

# THE TEMPLE

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## SHARE SHAVUOT & TORAH STUDY WITH US ON JUNE 6

Please join us when we celebrate Shavuot and the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai on Monday, June 6 at 7 p.m. at the Temple and via livestream. Rabbi Meir will lead a brief service that will include Yizkor.

Following the service, we will engage in the tradition of *Tikkun Leil Shavuot*, Torah study on the night of Shavuot, and our topic will be the Ten Commandments. The study session, which will be in person only, will be fun and lively. Join us afterward for a reception featuring cheesecake, a traditional food for the holiday.

Shavuot comes from the Hebrew word for "weeks," and the holiday occurs seven weeks after Passover. It originated as an agricultural festival that marked the transition from the spring barley harvest to the summer wheat harvest. Today, we mark the holiday as a celebration of Torah, education, and the choice to participate actively in Jewish life.

Guests are warmly welcome in person or to attend virtually. The link is available by contacting the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 or [office@templecav.org](mailto:office@templecav.org).

## SPEAKER TO EXAMINE CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES FOR HOLOCAUST EDUCATION IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Drawing on a decade of experience countering hate and a lifetime as the grandson of four Holocaust survivors, David Fox-Estrin will lead a discussion on Wednesday, June 15 at 7 p.m. at Congregation Achduth Vesholom that addresses the rising tide of anti-Semitic hate, dwindling numbers of Holocaust survivors, and what more we can do to turn memory into action to fulfill the promise of "never again" once and for all.

Fox-Estrin, the founder and chief executive officer of Together We Remember, will discuss "Choosing the Future of Our Past: Challenges and Opportunities for Holocaust Education in the 21st Century."

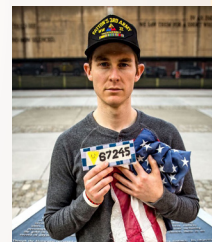
The program is sponsored by the Temple's Holocaust Education Committee and Purdue Fort Wayne's Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies. It also will be livestreamed. The link

will be provided in the weekly email to Temple members.

Guests may contact us at [office@templecav.org](mailto:office@templecav.org) to receive the link or watch on YouTube.

Fox-Estrin is on a mission to transform memory into action to end identity-based violence worldwide. He builds global campaigns and projects that unite students, educators, and leaders to counter violent hatred in their schools, communities, and on social media. By combining multimedia storytelling and solidarity activities, he strives to move audiences of all ages from inspiration to action across lines of difference. He has shared the story of his family and work extensively, from Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, FL to the United Nations.

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Join us for the Temple's 174th Annual Meeting  
Wednesday, June 8 at 7 p.m.  
See page 7 for more information.



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# UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

## JUNE SERVICES

### Shabbat Service

Friday, June 3

6:30 p.m.

We will offer a blessing for children attending Jewish summer camp.

### Shabbat Service

Saturday, June 4

9:45 a.m.

### Shavuot & Yizkor Service

Monday, June 6

7 p.m.

Torah Study and reception follow

### Shabbat Service

Friday, June 10

6:30 p.m.

### Shabbat Service

Saturday, June 11

9:45 a.m.

### Shabbat Service

Friday, June 17

6:30 p.m.

### No Shabbat Service

Saturday, June 18

### Shabbat Service

Friday, June 24

6:30 p.m.

### Shabbat Service

Saturday, June 25

10 a.m.

*Join us for worship in person, on Zoom, or [YouTube](#). Links are provided in our weekly email to members. Guests are welcome to attend. Please contact us at (260) 744-4245 or [office@templecav.org](mailto:office@templecav.org) for access information.*

## JULY SERVICES

### Shabbat Service

Friday, July 1

6:30 p.m.

### Shabbat Service

Saturday, July 2

9:45 a.m.

### Shabbat Service

Friday, July 8

6:30 p.m.

### No Shabbat Service

Saturday, July 9

### Shabbat Service

Friday, July 15

6:30 p.m.

### Shabbat Service

Saturday, July 16

9:45 a.m.

### Pride Shabbat Service

Friday, July 22

6:30 p.m.

Speaker: Rev. Misty-Dawn Shelly of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fort Wayne

### Shabbat Service

Saturday, July 23

9:45 a.m.

### Friday Night Live Shabbat Service

Friday, July 29

6:30 p.m.

Music: Heartland Sings

BBQ begins at 5 p.m.

### Shabbat Service

Saturday, July 30

9:45 a.m.



## JUNE EVENTS

### Five Books of Moses Study Group

Sunday, June 5, 12, 19, 26

7 p.m. on Zoom

### Torah Study: The Ten Commandments

Monday, June 6

7 p.m. at the Temple

Follows our Shavuot service

### Temple Annual Meeting

Wednesday, June 8

7 p.m. in person and Zoom

### Judaism and Reproductive Freedom

Tuesday, June 21

7 p.m. via Zoom

### Hebrew Liturgy Study Group

Monday, June 27

7 p.m. on Zoom

## JULY EVENTS

### Five Books of Moses Study Group

Sunday, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

7 p.m. on Zoom

### Temple Night at the TinCaps

Saturday, July 9

6:35 p.m.

RSVP by Wednesday, June 22

### Hebrew Liturgy Study Group

Mondays, July 11, 18, 25

7 p.m. on Zoom

### Friday Night Live and BBQ

Friday, July 29

5 p.m. dinner (RSVP by Monday, July 25)

6:30 p.m. service

## AUGUST EVENTS

### Havdalah Under The Stars

Saturday, August 20

6:30 p.m. at LC Nature Preserve

RSVP by Tuesday, August 16

## ONGOING EVENTS

### Mah Jongg Open Play

Mondays at 6:30 p.m. –

8:30 p.m.

Thursdays at 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

[Sign up to play](#)

### Lunch with the ROMEOs

Join the [Retired Old Men Eating Out](#) for lunch at noon:



### Thursday, June 2

[Black Canyon Restaurant](#)

1509 W. Dupont Rd.

### Thursday, June 16

[Salvatori's SW](#)

10337 Illinois Rd.

### Thursday, July 7

[Top Notch Diner](#)

6800 Bluffton Road

### Thursday, July 27

[Club Room at the Clyde](#)

1806 Bluffton Road.

RSVP to Denny Reynolds at [dennisreynolds@me.com](mailto:dennisreynolds@me.com)

## SHABBAT EVENING SERVICES MOVE TO NEW TIME IN JUNE

Summer services on Friday evenings will move a half-hour later to 6:30 p.m., beginning June 3 through September 2 (Labor Day Weekend). In a return to the Temple's customary seasonal timetable, services will move to 7:30 p.m. beginning Friday, September 9, continuing through Memorial Day.

