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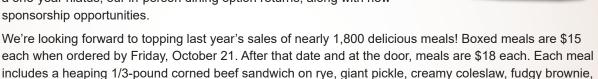
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#### CORNED BEEF ON RYE FUNDRAISER MARKS 20TH YEAR!

Get ready to savor delicious delicatessen when our <u>Corned Beef on Rye – Sure to Satisfy Fundraiser</u> returns for a 20th year on Thursday, November 3.

Back again on Deli Day are delicious whole Hebrew National kosher salami chubs (12-oz. size for \$12 each) and drive-thru pick-up. After a one-year hiatus, our in-person dining option returns, along with new sponsorship opportunities.



Order meals, become a sponsor, tell your friends about our mouthwatering meal, and volunteer your time!

Order online or download an order form.

We've also got additional pounds of bulk corned beef for sale for \$18 per pound. Delivery service is available when you order 12 meals or more by Friday, October 21 for \$15 per address.

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and a drink.

With our hearts full of joy and pride, we invite our family and friends to join us at the Bar Mitzvah of our son

#### Myles Henry Hadashi

Saturday, October 22, 2022 at 10 a.m. Congregation Achduth Vesholom

Shai Hadashi and Leah Zimmerman

# JOIN US FOR YOM KIPPUR AND BREAK THE FAST

Please join us during this sacred time of reflection, forgiveness, and renewal when we continue our <u>High Holy Days</u> observances for 5783 with Yom Kippur worship on October 4 and 5.

As one congregation with two traditions, we'll offer Reform and Conservative services for Kol Nidre and the Day of Atonement. The ROMEOs will host <u>Break-the-Fast</u> after each of the concluding services.

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES**

#### OCTOBER SHABBAT AND HOLIDAY SERVICES

Shabbat Shuvah Service Cemetery Services Friday, September 30 7:30 p.m.

Memorial Sculpture Dedication at 7 p.m.

Music: Maestro Robert Nance

Saturday, October 1 9:45 a.m.

\*Fort4Fitness will impact traffic. Please contact the Temple office in advance to get a traffic pass.

Sunday, October 2

- 1 p.m. Lindenwood Cemetery
- 2:30 p.m. Fort Wayne **Jewish Cemetery**

#### **Erev Yom Kippur**

Shabbat Shuvah Service\* Tuesday, October 4 Conservative Services

- 6:30 p.m. Mincha
- 7 p.m. Kol Nidre Reform Service
- · 8 p.m. Kol Nidre



Wednesday, October 5 Conservative Services

- 8:30 a.m. Shacharit
- · 10 a.m. Torah, Haftorah, Shabbat Service
- D'var Torah. Yizkor • 11:30 a.m. Musaf
- · 6 p.m. Mincha
- 7 p.m. Neilah
- 8 p.m. Havdalah
- Break the fast follows

#### Reform Services

- 10 a.m. Morning Service
- 2:30 p.m. Yom Kippur Afternoon Learning (MRRC)
- 4 p.m. Yizkor Service
- 5 p.m. Neilah Service
- Break-the-fast follows

**Shabbat Service** 

Friday, October 7

7:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 8

9:45 a.m.

Simchat Torah Service Monday, October 17 6:30 p.m. Oneg Torah (RSVP)

7 p.m. Service

**Shabbat Service** 

**Shabbat Service & Myles** 

Friday, October 21

Sukkot & Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.

Friday, October 14

7:30 p.m.

Nosh in the Sukkah follows Hadashi Bar Mitzvah

Saturday, October 22

**Shabbat Service** 

Sukkot & Shabbat Service 10 a.m.

Saturday, October 15

9:45 a.m.

Nosh in the Sukkah Follows Friday, October 28

7:30 p.m.

**Shabbat Service** 

Saturday, October 29

9:45 a.m.

#### OCTOBER EVENTS

#### Spaghetti & Matzo Balls!: "A true story of The Mob, The Music & The Mishegas!"

Sunday, October 2 7 p.m. See page 9 for new

information

#### **Five Books of Moses Study** Group

Sundays, October 2 & 23 7 p.m. on Zoom

#### Sukkah Decorating and Pizza Lunch

Sunday, October 9 10:30 a.m. to noon RSVP by Friday, October 7

#### Mah Jongg Lessons for **Beginners**

Mondays, October 10 & 24 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. RSVP and payment needed no

later than Friday, September 30

#### Sukkot: Holiday of the Hut and More

Tuesday, October 11 7 p.m. on Zoom RSVP by October 6

#### **Thoughtful Thursdays**

Wednesday, October 12 10 a.m. at the Temple

#### Joy Vey! A Kid-ish Shabbat

Friday, October 14 5:30 to 6 p.m.

#### **Temple Book Club**

Tuesday, October 18 7 p.m. on Zoom

#### The U.S. and The Holocaust

Sunday, October 23 2 p.m. at the Temple

#### **Hebrew Liturgy Study Group**

Mondays, October 24 & 31 7 p.m. on Zoom

#### An Evening of Chasidic Wisdom

Tuesday, October 25 7 p.m. on Zoom RSVP by October 20

#### NOVEMBER EVENTS

#### **Corned Beef Prep Night** Wednesday, November 2

6 to 9 p.m.

#### 20th Corned Beef Fundraiser

Thursday, November 3 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### Annelise Heinz, author of Mahjong: A Chinese Game and the Making of Modern **American Culture**

Sunday, November 6 2 p.m. at the Temple

#### **Seeing and Counting Our Blessings**

Tuesday, November 8 7 p.m. on Zoom

#### Marian Smith: Immigration and **Naturalization Records**

Sunday, November 13 2 p.m. at The ACPL Genealogy Center

**NEIJGS** 

#### 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 here

#### Lunch with the ROMEOs

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

#### Thursday, October 6

Bagger Dave's Burger Tavern 2886 E. Dupont Rd.

#### Thursday, October 20

Casa Ristoranti

7545 W. Jefferson Blvd.

RSVP to Denny Reynolds at dennisreynolds@me.com

Find the Lunch Schedule Here



#### SHARE SHABBAT MORNING TORAH STUDY ON NOVEMBER 5

Please join us on Saturday, November 5 at 9:45 a.m. for Shabbat morning services, followed immediately by Torah Study and a nosh. This will be an in-person program and will not be live-streamed. CONGREGATION ACHDUTH VESHOLOM 2

# RABBI MEIR BARGERON BEGINNING THE JOURNEY



As I write this month's column, we have just come together to welcome 5783 on Rosh Hashanah. I hope that each of you had a meaningful celebration of the new year. The Days of Awe continue and lead us toward Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement.

