

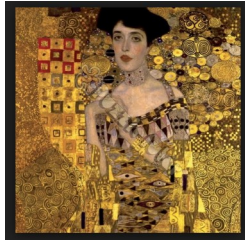
Summer Adventures

Rabbi Jonathan Hecht, Ph. D.

It is nearly summer, and that means time to enjoy some special exhibits of Jewish interest. There are three fantastic ones close by in Manhattan.

With or without seeing the new historical drama *Woman in Gold*, make a visit to the Neue Galerie in Manhattan to enjoy the exhibit **Gustav Klimt and Adele Bloch-Bauer: the Woman in Gold**. The movie is based upon the incredible true story of how Adele Bloch-Bauer's niece successfully sued the Austrian government for the return of five Klimt paintings seized by the Nazis from the Bloch-Bauer family townhouse in Vienna during World War II.

The highlight of this exhibit is Klimt's stunning 1907 "golden style" portrait of Adele Bloch-Bauer, which originally hung in the couple's Vienna home, as well as related sketches prepared during the four years that he worked on this iconic masterpiece.



When the Neue Galerie acquired the portrait in 2006, the museum's president and co-founder, Ronald S. Lauder, stated: "With this dazzling painting, Klimt created one of his greatest works of art." For details about visiting the Neue Galerie, go to <http://www.neuegalerie.org/home>. The show will be on view through September 7.

Another exhibit I know you, and even the kids, will enjoy is **The Hirschfeld Century: the Art of Al Hirschfeld** at the NY Historical Society until October 12. Al Hirschfeld (1903-2003) made his debut in 1926. His signature work, defined by a linear calligraphic style, made his name a verb. To be "Hirschfelded" was a sign that one had arrived. This exhibit gives you nine decades of his art, documenting his life and career and, to a great extent, the history of the performing arts in the twentieth century and beyond.

Hirschfeld is known for hiding his daughter Nina's name at least once in most of the drawings he produced after her birth. The clue to the number of concealed NINAs is the Arabic numeral to the right of his signature. Generally, if no number is to be found, either NINA appears once or the drawing was executed before she was born. Enjoy finding them. A great game for the kids! For the details, go to the museum website at <http://www.nyhistory.org/exhibitions/hirschfeld>.



Just in time for summer, the JCC in Manhattan's Laurie M. Tisch Gallery has a charming exhibit **What's Under Your Pareo?: Unraveling the Work of Lea Gottlieb**. And if the name doesn't ring a bell, perhaps her work will. Gottlieb was the mastermind behind Gottex, the Israeli company that revolutionized swimwear and brought it into the world of high fashion. From Princess Diana to the cast of *The Love Boat*, it seems that everyone took a turn in Gottex from the 1970s to the 1990s.

Gottlieb, who died in 2012 at the age of 94, was born in Hungary, survived the Holocaust with her daughters, and then moved to Israel and founded Gottex (a portmanteau of "Gottlieb" and "textiles"). They began by producing raincoats, as they had done in Hungary. They would pray for rain but realized Tel Aviv was more sunny than stormy, and switched to swimsuits. They built Gottex into a \$60 million a year business. The exhibit runs through August 2 and is free! For the details, visit <http://www.jccmanhattan.org>.



Last summer in Jerusalem, I saw **Richard Avedon: Family Affairs from the Collection of the Israel Museum**. However, you will not need your passport to see it in Philadelphia at the National Museum of American Jewish History. This exhibition unites two bodies of work by this



influential American Jewish photographer: a series of four portrait murals inspired by the revolutionary atmosphere of the 1960s and early 1970s, and a series of 69 portraits entitled *The Family*, originally published in *Rolling Stone* magazine.

Mr. Avedon's "striking fashion photography and minimalist, emotion-filled portraiture broke boundaries and, for nearly a half century, helped define Americans' perceptions of beauty, politics, and power." Make sure you leave time to explore the rest of the museum; there is a lot to enjoy, learn, and be proud about American Jewish history. They also have one of the best collections of Judaica for sale in their museum shop. This exhibit runs until August 2. Get the details for your visit at <http://www.nmajh.org/SpecialExhibitions/>.

No matter what you do this summer — be safe and have fun!

