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Please join us
Saturday, June 4th
for a Special Shabbat Service
Annual Membership Meeting
&
Installation of Officers & Board Members
Kiddush to follow in the vestry
Co-Chaired by Sara Friedman & Rachel Kislin
Please RSVP to the office by Friday, May 27th

Please Note: It has come to our attention that the original edition of The April-May Chronicle mailed before Passover did not reach most households due to USPS error, despite being mailed prior to Passover. This new issue has both original and updated content. We'd appreciate hearing from those of you who in fact received the original (Volume 23, Issue s4) so we can further identify the problem and resolve the issue.

Rabbi Kaplan



Writes.

In my pre-Passover Chronicle message intended to land in your mailbox before Passover and unfortunately was not delivered to most of you, I wrote about Chametz and made references to **Dr. David Purlmutter's** book, **Grain Brain**. That issue is now posted on our website, so visit templewb.org should you still be interested in reading that April message. Definitely some food for thought.

As I write this new message, news is swirling all around us. Over two months into the **war in Ukraine**, with no end in sight and Putin is now announcing that he's considering declaring war on Ukraine. Wait, what? The world is atwitter over **Twitter** being purchased by **Elon Musk**.

This is the man who makes electric automobiles which many believe will help save our environment, yet his purchase of Twitter means, to many who consider themselves environmentalists, that this is the end of the world! A leaked version of a Supreme Court ruling has just been publicized and it apparently overturns **Roe V. Wade**. People are frantic, and, according to the Forward magazine, this news is hitting Jewish people intensely.

Anyone who thinks that life in 2022 is boring needs to wake up. We are certainly living in interesting times.

The stress of these events can create anxiety. Anxiety is not good for our health. We need to find ways to stay calm despite the changes and upheavals life presents. Judaism has a

great way to relieve stress. Attributed to **King David**, the **Book of Psalms**, **Tehillim**, helps us to reduce anxiety 'by doing with words what a parent might do with a hug. Do you remember being stressed as a child? If you were lucky, you had a loving parent comfort you or embrace you and reassure you in your time of need. That's the love we can expect from God.

From the very **first Psalm** we know God likes it when we're good, so being good helps us to develop a good relationship with God: **KI YODEAH HASHEM DERECH TZADIKIM**, For God cherishes the way of the righteous (1:6)

In **Psalm 3** we have the line used in Havdalah that even after this life, our soul will continue to be redeemed by God- **LASHEM HAY'SHUAH, AL AMCHA VIRCHATECHA**, Salvation is God's blessing upon our people. We don't need to fear the future since we'll always be blessed by God.

In **Psalm 13** we are assured that God will provide for us: **ASHIRA LASHEM KI GAMAL ALAI-** I sing to God because He has been good to me. We can rely on God being there for us (13:6).

In **19:15** We can pray to God and know that He listens: **Y'H'YU L'RATZON IMREI FI-** May the words I pray be acceptable to You, God, my rock and my redeemer.

In the **23rd Psalm** God is my Shepherd; I shall not want. **HASHEM RO'I, LO ECHSAR**. We don't have to be the leader-sometimes it's good to know we can simply be the ones God watches over. We can relax beside the still waters.

The **27th Psalm** reminds us to be faithful to God even when others are not there for us, and we get courage from knowing this. **27:14 KAVEI EL HASHEM**, Have faith in God, be strong and of good courage!

The **34th Psalm** shows us God's suggestion for a truly good life, free from anxiety and fear:

34:13-15 MI HA'ISH HECHAFETZ CHAYIM?

How do I achieve a good life and good fortune? By being careful of how I speak, and shunning evil and doing good, seeking peace and pursuing it.

May the people of Ukraine find peace soon, may people listen to the tweets of birds singing and pay less attention to other twitters, and may we find ways to help each other through trying times, however interesting they may be.

Rabbi

Support Ukraine



Monday, May 9

**5:00 p.m. at St. Michael Church
205 N Main St, Pittston**

Join us for our second gathering to show support for and to learn about the Ukrainian people and cultures.

Since Jews have been part of that tradition for a thousand years, through mostly good times and some very sad times, our Jewish story will be shared along with other cultural background during this hour-long program.

