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### MATCHMAKING TRADITION CONTINUES FOR PASSOVER SEDER

Passover begins on Friday, April 19 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. Traditionally, the first night of Pesach is observed with family and friends at home with a Seder when we read from the Haggadah and share a special holiday meal.

Our congregation is continuing its long tradition of "matchmaking" for the first night, bringing together "Seder seekers" with "Passover providers." This effort is especially important this year since we will not be having our congregational Seder on the second night.

We ask all members who have extra seats at their Seder table to contact the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 by Monday, April 8 to offer a place for fellow congregants who would like to attend. It's a mitzvah to welcome others in this way. We invite members who want to attend a Seder to contact us and we will do our best to help. Find out more about Passover and its traditions.





### CONGREGANTS TO HEAR LATEST ON B'NAI JACOB PROPOSAL

Letters will be sent soon providing information to congregants about the ongoing discussions between Congregation Achduth Vesholom and Congregation B'nai Jacob about coming together as one congregation with two traditions.

Temple members are invited to attend two informal Town Hall sessions following our Shabbat services on Friday, April 12 and Friday, April 26. Worship begins at 7:30 p.m., followed by Kiddush. Members are invited afterward for refreshments and a question-and-answer session to hear more about the proposed plans.

Discussions between the congregations began last summer through a B'ychad ("Together") Committee. Achduth Vesholom is represented by President Ellen Tom and Larry Adelman, Ronnie Greenberg, and Beth Zweig. B'nai Jacob is represented by President Pam Friedman, Ron Friedman, Josh Tourkow, and Irene Walters. The boards of directors from both congregations also are involved as discussions continue.

Members in good standing will vote on the proposal on Wednesday, June 12 at 7 p.m. at the Temple's Annual Meeting.

FOR INDEPTH NEWS & DETAILS VISIT US

ONLINE
Templecav.org

# UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

### APRIL SHABBAT SERVICES

### **Shabbat Service**

Friday, April 5 7:30 p.m. Service at the Temple

### **Shabbat Service**

Friday, April 12 7:30 p.m. at the Temple Lay Leader: Bruce Colegrove Members invited after the service for Q&A.

### No Shabbat Service - First Night of Passover

Friday, April 19

### **Shabbat Service**

Friday, April 26 7:30 p.m. at the Temple

Members invited after the service for Q&A.

Kiddush follows our Shabbat services

### **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, April 11 Mad Anthony Brewing Co. 1109 Taylor St.

Thursday, April 25 No Lunch - Passover

RSVP to Denny Reynolds at dennisreynolds@me.com

### APRIL EVENTS

### **Religious School Spring Break**

March 31-April 7

#### Ma'ase

Monday, April 8 7 p.m.

The History Center Sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne. The Israeli program provides volunteer-year programs that facilitate the integration of young people from the periphery into Israeli society.

### **Thoughtful Thursdays Bag** Assembly

Wednesday, April 10 10 a.m. at the Temple

### **Congregational Q&A Sessions**

Fridays, April 12 & 26 Follows 7:30 p.m. Shabbat service Members are invited to learn more about our discussions with Congregation B'nai Jacob.

### **Monkey Business: The Adventures** of Curious George's Creators\*

Sunday, April 14 1:30 p.m. at the Allen County Public Library downtown Sponsored by the <u>Jewish Federation</u> of Fort Wayne, the film will be followed by a video-conference with film editor Ema Ryan Yamazaki.

### **Passover Begins**

Friday evening, April 19

### **CANDLES Museum Tour**

Sunday, April 28 1 to 4 p.m. in Terre Haute The Indiana Jewish Historical Society is hosting a behind-the scenes tour and conversation about the influence of the Holocaust in Indiana.

### People of the Book Lecture: **Author Chris Bohjalian**

Monday, April 29 7:30 p.m. at the Rifkin Campus Sponsored by the <u>Jewish Federation</u> of Fort Wayne.

### May events

### L'dor Vador Service & Blessing for **Campers**

Friday, May 3 7 p.m. at the Temple

### **Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society**

Betsy Anthony: International Tracing Service Sunday, May 5 2 p.m. at The Genealogy Center, ACPL downtown

#### Yom Hashoah

Monday, May 6 7 p.m. at the Rifkin Campus Dr. James Grymes, author of Violins of Hope, will speak. The communitywide Holocaust remembrance program is sponsored by Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne.

