefer to attend as a guest. As we get closer, we'll match hosts and guests to foster new friendships and community. Congregants of all ages are invited.

The dinner is potluck so everyone shares in meal preparation. Pet allergies and dietary restrictions will be accommodated. Each host family will receive a challah and a Shabbat guidebook. Please send us photos from the evening for our congregational Facebook page.

Yahrzeit names for that Shabbat will be read on Friday, January 22 and Friday, February 5, both at 7 p.m. Thanks to Leah Hadashi and Beth Zweig for co-chairing.

HOT TOPICS SHABBAT FIRES UP

Our "Hot Topics" Shabbat returns on Friday, December 18 at 7 p.m. when Dr. Andrew Downs, Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of the Mike Downs Center for Indiana Politics at IPFW, will speak on "What



we might expect to hear from the 2016 Indiana General Assembly." An Oneg Shabbat follows. Check our website next month for the "hot topic" on Friday, January 15.

SHOAH CLASS BEGINS IN JANUARY

Registration is open for <u>"Confronting the Shoah,"</u> a fivesession program through the <u>Jewish Federation of Fort</u> <u>Wayne</u> that provides comprehensive contextual and historical knowledge about the Nazi Holocaust. Dr. David Lindquist, who has partnered with the Federation in presenting Holocaust Education for more than 20 years, will teach the sessions, beginning on Tuesday, January 5. Each two-hour class starts at 7 p.m. at the Rifkin Campus at 5200.

The program is open to adults and high school juniors and seniors in the Fort Wayne/Northeastern Indiana area. There is no cost for teachers or Federation members. Other participants are asked to pay \$5 to cover the cost of materials. Major funding for the program is provided by the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation and by gifts to the Federation's Annual Campaign. To register, please contact the Federation at 456-0400 or office@fwif.org.

MANNY IS 90!

OPEN HOUSE

Please join us for a birthday celebration for Manny Silverman on Sunday, December 13 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Temple. There will be shared memories, entertainment and yummy snacks. Manny will enjoy seeing you. That is the nicest gift you can bring. No RSVP is necessary, but call (260) 432-6880 with any questions. *Jane Martin*



MEET "MAMELE" DURING YIDDISH MOVIE NIGHT

Join us for a Yiddish movie night and munchies on Saturday, January 16 at 7 p.m. at the Temple when we watch <u>"Mamele"</u> ("little mother"), followed by a discussion led by Dr. Lee Roberts, our Yiddish Class instructor. Don't worry if you don't know any *mamaloshen* – the musical-comedy-drama has sub-titles!

Filmed in Poland in 1938 and directed by Joseph Green, "Mamele' embraces the entire gamut of interwar Jewish life in Lodz-- tenements and unemployed Jews, nightclubs and gangsters, religious Jews celebrating sukkot-- but the film belongs to <u>Molly Picon</u> (known as 'queen of the Yiddish musical,') who romps undaunted through her dutiful daughter role saving siblings, keeping the family intact, singing and acting her way through the stages of a woman's life from childhood to old age," according to the <u>National Center for Jewish Film</u>.

RSVP to the Temple office at 744-4245 by Wednesday, January 13 to say you'll join us for the film. You'll also have an opportunity to register for our next six-session "Journey Into The World Of Yiddish," beginning February 21.

FORTY FESTIVITIES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

FOrTY, our high school youth group, will celebrate Hanukkah on Saturday, December 12. Contact <u>fortyyouthgroup@gmail.com</u> for more information. Registration also is open for teens in grades 9-12 to attend <u>NFTY-Ohio Valley's Winter Kallah</u> on January 8-10 at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.





Thoughtful Thursdays volunteer Jan Sarratore (left) plays a game with Brightpoint Head Start students during last month's pizza party. Micki Kepes (right) gets acquainted with Head Start parents.

GETTING ACQUAINTED THROUGH THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS

More than 40 Brightpoint Head Start family members attended the annual get-acquainted pizza party on November 12 hosted by the Jewish community's Thoughtful Thursdays volunteers. The menu included pizza, veggies, and doughnut holes. A generous donation of chocolates from Bonnie

Crubaugh, the Temple's bookkeeper, added to the festivities.

