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## Why Jews Love MLK

Martin Luther King was the definition of an ordinary man called to heroic action, the living example of the comic book heroes that we've all imagined ourselves becoming.

#### **By RABBI RACHEL HEAPS**

Assistant Rabbi rabbiheaps@templejeremiah.org

Dear friends,

Now that it's January, it's nice to be able to get back into a routine. Every year, the season from Thanksgiving to New Years feels "out of the ordinary." End of year plans, holiday celebrations, generally heightened joy and merriment are great, but rarely feel soothingly mundane. Now that the secular new year has come, we can get back to business as usual.

Except getting back in the swing of things is easier said than done. Especially when January has its own holidays, its own eccentricities, and its own ways to stand out from the other 92% of the year. This January one of the many things that will stand out is our celebration of Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and the Shabbat accompanying his memorial holiday. On Friday, January 17th you can come to temple expecting a smorgasbord of "special": We'll be joined by the Baha'i Temple choir and their music, we'll welcome nearly



100 teens from around Chicagoland for the weekend, fourth grade will bond over dinner, and we'll celebrate the life and lessons of Dr. King.

Inevitably, this service and holiday begs the question: Why do Jews love Martin Luther King so much? Of all the non-Jewish preachers, theologians, and activists in history, Dr. King is maybe one of the

### Lately Around Jeremiah



Krav Maga Adult Learning 10.27.19





Feed the Hungry 11.3.19



Jeremiah Buddies 11.10.19



Music of Gershwin Concert 11.11.19



JeTY Dessert Hop 11.16.19



Jr. JeTY Cupcake Wars 11.17.19



Downtown Lunch & Learn 11.20.19

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# Maintaining a Safe and Secure Community

As we head into the start of another program year, we want to inform you about the ongoing efforts to keep Temple Jeremiah a safe and secure community where all can experience The Joy of Belonging.



**By DANNY GLASSMAN** *Executive Director* daniel@templejeremiah.org

I am writing this article while sitting amongst my colleagues at the National Association for Temple Administration conference. It is always a meaningful and rewarding experience to learn alongside other Executive Directors. The topics are always relevant and timely.

As one could imagine, the topic of security has remained front and center. In speaking with my colleagues, the vast majority of congregations have implemented security fees in order to bolster their security needs. As a reminder, we instituted a security fee this fiscal year.

Below is the letter that was mailed prior to the High Holy Days to the entire congregation. If you have any questions or concerns about the security fee or want to know more about the efforts we are taking, please feel to reach out to me directly.

September 2019

Dear Friends,

L'Shana Tovah to you and your family. As we head into the start of another program year, we want to inform you about the ongoing efforts to keep Temple Jeremiah a safe and secure community where all can experience The Joy of Belonging.

Thanks to a Homeland Security grant we received, we have been able to continue to enhance our physical security throughout the building. We have also, in conjunction with law enforcement, updated our operating procedures and have police present during times the building is open for worship and programs, in addition to our continued police presence during school hours.

To help us in keeping the temple a safe and secure environment, please be sure to wear your name badges throughout the High Holy Day season. There are more than 4,000 congregants and guests coming to worship and your name badge helps us identify all those entering our building.

In order to cover the costs of our ongoing efforts to maintain a safe and secure community, the board of directors has approved an annual Security Fee of \$100 per household. The fee will be listed on your account as a separate line item from the Annual Commitment, School Fund, and Building Fund. One hundred percent of these funds will go towards continued police presence, additional physical security needs, and ongoing training for staff, lay leadership, and the congregation at large. On Sunday, October 17, at 10:00 am, we are hosting an Adult Learning session where we will discuss temple security. Representatives from the Department of Homeland Security, ADL/SCN and the Cook County Sheriff's office will be presenting.

If you have any questions regarding the fee or security at Temple Jeremiah, please free to contact me, Barbara Miller, Board President, or Michael Schack, Vice President and Chair of the Building Committee.

Shalom, Danny Glassman Executive Director

### **GO PAPERLESS!**

If you would like to opt out of receiving The Covenant as a paper document mailed to your home, please go to *tinyurl.com/covoptout*. You will still receive the link to read The Covenant every month in the Temple Jeremiah E-news and can always find it on our website at *templejeremiah.org* under "About Us."

