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KINDLE THE LIGHTS AT HANUKKAH SERVICE

Kindle the lights of Shabbat and Hanukkah with us on Friday, December 7 at 7:30 p.m., led by Bruce Colegrove. Add to the joy and warmth of the holiday by bringing your hanukkiyah to celebrate the sixth night of the Festival of Lights.

Bruce will offer a brief D'var Torah on "Hanukkah Through the Ages," as we mark the Maccabees' triumph over the Greeks and their rededication of the Temple. Kiddush follows. [What is Hannukah?](#)



HANUKKAH PARTY INCLUDES LATKES AND LIGHTS

Spin the dreidel, light the menorah, and get in the holiday spirit at a fun-filled Hanukkah party on Saturday, December 8 for the Jewish community at the Temple.



We'll start with Havdalah at 6:30 p.m., and then the ROMEOs (Retired Old Men Eating Out) will provide a dinner of brisket, salad, and, of course, latkes – fried up to order, practically at your table! Dessert will include holiday favorites of rugelach and a "Dunkin'" version of sufganiyot (jelly doughnuts).



Bring your menorah (candles will be provided) to bring the Festival of Lights to every table. A dreidel table will be set up for play, and the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#) will provide gift bags for children. We'll even have dancing!

Dinner is \$10/person (checks payable to "CAV-The Temple"). Reservations must be made by Friday, November 30 to the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 or office@templecav.org. After that date, please contact the Temple office to see if space remains. [Shabbat Katan](#) for little ones will meet at 6 p.m. prior to the festivities.

SEASONAL SHABBAT FUN: "CHINESE SHABBAT"

'Tis the season for our special Shabbat tradition: Please join us for an early service on Friday, December 21 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](#) (6410 W. Jefferson Blvd. in Covington Plaza) by calling the Temple office at 744-4245 no later than Friday, December 14.



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UPCOMING events & SERVICES

*RSVP Needed

DECEMBER & JANUARY SHABBAT AND HOLIDAY SERVICES

Hanukkah & Shabbat Service

Friday, December 7
7:30 p.m. at the Temple
Lay Leader: Bruce Colegrove
Please bring your hanukkiya to light.

Shabbat Service

Friday, December 14
7:30 p.m. at the Temple

"Chinese Shabbat" Service

Friday, December 21
6 p.m. at the Temple
Share an early Shabbat celebration, followed by our traditional gathering for Chinese food at Yen Ching Restaurant. Please RSVP by December 14.

Champagne Shabbat Service

Friday, December 28
7:30 p.m. at the Temple
Celebrate Shabbat and the start of 2019.

Shabbat Service

Friday, January 4
7:30 p.m. at the Temple

Shabbat Service

Friday, January 11
7:30 p.m. at the Temple

Shabbat Service

Friday, January 18
7:30 p.m. at the Temple

Shabbat Service

Friday, January 25
7:30 p.m. at the Temple

Kiddush follows our Shabbat Services



DECEMBER EVENTS

Hanukkah – First Candle

Sunday, December 2

Thoughtful Thursdays Bag Assembly

Wednesday, December 5
10 a.m. at the Temple

Shabbat Katan

Saturday, December 8
6 p.m. at the Temple
Please RSVP by Friday, November 30 for Hanukkah dinner that follows.

Hanukkah Party*

Saturday, December 8
6:30 p.m. at the Temple
Dinner is \$10 per person. Please RSVP by Friday, November 30.

GUCI Assistant Director Visit

Sunday, December 14
11 a.m. at the Temple
Michael Kaplan, Assistant Director at Goldman Union Camp Institute, will visit with Religious School students and parents.

JANUARY EVENTS

Thoughtful Thursdays Bag Assembly

Wednesday, January 9
10 a.m. at the Temple

Game Night & Potluck Dinner*

Saturday, January 12
6 p.m. at the Temple
Please RSVP by January 4 to the Temple office. [Sign up here](#) to provide an item for dinner.

NFTY-Ohio Valley Winter Kallah

January 25-27
At Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati

FEBRUARY EVENTS

Souper Bowl Shabbat & Dinner*

Friday, February 1
6 p.m. at the Temple, with service at 7:30 p.m.
Sample a variety of homemade soups. Enter yours in the friendly competition. RSVP to the Temple office by Friday, January 18. Cost is \$5 per person.

Home Shabbat*

Friday, February 8
We will not have a service at the Temple so members may celebrate Shabbat in each other's homes. RSVP by Friday, January 25 to the Temple office to say you'll be a host or guest. After that date, we'll match hosts and guests. The dinner is potluck and everyone participates.

Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society

Sunday, February 17
2 p.m. at the Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center
Speaker: Genealogist Lara Diamond on DNA & Jewish Genealogy

Scholar-in-Residence

Dr. Gary Zola
Thursday, February 28
7 p.m. at the Temple
"Great Voices, Civil Rights, and Jews in the American South"

Friday, March 1
7 p.m. at the Temple
Shabbat service and talk on "Sabbath and Jewish Survival: A Documentary Look at Reform Judaism's Struggle to Preserve the Sabbath."



ONGOING EVENTS

Mah Jongg Open Play*

[Sign up to play](#)

Check dates and times for play in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center by following the link at www.templecav.org

Lunch With The ROMEOs

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

- Thursday, December 13
[The Lucky Moose](#)
622 E. Dupont Rd.
- Thursday, January 3
[Triangle Park Bar & Grill](#)
3010 Trier Rd.
- Thursday, January 17
[Casa! Ristorante](#)
7545 W. Jefferson Blvd.
- Thursday, January 31
[Baan Thai Restaurant](#)
3235 N. Anthony Blvd.

