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From the Board

Kirsten Berkman Winikoff



Four years ago, I moved to Los Angeles from New York. It was a bold decision, as I knew no one besides my husband’s family, and I had left my job (which I loved) to commit to the next phase of our lives – raising our then 2.5 year old and 4 month old near extended family. It was the only drawback to living on the East Coast. My work friends in New York told me not to worry, that I would meet people through my children. It would be an unusual scenario for me all the way around.

As I toured schools for my daughter Tessa in this unfamiliar town, I kept on coming back to, “I just got a good vibe at Judea.” And while any good Jew can ponder for an eternity, ultimately trusting your gut is usually the most important way to make a decision.

And it has never failed me. To this day I can honestly say that the community of Judea is unlike any other; the warmth, the desire to help, and the kindness extend far beyond the classroom. It is the people that make a place, and the people at Judea are good people. I would make not only good friends, but great friends. And the friendships that were started because of my children have lasted in spite of my children.

I’ve come to the board as a liaison to the ECC, a role which makes obvious sense. But my involvement at Judea has grown these last four years. I’m not only invested in making the school the best it can be, I am invested in this community – the leaders that guide, the actions we can take to help, the life education, and the spiritual connection to others and ourselves. I now look to give back and open my arms for others in the same way Judea gave and opened its arms to me. I continue to make bold decisions in my life, but the decisions are made in and amongst a community I am proud and honored to be a part of.



COVER: Tu BiShvat is a Jewish holiday occurring on the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Shevat. It is also called “Rosh HaShanah La’llanot”, literally “New Year of the Trees.” In contemporary Israel, the day is celebrated as an ecological awareness day, and trees are planted in celebration.

Temple Judea’s Mission

Temple Judea exists to enrich the lives of our congregants by creating meaningful, inspiring, innovative Jewish moments that resonate with individuals and families through the generations.

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The More Things Change . . .

Rabbi Joshua M. Aaronson



 RabbiJMA

Of the many sermons I've delivered over the course of more than 28 years, the sermon I gave this past Rosh Hashanah about mental health elicited—by far—the most response. I was touched that so many of you shared with me your own struggles or the struggles with mental health issues of those you love.

In that sermon, I announced that we would launch an initiative on mental health with the goal that Temple Judea would become a leader in creating a community in which mental health issues, both wellness and illness, would be front and center. To that end, I want to update you on our progress.

We have assembled a Temple Judea Mental Health Advisory Committee. This committee consists primarily of licensed mental health professionals in our community. When the call went out to populate this committee, more than a dozen people responded. This committee will work across our institution to support programs and education in the ECC, the religious school, our seniors and all other populations.

As a beginning, we will focus our attention on two areas: 1) we will produce resource guides, both in hard-copy form and on the web, that will offer a range of support options for members of our community; 2) we will offer regular educational programs, seminars and workshops to address a range of mental health issues.

This initiative will take some time to ramp-up. Most importantly, it is not a 'one and done' initiative. Our hope is that over the next 5 years, we will have among the most robust programs of its type.

Everyone in our community either knows someone who is suffering from a mental illness or themselves suffers from a mental illness. We want to be a community that supports all of you in this regard; we want to be a community in which you feel safe coming forward to discuss your concerns; we want to be a community where you can seek comfort, solace and hopefully, find help.

Please know that you are not alone. Already, there is great support for this initiative and we're just getting started. Do not hesitate to contact me or any member of the clergy team with questions or simply to talk.

Best wishes for a wonderful New Year, spent in the warm embrace of family and friends.



Temple Judea
Parenting Center

templejudea.com/parentingcenter



*REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR OUR 2019 SPRING SESSION

January 28th - June 6th

* We offer Infant, Baby, Toddler, and Grandparent classes for children ages 2 months through 2+ years old

* NEW! Award winning music classes through Little Movers & Shakers

* NEW! Supportive birthing, postpartum, & comfort care workshops through The Birth Co-Op

For more information, please contact our ECC Assistant Director, Sari Edber
sedber@templejudea.com 818.342.3840 x302

Adult Learning Celebrates Women

Sunday Scholar Series

We have invited some of the best Jewish scholars in the city, all from the Hebrew Union College. Make sure you join us for something to nosh and something to think about!