### NFTY CAR Winter Kallah

# NFTY CAR Winter Kallah - Be a Host Family

We are expecting nearly 80 participants and we need your help to host a few participants throughout the weekend and transport them to Temple Jeremiah.



#### **By SHIRA BRANDHANDLER**

Youth and Family Engagement Director shira@templejeremiah.org

Temple Jeremiah is hosting the NFTY CAR Winter Kallah! Teens from all over the Chicagoland area will gather here for a weekend of fun and meaningful experiences. Over the weekend we will celebrate Shabbat with local Jewish communities, engage in social action initiatives, explore Chicago, hangout in Millennium Park, and meet new friends from all over Chicago.

Winter Kallah is a homestay experience. We are expecting nearly 80 participants and we need your help to host a few participants throughout the weekend and transport them to Temple Jeremiah. As a host family you will get to take part in this wonderful experience of Jewish exploration and community building for NFTY Chicago

Area Teens. You do not need to have a teen participant to be a host family! If you are interested in hosting or want to learn more contact Shira at shira@templejeremiah.org.



Celebrate Shabbat with local Jewish communities. Have a great weekend with new and old friends. Skate and hangout in Millenium Park. Engage in social action initiatives. Explore Chicago!

# For more information & to register: chicago.nfty.org

# JEWISH DISABILITY AWARENESS AND INCLUSION MONTH

Save the dates and watch for more information on our February Inclusion Programs.



By CAREN BROWN AND GAIL MODRO

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envary is Jewish Disabilities Awareness, Acceptance and

**Inclusion Month (JDAIM)**, a unified effort among Jewish organizations and communities worldwide to raise awareness and foster inclusion of people with different abilities.

Watch for the following programs at Temple Jeremiah in recognition of this month-long event and plan to attend. More details will be coming out soon!

#### Sunday, Feb. 9th, 9:30 a.m.

Vayigash

Va-y'chi

Sh'mot

Va-eira

Adult Learning featuring a special presentation. In partnership with the Israel Action Committee, join us for a lively conversation on inclusion in our community.

#### Friday, Feb. 21th, 6:00 p.m. Scott B. Crane Abilities Awarchess Shabbat featuring the Selah

# Weekly Torah Portions

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Exodus 1:1-6:1

Exodus 6:2-9:35

Genesis 44:18-47.77

Genesis 47:28-50:26

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## RABBI HEAPS (continued from page 1)

most referenced and celebrated in our communities. What was it about him, his message, or his work that brought him into such a prominent spot of the Jewish cannon?

I can think of two answers.

First, Dr. King had an incredible ability to hear the call and morals of his faith tradition, see the brokenness of the world, and become inspired. So inspired that his inspiration became contagious. Dr. King didn't believe that the work of the prophets, the people who warned and worked against our divisiveness and cruelty, ended on the last page of the bible. The age of prophesy continues to today. And though the creation and discovery of prophets might have changed, no longer selectively and overtly chosen or ordained by God, their work lives on. The prophetic mission of not accepting the status quo, acknowledging the systemic imperfections of our world, and rallying against them was a mission that Dr. King fully embodied. And it was a mission he believed each of us could embody as well.

Martin Luther King was the definition of an ordinary man called to heroic action, the living example of the comic book heroes that we've all imagined ourselves becoming. By his example, we can believe that prophecy and heroism are things we can all achieve. They don't only exist in history, they exist today, but only if we make them so. We love Dr. King because we love that potential that we see in ourselves. Second, despite the talent and drive that Dr. King had, he was never alone. He made partnerships, he was part of groups, he connected with others who helped to further the mission of civil and human rights in our country. Many of those partners were people who felt the sting and subjugation of oppression as Dr. King did, and many of those partners were Jewish. Though Dr. King is the name in neon lights for the weekend, there are many names to celebrate as well – Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, Rabbi Al Vorspan, Rabbi Joachim Prinz, and so many more. Since the days of Egypt, we Jews have known oppression and what it takes to fight against it. We Jews know what it takes to have an ally and to become one ourselves. We in the Jewish community know that to partner with each other to heal our broken world, is to partner with God to create a more perfect world. We love Dr. King because we love the reminder of a sacred partnership that will forever be a foundational component of our Jewish soul.

