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WRAPPING UP THE YEAR

This is a busy time for leadership at Temple Shalom. At the April 26th meeting, the Board of Trustees passed a budget for our next fiscal year which begins on July 1st. They also approved a slate of nominees for election to the 2018-2019 Board of Trustees and approved a number of proposed by-law changes.

On or around May 11th we will be mailing this information to you, together with a proxy voting form. If you cannot attend the June 10th annual meeting, or if you think there is a possibility you might miss it, please complete and return the proxy voting form immediately. You can always withdraw the proxy later if you do decide to attend the annual meeting and vote in person.

We will also be e-mailing pledge forms for next year. We have designed the form so that you can hit "reply", complete the form, and send it to us by return e-mail. If we get a good response to the e-mail we will not have to send these out by mail and will save money on paper, envelopes, and stamps, not to mention, many hours of Karren's time.

Keiron O'Connell
President, Temple Shalom

DEADLINE FOR JUNE KOL SHALOM

Submit information and articles no later than [Monday, May 28th](#).

There will be no July Kol Shalom unless someone steps forward to write and edit it.

Failing that the next edition will be August.

RE-ENVISAGING THE ADULT EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE AT TEMPLE SHALOM

By Jennifer Jacobson



During the last couple months, I have solicited feedback from members of the congregation about adult education activities—what you’ve enjoyed in the past and what you’d be interested seeing in the months to come. Not surprisingly, feedback varied greatly. So, without a clear consensus, I am taking Adult Education in an “*Educational Adulthood*” direction with activities once or twice per month that I hope will attract members who might not have been active participants in the past, while attempting to maintain participation of most congregants who have attended in the past. I plan to create a network of paid babysitters to help out our members with small children. These babysitters would go *to families’ homes* to make it as easy as possible for parents. Please send me suggestions for babysitters (preferably those who can drive).

I plan to incorporate several *Israel at 70* community events planned for spring, summer, and fall. I am on this planning committee and am excited about what’s in the works. Many of you enjoyed the Israel Independence Day Children’s Celebration at the J on Sunday, April 22. Activities included writing letters to Israeli soldiers, making blue and white bracelets, getting Israeli flag tattoos, leading us as we sang Hatikvah, helping Lisa Klein with an *Israel at 70* mosaic and playing gaga. Food from Al Watan and Steel City Pops was very well received. These *Israel at 70* events are sure to be dynamic learning experiences that offer opportunities to connect with fellow congregants as well as others across the community as well as some Israelis. As many of you know, I was fortunate enough to visit Israel late last year through the JWRP (Jewish Women’s Renaissance Project). Cari Hatch, Jennifer Shrensker, and Dara Woods from Temple Shalom were also on the trip. We are now “tapped in” to the many, many happenings across our Louisville Jewish community, where we see the smiling faces of our many JWRP sisters often. We hope to introduce these wonderful women to more Temple Shalomers!

I am proposing five active themes in which *Educational Adulthood* events will fit: (1) Celebrating *Israel at 70* (2) Eating & Drinking; (3) Exploring Louisville (4) Moving (5) Learning

Ideas for activities within each theme include the following (many of these ideas were contributed by members):

1. **CELEBRATING ISRAEL AT 70** The *Israel at 70* Innovation Series (summer/fall 2018); The Israel Experience- A Festival Celebrating Israel (Bowman Field; Sunday, August 19, 12-3pm); Worldfest (Labor Day weekend); Biking and Bourbon: A Partnership Experience (four days in October)

2. **EATING & DRINKING** Group meals at Mediterranean/Middle Eastern restaurants/spots like these: Alwatan; Ramses Café of the World; The Falafel House; Taziki's; Naked Hummus at the Douglas Loop Farmer's Market; Cooking sessions in the Temple Shalom kitchen preparing and enjoying dishes such as these: falafel; shakshuka; stuffed artichokes with peas and dill; kuku; burnt eggplant with garlic, lemon, and pomegranate seeds; fried cauliflower with tahini

3. **EXPLORING LOUISVILLE** Field trips to some local gems like these: Ali Center; Frazier History Museum; Speed Art Museum; Louisville's parks (e.g. Iroquois, Cherokee, Parklands at Floyds Fork)

