

# TEMPLE SOLEL Pathfinder

April 2021 / Nisan - Iyar 5781

## Antisemitism Today



This month our thoughts turn to the Holocaust as the Jewish community commemorates it on Yom HaShoah (April 8). As we remember the horrors that antisemitism can create, we should ask ourselves, ‘what is the state of antisemitism in the United States today and how should we respond?’

First, it is helpful to ask—how do we define antisemitism? Dr. Deborah Lipstadt, a leading authority on this topic, mentions these characteristics: first, it is an irrational prejudice against all Jews. The template for antisemitism, she says, often includes these elements

- A) something about Jews and money (viewing Jews as wealthy, overly interested in it, etc.)
- B) Jews as smart and conniving, and
- C) Jews having the ability to do harm without being detected.

The Jew, according to the anti-Semite, is to be feared, distrusted, and eradicated.

The American Jewish Committee’s (AJC) first-ever State of Antisemitism in America report, released on October 26, 2020, shows deep anxiety among American Jews and a disturbing lack of awareness among the general public about the severity of antisemitism in the United States.

The Anti-Defamation League (ADL) keeps track of anti-Semitic incidents. The last year that they have complete data on is 2019. For that year they say, “the American Jewish community experienced the highest level of anti-Semitic incidents since tracking began in 1979, with more than 2,100 acts of assault, vandalism and harassment reported across the United States... The record number of incidents came as the Jewish community grappled with vicious and lethal anti-Semitic attacks against communities in Poway, Jersey City and Monsey, and a spree of violent assaults in Brooklyn.”

The report found that “the total number of anti-Semitic incidents in 2019 increased 12 percent over the previous

year, with a disturbing 56 percent increase in assaults. The audit found there were, on average, **as many as six anti-Semitic incidents** in the U.S. for each day in the calendar year—the highest level of anti-Semitic activity ever recorded by ADL.”

We know that white supremacists and specifically anti-Semites were involved in the breach on the U.S. Capitol on January 6. These groups have felt emboldened in recent years.

What can we do about antisemitism today? Here are several suggestions:

Encourage our state legislators to pass the state bill which is currently being considered which would make Holocaust education a required part of Arizona schooling.

Report any anti-Semitic incidents to the ADL so that they can keep track and to find out any suggested response they have for the incident.

Should someone you know make an anti-Semitic remark, ask for more information on why they have that perception. Try to calmly get the offender to see the problem with grouping all Jews together and making prejudicial statements.

We need to remain vigilantly aware of and responsive to antisemitism. We need to do this for self-preservation, but I also believe that this is one way we honor the memories of those who died in the Holocaust. We hear the call—“never again will we let this happen.”

At the same time, I greatly appreciate Dr. Deborah Lipstadt’s view that we should be Jews in spite of, and not because of, antisemitism. Judaism has so much to offer us and the world. Let us not allow the anti-Semite to scare us away from being proud, practicing Jews. We know we have a beautiful and meaningful religion. Am Yisrael Chai—May we remain strong in our faith despite the needs of some people to find a scapegoat.

Rabbi Debbie S. Stiel

**THE MISSION OF TEMPLE SOLEL IS TO BE A VIBRANT, INCLUSIVE AND ENGAGED REFORM COMMUNITY, GROUNDED IN RELATIONSHIPS AND DEEDS, AND ELEVATED BY SHABBAT AND TORAH.**

**Sasha Paloma Ambroson**, daughter of Joshua Ambroson and Teresa Wilson-Ambroson, will become a bat mitzvah on Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 10:30 am. Sasha attends Veritas Prep Academy and enjoys tennis, reading, drawing, painting, and sleeping in. For her mitzvah project, Sasha had a bake sale and donated the proceeds to Free Arts of AZ which is an organization that promotes child therapy through art.



**Eliza Cowen Meltzer**, daughter of Ellen and Andrew Meltzer, will become a bat mitzvah on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 10:30 am. Eliza attends Phoenix Country Day School and enjoys golf, playing piano and bass, and sewing. For her mitzvah project, Eliza sewed baby blankets and donated them to Sojourner Center.



**Adlai Rubin Lipton**, son of Rachel and Carter Lipton, will become a bar mitzvah on Saturday, April 24, 2021 at 10:30 am. Adlai attends Ingleside Middle School and enjoys skiing, playing baseball, going to summer camp, being in the outdoors, playing the guitar, and environmental activism. For his mitzvah project, Adlai's love of nature inspired him to begin the process of adopting a trail in the Maricopa County Parks and Recreation system with an ongoing commitment to bring family and friends together to clean and maintain the trail.