So, this January, celebrate the return to routine and take comfort in the familiar mundane. And, in the midst of all that normalcy, remember to notice and lift up the prophesy, heroism, and partnerships that got us here. To applaud the people who, literally or symbolically, have become such an integral part of our communal history because they have shown us what it means to fight on the side of angels. To support the work of those who continue the fight every day, in big ways and small. To look in the mirror, and know that we, ourselves, could become that person, too.

# Photography Help Needed (Obviously!)



Are you the family photographer always trying to capture that special moment? Do you have a great camera that you love to play with but nothing interesting to shoot? Maybe you are a pro and want to donate some time to Temple Jeremiah?

We are creating a volunteer photography pool to cover events and activities at Temple Jeremiah. It's an easy, fun, and flexible commitment!

Here are the details: Once you join the pool, we'll send you a link to a Sign-up Genius where you can choose which events/activities you'd like to photograph. Once a year, once a month, or once a week? Whatever works for you!

Your job is to grab the best shots, sort through them, edit out the extra floor space or extraneous elbow, and upload the photos to a Temple Jeremiah spreadsheet along with some details like names

and description of activities. Your pictures will show up on Temple Jeremiah's website and social media accounts.

**Ready to commit, but want to some extra help?** We are planning a tutorial with a professional photographer who will answer questions and provide tips, so sign-up now so you don't miss this great opportunity to brush up on your skills!

We know iPhones take great pictures, but we are hoping to find photographers who are using extra attachments to enhance their iPhone photos or good cameras.

If you are interested or have questions, contact:

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## **Brotherhood Happenings**

...we have now begun our fund-raising campaign for our summer camp scholarships to OSRUI. The funds raised will be matched dollar-for-dollar by two generous benefactors.

#### By RUSTY COLMAN

Brotherhood Member wcolman435@comcast.net

Brotherhood would like to wish all Jeremiahns a happy and healthy 2020. For many of us, the previous year was, to varying degrees, both unsettling and disorienting, and we hope that the next 12 months will be less unnerving.

Did you know that going to a Jewish overnight camp is the most significant factor in retaining one's Jewish identity? Keeping that in mind, we have now begun our fund-raising campaign for our summer camp scholarships to OSRUI. The funds raised will be matched dollar-for-dollar by two generous benefactors. We would like to express our deep appreciation for their generosity. For those who want to support this charitable initiative, you can mail your contribution to Temple Jeremiah Brotherhood, 937 North Happ Road, Northfield, IL 60093, or merely drop off your check at the temple office, making sure there's a notation that it's to go to the

overnight scholarship fund. By the way, we will also continue our annual Al Brottman summer camp scholarship program.

As in past Decembers, we held our popular Family Bingo Night, this year on December 15th. And as always, there was a plethora of prizes for the kids, as well as drinks, popcorn, and a lot of excitement. We'd like to thank brother Joel Rovner for hosting the event, as well as brother John Maeglin for contributing his dulcet voice to be the caller this year.

Also last month, on December 3rd, we held our last business meeting of 2019. It was followed by a pizza dinner at Barnaby's.

Looking forward, on Sunday January 19th, at 9:30 a.m., Dan Gelfond, the Video Man, will share his experiences conducting interviews for the Shoah Foundation from 1994-1998. This is a co-sponsored event with Adult Learning, and we'll have bagels and lox at the temple before the presentation.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Sunday, January 19th, 2019, 9:30 a.m. Bagels and lox and Adult Learning with Dan Gelfond, the Video Man, who will share his experiences conducting interviews for the Shoah Foundation.

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# ADULT LEARNING January 2020

**Sunday, January 12, 2020 9:30 a.m. – Rabbi Rachel Rants** Come hear what is on Rabbi Rachel Heaps' mind as she explores the world of the ancient rabbis, what made them uncomfortable, and might have a different perspective today.

#### Sunday, January 19, 2020 9:30 a.m. – How to Leave a Legacy Video with Dan "The Video Man" Gelfond Sponsored by Brotherhood

Dan Gelfond will speak about his experience as a former interviewer for Spielberg's Shoah Foundation. He will bring video clips of past interviews, discuss the importance of leaving a legacy, and share his unique journey that brought him to the position.

