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JOIN US FOR TEMPLE'S ANNUAL MEETING AND RECEPTION IN HONOR OF SALLY TROTTER



Temple members are invited for the congregation's 169th Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 14 at 7 p.m. when we vote on candidates for leadership and the budget for the next fiscal year. A reception will follow in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center in honor of Sally

Trotter, who is retiring on June 30 after 11 years as Temple Administrator. Congregants also will have an opportunity to see our newly renovated outdoor Sposeep Chapel.

During the annual gathering, President Joe Cohen, the board of directors, and Rabbi Lenny will update members on the past year's activities, including the Rifkin Campus at 5200 project.

We'll present 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'll express our appreciation to Ellen Tom, who is ending her tenure on July 1 as Religious School Principal, a position she has filled the past two years as a volunteer.

Members of the L'dor Vador Legacy Society will be recognized for indicating they've made a planned gift to the congregation.

Candidates for Temple leadership are listed on page 6. Absentee ballots, agendas, and the proposed budget will be available beginning Thursday, June 1 in the Temple office. To be eligible to vote, members must be current in their financial obligations to the congregation.

ROMEOS' PASTA FUNDRAISER RETURNS ON JUNE 22

The talented chefs from the ROMEOS (Retired Old Men Eating Out) and their Juliets are back for a second year hosting a homemade pasta dinner and desserts on Thursday, June 22 at 6:30 p.m. to benefit Congregation Achduth Vesholom.

The fundraiser includes good food and drink, music, dance, and lots of schmoozing, along with a menu including appetizers (new this year), homemade spaghetti and meatballs, breadsticks, salad, desserts and beverages (wine, lemonade, coffee, tea). Cost is \$18 per adult, \$12 for children under 12, and \$165 for a table of 10. Please RSVP to the Temple at (260) 744-4245 and send check made payable to "CAV- The Temple" no later than Tuesday, June 13.



CELEBRATE SHAVUOT AT THE TEMPLE

Please join us on Friday, June 2 at 7:30 p.m. when Rabbi Lenny leads our celebration of Shavuot, the Jewish festival marking the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai. An Oneg Shabbat follows.

[Shavuot](#), the Hebrew word for "weeks," occurs seven weeks after Passover. In ancient times, Shavuot marked the conclusion of the spring barley harvest and beginning of the summer wheat harvest.

UPCOMING events & SERVICES

JUNE

Genealogy and the Holocaust

Tuesday, June 6

7 p.m. at the Temple

- Irv Adler shares the story of tracing his Viennese roots after the Holocaust in search of information about his grandmother and family.

Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne

Annual Meeting

Sunday, June 11

6 p.m. at the Rifkin Campus

- Business meeting followed by program.

Talmud Class*

Tuesdays, June 13, 20, & 27

7 p.m. at the Temple

[Online attendance](#) also is available.

Annual Congregational Meeting

Wednesday, June 14

7 p.m. at the Temple

- Reception follows in honor of Sally Trotter

ROMEOs Pasta Dinner Fundraiser*

Thursday, June 22

6:30 p.m. at the Temple

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



Some worship services are now available online through [TempleConnect](#).

This new option enables us to share services, simchas, and selected classes and programs, including our Talmud class, with our members remotely. Check our [website calendar](#) for dates and times at www.templecav.org.

JULY

Talmud Class*

Tuesdays, July 11, 18, & 25

7 p.m. at the Temple

[Online attendance](#) also available.

Temple Night at the TinCaps*

Saturday, July 22

7:05 p.m. at Parkview Field

Jewish Community Screening of "Jerusalem"*

Sunday, July 30

4 p.m. at [Cinema Center](#)

- Tickets are available in the Temple office or at Cinema Center.

AUGUST

Seven Species in the Land of Israel & Shabbat Service

Friday, August 11

6:15 p.m. at the Temple

- As we launch a year-long series of adult education programming on the Seven Species, Rabbi Lenny will offer an overview through the weekly Torah portion. A special Kiddush in the Courtyard of the Madge Rothschild Resource Center follows.

Seven Species:

Havdalah In The Vineyards*

Saturday, August 26

5 to 6:30 p.m.

at [Dulcius Vineyards](#)

- Temple members are invited just before grape harvest to learn about one of the seven species of Israel: Grapes. We will tour Dulcius Vineyards (founded in 2012) in Noble County, learn about the importance of viticulture in the Torah, and have a wine tasting. We'll have reservation details will be in the August Bulletin.

SAVE THE DATE!

Plan to join us for the Temple's 16th annual Corned Beef on Rye – Sure to Satisfy Fundraiser on Thursday, November 9!

EARLIER SUMMER SERVICE TIME BEGINS JUNE 9

We'll celebrate Shabbat on Friday evenings during the summer at the earlier time of 6:15 p.m. beginning Friday, June 9 through September 1 (Labor Day Weekend). Please join us for weekly worship, followed by Kiddush. Sharing the joy of Shabbat is a wonderful way to start your summer weekends!