*View Shabbat and B'nai Mitzvah Services by visiting [templesolel.org](http://templesolel.org) and selecting the "Click here to watch our Streaming services" link at the beginning of each service.*



SOLEL SOCIAL ACTION NEEDS YOU!

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

From April 25 - May 1, Temple Solel will need volunteers, as a host congregation, we will once again be providing food and groceries to families being housed during the pandemic in the Family Promise Day Centers.

CONTACT [SOLELSOCIALACTION@TEMPLESOLEL.ORG](mailto:SOLELSOCIALACTION@TEMPLESOLEL.ORG)  
IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION  
OR TO VOLUNTEER GO TO  
[TINYURL.COM/FAMILYPROMISEAPR](http://TINYURL.COM/FAMILYPROMISEAPR)



**DONATE TO THE FAMILY  
PROMISE FUND AT  
[WWW.TEMPLESOLEL.ORG](http://WWW.TEMPLESOLEL.ORG)**

Donations will purchase groceries for our families to make breakfast and lunches during our host week while at the Family Promise Day Centers.

## Cantorial Soloist



All of this month of April and into May, we will be following the tradition of Sefirat HaOmer, or counting the Omer. Back in the days of the temple in Jerusalem, an omer was a measure of barley that was to be

brought to the temple until the wheat was received at the holiday of Shavuot. It took 49 days for the wheat to ripen and to be harvested. This process has now evolved from an agricultural one to a spiritual one.

The root of the word sefirat is the same as that of the word sephirot, which are the 10 emanations of God in the Kabbalistic tradition. As such, some people choose to observe the counting of the Omer by focusing on one aspect of the 7 lower sephirot during each week of the counting. For example, the first week is Chesed: lovingkindness, Grace, compassion. Then we focus on each different permutation of that quality. The first day is Chesed of Chesed. The second is Gevurah (strength, discernment) of Chesed. The third is Tiferet (beauty, balance) of Chesed. And so on.

*“You shall bring an omer of the first fruits of your harvest to the priest: and he shall wave the omer before God to be accepted for you.”*  
Leviticus 23:10-11

The 7 lower sephirot are as follows:

1. Chesed (lovingkindness, Grace, compassion)
2. Gevurah (strength, discernment)
3. Tiferet (beauty, balance)
4. Netzach (endurance, victory)
5. Hod (glory, splendor of physical forms)
6. Yesod (foundation, basis)
7. Malchut/Shechina (indwelling Presence, manifestation)

By striving to improve ourselves in each of these different categories, we are making ourselves worthy to receive the Torah on the holiday of Shavuot. We count the days because it helps us to remain present and conscious as we journey on this path of self-realization.

May we all work to recognize these qualities in ourselves during this time.

Todd Herzog  
Cantorial Soloist

### Did you know?

You can enjoy Cantorial Soloist Todd Herzog’s songs and learn the Shabbat prayers on our website. Go to <https://templesolel.org/sung-prayers/> to hear them.

### Reminder

All online registration links can be found in Temple Solel’s weekly eNUZ sent to member emails on Thursday afternoons.

### APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Tyler and Shana Abrahams..... 12 yrs	Ben and Jennifer Kelly.....21 yrs
Jay and Breeann Adleman ..... 10 yrs	Rob and Myndi Kort .....22 yrs
Marty and Cyndi Leigh Applebaum ..... 15 yrs	Dick and Fran Lamden .....37 yrs
Andrei and Stephanie Cherny..... 15 yrs	Ben and Jennifer Liebhaber .....16 yrs
Larry and Cindi Cohen ..... 20 yrs	Samuel and Jenny Martin .....15 yrs
Howard and Paula Donsky..... 39 yrs	Simon and Lilia Paykin .....35 yrs
Richard Epstein and Judy Ackerman.... 23 yrs	Josh and Marina Rudin .....12 yrs
John and Stacey Feuer..... 16 yrs	Scott and Tanie Sherman .....32 yrs
Ryan and Joanna Garrison ..... 18 yrs	Brian and Laura Shniderman .....21 yrs
Sandy and Deena Goldstein ..... 23 yrs	Bob and Sara Silver .....33 yrs
Steve and Helen Gubin ..... 42 yrs	Brian and Sandy Singer .....25 yrs
Mark and Sara Hass..... 10 yrs	Jacque Sokolov and Mitzi Krockover....26 yrs
Mark and Karen Kanefsky..... 29 yrs	Brad and Susan Sorosky .....20 yrs
Larry and Catherine Kasper ..... 26 yrs	Brian and Kathleen Tucker..... 21 yr

## A Parent's Perspective at The Solel Preschool

Some of you might know me. Yes, I work at Temple Solel. But as every parent knows: once a parent, always a parent. With that said, this is me, writing to you, as a parent, a first-time Mom.

