

TEMPLE SHALOM

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Temple Shalom Congregational Hanukkah Dinner Friday, December 30 6:00 pm Oneg 6:30 pm Shabbat Service 7:30 pm Hanukkah Dinner Radnitz Social Hall



Bring your family's Menorah to light!

Menu: Chicken, Potato Latkes, Vegetables, Salad, Dessert

Name that tune contest following dinner!

Holiday cookie decorating station for the kids!

Sponsored by Temple Shalom Sisterhood!

Questions? Contact Ilene Zidow, ilene.zidow@gmail.com

Did you know that you can register and pay online?

Just go to <https://templeshalom.wufoo.com/forms/xpiek4605957v9/>

Or complete and return this form with payment to the Temple office.

Temple Shalom Hanukkah Dinner, 6930 Alpha Road, Dallas, TX 75240

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Names of those attending: _____

Phone number or email: _____

#Adults \$11 _____ #Children (5- 12 yrs.) \$8 _____ #Children 4 and under-FREE! _____

Please indicate method of payment:

____ Check (payable to Temple Shalom) MasterCard or Visa # _____ Exp. date _____
Name as it appears on your card: _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Reservation deadline is Friday, December 23rd

SHABBAT SERVICES

FRIDAY ~ December 2

Toledot / Genesis 27:28 - 28:9
6:30pm - Service
Epstein Chapel

SATURDAY ~ December 3

10:30am - Morning Worship
Epstein Chapel
5:00pm - Bar Mitzvah Service
Joseph Rousso
Son of Lily & Isaac Rousso
Sanctuary

FRIDAY ~ December 9

Vayetze / Genesis 31:17 - 32:3
6:30pm - Service
Epstein Chapel

SATURDAY ~ December 10

10:30am - Morning Worship
Epstein Chapel

FRIDAY ~ December 16

Vayishlach / Genesis 35:16 - 36:43
6:00pm - Munchkins Minyan
Rabiner Children's Library
6:30pm - Blue Jean Shabbat
Boardroom
6:30pm - Service
Epstein Chapel

SATURDAY ~ December 17

10:30am - Morning Worship
Epstein Chapel

FRIDAY ~ December 23

Vayeshev / Genesis 39:1 - 40:23
6:30pm - Service
Epstein Chapel

SATURDAY ~ December 24

10:30am - Morning Worship & Young
Families Hanukkah Service
(See page 17)
Epstein Chapel

first night of Hanukkah

FRIDAY ~ December 30

Miketz / Genesis 43:16 - 44:17
6:30pm - Hanukkah Service
Sanctuary
Followed by Dinner
(See RSVP form on cover page)

SATURDAY ~ December 31

10:30am - Morning Worship
Epstein Chapel

FRIDAY ~ January 6

Vayigash / Genesis 46:28 - 47:27
6:30pm - Service
Epstein Chapel

SATURDAY ~ January 7

10:30am - Morning Worship
Epstein Chapel
5:00pm - B'nei Mitzvah Service
Samuel & Tova Sibaja
Children of
Irene Sibaja & Alexander Sibaja
Epstein Chapel

FRIDAY ~ January 13

Vayechi / Genesis 49:27 - 50:26
6:00pm - Munchkins Minyan
Rabiner Children's Library
6:30pm - Service
Epstein Chapel

SATURDAY ~ January 14

10:30am - Morning Worship
Epstein Chapel

FRIDAY ~ January 20

Shemot / Exodus 4:18 - 6:1
6:30pm - Service
Epstein Chapel

SATURDAY ~ January 21

10:30am - Morning Worship
Epstein Chapel

FRIDAY ~ January 27

Va'era / Exodus 8:16 - 9:35
6:30pm - Service
Epstein Chapel

SATURDAY ~ January 28

10:30am - Morning Worship
Epstein Chapel

**6:30pm Friday Services are preceded
by a 6:00pm Wine & Cheese
Reception.**

Samuel and Tova Sibaja

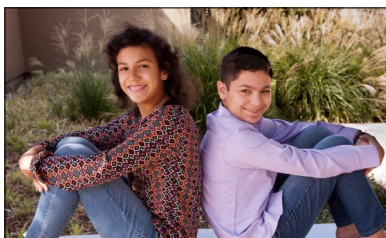
*Children of Irene Sibaja &
Alexander Sibaja*

Date: January 7

School:

Sam attends Arkansas
Arts Academy

Tova attends Brightfield Middle School



Mitzvah Project: Both Sam and Tova love animals. Since moving from Dallas to Northwest Arkansas, they have been looking for ways to get involved with the local animal shelter.

Hobbies:

Sam loves music, puzzles and video games

Tova loves soccer, reading and being with friends

**December 2016 & January 2017
B'nei Mitzvah**

**We want to honor the mitzvah work in which our
B'nei Mitzvah students are engaged.
Each month we include information we have received
from that month's families.**

I Was Just Thinking...



I love our sanctuary. The colors. The soaring ceiling. The simplicity of decoration. I love the Ark and the sculpture and the windows that allow us to bring a little bit of the outside into our sacred space. I chuckle at seeing everyone watch the crows bump into the windows and how they have an uncanny knack for doing that right in the middle of my sermon!

Sanctuary is a special place for many people for many reasons and I am honored to do my work in such a beautiful space.

The word sanctuary is a word derived from the Latin word *sancti* - meaning *holy* and *arium* - meaning *a container for keeping something in*. Therefore, a sanctorium, or sanctuary was a sacred object, a consecrated thing or place meant for holiness or safety, or, to put it in more of a modern sense, a sanctuary was always a safe zone, a safe concept, a safe place. It is where we go when we need quiet, a place for reflection, a place of welcome, a place of prayer, a place of blessing, a place of learning, a place of connecting with God.

But, sanctuary wasn't always just about prayer. There are animal sanctuaries, plant sanctuaries. There is also a concept of legal sanctuary which can mean a place of refuge. In early English Common Law, the church was a place where fugitives could go and where they were immune from arrest. This practice ended in the 17th century in a legal sense, but some churches still offer sanctuary even though it carries no legal authority. Legal sanctuary can also mean political sanctuary – immunity from arrest afforded by a sovereign authority. This is more commonly known as seeking political asylum.

Since the earliest of times, people seeking a safe place from the tyranny and oppression they experienced sought sanctuary – sought sacred places that allowed them the right of practicing their religion, spared them from racial bias, protected them against ethnic violence, and provided them with a shelter that allowed them to live their lives as God intended them to.

This has been the story of the Jewish people since the days of Abraham and Sarah who, as journeyers, sought God's blessing and protection in the Land of Israel, the ultimate sanctuary of the Jewish people. In the months leading up to WWII, those Jews aboard the St. Louis were denied sanctuary – in Cuba, in Canada, in the U.S. and then sent back to Germany where many died in the death camps. This is why we are always called upon to remember that we were strangers in a strange land and to never allow what happened to us, to happen to anyone else – ever.

The idea of extending the boundary of sanctuary beyond the Temple to cities began in 1979 when the city of Los Angeles instituted a police policy that prevented officers from inquiring about the immigration status of those they arrested. Los Angeles became the first "Sanctuary City". Currently there are over 200 cities across the country that have self-designated as sanctuary cities which, by the way, has no legal standing but was meant to make a point that sanctuary needs to be taken seriously.

In 1983, the National Safe Place Network of Louisville, Kentucky was founded to provide access to immediate help and support for children and adolescents who were at risk or in crises. Safespace.org explains that a safe place is a place where anyone can relax and be fully self-expressed, without fear of being made to feel uncomfortable, unwelcomed or challenged on account of biological sex, race/ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or cultural

background. As of today, there are more than 20,000 Safe Places across the country. The idea that sanctuary needs to be extended beyond the Temple, Church or Mosque has clearly become a welcomed addition in the service of others.

Which brings us back to our sanctuary -- our place of shalom. I believe we at Temple Shalom pride ourselves on being both a sanctuary and a place of shalom – places where God's sanctity can be felt and expressed and where people feel peace,

wholeness and completeness. I believe we have a Jewish responsibility as people commanded to listen to God's words, to provide this sanctuary to whomever walks through our doors seeking the pathway to a life of safety, meaning, beauty and God's presence. We will love our neighbor as we love ourselves and we will not stand idly blind to the plight of others as they seek the sanctuary they need. Let us be the place of welcome, so different from so many other places. As our prayer book, *Mishkan T'filah* says so powerfully, may we live this every day.