JUNE AND JULY SERVICES

Friday, June 2

Shavuot & Shabbat Service at 7:30 p.m.

Oneg Shabbat: Chuck Replane

Friday, June 9

Summertime Schedule Begins

Shabbat Service at 6:15 p.m.

Oneg Shabbat: Sally & Steve Trotter

Friday, June 16

Shabbat Service at 6:15 p.m.

Music: Steve Walley

Friday, June 23 & 30

and July 7, 14, 21 & 28

Shabbat Service at 6:15 p.m.

Kiddush follows Shabbat service

TEMPLE OFFICE HOURS:

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

We will be closed on July 4.

THANK YOU TO WAYNE DALE BAKERY!

Many thanks to our friends at [Waynedale Bakery](#), 2610 Lower Huntington Road, for their continued generosity donating challahs to the Temple for our Shabbat usher program! We appreciate this partnership - and all their delightful baked goods! Thank you to everyone who has ushered during the past year.

RABBI LENNY SARKO

MAKING MEANING FROM THE WORDS



The biblical book Devarim recounts events for which the audience Moses is speaking to has no personal memory of the receipt of the Torah. Except for Joshua and Caleb, they did not stand at Sinai, did not see the mountain ablaze, and did not hear God speak out of the fire. The Covenant at Sinai was made with their ancestors, men and women who had just emerged from the experience of slavery and redemption and who faced a completely different set of challenges. This audience is a new generation, tasked with the challenges of transitioning from a nomadic people to a nation that builds cities and cultivates a system of agriculture.

Moshe's goals in Devarim remain our religious challenges: How do you render a story that happened to other people and make it your story, as meaningful to you as the day it occurred? How do you tell the story of our people's relationship with God and move a new generation to willfully and passionately enter into this sacred Covenant? How do you make the argument to a generation of Jews that the Jewish community and Torah provide a rich and compelling framework to pursue ultimate questions of meaning?

The book of Devarim adopts a unique path for the renewal of the Covenant. No form of the Hebrew root l-m-d (to learn, study, or teach) appears in any book of the Torah other than Devarim, where it appears 17 times in 34 chapters. The experience of learning and teaching is central. This verb is used in connection to God teaching the Israelites, Moses teaching the nation and, perhaps most critically, the Israelites themselves teaching Torah. "Impress My words

upon your heart...teach them to your children...recite them when you stay at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you get up." A line that has also become part of our Shema prayer.

Limud (learning) constitutes the process through which we Jews connect with our history and make these historical stories our personal narratives. Understood in these terms, learning is not simply a means to acquire information. Rather, for the Jew, learning is an active process that is primarily about making meaning. The book of Devarim makes very clear that if we -- in our generation -- are to develop a personal, rich, and nurturing relationship with God, we must learn and study God's Torah. Study is the means by which we make meaning in our own lives and it is an activity whereby the Jew responds thoughtfully to the challenges of our particular age.

Moshe, the man who claimed he was a man of no words, concludes his life singing words of poetry:

"Give ear, O heavens, let me speak; let the earth hear the words I utter! May my discourse come down as the rain, My speech distill as the dew . . . Give glory to our God!"

I submit that Moshe's strength and newfound confidence emerged from his deep belief that he had finally found the path for real religious awakening. The thunder and direct experience of God at Sinai did not work even for the generation of the desert.

The book of Devarim creates the possibility that if God's Presence is to be made manifest in our world, it will be in the words (devarim) of those who pursue with love this religion we call Judaism. Amen.

JEWISH COMMUNITY INVITED FOR SCREENING OF "JERUSALEM"

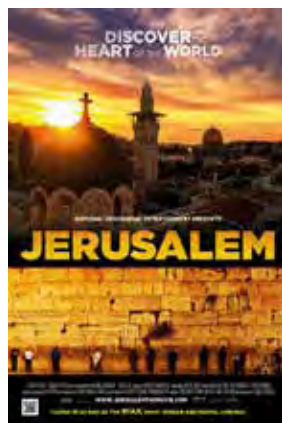
Please join us for a special showing for the Jewish community of the movie "[Jerusalem](#)" on Sunday, July 30 at 4 p.m. at [Cinema Center](#). Sponsored by the Temple with support from the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation, the screening of the National Geographic film will be followed by a discussion led by Rabbi Lenny.

"The film documents the current culture of Jerusalem without taking a political or religious stance, showing the beauty of the city and the way people from different cultures and religious beliefs conduct their lives there," said Rabbi Lenny.

Tickets are \$10 each and include a book about Jerusalem. Purchase your tickets through the Temple office (checks payable to "CAV- The Temple") or through Cinema Center, 437 E. Berry Street, Fort Wayne.