### Temple Book Club\*

Tuesday, May 7 7 p.m. at the Temple

### Manasse Ogendi Bar Mitzvah

Saturday, May 18 10 a.m. at the Temple

### Vivian Flapan Bat Mitzvah

Saturday, May 25 10:30 a.m. at the Temple

### JUNE EVENTS

### **Grace Gephart Bat Mitzvah**

Saturday, June 1 10:30 a.m. at the Temple

### MAZON ASKS YOUR HELP TO FEED HUNGRY

As we prepare to celebrate Passover, Jewish tradition compels us to share the joy of freedom with those who remain enslaved by hunger and poverty. Please consider donating the money you would have spent to feed one extra person at your Seder table to MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger. Find out more at www.mazon.org and incorporate the Fifth Question into your Seder, this year focusing on hunger among Americans age 60 and older.



### RABBI LENNY SARKO

### A VIEW OF THE HOLIDAY SEASON FOR JEWS AND CHRISTIANS



The importance of holidays, between and betwixt religions, can be confusing and misinterpreted. As a Jew immersed in an American Christian world, their religious holidays have no choice but to impinge on our lives. This is not a statement of good or bad, only a reflection of our reality. Spring envelops us all in a bevy of holidays – Jewish and Christian. How do Jews view the Christian holidays celebrated at this season?

Most Jews believe that Christmas is the most important Christian holiday. This

might be an unavoidable conclusion based on the expansive hold of secular commercialism. Yet from a religious point of view, it is in fact Easter that ranks as number one in the Christian mind.

The times leading up to Easter can be quite fascinating to a Jewish onlooker. We see Mardi Gras, also known as Fat Tuesday, and marvel at the expanse of the celebrations, with its parades, dancing and abundance of foods. We Jews tend to think of it in terms of an audacious party. In Christian terms this celebration actually begins in January and is connected to the three kings story. Although the celebration had its historical origins in the Middle Ages in Europe, the connection to New Orleans can be traced to the explorer Jean Baptiste Le Moyne Sieur de Bienville who on March 2, 1699 landed in the area of New Orleans. When his men realized it was the eve of the festive holiday, they celebrated America's very first Mardi Gras and established a tradition that took root in this locale and expanded over the years.

This time of celebration leads to Ash Wednesday. Again, Jewish people sit back in amazement. People walk around with ashes

on their forehead. If I walked into my home with ashes on my forehead, I would have been greeted by my mother with a slap in the face with a wet washcloth and an exclamation of, "how can you walk around with such a dirty face?" But for Christians it is the beginning of Lent, a season devoted to repentance. In an act of atonement, they give up something for the season, analogous to Jews giving up food for Yom Kippur.

All of this eventually leads to the holiday of Easter. Jewish people see the proliferation of church services, expansive family meals and a stop in the normal operations of our society – not to mention a whole lot of bunnies. For Christians, it is a time they celebrate their understanding of the death and what they believe is the resurrection of Jesus – a concept very foreign and unacceptable to Jews.

As peculiar as the perspective of Jews to these Christian holidays must be, I have to imagine the same would hold for Christians at this same time of year in their understanding of Purim and Passover. Without an understanding of the concepts of these holidays, an outsider would see Purim as a chance to have a wild costume party, and Passover with its weird foods and our conduction of an expansive family meal to be just as confusing. The Christian world looks on eating of matzah for a full week as a form of punishment and wonders why Jews put up with such a practice.

Perhaps this year would be a good time to approach our Christian neighbors and have a nice long talk about their holidays, so we can have a better understanding of why they celebrate as they do and for us to take the time to explain our traditions to them. We might even invite them to our Seder meal. We can only foster peace through such understandings. May you have a wonderful holiday season.



### HƏZIMER SEEKING HOLIDƏY SINGERS

Hazemir, the Temple's volunteer choir, is planning to sing for the evening services of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur after a several - year hiatus. Singers interested in joining them are most welcome.

If you'd like to be part of Hazemir as it prepares during the coming months, please contact John Planer at JHPlaner@ manchester.edu or Norm Greenberg at njg0517@gmail. com. Hazemir especially welcomes any interested high school students. Rosh Hashanah begins on Sunday evening, September 29 and Yom Kippur begins on Tuesday evening, October 8.