RSVP to Denny Reynolds at dennisreynolds@me.com.

RABBI LENNY SARKO

DECEMBER CHALLENGES



Christmas is a complex and difficult issue for Jews. In the United States, one can argue, it has become a secular holiday - one that focuses on gift giving and being a little nicer toward others.

Religiously for Christians, the holiday celebrates the birth of Jesus. The first recorded date of Christmas being celebrated on December 25th was in 336 CE, during the time of the first Christian Roman Emperor,

Constantine. The origin of the Christmas tree is not clear. The use of evergreen trees, wreaths, and garlands to symbolize eternal life was a custom of the ancient Egyptians and even the Chinese. Tree worship was common among pagan Europeans. The Scandinavians had the custom of decorating the house and barn with evergreens at the New Year to scare away the devil. There is much documentation on the symbolism of trees in Viking and Saxon communities where they worshiped trees.

The stories around Santa Claus also vary on community. I was in Amsterdam in December one year and was surprised to learn that for their community Santa did not come in a sleigh, but on a ship and dressed very much like a pirate.

For American Jews, this time of year can be difficult. We are surrounded by Christmas culture. Christmas songs abound on the radio, Christmas decorations are in every store, television/theater/school programming have one Christmas themed show after another. The Jewish people can get overwhelmed by the volume of Christmas that exists.

This can get more complicated. How do we as Jews deal with interfaith families? When we have a Christian spouse, not to mention if there are children in an interfaith family, how do we deal with Christmas? Should a Christmas tree be placed up in the household? Should we give gifts, if the holiday of Hanukkah comes at a different time?

It is interesting that American Jews have established some customs themselves this time of year. A few that are well known include going out for Chinese food on Christmas and going to the movies. Some communities create a Matzah Ball (a night of dancing, music and food), and some get together as family units, much like their Christian neighbors. One of the nicer customs I have seen in most communities is the Jewish population will substitute as workers at hospitals, nursing homes, and the like, to allow their Christian friends to spend the holiday at home.

Regardless, it is a difficult time for Jews. In my family, we try our best to give Christmas presents to those of our associates that are Christian and try to tell them in as nice a way as possible that if they wish to give to us, please give Hanukkah presents. There is also a generic approach of simply giving holiday presents, without specifying a religion. Regardless, the idea of being a little nicer to people fits well within our religion and scholars can find no issue with embracing these kinds of ideas at this time of year.

CELEBRATE TOGETHER AT HOME SHABBAT



Kindle new friendships and deepen existing ones at our 16th annual Home Shabbat on Friday, February 8. 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 (260) 744-4245 by Friday, January 25 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, February 16 at 7:30 p.m. Thanks to Co-Chairs Leah Hadashi and Beth Zweig.

GAME NIGHT BRINGS MONOPOLY ON FUN



Don't call it a Trivial Pursuit because we'll be having fun for all ages on Saturday, January 12 as our way of coming together to chase away the winter blues.

The Jewish community is invited to join us at 6 p.m. at the Temple for Havdalah, followed by a potluck dinner

at 6:30 p.m., with games from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Come for all or part of the evening.

We ask you to [sign up here](#) to provide a main course or side dish, salad, dessert or other specialty for 6-8 people to share, or contact the Temple office. If you'd prefer a beverage other than water, tea or coffee, there is an option to sign up to bring that as well. We'll have popcorn to munch, too.

Adults, teens and children: Please bring your favorite board games, playing cards or even ideas for Charades. We'll have mah jongg and other games available from the Temple Library. Looking for a game of Euchre? We'll be ready. If you don't have a Clue, we're Sorry. We'll Scrabble to Bridge the gap with Pictionary, Balderdash, Aggravation and Apples to Apples on hand. For those who prefer electronics, proceed to the Wii. (Please label your game with your name.)

Please RSVP to the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 no later than Friday, January 4. Feel free to let us know what games you'll be bringing. We look forward to a fun evening of socializing and friendly competition. Donations to offset the cost of the event are appreciated.

COMING TOGETHER TO REMEMBER PITTSBURGH TRAGEDY



Some 400 people gathered for a community prayer vigil on Friday, November 2 at the Rifkin Campus in memory of those murdered in late October at the Tree of Life Congregation in Pittsburgh. The program was organized by the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne, Congregation Achduth Vesholom and Congregation B'nai Jacob.

Participants in the prayer vigil included

- Rabbi Lenny Sarko and President Ellen Tom of Congregation Achduth Vesholom
- President Ben Eisbart and Executive Director Jaki Schreier of the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne
- Pamela Friedman of Congregation B'nai Jacob
- Stephanie Crandall, director of Intergovernmental Affairs, City of Fort Wayne
- Dr. Bill McGill of Imani Baptist Church
- Venerable Saddha Kawthala of the Buddhist Vihara Center
- Pastor Gary Erdos of Trinity English Lutheran Church
- Deacon Jim Tighe of the Diocese of Fort Wayne/South Bend
- President Tariq Alkairy of the Universal Education Foundation
- Rev. Roger Reece of Associated Churches
- Ian Williams with community voices and accompanied by Bob Nance on keyboard
- Judge Stanley Levine, Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne board member, accompanied by Bob Nance on keyboard.



The students at Bishop Luers High School created sympathy cards, following the tragedy at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh. The Jewish community appreciates the kind thoughts and prayers of peace and support.