President's Message



One of my favorite stories that Rabbi Hecht tells is about Honi the Circle Maker.

One day, Honi the Circle Maker comes upon an elderly man planting a carob tree. Honi asks, "Why are you doing this? You are old, and it will take the tree 70 years until it gives fruit!" The man replies: "When I was born, I found carob trees with fruit already in the world because my grandfather planted them. So, I do not plant these trees for me, but rather, I plant them for my grandchildren and future generations as well."

Belonging to a synagogue is like planting trees for the next generation. Our synagogue and the Jewish community were here when we got here. For me it is the place where both my daughters became bat mitzvah and where I became an adult bat mitzvah. In addition, we have celebrated the bar mitzvah of my nephew, and soon my other nephew. The list is long of how our synagogue and clergy have been here for my family. Now I dream about one day walking my daughters down the aisle of our synagogue at their weddings. I want to "kvell" at their children's, my grandchildren's, b'nei mitzvah ceremonies from our bimah.

"Belonging to a synagogue is like planting trees for the next generation."

As long term members of Temple Chaverim, we ensure that there will be a Jewish community that is even better and stronger than the one we found when we joined. That is the commitment of my family.

I urge you to think about how happy you were to find Temple Chaverim when you came to this community, to have clergy with extensive knowledge and real rabbinic training, and an active Jewish community to bring your children to.

Each of us can help make sure that future generations, including our grandchildren, will have these same opportunities! Be a role model for your children and friends. Make a commitment to remain a member of Temple Chaverim; encourage your friends to stay members with you. Keep the big picture, the long term, in mind! Our Jewish community needs us all.

Karen Bressner, President

Shofar Workshops

Thursdays, June 11 & September 3 @ 7:00 pm

Learn How to Blow the Shofar for the High Holidays

Shofars are available for purchase or bring your own.



RSVP to Ronnie@templechaverim.org

Cantor's Corner



What makes a Jewish song? There are many ways for us to answer this question. Some might say it is the text or subject matter or the religion of the composer. Others might say it is the way we connect to the song when we hear it. The history of Jewish music dates back to early biblical times. The Talmud mentions a choir and instruments. The Mishnah describes a Temple orchestra consisting of twelve instruments and a choir of twelve men. Early Jewish music dates to the beginning of poetry, which was sung.

Music used in the worship service can be a very powerful tool to bring out the meaning of a text, enhance a theme or set a mood. For instance, our Friday evening worship service often begins with a nigun or tune that emphasizes the music rather than the words and sets a spiritual mood. Later in the service, we chant Torah to very specific vocalization that dates back to 7th century Europe. There are moments when a particularly non-Jewish melody is used in a Jewish way. For example, we sing Bob Marley's *Redemption Song* in place of the Mi Chamocha prayer to bring out the theme of freedom and our collective exodus.

For centuries, Jews have also written music for use outside the synagogue. For example, Irving Berlin, the son of a cantor, was born in 1888 in Russia and fled a few years later with his family to the Lower East Side where they lived in poverty. As a young teen, he used music to help his family survive after his father died. He began singing in a saloon where



Irving Berlin leads a group of servicemen in song at Camp Upton on Long Island in 1942.

he also taught himself to play the piano. During his lifetime, he wrote an estimated 1,500 songs including *White Christmas*, *Putting on the Ritz* and *God Bless America*. Composer George Gershwin called him "the greatest songwriter that has ever lived," and composer Jerome Kern concluded that "Irving Berlin has no *place* in American music—he *is* American music." Yet he only wrote a few Jewish-themed novelty songs.

Today, *God Bless America* is included in our prayer books. Is it a Jewish song? Interestingly, in the Jewish tradition of tzedakah, Berlin gave all the royalties for *God Bless America* -- more than \$10 million -- to the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts in needy communities. It is his perpetual thanks to the country that he believed rescued him.

Cantor Bradley Hyman

Take me out to the ball game on Jewish Heritage Day!

The NY Mets play the Pittsburgh Pirates @ Citi Field Stadium

Sunday, August 16, 1:10 pm

\$35 per ticket in the Pepsi Porch Section

A group of 15 people scores a scoreboard message! How cool is that? We can do it!



For details & RSVP, contact Rosemary at 516.367.6100 ext. 101 or rosemary@templechaverim.org, by July 1.