March 3, 2019 – Dr. Leah Hochman

9:15-10:45am

Let's Eat Already: Jews and Food

Leah Hochman directs the Louchheim School for Judaic Studies at the University of Southern California and is associate professor of Jewish Thought at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Los Angeles.

Ongoing Learning

Weekly Torah Study (Parashat Hashavua)

Wednesdays, 12pm

No experience or sign up necessary, just come!

People of the Book – Book Club

First Wednesday of the Month, 6pm

Come for a lively discussion of Jewish Literature.

*Visit templejudea.com often, as we add more Learning Opportunities throughout the year!

Temple Judea's
**#Giving
Tuesday**



*If I am not for myself, who will be for me?
But if I am only for myself, who am I?
If not now, when?"*
Ethics of the Fathers, 1:14

On Tuesday, November 27, Temple Judea participated in #Giving Tuesday, a global day of giving that was created in 2012 to unite us all in a day of generosity that makes a difference in the world while strengthening our synagogue. And we did just that!!!

Temple Judea joined a growing movement that includes over 150 countries, 2,500,000 gifts and over \$300 million dollars to ensure our synagogue will stay strong. Not only did we direct our giving to strengthen ourselves, but true to form we cared about others. Through a generous donor, who matched each dollar up to \$12,000, we were able to give \$6,000 each to two important outside organizations; The Anti-Defamation league (ADL) to support the fight against anti-Semitism and hatred and the Jewish Federations Wildfire Relief Fund to assist those who have been affected by the recent wildfires.

Temple Judea is truly a congregation of notable menches, who know the importance of humanity and the core Jewish values that support all humanity. Congratulations to all.

Names of all who participated in #Giving Tuesday.