# Sunday, January 26, 2020 9:30 a.m. – Mindfulness and Meditation with Judy Craven

Join Judy Craven as we explore together how mindfulness and meditation help us reduce our negative thought patterns and become more present with each moment of our lives.

#### Sisterhood

### Sisterhood: An Exciting Year Ahead

We are planning a number of exciting events including a wine and shopping night along with a casual get together. We are also hoping to partner with Brotherhood for a fun night out.

#### By ALISA PATTERSON AND LISA SCHURGIN

Sisterhood Co-Chairs sarap124@aol.com lbjs2@yahoo.com

We hope you had a happy Chanukah and wish you a happy New Year! We are so thankful to our temple community for fulfilling all the wishes on our Wish Tag board. We are planning a number of exciting events including a wine and shopping night along with a casual get together. We are also hoping to partner with Brotherhood for a fun night out.

Our Friday afternoon Mah Jongg club has been such a success that we are hoping to start a Canasta club. If you are interested in playing canasta, please contact Roberta Mallon at rmallon46@icloud.com.

Keep an eye on the temple calendar so you don't miss any of the events Sisterhood has planned for this New Year.

Please join us at our ongoing events. Our Book Club, run by Vicki Siegelman, meets the second Thursday each month at 10:00 a.m. The Mah Jongg club, run by Lori Kash, meets every Friday at 1:00 p.m. If you are interested, please contact Vicki at vsieg@gralynn. org or Lori at lorikash12@gmail.com. The more the merrier.

Just a reminder - all of the women at Jeremiah are automatically members of our Sisterhood. Show up at any meeting or event, you are always welcome!

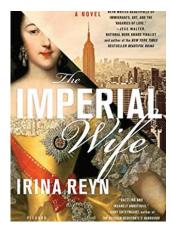
We look forward to seeing you! Lisa and Alisa

### Sisterhood Bookclub

It's a new year, decade, and booklist! It's 2020 and the books keep coming! For more information or to sign up, contact Vicki Siegelman at vsieg@gralynn.org

Thursday, January 9, 2020, 10-11:30 a.m.

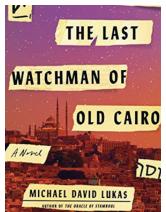
The Imperial Wife: A Novel by Irina Reyn



Meet two powerful women... 📙 from today's world, a specialist in Russian art deals up the career-making sale of her life...and from the 18th century, Catherine the Great (former owner of the piece in question). What does it take for them to be the women of strength they are meant to be?

Thursday, February 13, 2020, 10-11:30 a.m.

The Last Watchman of Old Cairo by Michael David Lukas



A college student of Jewish/ Muslim parentage receives a mysterious package that sets him off on a fabulous adventure of family history. A wonderful read, winner of: Sophie Brody Award, Nat'l Jewish Book Award in Fiction, Sami Rohr Prize for Jewish Literature, BBC's Ten Best Books of the Year



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- Pictures from school
- Announcements
- And much more!

## Whittier School Programs

"From our heart to yours, thank you for being a part of our Whittier family and for contributing to the success of our students." -Amy Bach, Whittier School Social Worker

#### By LORI KASH

Social Justice Committee Member lorikash12@gmail.com

Together we did it again! In 2019 we helped give so many Whittier students a better opportunity to live and learn. We provided countless hours of one-on-one coaching, support by collecting box tops, essential uniform pieces, and many of the basic essentials kids need to perform at school, including:



**School Supplies** (with help from Avery Copeland for her Bat Mitzvah project, our friends at Wilmot Elementary School, Woodlawn Middle School, and Birchwood Club for their fundraiser school-supply centerpieces.)



Warm Winter Outerwear (including Brotherhood's contribution of \$750 between their funds & individual member gifts, beautiful knit pieces from Eileen Brottman, and the Northbrook Senior Center Knitters & Crocheters.)

THANK YOU!!! to everyone who donated goods, funds and/or precious personal time to make a meaningful difference in so many young lives. For information or questions on any of these Whittier programs, contact Lori Kash at lorikash12@gmail.com or 847.612.4998.



