

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE TEMPLE-TIFERETH ISRAEL, BEACHWOOD, OHIO

MAY 2022 NISAN - IYAR 5782

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Attend Shabbat services in person, via livestream at ttti.org or Facebook Live.

Friday, May 6 at 6:00 pm KABBALAT SHABBAT & CHAI SCHOOL GRADUATION Torah Portion: Kedoshim; Leviticus 19:1-20:27

Friday, May 13 at 6:00 pm NEFESH SHABBAT Torah Portion: Emor; Leviticus 21:1-24:23

Friday, May 20 at 6:00 pm KABBALAT SHABBAT WITH SHIRA CHADASHA Torah Portion: Behar; Leviticus 25:1-26:2

Friday, May 27 at 6:00 pm VETERANS SHABBAT & ADULT B'NOT MITZVAH

Torah Portion: Bechukotai; Leviticus 26:3-27:34





Unite with the Cleveland community in commemorating the legacy and sacrifice of Israel's fallen soldiers and terror victims. Join us for a meaningful event with songs and prayers to honor the lives of the ones we have lost and to show our gratitude and respect.

Both virtual and in-person options available. Zoom link will be provided upon registration.

THIS EVENT IS FREE BUT REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED! Registration is required at jewishcleveland.org



JOIN US FOR CLEVELAND'S CELEBRATION OF ISRAEL'S 74TH INDEPENDENCE DAY!

Thursday, May 5 - Gates open at 5:30 pm. Event starts at 6:00 pm. Outside the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage and The Temple-Tifereth Israel Shuttles will be available from nearby parking lots to the event.

Celebrate Israel with an OUTDOOR carnival including:

- Live Israeli music from IsraBand
- Stilt walkers and jugglers
- Kids activities, face painting, and games
- Spirit station with Israel-themed swag
- Food and alcohol available for purchase
- Raffle prizes
- And much, much more!

FREE AND OPEN TO THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY!

Registration is required at jewishcleveland.org

Visit ttti.org/covid for complete Covid protocols and to submit your vaccination information online.



FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

The Biblical Book of Leviticus surprises us over and over again. At first glance

this third book of the Five Books of Moses looks completely remote to our interests and to our needs. But, relevance ... and arresting relevance ... is, in fact everywhere ... or almost everywhere ... in this undervalued book.

One big surprise occurs right after the dedication of the Tabernacle and the empowering of the priests comes to a grand conclusion. Here is that crowning ending:

And Aaron lifted his hands toward the people and blessed them; and he stepped down after offering the sin offering, the burnt offering, and the offering of well-being. Moses and Aaron then went inside the Tent of Meeting. When they came out, they blessed the people; and the presence of the Lord appeared to all the people. Fire came forth from before the Lord and consumed the burnt offering and all the people saw, and shouted, and fell on their faces (Leviticus 9: 22-24).

A grand climax, indeed. But, immediately after ... tragedy:

Now Aaron's sons Nadav and Avihu each took his fire pan, put burning coals in it, and laid incense on it; and they offered before the Lord alien fire, which G-d had not enjoined upon them. And fire came forth from the Lord and consumed them; thus they died ... (Leviticus 10: 1-2).

In a word: a high point, filled with promise, followed, with uncanny immediacy, by human perversity. Tellingly, this pattern is pervasive in Scripture. Here, briefly, are three further examples:

- A consequential act of disobedience by Adam and Eve follows the great promise of The Garden of Eden.
- Family disharmony breaks out between Joseph and his brothers as soon as their father Jacob finds peace back home after years of strife and struggle.
- King David, after finally vanquishing his enemies and at rest in his palace, looks out from his balcony, sees Bathsheba, and has his men seize her and bring her to him which leads to one family tragedy after another, all foreshadowed in the prophet Nathan's withering rebuke of the great king.

Just what is Scripture conveying through this patterned array of examples? First, that consequences often have, themselves, further, and unpredictable, consequences. What seems to complete a process often provides the very grounds for additional and unexpected action. No action is simply the very end. Secondly, that we human beings, in the famous words of Abba Eban in another context, simply cannot take yes for an answer. The Tabernacle is readied for sanctified worship; but the actions of Nadav and Avihu show that ripeness is not all! lacob looks forward to peace at last but then his children blow it, in part the result of lacob's own limitations as a father. David, at the height of his power and prestige, allows his runaway libido to cause chaos and tragedy in his own household. But thirdly, these episodes encourage us to look beyond the tragedies. And when we do, what do we find? That life goes on, that the people recover from the calamity by looking ahead and then repairing and rebuilding. We are not permitted to indulge in hopelessness and despair. We are commanded to forge boldly and confidently ahead.