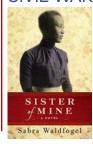
### CATCH THE TINCAPS WITH ACHDUTH VESHOLOM

Join members of our Temple family on Saturday, July 20 for a trip to Parkview Field to watch the <u>Fort Wayne TinCaps</u> play the Cedar Rapids Kernels, followed by the <u>Three Rivers Festival</u> fireworks.

The game starts at 6:05 p.m. Tickets for seats in the All-Star section behind home plate are \$12 per person. Please call the Temple office at 744-4245 by Friday, July 1 to reserve your seats and send your check (made payable to "CAV- The Temple"). We will not order extra tickets, so please make your reservations by the deadline. No refunds will be issued for cancellations.

We'll let you know when your reserved tickets will be available for pick up at Achduth Vesholom so that everyone can meet that evening. Thanks to Mike Barasch for organizing this annual event!

## CIVIL WAR NOVEL NEXT TOPIC FOR BOOK CLUB



<u>Sister of Mine</u> by Sabra Waldfogel is next on the schedule for the Temple Book Club. We'll discuss this historical Civil War novel with the author via LiveChat on Tuesday evening, May 7 at 7 p.m. in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center. The book focuses on the daughter of a Jewish plantation owner and her maid, a slave named Rachel. A copy is available in the <u>Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library.</u>



Film enthusiasts enjoy popcorn and other treats at our recent Friday Night at the Movies. Showing "Defending Your Life." Thank you to Dave Flapan for organizing.







Mavens in the Making at our Mah Jongg lessons for beginners! Thanks to Marcia Reynolds, John Stein, and Deb Vilensky for teaching a new group of players.

<u>Sign up</u> for open play Mah Jongg in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center.



### HISTORICAL FICTION IN THE TEMPLE LIBRARY

For many of us, there is nothing better than finding a great historical novel to sink into, allowing us to be transported to a different time and place. In addition to *Sister of Mine*, our Temple Book Club selection for our upcoming meeting on May 7, we have a number of wonderful titles to offer in the <u>Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library</u>. Their settings vary widely, from medieval London to the Second World War, and several have been recognized with various awards.

We have two novels in our collection that are set in 19th-century Cairo and explore even earlier times. *The Last Watchman of Old Cairo* by Michael David Lukas, recently won a National Jewish Book Award for fiction, and Dara Horn's *A Guide for the Perplexed* was recognized by the American Library Association. Both move between present-day and earlier periods, telling stories that connect to a much more ancient Jewish community in Egypt. *The Weight of Ink* by Rachel Kadish also has a very "old-world" feel to it, set in 17th-century London. A 2017 National Jewish Book Award winner, it features a woman who scribes for a blind rabbi, and the 21st-century scholar who uncovers her story. *The Coffee Trader* by David Liss, is also set in the 17th-century, this time in Amsterdam, and Frances Sherwood's *The Book of Splendor* goes even further back to 16th-century Prague.

Sister of Mine, by Sabra Waldfogel, is one of several titles set in the United States. Waldfogel's book is set in the Civil War, and features the daughter of a Jewish plantation owner. Going further back in time, we have Commodore Levy: A Novel of Early America in the Age of Sail, by Irving Litvag. Novels about immigrants to this country include Barren Island by Carol Zoref, a 2017 National Jewish Book Award winner, and The Patriots by Sana Krasikov.

THE LAST

WATCHMAN OF

OLD CAIRO

MICHAEL DAVID LUKAS

ANTOR OF THE FUELL OF STAMPER

The Holocaust is the setting for a number of award-winning novels in our collection. Among them is a former Temple Book Club title, *And After the Fire* by Lauren Belfer. Kristin Hannah's bestseller, *The Nightingale is* also on our shelves, as is Jenna Blum's *Those Who Save Us*, and Mary Doria Russell's *A Thread of Grace. We Were the Lucky Ones*, by Georgia Hunter, was a National Jewish Book Award finalist.

Next time you're in the mood to curl up with a good historical novel, take advantage of the dozens of good books we have on our own library shelves. <u>Visit our full catalog online</u>.

