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CELEBRATING L'DOR VADOR & MELISSA KESSEL'S 25 YEARS TEACHING RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Please join us for our "L'dor Vador - From Generation to Generation" Shabbat service on Friday, May 4 at 7 p.m. when we also honor Melissa Kessel for 25 years teaching in our Religious School and offer a blessing for students who will be attending a Jewish summer camp.

This popular service returns for a sixth year, bringing together students with older members of the Temple for special readings. We also will offer a special Mi shebeirach prayer for our elders. An Oneg Shabbat in honor of Melissa follows. Dinner will be provided for those participating in the service and Religious School families.

Melissa grew up at Achduth Vesholom and started teaching in our Religious School in Fall 1992. She taught first grade for many years and later began working with the littlest children and preparing kindergarten students for Consecration.

In addition to her love of children and interest in sharing Jewish knowledge, Melissa also carried on a family tradition - her mother, Carole Stillpass Krainess, and her great aunt, Hannah Stillpass Cohen, also taught Religious School at the Temple.



CELEBRATE SHAVUOT AND CONFIRMATION ON MAY 18

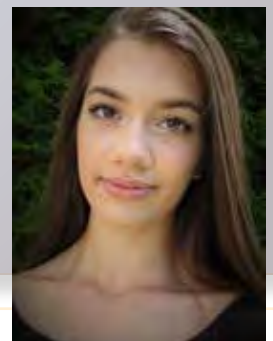
Share in a very special Shabbat service on Friday, May 18 at 7 p.m. when we celebrate Shavuot and the Confirmation of four students.

Shavuot marks the giving of the Torah on Mt. Sinai, 50 days after Passover. The milestone of Confirmation provides our teens with the opportunity for individual and group affirmation of a commitment to the Jewish people. A festive Oneg Shabbat follows, hosted by the Confirmands and

their families.

Mazel tov to:

- **Sam Cohen**, a 10th-grader, son of Leslie & Joe Cohen
- **Hannah Katinsky**, a 10th-grader, daughter of Nola & Matthew Katinsky
- **Emily Sullins**, a 12-grader, daughter of Carolyn & Chris Sullins
- **Kira Sullins**, a 9th-grader, daughter of Carolyn & Chris Sullins



UPCOMING events & SERVICES

*RSVP Needed

MAY EVENTS

Talmud Class*

Tuesdays, May 1, 15, 22, 29
7 p.m. at the Temple
[Online attendance](#) also available.

Temple Mitzvah Day*

Sunday, May 6
10 a.m. at the Temple
Following a brief meeting, we'll go to Lindenwood Cemetery to clean headstones and participate in activities. Lunch follows at the Temple. Please RSVP to president@templecav.org.

People of the Book Lecture

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

Temple Book Club*

Tuesday, May 8
7 p.m. at the Temple
Join us when we videoconference with Author Lauren Belfer to discuss her book [And After The Fire](#). Please RSVP to the Temple office by Friday, May 4.

"Americans and the Holocaust"

Keynote Talk by [Dr. Rebecca Erbelding](#)
Wednesday, May 16
7 p.m. at the Temple
Open to the public as part of the six-day [Holocaust Symposium for Pre-Service Teachers](#) sponsored by the Temple and [IPFW's Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies](#).

Last Day of Religious School & Maccabiah Games*

Sunday, May 20
9:45 a.m. to noon
A cookout follows.

JUNE EVENTS

Conversion Ceremony & Service

Friday, June 1
Noon at Foster Park, followed by lunch
Shabbat Service at 6:15 p.m.
Celebrate with Kristin Goldberg as she completes the conversion process and is called to the Torah.

ROMEOs Pasta Dinner Fundraiser*

Wednesday, June 6
6:30 p.m. at the Temple
RSVP by Friday, June 1. Cost is \$20 for adults, \$12 for children 12 and under, or table of 10 for \$175.

Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society Meeting*

Sunday, June 10
1 p.m. at the Allen County Public Library main branch

Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne Annual Meeting

Sunday, June 10
6 p.m. at the Rifkin Campus
Speaker: [Dr. Alan Dowty](#) on "Israelis and Palestinians: Has The Gap Narrowed?"

Temple Annual Meeting

Wednesday, June 13
7 p.m. at the Temple
We'll vote on proposed changes to the bylaws, the budget, and Temple leadership.

JULY EVENTS

Jacob Cohen Bar Mitzvah

Saturday, July 14
10 a.m. at the Temple

Temple Night at the TinCaps*

Saturday, July 21
6:05 p.m. at Parkview Field
RSVP by July 2 to the Temple

Summer services move to 6:15 pm beginning Friday, June 1.