Prior to the luncheon, Jan Sarratore held a parent education session, encouraging the adults to be creative with objects found around the house



rather than purchasing expensive toys. During the luncheon, Jan entertained the little ones, so their parents could enjoy lunch and adult conversation.

We also gave away four 15-pound turkeys in a drawing. Thanks to Rita O'Neill for donating the turkeys and Kathy Sider for providing step-by-step directions and cooking bags for the turkey since many of the recipients had never cooked one before and were excited to have the cooking instructions.

One mom told me "she was going to bring it to her sister's home for Thanksgiving because it's large enough for the entire family to enjoy with leftovers." In addition, we gave away over 15 gift cards for Kroger and Subway.

Thank you to Cindi Wismer for her creativity and organizational skills in preparing items. Fran Adler, Micki Kepes, Kay Safirstein, Beth Zweig and I got to enjoy our pizza with the Head Start families and hear feedback from parents about Thoughtful Thursdays.

We learned that they really enjoy receiving the laminated recipe cards to go with ingredients to make a meal. Toilet paper is still one of the most popular items. They also shared their wish list for the future. One of the moms pointed out that receiving their Thoughtful Thursdays bags on Thursday really helps with their shopping for the weekend because they can cross items off their list.

Thank you to Beth Zweig and Sally Trotter for taking some wonderful pictures, which can be found on the <u>Temple's</u> <u>Facebook page</u>. Thank you to all the volunteers! Without you, there would be no program.

We're collecting boxes of tissues throughout the winter. Please drop off donations at the Temple.

Jamie Berger, Thoughtful Thursdays chair

CONGREGATION ACHDUTH VESHOLOM

YOUTH NEWS

CELEBRATE JEWISH LEARNING AT CONSECRATION & SHABBAT SERVICE

Share in a very special Shabbat and Consecration service on Friday, January 22 at 7 p.m. at the Temple when four kindergarten students mark the beginning of their formal Jewish study. Our students will recite the Shema, sing and act out a few holiday poems, and receive a small Torah in honor of the simcha. An Oneg Shabbat follows.

Mazel tov to:

- Isabella and Lillian Alberts, daughters of Samara Sheray and Brandon Alberts
- Myles Hadashi, son of Shai & Leah Hadashi
- Iris Powell, daughter of Marnie Lowden and Jason Powell

HANUKKAH FUN WITH SHABBAT KATAN

Join our Shabbat Katan Hanukkah celebration for families with children in first grade and younger on Friday, December 11 following our congregational Hanukkah dinner. (See Page 1 for dinner RSVP information.) Contact Leah at <u>I.hadashi@Hotmail.</u> <u>com</u> with your email address and phone number to be added to our Shabbat Katan group.



Leah Hadashi's students in grades 6-8 are learning about comparative religions.



Our Junior Youth Group for middle school students enjoyed a fall afternoon at a corn maze.



Students from the Temple's Religious School presented a scrapbook to Tal Ben-Yehoshua during a Shabbat service as a keepsake before she moved in late November to Israel with her parents, Amir and Nili. The congregation also thanked them for their contributions over the years, including Nili's service on the Temple Board and as our former Director of Hebrew Education.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR SUMMER CAMP

Registration is underway for <u>Goldman Union Camp Institute in</u> <u>Zionsville</u>, our regional URJ summer camp for children entering

grades 3 through 10. A two-week Taste of GUCI program is offered at the start of first and second sessions for first-time campers entering grades 3 through 6, with the option of extending for two additional weeks (space permitting).



For information about camperships, contact Campership Committee Chair Dan Zweig. Application forms are available by contacting the Temple office. We have a limited amount of campership money, so those applications received by January 31, 2016 will be given first consideration. Other assistance for first-time campers through the Foundation for Jewish Camp can be found at <u>www.onehappycamper.org</u>. Contact the <u>Jewish</u> <u>Federation of Fort Wayne</u> for information about camperships, as well as their summer day camp at Camp Joe Levine.



Kristin Goldberg, a substitute teacher in our Religious School, works with students on matching Hebrew letters.

Have a nice winter break! Religious School and Hebrew classes will not meet December 20 through January 3.