## YOUTH NEWS



### CELEBRATING L'DOR VADOR FROM ONE GENERATION TO THE NEXT

Please join us for our 7th annual "L'dor Vador - From Generation to Generation" Shabbat service on Friday, May 3 at 7 p.m., bringing together students with older members of the Temple for special readings. We'll also offer a special blessing for children planning to attend a Jewish camp over the summer. A festive Oneg Shabbat follows.

Participants and Religious School families are invited to dinner at 6 p.m. prior to the service. In addition, Religious School students and participants are asked attend a carry-in lunch on Sunday, April 28 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Temple so that children and their partners can get acquainted in advance and go over their parts. If you're 18 years old or over and would like to get involved with this year's L'dor Vador program, please contact the Temple office at (260) 744-4245.



### **GRADUATION NEWS WANTED**

If you have a child graduating from high school or college this year, please let us know so that we may offer congratulations, list the school attended, and include future plans in our Bulletin. Please send college graduation information by Wednesday, May 8 to be included in our June/July Bulletin. Contact us at office@TempleCAV.org or 744-4245.

### CAMPERS INVITED FOR SPECIAL BLESSING

Students who will be attending a Jewish camp this summer are invited to our Shabbat service on Friday, May 3 at 7 p.m. for a special blessing with our Temple family before they head off on their adventures. We feel fortunate to have young people spending time at Goldman Union Camp Institute, Camp Joe Levine, and other Jewish settings to reinforce

their learning at the Temple. Thank you to everyone who supports our campership efforts to assist those who need financial help and to encourage first-time attendance.





### JEWISH FRIENDSHIPS AND FUN AT GUCI

Bunks are filling fast for a great summer of fun and Jewish friendships at <u>Goldman Union Camp Institute</u>, 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.

### SUMMER FUN AT CAMP JOE LEVINE

Registration is open for the <u>Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne's</u> Camp Joe Levine for children ages 4 to 13. The camp is open the weeks of July 8, 15 and 22 at <u>Fox Island County Park</u>. For more information, please contact the Federation office at (260) 465-0400 or office@fwjf.org.



### SPRING BREAK, SIMCHAS, & MORE FOR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

We've got a busy end-of-the-year for Religious School, with spring break, dinners, simchas, and more. Parents, please mark your calendars for these important dates:

- Spring break from March 31 through April 7. Hebrew classes resume on April 9-10 and Sunday classes will meet on April 14.
- No classes on Sunday, April 21 (Passover) and Sunday, May 12 (Mother's Day)
- Classes meet on April 14, April 28 (carry-in lunch for L'dor Vador service participants from noon to 1 p.m.), May 5, May 19 (Maccabiah Games and Last Day of Religious School).
- **L'dor Vador (From Generation to Generation) Shabbat** on Friday, May 3. Dinner for Religious School families and participants at 6 p.m. and service at 7 p.m. We also will offer a special blessing for children attending a Jewish summer camp.
- Saturday morning simchas: Manasse Ogendi's Bar Mitzvah on May 18, Vivian Flapan's Bat Mitzvah on May 25, and Grace Gephart's Bat Mitzvah on June 1.

### THE MOST TRAGIC PROBLEM IS SILENCE

Rabbi Lenny shared the following remarks during an <u>interfaith prayer</u> <u>vigil on March 17</u> in support of the local Muslim community in the aftermath of the horrific attack in New Zealand:

Shalom/Salaam – a common word between the Jewish faith and the Muslim faith. It can also be a common prayer in and of itself. The word in either language can mean peace. But it is difficult to glean the true meaning of these words when translated into the English language. In the Hebrew and the Arabic, it is something that goes beyond peace. It also has a meaning of universal flourishing, wholeness, and delight. The Jewish people join with the Muslim community today in the hope of shalom and salaam, in a prayer for shalom and salaam.

Yet my thoughts today go beyond this simple direct prayer. Just a few months ago, a tragedy happened in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and our Muslim neighbors joined us in a vigil condemning that act of violence. Today the Jewish community of Fort Wayne is here to join with you to condemn the act of violence against the Muslim community in New Zealand.

Historically, we Jews have joined with many groups when violence and people's rights have been trampled on. In thinking about today, my thoughts turned to another time.

August 28, 1963. Most people remember it as the day Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. made his famous "I Have a Dream Speech" at the March on Washington. But there was a speaker that came on just before Dr. King. It was a rabbi, whose name was <u>Joachim Prinz</u>. His speech was also memorable. And his words just as poignant today as they were then.