Social Hour will follow with Klezmer music (from Ukraine) featuring **Nick Driscoll and Jessica Nataupsky**.



from Cantor

So often we sing songs and prayers and know very little about their meaning or history. We sing Israel's national anthem, *Hatikvah*, on many occasions, and I thought as we recently celebrated Israel's 74th birthday, I'd share some background with you.

The lyrics of **Hatikvah** come from the nine-stanza poem, "*Tikvateynu*" ("Our Hope") written in 1877 by poet **Naphtali Herz Imber** (1856-1909) from Galicia. An ardent Zionist, Imber moved to Palestine in 1882. His passionate poem, which also strongly expresses the ancient hope of the Jewish people to return and reclaim our ancient homeland, touched the soul of the Jewish people, and was adopted as the anthem of the Zionist Movement at the First Zionist Congress in 1897. [A local note- our member **Margie Harris** happens to be a relative of Imber.]

So what about the melody – an old Jewish folksong, right? Nope. The tune actually dates back to 17th century Italian composer **Giuseppino Del Biado**, who included it in his 1600 collection of madrigals. It was later known in Italy as "**Ballo di Mantova.**" The haunting melody spread throughout Europe under various titles, and was the basis of Czech composer **Bedřich Smetana's** symphonic poem known as "*Moldau/Ma Vlast*" or "**Die Moldau.**" *Hatikvah* was most likely adopted from *Die Moldau* by Romanian Jewish composer **Samuel Cohen** in 1888.

Hatikvah, like the State of Israel itself, has had a complicated, often poignant history. Here are a few historic tidbits:

- The British Mandate government briefly banned its performance in 1919 due to Arab anti-Zionist political activity.
- In 1944, Czech Jews spontaneously sang it at the entry to the Auschwitz-Birkenau gas chamber and were beaten by SS guards.

- In a BBC recording (April 20, 1945) Jewish survivors of the Bergen-Belsen sang *Hatikvah*, five days after liberation.

- Some observant Jews have accused *Hatikvah* of being too secular, and advocate changing the words *Am Chofshi* (Free Nation) to *Am Kodshi* (Holy Nation).

- When the State of Israel was established in 1948, *Hatikvah* was unofficially proclaimed the national anthem. It was not officially sanctioned as the national anthem by the Knesset until November 2004.

Hatikvah continues to endure as a powerful expression of Jewish nationalism, tying us to our Homeland and our People. "*The hope of 2000 years, To be a free nation in our land, The land of Zion and Jerusalem.*"

-Cantor

Bible & Bagels is Back!



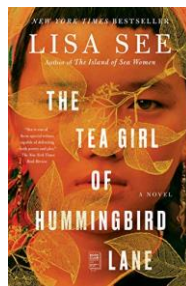
Sunday, May 22

9:30 a.m. - Service

10:00 a.m. - Study Session

RSVP via email info@templewb.org
or call the office.

May Book Club



Monday, May 16th
6pm at Theo's Metro

Book Selection:

The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane
by **Lisa See**

Our book club is open to anyone, members and non-members alike!

If you're interested in joining the Book Club please contact Ann Smith, Chair,
annsmith126pa@gmail.com or the Temple Office.

SAVE THE DATE!

Temple Israel Centennial Celebration

Saturday, Sept. 17th, 2022

Special Shabbat Service & Kiddush

70th Anniversary Time Capsule Reveal

Evening Event followed by Dessert Reception

Video Presentation highlighting our 100 year history

Musical Performance by Norm Lewis



Emmy, Tony, and SAG Award nominee, Norm Lewis, will perform a variety of songs from his repertoire of Broadway hits . He’s appeared in *Chicken and Biscuits*, the Broadway revival of *Once on This Island* and as Sweeney Todd in the Off-Broadway production of *Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street*. In May of 2014, he made history as *The Phantom of the Opera*’s first African American Phantom on Broadway. He has been seen on PBS in the Live From Lincoln Center productions of *Showboat with Vanessa Williams*, *Norm Lewis: Who Am I?*, *New Year’s Eve: A Gershwin Celebration with Diane Reeves*, as well as *American Voices with Renée Fleming* .

He received Tony, Drama Desk, Drama League, and Outer Critics Circle award nominations for his performance as Porgy in the Broadway production of *The Gershwins’ Porgy & Bess*.