The film is being shown for the first time in Fort Wayne as part of the Temple's outreach to the interfaith community. While the event on

July 30 is for members of Achduth Vesholom, Congregation B'nai Jacob, and the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne, the film also will be shown by special arrangement with other religious groups. Some general audience tickets also will be sold through Cinema Center.



On the film's website, the filmmakers' said "our goal is to look at the roots of the universal attachment to Jerusalem: Jewish, Christian and Muslim...Our film is not about the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. It embraces the idea that Jerusalem is many cities: imagined and real; past and present; Jewish Christian, Muslim and secular. We are trying to answer the question: Why Jerusalem? What is it about this tiny space that made it the ultimate prize of empires and the object of longing for so many different cultures over thousands of years?"

If you know of another faith group that would like to schedule a showing, please contact Rabbi Lenny.

PLAY BALL! TITLES THAT HIT IT OUT OF THE PARK!

If you're a baseball fan, the Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library has dozens of titles for you! [Our collection](#) includes biographies, fiction, and non-fiction for all ages, including several new selections.

"The Hero Two Doors Down" by Sharon Robinson is our newest baseball book, a novel for younger readers based on a real-life friendship between a young Jewish boy and Jackie Robinson.

Other recent acquisitions include, "American Jews and America's Game" by Larry Ruttman, and "The Baseball Talmud: The Definitive Position-by-Position Ranking of Baseball's Chosen Players" by Howard Megdal. New in our DVD collection is the documentary, "Jews and Baseball: An American Love Story." Narrated by Dustin Hoffman, it features



interviews with Sandy Koufax, Al Rosen, Maury Allen, Larry King, and Ron Howard.

Biographies are a big part of our collection. They include Hank Greenberg, Sandy Koufax, Moe Berg, and Lipman Pike and range from picture books to adult titles. Many are recommended by both the Union for Reform Judaism and the Association of Jewish Libraries. If your favorite player isn't featured, check one of our collections, or "Jewish Jocks: An Unorthodox Hall of Fame" by Franklin Foer, recently donated as part of "Betty's 100 Books."

Whether it's "The Catcher Was a Spy" by Nicholas Dawidoff or the classic children's novel "About the B'nai Bagels" by E.L. Konigsberg, we have titles to satisfy all sorts of baseball fans.

CATCH THE TINCAPS WITH ACHDUTH VESHOLOM



Join members of our Temple family on Saturday, July 22 for a trip to Parkview Field to watch the Fort Wayne TinCaps play the Kane County Cougars, followed by a fireworks show.

The game starts at 7:05 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 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 at the ballpark. Thanks to Mike Barasch for organizing this great social evening.

IRV ADLER'S SEARCH FOR FAMILY AFTER THE HOLOCAUST



Irv in Vienna Dedicating Stones of Remembrance.

[Irv Adler](#), a long-time congregant and our current Treasurer, will share his intriguing story of tracing his Viennese roots after the Holocaust in search of information about his grandmother and family on Tuesday, June 6 at 7 p.m. at the Temple. His journey began on a trip with his wife, Fran, to Austria.

"While traveling to Vienna in August 2010, my wife and I did some family research that resulted in the subsequent discovery of letters written by my grandmother from 1938 to 1941," Irv said. "My grandmother eventually was a victim of the Holocaust.

These letters identified family members whom I had never heard of and one particular letter mentioned a young boy, 'sweet Pauli.' Over the next four years I tried to locate these family members, and in 2014 I finally succeeded in finding 'sweet Pauli.'"

Irv's talk will trace the path he followed to discover, meet, and get to know these lost, and now found, family members. Thank you to the Adult Education Committee for hosting the program.

INAUGURAL TEMPLE BOOK CLUB MEETING TAKES NOVEL APPROACH



Our Temple Book Club launched in May with 14 congregants talking via video-conference with Ronald Balson, author of "Saving Sophie." Thank you to Temple Librarian Betsy Gephart for arranging the author talk through the Jewish Book Council and to the Adult Education Committee for sponsoring. Three Temple Book Club programs are planned for the coming year. If you have a title to suggest, please contact Betsy.

YOUTH NEWS

Mazel tov to our graduates and their families:

College

· **Jordan Berger**, daughter of Jamie & Jon Berger, on her graduation from Cornell University with a Bachelor's degree with honors in Industrial and Labor Relations. She plans to attend New York University Law School in the fall.

· **Orin Reynolds**, son of Marcia & Denny Reynolds, on his graduation in December 2016 from Indiana University in Bloomington with a Bachelor's degree in Political Science, a minor in Music, and a certificate in Underwater Archaeology. He is working for Light of the Nations as Music Director and Experiential Educator. Orin will be at Goldman Union Camp Institute this summer as the Music Director.

· **Brooklyn Elizabeth Schreier**, daughter of Jaki & Eric Schreier, on her graduation from Ball State University with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education.

· **Lauren Tom**, daughter of Ellen & Michael Tom, on her graduation from Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis with a Doctorate in Occupational Therapy. She will continue to work for Eskenazi Hospital and Indiana University School of Medicine in Indianapolis.