In the aftermath of the Nadav and Avihu debacle, the people go on to embrace life's challenges and opportunities. The Leviticus chapters 11 and beyond deal with some the fundamental building blocks of any future: with childbirth and children, with food, with the integrity of our homes and the health of our bodies, with community norms and, crucially, with the restoration to the community of those who have been cast out ... and, in consequence, to the restoration of the community.

Life goes on ... with our innocence reduced, with our hopes moderated, but with optimism and energy, moving forward.

L'Shalom, Rabbi Roger C. Klein

Save the date and watch for more information! EREV SHAVUOT STUDY SESSION Saturday, June 4 at 7:30 pm at The Temple and via Livestream

Biblical Ethics in Three Character Studies: Joseph's Magnanimity, David's Discernment, Ruth's Nobility



Join us for what promises to be an exciting and revelatory discussion!

MAZEL TOV TO OUR B'NAI MITZVAH

BRYN SHERYLE GORDON Saturday, May 7 at 11:00 am

Bryn is the daughter of Richard Gordon and Sybil Paukert.



TRENTON GLUCK

Saturday, May 7 at 4:30 pm Trenton is the son of Richard and Rachel Gluck. He attends Brady Middle School.



SPENCER DAVID KRAMER Saturday, May 14 at 11:00 am

Spencer is the son of Stephen Kramer and Lindsay and Howard Schulman. He attends Solon Middle School. For his Mitzvah Project, Spencer is donating items to a homeless shelter and a local food bank, as well as for Ukraine refugees.





MAZEL TOV TO OUR ADULT B'NOT MITZVAH CLASS!

Join us as we celebrate Shabbat and our B'not Mitzvah on Friday, May 27 at 6:00 pm in our Sanctuary.

MAZEL TOV TO:

Michelle Block Beth Dery Wendy Henoch Naida Levy Harriet Piccione Susie Regal Lynn Rosenberg Susan Schaul Melinda Silver Claudia Woods

LIZA RUBY GOLDBERG Saturday, May 14 at 4:30 pm

Liza is the daughter of Amy and Jeremy Goldberg. She attends Hawken School. Liza is making care packages and gift bags for residents at Ronald McDonald House.



NOAH HARVEY SCHAEFER Saturday, May 21 at 4:30 pm

Noah is the son of Brian Ross Schaefer and Niki Dorsky Schaefer. He attends Chagrin Falls School.



MORGAN PAIGE HILLMAN Saturday, May 28 at 4:30 pm

Morgan is the daughter of Meredith and Jason Hillman. She attends Mandel Jewish Day School. Morgan is volunteering at The Friendship Circle. She is part of a community and spends time each week with an assigned "buddy."



DEVIN SHAYNE HILLMAN Saturday, May 28 at 4:30 pm

Devin is the daughter of Meredith and Jason Hillman. She attends Mandel Jewish Day School. Devin is volunteering at The Friendship Circle. She is part of a community and spends time each week with an assigned "buddy."





Your gift to ALL IN, our annual campaign, ensures the vibrancy of our spiritual and programmatic life, while never turning anyone away for financial reasons. We are so grateful for being ALL IN this together!

To join us as a donor, visit ttti.org/giving or call 216-455-1728.

YOUNG FAMILY SHABBAT

Saturday, May 14 at 9:30 am Wald Family Outdoor Chapel, Lawn & Garden



This service is open to young families (birth through Pre-K) from all religious backgrounds. Come enjoy some Shabbat silliness with your kiddos, Rabbi Yael Dadoun, and Jesse Jukebox!

This program is supported by the Wortzman Family Outreach Fund.

JOIN US FOR A SHABBAT SERVICE HONORING OUR VETERANS



Friday, May 27 at 6:00 pm The Temple-Tifereth Israel

Are you a veteran? Are you serving our country at this time? Did anyone in your family serve our country?

The Temple would love your participation in our project to honor the service men and women of our congregation, to update our list of veterans and service personnel, and to create an archive of our Temple's contribution to the causes of freedom and equality. See information in Jane Rothstein's article on page 10.

ROSH CHODESH

Wednesday, May 11 at 7:00 pm The Temple-Tifereth Israel



THE TEMPLE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The women of TWA, along with Rabbi Dadoun and Cantor Sebo, invite you to join us for our monthly, multi-generational Rosh Chodesh experience.