Other Broadway credits include *Sondheim on Sondheim*, *The Little Mermaid*, *Les Misérables*, *Chicago*, *Amour*, *The Wild Party*, *Side Show*, *Miss Saigon*, and *The Who’s Tommy*. In London’s West End he has appeared as Javert in *Les Misérables* and *Les Misérables: The 25th Anniversary Concert*, which aired on PBS and much, much more! We look forward to hosting this award winning, critically-acclaimed performer at our synagogue. For a complete BIO visit normlewis.com .

More information and formal invitation to follow

22’-23’ SLATE OF OFFICERS

The Nominating Committee, chaired by **Past President Fred Levy** is pleased to present the following Slate of Officers and Board members to be elected at the Annual Meeting on June 4, 2022:

22’-23’ Officers:

- President:**.....Dan Messinger
- VP Finance & Development:**Steve Davidowitz
- VP Admin & Recording Secretary:** Joel Zitofsky
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- V.P. Congregational Engagement:** Larry Newman

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| Richard Yelen | |

For more information and a complete list of our Leadership and Board of Trustees visit <https://www.templewb.org/welcome/leadership/>

MIDRASHA GALLERY

You’ll find our Midrasha students and faculty out and about celebrating holidays, attending events, even hosting their own! The school year is over and we thank everyone who participated in making it such a great year for our Temple Israel and Temple B’nai B’rith kids.



<Yes...that is a CHOCOLATE Seder plate!



Bar Mitzvah of Seth Kranson - April 30th

Mazel Tov to the entire Kranson family and especially to **Seth Kranson**, son of **Colleen & Evan Kranson**, on his becoming a Bar-Mitzvah on Saturday, April 30th. Seth led the service, read Torah and chanted **Haftarat Machar Hodesh** with many family members filling the seats of our beautiful synagogue.

The inspiration for his Bar-Mitzvah project to collect personal care items, books, food, clothing and gift cards for homeless veterans came from his "Nanny" **Gail Kranson** and his personal pride in his "Pop" **US Army Veteran Martin Kranson (obm)**. Seth shared his patriotism and expressed his gratitude for all veterans and encourages everyone to make donations to The Center for Development and Civil Engagement at the Wilkes Barre VA.

Pictured in Photo : Colleen, Seth, and Evan Kranson

May 7th - June 10th Yahrzeits

5/7/22 -5/13/22

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Remembered Name:

Minnie Barras
A.W. Berman
Muriel Burnat
Maurice Cimmet
Samuel P. Cohen
Leah Cutler
Arthur Dorf
Melvin Ehrich
Marat Elkin
Judith Finkelstein
Ronald Gale
Gertrude Garber
Henrietta Ginsburgh
Lillian Gutterman
Hannah Hacker
Emanuel Harris
Robert Klein
Philip Kluger
Mania Kornblau
Marvin Livingston
Frank Lubin
Edith Miller
Rose Nelson
Rebecca Nudelman
Freda Popky
Janet Popky
Arthur Rosenberg
Claire Rosenberg
Sylvia Savitz
Miriam Sims
Tillie Ungar
Hannah Weisberger
Robert Williams
Morris Yelen
Abe Zatcoff

5/14/22 -5/20/22

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Remembered Name:

Sarah Cohen
Franklyn Davis
Joseph Dorf
Mary Fierman
David Ginsburgh
Sadie Goldstein
Leonard Gonchar
Wolfe Harris
Anna G. Hyman
E. Philip Israel
Dora Jordan
Manny Judd
Morton Kaufman
Joel Kislin
Celia Krasno
Clarence Ky Levin
Harold Meyer
Abe Morris
Jacob Rabinowitz
Gerald Savitz
Harry Sulkes
Sam Sumner
Hanne Tischler
Frances Wasserstrom
Yettie Wisoker

5/21/22 -5/27/22

21- 26 Iyar 5782

Remembered Name:

Ruth Berman
Jack Breslaw
Annie Burnat
Morris Cohen
Harrison Coplan
Marcia Levine DeVore
Yolanda Engel