Herbert & Jean Aaron, Joshua & Debora Aaronson, Eric & Stacey Adler, Sam & Nairy Ahdoot, Jonathan & Chelsea Alon, David & Margaret Altschul, Eileen Aroesti, Gail Aspinwall, Ivan & Nikki Axelrod, Erwin & Phyllis Baker, Bob & Sandy Baral, Jordan & Amber Barth, Ari & Heather Bass, Lior & Sharon Benzvi, Elayne Berg-Wilion, Josephine Berger, Evelyn Bergman, Marcia Berman, Michael & Anne Berman, Chuck Berney & Family, Jacob & Ilene Blok, Michael & Susan Blumenfeld, Tyler & Jaimi Boehm, Brian & Tasha Bohlig, David & Judith Braun, Gail Browdy, Rochelle Browne, Douglas & Lysa Burke, Gary & Joanne Busansky, Michelle & Robert Cherry, Todd & Barbara Cobin, Greg & Chris Cohen, Shawn Cooke & Jennifer Landis-Cooke, Morton & Marjorie Denker, Gary & Alison Diamond, Soheil Drakhshani & Shervin Mostafiz, Adam & Rita Drucker, Tom & Amy Dugan, Martin & Maxine Dusig, Ronen & Jade Eiger, Tamir & Julie Elghanayan, Nathaniel & Lisa Elkins, Craig & Jodi Erwich, Jeffrey & Laurie Evans, Babak Farahan & Dorna Basiratmand, Tiffany Feder, Hubert & Patty Fischler, Matt & Dana Fletcher, Ellen Franklin & Roy Silver, Greg & Monique Franklin, Debbie Fratkin, Lynn & Beverly Freed, Aaron & Poppy Fruchtman, Matthew & Kimberly Furniss, Scott & Lynda Gilderman, Gregory & Barri Girvan, Barbara Glassman, Eric & Jennifer Goldberg, Irving Goldberg, Irwin & Sally Goldstein, Rick & Sandy Goor, Cheri Gregg, Richard & Lorraine Gurewitz, Julian & Mindy Gurule, Anita Guss, Penny & Jim Gwin, Jeffrey & Randy Hain, Bill & Alysa Harris, Clifford & Cynthia Hassel, Andre & Melissa Hilton, Howard Hoffman, Richard Hoffman, Leslie Horowitz & Diane Weil, Stuart & Ellen Israel, Arthur & Madeline Jablon, Deanna Jackman, Shaun & Laura Kalnasy, Richard & Wendy Kane, David & Adelle Kelleher, Jason & Camy Kingston, Patrick Knightly & Stacey Weiss, Stephen & Toby Koppekin, Ronald & Joann Kramar, Arnold & Victoria Kupetz, Jeffrey & Nicole Lake, Jennifer & Justin Leavens, Daniel & Marcy Lenard, Diane Lennox, Tammy & Jeff Lerman, Gene & Kathy Lerner, Dennis & Susan Levin, Sylvia Lezak, Ronit & Aaron Lidor, Diane Lipson, Verna Liss, Jennifer & Jeff Lutzky, Eddie & Debby Marks, Robert & Rachel Mason, Ellen & Joseph McFadden, Allan & Elaine Melnick, Joshua Meyer & Vicki Botnick, Steven & Annette Meyerson, Jason & Lauren Miller, Ken & Rose Lynne Miller, Michael & Jessica Mischna, Suzanne Morgen, Adam & Melissa Moskowitz, Scott & Jacqueline Nates, Mark & Marsha Novak, Christopher & Lauren O'Connell, Michael & Ellen Opell, Charlene & Jason Pemstein, Alan & Alana Perper, David Plotkin & Lauri Mattenson, Steve & Tracey Poirier, Mark & Lynn Porath, Elizabeth Mestnik & Warren Press, Bruce & Tamar Raff, Oriel & Evelyn Raphael, Alex & Cathy Reichman, Cary & Suzanne Reisman, William & Sandra Ritter, Michael & Dani Rogers, Eric & Rachel Rojany, Sandor & Frayne Rosenfield, Katherine Ross, Neil & Allison Rotter, Brad & Bonnie Rubin, Laurie Rubin, Mark & Liza Ruszecki, Ben & Stacey Rutstein, David & Judy Rutt, Judith Scharf, Michael Schenk & Melissa Hennessey-Schenk, Barry & Lois Scherer, William & Marian Schiff, Jay & Lydia Schlanger, Joel & Amy Segall, Helen Shaft, Jonathan & Dawn Shenassafar, Gregory & Wendy Shiff, Loretta Shine, Simone & Heather Shouhed, David & Laurie Siedelman, Carol Silver, Jeff & Hannah Singer, Randy & Susan Snyder, Terry Sobo, Stephen Soroko & Claudia Bloom Soroko, Adam Steinman & Deborah Kurtz, Scott & Melissa Strauss, David & Sirida Terk, Howard & Rose Turner, Steven & Karen Twersky, Dara Weinberg, Larry & Barbara Weintraub, John & Lisa Whitman, Alan & Nancy Wiener, David & Nadene Wohlgemuth, Jeffrey & Anna Wynne

Names at time of printing

Temple Judea
Celebrates
WOMEN
Saturday, May 11, 2019



*Executive Director
Ellen Franklin*

*as we honor
our own*



*Rabbi Cantor
Alison Nissot*

Mark your calendars, put on your finest and get ready to party like it's 2019 as we honor, celebrate and congratulate the professional women who have led our congregation for the past 15 (count 'em) years.

We asked both Ellen and Alison how they would like to be honored and they both answered simultaneously, "WE WANT IT TO BE FUN!" So fun is the order of the evening.

Fun is only fitting because that's Ellen's and Alison's style – whether they are ensuring our synagogue runs smoothly and efficiently, or lifting our spirits in prayer and song. Anyone who has worked with either of them knows how smart, thoughtful and caring they are in their careers, as friends, and as mothers and wives. They truly have figured out how to have it all.

We would love to have as many people involved in creating this celebration with our chairs, Nikki and Ivan Axelrod. Talk about fun... our chairs know how to create it, plan it and execute fun so don't be shy and sign up on a committee that will make this a fun gala extraordinaire. Contact Eileen Aroesti, Development Director to get involved at earoesti@templejudea.com.