"May the door of this synagogue be wide enough to receive all who hunger for love, all who are lonely for friendship. May it welcome all who have cares to unburden, thanks to express, hopes to nurture. May the door of this synagogue be narrow enough to shut out pettiness and pride, envy and enmity. May its threshold be no stumbling block to young or straying feet. May it be too high to admit complacency, selfishness and harshness. May this synagogue be, for all who enter, the doorway to a richer and more meaningful life."

Rabbi Andrew M. Paley
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A Note from Cantor Devorah Avery



Pushing Boundaries and Overcoming Fears

Right now I know many of us are experiencing fear and uncertainty about the coming days, months, and years. My hope and prayer for all of us, including myself, is that we won't allow our fears to get in our way. This is a personal story of overcoming fears.

Six years ago, I had the opportunity to take part in something extraordinary. September 12, 2010, I participated in the Hudson River Swim For Life. The Hudson River Swim is a three-mile swim across the Hudson River. I did my training through Team-in-Training and raised over \$1,500 for the Leukemia Lymphoma Society. Starting in late March and continuing all through the summer, I spent 3-4 days a week at the pool swimming laps. I started out slow, only swimming about 10 laps my first few times in the pool.

One day, after gliding steadily through my laps, a woman in my lane mentioned the swim to me. After hearing all the details and learning that I would be helping raise money for the Leukemia Lymphoma Society, I knew it was something I had to do. Slowly, slowly, I kept adding on more laps each time I swam, until I was up to half a mile, and eventually working my way up to a mile. On Sunday mornings in July and August, we swam as a team in the Hudson River. The first time we went to the river we swam a mile, then a mile and a half, then 2 miles, and finally, we came to the day of the swim, preparing to make the daunting three-mile swim from Nyack to Sleepy Hollow right alongside the Tappan Zee Bridge.

Swimming is something I started when I was a kid at camp at the Tulsa JCC. I joined the swim team in the summers and occasionally won a medal. In High School, I was on the swim team for about two years. While I enjoyed the competition, what I got most out of the races was shaving a couple seconds off my own time at each meet. I was absolutely not one of the best swimmers on the team, but I wasn't near the bottom rung, either. I was just an average swimmer, and that was fine with me, as long as I could continue to challenge myself to swim a little faster each time I was in the pool.

After High School, I stopped swimming and really didn't get back in the pool very often. This was in part due to insecurities and self-image issues and also due to an inability to prioritize exercise as something valuable and necessary in my life. I finally went back to swimming six

years ago because I knew I needed to continue to find ways to be healthy and to release the stressors of everyday life.

I learned many things about myself through the experience of training for this swim. One of the very first things I noticed was an incredible feeling of inner calm and a sense of well-being after each dip in the pool. Swimming gives me a kind of spiritual experience, another opportunity to feel close to God. I also learned that, despite what I considered my limitations to be, I am strong and athletic. Like many, I have the tendency to let my fears and insecurities get in the way of my life. Though I wanted to swim and get back in the pool for years, I wasn't able to get my mind out of the way long enough to actually get wet.

Every week out in the water, I felt stronger and more confident. Every time I swam with the team in the river, I came out feeling exhilarated. Despite these wonderful feelings, for a couple of weeks leading up to the Hudson River Swim, I really struggled with my fears. So many times I asked myself, "How can I do this?"

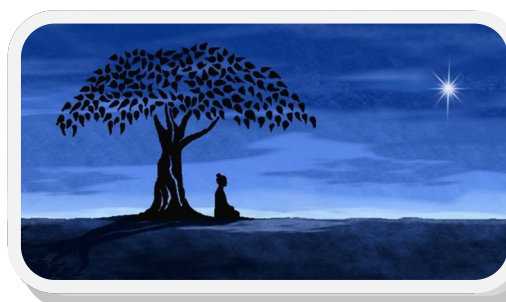
The day of the swim came. Honestly, I don't know how I made it into the river with so many hundreds of people. Though the river looked calm and glassy that morning, before approaching the midway point, I found myself fighting very strong currents. For what felt like hours, but was probably closer to 45 minutes, I was caught in a current that kept pushing me away from where I needed to go. Though I was swimming with everything I had in me, I was getting no closer. Eventually, the coast guard came and picked me up, along with many other swimmers. They took us in part of the way, past the worst of the current and then we were let back out into the water to complete the race. After finishing the swim, I felt amazing and immensely proud. Though I was slightly disappointed at not being able to swim directly across the water, I learned later that somewhere around half the swimmers were brought in by boats at least part of the way, if not all the way, because of the strength of the currents.

Fears encourage separateness. They keep us inside ourselves and take us away from others. This secular New Year, instead of making a resolution, I am going to continue to ask God to help me recognize my fears and for help with not letting them control me. I believe that if we can all continue to slowly work towards recognizing, accepting, and finally facing or letting go of our fears, we can step out of them into a place where we will be more available to be of service to those in need. If we can do that, we will be that much closer to being true partners with God in *tikkun olam*, repairing the world.

In Peace and Song,
Cantor Devorah Avery

Meditation with Cantor Avery
Mondays, December 5, 12; January 9, 23, 30
5:30pm - 6:00pm
Sanctuary

It's the perfect time to transition from your busy day into a relaxing evening. We will explore different kinds of meditation and talk about how we can bring mindfulness and peace into our daily lives. This is open to all who are interested. Come join us!





Ford or Chevy?

Our lives are full of choices. These choices are often insignificant, but sometimes they are life altering. The process of selection is fascinating to me. What factors are reviewed when a person chooses one item or service or place over another? What drives customer loyalty to a particular brand? Do you drink Pepsi versus Coke? Do you fly American over Delta? Do you prefer Starbucks to Dunkin' Donuts? Does the idea of a Chevy over a Ford truck seem insane (we are in Texas so how do I not include a pickup reference)?

The reason we stay loyal to particular brands is generally a function of the core values and guiding principles of the organization. When value sets come together to create a quality service or product and an exceptional customer experience, people keep coming back. In fact, it goes beyond just the return customer. Brand loyal people become apostles (sorry, I couldn't think of a better word) and tell everyone they know to frequent the company in question.

For example, let's take a look at Patagonia. Patagonia is a company that sells winter athletic wear such as fleece jackets. Patagonia's mission, however, isn't to be the highest grossing company in its market. Rather, their purpose is to *"build the best product, cause no unnecessary harm, use business to inspire and implement solutions to the environmental crisis"*. In line with their mission, they give generously to organizations focused on bettering the environment and are ecologically responsible. They purposefully design clothing that will last as long as possible. They sell clothes, yet, because of their mission, they actually don't want you to come back every year to replace your article of clothing. If the clothes last, they don't end up in a landfill. As a result of their "green" values, the company has a loyal, almost cultish, following of consumers that will only buy Patagonia.

The mission of Temple Shalom is *"to inspire in our congregation an enduring relationship with God, Torah, Israel, and the Jewish people through worship, study, gathering and community service"*. This mission is intended to unequivocally state what we believe in and what we exist in the world to accomplish. What our mission doesn't define is who can be a part of our community. This is purposeful, because Temple Shalom strives to be an inviting, open, diverse, and accepting community of Jews and interfaith families. I think our openness, our warmth, our diversity, and our commitment to social justice is what separates us from all other congregations in the area. This is our brand promise and our value proposition. Now it is up to all of us to deliver on our promise and create an exceptional experience for all who come through our doors. To quote author Jeffery Gitomer, *"You don't earn loyalty in a day. You earn loyalty day-by-day."*

Just as the Ford driver can never imagine purchasing a Chevy, or the Patagonia loyalist can never imagine buying a North Face jacket, it is my hope that none of us will ever be able to imagine worshipping anywhere else but Temple Shalom.

B'shalom,
Josh Goldman
Temple Shalom President

Temple Shalom Spotlight Congregant of the Month

As part of getting to know our congregation, each month we feature a different Temple Shalom family.

Kimberly Kantor Family

Please introduce your family. I am Kimberly and I have two amazing daughters, Carlie (11) and Kaia (6), and am engaged to my wonderful fiancé, Lorie.

When did you join Temple Shalom? I joined almost 8 years ago when Carlie was just three, but I was also a member previously when I moved here from upstate New York during high school with my family.

Tell us about yourself. I am the mother of two beautiful, kind, and smart daughters! You can find us involved in various activities around the community that are both educational and fun! I worked in the field of education for 15 years as an Adapted Physical Education Consultant. I adapted and modified activities for children with disabilities in the sporting arena. Although I recently left education, I still fulfill my passion of engaging children in physical activity and sports through volunteering for Special Olympics, Sports Extravaganza, and Kid-netic Games. Come out and join us at any of these events or feel free to get in touch with me if you want to get involved!