Religious School — Learning Jewish Values



A recent article by David Brooks in the **New York Times** describes the moral bucket list of a person who radiates goodness. We at Temple Chaverim believe that our students should have a bucket list of Jewish values to live by. These are some of the key Jewish values we teach at religious school:

Ahavah/Love - This serves as the basis for most of the commandments in Judaism. The covenant between each of us and God is described as a relationship between two people who love each other.

B'tzelem Elohim/Created in God's Image - This reminds us that there is holiness in each of us.

Bal Tash-chit/Do not Destroy - As caretakers of a world that God has lent us, it is our responsibility to make wise use of it. Recycling, conserving energy, and caring for the environment are important ways we live this commandment.

Chesed/Kindness - Jewish tradition teaches us to be kind throughout our lives.

Chochma/Wisdom - The Rabbis teach "Who is wise? One who learns from all people." Our students learn the implications of one's words and deeds and the role they play in leading a moral Jewish life.

Derech Eretz/Good Manners - Translated literally, means "the way of the land." Decent behavior must be the basis of how we act.

Hazan et HaKol/Feeding Everyone - In the first prayer of the Birkat HaMazon, the Grace After Meals, we praise God for nourishing the entire world with both mercy and compassion.

Zeman/Jewish Time - The daily rhythm of blessings: the weekly cycle of work and Shabbat, the yearly cycle of holidays, the Jewish life cycle, all guide our lives Jewishly. When we live our life according to Jewish time, it becomes richer, invested in community, and more connected to God.

Kavod/Respect - Positive and productive human relations are based on being respectful to one another.

Kehillah/Community - This provides a context for many aspects of Jewish life including holiday celebrations, life cycle events, and prayer. Each Jewish person is necessary to the Jewish community to support each other and to keep our institutions strong. Our students are building Jewish community as members of our religious school.

We want our young people to live life according to these Jewish values and help make the world a better place. There is much to be learned about life in our religious school.

Debbye Brandell, Principal

250 classes & workshops await you @ the Art League of Long Island!

Membership fee waived for Temple Chaverim members Check out their catalog for the choices at <http://artleagueli.net>

Contact Bobbie Janowitz at 631.462.5400 ext. 227



Rabbi David Saperstein Appointed Ambassador

You may have read his name in the *New York Times* or the *Washington Post*. He has been the voice of Reform Judaism in Washington, DC for four decades. Now, Rabbi David Saperstein, who served as director and chief legal counsel at the Union for Reform Judaism's Religious Action Center (RAC) for 40 years, is the new United States Ambassador-at-Large for International Religious Freedom. He is the first Jew to be appointed to this important position. The United States Senate confirmed Rabbi Saperstein's ambassadorship on December 12, 2014, and he was sworn in on January 6, 2015.

The Ambassador for International Religious Freedom advises the President and the Secretary of State on issues of religious freedom throughout the world and is the United States' chief diplomat when it comes to religious issues. The position heads up the Office of International Religious Freedom in the United States Department of State. The International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 created the position.

Rabbi Saperstein grew up on Long Island and is the son of Rabbi Harold Saperstein who served as the Senior Rabbi at Temple Emanuel of Lynbrook for many decades.

The Religious Action Center is not just a major institution of our movement, but has played a critical role in American life in general. It was in the conference room of the RAC that the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was drafted! Under Rabbi David Saperstein's direction, the RAC has continued to play a major role as the lobbying wing of Reform Judaism.

Each year, we send a group of youth from our Tuesday Night Live program to learn about issues of concern for Reform Jews and train them to lobby our representatives in Washington. This is one of the important programs inaugurated by Rabbi Saperstein.

Rabbi Jonathan Hecht, Ph.D.



Rabbi Hecht congratulating Ambassador Saperstein at the Central Conference for American Rabbis meeting in Philadelphia.



ShalomLearning

Some of our happy ShalomLearning students and their amazing teacher Sigal Rashti. This new program is so successful, it will be expanded next year.

For more information about ShalomLearning, contact Debbye Brandell in the Religious School office.