Anne Finkelstein
Maynard Finkelstein
Edith Friedman
Sam Greenberg
Ruth Greenwald
Harry Hershey
Leroy Hurwitz
Arthur S. Hymen
Hyman Kaplan
Robert Kline
Zelda Kurlansky
Saul Lang
Migdalia Lubin
Sarah Luka
Harry Mittleman
Edward Popky
Martin Popky
Jonathan Rudofker
Dr. Lester Saidman
Jeanne Sherman
Ruth Silver
Harry Yale Smulyan
Sylvia Steiner
Elsa Stern
Lillian Sullum
David Thalenfeld
Isadore Thalenfeld
Alan Trompetter
Jane Troy
Vladimir Volodarsky
Harold Weber
Faye Weinstock
Dorothy Weissberger
Herbert Winkler

5/28/22 -6/3/22

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Remembered Name:

Emil Alinikoff
Rabbi Hyman J. Barras
Benjamin Chafetz
Rose Dorf
Morris Feldman
Samuel Feldman
Allen Gilbert
Rabbi Emmanuel Joseph Goldstein
Molly Goodman
Ethel Groh
Louis Haber
Roslyn Hurwitz
Barbara Imbriglia
Hazel Jaffie
Marvin Judd
Sarah Kanner
Rachel Kissel
Iris Levy
Saul Linzer
Solomon Linzer
Rose Lubin
Frank Lurie
Helen Mermelstein
I. Louis Robbins
Tillie Rosenn
Samuel J. Sagenkahn
Abe Savitz
Solomon Senior
Bret Silberman
Walter Weingarten
Barbara Whalen
Esther Wolfe
Jean Zagorski

6/4/22 -6/10/22

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Remembered Name:

Albert Adelson
Ruth Block
Leah Bravman
Katherine Cohen
Ruth Cohen
Jeffrey Duncan
Sam Fainberg
Eva Freed
Irene Friedman
Mrs. A.H. Gallow
Isidore Goldstein
Simy Halioua
Lena Holtzman
Louis Kluger
Louis Kranson
Ruth Malett
Herman Marcus
Annabel Morris
Marvin Nachlis
Morris Nachlis
Irving Pezzner
Roslyn Picker
Grace Rosenthal
Stanley Scheer
Mary M. Schnair
Maurice Sirkin
Naomi (Bohrer) Soble
Marion Trachtenberg
Herbert Trompetter
Louis Weiner
Gussie Wendum
Thelma Witkowski
Mary Yelen

JOIN US FOR IN-PERSON SERVICES on Shabbat Mornings at 10 am & for Minyan on Wed. & Fri. 5:15 pm

All Shabbat services and Daily Afternoon Minyans will continue to be streamed on our website and Facebook page.

Enter thru Rear Handicapped door. Must have 4 Digit Access Code for KEY PAD. Contact the office for more information.

Please note: Guests of Members must be registered in advance. Proof of vaccination required for all who attend.

Website: templewb.org/watch **FaceBook Page:** facebook.com/templewb

Simchas &



Engel Family Weddings

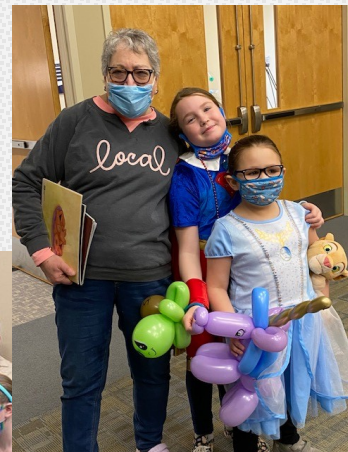
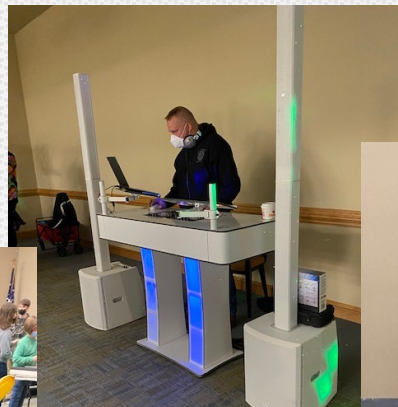
Tammy Engel and Rose Hanovice kvell with joy at their two simchas held just six months apart. Caroline & Jacob Miskabi were wed Jan 30, 2022
Christa & Daniel Engel -July 26, 2021



We hope you enjoy these special occasions happening in our feature

Share your family's story in The Chronicle. Send us an email at info@temple.com

Midrasha Celebrates Purim at Friedman JCC



Solomon Family Birth

Gordon Solomon Burrows, son of Dr. Andrew & Natalie Burrows and grandson of Paul and Susan Solomon was born Dec 19, 2021. Bris took place on Dec 27 in Fair Lawn NJ. Paul is a 1st time grandfather and Gordon's birth is Susan's 5th grandchild!