I also founded a non-profit organization called Rainbow Roundup (RR) - an LGBT families group. RR helps connect individuals to resources, support, social and education events in a safe environment for all to share. We have grown rapidly over the years, now reaching over 1,500 across DFW.

Most recently, I got engaged to my wonderful fiancé, Lorie, whom I look forward to marrying in June 2017! I truly feel that I have met my soulmate and look forward to spending the rest of my life with such a loving, supportive, kind, and confident woman. We decided to combine our areas of expertise, and I now work as the Practice Manager of her law firm. My girls and I could not be luckier to have Lorie in our lives and we can't wait to be a family together!

What has been your greatest joy during your time at Temple Shalom? My greatest joy was celebrating both of my daughters' consecration services. I loved sharing this special and blessed time by gifting them each their own Torah which they will cherish for years to come in so many ways. This service, in combination with Simchat Torah, is such a wonderful way to rejoice together in the teachings of the Torah with all ages and over the ages! It's uplifting to hold the Torah in our hands and share our excitement of the traditions and teachings that we will continue to pass on.

Of all the activities in which you have been involved at Temple, in which one did you have the most fun participating? Food Truck Palooza! It was such a great way to raise awareness & funds for Literacy Instruction for Texas and Guns & Hoses, all while celebrating with the community. This is such a wonderful family friendly event full of good eats, great music, and entertaining games for the kids! This is fun for the whole family!

You are involved with many Temple programs. What is your favorite and what should others know about this program? Of all the many wonderful programs and activities we have loved at the Temple, I have enjoyed the Munchkin Minyans and Tot Shabbats that we have attended as a family over the past years. It's so wonderful to spend time with other families who value and celebrate Judaism and, together, teach and share among each other. My family has fond memories of gathering, mingling, and carrying on the traditions in a fun and family friendly environment.

What is your favorite Jewish holiday and why? One of our favorite Jewish holidays as a family is now Sukkot. For the first time in my life, we had our very own Sukkah in our backyard and have enjoyed spending family time under the palms, gourds, and structure of the Sukkah. We look forward to many more celebrations in the years to come. A close runner up would have to be Hanukkah, as I enjoy celebrating the traditions with the girls and I would be remiss if I didn't mention how much I love eating Grandma and Grandpa Diamond's homemade latkes!

Which of your activities at Temple fulfills you the most or makes you feel the most connected to Judaism or your Jewish identity? Participating in Tashlich with Temple Shalom congregants has always made me feel very connected to Judaism and my Jewish identity. It's been a wonderful way to share the holiday with my children and to help to teach them and provide a better understanding of Rosh Hashanah, that is something they both can relate to all while transcending meaning to us too, as we cast away our sins and ask to be inscribed in the Book of Life.

Something else I enjoyed immensely was volunteering with my daughter's religious school class at the Manchester Place Assisted Living Center near our Temple, and playing Bingo with the residents. This warmed my heart and taught the children patience, respect, and compassion while performing a beautiful mitzvah.

Thank you for being our Spotlight Congregant! Do you have any parting words or thoughts? Thank you for the opportunity to be the Spotlight Congregant and I look forward to many more holidays, festivals, and celebrations with Temple Shalom in the years to come.



Lifelong Learning Council



As Hanukkah approaches, our kids have two things on their mind: gifts and jelly donuts. Sure, these are wonderful parts of the holiday, and there is nothing wrong with us getting excited about them; but, what I am wondering about is how many of us actually take the time to think about the meaning of Hanukkah, beyond the gifts and donuts? How many of us reflect on the miracle of the oil and the victory of the Maccabees? How many of us use Hanukkah as an opportunity to think about the miracles in our lives? How many of us take time on this holiday to be grateful for religious freedom and prosperity? While I am confident that most of us have the gift giving and donut eating part down, I wonder if we can consciously improve our Hanukkah experience by adding in some more meaningful discussions and actions.

Over the last couple of months, in preparation for this article, I have spoken to Jewish families around the country about their unique Hanukkah rituals. I will share a few of them here:

In order to emphasize the story of the Maccabees and ensure that their children really know the story and meaning behind Hanukkah, each night, after lighting candles, the Cohen family reads a part of the Hanukkah story. Mr. Cohen makes sure to end each night at a good part so that the kids are excited to hear what comes next. As the kids are getting older, they are remembering more of the story and make guesses about what part comes next. Because the children love Passover and the telling of the Exodus story, the Cohens decided to bring the ritual of storytelling into their home and enhance their Hanukkah tradition with it.

Because the Solomon family felt that their kids were missing the miracle element of Hanukkah, they decided to dedicate time each night after opening presents to discuss the daily miracles in their lives. They explained to their children that daily miracles were specific things from their day that they were grateful for. According to Mrs. Solomon, their kids enjoyed this evening ritual so much that they have extended it past Hanukkah and now make it a weekly Shabbat dinner discussion.

The Greenberg family was looking for a change to their Hanukkah ritual of lighting candles and opening presents each night and decided to dedicate the 4th and 8th night of Hanukkah to gift giving, rather than gift receiving. On these nights, instead of their kids getting presents, they participated in family mitzvah projects. Before Hanukkah, Mr. and Mrs. Greenberg give the children a list of mitzvah projects to choose from and the kids each get to choose one. Over the years, the projects have included: making and delivering PB&J sandwiches to the homeless, visiting and playing with the dogs at the humane society, picking up trash in their local park, and making no sew blankets for the local shelter. The family plans to continue the tradition for many years to come!

If you, too, feel like your family could use some Hanukkah enhancement, feel free to borrow one of these rituals I listed above! Wishing you and your family a warm and festive holiday!

Rabbi Ariel Boxman
Director of Lifelong Learning
aboxman@templeshalomdallas.org

B'nei Mitzvah Workshop **Sunday, December 4** **9:30-11:30am** **Radnitz Social Hall**

B'nei mitzvah families with dates ranging from September 2017 through August 2018 are invited to our annual B'nei Mitzvah Workshop.

The workshop will be led by Cantor Avery and will be a great event for all who attend!



Parent Focus Groups **Sunday, December 11 & January 22** **9:30am ~ Blumin Ceremonial Room**

Bring
your ideas,
feedback and
questions, and
join Rabbi Boxman
in a lively discussion.



Lifelong Learning Council

Save the dates!

Tots Academy: February 19
Munchkins Minyan: February 17
Sunday FUN Day: February 12
(Cowboy/Cowgirl Day)
2nd and 3rd Grade Shabbat: February 10
4th Grade Family Ed: February 5
5th Grade Family Ed: February 26

Intergenerational Day of Learning Sunday, January 29 9:30am - 12:00pm

All parents of Religious School Students are welcome to join us for a morning of learning with Rabbi Boxman. More info to come!

Tots Academy Sunday, December 11 & January 22 9:30am Youth Lounge Led by Melinda Hepworth

We will sing, do crafts and learn about Jewish Holidays.
**A parent must attend with his/her child.*

Sunday Fun Day! Pajama Day!

Sunday, January 22nd

As part of our monthly Sunday Fun Day series, students should come to school dressed in their most comfy pajamas!

The class that has the most participation will win a tasty treat!

Munchkins Minyan



Join us on Friday, December 16th and January 13th at 6:00pm in the Rabiner Children's Library for our Munchkins Minyan Shabbat

celebrations with Rabbi Boxman & Mr. Farris.

We will sing some songs, say the blessings over the challah and juice, and read a story.

All young children and families are welcome!

YOUTH GROUP EVENTS

There are some fun events coming up for our youth in December & January!
For more information or for questions, please contact Youth Advisor, Michaela Rollin
mrollins@templeshalomdallas.org

WHAT?: NFTY TOR Fall-ish Conclave

WHO?: All 9th-12th graders are welcome!

WHEN?: December 2nd-4th

WHERE?: Spring, TX (Transportation will be provided with pick up and drop off at Temple Shalom)

WHAT?: DFW Middle School Event (Sponsored by URJ Greene Family Camp)

WHO?: DFW Middle Schoolers!

WHEN?: December 11th

WHERE?: This event is TBD, so keep an eye out for more information!

WHAT?: BLUE JEAN SHABBAT EXTRAVAGANZA!

WHO?: All 8th-12th Graders are encouraged to participate!

WHEN?: December 16th

WHERE?: Temple Shalom Boardroom

WHAT?: Temple Shalom 6th and 7th Grade Event

WHO?: All 6th and 7th Graders are invited!