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.

MAY SERVICES

L'dor Vador Shabbat Service, Honoring Melissa Kessel for 25 Years Teaching, Blessing for Children Attending Jewish Summer Camp

Friday, May 4
7 p.m. at the Temple
Bimah Honors: Leah Hadashi
Oneg Shabbat: Religious School

Shabbat Service

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

Shavuot & Confirmation Service

Friday, May 18
7 p.m. at the Temple
Bimah Honors: Jessica Ash
Ushers: The Ash Family
Oneg Shabbat: The Cohen, Katinsky, and Sullins families in honor of the Confirmands

"Light of the Nations" Shabbat Service

Friday, May 25
7:30 p.m. at the Temple
Bimah Honors: Mike Rush
Music: Orin Reynolds
Usher: Mike Rush
Oneg Shabbat: Marcia & Denny Reynolds and Joe Congress
A contemporary service incorporating art, music, and creative expression.

Kiddush follows Shabbat services.

ONGOING EVENTS

Mah Jongg Open Play*

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

Lunch With The ROMEOs

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

Thursday, May 10

Friends Too
3720 W. Jefferson Blvd.

Thursday, May 24

Club Soda
235 E. Superior St.

RSVP to Chuck Replane at creplane@gmail.com

RABBI LENNY SARKO

BALANCING HOSPITALITY AND FEAR



It is a difficult and complex world today. Everything moves fast and change can happen before a person realizes it. Violence in our society may or may not have increased over the years. Regardless, because our communications and news agencies are so much faster and in every corner of our world, our knowledge of every violent act is in the forefront of our existence.

The idea of hospitality is foundational in Judaism, as it is with most religious institutions. How do we balance the idea of hospitality with the fear and/or reality of violence? When we see on the news that a school or church shooting kills people, our thoughts naturally turn to what if that happened to us. This causes us to react in ways that are not always productive.

Our reaction to violence tends to make us install greater security at all points of entry to our buildings, to install cameras, and to shrink back to a type of xenophobia – a comfort of interaction with only those people we know. An unknown person comes to our Temple. We stop them electronically at the door, ask for ID, and question why they have come to our building. Although prudent for our own protection, how does that make the newcomer feel? From their perspective, we are unwelcoming, inhospitable, and a place they do not want to be. From our part, we are simply protecting ourselves from a violent world.

I recently had lunch with a local Christian clergyman. Just a year or so back, he was deployed as part of our armed services and did multiple stints in places like Iraq and Afghanistan. He told me something I never realized. He said that even after significant training and extended practice with live ammunition, a high percentage of soldiers when first faced with live fire, do not react properly in the firing of their weapons. Some freeze and cannot shoot at all. Most cannot even come close to hitting their target.

We hear proposals about arming teachers to protect our children in the classroom from those who wish to harm them. By arming even trained teachers, we may well endanger the very lives we are trying to protect. This clergyman stated emphatically that this immediate reaction to school shootings by arming teachers is perhaps the worst idea we could employ.

I understand that it is possible to go too far the other way as well. To be so open and welcoming as to invite attack is also not prudent. We cannot and should not be naive. A person we do not know comes to our Temple. How do we act? How much do we question? How do we balance the need for safety and the application of hospitality?

We have to remember that we are a religious institution. If we have to err, it needs to be on the side of welcoming. It may not be the safest route, but we need to remember what this institution stands for. We can keep our door locked and employ the procedure of buzzing people in to enter our building. BUT – when we talk to them, it needs to be friendly, open and welcoming.

ART, MUSIC, AND CREATIVITY PART OF “LIGHT OF THE NATIONS” SHABBAT

Begin Memorial Day Weekend with us on Friday, May 25 at 7:30 p.m. when special guest Orin Reynolds incorporates art, music, and creative expression into a unique “[Light of the Nations](#)” Shabbat service.

Orin, who grew up at Achduth Vesholom, is the musical director and lead singer/musician for [Light of the Nations](#), which takes a contemporary approach to Jewish worship, adding video, art and text to prayer. The songs are written and composed by Orin and LOTN Founder, artist Bruce David.

Please join us in welcoming Orin and celebrating Shabbat together. An Oneg Shabbat follows, hosted by Orin’s parents, Denny & Marcia Reynolds, and his grandfather, Joe Congress.



AMERICANS AND THE HOLOCAUST FOCUS OF KEYNOTE

[Dr. Rebecca Erbelding](#), the keynote speaker at a six-day Symposium to educate tomorrow’s teachers about the Holocaust, will discuss “Americans and the Holocaust” on Wednesday, May 16 at 7 p.m. at the Temple in a program open to the public.