· **Rebekah Worpell**, daughter of Deborah & Michael Worpell, on her graduation from Indiana University in Bloomington with a Bachelor's degree in Recreational Therapy. She is interning this summer at the Rocky Mountain Multiple Sclerosis Center in Denver, where four of her therapy programs are being implemented.

· **Laura Zweig**, daughter of Beth & Dan Zweig, on her graduation from Indiana University in Bloomington with a Bachelor's degree with highest distinction in Linguistics and Sociology and minors in African Languages and Spanish. She is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

High School

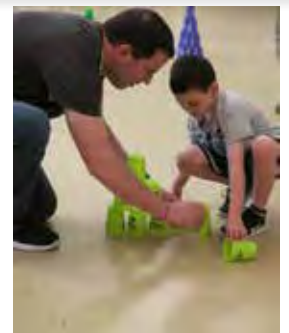
· **Carly Anne Coker**, daughter of Samara Sheray and Richard Coker, on her graduation from Homestead High School. Carly plans to study Accounting in the fall at the Doermer School of Business at IPFW (Purdue University Fort Wayne).

· **Ryan Tom**, son of Ellen & Michael Tom, on his graduation from Carroll High School. Ryan plans to study Computer Science at Purdue University in West Lafayette.

· **Ethan Zweig**, son of Beth & Dan Zweig, on his graduation from Homestead High School. Ethan plans to study Physics at Purdue University in West Lafayette.



Rabbi Lenny Sarko congratulates Ethan Zweig on his graduation from Religious School. Also during the service on May 19 we offered a blessing to children planning to attend Jewish summer camp.



Religious school students and teachers gathered to celebrate the end of the school year with the annual Maccabiah Games on Sunday, May 21. The Temple wishes all of our families and staff a safe and fun-filled summer!

REGISTER FOR SUMMER FUN AT CAMP JOE

The [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#) is currently enrolling children ages 4-13 for an exciting summer at [Camp Joe Levine](#), its Jewish day camp at [Fox Island Nature Preserve](#). Session dates are July 3-7, July 10-14, and July 17-41. Contact the Jewish Federation at (260) 456-0400 for more information.

SAVE THE DATE FOR PJ AND ME!



Join us on Tuesday morning, August 8 at 10 a.m. for a joint program sponsored by the Temple, [PJ Library](#) and the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#)! Whether you bring your mom, dad, grandma, or grandpa, all tots ages five and under are welcome to join us in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center for songs, books and crafts with a Noah's Ark theme. Details to come.

PLEASE VOTE FOR OUR LEADERSHIP

The Nominating Committee presents the following slate of officers and trustees for the 2017-2018 fiscal year beginning July 1:

OFFICERS

Two-year term through June 2019:

President: Ellen Tom

One-year term through June 2018:

VP Programs: Betsy Gephart

VP Finance: Steve Zacher

Treasurer: Scott Goldberg

Secretary: Kathy Sider

One-year term through June 2018:

Immediate Past President: Joe Cohen

Two-year term through June 2019:

TRUSTEES

Jessica Ash

Jamie Berger

Denny Reynolds

John Stein

Wendi Wallet

Beth Zweig

One-year term through June 2018:

TRUSTEE

Yavin Bamnolkar

Not up for Re-Election; Currently serving two-year term through June 2018:

TRUSTEES

Talia Bugel

Steve Carr

Elissa Cohen

Leah Hadashi

Rich Manalis

EXPLORING THE SEVEN SPECIES OF ISRAEL IN THE YEAR AHEAD



Come along with us on a journey learning about the Seven Species of Israel... without leaving Northeast Indiana! During the coming year, we'll travel to a vineyard, taste a variety of olive oils, visit a brewery, and more, while learning about Torah and our Jewish connections to olives, grapes, barley, wheat, pomegranates, figs, and dates.

The programs are sponsored by the Temple's Adult Education Committee and will take place throughout the year. Be sure to mark your calendar for the kick-off on Friday, August 11 at 6:15 p.m. during our Shabbat service when Rabbi Lenny will offer an overview of the seven species, which are included in that week's Torah portion. Kiddush in the Courtyard of the Madge Rothschild Resource Center follows the service.

Please also save the date for Havdalah in the Vineyard – just before grape harvest – on Saturday, August 26 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. when we visit Dulcius Vineyards in Noble County. Founder and owner Austin Fergusson, father of our own Adult Education Chair Wendy Soltz, will share his knowledge with Temple members during our Seven Species event. We'll learn about the importance of viticulture in the Torah, tour Dulcius Vineyards (founded in 2012), and conclude with a wine tasting. Check the August Bulletin for RSVP information.

CAMPUS CHAIRS HONORED WITH FIRST LEAF ON OLIVE TREE

The first leaf to be added to the new olive tree near the entrance to the Madge Rothschild Resource center will show the congregation's appreciation of John Stein and Sally Trotter for serving as co-chairs of the Rifkin Campus at 5200 project.