Feedback from members indicated that 6 p.m. generally was a good time for online-only services. However, the time has proven more challenging for those attending in person for several reasons: Dinner planning is difficult for families with children and others who prefer to eat earlier; it's hard to get home from work and arrive at services on time; and more difficult to coordinate plans with others before or after services. Please join us!



# RABBI MEIR BARGERON

## TAKE A BREATH, THEN ACT

As I write these words in late May, life in our nation is feeling especially discomforting to me. The news and public commentary are filled with anger and anxieties about the Supreme Court, and the right of a person to choose when their body reproduces hangs in the balance. The proliferation of gun violence continues to kill innocent people of all ages, most recently 19 fourth-graders in Uvalde, TX, and lawmakers have suggested that teachers should be armed to protect their students, while nothing is done to control access to guns.



Is it just me, or do any of you have the urge to pull the covers over your head? Or maybe just watch baking shows on TV? As I tried to make sense of my feelings of fatigue, anxiety, and despair, I found these words of wisdom from our Jewish sages:

*If a person of learning participates in public affairs and serves as judge or arbiter, that person gives stability to the land... But if a person sits in their home and says to themselves, "What have the affairs of society to do with me?... Why should I trouble myself with the people's voices of protest? Let my soul dwell in peace!"—if one does this, they destroy (overthrow) the world. (Midrash Tanhuma, Mishpatim 2:1).*

Yes, I expect that we can all relate to the sentiment "Let my soul dwell in peace." It is truly difficult to know how to make a difference in our world in times like this. Let us each take a breath and prepare for our next action to bring justice to our land. Through speaking up, writing letters, assembling in peaceful protest, and through our vote. Judaism demands this of us.

Rabbi Meir

## JOIN US FOR FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE WITH HEARTLAND SINGS, BBQ & BONFIRE

Our spirited Friday Night Live service moves outdoors at the Temple on July 29 at 6:30 p.m., led by Rabbi Meir with Heartland Sings on their mobile stage. Tap your toes, get on your feet, and share the joy of Shabbat with this lively worship experience.

Join us prior to services at 5 p.m. for a barbeque hosted by the ROMEOs, with Hebrew National hot dogs, veggie burgers, coleslaw, vegetarian baked beans, and chips. After the service, we'll gather around the CAV fire pit for s'mores, popsicles, and ice cream.

Please bring folding/camping chairs or blankets/sheets to sit on and long-handled sticks or forks to roast marshmallows. Bug spray is recommended.

Kindly RSVP for dinner no later than Monday, July 25 to (260) 744-4245 or [office@templecav.org](mailto:office@templecav.org). Please visit [www.templecav.org](http://www.templecav.org) for updates.

Thank you to Denny Reynolds, the ROMEOs (Retired Old Men Eating Out), and VP Programs Kathy Sider for coordinating the evening.



DURING THESE CHALLENGING TIMES

## We're Here For You!

Contact Rabbi Meir to chat or meet

Email [rabbimeir@templecav.org](mailto:rabbimeir@templecav.org)  
or call (260) 744-4245  
to make an appointment



## CELEBRATE PRIDE SHABBAT WITH US ON FRIDAY, JULY 22



In conjunction with Fort Wayne Pride activities, we'll celebrate Pride Shabbat on Friday, July 22 at 6:30 p.m., led by Rabbi Meir Bargeron, with readings and prayers inspired by the LGBTQ experience.

Our guest speaker will be Rev. Misty-Dawn Shelly, minister at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fort Wayne, the Temple's "interfaith neighbor" across the parking lot.

Please join us in person or via livestream. A reception will follow.

A graduate of Bridgewater State University in Psychology, Rev. Shelly earned her M. Div. from Andover Newton Theological School in 2009. She was ordained in 2011 by the members of the Unitarian Universalist congregations of Northborough and Brookfield, MA, and called in 2012 to serve in Fort Wayne.

Rev. Shelly is active in the community, collaborating with interfaith leaders throughout our city. Misty-Dawn and her spouse, Jenna, live in Fort Wayne, sharing a home with their dog, Baxter. They love the sense of community and "Hoosier hospitality" that continues to evolve throughout the city.

The link will be sent in our weekly email to Temple members. We warmly welcome guests. Please contact the Temple office for online access information at (260) 744-4245 or [office@templecav.org](mailto:office@templecav.org) or join us on YouTube.

## CATCH THE TINCAPS WITH ACHDUTH VESHOLOM

Join members of our Temple family on Saturday, July 9 for a trip to Parkview Field to watch the Fort Wayne TinCaps play the Lake County Captains, followed by post-game fireworks.

The game starts at 6:35 p.m. Tickets for seats in the All-Star section behind home plate are \$14 per person. Please register online by Wednesday, June 22 to reserve your seats. 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.



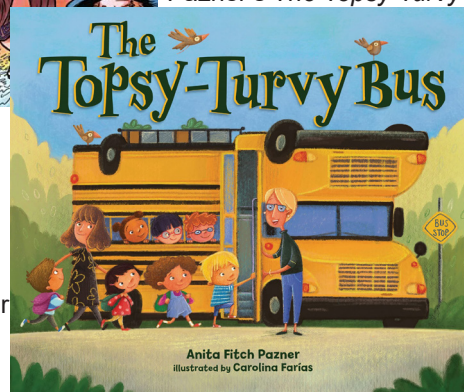
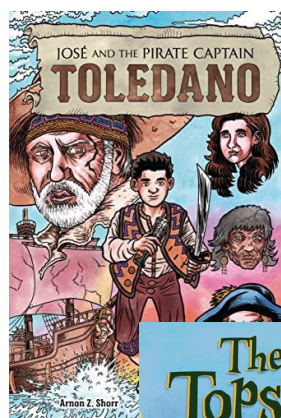


## NEW FROM KAR-BEN PUBLISHERS IN THE TEMPLE LIBRARY

The Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library is a member of Kar-Ben Publisher's "ASAP" program, which means we get two shipments per year of all of the publisher's newest titles for young readers. We received our most recent box of books a few weeks ago, and they are now on the shelves ready for borrowing.