In May 2019, we made Arizona our home. When I applied for the job at Temple Solel, my main motivations were "community" and "family." With no family in town, I knew I wanted (and needed) to be part of a community. We also knew that we'd want to start a family sooner than later. But, it wasn't until I shared with new friends and locals about my new job, that I heard this unanimous reaction "They have the best preschool in town!"

Working with children is hands-on hard work. I salute those who dedicate their careers to the education of children. As temple staff, what I've seen with my own eyes here was the amount of love and care all the preschool staff put into their work. And now that I am a Solel Preschool parent, I am in awe of how secure they make me feel.

Choosing the right school matters so much. It matters so you can keep your expectations in order, it matters so your family can feel safe, heard, nurtured and cared for. New parent, experienced parent. Full time, part time. Hands-on, extra help. No matter how you parent and/or how many times you've done so, the joys and struggles of parenting are there. It gets easier, it gets harder. We are all doing the best we can, the best we know. And just like our little ones, we learn as we go.

From all the things I've heard, the advice that really stuck to me was: "You will just know. You are going to receive plenty of suggestions, and plenty of unwanted advice. But you will know what works best for you and your child. And if in doubt, just ask for help. No one has it all together, and no one expects you to have it all together."

Six weeks into maternity leave, I could not begin to imagine giving up on all the 24/7 snuggles and cuddles with my baby boy. The reality of going back to work in 6 more weeks, and placing him in the care of others was being "deeply ignored." Well into the second month, and realizing that indeed, it goes by so fast! I noticed how true the saying "it won't be easy, but it will be worth it" is. My, oh, my, that is most definitely on point in describing parenthood.

Going into my third and final month of maternity leave, not only reality started to sink in, but I found myself torn in between making a schedule, finding a balance, a routine, and soaking up as much as I possibly could. But honestly, today I see how most of it was pressure into wanting to make a good

impression as a parent.

What people forget is that when a child is born, so is a parent. It's not only about giving your children love, it's also about you! It's about helping you cope with changes and transitions, helping you grow and evolve as a parent. You need to make sure that you are taken care of too, and exploring this deep connection to your child, knowing that he is well and secure, is part of it.

A week before we started preschool, we met with his teacher on zoom. Until that moment, being confined at home was "normal" – we had a newborn after all! But meeting his teacher on zoom was when I had a shock of reality, "oh wait, there is a pandemic out there!" From thinking he was too small to be out in the world, to the worries of COVID, that week was HARD.

The weekend before was a blur. From making sure I did not forget anything to endless pick up orders at Target, anxiety was running loose.

But January 2021 arrived and with it, his first day of preschool. And I've never looked back. Best decision we ever made as parents. We trusted to follow what works for us. After only one

week, we could already see a jump in his developmental growth, and even more, he smoothly adapted to their routine, which we now keep at home. He is happy, and so are we. Of course, during that first week, all I wanted to do is cry, but now, 3 months later, not one day passes without me being grateful for The Solel Preschool.

If I have a question or if I am in doubt of something, they remind me that each child has its own pace, they remind me to never compare, and they answer ALL of my questions. No judgement, just reassurance. And most importantly, their attitude towards me, from Temple staff to Preschool mom, haven't changed, not one bit.

To see him thrive, and to watch him reach milestones is the peak of our time together. Of course, we look forward to every holiday where we can have extra family time. But, to see how happy he is going and coming back from preschool, and to know that someone else is making sure that he gets all the care, tools and support he needs, while Mom and Dad make sure to work hard to provide him with the best future possible... well, there are no words for it.

I know how lucky I am to work next door. But I feel even luckier for these two amazing communities, Temple Solel and The Solel Preschool.