The leaves on the olive tree are the latest way to recognize an important person or significant occasion to support the Temple. Leaves are \$180 each and may be personalized with three or four lines to highlight a life-cycle event, anniversary, or special kindness. Proceeds benefit the resource center.

The olive tree was chosen as the symbol because it embodies peace, light, fruitfulness, longevity, beauty, and endurance. An olive branch, a well-known symbol of peace, was brought to Noah after the flood. During ancient times, olive oil was used to light the menorah in the Temple in Jerusalem to anoint the high priests. In modern times, many Jews still use olive oil to kindle the lights during Hanukkah. Please contact the Temple office for more information.



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.

RESOURCE CENTER GRAND OPENING REALLY WAS GRAND!

The newspaper headline captured our vision in a few words: "[Jewish Center To Be For Whole Community.](#)"

With that goal in mind, we welcomed more than 150 people from the Jewish and larger community for a grand afternoon on April 30 celebrating our new Madge Rothschild Resource Center. Our volunteer team led by John Stein and Sally Trotter spent months preparing for the big day.

And while we weren't quite finished with the new museum focused on 200 years of Jewish history, we were ready for guests to visit the resource center and our building:

A lovely Shabbat table was set and samples of challah were available. Multiple menorahs and hanukkiah were displayed with labels explaining how to tell them apart. An open Torah and a charred scroll rescued from the ashes of the Holocaust gave Rabbi Lenny and volunteers a chance to share what makes each item special.

Video footage on the big screen featured local residents sharing stories of growing up Jewish in Fort Wayne. Inviting library shelves were filled with books on Judaism and related topics for check out. Guided tours of Indiana's oldest Jewish congregation were offered, including a peek inside the Holy Ark.

Delicious homemade goodies and indulgences were provided at the reception. The donor wall tiles were in place, honoring the larger givers to the Rifkin Campus at 5200 campaign. And a keynote address by Author David Laskin about his family history encompassed three vital aspects of Jewish history in the Twentieth Century. An impromptu mah jongg game added to the day by showcasing one of our most popular events in the resource center.

The sights, sounds, and tastes offered during a terrific afternoon provided a glimpse of some of what will be offered in our new 3,150-square-foot space designed by Architect Richard Wismer.

During the brief program prior to Laskin's talk, Temple President Joe Cohen thanked the Rifkin Family Foundation, the Madge Rothschild Foundation, and the Dr. Louis and Anne Schneider Foundation for their generosity. He also thanked our volunteers and contributors for their commitment to the project.

In giving the invocation, Rabbi Lenny stated that the resource center is more than just a building. "It is a gift that will allow future learning of our entire community," he said, adding that study and learning have been part of the tradition of the Jewish people for thousands of years.

"It was at least in part due to our tradition of learning that the Jewish people were able to survive centuries of economic and political uncertainty and persecution," Rabbi Lenny said. "The learning we received was something we carried within us wherever we went. The learning that this resource center will provide is a gift beyond price, a gift that the recipients who enter here can never lose and will be able to pass on to others...A gift that will go from generation to generation— l'dor vador."

Vice President Beth Zweig talked about the vision for the project that spanned four congregational presidents and boards of directors, with congregational support throughout. She thanked John and Sally for co-chairing the project and announced that the first leaf on the new olive tree donor display is a gift from the congregation in appreciation of their efforts. Beth also thanked the Campus partners, who share our space, and invited guests to return to see the museum as it develops. Please visit us on [Facebook](#) for more photos of the Grand Opening!

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH GRAND OPENING

We appreciate Kathy Sider for coordinating the grand opening events for the Madge Rothschild Resource Center. Thank you to the team who helped with the preparation and celebration: Carol Adelman, Fran Adler, Betsy Gephart, Maureen Grinsfelder, Micki Kepes, Mike Rush, Kay Safirstein, Betty Stein, John Stein, Wendy Soltz, Sally Trotter, Cindi Wismer, Richard Wismer, Beth Zweig, Dan Zweig, and staff members Bonnie Crubaugh, Clint Rossiter, and Mindy Esparza.



THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS CELEBRATES VOLUNTEERS AND COMPLETION OF 7TH YEAR

A seventh year is in the record books for the Jewish community's Thoughtful Thursdays program!

Volunteers from Congregation Achduth Vesholom, Congregation B'nai Jacob, and the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne gathered on May 3 for the final assembly line of the school year, the group's monthly chance to socialize while placing food, household, and educational items in colorful Thoughtful Thursdays bags for the 72 children who attend Brightpoint Head Start at the Temple.

After all the bags were placed in the Head Start office for distribution, the team celebrated with a volunteer luncheon hosted by Thoughtful Thursdays Chair Jamie Berger in the Goldstine Chapel. We also recognized Sally Trotter and Cindi Wismer for their incredible contributions to Thoughtful Thursdays over the years.