DONATIONS

Jack & Gertrude Adelman Facility Improvement Fund In honor of Jon Berger's birthday: *Tom & Rita O'Neill* In memory of Gertrude Stein Adelman: *Larry & Carol Adelman and Tom & Rita O'Neill*

Adult Education In memory of Arnold L. Goldsmith: Steve & Jan Sarratore

Biblical Garden In memory of Josephine P. Cressy: Shep & Lorraine Weinswig In memory of Louis Meyers: Mike & Patrice Sposeep

Campership Fund In memory of Eric Eugene Eling: Mike & Ros Eling

Endowment

In memory of Henry Haskell Glazer, Dr. Elmer Zweig and Ruth G. Zweig: Dan & Beth Zweig In memory of Dr. Nathan L. Salon, Dr. Joel W. Salon and Michael H. Green: Marilyn Salon

Floral In memory of Gladys Katz: Mike & Ros Eling

General Operations

Donations were received from: Juan Suarez and John & Abigail Noble In honor of Manny Silverman's 90th Birthday and in memory of Ruth Kepes: Sherwin & Micki Kepes In honor of Manny Silverman's birthday: Tom & Rita O'Neill In memory of Marsha Dan: Sandi Elson In memory of Phil Feldman: Mike & Ros Eling In memory of Anita S. Kalver: Carol Sandler In memory of Jeanette Lewis: Michael & Rita Lewis In memory of Allan Rush: Mike & Jo Ellen Rush In memory of Salomon Safirstein and Deborah Taub: Kay Safirstein In memory of LeRoy Shine: Tom Shine

Dr. John Planer Music Fund In memory of Dr. Jerome Gerber: Ron & Gail Cousino

PLANT A TREE IN ISRAEL

Planting a tree in Israel for Tu B'Shevat – "the New Year for the Trees" -- long has been a wonderful tradition to raise awareness of the environment. The holiday begins on Sunday, January 24.

Over the past 113 years, Jewish United Fund has evolved into a global environmental leader by planting more than 250 million trees, building over 240 reservoirs and dams, developing over 250,000 acres of land, creating more than 2,000 parks, providing the infrastructure for over 1,000 communities, and connecting thousands of children and young adults to Israel and their heritage. To order trees at \$18 apiece or to see other options, go to www.jnf.org. Himelstein Children's Library In memory of Marguerite Long Thal: Geoff & Betsy Gephart

Holocaust Memorial In memory of Sam Edlow: *Betty Stein* In memory of the Finkelshteyn Family: *Leonid & Dora Itkin*

Library Fund In memory of Raphael E. Vogel and Reba Safran: Rabbi Richard Safran

Jacob & Ethel Mansbach Campership In memory of Samuel L. Shafer: Art & June Shafer

Kathryn Kann Mendelblat Cultural Enrichment Fund In memory of David Rothberg and Samuel Rothberg: *Steve Rothberg*

Project Assist - Thoughtful Thursdays

Donations were received from: *Anonymous and Tom & Rita O'Neill* In honor of Jon Berger's birthday and Manny Silverman's 90th birthday: *Dan & Beth Zweig* In memory of Leon A. Korin: *Mitch & Beth Sherr*

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In appreciation of Rabbi Cattapan: *Jared & Andrea Haller* In memory of Rosalie Becker: *Franck Hagendorf* In memory of Peggy Murphy: *George Huber and Kathy Huber* In memory of Stephen Russ: *Ruth Russ* In memory of LeRoy Shine: *Steve Shine*

Max & Gerda Schmitz Holocaust

Educational Fund In memory of Estelle Sachs: Jeremy & Elinor Sachs

S. Wyle Weiman Youth Activity

In honor of Len & Rikki Goldstein's very special birthdays and anniversary: *Sherwin & Micki Kepes*

Youth Group

In memory of Ted & Gertrude Replane: Chuck & Martha Replane

WE CARE - Please let the Temple office or Rabbi Cattapan 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.

HELP THE TEMPLE THROUGH KROGER

Please support the Temple by registering your Kroger Plus card to indicate you'd like Achduth Vesholom to benefit from your purchases. <u>Find out more about Kroger Community Rewards</u> on our website.