NEFESH SHABBAT

Friday, May 13 at 6:00 pm

This family-friendly, intergenerational service is spiritual and approachable for all. It is a warm and soulful experience enriched with special musical selections and a live band! We welcome everyone in our community to engage with the wisdom, ritual, and melodies of the Jewish tradition.



BOOK DISCUSSION

Wednesday, May 11 at 1:00 pm In the Hartzmark Room and via livestream *Clara* by Janice Galloway

Join Rabbi Klein for a discussion of the book plus supplementary information about other women composers of the time and examples of their work.



Clara reignites, from between the lines of history, the great love of Robert and Clara Schumann. This impassioned novel gives voice to Clara Wieck Schumann, one of the most celebrated pianists of the nineteenth century, who today is best remembered not for her music but for her marriage.

RACIAL JUSTICE BOOK DISCUSSION

Wednesday, May 18 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm via Zoom

Hell of a Book by Jason Mott

In Jason Mott's Hell of a Book, a Black author sets out on a cross-country publicity tour to promote his bestselling novel. That storyline drives Hell of a Book and is the scaffolding of something much larger and more urgent: Mott's novel also tells the story of Soot, a young Black boy living in a rural town in the recent past, and The Kid, a possibly imaginary child who appears to the author on his tour.



This 2021 National Book Award winner for fiction tells the story of a Black writer's cross-country book tour which becomes a profound exploration of love, friendship, and racial violence in America.

Contact Patti London at pklondon@me.com for information and Zoom link.



BY RABBI JONATHAN COHEN

YOM HAZIKARON, a day we observe on the eve of Yom HaAtzmaut (Israel's Independence Day), is an especially meaningful day for many of us, and an opportunity to reflect upon two important elements of Israel's reality in our lives: First, it is a reminder of the uncertainty of Israel's very existence, let alone success, at the time of its founding. In May of 1948, Arab armies invaded Israel in an attempt to thwart its founding, and Israel's war of independence entered its decisive stage. As difficult as it is to imagine today, Egyptian troops advanced all the way into the center of Israel, approximately 40 miles from Tel Aviv, and Jordanian forces threatened to cut off and defeat the Jewish fighters and residents of Jerusalem. In short, Yom HaZikaron is a reminder that things could have turned out differently, that Israel's survival has been contested, and that Israel's existence cannot be taken for granted. Further, on this day we recall the heavy human toll that Israel's existence and vibrancy have claimed. We mourn the lives, the dreams, the relationships lost forever for the sake of Israel, and recognize the pain that remains with so many of us. We express our gratitude for and respect the sacrifice of others for the sake of Judaism and of Israel.

Every year, YOM HA'ATZMAUT offers us the opportunity to celebrate Israel, its impact on our lives, its remarkable achievements, and its dreams and ideals. This year, we add yet another ingredient to our celebration. As we celebrate the 74th anniversary of Israel's establishment, we also celebrate the 75th anniversary of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver's seminal speech to the United Nations in support of the establishment of Israel on May 8, 1947. Leading a delegation of Zionist leaders (including Moshe Shertok who would become Israel's foreign minister, and David Ben Gurion who would become Israel's first prime minister) Rabbi Silver was the first to present his vision for the new state in what would become the most celebrated pronouncement of the Zionist enterprise. There, Rabbi Silver spoke of a free, democratic, and egalitarian beacon for the world. Especially on this Ha'Atzmaut, we not only celebrate Israel's existence and its contribution to our lives, but our own Rabbi Silver and his contribution to the creation and recognition of Israel. This truly is our collective celebration! Join us for music, food, and fun for all members of our congregational family!



FULFILL A MITZVAH MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND!

Sunday, May 29 at 9:30 am at Mayfield Cemetery

Volunteers from The Temple and Anshe Chesed Fairmount Temple will once again meet at Mayfield Cemetery to place American flags on more than 400 graves of Jewish veterans. Many volunteers are needed and all ages are welcome!

If you know of a veteran buried at Mayfield Cemetery who may not be on our list, please call Cyndi Wilson at 216.455.1695 or email cwilson@ttti.org. Please wear masks. Physical distancing will be observed.

CONGRATULATIONS TO RABBI DADOUN!

We all know that rabbis are "ordained" – in other words that there is a special ritual that recognizes the transformation in people's lives to becoming clergy, to becoming a rabbi. In our tradition, this ritual and recognition is called smicha. This Hebrew word literally means "attachment" or "appendage" and it recognizes and celebrates the attachment of an individual to the chain of rabbinic tradition, to spiritual leadership of the Jewish people and the commitment to its survival and advancement for generations to come.