WHEN?: January 8th

WHERE?: TBD. We want to hear from the kids what THEY WANT TO DO! We will be going into Sunday School Classes to find out! Keep an eye out for more information!

WHAT?: NFTY TOR Winter Conclave

WHO?: 9th -12th Graders

WHEN?: January 27th-29th

WHERE?: Ft Worth, TX (Transportation will be provided with pick up and drop off at Temple Shalom)



Lifelong Learning Council

Adult Education Programs

More Than A Few Good Men

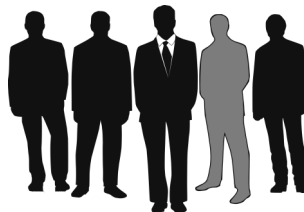
Tuesdays (January 10, February 7, March 7, April 4, May 2)

11:30am - 1:00pm

Stromberg Stock, PLLC

8750 N. Central Expway, Suite 625, Dallas 75231

Join Rabbi Paley for an inspirational and educational schmooze.



Adult Education News

The following Sessions are Wednesdays / 7:00-8:30pm / Boardroom

January 4

Cantor Croll will present "The Art of Chasidic Song" another of his lively discussions on Jewish Composers.

January 18

Debbie Niederman will be presenting a follow-up to the session on the *Women's Commentary on the Torah*.

Are you interested in learning more about the *Torah* from a different perspective, a different voice? Spend time with fellow members uncovering the voice and role of women in the *Torah* through the use of the *Women's Torah Commentary*, created especially by and for Women of Reform Judaism.

Spend time looking at the weekly portion that week and other related stories of women's personal journeys.

February 22

Jim Waldorf will present "Music of the Reform Liturgy, A History from Solomon Sulzer to Debbie Friedman".

Temple Shalom Interfaith Social Justice Day of Learning

Saturday (TBD) in February/March from 9:00am to 1:00pm

Rabbi Paley, Barry Lachman and other Council and Group Representatives

Details to follow.



Temple Shalom Movie Night

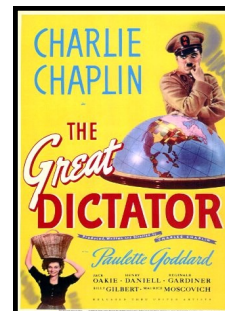
The second in our series of Jewish-themed films
Hosted by Past President Dennis Eichelbaum

***The Great Dictator* (1940)**

Wednesday, December 7

7:00pm Boardroom

No Charge for Admission



One of the most controversial films of its era, *The Great Dictator*, was Charlie Chaplin's first talkie, a searing condemnation of Hitler, Mussolini, Nazi Germany, and anti-Semitism before the horrors of the Holocaust were known. Some of Chaplin's greatest scenes are found on this film, and his dialogue was a bold political statement at the time. Nominated for five Academy awards, the Library of Congress selected it for preservation in the National Film Registry. So come laugh and cry with the Little Tramp, as you hear him speak for the first time. If you haven't seen *The Great Dictator*, you must. If you have, come relive the mastery.



For further details, contact Adult Education Chair Howard Gottlieb at hjg@att.net.

Lifelong Learning Council

Adult Education Programs

Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Paley *Jewish Values and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict* Wednesdays (Dec. 7 & 14; Jan. 4, 11, 18 & 25) Noon to 1:00pm Learning Center

Our weekly Lunch and Learn program is an exciting opportunity to engage in conversation with other learners and with Jewish texts concerning important and timely issues. This year we are examining a learning series from the Shalom Hartman Institute entitled "Jewish Values and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict". This study opportunity, a combination of video lectures, text study and lively debate, will hopefully work to shape the way we think and talk about the Israel-Palestinian conflict. Focusing on values and ideas that lie at the foundation of our political views will aid us in fostering greater understanding and respect for each other.

Bring your lunch and enjoy a lively discussion.



Torah Study Every Saturday 8:45am - 10:15am Learning Center

Start your Shabbat morning with lively learning led by our clergy as we explore the weekly Torah portion. Bagels and coffee provided by class members.

Bagels and Bible (Sundays when Religious School is in session)



(Dec. 4 & 11; Jan. 8, 22 & 29)

10:30am - 11:45am Boardroom

Join Rabbi Paley and study Torah from the beginning. This class is designed for the beginning Torah study student.

Judaica Studies Every other Saturday (Dec. 3 & 17; Jan. 7 & 21)

9:00am - 10:15am Boardroom

Books significant to an understanding of Judaism are selected and studied by class members who lead discussions of the bi-weekly assigned readings.



Concierge Judaism

The program continues to have interest and programs are being scheduled by many groups. Be sure to check out the catalogue periodically at this link:

<http://www.templeshalomdallas.org/learning/adult-education/concierge-judaism>



2016-2017 Adult Ed Cruise to the Northeast and Canada September 9–16, 2017

Watch for a notice of a meeting in early December to discuss the trip, answer your questions and get you signed up.

We'll start in NYC and cruise to Boston, Portland, Maine, St Johns and Halifax Nova Scotia and then return to NY on the Carnival Sunshine. The Sunshine is similar to the Glory and has all of the upgraded amenities, shows and casino. The cruise pricing is set with several benefits for the group. Pricing for the cabin categories we have reserved are:

Category 4B inside is \$692.69 per person (travel protection is \$65.00)

Category 6B ocean view is \$842.69 per person (travel protection is \$95.00)

Category 8D balcony is \$1,142.69 per person (travel protection is \$109.00)

There are other costs similar to last time for combined touring and visit to historic Temples in Boston and Portland, on board refreshments, learning sessions and Shabbat service.

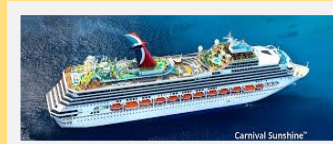
We'll also have a pre-cruise Shabbat Service and dinner for those who arrive on Friday in NYC and we will reserve rooms in a convenient hotel for the service at Bnai Jeshuran in the upper west side and dinner nearby. We'll also provide transportation to the ship on Saturday.

For more information, contact Howard Gottlieb at hig@att.net or 214-762-6673.

If you haven't done it yet, go to this link to see pictures from our past trip.

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If you're ready to reserve your cabin, you can pay your initial deposit of \$150.00 per person to the temple for the Adult Ed Trip. Call the Temple office or use the donation tab on the web page, and then talk to Marcia Gold at 214-982-1455 or marcia@goldcruiseandtour.com to pay your deposit to Carnival for your cabin.



Temple Shalom Opposes BDS Movement

In connection with Temple Shalom's commitment to our Jewish homeland – Israel, the Statement that follows is Temple Shalom's official Position Statement unanimously adopted by the Temple Board of Directors on behalf of Temple Shalom.

In compliance with the dictates of this Position Statement that Temple Shalom develop "specific actions" to oppose the BDS movements, the Temple Shalom Israel Connection Committee is pleased to trumpet to the entire congregation the following "specific actions" that it has implemented to date on behalf of our Temple, with additional actions in the planning stage. They are as follows:

- (1) The 2016 Israel Today Community Symposium in which panel discussions and lecture sessions (i) addressed the dangers of the BDS movements and (ii) presented many strategies for countering BDS in the schools and colleges, in the business community, and in the state and federal legislative bodies.
- (2) In connection with the anti-BDS bill to be submitted to the Texas Legislature in the upcoming 2017 legislative session, the Committee has conveyed Temple Shalom's support for the bill to Representative Phil King, who will be the principal author of the bill, and has also arranged for volunteer legal and personnel assistance.

Temple Shalom, founded in 1965, is a Reform Jewish Congregation located in Dallas, Texas. Over the past 50 years, Temple Shalom has maintained an informed connection with the State of Israel through, among other actions, the travel of its members and their families to Israel and/or by their participation in Temple Shalom's many educational programs focused on Israel and her issues. Indeed, Temple Shalom's very Mission Statement explicitly directs the Temple to inspire in its congregation an enduring relationship with Israel.

Temple Shalom stands for the proposition that the State of Israel has the unqualified right to exist as a Jewish and democratic state, and it accordingly supports a strong U.S. – Israel relationship as one that mutually benefits the United States and Israel. Thus, neither Israel, the survivor of our ancient homeland, nor its survival, should ever be threatened by any person or any entity. Israel is, without question, America's closest ally in the Middle East due, in large part, not only because of its strategic location, but because it shares our American freedoms and democratic values. Thus, Temple Shalom does, and will always, support the existence of the State of Israel, even when it may not necessarily endorse every action taken by her, any more than it does for any other country, including the United States of America.