Celebrations

Barras Family Bar Mitzvah

Mike & Donna Karp, David and Shelley Barras, Ella, Jodi, Ethan, & Jeremy Barras, Josh and Toni Barras, Joel Barras
Jan 15, 2022



Jeremy, Josh, Ethan, David & Joel Barras

Learning about all these opening in the lives of families.

Submit your photos to plewb.org

Berman Family Engagement

Jack Berman, son of Sally & Frank, engaged to Lauren Braun, daughter of Wendy & Leonard Braun of Marlboro, NJ



Charlotte Cutler—Ninety Nine Years Young!
April 5, 2022



Davidowitz Siblings Abroad
Daniel & Kim Davidowitz, children of Steve and Einat Davidowitz. Steve was finally able to visit them this past month since International travel restrictions were lifted.

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in memory of Eunice Rubel
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Stanley Smulyan

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Happy Birthday to Sandor Yelen
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Shirley Sullum
in celebration of Caroline Engel's engagement
Shirley Sullum

Judy Moskow
in celebration of Daniel Engel's wedding
Shirley Sullum
Judy Moskow
in memory of Terry Schiowitz
Shirley Sullum
in memory of Sandy Rifkin
Shirley Sullum

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Frank and Sally Berman
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Thank you to Geisinger Hospital
Christopher Miller
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Steven Kafirissen & Sheila Saidman
Jeanne Schoenholz
Happy Birthday Saul Kranson
Eric Kranson
Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Barras
Ronald and Margery Harris
in memory of Al Frank
Michael and Margery Rifkin
in memory of Edmund Watt
Gary and Lindsay Nataupsky
in memory of Len Greskiewicz
Christopher Miller
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Christopher Miller
in memory of Lily Lerner
Alan Frank
Harvey and Anne Rappaport
Steven Kafirissen and Sheila Saidman
in memory of Emile Zafrany's mother
Steven Kafirissen and Sheila Saidman
in memory of Marcella Iscovitz
Harvey and Anne Rappaport
Michael and Margery Rifkin
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Michael and Lois Rittenberg
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Michael and Lois Rittenberg
Lewis and Jean Siegel

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Michael and Lois Rittenberg

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Happy Birthday Usher Vilensky
Brenda Vilensky

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Barry Numerick
Sheldon & Marsha Spear
Sheryl Cohen
Jim and Ruth Harris
Nancy Harris & Shelley Harris Ross
in memory of Judy Meer
Richard Yelen
Alice Yelen-Gitter

• AREA OF GREATEST NEED •

Bat Mitzvah of Richard Goldberg & Rosemary Chromey's granddaughter
Faye & Richard Bishop
in memory of Al Frank
Joy Levy-Sommers
in memory of Eunice Rubel
Richard Rosenthal, partners & staff of J.H. Williams & Co.
in memory of Gary Sandler
Modern Employee Community Fund
in memory of Lois Feibus
Daniel and Jane Messinger

• YAHRZEITS •

Beloved Eleanor Cohen
Gary Cohen
Beloved Ralph Connor
Sally Connor
Beloved Isadore Reichlin
Charlotte Cutler
Beloved Albert Danoff
Susan Danoff
Beloved Abe Dattner
Alvin Dattner
Beloved Ben Libenson
Terri David