Rabbi Dadoun's Ordination-Smicha Ceremony should have occurred approximately two years ago and was postponed due to COVID-19. It will finally take place in the historic Plum Street Temple, in Cincinnati, on May 21, 2022. Mazal tov and *yishar koach* to Rabbi Dadoun from your Temple family!

CELEBRATING OUR TEMPLE TEENS!

TLC TEEN SPOTLIGHT



Name: Sabrina Fellinger Grade: 11 Orange High School

What is your favorite Jewish holiday? Why?

Passover because I have so many incredible memories of getting to spend hours in the kitchen with my family getting ready for the holiday.

What is the best part of being a Temple teen?

The friendships are easily the best part. I have so many memories of getting to joke around and have fun with all the other Temple teens while being a madricha or going to events together.

Are there any Temple staff, clergy, or teachers who have made a positive impact on your life? If yes, who and how?

Two staff members that have had a massive positive impact on my life are Rabbi Dadoun and Cantor Kathy.

Both have always been very kind and are always super-supportive of all the work I do in the theater. Whenever I see one of them, they are always ready for an update on my most recent projects.

How has being a Madricha helped you in your everyday life?

Being a Madricha has helped me to learn to keep my cool under pressure. By working in a classroom, I have gotten to learn how to not go crazy when things go wrong or when plans have to change at the last minute.

Do you have any words of advice to younger Temple kids?

My advice would be to stand your ground. It sounds corny, I know, but one of the best skills you can learn is how to stand up for yourself.

What is your wish for the world?

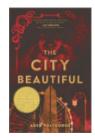
If I could change one thing about the world I would want there to be fewer complications for people who are different. I would want this world to be more accepting of people who are different instead of putting more challenges between them and their goals.

What are your summer plans?

This summer I have the incredible opportunity to intern as an assistant designer for Porthouse Theater. Then, I am going to work as an assistant director/stage manager at Stagecrafters Summer Camp.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE LEARNING CENTER ON A FANTASTIC YEAR! We learned, laughed, and built community. We'll see you next year as we continue together on our Jewish life journey together!

TEEN BOOK OF THE MONTH By Jane Rothstein



The City Beautiful by Aden Polydoros

It's 1893 in Chicago, and the World's Columbian Exposition invites thousands of visitors to see a gathering of world cultures. Unless, of course, you're like Alter Rosen, a young Jewish immigrant, for whom the 50 cent ticket might be a day's wages. When you've lost your father at sea and are saving to bring your mother and sisters over from Romania, the only reason you fork over the fee is to understand what really happened to your best friend. Yakov was found dead in the Expo's White City in what the police swear is an accidental drowning, but which Alter knows can only be murder. Half a dozen young Jewish men have gone missing in the past few months, and no one but the police believe they ran away. Also, Yakov has now entered Alter's body as a dybbuk bent on revenge. In this historical thriller, dark forces both human and mystical threaten Alter as he searches for the truth behind Yakov's death. He must do it quickly, before the dybbuk takes over his body completely.

The City Beautiful has been rightly praised from all quarters: winner of the Sydney Taylor Award in YA; a finalist for a National Jewish Book Award and a Lambda Literary Award; and on the first ballot for a Bram Stoker Award. Combining mystery, history, and Jewish folklore, this is a compelling read that may find teens and their parents fighting over who gets to read it first.

TEEN PROGRAMMING AND OUR JEWISH LIFE JOURNEY

Teen programming and engagement play a major role in the Jewish life journey at The Temple-Tifereth Israel. Our mission is that at every age, students feel confident in their values, the larger Reform Jewish story they're a part of, and what they uniquely have to offer as they navigate their world. Teens at our Temple have unique opportunities for leadership, connecting with Jews in their communities, and around the world. These experiences shape their own narrative and how they help to develop joy and appreciation for Judaism and an understanding of the world around them. As they participate in programs and learning at our Temple, teens begin to craft their own stories of who they are, how they see themselves, and what perspective they bring from their experiences and how those will influence their future.

A TASTE OF 2021-2022 TEEN PROGRAMMING

In our Chai Learning Program, our 8th and 9th graders were able to learn about topics of justice and bias through the lens of the Reform movement. They have come away from this course with a sense of empathy for communities and people who have a different life experience than themselves. Opening their eyes to become aware of the injustices in the world, our teens have learned tools for how to acknowledge and serve those who need support in our communities.

Our teens participated in the Shabbat service, commemorating Kristallnacht. Through special readings and lighting of candles, they were able to bring hope from the darkness that day represents. During the week of Kristallnacht, our teens were able to hear first hand accounts of survivors of the Holocaust, Roman Frayman and Nathan Lipsyc.