Hanukkah Begins on Sunday evening, December 6 when we light the first candle. Find blessings, traditions, recipes and more at <u>www.reformjudaism.org</u>.

PASTA NEEDED FOR DECEMBER FOOD DRIVE

The need is greater than ever to feed the hungry in our community, so we ask for your support for our December Food Drive by donating boxes of pasta and macaroni and cheese. Every time you come to the Temple, we hope you'll bring these non-perishable items for the food bank at Wellspring Interfaith Social Services.

NEW ADDITIONS FROM FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Following our <u>"Friends of the Library</u>" Shabbat program last month, the library now has several new books available. Thanks to the following members who contributed and reviewed books:

• *Hope Into Practice* by Penny Rosenwasser, donated by Harriet Miller

• Odessa: Genius and Death in a City of Dream by Charles King, donated by Betty Fishman

- Tucson Jo by Carol Matas, donated by Naomi Gephart
- But He Was Good to His Mother by Robert Rockaway, donated by Matthew Katinsky
- Galerie by Steven Greenberg, donated by Ronnie Greenberg
- The Betrayers by David Bezmozgis, donated by Elissa Cohen
- The Mapmaker's Daughter by Laurel Corona, donated by Carol Adelman
- Violins of Hope by James A. Grymes, donated by Betsy Gephart

• *Entrée to Judaism for Families* by Tina Wasserman, donated by Leah Hadashi

• My Mother's Secret by J. L. Witterick, donated by Kathy Sider

<u>Reviews of the books</u> can be found at <u>www.templecav.org</u> and in the Temple's weekly e-mail. In addition to our new adult books, we now have Hanukkah books out for the holiday. Come check us out!

CHRISTMAS EVE BABYSITTERS NEEDED

Many of our friends from area churches are asking for our help in providing child care on Christmas Eve. Please contact the Temple office at 744-4245 to offer your help with this mitzvah. Area churches return the favor by providing babysitting for us during the High Holy Days.

REMEMBER A LOVED ONE WITH A PLAQUE

Please contact the Temple office at 744-4245 if you'd like to purchase an individual nameplate in memory of a loved one to be displayed on the wall outside the Sanctuary. Yahrzeit plaques are \$300. Lights are illuminated next to individual names on the anniversary of death and on Yom Kippur. Proceeds support the Temple's Endowment.

BE PART OF OUR LEGACY SOCIETY

L'dor Vador -- from generation to generation -- is a Jewish

tradition that offers promise from current generations to future generations. One of the best ways we can sustain a Reform Jewish presence in northeast Indiana is through a lasting gift to Congregation Achduth Vesholom.



We invite you to join our L'dor Vador Legacy Society by providing a letter of intent stating that you have made arrangements for a planned gift to the Temple. Types of planned gifts that qualify you for membership include bequests, revocable trusts, and naming Congregation Achduth Vesholom as a beneficiary of a life insurance or retirement policy. Other gifts that qualify you for membership may provide lifetime income and current tax deductions while also leaving a remainder amount after your lifetime to benefit the Temple.

For further information about making a planned gift now or in the future, contact Planned Giving Committee Chairs Beth Zweig or Leonard Goldstein.

BOARD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER NEXT YEAR'S LEADERSHIP

The Board Development Committee will soon focus its attention on the Temple's Board of Directors for the fiscal year 2016-2017. The committee will consider engaged, active and energetic congregants with fresh ideas to serve on the board. To this extent we encourage you to get involved and volunteer to participate on one or more of the many Temple committees and projects.

For the Board of Directors to be a true reflection of our congregation it should represent our full diversity. If you are asked to serve, please give the honor serious consideration. However, you do not have to wait to be asked. If you have an interest in serving on the board or have questions, please contact a committee member.

The Board Development Committee includes Chair Nili Ben-Yehoshua, Beth Zweig, Jamie Berger, Mike Rush, and Richard Wismer.



About 40 people attended a program on "Genealogy and the Holocaust" last month at the Allen County Public Library, co-sponsored by the Temple. Speakers for the program (from left):

Temple Member Irv Adler, who shared his search for information about his family; Elizabeth Anthony, International Tracing Service and Partnerships Program Manager from the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum; Curt Witcher, Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center Manager; and Robert M. Ehrenreich, Director of University Programs at the Mandel Center at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum.