There is an underlying immorality of those who are opposed to Israel's very existence. For this reason, as well as its unyielding support for Israel, Temple Shalom hereby emphatically denounces and pronounces its intention to take specific actions to oppose, the various Boycott, Divestment, and Sanction (BDS) movements that exist today. These movements are not only based upon intellectually dishonest fabrications of the facts, but many are merely cover-ups for the real objectives of elimination of the State of Israel and the expansion of anti-Semitism. Therefore, specific actions to oppose the BDS movement will be developed by Temple Shalom during the year, consistent with its Mission Statement, the U.S. Constitution, and the Rule of Law.

HOW PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION RESULTS MAY HAVE AFFECTED US/ISRAEL RELATIONS

The Israel Connection Committee will be hosting an event, at which all Temple Shalom congregants and friends are invited to listen to a lecture and ask questions regarding what effect the election of President-Elect Trump may have had on the U.S. Jewish community, the Israeli community, and U.S./Israel relations in general.

**We are pleased to bring you
Leora Goldblatt, Regional Director of AIPAC,
who will address each of these issues.**

**Tuesday, December 13
7:00pm Radnitz Social Hall**

Refreshments will be available. No admission charge.



Save the Date

For the time of your life



TEMPLE SHALOM 2ND ANNUAL *Israel Today Community Symposium*

August 6, 2017 from 9AM to 4:30PM

Symposium attendees can select breakout lecture sessions or panel discussions on a wide variety of Israel-centric topics, led by well-known speakers. In addition, this symposium will be directed to the Jewish and non-Jewish communities, with special sessions for high school and young adult attendees.

Contact: Anita Weinstein Warner
awarner4470@gmail.com (214)403-1087



**TEMPLE SHALOM BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CANDIDATE RECOMMENDATION FORM**

**DEADLINE FOR
SUBMISSION:
DECEMBER 31, 2016**

Name: _____

Nominating for Trustee: _____ Officer (specify office): _____

Phones: Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Address: _____
Street City Zip

Email: _____

Personal Information: (Circle) Marital Status: Married Unmarried Age: _____

Number of children: _____

Are any (grand)children of the Candidate's currently enrolled in TS Religious School?

Yes: _____ If yes, names and grades: _____

No: _____

Temple Member: Approximately _____ years

Education: High School _____ College _____ Which Degree(s)? _____

Profession/Occupation/Special Skills: _____

Employer: _____ City: _____

Previous service to Temple Shalom: (list most recent first) Use additional page if necessary.

Chair or Member	Name of Committee or Project	Dates

Other Community Service Activities (list most recent first) Use additional page if necessary.

Chair or Member	Name of Organization or Project	Dates

Why do you want to be on the Temple Shalom Board of Trustees?


What will you bring to the Board of Trustees and Temple Shalom through a leadership position on this Board?

Submitted by: _____ Phone: _____ (work) / _____ (home)
(Self submission is acceptable) _____ (cell)

Optional: Feel free to attach a written statement with any other information that may be useful to the nominating committee.

Email to: **Dennis Eichelbaum, Nominating Committee Chair** at dje@edlaw.com

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 NFTY Fall Conclave Wine & Cheese Welcome 6:00pm Congregational Gathering Space Shabbat Service 6:30pm Epstein Chapel Shabbat ShaHOME 8:00pm Saida home	3 NFTY Fall Conclave Torah Study 8:45am Learning Center Judaica Studies 9:00am Boardroom Morning Worship 10:30am Epstein Chapel Joseph Rousso Bar Mitzvah Service 5:00pm Sanctuary
4 NFTY Fall Conclave Religious School 9:30am (K-7) B'nei Mitzvah Workshop 9:30am Radnitz Social Hall Cooking for Stewpot 9:30am Kitchen Stay & Schmooze 9:30am Cong. Gather. Space Bagels & Bible 10:30am Boardroom Sisterhood Little Sisters Spa 1:00pm Radnitz Social Hall	5 Meditation with Cantor Avery 5:30pm Sanctuary Temple Board of Trustees Meeting 7:00pm Boardroom	6 Serve Lunch at The Bridge Noon Dallas Traditions Steering Committee Meeting 12:30pm Boardroom Plano Midweek Hebrew 4:30pm St. Andrew Music Committee Meeting 6:30pm Boardroom	7 Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Learning Center Adult Spanish Class 2:00pm Learning Center Midweek Hebrew 4:30pm Temple Next Dor 6:30pm Temple Essers & Fressers 6:30pm Manny's Adult Education Movie Night 7:00pm Boardroom	8 Caregivers' Day Out 10:30am Learning Center Shalom Silver Chair Tai Chi 3:00pm Radnitz Social Hall Brotherhood Guys Night Out 6:45pm Kenny's East Coast Pizza	9 Wine & Cheese Welcome 6:00pm Congregational Gathering Space Shabbat Service 6:30pm Epstein Chapel	10 Torah Study 8:45am Learning Center Morning Worship 10:30am Epstein Chapel
11 Brotherhood Softball Awards Breakfast 8:30am Radnitz S.H. Religious School 9:30am (K-7) Traditions No Tax Day & Trunk Show 9:30am RS Parent Focus Group 9:30am Blumin Room Shomrei Adamah Meeting 9:30am Boardroom Stay & Schmooze 9:30am Cong. Gather. Sp. Tots Academy 9:30am Youth Lounge Leadership Development 9:30am Learning Center Bagels & Bible 10:30am Boardroom Jr. Youth Group Event 12:00pm offsite Shalom Silver Event 2:00pm Radnitz Social Hall Beyond Next Dor (11th/12th) 5:30pm offsite The Hangout (8th-12th) 7:30pm offsite	12 Meditation with Cantor Avery 5:30pm Sanctuary Executive Committee Meeting 7:00pm Learning Center Sisterhood Board Meeting 7:00pm Boardroom	13 Plano Midweek Hebrew 4:30pm St. Andrew Israel Connection Guest Speaker Leora Goldblatt 7:00pm Radnitz Social Hall	14 Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Learning Center Adult Spanish Class 2:00pm Learning Center Midweek Hebrew 4:30pm Temple Next Dor 6:30pm Temple Nominating Committee Meeting 7:00pm Blumin Room	15 Shalom Silver Chair Tai Chi 3:00pm Boardroom Sisterhood Hanukkah Bunco 6:30pm Weintraub Home	16 Munchkins Minyan 6:00pm Rabiner Children's Library Wine & Cheese Welcome 6:00pm Congregational Gathering Space Blue Jean Shabbat Extravaganza (8th-12th gr) 6:30pm Boardroom Shabbat Service 6:30pm Epstein Chapel	17 Torah Study 8:45am Learning Center Judaica Studies 9:00am Boardroom Morning Worship 10:30am Epstein Chapel
18 Teen & Youth Choir Rehearsal 12:00pm Sanctuary	19 Brotherhood Board Meeting 7:15pm Boardroom	20	21	22 Caregivers' Day Out 10:30am Learning Center	23 Wine & Cheese Welcome 6:00pm Congregational Gathering Space Shabbat Service 6:30pm Epstein Chapel	24 Torah Study 8:45am Learning Center Morning Worship & Young Families Hanukkah Service 10:30am Epstein Chapel 1st Night of Hanukkah Happy Hanukkah 
25 Building Closed	26 Building Closed	27	28 CHAI Hanukkah Celebration 7:00pm Todd House	29	30 Wine & Cheese Welcome 6:00pm Congregational Gathering Space Hanukkah Service & Congregational Hanukkah Dinner Celebration 6:30pm Sanctuary 7:30pm Dinner Radnitz Social Hall	31 Torah Study 8:45am Learning Center Morning Worship 10:30am Epstein Chapel