We joined with teens from Temple Emanu El, Anshe Chesed Fairmount Temple, and Suburban Temple Kol Ami to create a larger community of learners through a variety of art, theater, film and nature programs.

All of our programming is designed to meet our teens where they are and expand their thinking and help them determine where their next steps will lead them on their own life journeys as young Jewish adults.

MAZEL TOV TO OUR 2022 CHAI SCHOOL GRADUATES!

Raleigh Arnopolin Owen Bauer Jacob Feinleib Zara Greenfield

Josh Hicks Adam Hollander Monica Kline Luca Sakiewicz

MAZEL TOV TO OUR 2022 CONFIRMANDS



Join us as we celebrate Confirmation and Shavuot!

Sunday, June 5, 2022 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm The Maltz Performing Arts Center in University Circle

2022 CONFIRMANDS:

Moriah Altman Corinna Arnopolin Jenni Ashby Vivian Auten Lily Boardman Avigail Botnik **Emily Clar** Lexi Cowan Sabrina Fellinger Samantha Gloger Cole Klein Jordan Klein Jacob Lader Charlie Loebl Rebecca Loebl **Jennifer Martel** Rebecca Martel **Kylee Moss** Joshua Rossen Charlie Rubsamen Audrey Sakiewicz Elaina Schaefer Ben Sosin Marcus Streem Lizabeth Walsh Madelyn Wilkov Anna Wolf

A PRE-CONCERT TALK BY RABBI ROGER C. KLEIN

Tuesday, May 3 at Plymouth Church, 2860 Coventry Road Shaker Heights Rabbi Klein's talk at 6:30 • Cleveland Chamber Music Society's Concert at 7:30

Join Rabbi Klein as he discusses the pieces being played by the Takács Quartet: Joseph Haydn, String Quartet Opus 20, number 5 Franz Schubert, String Quintet, D. 956 Samuel Coleridge-Taylor, Fantasiestucke

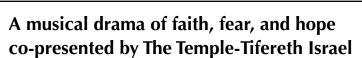
The Temple Women's Association and The Temple Brotherhood Present

TRUTH, JUSTICE AND THE CLEVELAND WAY: THE EARLY WORK OF JERRY SIEGEL & JOE SHUSTER

Tuesday, May 24 at 7:00 pm Join us in person or Livestream

Dennis R. Sutcliffe, a local historian and master storyteller, will be our presenter as we hear about Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster. In 1933 they created the world's most enduring comic superhero: Superman. Superman became the most successful literacy creation of the 20th century and Jerry and Joe were inducted into the National Comic Books Hall of Fame in 1992. Jerry's home in Cleveland where Superman was created is still in existence today. Learn more about these two Cleveland hometown kids.

Please RSVP to Marcy O'Connell at vrodgal@gmail.com by May 20.



THE SPARKS FLY UPWARD

Performances June 9-12, 2022 The Maltz Performing Arts Center

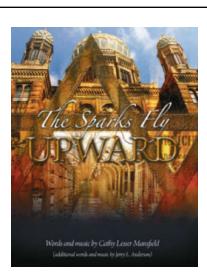
Tickets on sale now at: https://case.edu/maltzcenter/sparks fly

Three German families...two Jewish and one Christian, are thrust headlong into the Holocaust.

The Sparks Fly Upward begins on October 28, 1938, with the deportation of Polish Jews residing in Germany to Poland, and concludes with the liberation of Berlin in May 1945 and the re-dedication of the Neue Synagogue in Berlin in 1995. The

Sparks Fly Upward, told completely through lush music and rich lyrics, is a story of courage, friendship, love, faith, hope and the power of one person to alter the course of another's life. Set in Nazi Germany, The Sparks Fly Upward is woven from the stories of those who were there.

About the Composer: Temple member Cathy Lesser Mansfield is the founder and Executive Director of The Sparks Fly Upward Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to educating people about the Holocaust, genocide and tolerance through presentations of Sparks, and ancillary activities.







ALL ARE

WELCOME!



MAY ART TALK A Visit to the Allen Memorial Art Museum for: Forms Larger and Bolder: Eva Hesse Drawings

Tuesday, May 10* at 10:30 am, 87 N Main St., Oberlin, OH

Join us as we visit the Eva Hesse exhibit in Oberlin for a docent-lead tour. For those who desire, we will stop for lunch after the exhibit and continue the conversation.