New this year is an on-line Silent Auction. We need lots of items that would be great for a silent auction so if you know of anyone, anyplace or anything that you can help us to obtain items, please contact Neil Rotter, Silent Auction Chair, at rotteran@earthlink.net.

Our gala won't be the same without you so please make sure you can attend. Ellen and Alison are looking forward to seeing you.

Pillars of the Community

Greg Cohen, VP of Finance and Development

Eileen Aroesti, Director of Development



In September, Pauline and Drew Pomerance hosted an “Afternoon of Joy” at our annual Pillars of the Community event, which kicked off our year-long Celebration of Women. Guests were invited for cocktails and appetizers at the beautiful El Caballero Country Club, where they enjoyed good food, good friends, and good conversation. The highlight of the day was a fascinating presentation by temple member Craig Erwich, Senior Vice President of Originals for Hulu. Craig shepherded and developed the Emmy and Golden Globe winning Hulu series “The Handmaid’s Tale.” He offered an insightful look behind the scenes of the television development process and illuminated emerging trends in the television industry.



B'nei Mitzvah - January/February



MOLLY CARROLL
Daughter of Blair & Damian Carroll
January 3, 2019, Israel
Project: Volunteered at Saffyre Sanctuary helping with the care of rescued horses.



RUSSELL LEVI MILLER
Son of Beth & Scott Miller
January 5, 2019, 10:30am
Project: Removal of invasive plant species near Mono Lake and in the Santa Monica Mountains.



KELSEY STUBACK
Daughter of Lara Stuback
January 12, 2019, 5pm
Project: Helped bring holiday joy to the children at Children's Hospital Los Angeles by collecting and delivering requested donations.



RACHEL LYNN LOTH
Daughter of Terri & David Loth
January 19, 2019, 10:30am
Project: Volunteered with Operation Gratitude to prepare gift baskets for the military.



MOLLY GABRIELLE COHEN
Daughter of Darren & Michelle Cohen
January 19, 2019, 5pm
Project: Planted a sustainable garden to raise food for SOVA food bank.



AVA GOLDMAN
Daughter of Shira & Neil Goldman
January 26, 2019, 10:30am
Project: Volunteered at various animal rescue projects, including dogs affected by hurricanes and a horse sanctuary.

B'nei Mitzvah - January/February



ETHAN LEVITT
Son of Robin & Steve Levitt
January 26, 2019, 10:30am
Project: Hosted an event to raise money for the Wounded Warrior Project.



EMMA REX
Daughter of Kevin Rex
January 26, 2019, 5pm
Project: Helped students with learning differences overcome the stereotypes often associated with their differences.



SYDNEY ASHTON LEVIN
Daughter of Stacey & Marc Levin
February 2, 2109, 10:30 am
Project: Raised money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. She is continuing the legacy of her Papa Shep who was on the board of directors of Make-A-Wish Foundation.



ABBY SATENBERG
Daughter of Karen & Brad Statenberg
February 16, 2019, 5pm
Project: Collected new toys for the children at Children's Hospital Los Angeles.



DANIEL HOLLOWAY
Son of Beth & Bill Holloway
February 23, 2019, 5pm
Project: Volunteered at the SOVA Community Food and Resource Program, distributing food to families in need.

**DO YOU REMEMBER
THE DAYS OF BIG RIDES...
WELL, THEY'RE BACK!!!!**



**SAVE THE DATE!
SUNDAY MARCH 24, 2019**

Carnival 10am - 3pm

All info available at templejudea.com



MAMMA GILLAH!
— TEMPLE JUDEA PURIM SHPIEL —

**PURIM SHPIEL
MARCH 20, 2019
6:15pm**

44 Congregants performing!!!!

Temple Judea proudly presents:

A PATTY WELLS MEMORIAL CONCERT

NEFESH MOUNTAIN

COMBINING **Bluegrass**
WITH A Jewish PERSPECTIVE

GRACIOUSLY SPONSORED BY NANCY AND ALAN WIENER



JANUARY 27, 2019 - 5PM

WINE AND CHEESE RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

NEFESH MOUNTAIN IS THE PLACE WHERE BLUEGRASS AND OLD-TIME MUSIC MEET WITH JEWISH HERITAGE AND TRADITION. HUSBAND AND WIFE TEAM, ERIC LINDBERG & DONI ZASLOFF, ARE THE PIONEERS OF THIS NEW BLEND OF SPIRITUAL AMERICAN MUSIC. THEY BRING THEIR UNIQUE KNOWLEDGE AND PASSION FOR THESE BEAUTIFUL WORLDS TO THE FORE WITH SONGS IN ENGLISH AND HEBREW ALIKE.