4. **MOVING** Health and wellness activities to inspire us to be fit and have fun, such as these: Havdalah at the gym; training and informational wellness sessions with JCC fitness staff; walking/running a local 5K as a congregation in support of a particular cause; hikes at local parks; Israeli Hip Hop; traditional Israeli dancing

5. **LEARNING** I'd like to get started with the following: **Hebrew 000101** – A very basic, very friendly introduction or reintroduction to basic Hebrew—the alphabet, vocabulary, and common expressions (and I will challenge people to USE WHAT THEY LEARN as we see each other). **Services 101** –So what happens at a typical Friday night or Saturday morning service, and what does it mean? Let's help newcomers feel comfortable at TS. And there's still a song or two that I have not learned yet—I'd love some help. **Listen/Read/Watch and Meet** –Do the “homework” and meet for a discussion (at one of the restaurants listed above or at each other's homes) Ideas include Masada, The Dovekeepers, Start-Up Nation, and Fanny's Journey. **From Lands Far and Near** - Webcasts with fascinating people like Patrick Amar – professional tour guide of Israel beaming in from Jerusalem to discuss Israel and his commitment to connect kids and families to Israel and Judaism. Patrick is a favorite guide of JWRP trips.

WHEN!!!!!!

Activities will begin after Derby. I'll select a couple of activities from each category and get the word out using email blasts, Kol Shalom, and temple announcements (during services and posted at Temple Shalom <https://templeshalomky.org>). I can also text and set up a TS WhatsApp group. Keep your eyes peeled and see you soon!

DO YOU HAVE AN OPINION YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE?

If you have an opinion about anything at Temple Shalom and would like to share it with your fellow congregants write a letter to Kol Shalom, c/o The President. I do reserve the right to edit letters for length, since we have limited space, but not for content.

TEMPLE SHALOM COMMEMORATES YOM HASHOA

Congregants participated in the candle-lighting ceremony and reading of names. Shown, from left, are Rabbi Beth Jacowitz Chottiner, Tami Penner, Joseph Todd, and Ann Niren.



Fred Whittaker, as well as Fred Gross, were guest speakers. Fred Whittaker attended with three of his students from St. Francis of Assisi School. Together, they were instrumental in the passage of the recent Holocaust Education Bill.

BOOK CLUB

With Carol Savkovich

Readers,

Our next book club will meet on Thursday June 7, 7:15pm at Barnes & Noble on S. Hurstbourne. And here are our picks. A note: we've recently read books by both these authors; Meir Shalev wrote "The Blue Mountain," and Aron Appelfeld wrote "Katerina."

Happy reading and looking forward to meeting in warmer weather!

Carol

Four Meals by Meir Shalev

The extraordinary story of Zayde, his enigmatic mother Judith, and her three lovers. When Judith arrives in a small, rural village in Palestine in the early 1930s, three men compete for her attention: Globberman, the cunning, coarse cattle-dealer who loves women, money, and flesh; Jacob, owner of hundreds of canaries and host to the four meals which lend the book its narrative structure; and Moshe, a widowed farmer obsessed with his dead wife and his lost braid of hair which his mother cut off in childhood. During the four meals, which take place over several decades, Zayde slowly comes to understand why these three men consider him their son and why all three participate in raising him. (O @ LFPL; Amazon \$5.80; 4-1/2*)

Badenheim 1939. Aron Appelfeld

Badenheim is a an Austrian resort town whose denizens are almost all Jewish. This short novel describes the reactions of the residents of the town as preparations are made to deport them 'to the East'. It describes the gradual series of changes in which the town is slowly closed down, and its residents denied their privileges and enjoyments. A beautifully haunting tale of people oblivious to the impending doom of Nazism. (LFPL 1, Amazon \$6 incl sh, 4-1/2*)

Founders' Garden Shabbat

Friday Night June 1, 2018 (Rain date: June 8)

Join with your Temple Shalom friends as we celebrate another Founders' Garden milestone as we present Phase 3 of the project

Services: 6:30 pm

Garden Party Oneg to follow

This is a perfect opportunity to be personally recognized

Two Benches are available for dedication by families, groups or individuals for a donation of \$1000 per bench, installed with brass plaque

Sponsor an engraved commemorative brick with your personal dedication or to commemorate a lifecycle events for a donation of \$54 each, engraved and installed

Please request benches and bricks as soon as possible so that they can be included in the June 1st dedication. Order forms can be obtained on-line, in the foyer at Temple Shalom or from the office.