PODCAST FEATURES INTERVIEW WITH RABBI LENNY

In response to the Pittsburgh tragedy, the podcast Mortally Speaking aired an interview on November 6 with Rabbi Lenny. He shared the pain of the situation, but also an inspiring and hopeful message on how the Jewish people are united with one another and seek to remain focused on life and peace even during dark times. Find the podcast.

The Tree of Life Synagogue shooting in Pittsburgh on October 27 was abhorrent and tragic with 11 dead and 6 injured.



YOUTH NEWS

SHABBAT KATAN CELEBRATES HANUKKAH

Our Shabbat Katan service for young children will move to Saturday evening as we celebrate the Festival of Lights on December 8 at 6 p.m., led by Samara Sheray. Our program will conclude in time to attend the congregational Hanukkah dinner and party at 6:30 p.m. (Please RSVP by for the dinner by Friday, November 30 to the Temple office. Cost is \$10 per person (checks payable to "CAV-The Temple.)



Shabbat Katan is geared toward children in first grade and younger, though children of all ages are welcome. Contact us at office@templecav.org with your email address and phone number to be added to our Shabbat Katan mailing list. We will not meet in January due to winter break.

GUCI ASSISTANT DIRECTOR TO VISIT

Michael Kaplan, Assistant Director of Goldman Union Camp Institute, will visit Achduth Vesholom on Sunday, December 16 at 11 a.m. to share all the latest plans for Summer 2019 with children and parents. We'll also have campership information available.



Registration is underway for a great summer of fun and Jewish friendships at our regional Union for Reform Judaism camp in Zionsville. Last year, the Temple sent nine campers to GUCI! Please contact the Temple office for campership information. Considering Jewish overnight camp for the first time? Your child may be eligible for a need-blind grant of up to \$1000 this summer through the Foundation for Jewish Camp.

WINTER BREAK FOR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Religious School students will have winter break from December 23 through January 6. Enjoy your time off and have a happy start to 2019! Hebrew classes resume on Tuesday/Wednesday, January 8-9. Sunday classes resume on January 13.

HANUKKAH STORYTIME FOR PJ LIBRARY

PJ Library Fort Wayne and the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne have partnered with Barnes & Noble – Jefferson Pointe to bring a special story time about Hanukkah. We will meet on Sunday, December 9 at noon Barnes & Noble – Jefferson Pointe. We will hear stories about Hanukkah, light a Hanukkiah, play the dreidel game, and do a craft. This event is free and open to the public. Special thank you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for its continued support.



Avraham Groll, director of JewishGen, had some inspiring family history stories to share in November with Religious School students. His visit was sponsored by the Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society.



Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students practice their Hebrew with Bruce Colegrove on a recent Sunday morning.

First-graders enjoy reading time with their teacher Samara Sheray.



Students in Chuck Replane's class show off their project in the hallway about "Famous Jewish People."



SUPPORT FROM SPONSORS + VOLUNTEERS + CUSTOMERS = SANDWICH SUCCESS

Enthusiastic community support, energetic congregant power, new online ordering with increased social media presence, and state-of-the-art ovens combined to help the Temple sell more than 1,200 sandwiches and raise about \$20,000 in November at our 17th annual Corned Beef on Rye – Sure to Satisfy Fundraiser.

Thank you to the 60 sponsors who supported our sale to benefit the congregation. We appreciate the nearly 100 volunteers of all ages, including friends and out-of-towners, who helped with the Temple's largest fundraiser of the year.

Many thanks to Co-Chairs Steve Zacher and Chuck Replane and their committee: Carol Adelman, Larry Adelman, Fran Adler, Irv Adler, Scott Goldberg, Lee Pomerantz, Judy Zacher, and Beth Zweig. We also thank Temple Staff Marie McFadden, Jamie Fritz, Clint Rossiter, Samara Sheray, and David Hutner for their tremendous dedication and support.

The committee worked throughout the year to evaluate all aspects of the sale, including tasting brownies and rye bread from different vendors. For a second year, with the Temple's remodeled kitchen and Irv Adler's precision thermometers, the kitchen crew smoothly prepared the hot corned beef on Deli Day. Thanks to Irv Adler, Fran Adler, Denny Reynolds and Nancy Salon for their efforts.

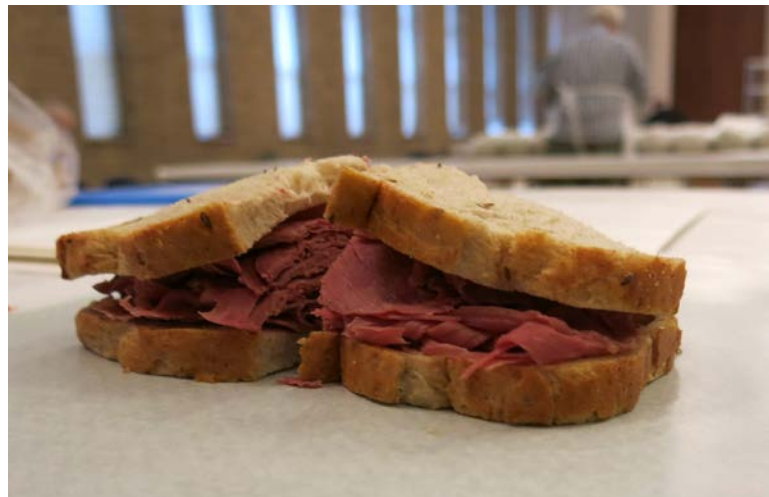
We also welcomed visitors from Congregation Beth Or in Dayton, Ohio, who observed our operations as they prepare to launch their first corned beef sale in the spring.