### He said:

"In the realm of the spirit, our fathers taught us thousands of years ago that when God created man, he created him as everybody's neighbor. Neighbor is not a geographic term. It is a moral concept. It means our collective responsibility for the preservation of man's dignity and integrity."

He went on to say, in relation to the Black community: "It is for these reasons that it is not merely sympathy and compassion for the black people of America that motivates us. It is above all and beyond all such sympathies and emotions a sense of complete identification and

solidarity born of our own painful historic experience."

I believe it is just as relevant today for the Muslim community, and I say:

It is for these reasons that it is not merely sympathy and compassion for the Muslim people that motivates us. It is above all and beyond all such sympathies and emotions a sense of complete identification and solidarity born of our own painful historic experience.

Prinz went on to say: "When I was the rabbi of the Jewish community in Berlin under the Hitler regime, I learned many things. The most important thing that I learned under those tragic circumstances was that bigotry and hatred are not the most urgent problem. The most urgent, the most disgraceful, the most shameful and the most tragic

problem is silence.

"We must not become a nation of onlookers. We must not remain silent... We must speak up and act, from our leaders down to the humblest of us..."

This is why the Jewish community is here today. To join with you to break the silence. To stand up with you and say that this kind of violence is not acceptable.

The Secretary of the United Nations said:

"Terrorism and violent extremism undermine international peace and security. They divide communities, exacerbate conflicts, and destabilize

entire regions. They hamper our efforts to promote and protect human rights and are an obstacle to sustainable development."

Joachim Prinz was right. Silence is the most dangerous response.

I am here today to tell you that the Jewish community of Fort Wayne stands with you; that the Jewish community of the world stands with you; that we will not be silent, ...we will not accept acts of violence, ... we will not accept acts of terror,... we will not sit idly by.

We will work together, ...we will pray together,... and we will join together, to eradicate these unacceptable acts.

Thank you, and I bid you Shalom and Salaam.



Middle school students at Religious School made a card on March 17 to show support for members of Fort Wayne's Muslim community in response to the terrible attack in New Zealand.

Rabbi Lenny delivered the card at the interfaith prayer vigil at the Universal Education Foundation.



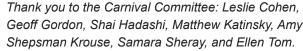






We visited the streets of Shushan on March 22 during our Purim service, with Rabbi Lenny reading from M'gillat Esther and our middle school students putting on a shpiel written by 7th-grader Vivian Flapan.

The festivities continued with our annual Purim carnival on March 24, bringing together children and adults for games and more. Activities included Bingo for adults, a Bloody Mary bar, moon bounce, silent auction, costume contest and a delicious lunch buffet by the ROMEOs. The carnival raised nearly \$1,500 for the Temple Youth Group. Top winners of games were: Isabella & Lilly Alberts, Matthew Hadashi, and Evan Wallet. Denny Reynolds won the costume contest for adults and Addie Rosman won the children's division with her Moses costume. Ellen Tom was the winning bidder for a diamond necklace.



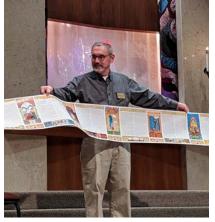
















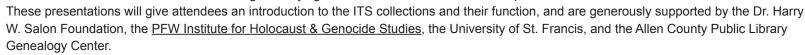


### FINDING FAMILY AFTER THE HOLOCAUST

The Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society is pleased to host <u>Dr. Elizabeth Anthony</u> for two presentations on Sunday, May 5 and Monday, May 6. She is the <u>International Tracing Service</u> and Partnerships Program Manager at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

The ITS collections became available in Germany and at digital copyholding institutions around the world in November 2007. This service is a

valuable resource for researchers interesting in studying issues focused on victims of Nazi persecution.



On Sunday, May 5, Anthony will speak about the use of the ITS to find victims of the Nazis. This Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society program will be held at 2 p.m. at the <u>Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center</u> and is open to the public. On Monday, May 6, she will present a similar program at 3 p.m. at the University of St. Francis Downtown Business Center, 826 Ewing St. <u>Irv Adler</u>, president of the NEIJGS and a Temple member, will be part of this presentation as well. He will explain how he used the ITS database to find the last surviving member of his Viennese family.