Jamie thanked the more than a dozen regular volunteers for their dedication and friendship, noting that they are what makes the program possible. In addition to assembling bags, the volunteers shop, shlep, and sort to make sure we have 72 of each item. Looking ahead to the program's eighth year, the volunteers also signed up to purchase everything from penne pasta to pineapple chunks for upcoming bags. She also announced that Bonnie Pomerantz has graciously agreed to co-chair Thoughtful Thursdays with her for the 2017-2018 school year.

A wonderful surprise also came in May when Brightpoint Head Start sent the Thoughtful Thursdays volunteers a beautiful card, signed by the children, parents, and guardians, along with gifts for each volunteer. Jamie said their generosity was a reminder that many of these children are being raised by grandparents and foster parents.

"Our mission really does make a difference in the lives of the families we are serving," she said.

Over the summer, Thoughtful Thursdays will be collecting boxes of tissues, packages of napkins, and bottles of unscented or lightly scented body wash. Donations can be made at the Rifkin Campus or B'nai Jacob. Please plan to join the Thoughtful Thursdays volunteers to assemble the first bag of the school year on Wednesday, September 6 at 10 a.m. at the Rifkin Campus.



AWARD PROVIDES MONIES FOR THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS

Congratulations to Jordan Berger, daughter of Jamie & Jon Berger, on receiving the Cornell Tradition Senior Recognition Award for her commitment to the ideals of work, service, and scholarship. As part of the award, the winners each have the opportunity to designate a \$500 charitable contribution to a non-profit or public service organization of their choice. We are very grateful to Jordan, who graduated from Cornell University in May, for selecting the Jewish community's Thoughtful Thursdays program to receive the monies and for her continued support of our social action project.



CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- **Steve Zacher** on being named the Indiana Commercial and Industrial Realtor of the Year for 2017 by the Indiana Commercial Board of Realtors.
- **Wendy Soltz** on the publication of her article "Just Miles Away But Worlds Apart: Examining Jewish Participation in Integration Programs at Black Mountain College and Highlander Folk School, 1933-1964" by Cambridge University Press in the Association for Jewish Studies Review. Wendy, who received her PhD in Modern Jewish History last year from Ohio State University, will share more about her dissertation research on the Jewish involvement in desegregated higher education in the South from 1910-1965 during an Adult Education program in February at the Temple.



NEW TEMPLE ADMINISTRATOR NAMED



We are pleased to announce the selection of Samara Sheray as Congregation Achduth Vesholom's part-time Administrator. She will begin her new role in July when Sally Trotter retires after 11 years in the position.

Samara's involvement at the Temple includes teaching the past two years in our Religious School and leading our monthly Shabbat Katan family service with Rabbi Lenny.

She attended IPFW and the University of St. Francis, where she studied nursing and education.

Her work experience includes a variety of positions, from traveling throughout the U.S. representing the manufacturer of Dutchmen RVs to managing Mad Anthony's/Munchie Emporium in Fort Wayne. Most recently, she's been a substitute teacher in Southwest Allen County Schools.

Samara has three daughters, Carly, 18, and twins, Bella and Lilly, 7. The younger two currently attend Religious School at

the Temple. Her mother, Charla Sheray, also is a member of our Temple family.

The Sheray family long has been affiliated with the congregation. Samara's grandparents Nathan and Etta Sheray and their sons, Robert and Sidney, were residents of Southwood Park and members of the Temple from the 1950's. Samara's father, Sidney, and her mother joined Achduth Vesholom when they returned from living in San Francisco in 1975. Samara's younger brother, Noah, now lives in Beverly Hills, California.

As Temple Administrator, Samara will respond to questions and concerns of congregants, oversee many office and building matters, work with Temple staff and the board, coordinate purchasing, and monitor communications.

She will be the third Temple Administrator since the position was created in December 2001 to provide extra support to the volunteer leadership and congregation. For many years, the position was funded by the late Lorry Goldenberg, with Janet Katz fulfilling the duties from March 2002 to November 2005 and Sally Trotter beginning in 2006. Funding for the position now comes from congregational budget.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

We welcome Juli & Jose Dominguez and their son, Joey, as the newest members of our Temple family!

A Fort Wayne native, Juli relocated to Phoenix, Arizona, following college. After 20 years of desert living, she returned in January 2014 with her family to Indiana to accept a position teaching Spanish at North Side High School. She and Joey completed their conversion with Rabbi Cattapan. Joey, 19, plans to attend Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis in the fall to study at the Herron School of Art and Design.

Juli said they are very glad to be part of the Jewish community!

A SWEET CONGREGATIONAL FUNDRAISER COMING YOUR WAY

We've got a "honey" of a deal coming for the Jewish New Year! We are taking orders now through Friday, August 11 for 6-ounce bottles of delicious locally-harvested honey that will be available to send to family and friends with your wishes for a "L'shana Tovah." The bottles are \$6 each, with free local delivery or a \$5-per-bottle shipping charge.