Beginning with the Kol Nidre service and continuing the next day, we will fast and pray as we seek atonement. It is a solemn day, and

a day that can feel intimidating, or even overwhelming! We may ask ourselves, "Is the task too difficult? Is it beyond our reach?"

I am reminded of a beautiful midrash, a rabbinic homiletic story, from *Pesikta Rabbati*. There was a prince who traveled a long distance from his father, the king. The prince was so far away that it would take a journey of 100 days to return to the king. He went away because he had made some life choices that he feared would offend his father. He was certain that his father would never forgive him for what he had done.

The prince's friends begged him to return to his father, but he said he could not because his life was so far from the king's expectations. "I can't return," he said. "I do not have the strength to face my father." The prince's friends shared this information with the king, who sent a message in return: "Come back as far as you are able, and I will go the rest of the way to meet you."

In this parable the prince represents Israel; that is, all of us. The sages suggest that we might be hesitant to return to God, particularly if we feel guilt or shame about something we have done or left undone. In the midrash, God returns to us as we return to God. It is our responsibility to begin the journey. However, if we put in at least some effort, God will meet us where we are.

I wish everyone a meaningful fast and a productive Yom Kippur. May you be sealed in the Book of Life for goodness and joy in the coming year.

G'mar Chatima Tovah,

Rabbi Meir



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#### **WE CARE**

Please let the Temple office or Rabbi Meir know if a family member is in the hospital or if other situations arise when the congregation may be of assistance or comfort. We aren't always aware of situations unless family or friends notify us.

### LEARN WITH US: NEW BEIT MIDRASH CLASSES THIS FALL WITH RABBI MEIR

Beit Midrash translates to "House of Study," and describes the institution of classical Jewish learning. Expand your Jewish knowledge by joining us in the coming year for <u>lifelong learning classes</u> that include a variety of Jewish study topics with Rabbi Meir Bargeron.



Sukkot: Holiday of the Hut and More

Tuesday, October 11

7 p.m. on Zoom

After the spiritual workout of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, we enter the festival of Sukkot. What are the origins of the holiday, and what exactly is a sukkah? We will read the biblical sources, the rabbinic commentaries, and discuss our own interpretations of how to celebrate Sukkot.

#### An Evening of Chasidic Wisdom

Tuesday, October 25

7 p.m. on Zoom

The Chasidic movement brought an emphasis on *chased*, compassion, to the forefront of Jewish life. The teachings of Chasidic sages inspire joy and offer wisdom that remains relevant to modern Jews. We will learn about the history of Chasidism and read some gems from the tradition's great teachers.

#### **Seeing and Counting our Blessings**

Tuesday, November 8

7 p.m. on Zoom

A substantial part of Jewish prayer is comprised of blessings, the act of calling down God's favor on someone or something. Blessings are so important that the Talmud teaches that a person is obligated to recite 100 blessings every day! We will study the form of traditional Jewish blessings and reflect on their meaning in Jewish life.

The Jews and the Greeks: A Hanukkah Object Story

With Rabbi Sarah Berman

Tuesday, December 13

7pm on Zoom

The Hanukkah story pits the ancient Jews against their Hellenistic Greek neighbors, but in real life the divisions between these two groups were often much less dramatic. Join Rabbi Sarah Berman to explore art and objects that tell more nuanced stories about the encounter between Judaism and Hellenism — and come away with a new understanding of Hanukkah.

Sarah Berman is Rabbi and Director of Adult Education at Central Synagogue in New York. Before her ordination in 2020 she served as a rabbinic intern in New York City, suburban New Jersey, and Wisconsin, as well as in pastoral roles at organizations serving women transitioning from incarceration to independence. Before attending rabbinical school, Sarah spent a decade doing art and historical research and curatorial work at the Seattle Art Museum.

#### **Ongoing Weekly Study Groups**

The Five Books of Moses Study Group with Rabbi Mitchell Kornspan meets on Sundays at 7 p.m. (No class on October 16).

**Hebrew Liturgy Study Group with John Planer** resumes on Monday, October 24 at 7 p.m. on Zoom

#### LEARN TO PLAY MAH JONGG WITH US



Have you always wanted to play mah jongg, but didn't know where, when, or how? Need a refresher or have some friends who want to learn? Interested in being able to join our regular open play games? We can help!

The Temple again will be offering lessons for beginners on two Mondays, October 10 and 24

from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center. Taught by Marcia Reynolds and John Stein, the sessions will cover the basics, as well as the opportunity to start playing and learning the subtleties of the game.

Reservations and payment are required no later than Friday, September 30. Please contact the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 or office@templecav.org. The cost is \$15 and includes the 2022 card that you'll need for play.

Scheduling note for ongoing open play: With Jewish holidays and beginners' lessons in October, we will not have open play during some of our regular times on Monday evenings and Thursday afternoons. Please check our open play sign-up sheet for the schedule and sign up at least 24 hours in advance so we know if we have enough players.

### EXPLORING THE CULTURAL JOURNEY OF MAH JONGG

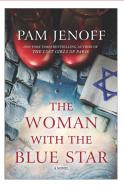
Please join us Sunday, November 6 at 2 p.m. for Mahjong! *How a Chinese Game Shaped Modern American Culture*. <u>Author Annelise Heinz</u> will share with us the American history of the Chinese parlor game mahjong.

She charts a complex cultural journey as the game's history connects American expatriates in Shanghai, Jazz Age white Americans, urban Chinese Americans in the 1930s. Jewish American

suburban mothers, and Air Force officers' wives in the postwar era. Her talk follows the history of one game to think about how, in their daily lives, individuals create and experience cultural change.

Ms. Heinz is the author of <u>Mahjong: A Chinese Game and the Making of Modern American Culture</u>. Currently, a historian at the University of Oregon, her work has been featured by National Public Radio, The Wall Street Journal, TIME, Tablet, and Kveller among others. She has lived and played mahjong in the United States and Southwestern China.