Our sponsorship efforts included reaching out to connections in the community and congregation. We continued a weekly e-blast with corned beef reminders to previous customers and increased our social media presence on Facebook with paid advertising, regular posts, and help from our congregants in sharing news of the sale with friends.

Our new online ordering was very popular, with nearly 1,000 meals ordered directly. When picking up their meals, customers reported that they heard about our sale most often from their friends or social media, or were repeat purchasers. Thank you to all who assisted with these efforts!

Our Prep Night continued to be a popular and fun evening, with volunteers weighing corned beef, scooping coleslaw, slicing brownies, bagging pickles, and preparing condiment bags. Teamwork and flexibility also paid off on sale day, with orders steadily filled and deliveries successfully made.

We'll keep you posted on plans for next year and continue to look for additional congregational fundraisers and people to get involved. Contact Steve Zacher at szacher@zacherco.com if you'd like to get involved with the corned beef committee.



CORNER BEEF CREW!



Corner Beef Committee



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SHARE 'SOUPER BOWL' SHABBAT DINNER



Warm up a cold winter evening at our "Souper Bowl" Shabbat on Friday, February 1 at 6 p.m. at the Temple. We'll sample a variety of homemade soups before declaring the top three "people's choice" winners. Our Shabbat service begins at 7:30 p.m., followed by an Oneg Shabbat.

While you don't need to bring soup to attend, we invite you to get creative in the kitchen and enter the friendly competition.

Make your favorite soup to feed 8-10, whether vegetarian, chicken or beef. Maybe matzo balls, noodles or even kreplach? The only requirements: No pork or shellfish and no meat or cheese in the same dish. Please bring your hot soup in a crockpot. Any leftovers will be utilized by the Caring Committee for those in need of TLC.

Please RSVP to the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 by Friday, January 18. Let us know if you will be bringing soup and what kind. The cost is \$5 per person (no charge for children 5 and under). Your check is your reservation. Menu includes salad, soup, challah, and beverage. Questions or interested in helping? Contact Kathy Sider at ksider812@gmail.com.



CELEBRATE NEW YEAR WITH CHAMPAGNE SHABBAT

Celebrate Shabbat with us as we approach the start of 2019! Share Sabbath worship on Friday, December 28 at 7:30 p.m. Kiddush follows the service, as well as a champagne toast. We look forward to seeing you! Happy New Year!



SAVE THE DATE FOR SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE WITH DR. GARY ZOLA

We look forward to welcoming back Dr. Gary P. Zola to Congregation Achduth Vesholom for two scholar-in-residence programs on Thursday, February 28 and Friday, March 1. Dr. Zola is the Executive Director of The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives and Edward M. Ackerman Family Distinguished Professor of the American Jewish Experience &

Reform Jewish History at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati. Plan to join us on:

Thursday, February 28 at 7 p.m. when Dr. Zola explores "Great Voices, Civil Rights, and Jews in the American South."

Have you ever wondered what some of the leading American rabbis handled pivotal world events from the pulpit? What did American rabbis tell their congregants about topics such as the rise of Adolph Hitler, the outbreak of World War II, the struggle for Civil Rights in the 1950s and 1960s, and so forth?

JOIN US FOR BRAINSTORMING RETREAT

Bring your program ideas to the Brainstorming Retreat on Sunday, January 20 at 12:30 p.m. in the Temple's Madge Rothschild Resource Center. The event is hosted by the Programming "Cabinet" of committee chairs – those who contribute events to our Temple calendar. This is every member's opportunity to suggest ideas for programs they'd like to attend and help with next year and beyond. Whether general or specific, all ideas are welcome for consideration. Light snacks will be provided. Please contact Program VP Betsy Gephart with questions.



Is it ok to joke about the Holocaust? The Temple co-sponsored a showing of the documentary "The Last Laugh" in November with PFW's Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies and Cinema Center. Director Ferne Pearlstein (center) discussed the film after two showings. Thank you to Cinema Center Executive Director Margaret Reeder (left), IHGS Director and Temple Member Steve Carr (right), and the Temple's Holocaust Education Committee. We also appreciate the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for its support.

Friday, March 1 at 7 p.m. when we celebrate Shabbat and Dr. Zola examines "Sabbath and Jewish Survival: A Documentary Look at Reform Judaism's Struggle to Preserve the Sabbath."

His talk will look at Reform Judaism's ongoing struggle to make the Sabbath relevant, meaningful, and observable in the modern era. He'll discuss the Sunday Sabbath, the Friday Night Service, the Oneg Shabbat, and programmatic innovations.

Thank you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for its support. Thank you to our committee: Beth Zweig (chair), Fran Adler, Rena Black, Betsy Gephart, Samara Sheray, Kathy Sider, John Stein, Dan Zweig, and Rabbi Lenny.

THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS PROVIDED THANKSGIVING GOODIES



Thank you so much to everyone who donated money making it possible for 81 Brighpoint Head Start families and their teachers to receive a 12-pound turkey for Thanksgiving.

Our Thoughtful Thursdays bags for the 70 families in November included a roaster pan, cooking bag, and directions for the turkey, as well as cranberry sauce, veggies, fruit, crackers, and a box of brownie mix.