A historian, curator, and archivist for 15 years at the [United States Holocaust Memorial Museum](#), Dr. Erbelding is currently a historian for the USHMM’s exhibition that opened in April on Americans and the Holocaust and author of *Rescue Board: The Untold Story of America’s Efforts to Save the Jews of Europe*. She holds a PhD in American history from George Mason University.

Her speech will look at questions that include “What did Americans know about the Nazi persecution and murder of European Jews, and what did they do about it?”

Dr. Erbelding will examine the motives, pressures, and fears that shaped Americans’ responses to Nazism, the refugee crisis, war, and the genocide in Europe during the 1930s and 1940s.

Her visit is part of the second [Holocaust symposium](#) sponsored by The Temple’s Holocaust Education Committee and [IPFW’s Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies](#) on May 13-18 on the IPFW campus for pre-service teachers interested in learning more about teaching the Holocaust and genocide. Thank you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for its support of Dr. Erbelding’s visit.

PICK UP A GAME IN THE LIBRARY!



You know you'll find books in the [Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library](#), and hopefully you've heard that we have movies and music CDs. Now we have a collection of books and puzzles to check out!

The games and puzzles that have previously been reserved for Religious School have been added to our library collection and are available for families to borrow and play at home or in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center.

Our puzzle collection is largely wooden puzzles for very small children, but we have games for all ages. Several types of Bingo are available along with Hebrew Dominoes from Ktav Publishing. "Spot It! Shalom" is one of our newer games, a Jewish version of a fun picture game for all ages. We even have "Bible Pictionary!" "Apples to Apples: Jewish Edition" is another good option for older children and families.

You can [browse our full collection of games and puzzles](#). If you have gently used Jewish-themed games that you are no longer using, we would welcome them in our collection. For more information, contact Betsy at library@templecav.org.

WHAT'S NEW IN THE RESOURCE CENTER?



Next time you're in the building, check out the latest changes to the Madge Rothschild Resource Center! Newly installed are a wall-to-wall timeline covering 200 years of Jewish History in Northeast

Indiana and in the hallway a photo mural and text sharing the story of the Rifkin Campus, the resource center, and an overview of Jewish life in our part of the Hoosier State (see photo on pg. 10).

Many thanks to our research team – Wendy Soltz, John Stein, Beth Zweig, and Laura Zweig – with support from Samara Sheray, Fran Adler, and Nat Zweig. Thank you to Amy Keller of Just Sue Graphic Design for designing both displays and GraphX Direct for creating them. We also appreciate additional help from Donna Tourkow, Jaki Schreier, and Betty Stein.

The timeline also will include display cases. Next up: The newly designed William Brosler Award and new Holocaust Torah display.



JOIN US FOR AUTHOR E-VISIT AT TEMPLE BOOK

Our final meeting of this year's Temple Book Club on Tuesday, May 8 at 7 p.m. features an e-visit with Lauren Belfer. We'll meet in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center to discuss her novel [And After The Fire](#).

Scrupulously researched and well-written, the book follows modern-day Susanna who is tracing the history of a Bach manuscript she has just inherited, and real-life patroness and pianist, Sara Itzig Levy, who lived in Germany during the time of the Mendelssohn family. The book won a 2016 National Jewish Book Award and is well worth a read. Come join us! Please RSVP to the Temple office.

MITZVAH DAY: CARE FOR JEWISH SECTION AT LINDENWOOD

Help us care for the Jewish section at Lindenwood Cemetery as part of the Temple's Mitzvah Day on Sunday, May 6, when we clean headstones, place stones of remembrance decorated by our Religious School students, offer prayers, and participate in a special service when we bury unwanted sacred books.

Please join us at 10 a.m. at the Temple for doughnuts and a brief informational meeting before we go as a group to Lindenwood Cemetery. Carpool transportation is available if needed. Cleaning supplies will be provided for the headstones. After our work is done, we'll return to the Temple to have lunch together.

We encourage you to share in this meaningful mitzvah effort even if you don't have loved ones buried at Lindenwood. Many of the headstones are quite old.

Achduth Vesholom was organized in 1848 as a Society for Visiting the Sick and Burying the Dead. In 1884, the Temple purchased two acres of land at Lindenwood Cemetery, having outgrown its original burial ground near McCulloch Park. Over the next decade, graves were relocated to the Jewish section of Lindenwood. The original Y section contains space for about 1,100 graves. In 1999, the Temple purchased additional land at Lindenwood, the YY section, to accommodate 209 more plots.