There were two Passover books in the box, which unfortunately didn't get out in time for the holidays. These include a board book by Pamela Mayer, *Peek-a-Boo Passover*, and *Raquel's Seder*, by Joel Edward Stein. The latter is a picture book set in Spain during the Inquisition. A girl and her father find a clever way to hold their seder.

Three new titles are available for middle-grade readers. *When Lightnin' Struck*, by Betsy R. Rosenthal, is set in Odessa, Texas in 1928, and centers around an eleven-year-old, James, and his friend, Paul, a Russian immigrant. Bridget Hodder's *The Button Box* features a crystal box full of buttons from Ava's Sephardic ancestors. One is apparently magic, and takes Ava and her Muslim best friend, Nadeem, back in time. *José and the Pirate Captain Toledano*, by Arnon Z. Shorr, is a graphic



novel pirate adventure set during the Spanish Inquisition.

Two of the new titles are picture book biographies for young readers. *Frank, Who Liked to Build: The Architecture of Frank Gehry*, by Deborah Blumenthal, tells the story of the architect's childhood and dreams. *Rena Glickman: Queen of Judo*, by Eve Nadel Catarevas, chronicles a Jewish girl who became known as Rusty Kanokogi, one of the greatest female judo masters of her time.

Rounding out the order were four more picture books. Sylvia Rouss has a new Sammy Spider book out – *Sammy Spider's First ABC* – perfect for "Sammy" fans. *Bedtime for Maziks*, by Yael Levy, is a Jewish take on the classic, *Where the Wild Things Are*. Anita Pazner's *The Topsy-Turvy Bus* is based on a real "Topsy-Turvy Bus"

created by Hazon, the largest Jewish environmental organization in North America. And *Mrs. Noah's Doves*, by Jane Yolen, tells of the special mission the doves had aboard the Ark.

Self-check-out is available at the library desk whenever the building is open, so please take advantage of this extensive member resource. Our full catalog is available at <https://www.librarycat.org/lib/cavlibrary>.

## LIFELONG LEARNING INCLUDES "JUDAISM AND REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM"

Expand your Jewish knowledge by joining us for lifelong learning classes that include a variety of Jewish study topics with Rabbi Meir Barger and guest teachers. This month's topics include:

### Shavuot and Torah Study

**Monday, June 6**

**7 p.m. at the Temple**

Following a brief service, we'll engage in the tradition of Tikkun Leil Shavuot, Torah study on the night of Shavuot. Our topic will be the Ten Commandments. (See page 1 for more information)

### Judaism and Reproductive Freedom

**Tuesday, June 21**

**7 p.m. via Zoom**

The right to individual freedom to decide when, and whether, to conceive and give birth has risen as a critical issue in the national conversation. For decades, debate on access to contraception and abortion has been cloaked as a religious issue — but whose religion?

Please join Rabbi Meir as we study the Jewish position on abortion and contraception from classic and contemporary texts. RSVP to [office@templecav.org](mailto:office@templecav.org) by Thursday, June 16 to receive materials.

Links for classes are provided in the weekly email to members of our Temple family. Guests may contact the office for access information.

No sessions will be scheduled for July.



## OUR EXCITEMENT'S SKY-HIGH FOR CORNED BEEF ON RYE!

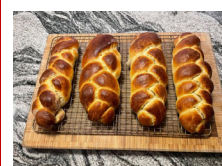
Mark your calendar to join us when the Temple's Corned Beef on Rye – Sure to Satisfy sale returns on Thursday, November 3! Please plan to assist with the Temple's largest fundraiser and help celebrate our 20th Deli Day in 2022!



Thank you to Co-Chairs Micah Soltz and David Crell and to Committee members Carol Adelman, Larry Adelman, Fran Adler, Rabbi Meir Barger, Jamie Fritz, Scott Goldberg, Shai Hadashi, Sam Krouse, Amy Krouse, Marie McFadden, Lee Pomerantz, Denny Reynolds, Nancy Salon, Samara Sheray, Jon Tam, Ellen Tom, Steve Zacher, Judy Zacher, and Beth Zweig.

Volunteers are needed to assist on Deli Day, as well as Prep Night on Wednesday, November 2. Proceeds support the Temple's general operations.

More information will be coming about meals, sponsorships, and volunteer opportunities. Thank you for your continued support!



## CHALLAH BAKERS KNEADED!

Our Oneg Shabbats after Shabbat evening services have returned with the easing of pandemic restrictions. We "knead" your help to ensure we have delicious challah to share during our mini-Onegs!

If you're a challah baker, we'd love to have you join our team of volunteers who will each take a turn providing four or five loaves for a given month to be enjoyed by our Temple family during this social time after services. Please contact the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 or [office@templecav.org](mailto:office@templecav.org) to find out more. If you're not a baker, but would like to support this effort, please contact us.

Thank you to our CAV Star Bakers for volunteering their talents! Our team includes Joanne McCrory, Nola Katinsky, Wendy Soltz, Jon Tam, Deb Vilensky, and Beth Zweig.

## THANKS FOR A GREAT YEAR OF RELIGIOUS SCHOOL!

Our fun-filled Religious School program wrapped up on May 22 with several *simchot* that included the whole age range of our young families.

We started a busy weekend with a baby naming and Confirmation - representing our youngest congregants from 0-years-old to 10th grade! Confirmation recognizes our young people who have continued their Jewish studies beyond B'nai Mitzvah and constitutes an individual and group affirmation of commitment to the Jewish people and to a Jewish life. Confirmands Jacob Cohen and Grace Gephart reflected on what their Judaism means to them in Divrei Yahadut (Words of Jewishness).

We also celebrated our 5th graders with a presentation of a Siddur to each student for their B'nai Mitzvah journey in the coming months. We expressed to them our congregation's enthusiasm for hearing what

they learn and discover as they dive into exploring *tefillah*; as they work to incorporate these ideas into their lives each day; and as they become leaders in our congregation, joining us in fulfilling our commandment of prayer.

And we spent some time enjoying the Temple's backyard laughing together while playing field day games, with special thanks going to the dads who stepped up to compete against teams of kids in Tug-of-War (a perfect fit with our study of the Jewish value of *Gevurah* - strength)!

I'd also like to give a special thanks to our volunteer *Morim* (teachers) for their tireless leadership of our educational programs and for their tenacity, creativity, and generosity in sharing their time and energy with us during another topsy-turvy year of pandemic-era Religious School.