*Elis Legler*

Raker Religious School Coordinator



## Madrachim at Raker Religious School



Temple Solel is known for its Madrichim program. Madrichim, which means teacher's assistant, has been a training ground for our 8-12 graders who want to take an active role in working with students and families in our temple. It is a role they take on when they

want to give back to the temple, continue their own Jewish education, and become leaders within the Jewish community.

This program is led by Andrea Eisen, an outstanding educator, who has taken the Madrichim class to a higher

level. Not only does she work with our Madrichim as to how best to engage the students, but she works with our faculty as to how best to use the Madrich/cha in the classroom. Andrea, who has given structure and purpose to the Madrichim program brings years of experience to our religious school. She is a wonderful resource for our students and for that I thank her.

*Tobee Waxenberg*

Director of Raker Religious School



As a long time Jewish educator, I have learned along the way that the key to making the temple feel like "home" to our children lies not just with our teachers and rabbis, but with our teens. Keeping our post b'nai mitzvah students engaged and involved with the religious school and youth group helps not only the teens themselves, but our whole congregation.

Before the pandemic, Temple Solel was a very busy place on Sunday mornings! Filled with teenagers, as they were setting up to work in the classrooms, office or Bistro, they brought a level of enthusiasm that made the day feel special. Those teens are part of our fabulous Madrichim program. **Madrichim** is a Hebrew word that has come to mean student aides. Teens that participate in our Madrichim program serve as role models for the younger students.

If you have a child in 6th or 7th grade and you have been wondering what happens after b'nai mitzvah, the Madrichim program is the next step in your child's Jewish education. When your child signs up for the Madrichim program they do not just help in a classroom. They must also be registered for religious school and continue their own Jewish education. I teach grades 8 and 9 and the rabbis teach grades 10-12. Their class time is during Religious school and it is an important piece of the Madrichim program. As role models they are showing the younger ones that Jewish learning does not stop after b'nai mitzvah. These classes explore things like Comparative Religion or Jewish Communities Around the World and cover current issues in the world looking at them from a Jewish perspective. They help our teens to go out in the world feeling like they have a deeper understanding of Judaism and about their own beliefs. Madrichim receive training on how to work in a classroom during our Madrichim meetings 4-5 times a year. These meetings take place on a weeknight separate from the bustle of Sunday morning religious school. We share

dinner together while we troubleshoot what goes on in the classrooms and in the office. They learn about what it means to be a role model, how to create and present lesson plans, how to work with children, and how to be most helpful to the teacher. The best thing about these meetings is that I see the older Madrichim helping the younger ones with their words of wisdom from years of experience in the program. I see our Madrichim as the Jewish educators and leaders of the future.

I am particularly proud of our Madrichim program because of the commitment I see in the teens who participate. Currently we have 36 students participating in grades 8-12. This year has been a real challenge for our Madrichim since we did not have in-person learning. Many Madrichim actually chose to join their teachers on Zoom helping with breakout rooms and with some of the technical issues of being on the Zoom platform.

In August, when we are back in the building for classes, 8th grade Madrichim will work on a voluntary basis and get community service hours for their time, if they need it. Beginning in 9th grade, they can be paid a quarterly stipend or continue to volunteer as some choose to do. Paid or not, these teens take this job seriously and the children they work with grow to depend on seeing them each Sunday morning. They look forward to telling them about their new puppy or what happened to them in school and the Madrichim look forward to seeing their smiling faces, helping them learn the Alef-Bet, Jewish history or the next Jewish holiday. It is truly a win for both sides and helps to foster good feelings about time spent in religious school and at Temple Solel.

I truly hope you will talk to your 7-11 graders about joining the Madrichim program. Please feel free to contact Tobee Waxenberg, Director of Raker Religious School, if you have any questions or if you would like to talk with me, she will facilitate that as well.

*Andrea Eisen*

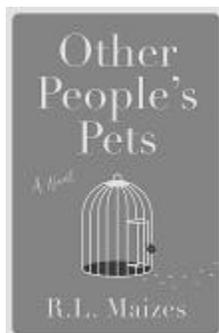
Madrichim Coordinator



## Temple Solel Book Club

Dear Fellow Book Lovers,

Thank you to Fred Schwartz for leading the March conversation about *Judaism's Great Debates: Controversies from Abraham to Herzl*.