Dress appropriately for the weather, including boots if it has rained recently. Gym shoes are recommended. If you would like, bring a blanket/towel/stool to kneel on while cleaning.

Thank you to Ellen Tom, Jamie Berger, Jessica Ash, Talia Bugel and Samara Sheray for organizing this year's Mitzvah Day. Please RSVP to Ellen Tom at president@templecav.org.

YOUTH NEWS

MACCABIAH GAMES WRAP UP A GREAT YEAR OF RELIGIOUS SCHOOL!

We've got just a few sessions left of Religious School to wrap up a super year of Jewish learning, along with several special events that include Confirmation and our final session and Maccabiah Games.

Please plan to join us for these exciting events:

Friday, May 4 - Religious School dinner at 6 p.m., followed at 7 p.m. by the L'dor Vador (From Generation to Generation) service, celebration of Melissa Kessel's 25 years teaching in our school, and a special blessing for children who will attend a Jewish summer camp.

Sunday, May 6 – It's Mitzvah Day! Religious School families will meet at 9:45 a.m. at the Temple before going to Lindenwood Cemetery for special activities.

Hebrew School – Final Sessions on May 1-2, 8-9, and May 15-16.

Sunday, May 12 – No class. Happy Mother's Day!

Friday, May 18 – Shavuot Service and Confirmation of Sam Cohen, Hannah Katinsky, Emily Sullins, and Kira Sullins at 7 p.m. A festive Oneg Shabbat hosted by the Confirmation families follows.

Sunday, May 20 – Religious School families are invited to join their students on Sunday, May 20 from 9:45 a.m. to noon in the Social Hall to celebrate the last day of Religious School. The fun includes our Maccabiah Games, teacher appreciation, and a free family cookout. Thank you to Scott & Kristin Goldberg for donating the delicious hamburgers again this year. Please RSVP to the Temple office at (260) 744-4245.

REGISTRATION OPEN FOR CAMP JOE LEVINE

The [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne's](#) Camp Joe Levine will run the weeks of July 9, 16 and 23 at [Fox Island County Park](#). Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne camp scholarships are available on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are interested in finding out more about scholarships, please contact the Federation office at (260) 465-0400 or office@fwjf.org.

CAMPERS INVITED FOR SPECIAL BLESSING

Students who will be attending a Jewish camp this summer are invited to our Shabbat service on Friday, May 4 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.

GRADUATES 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 9 to be included in our June/July Bulletin. Contact us at office@TempleCAV.org or 744-4245.



BAR MITZVAH STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS TEMPLE'S HOLOCAUST TORAH

Thank you to Joseph Katinsky for gathering additional information about the Temple's Holocaust Torah as part of his bar mitzvah project. His research included a visit to the [Memorial Scrolls Trust](#) in London, which provided our scroll on permanent loan in 1997.

Not only do we now have [a new page on the Temple website](#) highlighting the Torah and Joseph's effort, but it's linked around the world by the Memorial Scrolls Trust - the organization's 284th link to a community with a Holocaust Torah toward their target goal of more than 1,000. Mazel tov to Joseph on becoming a bar mitzvah on April 14, 2018.

PLAN TO ATTEND TEMPLE'S ANNUAL MEETING ON JUNE 13

Please join us on Wednesday, June 13 at 7 p.m. at the Temple's 170th Annual Meeting when we vote on candidates for leadership, proposed bylaws changes, and the budget for the next fiscal year. President Ellen Tom will update the congregation on the past year's activities and the coming year.

Proposed bylaws changes, which were mailed to members in April, include restructuring the board to integrate the role of the Treasurer into the Vice President of Finance position and reducing the size of the Board of Directors.

In addition, the annual meeting of our membership will include the presentation of the William Brosler Award to a member whose long-term involvement at the Temple and commitment

to the congregation have gone above and beyond. We also will recognize:

- **Outgoing Board Members:** Immediate Past President Joe Cohen, Steve Carr, Leah Hadashi, and Richard Manalis.
- **Members of the L'dor Vador Legacy Society** for indicating they've made a planned gift to the congregation.

Absentee ballots, agendas, and the proposed budget will be available beginning Wednesday, May 30 in the Temple office. To be eligible to vote, members must be current in their financial obligations to the congregation.

PLEASE VOTE FOR OUR LEADERSHIP

The Board Development Committee presents the following slate of officers and trustees for the 2018-2019 fiscal year, beginning July 1. Please note that proposed changes to the bylaws to be voted on at the annual meeting on June 13 include reducing the total size of the board. The slate reflects those changes.