Orders can be placed in the Temple Office or by calling (260) 744-4245. Proceeds from this new Temple fundraiser will benefit congregational programming.

Thank you to Leah Hadashi and Bonnie Pomerantz for chairing!



Some 30 years after her work was dedicated in front of the Temple, Artist Nancy McCroskey Hrehov touches up the names on the Temple's Holocaust Memorial with a hand-mixed pigment.

DONATIONS

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Mansbach Campership Fund

In memory of Julie Liberman: *Art & June Shafer*

Temple Youth Group Fund

In honor of Ethan Zweig's graduation from Religious School: *Norm & Ronnie Greenberg*



JOIN ROSH CHODESH GROUP

Join the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#)'s Rosh Chodesh Women's Group on Monday, June 5 at 6 p.m. at the Temple to watch the acclaimed movie "[Gett: The Trial of Viviane Amsalem.](#)"

The film by Israeli directors Ronit and Shlomi Elkabetz tells the powerful story of an Israeli woman who fights for three years to obtain a divorce from her devoutly religious husband, who refuses to grant his permission to dissolve their marriage. The movie is in Hebrew with English subtitles.

A discussion of Jewish gets of yesteryear and modern days will take place before the movie. Popcorn and light refreshments will be served. Please make a note that the Rosh Chodesh group will not meet in July.

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.



JFFW ANNUAL MEETING FEATURES PLAYWRIGHT

The 96th Annual Meeting of the [Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#) will begin with a business meeting on Sunday, June 11 at 6 p.m. at the Rifkin Campus at 5200, including the election of board members and presentation of the Goldie DuBow Award for outstanding Jewish community service.

Beginning at 7 p.m., Playwright and Director Gregory Stieber will deliver the keynote speech. He also will be honored with the "One of the Righteous" Award for his work on social justice issues. Steiber recently wrote and directed "Remembering Anne," a play about Anne Frank, which premiered in February at Fort Wayne Youtheatre. As part of the commemoration, students from the Philharmonic Youth Symphony, Fort Wayne Youtheatre, and the Fort Wayne Children's Choir will play a part in the evening's program.

FEDERATION SPONSORS FILM AT FESTIVAL

[The Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne](#) is sponsoring two films during the [Hobnobben Film Festival](#), which runs June 16-18, at [Cinema Center](#), 437 E. Berry Street. The films will be shown on Sunday, June 18: [Menashe](#) at 1 p.m. and [One Day and A Week](#) at 3 p.m.

JAHRZEITS

June 2

Eva Bosell
Mitchell Bronstein
Ken Burcham
Gertrude Cline
Gary Cohen
Nissim Yuda Farhi
John C. Gosney
Isaac M. Hallenstein
Herbert W. Isay
Jack Levine
Leopold Loeb
Anna Marlow
Abraham Pallas
Donald Persky
Eleanor B. Platka
James Rakes
Anna Mae Rosenblatt
Charles Rosenblum
Eleanore Schwarz
David Silverman
Marion Sweedler
Helen G. Warshauer
Meyer Warshauer
Sylvia Zimmerman
Muriel Zweig

June 9

Issadore (Al) Adelman
Jonas Arnold
Al Berk
Peter Bronstein
Archibald Cohen
Georgia B. Daniel
Joel Deitch
Edward T. Dinken
Moses Englehard
Allen Fleischman
Rose R. Goldman
Fred Hefter
Robert Hutner
Sarah Jacobson
Lauren Kaminsky
Margaret Katz
Aaron M. Krakower
Julie See Latz
Abe Minske
Edward Phillips
Rabbi Herman Price
Martha Replane
Anna Schultz
Louis Smith
Nathan Snow
Tillie Speyer

Julia W. Trauerman
Flora S. Weil
Sidney Weiss
Eugenia Young
Edward Zamrin

June 16

Amelia Butz
Levi Edlavitch
Morris Erman
Louis Fishman
Jack Frank
Sarah Goldfarb
Jack Goodman
Sylvia Goodman
Bernard Gross
Julius Lyman Isay
Dr. James B. Katz
Della Krainess
Charles A. Lampel
Mildred Llewellyn
Dorothy Mullennix
Babette Dessauer Neuwirth
Chaje Nichtern
Robert M. Pollak
Ada Rothberg
Lottie Sahlmann
Doris Sedgwick
Harold Sheyer
Morris A. Stillpass
Billie A. Wenbert
Abraham Wolf

June 23

Irving E. Appel
Toba Baum
Stanley D. Cohn
Lisa Deitch
Rebecca Farhi
Jean King Fishbein
Morris Gladstone
Betty W. Golden
Robert Goldstine
Sara Hirsch
Kathryn Kann Mendelblat
Samuel Milstein
Harold B. Price
Herta Rosanis
Esther Smith
Doris M. Sposeep
Hyman G. Steiber
Emanuel Strass
Rosa Wertheimer