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

TUESDAY NIGHTLIVE

Teens at CHAVERIM

for 8th-12th Graders

Our youth programs involve our young people in meaningful, innovative and fun experiences that will enhance their Jewish identity and encourage a lifelong connection to Judaism. We seek to help our youth acquire the tools to make decisions throughout life based on Jewish values and to further strengthen their connections to the Jewish community and to each other.

Joining Tuesday Night Live! includes membership in our senior youth group, CHATY and NFTY. Questions? Please contact Rabbi Bennet at 516.367.6100 ext. 121 or email rabbibennet@templechaverim.org



CHATY & JCHATY staff the Purim Carnival



See you in September with more great activities !

TNL Visits NYC



JCHATY & JGIRLS



Chocolate Seder



Midrash & Manicures



End of Year Party



CASINO NIGHT 2015



Many thanks to Michelle Chalfen and Beth Tabak and their Fundraising committee and to our fabulous Temple band who treated us to a spectacular evening of music and revelry.



LIFELONG LEARNING PROGRAMS

Adult Education

SOCIABLE SENIORS

On **Thursday, June 4**, Professor Joseph Dorinson will entertain one and all with his talk entitled, **When Comedy Went to School: the Catskills, the Training Ground for the Modern American Stand-up Comic.**

Professor Dorinson, who teaches history at L.I.U., will take us on an informative and hilarious journey 100 miles north of New York City, where a generation of Jewish comedians honed their craft on the Catskill Mountains resort circuit. The list is long and includes the all-time greats: Danny Kaye, Sid Caesar, Mel Brooks, Alan King, Lenny Bruce, Woody Allen and Joan Rivers. For decades their comedy has brought relief from the everyday *tzuris* (troubles) and provided enjoyment for everyone, not just Jews.

Enjoy your summer, use sunscreen, and remember to join us on **Thursday, September 3**

for a very enjoyable presentation by Sal St. George -- **Jack Benny vs. Bob Hope: It's all in the Timing** — when he compares two of our very favorite funny people Jack Benny and Bob Hope. Relive the lives and the humor of these icons of American comedy through stories.



Jack Benny and Bob Hope in 1957 performing on The Jack Benny Show.

Learn how these gifted performers adapted seamlessly to new opportunities, technologies and challenges from burlesque to vaudeville to radio to television to movies. Both were masters of comedic timing, but their comedy styles were polar opposites. Benny delivered his material with ease, sometimes with just a gesture. Hope, a brash, fast-talking comedian, was high energy. Both left you laughing and so will Mr. St. George when you hear his presentation.

A light lunch will be served at 11:45 am. Be early if you want a good parking spot. The cost is \$11 per person for Temple members, and \$14 per person for non-members. (**Note:** As of September 1, the cost will be \$13 for members and \$16 for non-members.)

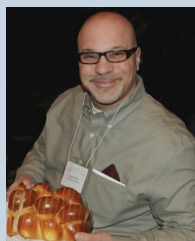
ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ABSOLUTELY A MUST!!! These events sell out, so don't be disappointed; make a reservation with your name and the names of each of your guests. Please RSVP to 516.367.6100, ext. 103, to leave the reservation information.

The **Adult Education Committee** welcomes additional team members to assist with planning interesting and fun events. Do just one thing, or more -- your choice!

Contact **Nirit Weiser** at 631.777.1976 or niritblossom@aol.com to make her day.

Keep Russell Smiling!

Reply to your High Holiday Aliyah invitation when you receive it.



Contact Ronnie@templechaverim.org or 516.367.6100 ext. 112

JEWISH MEDITATION

Strategies for Relaxation & Inner Peace



Donna Bloom,
Instructor and Temple member

Join us on our path of self-discovery. We will connect with an inner sense of true peace as we begin a personal journey to the happiness within our hearts. Our classes incorporate breathing techniques, guided imagery meditation and Jewish spiritual discussions.

Thursdays from 7:30 to 9 pm
June 11, June 25, July 16, July 30, Aug 13, Aug 27, Sept 10, Sept 17 , Sept 24

Please bring a mat, pillow, blanket and a writing journal. Registration is required. FREE for Temple members, non-members \$60 for summer classes.

Kindly make checks payable to Temple Chaverim. RSVP: Rosemary at 516.367.6100 ext. 101 or rosemary@templechaverim.org

PRAYER BOOK FUND

Our clergy have begun preparation for the High Holidays with their advance copies of **Mishkan HaNefesh**, the new High Holiday prayer books our congregation will be using this fall.