If the changes to the bylaws are not approved by the membership, then additional board members will be appointed. If the changes are approved, the duties of the treasurer will be absorbed by the VP Finance.

OFFICERS

President: Ellen Tom *completing two-year term ending June 2019*

seeking a one-year term ending in June 2019

VP Programs: Betsy Gephart

VP Finance: Steve Zacher

Secretary: Kathy Sider

TRUSTEES *seeking 2-year term ending June 2020:*

Talia Bugel

Elissa Cohen

Bobbie Golani

Scott Goldberg

TRUSTEES *Not up for Re-election; currently serving 2-year term ending in June 2019:*

Jessica Ash

Jamie Berger

Denny Reynolds

John Stein

Wendi Wallet

Beth Zweig

Thank you to the Board Development Committee for putting together the slate: Elissa Cohen (Chair), Carol Adelman, Jamie Berger, Joe Cohen (past president), and Mike Rush.

GUIDELINES FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee ballots are available for the Temple's Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 13 for use by members in good standing who are unable to attend. To request an absentee ballot and agenda for review, contact the Temple office at (260) 744-4245, by email office@TempleCAV.org or during business hours Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. beginning Wednesday, May 30.

The Temple budget also will be available for review in the Temple office two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting. Signed absentee ballots may be submitted to the office in person, by U.S. Mail, by fax, or by email of a pdf copy of the ballot. Members who are not in [good standing](#) will be notified no later than 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting. Contact Treasurer Scott Goldberg with questions.

SHARING OUR HISTORY

Thank you to the Indiana Jewish Historical Society for inviting us to talk about our new history timeline at their spring meeting at the Temple on April 22.



ROMEO'S PASTA FUNDRAISER RETURNS ON JUNE 6

The talented chefs from the ROMEOs (Retired Old Men Eating Out) and their Juliets are back for a third year hosting a homemade pasta dinner and desserts on Wednesday, June 6 at 6:30 p.m. to benefit Congregation Achduth Vesholom.

The fundraiser includes delicious food and drink, music, dance, and lots of schmoozing, along with a menu featuring homemade spaghetti and meatballs, breadsticks, salad, desserts and beverages (wine, lemonade, coffee, tea). Cost is \$20 per adult, \$12 for children 12 and under, and \$175 for a table of 10. Please RSVP no later than Friday, June 1 to the Temple at (260) 744-4245 and send check made payable to "CAV- The Temple." If you'd like contribute a dessert, contact Chuck Replane at creplane@gmail.com

AUTHOR ALICE HOFFMAN TO SPEAK AT PEOPLE OF THE BOOK ON MAY 7

Bestselling author [Alice Hoffman](#) will speak on Monday, May 7 at 7:30 p.m. during the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne's](#) annual People of the Book lecture at the Rifkin Campus.

Hoffman has published more than 30 novels, three books of short fiction, and eight books for children and young adults.

Her most recent novels include *The Museum of Extraordinary Things*, *The Marriage of Opposites*, and *Faithful*. Her novel *The Dovekeepers*, the story of the survivors of Masada, is considered by many to be



Hoffman's masterpiece, and it was adapted for television in a 2015 miniseries. Her newest novel, *The Rules of Magic*, is the prequel to her cult classic *Practical Magic* and was released in October 2017.

Hoffman's talk will conclude with questions and answers, as well as a book signing. A dessert reception will follow. The program is free and open to the public. Thank you to the Dr. Louis and Anne B. Schneider Foundation and the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for their support of People of the Book.

CELEBRATE WITH OUR NEWEST MEMBER OF JEWISH COMMUNITY

Share in a simcha on Friday, June 1 when Kristin Goldberg becomes the newest member of the Jewish community following completion of the conversion process with Rabbi Lenny.

All are invited at noon for a mikvah ceremony at Foster Park (Pavilion 2). Lunch follows at La Fogata Mexican Restaurant, 1812 Bluffton Road (Quimby Village). Please make a reservation by Wednesday, May 30 to the Temple office at (260) 744-4245. Attendees will cover the cost of their own meal.

Please also join us at 6:15 p.m. at the Temple for our Shabbat service when Kristin will be called to the Torah for an aliyah. Kristin, who has studied with Rabbi Lenny during the past year, already is an active member of the Temple and teaches in our Religious School. Mazel tov to Kristin, her husband, Scott, and son, Sam.



TEMPLE NIGHT AT THE TINCAPS



Join members of our Temple family on Saturday, July 21 for a trip to Parkview Field to watch the [Fort Wayne TinCaps](#) play the Clinton Lumberjacks, followed by the Three Rivers Festival fireworks show.