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1 New Year's Day <i>Building Closed</i></p>	<p>2 <i>Building Closed</i></p>	<p>3 Serve Lunch at The Bridge Noon Dallas</p> <p>Shalom Silver Laughter Yoga 3:00pm Radnitz Social Hall</p> <p>Temple Board of Trustees Meeting 7:00pm Boardroom</p>	<p>4 Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Learning Center</p> <p>Adult Education Class with Cantor Croll 7:00pm Boardroom</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 Wine & Cheese Welcome 6:00pm Congregational Gathering Space</p> <p>Shabbat Service 6:30pm Epstein Chapel</p> <p>Shabbat ShaHOME 8:00pm Saida home</p>	<p>7 Torah Study 8:45am Learning Center</p> <p>Judaica Studies 9:00am Boardroom</p> <p>Morning Worship 10:30am Epstein Chapel</p> <p>Sisterhood/Brotherhood Book Club 2:00pm Spechler Home</p> <p>Samuel & Tova Sibaja B'nei Mitzvah Service 5:00pm Epstein Chapel</p>
<p>8 Religious School 2nd Semester Kick-Off (K-7) 9:30am Radnitz Social Hall</p> <p>Stay & Schmooze 9:30am Congregational G.S.</p> <p>Cooking for Stewpot 9:30am Temple Kitchen</p> <p>Leadership Development 9:30am Learning Center</p> <p>Bagels & Bible 10:30am Boardroom</p> <p>Jr. Youth Group Event (6th-7th) TBD</p>	<p>9 LIFT Registration 10:00am Boardroom</p> <p>Meditation with Cantor Avery 5:30am Sanctuary</p> <p>Brotherhood Board Meeting 7:15pm Boardroom</p>	<p>10 More Than A Few Good Men 11:30am Stromberg Stock</p> <p>Plano Midweek Hebrew 4:30pm St. Andrew</p> <p>Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Sanctuary</p>	<p>11 LIFT Registration 10:00am Boardroom</p> <p>Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Learning Center</p> <p>Midweek Hebrew 4:30pm Temple</p> <p>Next Dor 6:30pm Temple</p>	<p>12 Caregivers' Day Out 10:30am Learning Center</p> <p>Brotherhood Guys Night Out 6:45pm Escape Room & Dinner</p>	<p>13 Munchkins Minyan 6:00pm Rabiner Children's Library</p> <p>Wine & Cheese Welcome 6:00pm Congregational Gathering Space</p> <p>Shabbat Service 6:30pm Epstein Chapel</p>	<p>14 Torah Study 8:45am Learning Center</p> <p>Morning Worship 10:30am Epstein Chapel</p>
<p>15 Sisterhood Mah Jongg Fundraiser TBD</p>	<p>16 <i>Temple Offices Closed in observance of MLK, Jr. Day.</i></p> <p>TOC Dallas Dinner Table 6:00pm Congregational G.S.</p>	<p>17 LIFT Classes 10:00am Boardroom & Youth Lounge</p> <p>Plano Midweek Hebrew 4:30pm St. Andrew</p> <p>Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Sanctuary</p> <p>Sisterhood General Meeting, Dinner & WOV Announcement 6:30pm Radnitz Social Hall</p>	<p>18 LIFT Classes 10:00am Boardroom & Youth Lounge</p> <p>Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Learning Center</p> <p>Midweek Hebrew 4:30pm Temple</p> <p>Next Dor 6:30pm Temple</p> <p>Adult Education Class with Debbie Niederman 7:00pm Boardroom</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Wine & Cheese Welcome 6:00pm Congregational Gathering Space</p> <p>Shabbat Service 6:30pm Epstein Chapel</p>	<p>21 Torah Study 8:45am Learning Center</p> <p>Judaica Studies 9:00am Boardroom</p> <p>Morning Worship 10:30am Epstein Chapel</p>
<p>22 Religious School & Pajama Day 9:30am (K-7)</p> <p>RS Parent Focus Group 9:30am Blumin Room</p> <p>Shomrei Adamah Meeting 9:30am Boardroom</p> <p>Stay & Schmooze 9:30am Cong. Gather. Sp.</p> <p>Tots Academy 9:30am Youth Lounge</p> <p>Bagels & Bible 10:30am Boardroom</p> <p>Sisterhood Intrafaith Luncheon 12:30pm Congr. Beth Torah</p> <p>Beyond Next Dor (11th/12th) 5:30pm offsite</p> <p>The Hangout (8th-12th) 7:30pm offsite</p>	<p>23 LIFT Classes 10:00am Boardroom & Youth Lounge</p> <p>Meditation with Cantor Avery 5:30pm Sanctuary</p>	<p>24 Shalom Silver Brain Health Class 1:00pm Boardroom</p> <p>Plano Midweek Hebrew 4:30pm St. Andrew</p> <p>Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Sanctuary</p>	<p>25 LIFT Classes 10:00am Boardroom & Youth Lounge</p> <p>Lunch & Learn 12:00pm Learning Center</p> <p>Midweek Hebrew 4:30pm Temple</p> <p>Next Dor 6:30pm Temple</p>	<p>26 Caregivers' Day Out 10:30am Learning Center</p>	<p>27 NFTY WINTER CONCLAVE</p> <p>Wine & Cheese Welcome 6:00pm Congregational Gathering Space</p> <p>Shabbat Service 6:30pm Epstein Chapel</p>	<p>28 NFTY WINTER CONCLAVE</p> <p>Torah Study 8:45am Learning Center</p> <p>Morning Worship 10:30am Epstein Chapel</p>
<p>29 NFTY WINTER CONCLAVE</p> <p>Religious School (K-7) 9:30am</p> <p>Intergenerational Day of Learning 9:30am Temple Shalom</p> <p>Bagels & Bible 10:30am Boardroom</p> <p>Sisterhood Circle of Service Tea 2:00pm Schwitzer Home</p>	<p>30 LIFT Classes 10:00am Boardroom & Youth Lounge</p> <p>Meditation with Cantor Avery 5:30pm Sanctuary</p> <p>Executive Committee Meeting 7:00pm Boardroom</p>	<p>31 Plano Midweek Hebrew 4:30pm St. Andrew</p> <p>Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm Sanctuary</p>				

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From the Social Media Corner:

Have you checked out the Traditions gift shop at Temple Shalom? Just in time for the holiday season, and together with our December social media campaign, #HeartOfTheHoliday #happyhanukkah, Traditions will be offering a special gift prize that you can win just in time for a great holiday gift! For details on how to enter and win visit us on Facebook, twitter or instagram!

<http://www.traditionsdallas.com>

Facebook Groups: Temple Shalom Dallas

<https://twitter.com/TempleShalomTX>

<https://www.instagram.com/templeshalomdallas/>

What's your resolution this year? Join Temple Shalom Dallas and spread the word about our amazing programs for members of all ages. From Munchkins Minyan for the little ones, to our religious school and learning programs, weekly services, community outreach and volunteer programs, Sisterhood, Brotherhood, Shalom Silver and much, much more - there's always room for improvement in the New Year. Join us and help celebrate #NewYearNewYou with Temple Shalom Dallas.

Spread the word at:

Facebook Groups: Temple Shalom Dallas

<https://twitter.com/TempleShalomTX>

<https://www.instagram.com/templeshalomdallas/>

Temple Shalom gets free money from Amazon!

Did you know that Amazon will make a donation to Temple Shalom every time you make a purchase? It's simple and easy. The next time you log on to Amazon, instead of using the regular Amazon page, go to <https://smile.amazon.com/> Then simply sign in with your normal Amazon credentials. The first time you sign in, you will be asked to select a beneficiary. Enter "Temple Shalom Dallas" and you will have the option of supporting either Temple Shalom or Temple Shalom Endowment Fund.



Make a selection and you're done! That's it, no kidding. From that point forward, each time you sign in to <https://smile.amazon.com/> and make a purchase, Temple Shalom will be the beneficiary. How much do you spend each year on Amazon? Multiply that by 750 families and there is the opportunity to make a real impact for Temple Shalom.

Thanks for doing it!

Connections Council

Young Families Hanukkah Service Saturday, December 24 10:30am Epstein Chapel



Please join us for a morning of celebration. Enjoy a morning of Hanukkah songs, stories, dancing and Torah fun!

This service is open to the community and families with children of all ages are welcome. Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles are invited, too.

A delicious Hanukkah Kiddush will be served following services!

For more information, contact Ray Farris at raymond@raymondffarris.com or 214.288.7297.

Young Adult Connection (22-39 year olds welcome!)

Our Young Adult Connection is for young adults, ages 22-39, who are single or married.

To contact Young Adult Connection Chair Janel Cassorla: youngadults@templeshalomdallas.org.

For event information, see our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/youngadultsandfamielitempleshalomdallas>.

Young Adult Connection Shabbat ShaHOME Shabbat Dinners 8:00pm -- 11:00pm

Rabbi Boxman & Asher Saida's Home

RSVP: mrollins@templeshalomdallas.org

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for these FRIDAYS:

December 2	March 3
January 6	April 28
February 3	May 26

Havurah

A havurah is a group of Temple members with similar interests who gather for holidays, cultural and educational experiences, game nights, social action and more. It's a great way to connect to our Temple community and the Jewish community at large. Each

Havurah determines what it wants to do and plans activities according to its members' interests. Find a Havurah application on the Havurah page on the Temple Shalom website at www.templeshalomdallas.org.

Send in your application TODAY!