June 30

Samuel C. Blumenthal
Sarah DuBow
Louis Erdich
Helaine Kann Hill
Morris Hyman
Lawrence A. Levy, Sr.
Louise Marcus
Louis Papernick
Aaron Rothschild
Bernard Silverman
Albert Smith
Robert Wollman
Rubin Zamrin

July 7

Elana Ben-Yehoshua
Bart Broederzs
Margot Field
Simon Freiburger
Jerry Friedman
Dr. Naf H. Gladstone
Klara Goldfarb
Charlotte L. (Lottie) Goldstine
Bertha Gross
Olga Haas
Nathan Hendelman
Myer Levin
Sol Mastbaum
Marshall Pallas
Yetta Piccone
Dr. Eric Ray
Carol Rosenberg
William Rothenberg
Benjamin Rothschild
Nathan Rothschild
Samuel Schechter
Siegfried Schmitz
David "Max" Spanjer
Florence Wald

July 14

Mollie Barasch
Bernard Dubinsky
Philmore I. Harris
Libby Harris
Isidore Marx
Louis Novitsky
Milton J. Rosenthal, Jr.
Jeannette Sposeep
Rose Smith Wittenberg

July 21

Anna Dively
Anne Doran
Marguerite Elder
Abe Field
Edward Finkel
Dora Fisher
Lillie Hutner Fleck
Belle R. Frank
Leopold Freiburger
Cheryl Gannon
Arthur Hill
Morris Horn
David S. Hutner
Annette Latker
Iretta Lauinger
Nanette Mayer
Henry Ney
Frace Polz
Marlene Primack
James H. Richardson
Amelia Rosenthal
Elinor Sachs
Phyllis Silver
Celia Pearl Steiber
Isaac Trauerman
Fannie Wertheimer

July 21

Marvin Berg
Jeanne F. Bransilver
Samuel Bretzfelder
Dr. Harold Cline
Cynthia Cremer
Jack Feldheim
Bill Fox
Adelaide Frank
Carrie Broda Goodman
Selma Kline
Eugene Kraus, Sr.
David Lauferty
Rita S. Marks
Phyllis Pinzow
Gladys Rudin
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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 Joe Cohen can be reached at 260-423-8861 or hjc@barrettllaw.com.

**The deadline for the August Bulletin
 is Friday, July 14.**

PRESIDENT’S CORNER

JOE COHEN

It is hard to believe that my two-year term as President of the Temple’s Board of Directors is coming to an end. When you start a position such as this, you feel like you have all the time in the world to accomplish your goals. But in what seems like a blink of an eye, the days and months pass and you realize some of the goals you’d hoped to accomplish have yet to be attained.



I’ve been honored and humbled with the opportunity to lead Congregation Achduth Vesholom. My family has been part the Temple for at least three generations, so supporting the congregation in this way was especially meaningful.

Highlights of this position have included working with two wonderful spiritual leaders – both Rabbi Cattapan and Rabbi Lenny, with whom I met on an almost weekly basis. I will always treasure the close relationships that I was able to establish with them.

In addition, I was fortunate enough to be surrounded by excellent volunteers on the Executive Committee and on the Board of Directors who had a wealth of knowledge. We could not have accomplished so much at the Temple without their time, energy, and passion.

Although the staff at the Temple is small in number, they seem to do the work of a much larger team. During the time I spent on congregational projects, not a day passed when I wasn’t thankful for the assistance of Sally Trotter, Bonnie Crubaugh, and Clint Rossiter. I also appreciated the efforts of our previous Administrative Assistant Bonnie Pomerantz and now Mindy Esparza. The volunteer leadership can’t do its job without the support from our staff.

Over the past 24 months, we continued the work of transforming our building into a Jewish campus. We had a sign dedication, ground breaking for new construction, and, just a few weeks ago, the grand opening of the Madge Rothschild Resource Center.

We welcomed the IPFW Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies to our Rifkin Campus at 5200, added video-conferencing of services and events, and grew our new Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library through Betty’s 100 Books. We said good-bye to some staff members, embraced new ones, and continue to seek a new Religious School principal. We continued to address financial matters, membership numbers, and ways to engage congregants.

The Temple is a very special place. It is important to realize that we are benefiting from those members who came before us who provided their time, talent and treasure to make our congregation what it is today. We must recognize our obligation to do the same so that Achduth Vesholom remains a vibrant institution for all of our children and community.

The Board has taken numerous steps in the last few years with that goal in mind, but many steps remain. Progress will depend on all members working together to accomplish these incredibly significant goals. I look forward to working with the Board in the future and hope that you will join me in doing everything possible to maintain the Temple as a beautiful place where we find our spiritual and religious home.

I look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 14 at 7 p.m. to celebrate some awesome accomplishments and people.