Eva Hesse was born in 1936, in Hamburg, Germany, to Jewish parents. The family fled the Nazi regime, first to Holland in 1938 and then to New York in 1939. Hesse studied at the Art Students League, then at Cooper Union and Yale University, where she received her B.A. in 1959. After graduating she returned to New York, where her debut exhibitions, including her first solo show at Allan Stone Gallery, focused on her drawings. Hesse became ill with cancer in the late 1960s, and died in 1970 at age 34.

If you are interested in carpooling, please contact Sue Koletsky at skoletsky@ttti.org. Registration required at bit.ly/mayarttalk





Eva Hesse in her Bowery Studio, New York, NY, ca. 1968

EXCITING MUSEUM ACQUISITIONS!

Ten Portraits of Jews of the 20th Century by Andy Warhol

The Temple Museum announces the acquisition of the full series of prints entitled **Ten Portraits of** *Jews of the 20th Century* by Andy Warhol. The series consists of 10 individual silkscreen portraits on paper of Sarah Bernhardt, Louis Brandeis, Martin Buber, Albert Einstein, Sigmund Freud, George Gershwin, Franz Kafka, the Marx Brothers, Golda Meir, and Gertrude Stein. The set of portraits is Printer's Proof 3/5 created by Warhol in 1980 in New York City.

The acquisition of the complete portfolio is a gift from Joel L. Saltzman and a gift in memory of Leslie Wolf by his family. The donors want the portfolio to be in the public eye housed at a Jewish museum where the art will be used for the benefit of the community through exhibitions and education.

The series adds to The Temple Museum's collection of over 2,500 objects and fine arts including twelve Memorial Windows by Arthur Szyk, the 24-piece portfolio of color lithographs *The Story of Exodus* by Marc Chagall, the suite of 45 *Holocaust Wall Hangings* by Judith Weinshall Liberman, and bronze sculpture *Miracle II* by Jacques Lipchitz.

"I am thrilled to have this iconic Warhol portfolio in our collection," said Temple Museum Director Sue Koletsky. "The historic significance as a complete set is not only an asset to our collection, but also to our community and beyond." Senior Rabbi Jonathan Cohen added, "This is a historic and transformative contribution to The Temple Museum's collection and presents exciting artistic-cultural and educational opportunities for our greater community."

The series exhibition will take place in September 2022 at The Temple. Watch for information!

The DNA of Language by Nancy Schwartz-Katz

The Temple Museum of Jewish Art, Religion and Culture celebrates the acquisition of Nancy Schwartz-Katz's stunning mobile *The DNA of Language*. The sculpture has been on display in the Commons at The Temple and will be permanently exhibited in that space.

Gift of Carole and Barnett Bookatz, and Audrey and Kenny Koblitz in memory of Sheila Fox.





Nancy Schwartz-Katz with Sue Koletsky

The stunning photography exhibition by Daniel Levin is extended through July! VIOLINS AND HOPE | FROM THE HOLOCAUST TO SYMPHONY HALL

MAY DAYS: JEWISH HERITAGE MONTH AND MEMORIAL DAY

By Jane Rothstein

Did you know that May is Jewish American Heritage Month? Don't worry, you're not alone. The month received its moniker through presidential declaration in 2006, based

on the highly successful celebration in May 2004 of the 350th anniversary of the beginnings of Jewish life in North America.

There is no special liturgy for JAHM, no set ritual, or particular type of communal or family celebration. There aren't even any foods linked to it; no special feasts or fasts. This gives us room to create our own and to ask, what is Jewish American heritage? What's yours?

May can be a great time for families and individuals to have intergenerational conversations. Share stories and memories about the "old country," whether that's Eastern Europe or 1960s suburban Cleveland. This doesn't have to be formal. Just remember to use some kind of audio or video recorder to document the conversation. One day, I promise, you will be glad to have the sound of your family member's voice to listen to.

Or, do something simpler.

Stream a film. *Hester Street,* for example, the 1975 classic film of Jewish immigrant life (produced by Raphael D. Silver) is on Amazon Prime and several other services.

YouTube is filled with content about American Jewish history. Check out the 2009 documentary *The People vs. Leo Frank*, about the anti-Semitic lynching of a Jewish man in the 1910s U.S. South. Watch one of the many recordings of recent celebrations of the 100th anniversary of the first bat mitzvah.

The National Park Service offers a page, "Making a Mark on the Landscape: Jewish Buildings on the National Register of Historic Places." Check out the Library of Congress's virtual exhibit on the great American Jewish artist Arthur Szyk, the designer of the memorial windows in The Temple's Maltz Chapel and Horowitz Chapel Lobby, and watch a talk on "The Fabric of America through the Art of Arthur Szyk." Check out www.jewishheritagemonth.gov for much more.