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*PATTY WELLS, M.D. WAS THE BELOVED DAUGHTER OF NANCY AND ALAN WIENER, WHO HAVE FULLY UNDERWRITTEN THIS CONCERT. ALL PROCEEDS HELP SUPPORT THE MUSIC PROGRAMS AT TEMPLE JUDEA, WITH TREMENDOUS GRATITUDE TO NANCY AND ALAN.

Women of Temple Judea

Aime Friedman, President

As we close out 2018 and begin 2019, the Women of Temple Judea are going strong and look forward to the new year. We've had a busy few months – in October, WTJ sent two of our members to San Diego to attend the Women of Reform Judaism's Pacific District Convention, where we mixed and mingled with our sisters from British Columbia to Texas. It was a great opportunity to laugh and learn with women from other synagogues and get a taste of what's going on in Reform Judaism in other parts of the country.

WTJ and Brotherhood hosted an evening with new State Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel as the kickoff to our annual speaker series. He shared with us his family's deep commitment to Jewish values and tikkun olam and how it formed his political outlook.

We had a chance to see everyone's amazing creativing in November, when we hosted our first "Paint Nite – Drink Creatively" event. The Gift Shop was also on hand to provide some excellent holiday shopping opportunities. (Don't forget to visit our gift shop for all sorts of fun and interesting gift ideas throughout the year).

Mark your calendars for January 15, Tuesday evening for our legendary Bingo Night featuring Bingo Boy and Roxy. As you probably know by now, this is the most fun you'll have in long

time, so go to portal.templejudea.com to register. This event is usually a sell out!

Our third annual Oscars Night is set for February 6, in conjunction with Brotherhood. Entertainment reporters Glenn Whipp of the L.A. Times and Nicole Sperling from Vanity Fair will once again present clips and give us their thoughts on 2018's Oscar hopefuls.

The Women of Temple Judea are dedicated to supporting Temple Judea and the exceptional work done by the Women of Reform Judaism across the world. We invite you to join with us – we are a fun, involved and engaging group of women.



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Brotherhood *David Daniel and Antony Gluck, Co-Presidents*

Brotherhood ended the year as we spent much of it: feeding people! We helped serve Thanksgiving dinner to some 1,500 people in need with the Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission. We served up latkes at Chanukachella, and our legendary pancakes at our annual December 25 Pancake Breakfast.

Looking ahead to 2019, we're planning events including a Poker/Casino Night and this year's Men's Retreat -- and the planning meetings are just as much fun as the events themselves! And in February, as our Speaker Series with WTJ continues, we'll welcome back movie awards experts Nicole Sperling from Vanity Fair and Glenn Whipp of the L.A. Times for our third annual Oscars Night.

But Brotherhood is much more than splashy events and monthly poker games, more than the biweekly Lunch Bunch and pre-meeting dinners at SuperWok. It's monthly meetings that range from non-stop hilarity to listening with open hearts to each other's greatest joys and deepest sorrows. It's emails and phone

calls and texts, just to check in with each other or share an awful joke. It's connection, and friendship... and it's waiting for you. Join us.



brotherhood@templejudea.com

Mazal Tov to

Mark & Deanna Heller, on the birth of son Easton Kagan. Big brother Jackson is a student in our Nursery School.

Brian & Lauren West, on the birth of daughter Vivienne Mae, joining big sisters Charlotte and Norah, both students in the Religious School.

Evan & Staci Pearlman, on the birth of son Mason Edward. Big sister, Delilah, is a student in our Nursery School.

Adi & Shiri Ihia, on the birth of son Roi Ori. Big brother Leo and big sister Liv are both students in our Nursery School.