Dessert reception and meet and greet with the author will follow.



#### AUTHOR PAM JENOFF TO JOIN US FOR TEMPLE BOOK CLUB

Our Temple Book Club will meet virtually on Tuesday, October 18 to discuss <u>The Woman With the Blue Star</u> at 7 p.m., followed by a conversation at 7:30 p.m. with author Pam Jenoff.

Set during World War II in Krakow, the book follows two girls – one Jewish, living in the ghetto, and one a wealthy Polish girl – as their lives cross and they become close.

Jenoff is the author of several books of historical fiction, including the New York Times bestseller The Orphan's Tale. She holds a degree in international affairs from George Washington University, a degree in history from Cambridge, and a JD from UPenn.

Her novels are inspired by her experiences working at the Pentagon and as a diplomat for the State Department handling Holocaust issues in Poland. Jenoff lives with her husband and three children near Philadelphia, where she teaches law.

The book is available in the Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library. Watch your weekly e-mail for the link. We hope to see you there!

Thank you to Betsy Gephart for coordinating the program and to the <u>Jewish Book Council</u> for its <u>LiveChat</u> series.

#### CHECK THESE OUT A.S.A.P. FROM THE TEMPLE LIBRARY

As part of the "A.S.A.P." program that we're enrolled in with Kar-Ben Publishers, we're pleased to be among the first to offer their new titles in the <u>Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library.</u> We recently received a shipment of 10 books, which are ready and waiting for you on the library shelves.

Half of the titles are holiday books. *Pinky Bloom and the Case of the Silent Shofar,* by Judy Press, is a chapter book for young or middle grade readers that came just in time for Rosh Hashanah. Pinky Bloom has two other mysteries in our library in the same series. For Sukkot, we have a new picture book by Jen Halpern, *The Stars Will Be My Nightlight: A Sukkot Story*. And for Hanukkah, we have a board book for the youngest readers - *Hanukkah Nights*, by Amalia Hoffman – that counts the nights with some fun drawing techniques. *Tizzy, the Dizzy Dreidel*, by Allison Marks, and *Hanukkah in Little Havana*, by Julie Anna Blank, are new additions to our picture book collection. The latter adds some welcome variety to our holiday titles by including some Sephardic traditions.

Our second board book, Nancy Cote's *Help-a-Lot Shabbat*, shows how even the littlest readers can help get ready for Shabbat. Jane Yolen's new picture book, *Deborah's Tree*, tells the story of the Biblical Deborah and her ability to see the future. *Shoham's Bangle*, by Sarah Sassoon, is a beautiful story of the author's Iraqi family and their emigration to Israel in 1951.

Finally, we have two new titles for middle-grade readers. The Prince of the Steel Pier, by Stacy Nockowitz, is set in Atlantic

City in the 1970s, and is centered around Joey Goodman, a 13-year-old Jewish boy, and the world of mobsters and a rather seedy city. *My Name is Hamburger*, by Jacqueline Jules, is written in verse and set in the early 1960s. It features a young Jewish girl in a small Southern town.

In addition to our Kar-Ben titles, we have several other new titles that recently arrived on our shelves. The library is available for self-checkout whenever the building is open. Look through our catalog - or just come in and check us out!



MAHJONG

ANNELISE HEINZ

# YOUTH NEWS

#### KESHER PROGRAMMING OFF TO A GREAT START

Shanah Tovah! Last month, we kicked off another great year of KESHER ("connection") programming for our Temple youth by gathering together on September 11 for what we call a KESHER Sunday.

Our 22 students ages 3-15 from 11 families reunited last month after a long summer apart by playing several games together and learning new fun facts about each other. The day continued with their attendance at the Rifkin Campus Open House, learning more about our congregation's history and exploring their own families' journeys to Fort Wayne.

We also met together for KESHER Sunday on September 18, where we focused on the theme of *Teshuvah* (return) and prepared our *neshamas* (souls) and *ruchot* (spirits) for the High Holidays.

In other news, our weekly online Hebrew classes are in full swing now. Thirteen students are participating in these virtual classes with other students from around the country as part of Shalom Learning's groundbreaking Atlanta Hebrew Connection program.

Later this month, 19 students will start weekly virtual Jewish Values classes through Shalom Learning, which will take place on Sunday mornings.

We'll enjoy another KESHER Sunday program in person on October 9 at the Temple from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. We'll be creating decorations for our Congregation's sukkah, reading with PJ Library,

and enjoying pizza lunch in the hut!

As a reminder, our KESHER Sunday activities are open to all Preschool-and-up Temple youth, regardless of Religious School (online values and Hebrew) registration.



We'll celebrate Simchat Torah on Monday, October 17 with congregation-wide services at 7 p.m. and will host a family-friendly Oneg Torah at 6:30 p.m. at the Temple. Unrolling the Torah for yontif is always an active, joyous, and musical service for kids to participate in - I hope to see you all there!

And we are excited to recognize Myles Hadashi and his studies toward becoming a Bar Mitzvah. Please plan to attend our Shabbat service on Friday, October 21 at 7:30 p.m. to share in the start of this special weekend and also on Saturday, October 22 at 10 a.m. when Myles reads from the Torah. We can't wait to worship and celebrate with you, Myles, and your parents, Leah Zimmerman and Shai Hadashi!

Lastly, we have a KESHER Day of Service planned for Sunday, November 13. If you know of a cause that could benefit from the efforts of our 20+ children and their families, please reach out to me ASAP as we are still looking for service projects to undertake that day.

As always, please reach out to me at educator@templecav.org any time with any questions you might have!

Leise Rosman, Religious School Committee Chair



#### JOY VEY! IT'S A KID-ISH SHABBAT ON OCTOBER 14

Gather 'round your little ones (ages 0-5ish and older siblings) for a playful and silly, yet peaceful start to Shabbat for the whole family on Friday, October 14 from 5:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Temple. We will light candles, pray, sing songs, move and groove, and even practice mindfulness.

Please join us in the tradition of blessing your children as we make a joyful place for Shabbat in our lives and hearts... together. **Joy Vey! A Kid-ish Shabbat** will be led by Bekah Worpell, music and movement mentor, and Rabbi Meir in the Madge Rothschild Resource Centerl. We will meet regularly on the second Friday night of the month.