The game starts at 6:05 p.m. Tickets for seats in the All-Star section behind home plate are \$10 per person. Please call the Temple office at 744-4245 by Monday, July 2 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 at the ballpark. Thanks to Mike Barasch for organizing this great social evening.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT WANTED FOR OUR TEMPLE OFFICE TEAM

We're looking for a new Administrative Assistant to join our Temple team! Are you a dependable self-starter with great organizational, computer, and people skills? If so, we're looking for you to help keep our office running smoothly to better serve our members. Please contact Executive Director Samara Sheray for more information at (260) 744-4245 or cavadmin@templecav.org.

SAVE NOVEMBER 8 FOR 17TH ANNUAL CORNED BEEF FUNDRAISER



Plan to join us for the Temple's 17th annual Corned Beef on Rye – Sure to Satisfy Fundraiser on Thursday, November 8! This is our congregation's biggest fundraiser and we need your help!

Thank you to Steve Zacher for chairing this very important event. We welcome additional committee members – or even a co-chair! Questions? Contact Steve Zacher at szacher@zacherco.com.

THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS TEAM COMPLETES 8TH YEAR

Our final bag assembly this school year is Wednesday, May 2 at 11 a.m., followed by the annual Thoughtful Thursdays volunteer luncheon in the Goldstine Chapel. Thank you to everyone who supported us during our eighth year helping the 66 students who attend Brightpoint Head Start at the Temple.



This project would not be possible without the support of volunteers from Congregation Achduth Vesholom, Congregation B'nai Jacob, and the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne. Thank you to Co-Chairs Jamie Berger and Bonnie Pomerantz. Please contact jberger02@comcast.net to learn more about getting involved in Thoughtful Thursdays for the coming year.

DONATIONS

General Operations

In memory of Fraida Safirstein, Rebecca Safirstein, and Elizabeth Johnson: *Kay Safirstein*

In memory of Betty Castle, Jo Rothberg, and Kathryn Mendelblat: *Cathy Lash*

In memory of David B. Fishman: *Carol Levy*

In honor of Talia Bugel: *Marcia & Denny Reynolds*

In celebration of Pesach: *Ronald B. King*

A donation was made by: *Richard Grzych*

Holocaust Education Fund

In memory of Irina Kutsenok: *Victor Kutsenok*

Kathryn Kann Mendelblat Cultural Enrichment Fund

In memory of Josephine & Peter Rothberg: *Stephen Rothberg*

In memory of Rabbi Frederick Doppelt, Betty Castle, and Edward Doehman: *Suzi Stone*

Harold & Berenice Smith Religious School Fund

In memory of Mark C. Smith: *Jamie & Jon Berger, Beth & Dan Zweig, Sandra Beckett, Susan & Alan Cooperman, Doris Fogel, Jan & Steve Sarratore, Nelson J. Coats, Rita & Tom O'Neill, Marcia & Denny Reynolds*

Campership Fund

In memory of Goldie Dubow: *Vivian Skadron*

Richard B. Safran Library

In memory of Lois & David Safran: *Rabbi Richard B. Safran*

Religious School

In honor of Melissa Kessel and her 25 years teaching in the Religious School: *Susan & Alan Cooperman*

Endowment Fund

In memory of Sonia Cooperman: *Susan & Alan Cooperman*

Temple Gardens

In memory of Pauline Price, Zalman Levine, Edna Levine, & Lois Levine Edwards: *Stan Levine*

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

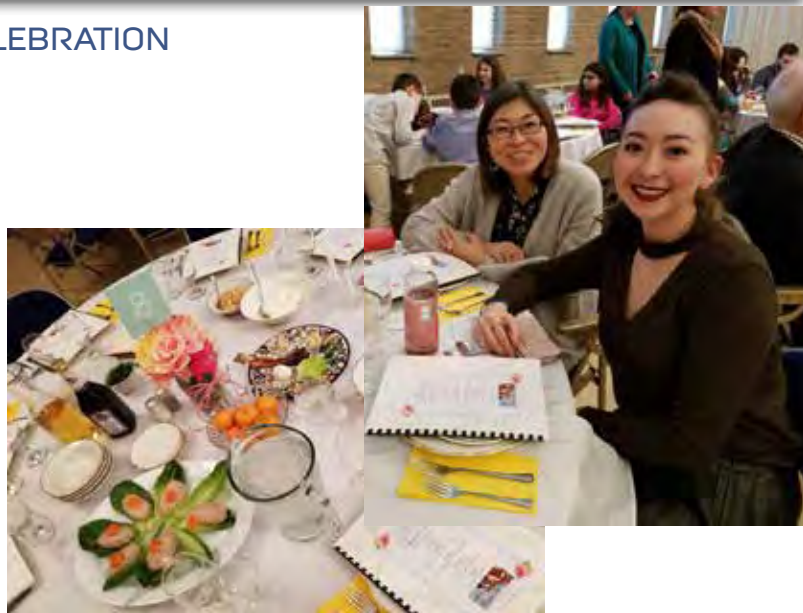
In appreciation of Rabbi Lenny for his support with the funeral service of Mark C. Smith: *Cindi & Rich Wismer*