The Founders' Garden is fully funded through private donations.

Yahrzeit Plaques and Tree of Life Leaves

By Shiela Steinman Wallace

When you celebrate a special occasion, want to honor someone special or ensure that a loved one is always remembered, Temple Shalom can help you do just that. It's simple to create a permanent tribute by adding a leaf to the Tree of Life in Temple Shalom's lobby or a plaque to the memorial boards in the sanctuary.

Leaves can be customized to celebrate special anniversaries, significant birthdays, to honor a friend or family member, or to create the tribute you want. It will be on permanent display at Temple Shalom for all to see and take note. Save \$50 if you order your large leaf now. It's just \$200 until the end of Passover, April 7. Then the price goes up to \$250. Small leaves are a bargain. They are just \$100.

When loved ones pass away, you cherish their memories and are comforted when you are reminded of them. When you have a plaque on the memorial boards at Temple Shalom, you know you can see their names every time you walk into the sanctuary. In addition, everyone will be reminded of them each year when the light shines brightly next to their names on their yahrtzeits in perpetuity. Order your plaque today and you will secure your loved one's place on Temple Shalom's memorial boards for just \$250. This price, which has remained the same for many, many years, will increase to \$300 at the end of Passover, April 7.

The current memorial boards are filling up and Temple Shalom will need additional memorial boards before long. Information regarding purchasing a new board and dedicating it to the memory of beloved family members is available upon request.

To order your plaque or for information about purchasing and dedicating a new memorial board, contact Shiela Steinman Wallace, 502-724-9229 or shiela.s.wallace@gmail.com. If you call and she doesn't answer, please leave a message. She will return your call.

WOTS Mother's Day Honors



In honor of Sheilah Abramson-Miles,

Susan, Seth, Ava Riley, Harrison and
Eloise, Heather, Shayne, Elijah and
Keegan Harper and Stan Miles

In honor of Judy Berzof

Ken Berzof

In honor of Eve Herzfeld and Katy Hurt

Susan and Mark Glazer

In honor of Barbara Sonnheim

Joan and Joel Sonnheim

***In honor of Madeline Abramson and Heather
Miles-Harper***

Stan and Sheilah Miles

In honor of Essie Brown

Lena and Bob Brown

***In honor of Paula O'Connell and Sheila
O'Connell***

Keiron OConnell

In honor of Marilyn Berlin and Betsy Fowler

Barry and OJ Berlin

In honor of Karen Bloom

Steve, Sarah and David Bloom

In honor of Zina Gavi

David Gavi, Gaba Gavi and John Silletto

***In memory of Bernice Engel, Sadye Berlin and
Gwen Geiger***

Barry and OJ Berlin

***In memory of Edna Sonnheim and Jean
Steinfeld***

Joan and Joel Sonnheim

***In memory of Mary Etta Weinstein, Rose
Silverman, Faye Kutis, and Anne Dubroff***

Sandy Flaksman

***In memory of Hannah Bloom and Minnie
Waldman***

Frances Bloom

In memory of Minnie Fisher and Ida Goldsmith

Earl and Sandra Goldsmith

***In memory of Julia Friedman, Dora Waldman,
Esther Friedman, and Libby Fine***

Ellen Gray

***In memory of Shirley Abramson and Dora
Miles***

Stan and Sheilah Miles

In memory of Velma Cohen

Mike and Cindy Phelps

***In memory of Freda Fischer, Dorothy Jeanette
Brown and Bernice Brown***

Essie, Bob and Lena Brown

***In memory of Dorothy Goldman, Henrietta
Herzfeld and Jayne Glazer***

Susan and Mark Glazer

***In memory of Luba Brudner and Nella
Pergamenschik***

Igor and Sofiya Pergam

In memory of Hilda Seifer and Anne G. Kantor

Fred P. Seifer and Susan G. Zepada

In memory of Ida LaVine and Dora Goldwin

Ellen and Richard Goldwin

In memory of June Green

Keiron O'Connell

***In memory of Mary R. Grossman and Helene
Penner***

Tami and Dan Penner

WOTS UP? By Sandy Flaksman

WOTS UP!