Young Families Committee

Our Young Families Committee is for all families with children 10 and younger. To contact Young Families Co-Chairs Jennifer & David Arndt, email youngfamilies@templeshalomdallas.org. For event information, see our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/youngadultsandfamielitempleshalomdallas>.

If you know of a young family who is new to the area or Temple Shalom, please send us their contact information so we can reach out and personally invite them to our next event.

Please help us send personal invitations to people in your network (Temple members or non-member).

Pass on contact information to David and Jennifer Arndt at 401-484-3456 or youngfamilies@templeshalomdallas.org.

Connections Council

Shalom Silver Our dynamic, entertaining group for 55+!

Essers & Fressers our congenial dinner group



**Wednesday, December 7
6:30pm Manny's Tex-Mex**

Uptown Grill 7601 Campbell (NW corner of Coit)
All of your faves, including especially great brisket tacos!
Please RSVP by Dec. 5th to Jordana Witheiler at jwitheiler@yahoo.com so we know how many to set up for.

**Wednesday, January 4
7:00pm Boardroom**

Instead of E & F we will attend Cantor Don Croll's lively discussion on Jewish Composers.



Chair Tai Chi

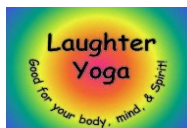
Thursdays — 3:00pm
**Dec. 8th Radnitz Social Hall
Dec. 15th Boardroom
January Dates TBD**

\$5.00/person paid at the door to instructor Nanci Duplant.

Our certified instructor, Nanci DuPlant will lead us through gentle movements that have many proven health benefits, including better balance, range of motion, pain relief, lower blood pressure and stress levels, and much more!
Also, **please RSVP** to Judy Parker at heyjud38@aol.com.

Two Great Programs to Enhance Your Health & Fitness!

**Laughter Yoga!
Tuesday, January 3
3:00pm Radnitz Social Hall**



What is Laughter Yoga? It's an extremely fun way to laugh and simultaneously get many health benefits, including cardio and immune boosting! No strength, flexibility or yoga poses required. We are very fortunate to have Sarah Kellie, a certified instructor in Laugh Yoga, who has taught in five countries! We guarantee you a great time and great feelings.

Free for Shalom Silver members / \$5 for guests.

Please RSVP to Judy Parker at heyjud38@aol.com so we know how many to set up for.

**Brain Health Talk
Tuesday, January 24
1:00pm Boardroom**



Few things are more important than maintaining good brain function! In September, we practiced various brain exercises to enhance our brains. Now Stephanie Gomez, the Nutrition Health Coach from Preston Forest Natural Foods, will discuss the way some foods, lifestyle, and supplements can protect our brains even more! Bring your questions on other nutrition topics, as well.

Free for Shalom Silver members / \$5 for guests.

Please RSVP to Judy Parker at heyjud38@aol.com so we know how many to set up for.

**Superstar Sherrill Douglas
Sunday, December 11
2:00pm Radnitz Social Hall**

**"A Musical Tribute to the Divas,
Darlings and Legends of Top Hit
Country and Rock Music - Past
and Present"**



Sherrill has performed in Vegas and world-wide venues. She will delight us with a variety of song genres. Sherrill is called the premiere impersonator of Patsy Cline, Dolly Parton and others. She also does classic rock, rock and roll, and oldies! Her comedic talent, interaction with the audience, and sing-a-longs will all add up to an exciting show! Yummy refreshments will be served.

Free for Shalom Silver members / \$5 for guests.

Please RSVP to Judy Parker by December 8th at heyjud38@aol.com so we know how many to set up for.
If you have to cancel, please let us know a day or two before.

Make your check payable to Temple Shalom and mail it to: Judy Parker, 14070 Far Hills Lane, Dallas 75240.

JOIN SHALOM SILVER! Dues are only \$18/person a year!
Membership is also open to non-Temple members.
Make checks payable to: Temple Shalom and mail to
Judy Utay, 913 Warren Way, Richardson 75080.
For questions or comments, contact Co-chairs Judy & Ken
Parker or Secretary/Treasurer Judy Utay

We aim to please! This is YOUR group so we want to offer the kinds of programs you prefer. **We welcome your ideas!**

If you know of specific performers or are interested in other types of activities, please let us know. Also, if you would like to help with the planning or putting on programs, **we welcome that, too!** *Let us hear from you!*

Judy Parker
heyjud38@aol.com

Ken Parker
kaparkersr@tx.rr.com

Judy Utay
jrutay@aol.com

Check out our upcoming events at <http://www.templeshalomdallas.org/groups/shalom-silver>

Tikkun Olam Council

Interested in learning more about the Tikkun Olam Council?
Contact Tikkun Olam Co-Chairs Debra Levy-Fritts or Jody Pearson at tikkunolam@templeshalomdallas.org!

Cooking for The Stewpot




Volunteers needed (age 14+) to help us cook a meal for The Stewpot. We cook for 1 1/2 hours one Sunday per month beginning at 9:30am in the temple kitchen, preparing beef stew, biscuits, muffins & fruit salad.

Be a part of a great group of enthusiastic helpers - you don't even need to know how to cook!!

Save the Dates: 12/4, 1/8, 2/5, 3/5 and 4/9.

To be on the reminder list, email us at stewpot@templeshalomdallas.org.

Serve Lunch at The Bridge




**1st Tuesdays of the month -
 December 6 & January 3
 Noon - 1:00pm**

Temple Shalom serves lunch at The Bridge in downtown Dallas. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Arlene Kreitman at 972-233-3754.

We collect unexpired toiletries, as well as eyeglasses, in the Administration office. Please donate sample toiletries you receive when traveling!


Caregivers' Day Out Program
10:30am - 2:30pm Learning Center
Thursdays: December 8 & 22
January 12 & 26



Caregivers' Day Out meets twice each month for four hours each time. Volunteers give caregivers some well-deserved respite time when they drop off their loved ones at Shalom.

For information, contact Barbara Glazer at 972-931-9077 or caregiversdayout@templeshalomdallas.org.

Dallas Dinner Table
Monday, January 16
Temple Shalom & Metroplex



[Dallas Dinner Table](#) will be held on Monday, January 16, 2017, to coincide with the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday. Dallas Dinner Table will once again organize small dinners across Greater Dallas where participants share experiences and perspectives on race in a casual setting over dinner in a structured discussion. Dallas Dinner Table strives to address racism one dinner at a time. Dinners are designed to: encourage communication about race relations and the impact of ethnicity on relationships, educate participants about perspectives held by others related to race relations, and empower citizens to develop relationships with people from a variety of racial/ethnic groups.

Temple Shalom will again be a host site for the wider Dallas community. *Temple members will be assigned a dinner location other than Temple.* Watch the weekly reminders for more information and a sign-up link. If you are interested in helping or participating, please email tikkunolam@templeshalomdallas.org.


Embrace
Interfaith Women's Group



Temple Shalom's interfaith women's group enjoyed meeting with our friends from the Islamic Center in Irving and our hosts from Northwood Church in September. Everyone worked on a craft and enjoyed lunch. We welcome new members. If you would like more information please contact Jane Lachman at jalachman1@gmail.com or 972-735-0133.

Caring Congregation

Caring Congregation is a dynamic and enthusiastic committee that reaches out to fellow congregants who are ill or who have suffered losses. We are here to meet YOUR needs, but can only do that if you let us know what you need!



- * Contact Caring Congregation Committee Co-Chairs, Reesa Portnoy and Jo-Ann Saunders at caringcongregation@templeshalomdallas.org.
- * Please visit our webpage at <http://www.templeshalomdallas.org/groups/caring-congregation> to see the ways we can help you, and you can help fellow temple members!

First Richardson Helpers

Senior volunteers help seniors and others in need with minor home repairs and safety items such as shower grab bars and outdoor hand rails. Interested in volunteering? Need services? Contact Temple Shalom member Jerry Gray at gray.jerry@tx.rr.com or 972-740-4726 or request services online at firstrichardsonhelpers.org or call our 24-hour hot line at 972-996-0160. Volunteers are also needed just to schmooze with our clients while the handyman work is being accomplished. Generally, our projects are completed in two hours or less.



Tikkun Olam Council



DAI - Dallas Area Interfaith Updates

For information on DAI events or activities contact Barry Lachman
blachman@sbcglobal.net
or 214-808-0042.

CHAI Hanukkah Celebration

Wednesday, December 28

7:00pm (set up at 6:30)

Todd House

(near Hillcrest/Arapaho)

Cantor Avery will lead the program.