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

THANK YOU, SEDER TEAM, FOR A LOVELY CELEBRATION

Celebrating Passover together at our congregational second Seder is a wonderful tradition! We couldn't make it happen without a dedicated group who tackled duties from shopping to setting tables to clean-up to create a lovely holiday meal and evening.

Thank you to Co-Chairs Fran Adler and Ellen Tom and their team, including a special shout out to Pam Feldman for making more than 200 matzah balls! We also appreciate Leah Hadashi, Matthew, Nola & Hannah Katinsky, Melissa Kessel, Bonnie Pomerantz, Chuck Replane, Carolyn, Emily & Kira Sullins, Lauren Tom, Sally Trotter, and Wendi Wallet for assisting. Thank you to Rabbi Lenny for leading the seder, Mike Rush for his holiday prep, and our Temple staff members Mindy Esparza, Clint Rossiter, and Samara Sheray for a great job. Thank you to Splendid Fare for a delicious meal.



NEW JEWISH GENEALOGY SOCIETY TO MEET JUNE 10

Whether you are looking to pass along your family history, searching for relatives, interested in Holocaust research, or an accomplished family historian, join us for an organizational meeting of the newly-formed [Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society](#) on Sunday, June 10 at 1 p.m. in the Discovery Center of the Genealogy Department at the Allen County Public Library.

Betsy Gephart, Irv Adler, and ACPL Genealogy Department Director Curt Witcher will present a short program to begin the afternoon. Betsy and Irv, both Temple members, will speak briefly about their research and Curt will introduce various resources of the Genealogy Department specifically for Jewish genealogy. A short business meeting will follow to discuss programming and other organizational details. For more information, check out our [Facebook page](#) or website at [NEIndianaJGS.wordpress.com](#). Please RSVP to NEIndianaJGS@gmail.com.



MAY YAHRZEITS

May 4	May 11	May 18	Morris Salon	Sarah Levy
Sigmund Apfelbaum	Lena Nahmias Cohen	Sarah Beck	Gerda Schmitz	Rae Lipp
Ruth Beck	Marian Smith D'arcy	Betty Castle	Philip Sisman	Sadie Livingston
Morris Becker	Rabbi Frederic A. Doppelt	S. Stephen Cohen	Rose Soraich	Morris Meyer
Emanuel Blum	Pearl Fichman	Dr. B. M. Edlavitch	Elizabeth Stein	Rivah H. Meyers
Harold I. Chon	Joseph Freiburger	Stan Fishman	Lorenz Edward Stillpass	Herman Moss
Louis S. Dessauer	Chad Goldberg	Helen Fishman	Isaac D. Straus	Lillian J. Pilgrim
Muriel Feinstein	Myron S. Goldman	Julia Frankenstein	Joseph A. Stumpf	Orion Reynolds
Clara Heilbroner	C. C. Hollingsworth	Solly K. Frankenstein	Stanley Tankel	Reuben Sachs
Minnie Kaplan	Sara Kaliski	Sam Goldstine	Ralph Tourkow	Helen M. Schubert
Naomi Frank Korkes	Sarah Krakower	Paul Gordon	Ruth Wertheimer	Jack Speyer
Louis Latker	Sarah Kraus	Sherman Gordon	Pauline Young	Herman Stern
Jean Lee	Fannie Lipp	Leo Horn	May 25	Ruth Turansky
Dora Leiberman	Hyman Mazur	Steven R. Jaeger	Vida Assael	Bernard "Bud" Turansky
Samuel Levis	Nathan Nemeroff	Abraham Kamile	Miriam Brenn	Sally Zelinger
Evy Lipp	Mayora Rosenberg	Robert Katz	Julie Brooks	
Alfred Novitsky	Lucille Schuler	Louis Komito	Eugene M. Frank	
Meyer Roseman	Samuel Schultz	Anna Landy	George Ivan Fredrick	
Sol Rothberg	Scott Sherr	Theresa Levy	Mae Freiburger	
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Dr. Harry Salon	Jerry Sweedler	Edwin Maier	Harry H. King	
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Abraham Stein	Bernard A. Woolner	Rabbi Edward Ruben	Ruth Levine	
Samuel Wolf		Lena Salon		