#### CORNED BEEF FUNDRAISER CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

New this year: Three sponsorship levels for donations made by Friday, October 21:

- · Become a gold sponsor with a donation of \$1,000 or more to promote your business by providing a coupon or small advertisement to be included in each meal, along with having your name included on our online order form
- Become a silver sponsor with a donation of \$500 to \$999 to have your name or business name included on our online order
- Become a bronze sponsor with a donation of \$100 or more to be recognized on an enclosure inside each of the boxed lunches and on our website

Volunteers are needed on Wednesday, November 2 for Prep Night from 6 to 9 shifts beginning at 9 a.m. Contact the office CORNED BEEF ON to say you'll help.

#### Thanks to the Corned Beef Committee:

Co-Chairs Micah Soltz and David Crell,











on August 25 for our upcoming Corned Beef Fundraiser. The morning included lots of schmoozing, along with folding and stuffing sponsor letters and order forms, adding postage and mailing labels, and more. Thank you to all who helped, including Marie McFadden for getting all the materials ready, Volunteer Coordinators Amy Krouse and Nancy Salon, and our Corned Beef Crew.









Rabbi Meir Bargeron and Rev. Annie Epling, along with members of Congregation Achduth Vesholom and First Presbyterian Church, gathered on September 7 at First Pres to talk about reproductive justice and the views on abortion of both faith traditions. The evening included a reading from the play "Roe", by Lisa Loomer, presented by actors from the First Presbyterian Theater.

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP WELLSPRING

Wellspring Interfaith Social Services has asked us to help with a new program they are offering. They receive donations of personal care products in large cartons and are looking for volunteers to assist with filling individual bags with the items.

As one of Wellspring's faith partners in the community, the Temple previously provided volunteers for this project. Last time we were there for two hours with four people working. We did such a good job that they have asked if we could do it monthly.



We need 4-6 volunteers willing to work every month, or every other month, helping the underserved population. If you are able to assist, please contact Social Action Chair Rena Black at rena.black.fw@gmail.com.

This is a perfect opportunity to serve our community, tikkun olam, striving to repair the world, for very little time and effort. Give generously with your time for this worthwhile project. Thank you!

-Social Action Committee



#### U.S. AND THE HOLOCAUST SCREENING INCLUDES PANEL DISCUSSION

The Temple will host a public screening and panel discussion on Sunday, October 23 at 2 p.m. in conjunction with the new three-part documentary called <u>The U.S. and The Holocaust</u> that premiered in September on PBS-39. The series, directed and produced by Ken Burns, Lynn Novick and Sarah Botstein, explores America's response to one of the greatest humanitarian crises in history.

Please join us for the screening of a 43-minute segment of the documentary, followed by a Q & A and panel discussion that includes Temple member Irv Adler.

Irv, along with his wife, Fran, are authors of <u>Then and Now: Discovering My Viennese Family</u>, which tells about Irv's decade-long journey researching what happened to his grandmother and family who were victims of the Holocaust and his discovery of the last relative who had survived the camps and a death march. His research was inspired by 102 letters his grandmother and other relatives wrote to his mother, who had left Vienna for England in September 1938.

The U.S. and the Holocaust is a three-part, six-hour series that examines America's response to one of the greatest humanitarian crises of the 20th century. Americans consider themselves a "nation of immigrants," but as the catastrophe of the Holocaust unfolded in Europe, the United States proved unwilling to open its doors to more than a fraction of the hundreds of thousands of desperate people seeking refuge.

#### ADLERS PART OF SECOND-GENERATION NETWORK

The British government began to relax its immigration quotas shortly after the Nazi takeover of Austria in March 1938. Irv Adler's mother and other Viennese family members took advantage of the relaxed quotas and found jobs in England as domestic servants.

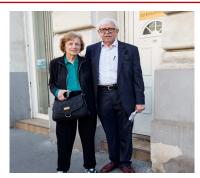
After Kristallnacht in November 1938, even more Jews wanted to escape from the Reich. Fran Adler's cousin Emmy took advantage of the British domestic servants program and went to London in May 1939. From 1938 to May 1940, about 70,000 Jewish refugees entered England, including 10,000 from the Kindertransport. About 20,000 of the refugees were domestic servants like Emmy and Irv's mother and other relatives.

The original intent of the relaxed British immigration policy was to provide an avenue for mainland European Jews to escape Nazi persecution and stay in Britain for only two years, enough time to find permanent homes in places like the USA, Canada, South America, and Palestine. With conditions worsening for the Jews, the

British government became laxer in enforcing the transit visa restrictions. About half the Jews from the mainland stayed in England and later established permanent residency, including Emmy and some of Irv's relatives. This eventually led to first, second, and now third survivor generations living in England today.

The Second-Generation Network is a UK-based organization that was officially formed in January 1997, after a series of meetings was held in London in 1994 and 1995 among the children of the persons who entered England as refugees from Nazi persecution during the 1930s. Its focus is to explore the effects of the Holocaust on its members' lives. Being Jewish is not a prerequisite. What binds the Second-Generation, and more recently the Third-Generation, Network together is the experience of being from a family that was affected by Nazi persecution.

The Second-Generation Network publishes a newsletter and a magazine, regularly holds discussion group meetings, presentations, and
workshops
on Zoom
or at the
Wiener
Holocaust
Library in
London; it
co-hosted



the 2019 London Kindertransport Conference and participated in working groups in the Descendants of Survivors Conference in Cologne.

Irv learned about the Second-Generation Network through his research on the book he co-authored with Fran called <u>Then and Now:</u> <u>Discovering My Viennese Family</u>, as well as his membership in the UK-Based Association of Jewish Refugees.

Both Fran and Irv have Second- and Third-Generation family in England and have been members of the Second-Generation Network since early-2020.

#### MEET YOUR MISHPOCHA WELCOMED SPEAKERS AND CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

The Northeast Indiana Jewish Genealogy Society welcomed three guest speakers to its program at the recent Rifkin Campus Open House in September.

Guests attended in-person and online as we heard from:

- Mike Brown, executive director of the Indiana Jewish Historical Society, about "50 Years of the IJHS!"
- Information Management Specialist Suzanne Grimmer discussed "Preserving Family Records"
- Sara Allen from the Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center talked about DNA Research.