Matt & Katie Gurvitz, on the birth of daughter, Harper Reese. Big brother, Shane, is a student in our Nursery School.

Jennifer Landis-Cooke and Shawn Cooke, on the birth of daughter November July. Big sister Sophia is a student in our Religious School; big brother Landis is a student in our Nursery School and big sister Lumen is a student in our Parenting Center.

Social Action and Religious School Honor Veterans at Mitzvah Day *Jennifer Lutzky - Chair*

Our recent Mitzvah Day coincided with the Veteran's Day holiday in November, so Social Action partnered with our religious school to include organizations serving veterans or active-duty military as part of their regular programming. Building on last year's successful collaboration, students from each grade level again created posters and displays explaining the Jewish value they are learning, and the Social Action committee provided hands-on activities to benefit multiple community organizations. Students circulated around the posters to learn about every grade's project, and also participated hands-on to help others.

The religious school presented ideas about welcoming guests, caring for animals, caring for the environment, respecting differences, feeding the hungry, respecting the elderly, loving Israel and caring for the stranger. Activity tables included decorating grocery bags for the West Valley Interfaith Food Pantry, writing letters (or drawing pictures) to soldiers overseas for Operation Gratitude, decorating handprints for Jewish World Watch, making toys for kittens in foster care for NKLA, and making decorated tote bags for seniors at the Jewish Home. Our terrific JSTY teens also helped run stations, and made paracord bracelets for soldiers to be distributed by Operation Gratitude. We also collected more than 100 pounds of Halloween candy to be included in care packages to soldiers overseas. And in response to the Woolsey fire,

congregants donated items for those displaced by the fires.

The morning got off to a delicious start thanks to bagels served by the Brotherhood (and volunteers from Women of Temple Judea), and was capped off by a moving concert upstairs in the sanctuary. At 11:11, we joined with other synagogues around the country in blowing the shofar (and with churches ringing their bells) in honor of our country's veterans.

For more information about Mitzvah Day or other Social Action programs, please visit our website at <http://www.templejudea.com/about/community/social-action/> or email Jennifer Lutzky at jenlutzky@yahoo.com.



New Members We Welcome You!

Margie Altman

Erica Anenberg & Jason Katz

Adam & Alison Belanoff

Alyssa & Evan Cohen

Bella & David Frymer

Deanna Jackman

Dana Katz

Nicole & Alan LaCombe

Marissa & Stephen Leonhardt

Ellen & Joseph McFadden

Jodi & Ross Milstein

Jill & Allan Rice

Amanda & Brad Rudd

Teresa & Ben Rusiecki

Heather & Simone Shouhed

Melissa & Adam Spiegelman

Kathryn Vischjager

as of 12/4/18

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in appreciation of sounding Shofar

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in memory of Henry Kline

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Beverly Dolin wishing
Brendie Rosenbloom
a speedy recovery

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Remembrance and Renewal: *Temple Judea Visits Central Europe*

In October, 35 Temple Judea travelers went on a two-week journey throughout Central Europe focusing on the Holocaust, the Jewish experience in the years following World War II and current Jewish life. The pilgrimage to Budapest, Krakow, Warsaw and Berlin was led by Debbie and Rabbi Aaronson along with an American-Israeli guide from ARZA Travel and a local guide in each city. The centerpiece of the experience was a visit to Auschwitz, whose expanse and efficiency left many without words. In the midst of the horrors of Auschwitz, one bright light was a group of Israeli high school seniors proudly carrying Israeli flags as they toured the camp, embodying the spirit of Am Yisrael Chai in an unforgettable visual. While much of the focus was on learning Jewish history and the Holocaust, the group also celebrated life by dining in some amazing restaurants, touring the beautiful countryside, and enjoying lots of vodka! Poland provided some of the most surprising revelations about

modern life in Central Europe, specifically a strange fascination with Jews and Jewish culture. The group was fortunate to worship at two very different Shabbat services: a Neolog synagogue in Budapest with non-egalitarian seating, and a temple in Berlin featuring both a female rabbi and cantor. The unforgettable trip was filled with meaning, contrasts and friendship.