### **FEED THE HUNGRY: The First Sunday of Every Month**

Looking for a great family activity or a way to do something "good" with your friends in the comfort of your home? Make lunches for Feed the Hungry! Each lunch should consist of: two meat sandwiches (two slices per sandwich of round, vacuum packed bologna or turkey bologna preferred); small bag of chips; fruit (an apple, banana, etc.); and two cookies. Drop lunches off at temple before 11:00 a.m.

### SOCIAL JUSTICE CALENDAR AT-A-GLANCE

#### <u>January:</u>

December 29th - January 5th: Family Promise Sunday, January 5th: Feed the Hungry Tuesday, January 7th: Eat and Be Well Sunday, January 19th: Backpack Blessings Tuesday, January 21st: Eat and Be Well

### <u>February:</u>

Sunday, February 2nd: Feed the Hungry Tuesday, February 4th: Eat and Be Well Sunday, February 16th: Backpack Blessings Tuesday, February 18th: Eat and Be Well

# 2019-2020 Leadership Development Program

This program is designed to bring renewed energy and new ideas to our congregation. We seek participants who have expressed an interest in actively engaging in congregational life and are willing to take the time to learn more about Temple Jeremiah, themselves, and effective leadership in the nonprofit setting.

#### By SUZANNE SANDS

Leadership Development Program Co-Chair sandssuzanne@gmail.com

On Tuesday, November 12th we held the first session of the Leadership Development Program with our fourth cohort. We are thrilled to have 14 congregants engaged in this year's cohort. They represent diverse backgrounds bringing a variety of life and work experiences to our learning sessions.

One of the most uplifting moments in the first session was listening to people share all the different ways they enjoy being part of the Temple Jeremiah community. During another powerful portion of the session participants and group leaders reflected on Judaism in their lives.



#### The 2020 Leadership Development Cohort

Elan Adler Gail Belian Melissa Copeland Shirley Craven Jessica Don Nancy Eisenberg Jackie Krashin Steve Levy Lisa Levy Marla Morgen Eric Morrow Jill Patano Alissa Rogers Rich Saldinger

#### Program Purpose & Objectives

This program is designed to bring renewed energy and new ideas to our congregation. We seek participants who have expressed an interest in actively engaging in congregational life and are willing to take the time to learn more about Temple Jeremiah, themselves, and effective leadership in the nonprofit setting.

The program aims to give participants an opportunity to learn more about, and connect in a deeper and more meaningful way with, our Temple Jeremiah community. It also seeks to establish a pipeline of talented and well-informed future leaders who can implement and execute initiatives identified by Rabbi Cohen and the Board President.

To accomplish these objectives, the curriculum will provide participants with an understanding of the history and operation of the temple as well as what it means to be a leader within our Jeremiah community. For the first time, this year's cohort will be reading Strength Finders 2.0 and completing an assessment that can be used to reflect on the strengths they can bring to any leadership role.

#### **Program Specifics**

The program consists of 5 three-hour sessions. Each session focuses on topics related to congregational life, service, and leadership, and includes activities, small group work, large group discussions, presentations, networking, and schmoozing opportunities. Sessions are interactive and homework is assigned with the intention of spurring conversation and meaningful discussions.

#### **Session Topics**

- Welcome: Judaism, Engagement, and Temple Jeremiah
- **Temple Jeremiah:** Culture, Values, Issues, and Organizational Structure
- Our Congregation: Nuts & Bolts of How We Work
- Leadership: Qualities, Experiences, Learnings, and Taking on Issues
- Issues Facing Temple Jeremiah: Sharing Learning & New Ideas

#### LDP By the Numbers

The Leadership Development Program was started in 2014 and is delivering on its promise. Fifty-six congregants have participated in the program. LDP participants continue to be actively engaged at Temple Jeremiah either through serving on committees, leading committees, or serving on the board.

This past year, eight Committees were led by cohort members and 10 cohort members were serving on the TJ Board with five of them serving on the Executive Committee. Two additional cohort members were elected to the TJ Board at the annual meeting back in May.