In addition to learning from our speakers, guests digitized documents, signed up for oral history video interviews, talked to our experts and explored our Fort Wayne Jewish Families Database. Our speakers were on hand to ask questions as well.

information tables from the Temple, the Federation and the PFW Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies. PJ Library activities were also available in the Resource Center.

# U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Records Focus in November

The NEIJGS is hosting its next public program on Sunday, November 13 at 2 p.m., when Marian Smith, retired

from the Immigration and Naturalization Service, will speak about "More than Manifests: U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Records." This will be a virtual program. A registration link and more information can be found on the NEIJGS website at <a href="https://www.NEIndianaJGS.org">www.NEIndianaJGS.org</a>.



The open house also featured pizza from 800 Degrees, and





For centuries Jews have gathered in synagogues on Saturday evening near Rosh Hashanah to prepare for the sacred season of self-scrutiny and renewal on Selichot. The word comes from the Hebrew for "forgiveness" and "pardon."

As a congregation, we continued the tradition on September 17, led by Rabbi Meir.

We began with Havdalah (with beautiful music by Ronnie & Norm Greenberg), changed the Torah covers to white, and started the holiday season with meditative prayer and readings.. Following the service in the Sanctuary, we also changed the Torah covers in the Goldstine-B'nai Jacob Chapel.

**HELP THE HUNGRY** with a donation to MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger. Find out more at <a href="https://www.mazon.org">www.mazon.org</a>. Contribution envelopes are available at the Temple.

#### **CEMETERY SERVICES PLANNED**



Memorial services will be held Sunday, October 2 at 1 p.m. at <u>Lindenwood Cemetery</u> and 2:30 p.m. at <u>Fort Wayne Jewish</u> <u>Cemetery.</u> Join Rabbi Meir for the traditional El Maleh Rachmim and Kaddish prayers, along with the appropriate psalms, poetry and prayers.

#### SUPPORT HIGH HOLY DAYS FOOD DRIVE

Once again this year Congregation Achduth
Vesholom is raising funds and food to benefit the
clients of our partner organization, Wellspring
Interfaith Social Services, which serves people in
need living in the heart of Fort Wayne. You can
participate in one of these ways:



- Pick up a grocery bag from our lobby on Rosh Hashanah, fill it with peanut butter and/or paper goods (toilet paper, paper towels, etc.), and return it to the Temple on Yom Kippur.
- Order a case or cases of your favorite peanut butter (16 oz. size) to be delivered directly to Wellspring, 1316 Broadway St., Fort Wayne, IN 46802. Request a card be included with your name and CAV's name.
- Write a check for any amount, from \$5 to \$500, payable to "Wellspring Interfaith Social Services." Deposit it in the Tzedakah Box in our lobby -- or mail it to the Temple (5200 Old Mill Rd., Fort Wayne, IN 46807) and we will forward it with other checks as a group to Wellspring.

Thank you for your generosity. This is our largest effort in a calendar year to assist those with less than we have. Please open your hearts and pockets again this year as you have for so many years. Thank you to the Social Action Committee and Chair Rena Black.

Questions can be directed to the Temple office at office@templecav.org.

#### JOIN US FOR BREƏK THE FƏST CONTINUED FROM PƏGE I

Erev Yom Kippur - Tuesday, October 4



Rabbi Meir Bargeron will lead the Reform service at 8 p.m. with Cantor Yvon F. Shore and musical accompaniment by Maestro Robert Nance. Cellist David Rezits will play Kol Nidre. Hazemir will sing on Erev Yom Kippur.

<u>Cantor Yael Fischman</u> will lead Conservative worship with Ron Friedman, beginning at 6:30 p.m. with Mincha and 7 p.m. for Kol Nidre.

#### Yom Kippur - Wednesday, October 5

Reform services begin at 10 a.m. An in-person-only afternoon learning session will begin at 2:30 p.m. in the Madge Rothschild Resource Center. Worship continues with Yizkor at 4 p.m., followed at 5 p.m. by Neilah and Break-the-Fast.

Conservative services begin with Shacharit at 8:30 a.m., Torah, Haftorah, D'var Torah, and Yizkor at 10 a.m., and Musaf at 11:30 a.m.. Worship resumes with Mincha at 6 p.m., Neilah at 7 p.m., Havdalah at 8 p.m., and Break-the-Fast.

Plan to join us in person or via livestream on Zoom or <u>YouTube</u> throughout the fall holidays, including Sukkot and Simchat Torah. Under our <u>COVID</u> <u>safety protocols</u>, masks are optional in the building.

Thank you to our High Holy Days sponsors! These generous gifts helped with expenses from replenishing the floral fund to assisting with security, music, technology, and congregational events.



# CHANGE OF PLANS FOR WATCH PARTY: "SPAGHETTI & MATZO BALLS!: A TRUE STORY OF THE MOB, THE MUSIC & THE MISHEGAS!"

Our plans for the watch party for "Spaghetti & Matzo Balls!" have changed -- and we will no longer gather in person on Sunday, October 2 at the Temple. However, you're able to participate in the national virtual premiere at home at 7:30 p.m. by <u>registering in advance</u>.

Just when you thought the Rao's pasta sauce on your shelf didn't lead to someone's Jewish discovery... along comes Rena Strober's Spaghetti & Matzo Balls!: "A true story of The Mob, The Music & The Mishegas!"

Broadway & TV actress Rena Strober has teamed up with director Stuart K. Robinson for Spaghetti & Matzo Balls!, a short film adapted from Rena's hit off-Broadway show that New York Magazine called "warm, honest, funny and engaging."

Following the virtual premiere of the film, we'll hear a conversation between Rena and Stuart during which they'll take your questions. The film focuses on the core story of how Rena rediscovered her Jewish roots – from the Catskills to Broadway to an infamous Italian restaurant in Spanish Harlem. It ties into the High Holidays' theme of personal reflection

Thank you to Dave Flapan for his help with the program and to the Union for Reform Judaism for making this opportunity available.



#### GUEST CANTORS WILL JOIN US FOR HIGH HOLY DAYS

#### **CANTOR YVON SHORE**

<u>Cantor Yvon F. Shore</u>, Director of Liturgical Arts and Music at <u>Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion</u> in Cincinnati, returns as our guest cantor this fall for Reform services during the High Holy Days.