This month, on **April 20 at 6:00 pm**, we will discuss *Other People's Pets*, a novel. The MacMillan reviewer writes, "R.L. Maizes's *Other People's Pets* examines the gap between the families we're born into and those we create, and the danger that holding on to a troubled past may rob us of the future." Goodreads adds, "La La Fine relates to animals better than she does to other people. Abandoned by a mother who never wanted a family, raised by a

locksmith-turned-thief father, La La looks to pets when it feels like the rest of the world conspires against her." It sounds intriguing! Please join us on Zoom. I will send out the link before the meeting to the club mailing list.

We will meet again on **May 18, June 15, and July 20, each at 6:00 pm**. On May 18 we will explore *Thoughts From A Unicorn: 100% Black. 100% Jewish. 0% Safe* by MaNishtana, an African-American Orthodox rabbi. For those of us who have lived in a predominantly white Jewish world, understanding a Jew of Color's viewpoint



and nurturing our commonalities has become increasingly important. The Steinhardt Social Research Institute's American Jewish Population Project reports that 11% of Jews in the United States are Jews of Color. As Jews, the Solel Book Club joins in the eternal Jewish conversation and in that tradition we hear all its voices. This book comes well recommended, and as always, we will find out together.

I welcome anyone who might like to lead our friendly group in an upcoming discussion. You may email me at [books@templesolel.org](mailto:books@templesolel.org).

Happy reading!

Judy Schaffert

## Temple Solel Endowment Foundation

Securing Our Future | April 2021

Yom HaShoah (יום השואה) marks the time to remember the millions that died and those that lived on from the aftermath of the Holocaust. We keep this remembrance alive as to not to forget those before us, those who lives were strong and vibrant, that contributed to future generations in all facets of rich livelihoods in finance, arts, culture, and general compassion for others. We must not be silent or compliant in fortifying the present and the future of the Jewish people.

**We must remember the past to build the future.**

The Yom HaShoah reminds us of how we got here but teaching all of us, the youth of our synagogue and those not so young that building strong communities and strong family ties within our Jewish circles and beyond, are essential to our strength and growth. Securing the growth of Temple Solel begins with programs, opportunities to learn, and to participate in and with our synagogue even in restrictive times as today. We encourage participation, connectivity, and community within and from outside of our Solel family.

To insure and secure the future of Temple Solel, I have been committed to Temple Solel since 1990 through teaching, board membership, committee involvement and now a board member for the Endowment Fund. Endowment Funds support our synagogue in perpetuity. These contributions provide an assurance that donor's gifts serve for purposes of the longevity of our synagogue. Long established institutions like universities, colleges, churches, or other synagogues have done the same to provide stability in times of fluctuating membership, educational programs, major structural changes, salaries, or **PANDEMICS!!**

As we remember and honor the lives lost before us, whether it be the Holocaust, our grandparents, parents, or children Temple Solel encourages you to SUPPORT the Endowment Fund now. No time like the present to insure and secure our Jewish heritage and our future. Even though we are physically separated due to COVID conditions, our temple still will be there to support you in any way possible.

Please consider a contribution of a legacy gift, gifts of long-term nature and/or cash gifts which all in nature will grow with time in your name. We suggest you talk to your financial planner or your tax advisor to determine the appropriate gifting for your financial objectives. Reach out to us as well should you need some preliminary direction.

**Remember the Holocaust.**

**Remember those that have come before us.**

**Remember Solel with an Endowment Fund Gift.**

Gail Rosenberg Zucker

Board Member, Temple Solel Endowment Foundation



## Stella Lipson

Meet Temple Solel member Stella Lipson, a sophomore at Saguario High School. Born and raised in Arizona by her parents Robert and Joan Lipson. Stella is the youngest of her four siblings Jacob, Gabrielle, and Ethan.

Stella's family became members of Temple Solel in 2001. Stella states, "My favorite Temple Solel memory is probably from 7th grade when we met with Holocaust survivors and listened to their stories. I also think of my Bat Mitzvah as the Best Day Ever!"

In her free time she dives competitively and is currently the Senior Patrol Leader of Boy Scout Troop (3030). Something Temple Solel members may not know about Stella is that she loves "tying knots and I know a ton of super cool ones."

She is inspired by her mom and also her scoutmaster. "My scoutmaster is a computer engineer and an outdoors (wo) man. She always has a 'you can do this' attitude which rubs off on everyone she meets and she is fearless," says Stella.

Her goal in life is to change other people's lives for the better. Stella wants to be an engineer and is focusing now on getting good grades, helping other scouts become Senior Patrol Leader like herself and "baking a perfect French macaroon."