#### Leadership Development Committee

Suzanne Sands, Co-Chair, 2014-15 Leadership Cohort Scott Levin, Co-Chair, Executive Vice President Julie Ford, Past President Iris Keene, 2015-16 Leadership Cohort

	January 2020 Calendar				
SATURDAY	Family Promise <b>4</b> 8:30a.m. Tefilah 9:30a.m. Torah Study	<b>11</b> 8:30a.m. Tefilah 9:30a.m. Torah Study	NFTY-CAR Winter <b>18</b> Kallah 8:30a.m. Tefilah 9:30a.m. Torah Study	L'Taken Trip to DC <b>25</b> 8:30a.m. Tefilah 9:30a.m. Torah Study 6:00p.m. Club 345 Undernighter 11:00a.m. Shabbat Morning Worship	
FRIDAY	Family Promise <b>3</b> 12:00p.m. AA Meeting 1:00p.m. Sisterhood Mah Jongg 6:00p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Reception 6:00p.m. Tot Shabbat 6:30p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Worship	<ul> <li>10:00a.m. Bim Bam Tots</li> <li>10:00a.m. Bim Bam Baby</li> <li>11:00a.m. Bim Bam Baby</li> <li>12:00p.m. AA Meeting</li> <li>1:00p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat</li> <li>Reception</li> <li>6:30p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat</li> <li>Worship</li> </ul>	NFTY-CAR Winter Kallah <b>17</b> 10:00a.m. Bim Bam Tots 11:00a.m. Bim Bam Baby 12:00p.m. AA Meeting 12:00p.m. AA Meeting 1:00p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Reception 6:30p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Worship featuring the Baha'i Temple Choir	L'Taken Trip to DC 24 10:00a.m. Bim Bam Tots 11:00a.m. Bim Bam Baby 11:00p.m. AA Meeting 1:00p.m. Sisterhood Mah Jongg 6:00p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Reception 6:30p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Worship	<b>31</b> 12:00p.m. AA Meeting 1:00p.m. Sisterhood Mah Jongg 6:00p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Reception 6:30p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Worship
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WEDNESDAY	Family Promise <b>1</b> New Year's Day OFFICE CLOSED No School	8 12:00p.m. AA Meeting 3:30p.m. Nosh and Mingle 4:30p.m. Hebrew School	15 12:00p.m. AA Meeting 3:30p.m. Nosh and Mingle 4:30p.m. Hebrew School	22 12:00p.m. AA Meeting 3:30p.m. Nosh and Mingle 4:30p.m. Hebrew School 6:00p.m. Youth Group Purim Committee Meeting	29 12:00p.m. AA Meeting 3:30p.m. Nosh and Mingle 4:30p.m. Hebrew School 7:00p.m. Nechama
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SUNDAY		Family Promise <b>5</b> NO Religious School 10:00a.m. Feed the Hungry Drop Off	<ul> <li>12</li> <li>9:00a.m. Religious School</li> <li>9:30a.m. Adult Learning with Rabbi Rachel Heaps</li> <li>10:00a.m. Adult Hebrew</li> <li>11:00a.m. Shir Joy</li> <li>11:30a.m. Inclusion</li> <li>Committee Meeting</li> </ul>	NFTY-CAR Winter Kallah <b>19</b> 9:00a.m. Religious School 9:00a.m. Jeremiah Buddies 9:30a.m. Adult Learning with Dan Gelfond 10:00a.m. Backpack Blessings 11:00a.m. Shir Joy	L'Taken Trip to DC <b>26</b> 9:00a.m. Religious School 9:30a.m. Adult Learning with Cantor Friedman 9:30a.m. Jeremiah Parent Network 10:00a.m. Adult Hebrew 11:00a.m. Shir Joy 4:00p.m. Jeremiah Kids Science Night

#### January Adult Learning and Acknowledgments

#### **IN SUPPORT OF**

Backpack Blessings -Sara and Martin Liebman

#### **IN APPRECIATION OF**

Rabbi Paul Cohen -Lisa and Jerry Bockenek -Laurel and Edward Shapiro -Margo and James Oliff -Robin and Brian Rosenblatt -Susan and Dan Weitzman