The aroma of corned beef, pastrami, rye bread and pickles from Shapiro's Delicatessen filled the Temple Shalom kitchen as WOTS volunteers filled orders for this great fundraiser! Did you miss out on this tasty treat? No worries, look for it twice again next year! Thank you to Ellen Gray, who chaired the event, as well as Sheilah Abramson-Miles, Kathy Karr, and Judy Berzof. While on the subject of fundraising, thank you to Frankie Bloom who spearheaded our Mother's Day Honors. More importantly, thank you for your generous and continuous support of WOTS fundraisers that in turn help to support Temple Shalom in various ways, including a recent donation to the Building Fund in honor of those who worked so hard on Temple Shalom Mitzvah Day. Please note that WOTS has chosen not to have our Indoor Yard Sale this summer, but we will conduct a different fundraiser.

WOTS conducted our annual Sisterhood Shabbat, Friday, April 27. An Oneg Shabbat proceeded services. Thank you to Amy Niren who lead us in song while Dr. Ann Glazer Niren served as accompanist. Kudos to Susan Glazer who developed the service and to Sheilah Abramson-Miles, Brenda Bush, and Kay Hyman for our Oneg. We also thank Rabbi Jacowitz Chottiner and Rabbi Miles for their support and assistance.

I am pleased to announce the slate of officers for 2018-20 for election. Installation is June 3 at Brenda Bush's home. Be sure to look for upcoming details.

- Sandy Flaksman, President, 2nd year of 2-year term
- Sheilah Abramson-Miles, President-Elect, 2nd year of 2-year term
- Ellen Gray and Laurie Slafkes, Co-Vice-Presidents, Fundraising, through June 2019
- Joan Epstein and Frances Bloom, Co-Vice-Presidents, Membership, through June 2019
- Theresa Todd, Vice-President, Programming, through June 2020
- Cynthia Canada, Vice-President, Tikkun Olam, through June 2020
- Frances Balf, Treasurer, through June 2019
- Ellen Gray, Recording Secretary, through June 2019
- Sheila Steinman Wallace, Corresponding Secretary, through June 2020
- Kathy Karr, Caroline Rosenthal, Dorrie Zimmerman, Members-at-Large through June 2019
- Susan Glazer, Immediate Past President, through June 2019

WRJ Central District Officers, through November 2018

- Sheilah Abramson-Miles, President
- Susan Glazer, Vice-President, Development and Special Projects
- Judy Berzof, Parliamentarian

Sandy Flaksman,
President, Women of Temple Shalom

MAY (IYAR/SIVAN) YAHRZEITS

Yahrzeits from April 29 - May 5, 2018 (14 - 20 Iyar 5778)

Louis Baker
Janet T. Greenbaum
Molly Hornstein
Jerome C. Koloms

Freda Koven
Palmir Markus
Vladimir Pergamenschik
Leonard Potash

Ben Rosenberg
Drezel S. Rosenberg
Arthur Silbar

Yahrzeits from May 6 – May 12, 2018 (21 - 27 Iyar 5778)

Robert Lawrence Clegg
Maurice Cummings
George Denton
Joel Goldwin

Rita Horn
Anne Kantor
Mack Koven
Sarah Leibson Mellman

Thelma Michelson
Karla Mink
Blanche Tiell

Yahrzeits from May 13 – May 19, 2018 (26 Iyar - 5 Sivan 5778)

Lilo Behr Auslander
Ralph Benjamin
Basya Golod

June Elaine Green
Isak Kornstein
Betty Newman

Fay Samuels
George Joseph Smith
Lawrence Wester

Yahrzeits from May 20 – May 26, 2018 (6 - 12 Sivan 5778)

Rose Kaye
Irv Klempner
Phil Kornstein

Rebecca Laub
Evelyn LaVine
Anita Pampel

Lillian Pass
Celia Rosenberg
Sol W. Schulman

Yahrzeits from May 27 - June 2, 2018 (13 - 19 Sivan 5778)