We appreciate Rabbi Meir (Confirmation, 10th grade), Dr. John Planer (*Havurot No'ar*, B'nai Mitzvah-9th grade), Pamela Friedman (*Hebrew*), Dave Flapan (*Shoresht*, 5th grade-B'nai Mitzvah), Leise Rosman (*Garin*, 1st-4th grades), and Betsy Gephart (*Librarian*).

Religious School will be on break for the summer, but please look for more details regarding an upcoming Parent Planning Meeting being scheduled to discuss programming for the coming year.

*Leise Rosman,*  
Religious School Committee chair

## CAMPERS INVITED FOR SPECIAL BLESSING ON SHABBAT

Students who will be attending a Jewish camp this summer are invited to our Shabbat service on Friday, June 3 at 6:30 p.m. for a special blessing with our Temple family before they head off on their adventures.

We are 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.



*We celebrated the Confirmation of Jacob Cohen and Grace Gephart on May 20 during our Shabbat service. Mazel tov to Jacob, son of Leslie Cohen and Joe Cohen, and to Grace, daughter of Betsy & Geoff Gephart.*

## REGISTRATION CONTINUES FOR CAMP JOE 2022

This school year is winding down, the long-awaited warm and sunny days are finally here, and the start of Camp Joe is just around the corner. As we shift into the final gear of preparations for camp, our excitement is building in anticipation of welcoming our campers, hearing their happy voices, and tapping into their high energy and enthusiasm.

If your child is not yet registered for camp, take a few moments to fill out an application, so that they may join us at Fox Island. This beautiful nature preserve is ideally suited for kids to enjoy fun-filled and active summer days. You can submit your application to Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne at 5200 Old Mill Rd, Fort Wayne, IN 46807. An application can also be submitted online at [fwjf.org](http://fwjf.org).

It is our goal to make sure that all children are able to attend camp. Camper scholarships are available. If you are interested in a scholarship for your child, please mark "yes" at the bottom of the application or contact the Jewish Federation directly at (260) 456-0400.

Take advantage of our referral program: Receive 10% off of your payment when a new family registers based on your recommendation. Camp runs Monday-Friday, July 4-22.

We look forward to seeing you at Fox Island this summer.

*Larisa Drosdova and Samantha McGlennen,*  
Camp Joe Directors





## WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!

We're pleased to welcome the newest members of our Temple family:

- **Ina & Bob Hochberg** moved to Fort Wayne in 2021 to be near family. Their son, Adam, daughter-in-law, Libby, and grandchildren, Evan and Ari, live in Fort Wayne and also recently joined Achduth Vesholom. Bob is a retired lawyer. Natives of Brooklyn, NY, Ina & Bob most recently lived in south Florida, where they were members of the congregation in Vero Beach. Their interests include social action, social events, and mah jongg.
- **Luann & Bob Watson** are both retired and delighted to rejoin Achduth Vesholom. They say they look forward to celebrating life-cycle events, holidays and welcoming Shabbat with folks at the Temple.

## BECOME A LEGACY SOCIETY MEMBER WITH A PLANNED GIFT TO THE TEMPLE

One of the best ways we can sustain a 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. 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, contact Planned Giving Committee Chair Beth Zweig at [blzweig@msn.com](mailto:blzweig@msn.com).



## CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR HOLOCAUST EDUCATION (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

We're very pleased to welcome educators who are attending the TOLI seminar in Ligonier called "At the Crossroads: Navigating the Holocaust in Indiana's Classrooms." The Temple and IHGS appreciate the opportunity to collaborate with seminar facilitators Ashley Libben, USHMM Teacher Fellow and English teacher at West Noble Middle School, and Sarah Wilson, the Curriculum Director at West Noble School Corporation.

Thank you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation, the Temple's Max & Gerda Schmitz Holocaust Education Fund and Holocaust Memorial Fund, and the PFW Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies for their support.

## SUPPORTING AND PROTECTING REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM

With the recent news that the Supreme Court appears set to overturn Roe v Wade, the Temple's Social Action Committee wants to be involved and engaged in addressing the devastating impact this change will have on the lives of millions of people.

We felt the best way to start may be to find an organization or group we might be able to aid and assist in their efforts. For example, we predict Planned Parenthood will be a key player, among many others organizations. It could be part of a writing campaign, telephone effort, petition, social media, any and all efforts would be considered.

If you have information about a group that you think may be a good connection for us, or if you want to be a part of the help our committee gets involved in, please contact Social Action Chair Rena Black at [rena.black.fw@gmail.com](mailto:rena.black.fw@gmail.com).

The Reform Movement is continuing the work of lifting our faithful voice in support of abortion rights, advocating against state and federal laws that seek to circumscribe that right, and providing resources for our congregations that want to support individuals seeking abortions in their state or arrive from out of state in need of care. [Find out more](#) about how to get involved in this pivotal moment for abortion rights through the Reform Movement.



## HAVDALAH UNDER THE STARS AT LC NATURE PARK

Congregation Achduth Vesholom and the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne invites you for an evening of nature on Saturday, August 20 at 6:30 p.m. at LC Nature Park, 9744 Aboite Road, Roanoke, IN. Join us as we explore this native Indiana landscape located in the historic Little River Valley.

Observe herds of buffalo and elk graze on restored grasslands and learn how the park's preservation efforts are related to tikkun olam or repairing the world.

We will go on a guided tour (optional), eat s'mores, and participate in Havdalah, led by Rabbi Meir with music by Norm & Ronnie Greenberg. Bug spray, a water bottle and folding chairs are recommended. [A liability waiver](#) must be signed to participate in the guided tour. Please sign and bring with you to the event.

This event is free and open to the community. [Please RSVP by Tuesday, August 16 online](#). Contact the Temple office at [office@templecav.org](mailto:office@templecav.org) or the Federation office at [office@fwjf.org](mailto:office@fwjf.org) if you have any questions.



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES:

- **Becka Roberts** on her graduation from Ball State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Theater, with a concentration in Stage Management and a minor in Hospitality and Food Management with honors. She plans to move to Orlando, Florida, to pursue a career in stage management. Proud parents are Debby & Keith Roberts and grandmother is Susie Miller.
- **Shelah Hope Shaw** on her high school graduation. Shelah was home-schooled. She plans to attend Indiana Institute of Technology to major in Business and minor in Psychology. Proud parents are Sarah Jo & Tim Sarrazin and grandmother is Susie Miller.