### KNOW A HOOSIER JEWISH LEGEND?

The <u>Indiana Jewish Historical Society</u> 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.

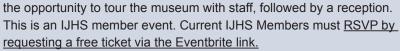
Nominations are due by May 1. The awards ceremony will take place on Sunday, August 25, 2019 at noon in Carmel, Indiana. <u>Find more information or download an application form.</u>

## HOLOCAUST MEMORIALS AND POPULAR CULTURE IN INDIANA

From Generation

Members of the <u>Indiana Jewish</u>
<u>Historical Society</u> are invited on
Sunday, April 28 from 1 to 4 p.m. at
the <u>CANDLES Holocaust Museum</u>
<u>and Education Center</u> in Terre
Haute for a talk by Dr. Steve Carr on
Holocaust memorials and popular
culture with a focus on Indiana.

After the talk, we'll have a discussion and Q&A. Attendees will also have



Carr, a member of Congregation Achduth Vesholom, is Associate Professor of Communication and director of the <u>Institute for Holocaust</u> <u>and Genocide Studies</u> at Purdue Fort Wayne.





The Jewish community's Thoughtful Thursdays volunteers will meet on Wednesday, April 10 at 10 a.m. to assemble bags for our 70 Brightpoint Head Start children who attend class at the Temple.

Our bags this month include breakfast treats (oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, blueberry muffin mix, and fruit). We continue to collect boxes of tissues, which can be dropped off at the Rifkin

Campus or Congregation B'nai Jacob.

We're nearing the end of our 9th year. Our final bag assembly for the school year will be on Wednesday, May 1 at 11 a.m., followed by a volunteer luncheon and meeting in the Goldstine Chapel.

Thank you to our volunteers from Congregation Achduth Vesholom, Congregation B'nai Jacob, and The Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne.

### PEOPLE OF THE BOOK LECTURE FEATURES CHRIS BOHJALIAN



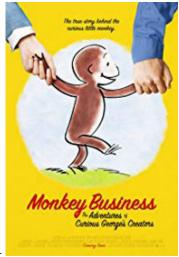
Critically acclaimed novelist <u>Chris Bohjalian</u> uses his gripping fiction to explore contemporary social issues and how they play out in the lives of ordinary people, as well as to shed light on some of the most important moments in history. His writing delves into such topics as domestic violence, global climate change, gender identity, genocide, adultery, animal rights, adoption, homelessness, mental illness, and human trafficking with equal facility.

Bohjalian is the featured author at the <u>Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne's</u> People of the Book lecture on Monday, April 29 at 7:30 p.m. at the Rifkin Campus. A #1 New York Times bestselling author of 20 books, Bohjalian's work has been translated into more than 30 languages. His books include The Flight Attendant, The Sandcastle Girls, Midwives, Skeletons at the Feast, and The Sleepwalker.

The event is free and open to the public. The author will be available to sign books after his lecture. A reception follows his talk. Thank you to the Dr. Louis & Anne B. Schneider Foundation for its support.

## FILM EXPLORES THE ADVENTURES OF CURIOUS GEORGE'S CREATORS

Are you curious about how Curious George came to be? The adventures that inspired Hans and Margaret Rey to create the beloved character are the focus of the film Monkey Business: The Adventures of Curious George's Creators on Sunday, April 14 at 1:30 p.m. at the ACPL Downtown. Using animation, archival materials, and interviews, the film explores the extraordinary lives of the Reys.



Please join the <u>Jewish Federation</u> of Fort Wayne for the film.

followed immediately by a live Q & A with film director Ema Ryan Yamazaki. Please RSVP to the Allen County Public Library.

This event is free and open to the public. Thank you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation, <u>PJ Library</u>, and the Allen County Public Library for their support!



# Tikkun Olam in Action:

Please join us to hear how the Israeli NGO Ma'ase is making a difference in the lives of Arab, Druze and Jewish youth from disadvantaged backgrounds and making Israel a better place

Monday, April 8th @ 7:00 PM

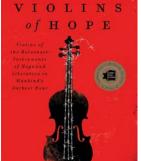
The History Center - 302 E. Berry St.