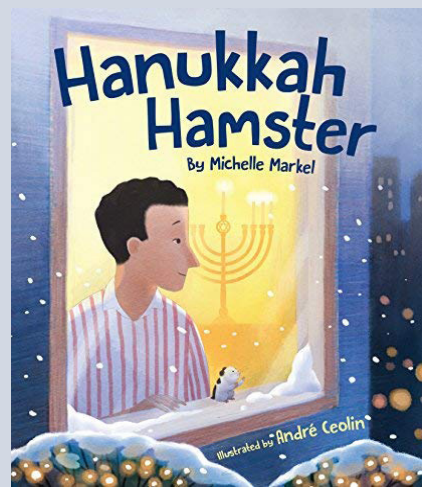
A special shout-out to Temple member Hod Hefer and Walmart for making our goal of turkeys for a reality! And a thank you to Donna Tourkow for crocheting scarves for all the students.



Our bag assembly team will meet on Wednesday, December 5 and Wednesday, January 9 at 10 a.m. at the Temple. We are collecting donations of boxes of tissues, toilet paper, and band-aids.

Jamie Berger and Bonnie Pomerantz, Thoughtful Thursdays co-chairs

CHECK OUT OUR NEW HANUKKAH BOOKS!



We have five new picture books for Hanukkah this year in the Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library. And in case you're looking for one for each night, we have more than 400 others to choose from!

All-of-a-Kind Family Hanukkah by Emily Jenkins is based on the well-known chapter books for slightly older readers. Caldecott Award-winning illustrator, Paul O. Zelinsky, contributes to this family holiday story set in 1912.

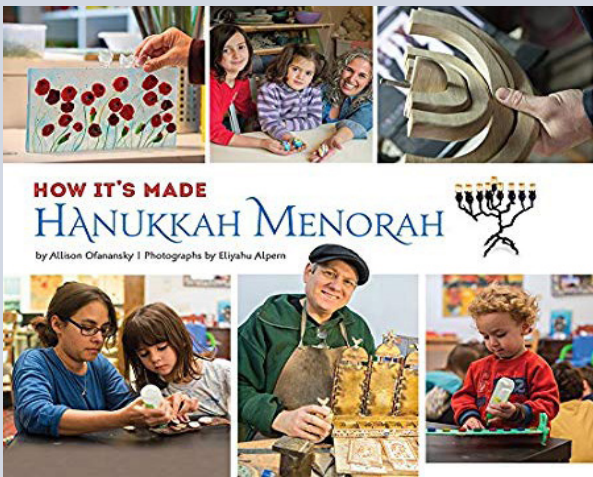
The story of an adorable hamster left in the backseat of a taxi cab, *Hanukkah Hamster* by Michelle Markel celebrates the holiday with the lonely cab driver who found him and named him "Chickpea."

Dreidel Day by Amalia Hoffman is one of our newest board books. It's great for counting and finding hidden objects.

For families and slightly older children, Jacqueline Jules has written *Light the Menorah!: A Hanukkah Handbook*. A variety of poems, crafts, recipes and songs are included, along with a basic Hanukkah history and holiday trivia. This is a good family introduction for all ages.

Finally, Allison Ofanansky has a wonderful new picture book, *How It's Made: Hanukkah Menorah*. Similar to her other titles about Torah scrolls and Matzo, a variety of types of hanukiah are featured, as well as instructions for making and using your own. Recipes and dreidel games are included as well.

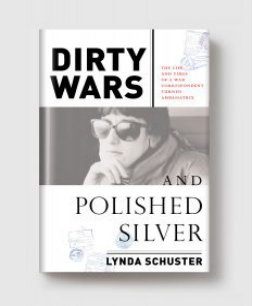
Make time for a good Hanukkah book this season. Stop by and browse, or check out our Hanukkah catalog.



MAHJ AND MADGE – A GREAT COMBO

Please join us for weekly mah jongg in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center! Sign up for open play on Sunday mornings, Thursday afternoon, and Monday evenings. Enjoy our beautiful space, friendly conversation, and a chance to play this centuries-old Chinese game. We also have mah jongg resources in the Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library.

TEMPLE BOOK CLUB CONTINUES ON FEBRUARY 5



Our next title for the Temple Book Club is *Dirty Wars and Polished Silver* by Lynda Schuster. This memoir of a former foreign Wall Street Journal foreign correspondent and one-time wife of a U.S. Ambassador has received excellent reviews. Kirkus calls it "A riveting international thriller...A page-turner thanks to lucid writing and thrilling storytelling."

Plan to join us on Tuesday, February 5 at 7 p.m. for a discussion and e-visit with the author. The book is available in the Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library.

DONATIONS

Adelman Facility Improvement Fund

In memory of Gertrude Stein Adelman: *Rita & Tom O'Neill, Carol & Larry Adelman*

Endowment Fund

In memory of Henry Haskell Glazer, Dr. Elmer Zweig, Ruth G. Zweig, Mendel Zweig and Celia Zweig: *Beth & Dan Zweig*

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A donation has been made by: *Richard Grzych*

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Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

A donation has been made by: *Ken Childers*

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Thoughtful Thursdays

A donation has been made by: *Nancy & Scott Salon, Marcia & Denny Reynolds*

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In memory of Esther King: *Suzi King*

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO OUR BETTYS!

Our Temple family wishes "Happy Birthday" to our Bettys! Betty Fishman will celebrate her 95th birthday on December 6 and Betty Stein marks her 102nd birthday on December 10. Mazel tov and best wishes for many more happy and healthy birthdays!

ADD A LEAF TO THE OLIVE TREE

Purchasing a leaf on the olive tree mural in the hallway leading to the Madge Rothschild Resource Center 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.