# TWO WAYS TO ATTEND ANNUAL MEETING ON JUNE 8

As our congregation continues to navigate the pandemic and enable greater participation through technology, we are providing two ways for members to attend our 174th Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 8 at 7 p.m. – join us in person or via Zoom videoconferencing.

This year's assembly will again be multi-access to bring members together both in the building (with masking optional) and also virtually. And, for the first time, members in good standing may vote in real time regardless of how they choose to attend.

Information was sent to congregants in late May with further details about the meeting and how to vote on candidates for leadership and the budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. Absentee ballots also are available for those who cannot attend in person or virtually.

During the meeting, President Ronnie Greenberg, the Board of Directors, and Rabbi Meir Barger on will update the congregation on the past year's activities.

A proposal will be presented for a major upgrade to the Temple's streaming capabilities that will improve video quality, sound, lighting, and technical aspects. The changes would include updating equipment to enhance streaming of services and programming from both the Sanctuary and Goldstine-B'nai Jacob Chapel. The proposal comes in response to requests for improvements from members as they increasingly embrace the use of technology to engage in Temple activities.

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:

- Ellen Tom, who is finishing her year as Immediate Past President after serving four years as President.
- Outgoing Board members Rachel Gordon, Josh Tourkow, and Jay Zemmol for their service.
- Members of the L'dor Vador Legacy Society for indicating they've made a planned gift to the congregation.

Absentee ballots, an agenda, and the proposed budget were made available beginning Tuesday, May 24. To be eligible to vote, members must be current in their financial obligations to the congregation. All absentee ballots must be signed and returned by U.S. mail, by fax, or by emailing a PDF copy of the ballot prior to the Annual Meeting.



## CANDIDATES FOR THE 2022-2023 LEADERSHIP

The Board Development Committee presents the following slate of officers and trustees for the 2022-2023 fiscal year, beginning July 1.

### OFFICERS

*Serving a 2-year term ending in June 2023*

**President:** Ronnie Greenberg

*Nominated for 1-year term ending in June 2023*

**Vice President Programs:** Kathy Sider

**Vice President Finance:** John Stein

**Secretary:** Amy Krouse

TRUSTEES *(Nominated for 2-year term ending in June 2024):*

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**Thank you to the Board Development Committee:** Beth Zweig (chair), Fran Adler, Jamie Berger, Betsy Gephart, and John Stein.

## NEWS FROM THE BOARD

The Temple Board at its May 12 meeting approved the congregational budget for 2022-2023 to be presented to the membership for consideration at the Annual Meeting on June 8. Finance Vice President John Stein said the budget includes increases for security, a new programming fund, and some changes as part of the Religious School's use of online Hebrew instruction.

President Ronnie Greenberg thanked John, Comptroller Jamie Fritz, Executive Director Samara Sheray, and the Finance Committee for their efforts in developing the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

### **Air-Conditioning Repair**

Facility Committee Chair Jay Zemmol reported that the compressor for the air-conditioner servicing the Social Hall needs to be replaced. The board approved spending up to \$20,000 to make the necessary repairs from special reserve funds.

### **Security Grant Application**

The board authorized Executive Director Samara Sheray to move forward with again applying to the non-profit security grant program from the Department of Homeland Security and FEMA. The Temple previously received a \$100,000 federal grant for security upgrades in 2019. If awarded, the grant will further fortify our facility.



## FEDERATION ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR JUNE 12

Please join us for the 101st Annual Meeting of the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne on Sunday, June 12 at 3 p.m. at the Rifkin Campus. We have a wonderful afternoon planned!

Everyone who has contributed to our 2021 – 2022 annual campaign is eligible to vote.

Our business meeting will include:

- Election of officers and board members for the 2022-2023 year
- Approval of the annual budget
- Presentation of the Goldie DuBow Award to an exceptional volunteer

Finally, to top off the afternoon, at 4 p.m. we will be honoring James Palermo as “One of the Righteous.” Mr. Palermo will also be sitting down to speak one-on-one with Holocaust survivor Tova Friedman. The Fort Wayne Philharmonic’s Freimann String Quartet will play music from Ms. Friedman’s youth. Invitations are in the mail! Of course, we will have refreshments, too.

We look forward to seeing you at this important gathering of our Jewish community!

Thank you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation, the Fort Wayne Philharmonic and Surack Enterprises for its support.



## BOOSTER SEAT EFFORT A SUCCESS FOR THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS

The “25 X 25 = 25” campaign for Thoughtful Thursdays was a complete success! We raised enough money to purchase the 25 booster seats for the Brightpoint Head Start children who attend class at the Temple.

Thank you to those of you who donated to this project. It is important to keep these children safe as well as fed!

Thank you to our volunteers who continue to be so engaged and supportive. We could not provide this program without you! Over the summer, we will be planning for our 13th year beginning in the fall.

Thank you also for the continued generosity of the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation and the members of our Jewish community for making Thoughtful Thursdays possible.

Thoughtful Thursdays is a project of Congregation Achduth Vesholom and the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne.

If you are interested in volunteering for Thoughtful Thursdays, please contact Sally Trotter at (260) 744-4245.

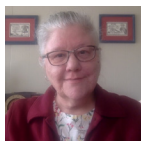
***Remember, hunger doesn't stop just because there is a supply chain issue or inflation!***



## GENEALOGY SOCIETY ANNOUNCES 2022-2023 PROGRAMS

The Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society recently announced its line-up of programs for 2022-2023. Five free public programs will be offered, both live and virtually. Upcoming events include:

On Sunday, September 11, the NEIJGS will begin with its annual “Meet Your Mishpocha” Open House at Congregation Achduth Vesholom. A variety of resources will be available for Jewish genealogical research and local Jewish history.



The first guest speaker will be Marian Smith, speaking on Sunday, November 13 about “The Increasingly Accessible U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Correspondence Files.” Marian served for 30 years as an historian for the Immigration and Naturalization Service, later U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, and has lots of information to share about late 19th and 20th century immigration records.

In February 2023, Dr. Nicholas J. Evans will present three virtual programs on consecutive Tuesday afternoons. Hosted in conjunction with the ACPL Genealogy Center, the presentations will track the journey of Eastern European emigrants from their homes to the United States and elsewhere. Nick will begin on Tuesday, February 7 at 2:30 p.m. with a program about the journey of Eastern European immigrants from their homes to ports of emigration. The following Tuesday’s program on February 14 will focus on the overseas journey and the ports of arrival, mainly, but not exclusively, in the United States. And the third program on February 21 will cover the immigrant’s experience in this country. Dr. Evans is a senior lecturer at the University of Hull in England, where he focuses his academic research on the migration of religious and ethnic minorities.