Maestro Robert Nance will accompany Cantor Shore on keyboard.

Cantor Shore earned a Masters in Sacred Music and Ordination through HUC-JIR, New York. She received a bachelor's degree in Music Education from West Chester University, College of Visual and Performing Arts with a double major in flute and conducting.



#### **CANTOR YAEL FISCHMAN**

Cantor Yael Fischman joins us for the High Holy Days to lead our Conservative services. She is one of the first 35 women to have been invested as a Cantor by the Conservative Movement. She earned her Diploma of Hazzan and Bachelors in Music from The Jewish Theological Seminary's H.L. Miller Cantorial School, as it is now known. She has served in both full-time, part-time, and High Holy Day positions.

#### SHARE SUKKOT CELEBRATIONS & VISIT OUR SUKKAH

Shake the lulav and inhale the lovely scent of the etrog in October during several Sukkot celebrations in honor of the harvest festival.

The fun begins when we decorate the sukkah on Sunday, October 9 from 10:30 a.m. to noon, followed by Pizza in the Hut. We're partnering with our friends at <u>PJ Library</u> for a family-friendly afternoon of decorating, sharing traditions, reading holiday stories, and eating pizza for lunch at our Temple sukkah. Please RSVP by Friday, October 7 to the Temple at office@templecav.org or (260) 744-4245.

We'll observe Sukkot and Shabbat both in person and online via Zoom and <u>YouTube</u> during two worship opportunities. Please join us on:

- Friday, October 14 at 7:30 p.m. when we celebrate Sukkot and Shabbat during our service, led by Rabbi Meir.
   We'll light the Sabbath candles, learn more about the symbols of the holiday, and enjoy an autumn evening of community. Enjoy Kiddush and a nosh afterward in the Temple's sukkah, hosted by Janet Finkel and Sheryl Merritt.
- Saturday, October 15 at 9:45 a.m., led by Ron Friedman with a D'var Torah by Rabbi Meir. Share a lovely morning of Torah and learning. Join us in sukkah afterward for Kiddush and a nosh in the sukkah.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Temple sukkah throughout the seven-day holiday.



#### COMPLETE THE CYCLE AND BEGIN ANEW ON SIMCHAT TORAH

Be part of our festive Simchat Torah celebration on Monday, October 17 at 7 p.m. when we parade our sacred scrolls through the Sanctuary, enjoy festive singing and flag waving, and complete the reading of the Book of Deuteronomy while also beginning the Book of Genesis.

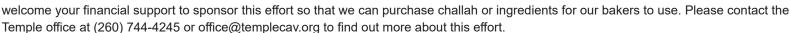
As we finish the annual reading of the Torah, we'll continue our beautiful tradition of completely unrolling the scroll. Please come and offer your assistance!

Share in the joy of Jewish community by joining us for an Oneg Torah before the service at 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP by Thursday, October 13 to the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 or office@templecav.org. Thank you to Leise Rosman and our Religious School families for hosting.

#### CHALLAH BAKERS AND SPONSORS KNEADED!

Our wonderful tradition of gathering for an Oneg Shabbat on Friday evenings after services has resumed. We "knead" your help to ensure we have delicious challah to share!

If you're a challah baker, we'd love to have you join our team of volunteers who take turns providing 4-5 loaves for a given month to be enjoyed by our Temple family during this social time after services. If you're not a baker, we



Thank you to our star bakers and sponsors: Jamie Berger, Nola Katinsky, Joanne McCrory, Wendy Soltz, Jon Tam, Deb Vilensky, and Beth Zweig







#### A WONDERFUL START TO 5783 ON ROSH HASHANAH

Our Rosh Hashanah Reception provided an especially sweet way to celebrate the start of 5783, providing an opportunity to reconnect with long-time friends and make new ones. Thank you to Reception Chair Amy Krouse and her team for the wonderful array of treats and festive tables. We appreciate everyone who contributed goodies and helped in so many ways.





Three shofar blowers sounded the ram's horn at the Reform service

– Norm Greenberg, Sam Katinsky, and Don Zelman. Dan Bradley sounded the shofar at the Conservative service. Apples and honey for a sweet new year were offered following services, with Betsy Gephart and Jon Tam served the delicious treat following morning worship.





#### **TASHLICH**

A small, but dedicated group gathered at Foster Park West following services for a Tashlich ceremony to symbolically cast away their sins. A covered area provided shelter from the rain to allow a dry spot to say the blessings, led by Rabbi Meir and Cantor Fischman. When the weather cleared after a short time, the group cast their bread into the St. Mary's River.







We began the month of Elul, a time of self-reflection and spiritual preparation for the High Holy Days, on August 26 in the beautiful Sposeep Chapel with Rabbi Meir leading us in a meditative Shabbat service outdoors. About 35 congregants gathered for this Shabbat of Mindfulness during which Rabbi Meir discussed creating space to encounter God in the "still small voice" within. With the help of Norm Greenberg, we observed the tradition during Elul of sounding the shofar.

# ASSIST THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS WITH APPLE PROJECT, ONGOING NEEDS, AND ATHLETIC WEAR



The 13th year of the Jewish community's <u>Thoughtful Thursdays</u> program began in September, with our dedicated volunteers assembling 96 bags of food and household items for the 48 children who attend Brightpoint Head Start at the Temple.

For nearly as long – 12 years - we've also connected this important social action project to the High Holy Days season, collecting donations to purchase a large bag of Honeycrisp apples to send home

with each child.

A donation of \$10 for the Apple Project helps us towards that goal. In appreciation, donors will have their names added to a paper apple on the tree in the entrance hallway. Please make your donation by Friday, October 7. Online donation may be made on the Temple website.

Due to the High Holy Days schedule, our volunteers will meet on Wednesday, October 12 at 10 a.m. at the Temple rather than our regular first Wednesday of the month.

We periodically collect special items for the Thoughtful Thursdays children – and the families are extremely grateful for our help. In past years, Brightpoint has asked for donations of socks and underwear. However, thanks to your generosity, they are well-stocked.

These generous donations help them avoid uncomfortable situations. One year, Brightpoint told us that a little boy was given underwear decorated with a superhero design. His mother didn't know that he could keep the item, so she washed the underwear and returned it to school. Her son was quite upset. The story had a happy ending because Brightpoint does not require families to return underwear so the little boy was able to keep them. That's not always the case with other clothing.