PLAN FOR 2018 YEAR-END DONATIONS

For your 2018 tax planning purposes, our guidelines for establishing the date when dues payments and donations are received:

- If by mail, the postmarked date
- If hand delivered, the date received at the Temple
- If by phone (credit cards only), the date of the call
- Any gifts of appreciated securities must be received into the Temple's account on or before December 15. Contact Joni Sharkey, Registered Client Associate at Wells Fargo Advisors, at (260) 423-4862 for further information. Wells Fargo Advisors is a trade name used by Wells Fargo Clearing Services, LLC, Member SIPC.

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.

OUR CONDOLENCES TO

Jennifer Stone on the death of her father, Franklin Mullins, on November 12, 2018 in Fort Wayne. Our thoughts also are with Caleigh and Ashleigh Stone on the loss of their grandfather.

HELP TEMPLE WITH amazon

Did you know that you can help the Temple when you purchase items through [AmazonSmile](https://www.amazon.com/smile)? To find "Achduth Vesholom Congregation," go to smile.amazon.com/ch/35-0135020. All eligible shopping will benefit the Temple. Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price.



BECOME A LEGACY SOCIETY MEMBER WITH A PLANNED GIFT

One of the best ways we can sustain a Reform Jewish presence in northeast Indiana is through a lasting gift to Congregation Achduth Vesholom. More than 40 congregants already have become members of the L'dor Vador Legacy Society since it was established in 2012 to encourage individuals to make arrangements to remember the Temple in their estates. All legacy society members are recognized at the Temple's Annual Meeting in June.

To become a society member, please inform the Temple in writing that you have made provisions to remember the congregation in your estate. For further information about the L'dor Vador Legacy Society or making a planned gift now or in the future, contact Steve Zacher at (260) 422-8474 or Beth Zweig at (260) 744-4245.

PLANT A TREE FOR TU B'SHVAT

Tu B'shvat (the "New Year of the Trees") is Jewish Arbor Day and falls this year on Tuesday, January 20. In celebration, please consider planting a tree in Israel through the Jewish National Fund.

Since its founding in 1901, the JNF has evolved into a global environmental leader, planting seeds & investing for the long term. From agricultural research farms in the Galilee to shovel-ready housing projects for young families in the Negev, JNF is focused on seven key strategic areas that directly strengthen the future of Israel and support the land and people of Israel.



PLEASE PROVIDE PASTA FOR FOOD DRIVE

The need continues 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 in November and December, we hope you'll bring these non-perishable items for the food bank at Wellspring Interfaith Social Services.



Following a brief Shabbat service, we gathered for Friday Night at the Movies in November to watch "Family Ties" or "Molly's Pilgrim." Thanks to Dave Flapan for

INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE BRINGS COMMUNITY TOGETHER

More than 150 people gathered for Fort Wayne's annual community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at the Temple. Thirteen congregations participated on Tuesday, including for the first time a representative of Fort Wayne's Baha'i community. The featured speaker was Rev. Angelo Mante, director of the newly formed Kingdom Builders - Alive to benefit children in Fort Wayne impacted by homicide. A beautiful reception followed and included a display of "Murals for Peace" created by 7th grade students at Towles New Tech. Thanks to Rabbi Lenny for coordinating and all who assisted with the lovely evening.



Thank you to the representatives who participated in the Interfaith Thanksgiving Service: Pastor Bill McGill of Imani Baptist Church, Ferri Sorenson of the Fort Wayne Stake- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Pastor Brian Flory and Rev. Kimberly Koczan of Beacon Heights Church of the Brethren, Minister Eric Black of Plymouth Congregational Church, Rebecca Reeder of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fort Wayne, Pastor Russell Jensen of Maplewood Menonite Church, Bhante Mahanama of Indiana Buddhist Temple, Carol Butler of Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Fort Wayne, Rev. Dr. Gary Erdos of Trinity English Lutheran Church, Rev. TJ Freeman of Trinity Episcopal Church, Rev. Chisten Pettit Miller of Peace UCC, Imam Hamzah Sharif, and Rabbi Lenny Sarko of Congregation Achduth Vesholom



December - January YAHRZEITS

December 7

David J. Ash
Col. Richard G. Banks
Rachel Behar
Fanny Brenn
Herman Cohen
Pearl Davidson
Mae Fine
Dr. Jerome Gerber
Don Gordon
Marion K. Grinsfelder
Albert Herzog
Herman Himelstein
Dora Horwitz
Isaac M. Kann
Peter Lauinger
Hortense Wolf Maier Levy
Helene Goldenberg Maier
Sigmund Maier
Charlotte Maier
John V. Malay
Charlotte Novitsky
William J. Platka, Jr.
Ruth Rosenthal
Elizabeth H. Smulo
Joseph Stiefel
Marguerite Long Thal
Herbert Weinraub
Esther Zissen

December 14

Joseph Barasch
Bess Bookstaff
Miriam Yuter Chodosh
Eric Eugene Eling
Rosetta Goodman
Bertie Haslacher
Steven Hollander
Viola Hutner
Sarah Kalver
Isidore Kalver
Max Kraus
Jeff Kruger
Mollie Kutcher
Rose Lande
William (Bill) Latz
Henry Levine
Laura H. Levy
Vitaliy Leybman
Irma G. Loeser
Lee Marshall Loeser
Julius Marx
Harold Michelson
Hattie Griffin Minske
Myron J. Morris
Lena Moss
Allan Rush

Salomon Z. Safirstein
Darren Schongold
Harry Sherr
Dr. Oscar Weinstein
Bessie Weinstein
Phoebe Da Costa Wolf
Charles Young
Dr. Elmer Zweig