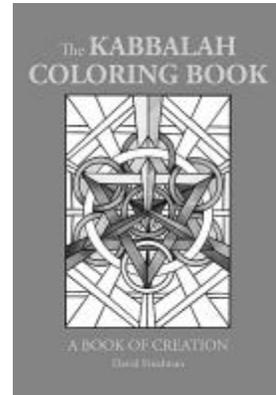
Stella's favorite part of Temple Solel "is the sense of community and how welcoming of a place it is. Walking into temple and going to Friday night services gives me a feeling of nostalgia and a sense of home."

Before Covid, Stella would volunteer with The Friendship Circle, a Jewish organization for kids and young adults with special needs to improve their social skills. "I have worked with them for almost four years and have met some amazing people that I talk to all the time," she says.

### *Moving?*

If you're moving or have just recently moved, please take a moment to notify the temple office so that we may update our records. This would include any change of email or contact phone information. Please email [office@templesolel.org](mailto:office@templesolel.org) or call 480.991.7414. Thanks!

## "Visions" at Torah Study



Recently, a friend sent me a wonderful gift—"The **Kabbalah Coloring Book**" (2020). Created by Israeli artist David Friedman, this beautiful book offers 50 mystical images ready to color. While using this book, I learned a fun Jewish meditation technique – the process of creating and contemplating symbols derived from the Torah. These symbols are designed to boost our powers of sensory awareness and perception, and help us see into higher spiritual realms.

For centuries, our ancestors found wisdom and insights in mystical experiences. Before they developed written language, they absorbed the world directly through their senses and witnessed a wide range of visions. Amazingly, this is how the Torah began. "The Hebrew Bible abounds in revelations," says Catherine Shainberg in "**Kabbalah and the Power of Dreaming**" (2005). "From the dreams of the ancestors, to the visions of the prophets, to the wonders of Sinai, we see that the visionary process was the most prevalent form of communication with the Divine in biblical times."

Likewise today, Kabbalists believe that a world more real than our own lies behind common daily life, continues Shainberg. We access this larger world through our imaginal minds. "Dreaming emanates from the right side of the brain, which never stops receiving and emitting nerve impulses," she says. "At every moment, we are dreaming."

Fortunately, both of these books teach us how to create mystical symbols by combining ancient lore with our own personal visions and abilities. By merging traditional knowledge with spontaneous insights, we take part in an experience that can increase our awareness of a larger reality. In next month's Pathfinder, we will share this experience together.

**To see more, visit [www.kosmic-kabbalah.com](http://www.kosmic-kabbalah.com) and [www.thekabbalahcoloringbook.com](http://www.thekabbalahcoloringbook.com). Torah Study meets virtually every Saturday morning at 9:00 am. See eNUZ for Zoom link and info. Please join us!**

Matthew Kozinets

**YAS!** YOUNG ADULTS OF SOLEL VOLUNTEER TO MAKE AND DELIVER MEALS TO FAMILY PROMISE THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2021 FOLLOWED BY ZOOM GET TOGETHER AT 6:00PM

AGES 20S & 30S

As a group we will volunteer to make dinner on Thursday night for Family Promise in conjunction with Temple Solel's volunteer week. Each volunteer will make a course of the meal and coordinate delivery to the Family Promise facility. Once the meal is delivered we will get together on Zoom to schmooze! To volunteer to choose a portion of the meal to provide or for more information, email [jnull@templesolel.org](mailto:jnull@templesolel.org)



Friday, April 9  
6:15 PM Zoom Services

**Family Shabbat**

With 7th graders participation exploring the theme of Shoah & character building



TEMPLE SOLEL

**Knitting for a Purpose**

Wednesday, April 14 at 1PM

REGISTRATION IN ENUZ  
[knitting@templesolel.org](mailto:knitting@templesolel.org)



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**YIDDISH CLUB**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28 AT 1:30PM



Email  
[yiddish@templesolel.org](mailto:yiddish@templesolel.org)