It seems fitting that Memorial Day comes at the end of the month. We mark the end of Jewish American Heritage Month in May by celebrating the coming summer and by remembering those U.S. military personnel who died in service to the country. This seems very Jewish to me; at the same time, we both mark the season and take time to remember those who perished.

Military service is part of our American Jewish heritage. The National Museum of American Jewish Military History's website has a wealth of information, in recorded events and virtual exhibits. Closer to home, you can participate in The Temple's Veterans History Project. We are building a digital archive documenting and honoring the military experiences of Temple members, their relatives, and ancestors. If you or a family member, past or present, served, we would love to talk with you. Check out the Veteran Information page on The Temple website or email me at jrothstein@ttti.org. Join us as a community to honor American Jewish military service at the Veterans Kabbalat Shabbat service on Friday, May 27.

MONTHLY PROGRAMS

TORAH STUDY WITH RABBI ROGER C. KLEIN

Saturday Mornings, May 7, 14, 21 & 28 at 9:15 am Attend in person or via livestream at ttti.org

JEWISH LEARNING WITH RABBI JONATHAN COHEN

Sunday Mornings, May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 at 11:00 am Attend in person or via livestream at ttti.org

POETRY THURSDAYS

Thursdays, May 5, 19 & 26 from 4:00 to 5:30 pm https://zoom.us/j/96485590983

RACIAL JUSTICE BOOK DISCUSSION

Wednesday, May 18 at 7:00 pm

Please contact Patti London at pklondon@me.com to be added to our mailing list.

See page 4 for book description.



TWA ENJOYS THE OUTDOORS!

TWA will continue their popular hikes through area parks. Hikes will start at 11:00 am and are generally about 3 miles, on dirt trails, bridle trails, and/or paved all-purpose trails. We encourage hikers to bring a picnic lunch to enjoy with the group afterward.

ALL ARE WELCOME. NO REGISTRATION NECESSARY.

Thursday, May 5 - Acacia Reservation

Tuesday, June 14 - North Chagrin Reservation, A.B. Williams Memorial Woods

Wednesday, July 13 - Mayfield Village Greenway Corridor

Thursday, August 11 - Euclid Creek Reservation

Wed., September 14 - North Chagrin Reservation, Strawberry Picnic Area

Thursday, October 13 - Mayfield Village Greenway Corridor

Wed. November 9 - Acacia Reservation



For more info, contact Marcy at vrodgal@gmail.com or call 216-390-1156 or Joanie at joanierubinsteinrdh@gmail com or 440-552-0738.



THE TEMPLE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

TWA CLOSING DINNER & INSTALLATION

We're bet/er together! Tuesday, May 10 • 6:30 pm at The Temple

Come one and all to celebrate another year of TWA and a return to our beloved temple. We can reunite with old friends and welcome new members to our board.

We are honored to have Liz McOsker, District President of Women of Reform Judaism, as our installing officer. She will thank outgoing presidents, Sharon Priesand and Joanie Rubenstein and install Janice Bilchik and Ina White as new presidents along with their respective board members.

The Ethel Kendis Award will be presented to one of our outstanding volunteers and the Joanne Levy Scholarship Award will be given to an exemplary member of our Temple Teens.

Dinner will be served and the evening will finish with a performance of Broadway songs by our own dynamic duo of Cantor Kathy Sebo and Marshall Griffith.

Dinner - \$35 (Choice of Chicken or Vegetarian) RSVP by May 3rd to bit.ly/twaclosingdinner

Questions? Contact Janice Bilchik at jbilchik@aol.com or Ina White at inarae70@gmail.com



Liz McOsker



NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR The Merrill D. Gross Distinguished Service Award

The Merrill D. Gross Distinguished Service Award was established by former Temple executive director and life trustee Merrill D. Gross. It honors members of The Temple staff for their outstanding performance and positive impact on the congregation. The award will be presented to one or more staff members at this year's Annual Meeting on June 21. The award carries with it a cash gift in addition to a beautiful recognition artwork with the recipient's name. Any staff member (full or part-time) may be nominated for this award with the exception of rabbis, cantor and executive director. Nominations for this special award may be submitted by any Temple member, clergy, trustee or staff member.

To nominate a candidate, please email Kim Cole, Interim Executive Director, by May 31 at kcole@ttti.org or drop a note at The Temple to Kim's attention. Please include the name of the nominee, staff position or title, and a brief description of why the person is deserving of this award. You can also fill out a ballot online at bit.ly/tttimerrilldgrossballot.