This year there is a need for athletic wear (shirts and sweatpants). All children's sizes 3-8 are needed, with the greatest need in sizes 6-8. We hope that if enough clothes are donated, then items won't need to be returned, especially if a child gets attached to one.

We continue to welcome volunteers from the Temple and the <u>Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne</u> to help shop for items, assemble bags, and assist with special projects. Please contact Sally Trotter at sartrotter@gmail.com.

### SAVE THE DATES FOR FEDERATION ACTIVITIES:

#### Join us for Hanukkah Storytime!

After a two-year hiatus, <u>PJ Library</u>, the <u>Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne</u> and <u>Barnes & Noble</u> are bringing back Hanukkah Storytime! We hope you can join us on Sunday, December 18 at 11 a.m. at Barnes & Noble (1034 S. Thomas Road, Suite 107 in Fort Wayne). We will read a few Hanukkah stories, light the hanukkiah, play the dreidel game and work on a craft project. This event is free and open to the public. We are so thankful for the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for its continued support.

#### Confronting the Shoah

We are back in person with this six-week class presented by Holocaust scholar Dr. David Lindquist. This course provides participants with a comprehensive contextual and historical knowledge regarding the Nazi Holocaust.

Classes will be held on Tuesdays, January 10, 17, 24, 31, February 7 and 14, 2023. Sessions begin at 7 p.m. and last 2 to 2 ½ hours each. There is no cost to Federation members, teachers, principals, historians or high school juniors or seniors. For all others, there is a \$5 fee to cover the cost of materials. More information to follow in the upcoming months. Thank you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation and members of Federation for its continued support.



#### DONATIONS

#### Jack & Gertrude Adelman Facility Improvement Fund

In memory of Jack Adelman: Rita & Tom O'Neill, Carol & Larry Adelman

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In memory of Terri Darienzo: Jamie & Jon Berger

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In memory of Dorys Myers and Rose J. Kaplan: Susie Miller In memory of Dorothy Reynolds: Marcia & Denny Reynolds

In memory of Sadie Rush: Jo Ellen & Mike Rush

#### **General Operations**

A donation has been received from: Scott Fergusson

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honor of Betsy Gephart: Kay Safirstein

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#### Religious School

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In memory of Patrick Leigh: Cynthia Leigh

#### **Ryan Goldstrom Memorial Fund**

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#### Temple Gardens Fund/Sposeep Chapel

In memory of Samuel Sposeep: Patrice & Mike Sposeep

#### **Thoughtful Thursdays**

In memory of R.J. O'Neill: Rita & Tom O'Neill
In honor of Sally & Steve Trotter: Susan & Alan Cooperman
In memory of Berenice & Harold Smith: Cindi & Richard Wismer
In memory of David Ash: Jessica & Roger Ash

#### **Wyle Weiman Youth Activities**

In memory of Myrtle Shine and Kathleen Shine: Lawrence Shine

Explore all of our <u>Tribute Funds</u> or <u>Make a Donation</u>

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO:



**Detective Joe Lyon** on his award from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute recognizing him for his outstanding work in keeping drunk drivers off the roads. A detective with the Fort Wayne Police

Department, Joe also has served as our security chief since 2018. He and his wife, Penny, and daughter, Millie, also are familiar faces at Temple events and help with our corned beef sale.

**Libby & Alex Tyus** on the birth of their son, Asher Martin Tyus, on September 21, 2022 in Fort Wayne. Mazel tov also to Nancy & Mike Dicker on their new grandchild!

Nancy & Scott Salon on the marriage of their son, William, to Anya Zach on September 4, 2022 in Minneapolis, MN. The couple resides in Minneapolis. Congratulations to the bride's parents, Sari & Mark Zach.

### 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?

Etta G. Sheray

April 10, 2008

5th of Nisan, 5768
ה"י ניסן תשס"

May their memory be a loving blessing

Those I have loved, though now beyond my view,
Have given form and quality to my being.
They have led me into the wide universe
I continue to inhabit, and their presence
is more real to me than their absence.

What You give to me, O God,

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 <u>online</u> or on <u>paper</u> to fill out with specific information about a loved one to submit to the Temple office to be added to the display.

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.

Please contact the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 with any questions.

### OCTOBER YAHRZEITS

October 7-8 Chester W. Ambler Jr. Eula Black

Herman Brateman Louis Israel Brateman

Howard P. Cole Harriet Cristil

David Seligman Deligman

Israel DuBow Clifford Ewing Rena Farber Marshall Glickman Louis Goldberg Jack Goodman Iva Gordon-Tutor Jack Harmon Harris

Carol Harris Milton Jay Byrde Jordan Siegmund Kaufman Lev Kletsky

Shirley Ruth Konigsberg Marie Amber-Koons Leonid Isakovich Kyner

Max Lee

Caroline Leopold Sima Lowenhar

Joseph Lowenhar Simon Merin Fanny Merin

Siegmund Merin Lillian Starr Messe

Mary Peurye Dr. Bernard Ress Namuel Roseman

Meyer Ruchman Eleanore B. Schecter David Seligman Myrtle Shine Don Sider Harry Silberg

Arlington Smith Mashe Soloway Barbara Strouse

Suzanne Watemberg Pat Waterman

Esther Rose Weinstein Samuel N. Weinstein

Bessie Zacharia Robert M. Zacher

October 14-15 Jack Adelman **Edward Baum** Charles Bernstein Harry Bosell

Sam Boudaie Gertrude Brateman Ruth A. Brenn Amelia Bruebach Flora Dessauer Israel Edelman Bess Felstein Ida Feltman

Abraham Fichman Samuel Field Bella Rachel Fink Eugenia Frank Mollie Frank Hyman Goldstine Sheldon Goltz **Dorothy Gordon** 

George King Irving Klein Karl Kohn Irving W. Krohn ReneeLevin Bertha Stein Lichtenberg

Ruth Guerrasio

Ernest A. Lowens Jacob Mansbach Betsy Mastbaum

Sylvia Werner Bernstein Meyers

Josephnie Mocle Linda Shulkin -Nail Anna Porges Roberta Rezits Maryleonne Ronsheim