This event is free and open to the public

Thank you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for its support





### YOM HASHOAH PROGRAM FEATURES VIOLINS OF HOPE AUTHOR

Musicologist <u>James A. Grymes</u>, author of *Violins of Hope: Instruments of Hope and Liberation in Mankind's Darkest Hour*, will speak on Monday, May 6 at 7 p.m. as part of the annual community-wide Yom Hashoah commemoration at the Rifkin Campus.

A Professor of Musicology at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Grymes won a National Jewish Book Award for *Violins of Hope*. The book tells the stories of violins played by Jewish musicians during the Holocaust and of the Israeli violinmaker dedicated to bringing the instruments back to life.

On November 9-24, the Federation and the Fort Wayne Philharmonic will host Violins of Hope, a community-wide collaboration of music, visual art, theater, public conversation, interfaith dialogue, readings, and educational presentations designed to commemorate the **DEFIANCE**,

**RESILIENCE**, **AND LEGACY** of those who were affected or silenced by Nazi Germany.

Sponsored by the <u>Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne</u>, the program is free and open to the public. Thank you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for its support.



### DONATIONS

Campership Fund

In memory of Samuel Zweig, Sophie & Fred Glazer: Beth & Dan Zweig In memory of Eddie Field: Steven Field

In memory of Goldie DuBow: Vivian Skadron

Dr. John Planer Music Fund

In memory of Lee Gilbert: Barbara & Alan Gilbert

In memory of Sonia Cooperman: Susan & Alan Cooperman

**Endowment Fund** 

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In memory of Dr. Bernard Rosenblatt: Stanley Rosenblatt

In memory of Fraida Safirstein and Rebecca Safirstein: Kay Safirstein

In memory of Joseph Mast: Cookie & Leonard Mastbaum

**Holocaust Memorial Fund** 

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In memory of Morris Kaye: Steven Shine In memory of Dr. Robert M. King: Sue King

**Temple Garden Fund** 

In memory of Lois Levine Edwards, Edna P. Levine, Zalman Levine,

and Pauline Price: Stan Levine

**Temple Youth Group** 

In memory of Irina Kutsenok: Eda Kyner

**Thoughtful Thursdays** 

In memory of Estelle Salnitsky and Helen O'Neill: Rita & Tom O'Neill



Explore all of our Tribute Funds.

### LEAVES SPROUTING ON OLIVE TREE

Recognize an important person or significant occasion at the Temple by purchasing a leaf on the olive tree near the entrance to the Madge Rothschild Resource Center.

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.



### 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



### **MAZEL TOV TO:**

Danny Rifkin on the birth of his grandson, Levi George Rifkin, on February 12, 2019 in Fort Wayne. Proud parents are Neal & Sonja Rifkin.

### Help Temple WITH amazon

Did you know that you can help the Temple when you purchase items through AmazonSmile? 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.

### APRIL YAHRZEITS

April 5 Mildred Cramer Goldie DuBow Louis Engelhard

Rabbi Jacob M. Eppstein

Henriett Erber Herman Freiburger Jan Gassman

Sophie Glazer Minnie Glucklick Ida Goldberg Ira Greenberg Bella Gubitz

Sidney M. Hutner Ida Hutner Tillie Starr Isay Dr. Sheldon Kantor Sylvia Laderman Rebecca Lande Samuel Lauferty

Benjaim Margolies Valette Mover Jane L. Neiman Barbara Rosen Sylvia L. Shafer Isabel Sider

Adam Smulovitz

Florence Weis

Flora Strouse Marguerite Waltemath

Ruth Zamrin Samuel Zweig

April 12

Elizabeth Bransilver

Eva Friedman Rita Gold

Harry G. Browarsky Aaron Haslacher Dorothy Horn Leopold Isay Jerome Ackerman Elizabeth Ruth Johnson Bella Kessel Klein

Ida Latz Harry Levey Isidor Levy Loretta Bukowski Lucy Z. Berk Mike Mattingly Mose Caplan Carrie Nathan Helen O'Neill Bess Rosenblatt Otto D. Rothschild Bernard Rothschild Max T. Schmitz Benjamin Schultz Lena Silverman Mark Smith

Samuel Stein

Earl Stewart Emma A. Strass Sharon Subeck Dorothy Whisler Alan Lawrence Winnerman

April 19 Moses Amber **Charles Baskes** Sonia Cooperman Sara A. Doppelt Oren Evan Ford Cecilia Gans