TEMPLE SOLEL

**Rosh Chodesh**

Wednesday, April 14 at 5:45PM

Join us as we explore Jewish Women's Spirituality

Judith Dobbs will present this month about women throughout 1842-1934

**LINK IN ENUZ**  
[roshchodesh@templesolel.org](mailto:roshchodesh@templesolel.org)



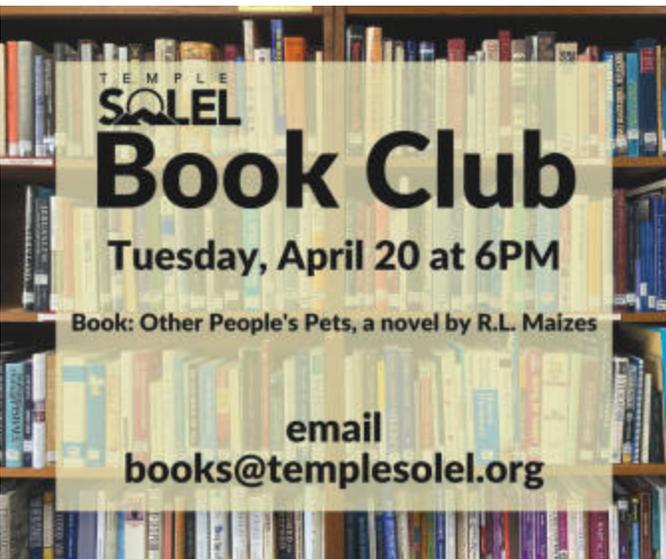
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**Book Club**

Tuesday, April 20 at 6PM

Book: Other People's Pets, a novel by R.L. Maizes

email  
[books@templesolel.org](mailto:books@templesolel.org)



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## Fun Times at The Solel Preschool

The Solel Preschool had so much fun celebrating Purim this year! We had a spirit week with different themes like Hawaiian and Sportswear each day, but our favorite day was definitely Purim Costume Day on Friday!



## Meet Our Caring Community Members

Joan Matlock “Joanie” is the leader of the Bereavement Team. This team cares for folks who have lost a loved one. During “normal” times, members will assist families with preparing for Shiva. Joan recruits member who are willing to provide baked goods if needed and members to help set up and clean up the Shiva house.

Joan, a professional licensed bereavement counselor, calls families of deceased congregants and offers Caring Community assistance and support. Thank you Joanie for all the wonderful work you do for the Caring Community.

A big thanks you to the following Caring Community Members who checked in on our single congregants over 70: Sandy Barkov, Alyce Helfman, Audrey Sobel, Lauren Mishlove, Patsy Parker, Marian Fisher ad Dottie Braun-Cohen.

We continue to reach out to those experiencing health issues and deliver food as needed. Should you need the services of the Caring Community you can reach us at [caring@templesolel.org](mailto:caring@templesolel.org) or through the temple office.

Dottie Braun-Cohen  
Caring Community Coordinator



## Volunteer Recognition

Volunteers are an essential part of Temple Solel. We would like to thank the following volunteers for their time and efforts:

**Birthday Calls**  
Arlene Bonime

Nancy Weinstein  
Gail Zucker

**Knitting for a Purpose**  
Arlene Bonime  
Carol Brillman  
Jill Loebel  
Beverly Nathan  
Margie Rahilly  
Linda Ribnik  
Beth Sennett  
Lisa Trotta

**Magen Masks**  
Toby Gerst  
Jane Marks  
Esther Zack  
Ted Kort  
Stephen Gerst

**Yahrzeit Notices**  
Cynthia Marcus

*Would you like to volunteer at some point in the future? We'd love to have you! Email [office@templesolel.org](mailto:office@templesolel.org), and we'll add you to our volunteer email list for upcoming opportunities.*

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## Temple Solel Annual Meeting

Thursday, May 20, 2021

5:30 pm via Zoom

Join us as we vote for the new incoming board slate and approve the budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Hear what's new at your temple and find out how you can become more involved in the coming year.

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April 11, 2021 1:00 PM

Virtual Presentation

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Guest Speaker: Alma Hernandez, Member of Arizona House of Representatives, 3rd District

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Kurt Klein

### April 23, 2021

Julie Knoller-Schwartz  
Malcolm Lazinsk  
Abe Lieberman  
Harvey Malofsky  
Helene Miller  
Tillie Miller  
Michael Ornstein  
Adelyn Posner  
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### April 9, 2021

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Dorris Berkowitz  
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Wilfred Brandwein  
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Laurabell Thomas  
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Leonard Berey  
Tybe Blink  
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Norman Chassin  
Ruth Cohen  
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April 9 / Sh'mini/Leviticus 9:1-11:47/6:37pm  
April 16 / Tazria-M'tzora/Leviticus 12:1-15:33/6:42pm  
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