The Holocaust Education Committee has planned several very successful programs this year, including the Genealogy and the Holocaust program. Thanks to Chair Rena Black, Dr. Steve Carr and Dr. Lee Roberts from IPFW's Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Fran Adler, Jaki Schreier, Betty Stein (not pictured), and Beth Zweig.

CONDOLENCES TO:

• Deb & Joel Vilensky and family on the death of her father, Loren (Gus) Meyer, who died November 5, 2015 in LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

• The family and friends of Peggy (Frank) Murphy, who died October 28, 2015 in Fort Wayne.

RIFKIN CAMPUS TIMELINE

- October 2015 Groundbreaking for Madge Rothschild Resource Center, Dedication of Rifkin Campus sign
- October to April Construction of Resource Center
- Fall/Winter 2015-2016 Resource Center Planning, including development of Exhibits, Library, Programming, First-Year Offerings
- Mid-Summer 2016 Soft Opening
- September 2016 Anticipated Grand Opening of Madge Rothschild Resource Center

WE WELCOME YOUR HELP

The Madge Rothschild Resource Center will need extra hands to reach its full potential. Even now we need researchers, people who love to work with archives at the Allen County Public Library or the Indiana Jewish Historical Society material at the Indiana State Museum. When the resource center opens, we will need docents and tour guides, program planners and hosts, people to help plan and arrange displays, copy writers. If you have the time and skill, we can use your help! Please cntact John Stein, Sally Trotter, Jan Sarratore or Beth Zweig to offer your assistance.

NEW ALBUM FROM HOOSHIR AVAILABLE

Hooshir, Indiana University's Jewish *A Capella* group, has released a new album called "Hooshlove." The singing group, which includes Temple Member Orin Reynolds, shared its talents last fall at the Temple.

Hooshir shares its love of singing through a mix of music that includes Jewish, Israeli secular pop, American pop, and standards. The 10-year anniversary CD is \$15. Order at <u>www.</u> hooshir.com. Proceeds help fund future road trips, new equipment, concerts, and other various group projects and events.

A RECORD YEAR FOR CORNED BEEF!

Great news from our Corned Beef Crew! Now that receipts have been tallied and additional inventory sold, we're pleased

to tell you that our 14th Annual Corned Beef Fundraiser raised more than \$17,000, a new record for our sale! We also broke two more recoreds: 60 sponsors and sponsorship dollars. Thank you to everyone who volunteered, sponsors, purchased



sandwiches, and assisted with this important project! We'll keep you posted on the date for our 15th event! Thanks to our Chairs

Larry Adelman, Kris Gray, Melissa Kessel and Bonnie Pomerantz.

YAHRZEITS

DECEMBER 4

Marcus Beck Rachel Behar Fanny Brenn Herman Cohen Pearl Davidson Mae Fine Marion K. Grinsfelder Albert Herzog Edith Gold Hutner Gladys Katz Ethel Kruger Peter Lauinger Stanley Maier John V. Malay Samuel S. Meyers Charlotte Novitsky Ruth Rosenthal Rebecca Ruderman Elizabeth H. Smulo Joseph Stiefel Marguerite Long Thal Rose Warshauer Herbert Weinraub Esther Zissen Wilbur Zweig

DECEMBER 11

Col. Richard G. Banks Joseph Barasch Bess Bookstaff Dr. Jerome Gerber Rosetta Goodman Don Gordon Bertie Haslacher Herman Himelstein Dora Horwitz Isaac M. Kann Judy Kessel Jeff Kruger Rose Lande William (Bill) Latz Henry Levine Hortense Wolf Maier Levy Laura H. Levy Vitaliy Leybman Irma G. Loeser Sigmund Majer **Charlotte Maier** Helene Goldenberg Maier Julius Marx Myron J. Morris William J. Platka, Jr. Allan Rush Salomon Z. Safirstein Harry Sherr