December 21

Elsa Adler
Bertha Browarsky
Josephine P. Cressy
Geraldine Crubaugh
Marsha Dan
Dorothy Dicker
Nathan N. Donner
Rose Fisher
Phil Flook
Mary Fogel
David Frosh
Henry Haskell Glazer
Alex E. Goldberger
Arnold L. Goldsmith
Lily D. Grover

Kathryn Manalis
Donald L. Marx
Bessie Meyer
Stephen L. Meyers
Minnette Papier
Edna K. Platka
Samuel Rothberg
Reba Safran
Louis Sandler
David Schibel
Jeannette Sunshine
Louisa Trauerman
Ethel J. Trotter
Edwin Turansky
David Warshauer
Barney Warshauer
Joseph David Weinraub
Victor Weiss
Retha West
Ida Wolfson
Ruth G. Zweig
Mendel Zweig

December 28

Gertrude Stein Adelman
Gertrude E. Blum
Minnie Cline
Victor S. Cohen
Hanchen Levi Daniel
Dorothy Talberg Ernest
Josephine Ferbstein
Ida Finkelshteyn

Rosalie Appel Freund
Sidney Gold
Samuel Greenberg
Fannie Kaplan
Louis Kaufman
Herman Komisarow
Abe Latker
Eugene S. Lesser
Kurt Marx
Gina A. McClatchey
Louis Meyers
Dr. Maurice Rosenthal
David Rothberg
Beryl Rush
Dr. Joel W. Salon
Robert Sommer
Karoline Stein
Morton Stillpass
Richard Tinkel
Roslyn Weinraub
Leonard Weinraub
Kent Wenbert
Leon Wertheimer
Rabbi Arnold Jacob Wolf

January 4

Tillie Auerbach
Ruth Berkow
Irvin J. Bransilver
Robert Buker
Hedwig Einstein
Anna S. Engelhard
Cyvia Feinberg
Flora Flapan
Harry Fryefield
Leona Goldstein
Bess Landy
George Latz
Arthur Lenhart
Minnie Levey
Martin Levine
Don Minich
Alice Novitsky
Anna Platt
Beverly King Ribel
Norma Rifkin
Marshall Rosenthal
Jane Y. Rutin
Estelle Sachs
Rose Schempp
Irene Schibel
Leonard Schreier
Albert Schultz
Morris Schwartz
Minnie Sheyer
Herman Sheyer
LeRoy Shine

Helen Isay Smith
Deborah Taub

January 11

David Baitcher
Bess Belans
Grete Benedix
William Brosler
Sam Edlow
Samuel J. Fishman
Isidore Goldberg
Joseph Goldenberg
Glen Goldstrom
Joseph C. Goodman
Harry Horwitz
Morris King
Jack Krainess
Gertrude Kraker
Jewell Kraus
Elsie Kraus
Marc S. Lauer
Claire Leopold
Louis Levy
Eleanor Mazur
Milton M. Meyers
Abraham Morris
Gertrude Replane
Ted Replane
Patricia Rothman
Samuel Salomon
Betty W. Sandler
Irving A. Snow
Cecilia Stern
Edna Vilensky
Raphael E. Vogel
Max Zinn

January 18

Faye Bodenstein
Stephen Cristil
Gertrude Stein Gartner
Lorry Goldenberg
Basy Gurevich
Berenice Kempler
Manuel K. King
Mary Kathryn Klarke
Leopold Kraus
Janet Latz
Isidor Lehman
Ruth M. Levy
Jeanette Lewis
Michelle Lundmark
Robert J. Nathan
Mabel Papier
Tzvi ben Pinchas
Geraldine Greenberg -
Reich

Minnette D. Ruchman
Edward Rudin
Daniel Russ
Sidney L. Schechter
Caroline Schwartz
Samuel L. Shafer
Sarah Ann Wills
Frannie Weinraub

January 25

Bill Aichele
Hurleen Blumenthal
Alan Blumenthal
Jacob Leon Brenn
Joseph Doran
Phil Feldman
Nathan Feldman
Hurley A. Feltman
Milton Ferkel
Norma M. Flox
Sam Fogel
Lottie Frosh
Dr. Max M. Gitlin
Morris Gubitz
Fannie Hassan
Chester Horn
Anna Silverman Hyman
Anita S. Kalver
Miriam Katz
Ruth Kepes
Celia Mastbaum
Robert Nerenberg
Byron F. Novitsky
Netty K. Oppenheim
Harry S. Papier
Julius Schongold
Bertha V. Shipsky
Brian Soraich
Herman Strauss
Jerome Moses Trotter
Anne Frank Wagner
Jack Weiner



KNOW A HOOSIER JEWISH LEGEND?

The [Indiana Jewish Historical Society](#) invites you to submit nominations for the 2019 Hoosier Jewish Legend Award! Kindly nominate Hoosiers who have created a significant and lasting impact to their profession, faith-based and/or secular community, and the legacy of the role of the Jewish community in Indiana's continuing story. Nominations are due by May 1. The awards ceremony will take place on Sunday, August 25, 2019 at noon in Carmel, Indiana. [Find more information or download an application form.](#)



EXPLORE HITLER, NAZISM, & GERMAN RESISTANCE

"Hitler, Nazism, and the German Resistance" will be the topic of a talk by Dr. Barry Jackisch, Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of History and Social Sciences at the University of Saint Francis, on Wednesday, December 5 at 7 p.m. at the Aboite Branch of the Allen County Public Library.