On April 16, 2023, Michael Simonson, from the Leo Baeck Institute, will present a program at the Genealogy Center in conjunction with the institute’s exhibition, “1700 Years of Jewish Life in German-Speaking Lands.” He is currently the Director of Public Outreach for the Leo Baeck Institute. In addition to speaking on the topic of the exhibition, he will discuss some of the history of German-speaking Jews in Indiana and nearby. The exhibition will be at the ACPL Genealogy Center for a few weeks in the spring of 2023.

Interested in Prohibition and your criminal ancestors? Ron Arons will speak to that subject on May 7, 2023 at the Genealogy Center. He will begin with “Alcohol, Prohibition and Temperance Societies in Ohio and Indiana,” and conclude with “Researching Criminal Ancestors.” Ron currently serves on the Board of Directors for the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies. He has authored three books, two of which are related to criminal records.



In addition to these five public programs, NEIJGS members will enjoy two Lunch and Learn programs with ACPL Genealogy Center staff, covering the use of DNA for research and the Periodical Source Index, a tremendous resource originating at the Genealogy Center. Members will also enjoy a fourth program by Dr. Evans, and dinners with those guest speakers visiting in person. For more information, visit [www.NEIndianaJGS.org](http://www.NEIndianaJGS.org).



# DONATIONS

## Campership Fund

In memory of Ethel Schnitt: *Maureen & Alan Grinsfelder*

In memory of Scott Sherr: *Beth & Mitchell Sherr*

## Dr. John Planer Music Fund

In honor of John Planer: *Cheryl Schorey*

In honor of Marcia & Denny Reynolds: *Ronnie & Norm Greenberg*

## General Operations

A donation has been received from: *Richard Grzych, Suzi Stone, Scott Fergusson, Greg Shoup*

In memory of Pearl Fichman: *Kaye Fichman*

In memory of Sarah Salon Kaye: *Thomas Shine*

In memory of Freda Dubin and Esther Schwartz: *Donna & Josh Tourkow*

In memory of Stan Fishman: *Carol & James Levy*

In memory of Anna Mae Rosenblatt: *Enid & Stanley Rosenblatt*

In memory of Helen Schubert: *Linda & Philip Schubert*

In memory of Louis Groden: *David Bussell*

In memory of Jennie Nemeroff: *Howard Nemeroff*

## Holocaust Education Fund

In memory of Pearl Fichman: *Ann Fichman*

## Kathryn Kann Mendelblatt Cultural Enrichment Fund

In memory of Kathryn Kann Mendelblatt: *Suzi Stone, Deborah Rothberg, Stephen Rothberg*

In memory of Edward Doehrman, Jo Rothberg, Arthur Hill, Helaine Kann Hill: *Suzi Stone*

In memory of Betty Kann Castle: *Suzi Stone, Deborah Rothberg*

## Library Fund

In memory of Rebecca & Chad Goldberg: *Kristin & Scott Goldberg*

## Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In memory of Selma Kaufman: *Rossya Kaufman*

In memory of Rabbi Samuel Goldin and William Walter: *Irene & Robert Walters*

In memory of Samuel Zaslawsky: *Adrienne & Adolph Brateman*

In memory of Gail Cousino: *Ron Cousino*

## Religious School Fund

In memory of Norma Trauner: *Theresa & Scott Trauner*

## Temple Gardens Fund/Spouseep Chapel

In memory of Nettie & Joseph Stumpf: *Ronnie & Norm Greenberg*

In honor of "Cards and good wishes for Norm": *Ronnie & Norm Greenberg*

In memory of Lena Nahmias Cohen and Doris Spouseep: *Elissa & Steve Cohen*

In memory of Rivah Meyers: *Patrice & Michael Spouseep*

## Thoughtful Thursdays

Donations have been received from: *Jessica & Roger Ash, Sally & Steve Trotter, Deborah Worpell*

In memory of Mayora Rosenberg, Ethel Schnitt, and Dr. Jerry Lesson: *Beth & Dan Zweig*

In honor of Sally Trotter: *Beth & Dan Zweig*

In memory of Beatrice Motel: *Karen Sandler*

In memory of Louis Marcus: *Suzi & Jim King*

Explore all of our [Tribute Funds](#) or [Make a Donation](#)





# JUNE YAHREZEITS

## June 3-4

Esther Cera Brateman  
Baruch Bronstein  
Ken Burcham  
Gary Cohen  
Nissim Yuda Farhi  
Sara Goldberg  
Sidney Goldin  
Rose R. Goldman  
John C. Gosney  
Isaac M. Hallenstein  
Fred Hefter  
Anna Hurwitz  
Herbert W. Isay  
Jack Levine  
Leopold Loeb  
Anna Marlow  
Abraham Pallas  
Eleanor B. Platka  
Rabbi Herman Price  
Franz Reimann  
Anna Mae Rosenblatt  
Charles Rosenblum  
Dora Rozeen  
Anna Schultz  
Eleanore Schwarz  
Nathan Snow  
Alexander Soraich  
Helen G. Warshauer  
Meyer Warshauer  
Pearl Waterman  
Eugenia Young  
Sylvia Zimmerman  
Muriel Zweig

## June 10-11

Issadore (Al) Adelman  
Jonas Arnold  
Linda Babb  
Al Berk  
Peter Bronstein  
Amelia Butz  
Archibald Cohen  
Georgia B. Daniel  
Joel Deitch  
Kate Dicker  
Edward T. Dinken  
Fannie Edelman  
Moses Englehard  
Miriam Falakovicz  
Alice Fenyes  
Louis Fishman  
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Edward Phillips  
Martha Replane  
Joseph Schachter  
Zuse Silverman  
Harry Slutsky  
Louis Smith  
Samuel Ralph Tourkow  
Julia W. Trauerman  
Rose K. Weigler  
Flora S. Weil  
Samuel Weiner  
Sidney Weiss  
Edward Zamrin  
Irving Zeal

## June 17-18

David G. Altheide  
Abraham Brateman  
Michla Breindel  
Mitchell Bronstein  
Norma Jean Chambers  
Gail Cousino  
Levi Edlavitch  
Morris Erman  
Rose Gibson  
Sarah Goldfarb  
Bernard Gross  
Leon Hasid  
Julius Lyman Isay