A significant number of prayer books have been donated, but we really need your help to achieve our final goal of 1,000 prayer books for the 2015 High Holidays - enabling each congregant to hold and pray from a copy of the new book.

Imagine how easily this could be achieved if each family in our congregation would donate at least one prayer book; we would be close to the needed amount.

Please help to make this happen by donating to the **Temple Chaverim Prayer Book Fund**. Do it in honor of your parents, your children, your best friend; this is the gift that fits every occasion. Although any amount is appreciated, if you donate \$40, the cost of one two-book set, it will contain a special inscribed bookplate. Please call Eileen Schneyman in the Temple office at 516.367.6100 ext. 108 for details.



COMMUNITY ACTION



Tikkun Olam

תיקון עולם

Community Action is needed all year long. It is easy to think that everyone on Long Island is doing fine, but that is not the case for many residents. Here are some opportunities where you can “do one thing” to make a difference. Stand by your good values; help your children learn to appreciate what they have and what they can do for others.

Summer provides a few choice initiatives for us to support. First, there is the **14th Annual Long Island North Shore Supplies for Success**. Throughout July and August, we will be collecting school supplies for distribution by the United Jewish Appeal (UJA). Temple Chaverim has participated in this wonderful project for many years. We ask our congregants, while shopping for school supplies, to please pick up some backpacks, pens, pencils, spiral and marble notebooks, highlighters, scissors, rulers, and crayons to donate.

Every child needs the tools for success; your generosity can help make this happen. No time to shop? No problem! Just go to the UJA website at <https://www.ujafedny.org/schoolsupplydonation/> and make an \$18 dollar donation which will provide a child with a new backpack filled with supplies.

In addition to donating supplies, you can also donate your time. This is a great mitzvah project to do with your kids: help to pack the donated backpacks with supplies. This huge packing event takes place on Tuesday, August 18 and Thursday, August 20, from 10:30 am to 3:00 pm at The Schechter School of Long Island. For information or to



register for a packing shift -- there are two each day -- call **Oma Sheena** at **516.677.1832**, or email her at **sheena@ujafedny.org**. Last year they distributed 6,000 backpacks; let's help them do even better this year.

In September, we once again embark on our **High Holiday Food Drive**. Since Rosh Hashanah is September 13 and Yom Kippur is September 23, we will collect non-perishable food throughout the entire month of September. If you see a great sale this summer, pick up a few extra items for our collection.



If you are cleaning out your closets this summer, please put aside all that great clothing, especially coats, for our annual **TANS Clothing Drive** in November.

For more information on any of our programs, please contact **Mindy Brown** at **mindy.f.brown@gmail.com** or **Lisa Frenkel** at **frenkels@mac.com**.

Blessing of the Pets



Thanks to Jodi Cohen for organizing a fantastic mitzvah event held at Temple Chaverim to support Ruff House Rescue, a local pet adoption organization. Dozens of families brought their beloved pets for special blessings by Rabbi Hecht, Rabbi Bennet and Cantor Hyman. The event raised more than \$1,000 for Ruff House Rescue and helped four dogs find new homes with loving families.

Ask Dear Yenta

Dear Yenta,

It has been a tough year for several people I know at Temple Chaverim, myself included. Some are dealing with marital problems or divorce; others are trying to deal with elderly and sick parents. My best friend's husband just lost his job. The list is long. Are there any local resources where we can turn for help with our problems?



Overwhelmed With Life

Dear Overwhelmed,

I am so sorry to hear about the challenges you and your friends are facing. Temple Chaverim's staff knows that life can be difficult. We are happy to tell you about help that is available to our congregants through our partnership with **Partners in Caring** at the Mid-Island Y JCC.

There are a variety of established support groups including: bereavement, separation and divorce, growing up with divorced parents, coping with Parkinson's for patients and their caregivers, general caregivers support, parents and siblings of children with special needs.

Additionally, they offer short-term services: individual counseling, employment and job transitioning services, and case management. To get assistance, call **Rabbi Hecht** at **516.367.6100 ext. 112** or **Jonah Samuelowitz**, LCSW, Assistant Director of Adult and Social Services at the Mid-Island Y JCC **516.822.3535 ext. 328**. We hope this will be a better year for you and your friends.