Rabbi Rachel Heaps -The family of Gordon

**Cantor Susie Lewis Friedman** -The Family of George Gordon -Laurel and Edward Shapiro

Ernie Schubert's hard work on the 60th Anniversary Video -Julie and Mark Weinberg

#### FOR THE SPEEDY RECOVERY OF

Lauren Major -Susan and Ken Lorch

#### IN HONOR OF

Sam Kirsch On the occasion of his Bar Mitzvah -Joan and Richard Shapiro

**Deena Landau Lake** On the occasion of her birth -Liz and Scott Mendel

**Charles Laurito** *On the occasion of his special birthday* -Charles Laurito

Dr. Anne Lidsky In honor of Dr. Lidsky's receiving the Board of Jewish Education's Rambam Award -Elan Adler and Bill Johnson -Leslie Berman -Drew Davis -Elizabeth and Seth Erlich -Carol and Arnie Fishbain -Ronda and Dan Franks -Kay and Barton Gordon -Andrea and Douglas Kaplan -Diana Kaufmann -Barbara Kite -Judith Lazar -Susan and Ken Lorch -Kimberlee Ratkin and David Dieffenbacher Amy and Brian Rubinstein

-Babette and Jeffrey Sanders -Cindy and Hal Schwartz -Bonnie Sorkin and Peter Alexander

**Sue and Howard Rosenberg** *On the occasion of the birth of their granddaughter, Belle Penny* -Sharon Telpner

Vicki Siegelman On the occasion of her special birthday -Vicki Siegelman and David Baldwin

Mia Zaban On the occasion of her Bat Mitzvah -Jeri and Roger Smith

Temple Jeremiah's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary -Andrea and Douglas Kaplan

#### **IN MEMORY OF**

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Sandra Cohen -Norma and Bill Brown

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Paul Fishman Father of William Fishman -Carole and William Fishman

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Nathan Kamensky Stepfather of Ellen Toban -Ellen and Allen Toban

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Lillian Liebman Mother of Martin Liebman -The Liebman and Schoenberg Families

Jack Melamed

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Bennett Zaiken Brother of Phyllis Klapman -Phyllis and James Klapman

**Daniel Zienkiewicz** -Kathleen and Marc Mayer

\*In last month's edition we noted a donation from Mara and Gerry Lane, in honor of llene and David Abrahams. The donation was in honor of the birth of their grandson, Benjamin Moshe Roth. Mazel Tov Ilene and David!

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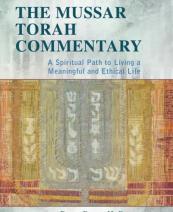
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### **Volunteer at the Temple Office**

Do you have a few extra hours each week? We're always looking for congregants to come in and help out the office staff with answering phones and doors, mailings, and other tasks during the week or during school hours. If interested, please contact Pamela at pamela@templejeremiah.org or call 847.441.5760.

## Tell & Kvell: Clergy and Staff Edition



Edited by RABBI BARRY H. BLOCK Foreword by Alan Morinis, DPhil Introductory Essay by Rabbi Lisa L. Goldstein CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS

Rabbi Cohen wrote a chapter in The Mussar Torah Commentary: A Spiritual Path to Living a Meaningful and Ethical Life, a brand new book published in November 2019. The Mussar Torah Commentary is a collection of ethical teaching from over 50 rabbis. "I think of this collection as a road map to holiness, and the rabbis I've gathered as your guides on a journey to ethical Jewish living in the 21st century," said Rabbi Barry H. Block. The book is available on CCARPress.org or at Temple Jeremiah (copies are limited).

Temple Jeremiah's Member Engagement Director, **Dina Bauwens**, graduated with her Master of Arts in Jewish Professional Studies from the Spertus Institute for Jewish Learning and Leadership last month. Dina was signaled out during the graduation ceremony for completing the rigorous program while simultaneously working and ensuring the future of Jewish peoplehood by having a baby in the middle of the program.



### We love sharing your good news!

Have something great you want to kvell (feel happy and proud) about? We'd love to help you share it with the congregation! If you have something to tell and kvell, email Dina with your news, whether it's big or small, at dina@templejeremiah.org



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All are welcome.

Friday, January 17, 2020 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.