His talk will examine various forms of resistance to Hitler and the Nazi state during the Third Reich. He'll look at the possibilities and limitations of resistance and offers an overview of scholarly writing on the topic intended for a general audience.

JOIN HANUKKAH FUN AT ROSH CHODESH

All women who are members of the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#) are invited to join us on Monday, December 3 at 6 p.m. We will meet at the Allen County Public Main Library (2nd Floor, Business & Technology room) where we will enjoy a nosh on latkes and sufganiyot (jelly donuts). We will light the Hanukkah and do a craft. We hope to see you soon. Please RSVP to the Federation office at 260.456.0400 or office@fwjf.org no later than November 30.



CONFRONTING THE SHOAH CLASS IS BACK

Please join Dr. David Lindquist for a six-session program about the Holocaust. Classes will meet at the Rifkin Campus at 5200 at 7 p.m. on the following Tuesdays: January 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12 and 19.



Sponsored by the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#), the program is open to adults and children who are at least in middle school. There is no cost for Federation members, teachers, principals, historians, or students. Other participants are asked to pay \$5 for the cost of materials. Please register no later than Monday, January 7 at (260) 456-0400 or office@fwjf.org.

Thank you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation and to the Federation's annual campaign for providing this invaluable program to our community.

COMMUNITY INVITED FOR SCREENING OF EVA KOR DOCUMENTARY

New Haven High School, which is in its pilot year offering a Holocaust Capstone course, invites the community to a screening of the film documentary "[Eva A-7063](#)" on Sunday, December 9, followed by a Q&A session with Emmy-winner Ted Green, the film's writer and producer. The screening begins at 4:30 p.m. at [Impact Community Church](#), 909 Main Street, in New Haven. Admission is free, but donations will be accepted as a fundraiser to help cover the costs of new books. [Watch the trailer.](#)



The newly-released documentary is about Eva Mozes Kor, a survivor of Auschwitz, who at age 10 became a subject of inhuman twin experiments by the notorious Nazi doctor Josef Mengele. Eva has emerged as the leading global figure in the fight to keep the lessons of the Holocaust alive, delivering a message at once controversial and immensely powerful: Forgiveness.

Fighting off time and failing health, this 4-foot-9, 84-year-old Terre Haute woman travels the world with her walker, leading tours to Poland and her native Romania, doing CNN specials in London and book signings in Germany, all with a single goal to heal the world. "Eva," a documentary by Ted Green and Mika Brown in partnership with WFYI, Indianapolis' PBS affiliate, highlights an Indiana story with international scope and impact.

DNA IS TOPIC AT FEBRUARY GENEALOGY PROGRAM

The [Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society](#) will feature genealogist Lara Diamond at its program on Sunday, February 17 at 2 p.m. at the [Allen County Public Library's Genealogy Center](#). She will speak about DNA and Jewish Genealogy. She is a frequent lecturer around the country, and also writes a genealogy blog entitled "[Lara's Jewnealogy](#)."



REMEMBER A LOVED ONE WITH YAHRZEIT PLAQUE

Would you like to add the name of a loved one to our yahrzeit plaques near the entrance to the Sanctuary? Please contact the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 to purchase an individual nameplate in memory of a loved one to be displayed on the wall outside the Sanctuary. Plaques are \$500 each. Lights are illuminated next to individual names on the anniversary of death and on Yom Kippur. Proceeds support the Temple's Endowment.

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The Temple office is open on Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

We will be closed Tuesday, December 25, 2018 and Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

The Temple is located at the Rifkin Campus at 5200. Our Campus partners are the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne, the Fort Wayne Jewish Cemetery Association, the PFW Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Brightpoint Head Start, and the Madge Rothschild Resource Center.



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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 Ellen Tom can be reached at president@templecav.org.

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

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

ELLEN TOM



These days it is impossible not to wake up to the horrific events that seem to polarize our world. How do you make sense of senseless acts? How do we react, how do we respond?

As Jews, as a community, as a congregation, we unite. We witnessed this community collaboration as we held a Shabbat Prayer Vigil on November 2 to honor the lives that had been tragically taken at the Tree of Life Synagogue. We filled our sanctuary to capacity while we prayed, sang, and cried, as area clergy, congregational and Federation leadership led a very moving service.

We reached out to our Religious School children and parents during our weekly assembly. Rabbi Lenny participated in [a podcast with Mortally Speaking](#) and delivered an inspiring and hopeful message on how we unite and remain focused on life and peace in the darkest times.

We mourned together, but also remembered to unite and enjoy friendships as we put on our biggest event of the year, the 17th Annual Corned Beef Fundraiser. Again, not only did Temple members participate, but so did their families, friends and community neighbors. We are a testament to how bright the human spirit can shine!

And unity between congregations continues as we look for ways to bring together long-standing traditions with Achduth Vesholom and B'nai Jacob. I am pleased to announce that the Board of Trustees of each congregation has approved the relocation of B'nai Jacob to the Rifkin Campus. With the mantra, "One Community, Two Traditions," we begin the transition process to share our rich histories and rituals.

We believe that by combining our resources, we can provide better quality services across the spectrum of worship, education, and programming to our congregants and the community. In the next few weeks, look for a letter with more information.

May you and your families have a Happy Thanksgiving, Happy Hanukkah, and Healthy New Year!

MAINTAINING A BEAUTIFUL TRADITION



Hosting an Oneg Shabbat is a wonderful way to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, special occasion, or try out a new recipe. Please call the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 to offer your help on an upcoming Friday night – or to let us know you are interested in serving as our Oneg Shabbat Coordinator. Thank you!

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.