BIMAH FLOWER FUND - MAY

The beautiful flowers that grace the bimah on Shabbat are made possible through donations by the following:

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In honor of Shirley Silversteen, of blessed memory, on her 100th birthday by daughter Lynn Millet, granddaughter Debbie Weisman, and grandson David Millet, who was born and shared the same birthday for 50 years

THROUGH THE EYES OF THE ARTIST Wednesday, May 18 & Sunday, May 22 via Zoom

Wed., May 18 - Wassily Kandinsky at 4:00 pm - bit.ly/chailiferskandinsky Sun., May 22: Gustav Klimt at 2:00 pm - bit.ly/chailifersklimt

The Chai Lifers invite you to join them from home and invite family and friends to join you by the fireplace for tea or glass of wine and delightful learnings about two very unusual artists. Highly-regarded art historian Felicia Zavarella Stedelman will concentrate each lecture on a single artist. She expands our knowledge of each artist through their letters and journals which offer glimpses into their lives, loves and longings, their hearts and minds – reforming what we know about them and their works of art.



Wassily Kandinsky

Kandinsky is considered to be the father of abstract art. As a skilled musician, he strongly associated music with art. Naming works after musical terms, he saw color when he listened to music. He explained that "each color lives by a mysterious life."

Gustav Klimt

Klimt was an Austrian symbolist painter and one of the most prominent members of the Vienna Secession movement. Klimt is noted for his paintings, murals, sketches, and other objets d'art. Klimt's primary subject was the female body, and his works are marked by a frank eroticism.



IN MEMORIAM

The Temple expresses heartfelt sympathy to members of the bereaved families. May the memory of their loved one be for a blessing.

ALBERT GORDON - Grandfather of Richard (Sybil) Gordon; Great-grandfather of Bryn, Jamie and Tristan Gordon

JUDITH M. JACOBSON - Wife of Marc G. Jacobson, of blessed memory; Mother of Daniel (Nanette) and James (Andrea Kaufman) Jacobson; Grandmother of Libby, Evan and Jeremy

DR. DEBORAH "DEB" JAN KOHRMAN - Wife of Paul Dion, daughter of Arthur (deceased) and Claire Kohrman, mother of Noah and Sarah Dion, sister of Ben (Melissa Riba) Kohrman, Ellen (Mark) Lancaster, and Rachel (Ray) Kohrman-Ramos, and aunt to many

MARK RICHMAN - Brother of Sharon Young (Charles) Deutchman; Uncle of Daniel (Taylor) Young, Spencer Young, and Alexandra Deutchman

PAMELA SUSAN SCHULTZ - Mother of Alyssa (Scott) Blitzer; Grandmother of Lily, Ben

EDWIN Z. SINGER - Husband of Naomi Singer, of blessed memory; Father of Harry (Geri Smith) Singer, Phillip (Ann) Singer, Diane (Jeffrey Ehrbar) Singer; Grandfather of Julia (Max Doolittle) Singer, Ryan Singer, Miriam (Derrick) Schmitz, Deborah (Matthew Wargo) Singer, Gregory Singer, Reid (James Werner) Singer and Eli Ehrbar

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- In appreciation of Cantor Sebo for your participation in our beloved father's funeral by Gerri and Larry Sperling

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Sunday Learning 9:30 am Jewish Learning w/Rabbi Cohen 11:00 am		Rabbi Klein Pre-concert Talk 6:30 pm NAT Community Yom HaZikaron 7:00 pm	Bereavement 5:00 pm	TWA Hike 11:00 pm NAT Poetry Thursdays 4:00 pm Community Yom Ha'Atzmaut 7:00 pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Chai School Graduation 6:00 pm	
8	9	10	11	12	13	Torah Study 9:15 am
Jewish Learning w/Rabbi Cohen 11:00 am		Art Talk 10:30 pm NAT	Book Discussion 1:00 pm			Young Family Shabbat 9:30 am
MOTHER'S DAY		TWA Closing Dinner & Install. 6:30 pm	Bereavement 5:00 pm Rosh Chodesh 7:00 pm		Nefesh Shabbat 6:00 pm	
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If you wish to receive additional information, contact Joanna Cullinan at jcullinan@ttti.org.

SAVE THE DATE!

Tuesday, June 21 at 7:00 pm

THE TEMPLE'S 172nd ANNUAL MEETING

The evening will include:

- Election of Trustees
- Senior Rabbi's Report
- Year in Review by the President and Executive Director
- Temple Volunteer, Teacher, and Staff of the Year Honors

More information to follow.