Marco Rosanis Maurice Rothberg Rose Rubenstein Jennie Schneiderman Mildred R. Schultz

Alexander Simon Simon Singer Nellie Stillpass

Freida S. Strauss Ira Tanner Mamie W. Wolf Irving Zelinger Abraham Zimmerman

Richard Zinn

October 21-22 Isabel Banks Rahil Berkovich Katherine Bosell Israel L. Bronstein Louis Bukowski Simon Crell **Dorothy Marks Fidler** Hortense M. Green

Dorothy W. Hutner Herman B. Kaplan Harry Komisarow Caroline Levi Anna Levin Abe Lipp

Fredric Morgan Hefter

Fred Lipp Fred Llewellyn Morris Magazine **Ruth Morris** 

Libbie Mull Albert Nirdlinger Robert Porwancher Jean J. Pownall Lona Ruchman

Herman Schubert Isidor Seelberg Ethelyn Seigman Lottie Shatsky Roger Sheyer Melvin Shulkin HannaSinger Helen Snitzer

Lazarus Stern Sara Stern Bernhard S. Trauerman

Sonya Turetzky

October 28-29

Harry Babich Sophie Bass

Ida Blumenthal

Sarah Brateman Samuel Brooks Elliott Burkhardt Alfred Stern Engelhard

Diane Ervin Sally Fields Rita Finkel Alice Golden Lee Gottlieb

Phyllis Groman Bertha F. Gross Charles Gubitz Esther E. King Sidney Klepper Esther Krakower HaroldLesser Dena Levant Sharon McLochlin Manuel Michelson Peggy Murphy Eli Nirdlinger Hillary Radovich

> Dorothy Reynolds Henriette Rothschild

Jake Rovel

Sadie Rush Regina de Lerner Safirstein

Jack Schwartz Nathan Sheray Robert E. Shine Kathleen Shine Charlotte Slutsky Loren Smith Matilda Stiefel Goldie Sunshine Irving Walters Alfons Warschawski Alfred S. Weil Anita Weinfield Lou Weissman Adolph Wetstein

Rose White Louise A. Widdifield Rosa Zweig

Yahrzeit Donations can be

made online.

#### CONDOLENCES TO:

Adrienne Brateman and family on the death of her husband, Adolph, on September 20, 2022 in Fort Wayne. We also think of their sons, Paul (Molly) Brateman and Mike Brateman, and grandchildren, Samara Brateman and Cameron and Logan Galloway.

Juli & Jose Dominguez and family on the death of their infant grandson, Asher George Lechleidner-Stoll, who died August 30, 2022 in Fort Wayne. We also think of Asher's parents, Brianna Lechleidner and Zane Stoll.

Larissa Drozdova & Jeff Schneider on the death of her mother, Yelena Drozdova, on September 21, 2022 in Fort Wayne.

The family of Detective Donald Kidd, who died unexpectedly on September 22, 2022 in Fort Wayne. An officer with the Fort Wayne Police Department for 17 years, he was a member of CAV's security team of off-duty police officers who help keep our Temple family safe during services and events. We think of his wife, Michelle; sons, Jacob and Caleb; parents, Thomas and Jessie Kidd; brother, Brian (Jenny) Kidd; sister, Marie Kidd; and family.



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#### TEMPLE OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Temple Office will be closed October 5, 2022.

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



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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. We value the diversity of viewpoints within our congregation.

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

The deadline for the November Bulletin is Tuesday, October 18.



# PRESIDENT'S CORNER RONNIE GREENBERG

Shana Tova! On behalf of the Board of Directors and our family, Norm and I wish you and your family a happy and healthy 5783!

It's been a year since I wrote my first "Happy New Year"
Bulletin article and, looking back at it, I talked a lot about
COVID and its impact on how we function. However, there is
one aspect of COVID that I didn't mention and that we don't
generally consider.

It came to me the other day when I was hiking at Lindenwood Park. There is a trail named the Trillium trail and it reminded me that last year in the spring, when COVID was still rampant and our public gatherings were still restricted, I hiked in Metea Park several times every week and watched the progression of the spring wildflowers (including Trillium), and the leaves develop on the trees and bushes. It was beautiful and, because of COVID, I had the time to appreciate it.

Time is the ultimate limiting factor of our lives – everyone knows that. But how often do we stop and consider how we spend our time and if we are really doing what we want to do? This time of year – the beginning of 5783 – provides the opportunity to look back at the prior year and decide what we did right, what we did wrong, and how we want to change our actions and priorities in the coming year. How do we want to spend our time to show our families, our friends, and our community how much we care for them and support them? Will we give priority to those things that really matter, or be distracted by those that, in the long run, don't?

We are fortunate at the Temple to have many innovative and committed people, both staff and congregant volunteers, who choose to give their time to us. Rabbi Meir Bargeron is full of energy and ideas, and keeps us focused on Jewish values. Executive Director Samara Sheray can juggle a dozen projects at once and ensure they all are completed properly. Our Administrative Assistant Marie McFadden and Comptroller Jamie Fritz keep all the details of running – and paying for – an organization straight. And Facilities Manager Clint Rossiter, assisted by Timmy Oberley, knows our building inside and out and can fix anything! Each of our staff members takes care of our business and our building as if it was their own. For all they do, we owe them a huge THANK YOU!

We are equally blessed with committed volunteers who serve on our board, chair our committees, make corned beef sandwiches, teach Religious School, pack food bags for Thoughtful Thursdays, or dig in the gardens. Their generosity in terms of the time and love they give our congregation is incalculable! Please thank them too, or, better yet, join them.

As we enter a new year, think about what you love to do, and volunteer to share your time and talent with your fellow congregants. It will be time well spent.

### NEW AND IMPROVED MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY COMING SOON

Our CAV membership directory will be available later this month for the first time online through a member portal on the Temple website at <a href="https://www.templecav.org">www.templecav.org</a>. This new option will help the environment, contain costs, allow mobile access, and provide updated contact information for congregants throughout the year.



Details will be sent to CAV members about this new

option as soon as it's ready. By providing an online directory, we can add updates throughout the year, including new addresses, phone numbers, and emails, as well contact information for members who join during the year.

We will provide a traditional paper copy for those congregants who do not have internet access or who request one.