Dr. James B. Katz  
Helen Kornspan  
Della Krainess  
Danny Levin  
Pearl Marks  
Kathryn Kann Mendelblat  
Barbara Miller  
Babette Dessauer Neuwirth  
Chaje Nichtern  
Beryl Novitsky  
Thelma Ochstein  
Robert M. Pollak  
Susan Schwartz Prigozen  
Myron Russ  
Lottie Sahlmann  
Doris Sedgwick  
Harold Sheyer  
Louis Siegel  
Morris A. Stillpass  
Leah S. Tourkow  
Norma Trauner  
Isador Vigran  
Billie A. Wenbert  
Wayne C. Whisler  
Abraham Wolf  
Helena Wolf

## June 24-25

Samuel C. Blumenthal  
Dale Chambers  
Stanley D. Cohn  
Ruth Davis  
Lisa Deitch  
Yitzchok Falk

Rebecca Farhi  
Joseph Finkleman  
Jean King Fishbein  
Betty W. Golden  
Ann Golder  
Sara Hirsch  
Morris Hyman  
Louise Marcus  
Samuel Milstein  
Nathan Mull  
Harold B. Price  
Herta Rosanis  
George Sandel  
Martin Schwartz  
Isaac Schwartz  
Esther Smith  
Tillie Speyer  
Max Sposeep  
Doris M. Sposeep  
Hyman G. Steiber  
Emanuel Strass  
Becky Weinberg  
Florence Weinberg  
Rosa Wertheimer  
Etta Hoffman Zussman

***Yahrzeit Donations can be made online.***

## BAMS, CRACKS, AND DOTS RETURN - IT'S TIME FOR MAH JONGG!

The clack of tiles is back! We've resumed open play mah jongg games in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center.

Bring your 2022 card and join us on Monday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and on Thursday afternoons from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Sign up here for these informal sessions. Players of all levels are welcome! We ask for a \$2 donation each time you play to help support mahj and other programs. We will not meet on these three Mondays: May 30, June 6 (Shavuot), and July 4.

If you'd like to be added to our occasional mah jongg e-newsletter, please contact the Temple at [office@templecav.org](mailto:office@templecav.org).

We welcome newer players and gladly will assist as you learn the rules. (If you know anyone who would like to be contacted when we again offer lessons for beginners, please contact the Temple office at [office@templecav.org](mailto:office@templecav.org).)

## JOIN THE CREW SPRUCING UP TEMPLE GARDENS

Please stop by the Temple grounds to look at the beautiful gardens that will continue to brighten up the Rifkin Campus throughout the summer! Our volunteers meet on Tuesday mornings to help maintain the Temple gardens – and we always have room for those interested in playing in the dirt with us!

Ronnie Greenberg has more details on the CAV gardening group and sends out email updates on what will be done in the gardens on a weekly basis. If you'd like to join the gardening crew, please contact Ronnie at [rkg128@gmail.com](mailto:rkg128@gmail.com).

Thank you to the Gardening Crew: Ronnie Greenberg, Norm Greenberg, Deb Vilensky, Donna Tourkow, Janina Traxler, Joanne McCrory, Marnie Lowden, Nancy Lindsey, Ron Cousino, Dennie Reynolds, Marcia Reynolds, Nola Katinsky, and Jon Tam.





# JULY YAHRZEITS

## July 1-2

Rena Babich  
Toba Baum  
Joseph Bialick  
Sarah DuBow  
Louis Erdrich  
Alvin Avraham Farber  
Solomon Gabe  
Otto Gartner  
Sabine Gartner  
Teresa Hanna Gartner  
Dr. Naf H.Gladstone  
Robert Goldstine  
Bertha Gross  
Olga Haas  
Ruth Henzel  
Helaine Kann Hill  
Philip Kaplan  
Jack Komisarow  
Lawrence A. Levy Sr.  
Betty Luskin  
Abe Magazine  
Stephen Alan Mirman  
Glen Noyes  
Louis Papernick  
Yetta Piccone  
Carol Rosenberg  
Ada Rothberg  
Aaron Rothschild  
Samuel Schechter  
Louis Schefman  
Siegfried Schmitz  
Eleanor C. Schwartz  
Bernard Silverman  
Max Spanjer  
Florence Wald  
Robert Wollman  
Rubin Zamrin

## July 8-9

Joel M. Bass  
Elana Ben-Yehoshua  
Alain Biger  
Bart Broederz  
Margot Field  
Simon Freiburger  
Jerry Friedman  
Bertha Gifs  
Morris Gladstone  
Klara Goldfarb  
Charlotte L. Goldstine  
Nathan Hendelman  
Samuel Herman  
Andy Kollman  
Joan Lesson  
Louis Levin  
Sol Mastbaum  
Marshall Pallas  
Dr. Eric Ray  
William Rothenberg  
Benjamin Rothschild  
Nathan Rothschild  
Sigfried Schmitz  
Nathan Stoller  
Harry Trauner

## July 15-16

Irving E. Appel  
Mollie Barasch  
David Block  
Maurice Cohen  
Dr. Hyman L. Cohen  
Bernard Dubinsky  
Oscar Eisbart  
Marguerite Elder  
Abe Field  
Edward Finkel

Betty Fischer  
Sarah Gerber  
Jack Golder  
Florence Goode  
Philmore I. Harris  
Libby Harris  
Herb Kocks  
Ida Lefko  
Harry Marlin  
Isidore Marx  
Louis Novitsky  
Milton Rosenthal Jr.  
Julius Saffron  
Betty Saul  
Don Sewell  
Manny Silverman  
Minnie Sposeep  
Jeannette Sposeep  
Isaac Trauerman  
Walter Weinstein  
Rose Smith Wittenberg

## July 22-23

David Auerbach  
Leah Babich  
Solomon Babich  
Isadore Berkowitz  
Armand Cohodes  
Anna Dively  
Ann Doran  
Dora Fisher  
Lillie Hutner Fleck  
Belle Frank  
Leopold Freiburger  
Gulian Friedman  
Frieda Friedman  
Cheryl Gannon  
Arthur Hill

Morris Horn  
David S. Hutner  
Ben Kelman  
Annette Latker  
Iretta Lauinger  
Meyer Levin  
Naomi Levin  
Rita S. Marks  
Nanette Mayer  
Abraham Metzger  
Betty Myer  
Henry Ney  
Frace Polz  
Marlene Primack  
James H. Richardson  
Amelia Rosenthal  
Elinor Sachs  
Phyllis Silver Silverman  
Miriam Singerman  
Albert Smith  
Zalman Sposeep  
Celia Pearl Steiber  
Jacques Tourkow  
Adolph B. Weigler  
Fannie Wertheimer  
Sylvia Wolfe