Dr. Oscar Weinstein Bessie Weinstein Phoebe Da Costa Wolf Charles Young

DECEMBER 18

Elsa Adler Bertha Browarsky Miriam Yuter Chodosh Josephine P. Cressy Marsha Dan Dorothy Dicker Nathan N. Donner Eric Eugene Eling Rose Fisher Phil Flook Mary Fogel Henry Haskell Glazer Alex E. Goldberger Arnold L. Goldsmith Lily D. Grover Steven Hollander Viola Hutner Isidore Kalver Sarah Kalver Max Kraus Mollie Kutcher Lee Marshall Loeser Kathryn Manalis **Bessie Mever** Harold Michelson Hattye Griffin Minske Lena Moss Samuel Rothberg Reba Safran David Schibel Darren Schongold Jeannette Sunshine Louisa Trauerman Ethel J. Trotter Dr. Elmer Zweig Mendel Zweig Ruth G. Zweig

DECEMBER 25

Gertrude Stein Adelman Minnie Cline Dorothy Talberg Ernest Josephine Ferbstein Rosalie Appel Freund David Frosh Sidney Gold Samuel Greenberg Emily Hirsch Greenebaum Herman Komisarow Abe Latker

Eugene S. Lesser Donald L. Marx Gina A. McClatchey Stephen L. Meyers Louis Meyers Minnette Papier Edna K. Platka Dr. Maurice Rosenthal Dr. Joel W. Salon Louis Sandler Morton Stillpass Edwin Turansky Barney Warshauer Joseph David Weinraub Victor Weiss Kent Wenbert Leon Wertheimer Retha West Rabbi Arnold Jacob Wolf Ida Wolfson

JANUARY 1

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The first night of Hanukkah is right around the corner on Sunday, December 6. Similar to other Jewish children, Hanukkah was always my favorite holiday! I remember sitting at home waiting for my dad to return from work so that we could light the candles and open a present. Playing

with a new game or toy was always a thrill.

Now that I have my own family, we have tried to create some of our own family traditions surrounding the Festival of Lights. On one night of Hanukkah each year, my family, along with my mother, father, and brother's family, gather at my parents' house for a latke dinner and gift exchange. The best part of this tradition is watching my mom, my brother, and my oldest son, Sam, make latkes for the family. Not only are the potato pancakes delicious, but having three generations cooking a traditional Jewish meal exemplifies the importance of maintaining a Jewish community. I hope this family tradition continues for many generations.

WE WELCOME YOUR COMMENTS

The Temple board welcomes your comments and suggestions. We will do our best to address your questions and concerns. Please contact the Temple office at 744-4245 (office@TempleCAV.org) for information. President Joe Cohen can be reached at 260-423-8861or hjc@barrettlaw.com.

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 <u>Waynedale Bakery</u>, 2610 Lower Huntington Road. Please call to volunteer.

The deadline for the February Bulletin is Friday, January 15.

TEMPLE OFFICE HOURS: The Temple office is open on Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. We will close at noon on Thursday, December 24 and December 31. The office also will be closed on Friday, December 25 and January 1. Due to staff vacations in late December, please call ahead to 744-4245 when planning a trip to the building to make sure someone is there. If no one answers, please leave a message on the answering machine. We will be checking it regularly.

In addition, during the month of December, our extended family, including grandparents, cousins, and second cousins, all gather at our house for a large Hanukkah party, gift exchange, and the lighting of the Menorah. Although watching the faces of the young children opening their gifts is fun, the real meaningful part of the event is being able to spend time and reconnecting with family from near and far. Although Hanukkah in its current form may be best known for the giving of gifts, to me the importance of Hanukkah is spending time with family.

The season also provides an opportunity to reconnect with our Temple family and the greater Jewish community. Please join us on Friday, December 11 when we celebrate Hanukkah and strengthen the ties of our Jewish community. We'll begin with a latke dinner (hosted through the generosity of a Temple family). Help us light up the room by bringing your *hanukkiyah* and candles! We also encourage you to donate boxes of pasta to our December Food Drive to benefit the Wellspring Interfaith Social Services food bank. Our Hanukkah and Shabbat Service, as well as Shabbat Katan activities, follow dinner. To share in the joy of the holiday, please bring baked items for the Oneg Shabbat.

I hope to see everyone during this special holiday season!