• YAHRZEITS • cont'd

Beloved Elizabeth Feldman
Sandra Feldman
Beloved Seymour Fendler
Bruce & Marie Fendler
Beloved Arthur Frank
Alan Frank
Beloved Albert Frank
Jake Frank
Beloved Celia Freed
Alan Freed
Beloved Monroe Freed
Alan Freed
Beloved Ruth Breslaw
Marilyn Friedman
Beloved Anne Friedman-Glauber
Robert Friedman
Beloved Miriam Landau
Sara Glassman
Beloved Hermoine Lieberman
Richard Goldberg &
Rosemary Chromey
Max Lieberman
Beloved Israel Goldberg
Richard Goldberg &
Rosemary Chromey
Beloved Louis Greenwald
Carol Greenwald
Beloved Sadie Greenwald
Carol Greenwald
Beloved Harvey Deutschman
Abbey & Spencer Green
Beloved Josef Gurevich
Roman & Ella Gurveich
Beloved Belle Kluger
Jim & Ruth Harris
Nancy Harris
Beloved Bernard Harris
David & Leslie Harris
James & Pilar Tischlar
Beloved Belle Kluger
Nancy Harris
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Alan & Debra Hollander
Joel & Barbara Hollander
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Marshal Hyman
Beloved Hannah Ibsen
Marjorie Ibsen
Beloved Henry Ibsen
Marjorie Ibsen
Beloved Philip Gorgold
Marjorie Ibsen
Beloved Abraham Israel
Ted & Linda Israel
Beloved Doris Keiser
Larry & Lynn Keiser
Beloved Jonathan Keiser
Larry & Lynn Keiser
Beloved Howard Klein
Alan Klein
Beloved Isadore Landau
Phyllis Landau
Beloved Sam Lebenson
Lawrence & Marsha Lebenson
Beloved Calvin Pezzner
Lawrence & Marsha Lebenson
Beloved Elaine Levey
Janie & Marc Levey
Beloved Ben Levin
Jayson Levin
Beloved Ben Libenson
Bradley Libenson
Beloved Bob Libenson
Iris, Steve & Jillian Libenson
Beloved Arnold Kleinman
Iris, Steve & Jillian Libenson
Beloved Pearl Kleinman
Iris, Steve & Jillian Libenson

Beloved Harry Lieberman
Max Lieberman
Beloved Myer Mittleman
Nancy Messinger
Beloved Rose Meyer
Martin & Joan Meyer
Beloved Ben Michelstein
Richard & Kim Michelstein
Beloved Max Minoff
Don Mlnoff
Beloved Irving Levine
Joseph & Bedonna Mitchneck
Beloved Frances Mitchneck
Joseph & Bedonna Mitchneck
Beloved Sarah Morris
James Morris
Beloved Sylvia Weiss
Judy Moskow
Beloved Pauline Gelb
Judy Moskow
Beloved Israel Bell
Judy Moskow
Beloved Charles Nachlis
Brian & Sheila Nachlis
Beloved Harry Nachlis
Brian & Sheila Nachlis
Beloved Doris Newman
James Newman
Beloved Malcom Pearlman
Stanley & Renee Pearlman
Beloved Mary Zager
Gilda Plaksin
Beloved Samuel Popky
Nathan Popky
Beloved Luther Smith
Rivkah Prothero
Beloved William Rabinowitz
Diane Rabinowitz
Beloved Joan Rittenberg
Michael & Lois Rittenberg
Beloved Joseph Schiffman
Jonathan Schiffman
Beloved Jacob Schiffman
Jonathan Schiffman
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Stanley Smulyan
Beloved Richard Spath
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Henry Winkler
Beloved I. Malcom Pearlman
Stanley Pearlman
Beloved Arkadiy Shlyapochnik
David & Inna Volodarsky
Beloved Linda Williams
Sandor & Janice Yelen



**Friedman JCC
Tribute Gala
June 8th, 5:30 pm**

For over 50 years, CEO has helped thousands of citizens in our community. That's why they will be honored this year!

For more information about this year's event, visit:

<https://friedmanjcc.org/ceo-tribute-gala/>

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Friedman JCC to host PA Consumer Advocate Patrick Cicero

Tues., May 31st, 12:15pm

Acting Consumer Advocate Patrick Cicero will discuss utilities, utility costs, and what you can do to help lower your utility bills. Learn about available assistance programs, what to do if you are facing loss of essential utility service, and what to watch out for if you want to shop for competitive electric or natural gas supply.

Please RSVP to Barbara Sugarman
570-824-4646
b.sugarman@nepajca.org



From the President...