William Grayson Covey
Sylvia Schwartz Gaffin
David Gershater
Miriam Haberman
Henrietta Ehrlich Herzfeld
Abe Hoffman

Michael Jacowitz
Sandra Levinstone
Bessie Miles
Pearl Monchek
Gilbert Mooney
Mary Satton

Mark Speier
Barry Sullivan
Pauline Tanner
Sadie Wilson

TEMPLE SHALOM CALENDAR FOR MAY

Week 18 (April 29th through March 5th)

Thursday May 3rd through Sunday May 6th, 2018: Rabbi is leading the Confirmation trip to Philadelphia

Week 19 (May 6th through May 12th)

Tuesday May 8th, 2018: Torah Lunch at Temple Shalom, Noon.

Friday May 11th, 2018: No Shush Shabbat with Benji Berlow, 6:30 pm., followed by dinner.

Week 20 (May 13th through May 19th)

Wednesday, May 16th, 2018: Senior Lunch Bunch will meet at Northend Café, 2116 Bardstown Road, Louisville, KY 40205, at 1:00 pm. RSVP to Rich Goldwin at goldwinrichard@gmail.com

Friday May 18th, 2018: Confirmation and Shavuot at Temple Shalom. Sam Thal will be songleader, 6:30 pm.

Saturday May 19th, 2018: Sam Thal will be songleader at Temple Shalom for Shabbat morning services at 10:30 am.

Saturday May 19th, 2018: Tikkun Leil Shavuot at AJ. Meal at 7:30 pm., Study begins at 9:00 pm.

Week 21 (May 20th through May 26th)

Sunday May 20th, 2018: Yiskor at Temple Shalom, 10:30 am.

Tuesday May 22nd, 2018: Torah lunch at Temple Shalom, Noon.

Tuesday May 22nd, 2018: Calendar meeting at Temple Shalom, 6:30 pm.

Thursday May 24th, 2018: Board of Trustees meeting at Temple Shalom, 6:30 pm.

Week 22 (May 27th through June 2nd)

Tuesday May 29th, 2018: Temple Shalom will hold its 2nd Panera Fundraising Event from 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm. We will be eating in or ordering take out from the Dutchman's Lane location - 6221 Dutchmans Lane, Louisville, KY 40205.

Friday June 1st, 2018: Founder's Garden Shabbat & Oneg, at Temple Shalom, 6:30 pm.

DONATIONS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

General Fund

Mark & Joan Epstein
In Memory of Gerald S. Epstein

Frankie Bloom
In Memory of Jerome Bloom

Howard & Denise Galkin
In Memory of Ida Galkin

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Rosita Kaplin
In Memory of Basia Uroper

Wendy Pfeffer & Nathan Schwartz
In Memory of Shloimkeh Gursky

Cary & Laurie Kaplin
In memory of Phil "Pinky" Kaplin

Building & Maintenance Fund

Ellen & Chuck Gray
In Memory of Julia Friedman


Carol & Mick Savkovich
In Memory of Margaret Moseson

Women Of Temple Shalom
In Honor of those who worked so hard on
Mitzvah Day to beautify our grounds

Ann Klein Holocaust Fund

Amos & Donna Benjamin
In Memory of Miriam Benjamin

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH IN PICTURES



Songwriting and performing couple Rabbi Or Zohar and Feliza Zohar celebrated with the Temple Shalom Band at Erev Shabbat services. Rabbi Zohar serves two congregations in the Galilee.



From the left: Shiela Steinman Wallace, Eddie Abraham, Aviv Naamani, Carol Savkovich, Feliza Zohar and Rabbi Or Zohar.



Rabbi Zohar discussed Arab-Jewish relations in the Galilee at the Sunday morning men's Club breakfast.

Mick Savkovich asks a question while Ken Berzof listens intently.



Fred Whitaker and his students from St. Francis of Assisi School address the congregation during the Yom HaShoa commemoration.



The Shoa is remembered through voice and movement.

Fred Gross shares his story and that of his family as he recalls their escape from the Nazis through occupied Europe.