## July 29-30

Kalman Beck  
Marvin Berg  
Harry Bosell  
Jeanne F. Bransilver  
Samuel Bretzfelder  
Alfred Milton Bronstein  
Mary Kay Byrne  
Dr. Harold Cline  
Cynthia Cremer  
Jack Feldheim

Herman Fischer  
Bill Fox  
Adelaide Frank  
Joe Gerson  
Carrie Broda Goodman  
Sol Hutner  
Israel Kaplansky  
Selma Kline  
Cathy Krainess  
Eugene Kraus  
Isaac Kretzman  
David Lauferty  
Celia Masursky  
Phyllis Pinzow  
Jeffrey Silver  
Adele Snow  
Raoul Roderick  
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## PERSONALIZE YOUR LOVED ONE'S DIGITAL YAHRZEIT PAGE

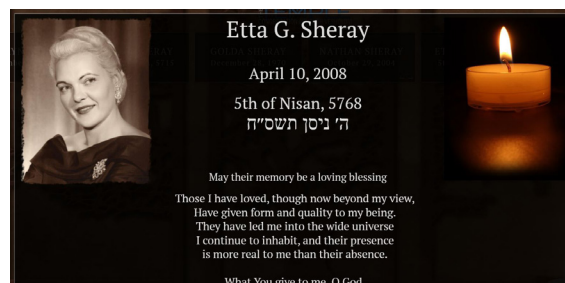
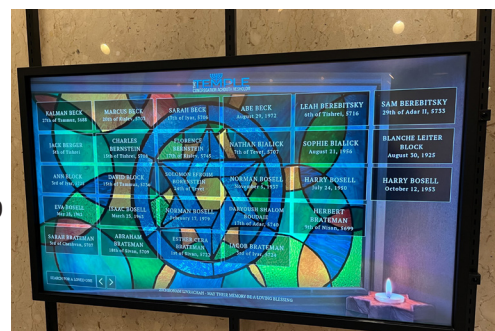
Have you previously purchased a bronze yahrzeit plaque for a loved one at Achduth Vesholom or B'nai Jacob? Or have you recently purchased a digital plaque on our new display in the foyer?

If so, we invite you to take advantage of special features on our new yahrzeit display by providing biographical information and photos of your family member. Forms are available both online or on paper to fill out with specific information about a loved one to submit to the Temple office to be added to the display.

This is the latest step in our yahrzeit project that grew out of the transition that began in July 2019 when members of the former B'nai Jacob became part of Achduth Vesholom. The long history of both congregations meant we had nearly 1,000 bronze nameplates on 10 larger boards with limited wall space.

The Temple's Board of Directors voted in February 2021 to purchase the interactive digital display, which was installed last September. The existing bronze plaques are being incorporated into a sculpture in the courtyard of the Madge Rothschild Resource Center.

Digital yahrzeit plaques are available for \$500 each, with proceeds going to the Temple's Endowment. While the congregation draws from our entire yahrzeit list when we say Kaddish during services, the digital display includes only names for those whose loved ones have purchased a plaque.



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The Temple Board welcomes your comments and suggestions. We will do our best to address your questions and concerns. We value the diversity of viewpoints within our congregation.

Please contact the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 or [office@templecav.org](mailto:office@templecav.org) for information. President Ronnie Greenberg can be reached at (260) 483-6327 or [president@templecav.org](mailto:president@templecav.org).

**The deadline for the August Bulletin is Monday, July 18.**

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

### RONNIE GREENBERG

It's 8:00 in the morning and I just took two trays of seedlings that I've been nurturing under a grow light for the past two months out to the back patio for a day of natural light. This evening I will have to bring them back in. They require a lot of care – remember to turn the grow light on in the morning and off at night (even seedlings need to rest), water as needed, replant if some seeds don't germinate, thin the seedlings if too many germinate. Take them outside at the right time to harden off. Finally, plant them in their final location. You're probably thinking, why do all that? You could just buy plants at a nursery. That's true, but...



Some things are worth doing for their own sake as well as for the outcome. The time and energy I invest in growing plants is rewarding to me because I feel that I am contributing to improving the environment. That is important to me. Similarly, the time and energy I invest at the Temple also holds a reward for me because I feel that I am contributing to the well-being and continuation of our Jewish community and our people. That is important to me. I suppose I could just let someone else to do it, but...

So here we are, nearing the end of the Temple's calendar and fiscal year. When you read this, the final meeting of this Board of Directors will be over, and we will be anticipating the Temple's annual congregational meeting – our 174th!

Our congregation is a charter member of the Union for Reform Judaism. For nearly 175 years, we have supported and nurtured Judaism in northeast Indiana, contributing our time and talents to not only our Jewish community but the larger community as well. I am proud to accept my place in this long line of Temple members and to work for its continuation. For me, expecting someone else to do it isn't an option.

As we wind down the year, I would like to thank Rachel Gordon, Ellen Tom, Josh Tourkow and Jay Zemmol for their service as they leave the board. It has been a pleasure to work with them this past year.

Soon, following the Annual Meeting, a new board will be seated to continue the work of guiding the congregation, completing projects already begun and initiating new ones. Want to know more? Plan to attend the Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 8 at 7:00 p.m. Not only will you find out what's going on in your congregation and have a chance to vote on your next set of leaders and planned projects, you'll also see the presentation of the William Brosler Award – our highest recognition of Temple volunteers – and have a nice little oneg nosh thanks to Marcia Reynolds, Mimi Zelman, and friends.

As you write the annual meeting date on your calendar, or enter it into your phone calendar, think about the coming year and how you will contribute to the Jewish people and support the Temple. Do you have school-age children? Volunteer to help with the Religious School. Are you interested in social action issues? We have a committee for that. Do you want to increase your Jewish knowledge? Rabbi Meir offers a varied menu of topics for study.

Think about what seedlings you want to help nurture. What's important enough to you that you are willing to turn that grow light on?

*Join us at the Temple!*



**A NEW TIME  
TO  
CELEBRATE  
SHABBAT!**

**SUMMERTIME SERVICES  
ON FRIDAYS BEGIN AT  
6:30 P.M.**