Exciting things continue to happen at Temple. I am hopeful by now that all members are aware that we are **open for in-person services on Shabbat at 10:00a.m. as well as on Wednesdays and Fridays for Afternoon Minyan at 5:15p.m.** While we continue to broadcast all services online, we encourage everyone to come to the synagogue and join us in person again. With the roof repaired, plaster refurbished, painting done and the bathrooms fixed, security in place and, hopefully, Covid held at bay, it is time to get back to normalcy which includes seeing each other again in person and in the synagogue. As a further update, while we still require vaccinations, masks are no longer required. I encourage everyone to sign up for email notifications- it's the easiest way for us to get updates out, especially if there are any last minute changes we need to communicate.

Our Centennial Celebration to be held on **September 17th** is quickly approaching. The Centennial Committee, **Centennial Celebration Chair, Joel Zitofsky** and **Co-Chair Gerri Kaplan** continue to plan all the details for what will be a great event. Stay tuned for all the updates. Please contact the office if you' like to join the committee. As I get to hear what is in the works at the planning meetings, I am sure it will be an event everyone will want to attend. Also, if you have any pictures or memorabilia from the last 100 years please get them to us as soon as possible so that they can be included in our displays and retrospective. Contact the office for details. Fundraising efforts are in full swing led by **Steve Davidowitz, Centennial Fundraising Campaign Chair and V.P. of Finance.**

I'm happy to announce that we are in the process of transitioning to **ShulCloud**, a new cloud-based membership management program that will more easily and efficiently allow us to manage financial transactions, reporting, member communication and more. There will be user-friendly apps for both our administration and members. We have a **Technology Committee**, chaired by **Myer Messinger**, to help members as we roll out the member portal. We thank **Jack Savitz, Jane Messinger** and **Sally Strayhall** for their efforts and hard work in making all of this happen.

A big issue that we continue to face is a lack of available volunteers. The success of our Temple relies on volunteers. Our limited staff does a great job, but can't do everything.

If you are willing and can spare some time, please let us know. We will work with you to find a match for your interest and talents.

We are in need of more ushers, especially now that we've resumed in-person services. Please consider volunteering even if only for a few Shabbats per year. **Ann Smith, Usher Chair**, manages the schedule and will share with you what you need to know. Please consider reaching out to the office to express your interest or to let us know you have time to otherwise commit to volunteering at Temple.

My term as president is quickly coming to a close. What an interesting and unexpected two years... Hard to believe it has been two years already. I can't give enough thanks to all of those who have been so helpful during my time. As our size shrinks, so does the number of core volunteers who were always there to take on any task needed. I would love to see that core group grow over the next few years. We, like many others, have faced significant challenges. On the positive side, it forced us to rethink how we do things, and we came out of the past two years with a revitalized structure, an ability to engage and connect with more people than ever via online streamed services. I know that **Dan Messinger**, current **V.P. Congregational Engagement** and **Incoming President** is committed to continuing to build on our successes. I look forward to all he will be able to accomplish in the next two years **WITH YOUR HELP**

We are happy to announce that we will once again hold an **Annual Congregational Meeting**. We will install our new President and Board of Trustees on **Saturday, June 4th** with a special Shabbat service, ceremony and kiddush. Please **RSVP to the office by Friday, May 27th**. I am hoping to see all of you there to celebrate our accomplishments of the past two years and show support for our new leadership and Board of Trustees. If you need me at any time, you can always reach me at yelen@yelenlaw.com or by calling the Temple Office.

Jeff Yelen

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Limited financial aid and funding is available through Temple Israel endowments for approved Jewish summer programs, camps, college courses, and educational trips to Israel. Assistance is based on both financial need and merit.

For more information, email info@templewb.org or call the Temple office.



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Ahron Abraham, Cantor
Sally Strayhall, Administrator
Jane Messinger
Linda Israel

Jeffrey Yelen, President

Schedule of Services
Daily Minyan:
5:15 PM



Shabbat Services:
Saturday, 10:00 AM

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Attention Snowbirds



We need all winter addresses and the dates you plan to be away. Please note, even if we had this on file previously, please resend to info@templewb.org or call the office so we can verify that all membership information is correct. Thank you!

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