Your Yenta

SISTERHOOD: GIFT SHOP NEWS

Throughout the year, Sisterhood members give hundreds of volunteer hours creating wonderful programs for our members, their friends, and families. We get to enjoy these, but equally important, is the fact that Sisterhood raises thousands of dollars for Temple Chaverim through these efforts. What do they do with this money? LOTS!

They are the funders of our new **ShalomLearning** program, which began this year in our religious school; and due to its success, will be expanding next year. Sisterhood also participates at the highest level of our Circles of Giving program.

In addition to all the programs that raise money, they also run the Sisterhood Gift Shop located in the Temple lobby. It is not a large shop, but they have a wide range of gifts.

Recently they have added some really special pieces by designer **Michael Aram**, which you can purchase at an amazing 20% discount!



Everything you buy in the shop helps raise money for programs at Temple Chaverim. We all have occasions to give gifts -- weddings, birthdays, even just "I was thinking about you" gifts. The next time you have a gift to give, double your gift giving by shopping in the Sisterhood Gift Shop. You will leave with the gift you need, and you give Sisterhood a gift that they will re-gift to our Temple. This is really a win-win!

To shop in the store, please contact Sisterhood President **Rhonda Green** at kov64@hotmail.com to make an appointment; or stop at the Temple during office hours and Eileen Schneyman will help you.

MEN'S CLUB

CARD & GAME NIGHTS

Last Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm
June 24, July 29, August 26

RSVP to Jamie Ortsman at ortsman96@gmail.com
\$20 per person includes dinner



SISTERHOOD STITCH & SCHMOOZE

Thursdays 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Dust off those old knitting, crocheting, or whatever projects you have been meaning to finish or start, and join a lovely group of women to relax and get your project moving along towards completion. It's a really great way to take some time for yourself.



Contact **Randi Gertler** at gertler@aol.com or call 516.381.1755 for details.



Sisterhood's Women's Seder

Thanks to Sherri Pagliaro-Winnick and Rabbi Debra Bennet for a great evening!

Mitzvah Maker — "Do One Thing!"

"Do One Thing!" is not Al Schein's motto; his is more like "Do More Than One Thing!" For the past three years, he has diligently delivered a Temple Chaverim Welcome Bag to every new family that has joined our synagogue. He has single-handedly worked to welcome every new member of our Temple family. At the age of 84, he is a shining example of how we can each find our own way to make a difference in this world.



Al Schein, Mitzvah maker

That isn't all he does! He volunteers with the Jewish War Veterans -- visiting and helping them, and making sure they feel remembered by the country they fought for. About eight years ago, his wife Joan Schein had the idea that Temple Chaverim needed to have a special program for our senior citizens. She created the Sociable Seniors program which is still thriving today; and Al was there to help. Before every program, he picked up the bagels and set the tables -- no small task when you have 250 hungry people show up for the fantastic programs his wife organized. He did this for years!

It must be noted that everything that Al Schein does, he does with a big sweet smile. He is an inspiration to all of us. Maybe we can't do as much as Al does, but we can start with "Do One Thing!" Perhaps that is the key to the smile on Al's face -- the feeling that you are really making a difference in the world.

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For details contact rosemary@templechaverim.org or
516.367.6100 ext 101



Shabbat Shalom!



FAMILY BINGO—An Annual Favorite!



Thank you to Merrie Radisch & her fantastic Family Bingo Committee for a fun evening enjoyed by more than 200 people. Everyone was a winner!

Yad Workshop



Cantor Hyman led students and their families in creating beautiful yads to be used at their upcoming B'nei Mitzvah ceremonies.

POT LUCK SHABBAT DINNER

Sponsored by the Religious Practices Committee

Friday, June 12 @6:15 pm

Bring a salad, side or main dish for 8-12 people

*Kosher style
 *NO dairy dishes or dairy ingredients
 Bring your own wine
 Dessert will be served at our oneg!