Jane P. Woolner

Fred Glazer Leonard Goldstein

Judy Isroff Charles Kirschner Irina Kutsenok **Betty Lauferty** Ben Levy

Dorothy G. Maier Irma M. Meyer Steven Mover Adelaide Pollak Virginia Ray Peter Alan Rothberg

Jo Rothberg David L. Safran Israel Weber

Rosa Weil Wyle Weiman

April 26 Svlvia Baker Edward K. Burcham Hannah Cohen

Joan Erb Meyer Fine David B. Fishman Rebecca Goldberg Irwin Golden Elaine Harvey

Samuel A. Heilbroner Nannette Heilbroner Rabbi Samuel Hirschberg

Leonel Kahn Werner Manheim Esther Nelson Ida Rigelhaupt Charles J. Rothschild Morris Ruderman Eva R. Salon Margaret Silverman Samuel Herbert Stern

Louis Stiefel Lucile Wolf Harry Wolff



### 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.

#### 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 4 notify us.



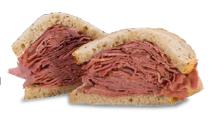
### CEMETERY PLOTS AVAILABLE AT LINDENWOOD

Temple members in good standing are eligible to purchase plots in the congregation's Y and YY section at Lindenwood Cemetery. Please contact the Temple office for information. Each plot is \$2,200.



### SAVE THE DATE FOR 18TH ANNUAL CORNED BEEF SALE

Mark your calendar to join us for the Temple's 18th annual Corned Beef on Rye - Sure to Satisfy Fundraiser on Thursday, November 7! This is our congregation's biggest fundraiser and we need your help! Why not get involved in planning the sale? We'd love to have some new volunteers join our returning committee. Contact Steve Zacher at szacher@zacherco.com to find out more.





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### TEMPLE OFFICE HOURS:

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

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 May Bulletin is Monday, April 15.



### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

### ELLEN TOM

Over the past couple months, we have spent a lot of time working to make our congregation a more welcoming and dynamic place for our Jewish community. We have done this through the joint discussions (B'yachad Committee) with B'nai Jacob and with our thoughtful efforts through the Rabbinic Search Committee in vetting the best spiritual leader for Achduth Vesholom.

The search process is still underway to find an Interim Rabbi for the upcoming year. We are committed to as much transparency as possible and keeping the congregation informed at every step along the way. I have absolute confidence in the Search Committee's commitment to our Temple and their shared obligation to serve all its members.

With the mantra "One Community, Two Traditions," the exploration process continues with B'nai Jacob 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. You'll be receiving a letter soon with more information about our conversations and an invitation to two Town Hall meetings to provide our members with the opportunity to have a dialogue regarding these initiatives.

My thoughts turned to a column written by Rabbi Sidney Helbraun as we prepare to engage in these congregational discussions. In his column in the Temple Beth-El Bulletin in Northbrook, Illinois, he wrote:

"Judaism holds discussion, debate and disagreement in such high regard. Indeed, pick up a copy of the Torah, and you'll find a variety of opinions written in the margins – commentaries by our sages, who offer their understanding of the correct meaning of the text, side by side with an even greater sage who disagrees with their opinion.

"And yet, rather than creating hurt feelings or anger, this debate creates energy and excitement. For rather than being seen as an assault on each other's integrity, the diversity of opinions represents a sense of love, respect and care for the text. It is seen as a search for truth. And each opinion, each comment, each perspective helps to clarify, and brings us closer to gaining a better understanding than we might have had before."

Rabbi Helbraun continues: "Rather than 'talking points' designed to 'win' an argument, our disagreements are seen as lasers that are used to shape a diamond, each cut bringing a greater sense of clarity, and creating a more beautiful, brilliant stone. For Judaism, conversation, debate, argument is seen as holy work, because each of us share the same goal. Striving for greater insight, deeper understanding of our relationship with God and our role in the world. We all have something of value to share, that needs to be considered in the larger picture."

I hope you will embrace the opportunity to join in these Town Hall meetings. Please see the schedule on page 1 or in in your weekly e-blasts.

Wishing you a happy, healthy Passover, filled with family and friends, good food, beautiful rituals and conversations that bring light to your home and our Jewish community.