CONDOLENCES TO:

- Rikki Goldstein and family on the death of her husband, Leonard Goldstein, on April 20, 2018 in Carmel, Indiana.
- Ally & Dave Whisler and family on the death of his mother, Dorothy J. Whisler, on April 13, 2018 in Fort Wayne.
- Cindi & Richard Wismer and family on the death of her brother, Mark Smith, on April 9, 2018 in Chicago.
- Joe Gold and family on the death of his wife, Rita K. Gold, on April 8, 2018 in Elkhart.
- Cookie & Leonard Mastbaum and family on the death of his brother Joseph Mast on March 12, 2018 in St. Paul, Minnesota. We also think of David & Marni Mastbaum Hutner and family on the loss of her uncle.

MAZEL TOV TO:

- Danny Rifkin and Kathy Rifkin on the marriage of their son, Neil, to Sonya Deister, daughter of Mark & Cindy Deister. The couple was married on April 7, 2018 in the Bahamas. They will reside in Fort Wayne.
- Rabbi Emeritus Richard Safran on being honored on April 29 by Temple Emanu-El in Tucson, Arizona.
- Marvin Cristil on celebrating his 90th birthday on April 28.

BEST WISHES TO MINDY ESPARZA ON HER NEW POSITION

We'll miss Mindy Esparza as our Administrative Assistant in the Temple office! We wish her all the best as she begins a new position as office administrator for Sky Point Social Services, which serves individuals with developmental, intellectual, and emotional health needs.

Mindy served as the Temple's Administrative Assistant for the past 13 months. We've appreciated her friendly smile, efficiency, desktop publishing skills, and support of members, staff, and leadership in the Temple office. We're glad she'll remain an active Temple member.

ROSH CHODESH LEARNS CALLIGRAPHY

The Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne's Rosh Chodesh women's group will meet on Tuesday, May 1 at 6:30 p.m., in Room A at the Allen County Main Library. We will welcome Hillary Troup, owner of With Love from the Midwest, as she teaches us brush (lettering) calligraphy for beginners! We will learn basic brush strokes as we practice writing the alphabet and connecting letters to form words with our brush pens. All supplies will be provided. Space is limited, RSVP to the JFFW at (260) 456-0400 or office@fwjf.org to reserve your spot today! This class is open to all women who are Federation members. Let's get writing!!!



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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 IPFW Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Brightpoint Head Start, and the Madge Rothschild Resource Center.



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WE WELCOME YOUR COMMENTS

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The deadline for the June / July Bulletin is Tuesday, May 15.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

ELLEN TOM



Participation comes in many forms, whether it be in work, social events, or within our Temple life. Time constraints and interests typically dictate how we choose to participate at Achduth Vesholom.

Some give monetarily, some by responding to requests for feedback. Others attend programs, serve on the Board of Directors, chair a committee, or offer their help with an event. We have those who teach in our Religious School or take an adult education class. And many donate much needed items to programs such as Thoughtful Thursdays and Wellspring. All these forms of participation contribute to the overall health of our congregational

community.

In the upcoming weeks, we ask for your involvement with children, family, and friends by attending our annual L'dor Vador Service and Mitzvah Day. These are two especially meaningful opportunities to share the idea of l'dor vador, which in Hebrew means "from generation to generation."

The family traditions that we share with our children help shape who they will become. They instill character and often embody values and stories that will be passed on by our children to their own offspring.

L'dor v'dor is all about making connections between generations. By all of us participating in this heartwarming service, we can pass along our Temple minhag (customs) to our future leaders.

We also will show the importance of remembering those who came before us through this year's Mitzvah Day at Lindenwood Cemetery. While we remember our loved ones each week when we say Kaddish and offer support as a community when there's a loss, this is a different way of honoring previous generations. We will clean headstones, place stones of remembrance decorated by our Religious School students, offer prayers, and participate in a special service when we bury unwanted sacred books. This is truly a mitzvah and a way for us to honor the members of our congregation who came before us, even those who don't have descendants in the community any longer.

I hope you will consider attending and participate in whatever way inspires you. Thank you for your contributions, commitment, and resolve because we are truly a community rich in strength and character.



GraphX Direct staff install the new history display in the hallway leading to the Madge Rothschild Resource Center.