Contact Paula Lefkowitz
 516.367.6184 or plef22@gmail.com



MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

to support Temple Chaverim's Scholarship Fund

Tuesday, July 28
 Doors open @ 7:00 pm
 Tournament starts @ 7:30 pm
 Reserve by July 13

\$30 per person for Temple members,
 \$36 for non-members

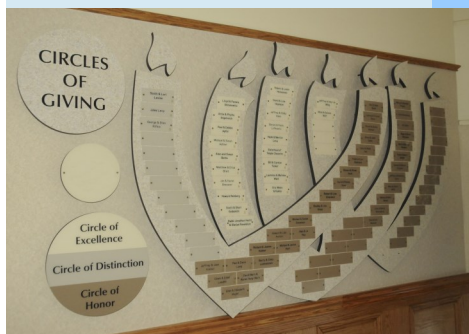


Questions? Contact Aimee Reifer 516.662.6491 or areifer@optonline.net
 RSVP to Rosemary in Temple office at 516.367.6100, ext. 101 or rosemary@templechaverim.org



Top prizes include gift certificates, Mah Jongg set and accessories, Rachael Ray cookware, massages, and more!

Circles of Giving



*Thank you
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Circles of Giving is a vital pledge program whereby congregants voluntarily increase their annual support to Temple Chaverim by a minimum of \$500. While our dues are in line with other local Reform synagogues, they do not completely cover the cost of running our Temple. In fact, Temple dues, tuitions and fees cover only 80% of our expense budget. The gap of \$500 per household must be made up through voluntary donations and fundraising efforts.

Temple Chaverim is committed to excellence in religious, educational and social programming, and to outstanding professional leadership. Your gift ensures that all children and adults in our congregation will continue to enjoy all the benefits of membership, in addition to providing scholarships to those in need.

To help strengthen our synagogue and secure our future of upholding Jewish values, please make your pledge to the **Circles of Giving** program. Contact Fundraising Chair, Jill Schwartz at 516.364.8650.

CIRCLE OF LIGHT *New Level!*

A donation of \$5,000 or more above the basic dues:

- All Circle of Excellence recognitions
- Name listed on the Circles of Giving Menorah Plaque
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A donation between \$1,000 to \$1,499 above the basic dues:

- All Circle of Honor recognitions
- An honor at a Friday night service

CIRCLE OF HONOR

A donation between \$500 to \$999 above the basic dues:

- Listing on Circles plaque in the Temple lobby
- Listing in *Connections* throughout the program year
- A Certificate of Appreciation presented at the Circles donors wine & cheese reception

Join or renew your participation in Circles today!

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Sisterhood of Temple Chaverim

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Hortense Tonner, grandmother of Rabbi Bennet, April 11, 2015
Mel Schreiber father of Gary Schreiber, April 13, 2015
Alice Spivak, aunt of Marla Peckman, cousin of Rabbi Hecht, April 17, 2015

MEMORIAL PLAQUES

In loving tribute, the following name has been inscribed on our memorial wall:
Constance Sussman
January 21, 2015

To make a donation, purchase a brick or plaque in memory of or in honor of a loved one, please contact the Temple office at 516.367.6100.

Noteworthy News in Our Temple Family

To submit noteworthy news to share with your fellow chaverim -- births, engagements and marriages; special awards at school and work; promotions, honors and awards; college acceptances, graduations and degrees conferred; book signings, gallery shows and other special accomplishments — email Sheila Schroeder, editor of Connections, at sweetsheila624@aol.com by July 31 to appear in the fall issue this September.



Jenna Robinson, daughter of **Amy & David Robinson**, and **Matty Orgel**, son of **Linda & Barry Orgel**, sang their hearts and souls out as the leads in *Shrek* at the Mattlin Middle School spring musical. They were absolutely amazing! We look forward to seeing them next year in the high school plays.

Mazel Tov to congregants **Marsha and David Bank** on the birth of their first grandchild **Samantha Emma**. Proud parents are **Dana and Danny Bank**. Danny cradles his new daughter as his parents are glowing behind him.



Congratulations to **Mitchell Birms**, son of **Jodi & Stuart Birms**, and his team. They placed in the TOP TEN at the National DECA Conference in Orlando, Florida. DECA is a high school club for business.

OUR COLLEGE GRADS! Congratulations to...

Erica Rachel Bloom, daughter of **Donna & Larry Bloom**, graduated from Indiana University. In the fall she will begin a Masters in Industrial, Organizational Psychology at Hofstra University.

Emory University granted degrees to **Leigh Solomon**, daughter of **Dawn & Shmulik Solomon**, and to **Jon Goldman**, son of **Andrea & Michael Goldman**, who was also awarded the honor of membership in The Paladin Society. Leigh began studies at Cardozo Law School in May.

Graduates from University of Delaware include **Jake Goldsmith**, son of **Shari & Scott Goldsmith**, and **Ben Pagliaro**, son of **Sherri & John Pagliaro**. This summer Ben will co-lead the NFTY teen tour traveling to Poland and Israel. Upon his return, he will begin work at Larchmont Temple as the Music and T'filah Coordinator.

Among the graduates from Penn State University are **Jaclyn Pinsky**, daughter of **Gayle & Steve Pinsky**, and **Samantha Wald**, daughter of **Marlene & Larry Wald**. Samantha will begin graduate school at NYU this fall.

Jordyn Steifman, daughter of **Jody & Bruce Steifman**, graduated from Ohio State University. This summer she will be working at Camp, Inc., in Boulder, CO at the new JCC specialty summer camp for teen entrepreneurs.

Congratulations to **Ellen Pokomy** on completing her Doctorate in Nursing Practice at Case Western Reserve University in Ohio.



Shari Goldsmith, founder of Women Together Fighting Cancer (WTFCC), was a guest speaker at the annual joint retreat for Meharry Medical College, Vanderbilt University and Tennessee State University. There she also met with Dr. Swarup Trivedi who is developing a vaccine against breast cancer and is a grantee of WTFCC. Shari also raised \$33,000 at her fundraiser the Breast of Everything.

CONGRATS TO OUR TNL HIGH SCHOOL GRADS

Temple Chaverim has been extremely fortunate to have these seven young Jewish leaders in our **Tuesday Night Live** program. They contributed countless hours, ideas and enthusiasm to make it a success and a lot of fun for all the members. Their energy and smiles will be greatly missed.



Jen Pantell & Brandon Kurnit will be going to Ohio State.

Sydney Kurnit & Matt Kurnit will attend SUNY Oneonta.

Jacob Orgel will attend the University of Maryland, College Park.

(Not pictured) **Emma Gold & Dani Schear** will both attend Ithaca College.

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Special Summer Services

Friday Shabbat at the Beach

July 10 (rain date July 17)
August 21 (rain date August 28)
7:30 PM at Tobay Beach.

Enter through the middle tunnel, and we will be at the pavilion straight ahead.

WEATHER OR NOT? Listen to recorded message at 516.367.6100

Tisha B'av Service – Sunday, July 26, 7:30 PM

The 9th of Av is the Hebrew date on which we commemorate the destruction of the First and Second Temples.



SUMMER ONEGS



Volunteer to provide home-baked goodies for our onegs held after our Summer Friday Night 7:30 pm services.

We need bakers for the following Friday nights:

June 26
July 3, 17, 24, 31
August 7, 14, 28
September 4

Please contact Rosemary at rosemary@templechaverim.org and be sure to include the date you would like.

For Shabbat at the Beach on **July 10 & August 21**, bring your own goodies to share!

Looking Ahead...

Selichot: **Saturday, September 5** at Temple Beth El of Huntington

HIGH HOLIDAYS

Rosh Hashanah:

Erev, **Sunday, September 13**

1st day, **Monday, September 14**

Young Family Service in afternoon (free tickets to the community), followed by Tashlich at Wantagh Park

2nd day, **Tuesday, September 15**

Yom Kippur:

Kol Nidre, **Tuesday, September 22**

Yom Kippur **Wednesday, September 23**

Yizkor (open to community)

Young Family Service in afternoon (free tickets to the community)



Ice Cream Social

Tuesday, September 1 @ 7:00 pm

Say "good-bye" to summer and "hello" to Temple friends—old and new!

RSVP to Rosemary at 516.367.6100 ext 101 by Friday, 8/28

Religious School Packet Pick-up

during the weeks of August 31 and September 8 (includes HHD tickets for your convenience)

Religious School begins Sunday, September 20

TNL and JCHATY begin Tuesday, October 6

Breakfast with the Rabbi (during Religious School) Sunday, October 11

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