Please let Ilene Zidow know if you would like to volunteer to help (sponsored by Temple Shalom Tikkun Olam Council).
ilene.zidow@gmail.com



It's My Park Day

On Saturday, November 5th, members of our LIFT and Tikkun Olam Council team contributed arts & crafts and took the giant, "Connect Four" game out of the teen lounge and on the road to serve families transforming their park on "It's My Park Day" at 8389 Midpark Road and Temple Shalom was there advocating for LIFT, Literacy Instruction for Texas.

Community members collaborated with DPD, the City of Dallas, businesses and nonprofits to visually transform the park from a site known for vandalism and criminal complaints into a vibrant festival of play.

"This initiative is about our collective power to transform a place – a park, a street and a whole community," said Community Prosecutor Kelsey Ciluffo, in attendance.

Volunteers: Joan and Nick Cera, Barry and Jane Lachman, Jerri Grunewald, Jody Pearson, and Debra Levy-Fritts spread fun and Shalom on "It's My Park Day."



Shomrei Adamah — "Guardians of the Earth"

Some of you may have noticed that this year, for the first time, recycling was offered at Food Truck Palooza! This is just one of numerous ways Temple Shalom is taking steps to reduce our environmental impact. Other examples include:

- ◆ Single stream recycling is available throughout our building, which means that bottles, cans, clean paper, and plastics (all but #6) can all go in our blue recycling bins.
- ◆ Heating and AC are only turned on in spaces that are being used.
- ◆ Outdoor watering is limited to specific high-need areas.
- ◆ Our recent renovation includes energy efficient light fixtures, plumbing and window systems, and we are transitioning to energy efficient light bulbs as old ones are replaced.
- ◆ We have increased the amount of insulation in our building and use sustainable energy sources whenever possible.



Do you have ideas about how we can improve sustainability at Temple Shalom? Please contact Chair Nina Minney at earth@templeshalomdallas.org. **Join us at our meetings on Sundays, Dec. 11 and Jan. 22 at 9:30am, Boardroom.**

As individuals, there are efforts each of us can contribute as Guardians of the Earth. Ideas include:

- ◆ Recycle whenever possible! Seek out blue bins in offices and classrooms if you don't see one nearby. Also look for blue bins at events like Food Truck Palooza, especially for cans, which are made of very valuable natural resources. Avoid printing emails and handouts. Instead, keep digital files using online tools, and use projectors to share content electronically in meetings.
- ◆ Turn off lights behind you in rooms where switches are not automated, such as religious school classrooms.
- ◆ Carpool to and from services, religious school and temple events. Spare the air and get to know your fellow members a little better.
- ◆ Opt for reusable items such as coffee mugs, bags and towels, and cut back on these [7 Disposable Items That Are Polluting the Planet!](#)

To become a Temple Shalom Dallas "Guardian of the Earth," email earth@templeshalomdallas.org.

Interested in learning more about or getting involved with sustainability at Temple Shalom? Please visit the

[Tikkun Olam](#) page on Temple Shalom's website, or contact Chair Nina Minney at earth@templeshalomdallas.org.

Tikkun Olam Council

CELEBRATING OUR FIRST STUDENTS' SUCCESSES - LIFT @ SHALOM

LIFT volunteers and students celebrated a "first" on November 28th! Our first small class of students completed their Basic level course. Thank you to our teachers Jerri Grunewald, Debra Levy-Fritts and Lonna Rae Silverman, and teaching assistants, Joyce Wilson, Ellen Liston and Nancy Devine. We so appreciate our building and office staff, our many volunteers throughout the semester, and the staff of LIFT who support our efforts! Together, we've logged 460 volunteer hours in support of LIFT students so far this school year!



LIFT students and teachers celebrating!

Registration for spring classes begins on January 9th & 10th. If you'd like to help spread the word and be part of our PR team, help support our efforts, or are interested in learning more, let us know at lift@templeshalomdallas.org

On December 4th and 11th, LIFT staff and volunteers will work with our seventh graders to raise awareness about the problem of illiteracy. Students will learn from LIFT staff about the widespread "word problem" in Texas, and nationwide. Through a number of simulated reading and writing challenges, students were able to experience the barriers created when someone experiences dyslexia (or other learning disabilities), or the inability to read and write as a second language student. Special holiday gift bags and bookmarks will be filled with messages of hope and perseverance for LIFT adult and ESL learners.

For information about how to volunteer, please contact Debra Levy-Fritts at lift@templeshalomdallas.org.

Upcoming LIFT Training

- Volunteer 101 trainings are from 9:00am to 10:15am
- SEE-1 or SEE-2 trainings are from 10:30am to 1:30pm
- GED trainings are from 10:30am to 12:30pm



Saturday, 12/3/16: Volunteer 101 training (based on need); SEE-2 training; No GED training unless need dictates.

Tuesday, 1/17/16: Volunteer 101 training; (adult basic literacy) SEE-1 training; GED Training

Training Locations:

All trainings are done at LIFT, 1610 S. Malcolm X Blvd., Suite 320, Dallas 75216.

Gated parking is available at the rear of the building.

For information on these trainings, please contact lift@templeshalomdallas.org.

Our education initiative is concerned with helping all ages, including early childhood, and elementary learners: Are you interested in helping an elementary student master reading skills? Check out Reading Partners at <http://readingpartners.org/location/north-texas/> Locations at many DISD schools across the metroplex.

THANKS TO ALL WHO MADE DONATIONS TO THE NORTH TEXAS FOOD BANK VIRTUAL FOOD DRIVE THIS FALL, AND TO THOSE WHO BROUGHT FOOD DURING SERVICES, OR TO THE REVERSE FOOD TRUCK AT FOOD TRUCK PALOOZA!

The Temple Shalom Tikkun Olam Initiative wants to make the congregation aware of these events sponsored by JCRC and will include our whole community in an effort to be involved in increasing our efforts to advocate for child literacy programs in our city and the nation.

1. Plan to join the JCRC on our **Mission to Austin: Day at the State**, on February 22, 2017, as we advocate for access to quality early childhood education for all children.
2. Please mark your calendar for a service opportunity on **Good Deeds Day** on March 5, 2017.

SISTERHOOD

TRADITIONS

☆ The Premier Judaica Shop at Temple Shalom ☆

Think of Traditions for birthday, graduation and wedding gifts! Our shop has unique pieces in all price ranges that you won't find anywhere else!

December

Sunday - December 4th 9:30am-1:30pm
Sunday - December 11th 9:30am-3:30pm **NO TAX DAY!**
Tuesday - December 6th & 13th 12:00-5:00pm
December 20th & 27th 1:00-4:00pm
Wednesday - December 7th, 21st & 28th 12:00pm-5:00pm
December 14th 1:30-4:00pm
Fridays - 12pm-3pm and 5:30pm-6:25pm

January

Sunday - January 8th, 22nd and 29th 9:30am-1:30pm
Tuesdays and Wednesdays - 12:00pm-5:00pm
Fridays - 12:00pm-3:00pm and 5:30pm-6:25pm

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

NO TAX DAY!! 9:30am - 3:30pm

Shop all-day and pay **NO SALES TAX on anything!**

WINTER TRUNK SHOW

9:30am - 12:30pm in front of Traditions

Featuring: Hello & Good Buys (Nancy Friedman)
and Yaniv Nir Israeli Jewelry

We have unique Judaica gifts for Hanukkah -- sports mezzuzot and Chanukiot, children's Judaica books and toys, jewelry, hostess and mahjong gifts.

Contact Shop Co-Managers

Arlene Gulton at 972-800-9997 / Judy Utay at 972-231-3781
or visit us on the Temple Shalom website or

on Facebook at

<http://www.traditionsdallas.com/>
<https://www.facebook.com/traditions.dallas>

Traditions 972-661-1850

Special Sisterhood Event for our Little Sisters!
Bring your daughters, granddaughters, nieces
or those special girls in your life to

Little Sister Spa Sunday

Sunday, December 4

1:00pm - 3:00pm Radnitz Social Hall

◇ Manicures

◇ Nail Art

◇ Chair Massages

◇ Hair Braiding



Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Non-members may attend for \$10.00.

Tikkun Olam Project

Each attendee should bring 3-4 bottles of nail polish, a pair of nail clippers, a small bottle of nail polish remover and several nail files to make manicure kits to donate to Vogel Alcove - a child care center for the homeless.

RSVP to Stacey Segal 214-537-6023

or segalstacey5@gmail.com.

Also, we need snacks. Please feel free sign up to bring a tasty treat. Cookies, Cupcakes, Brownies, Fruit Trays, Lollipops, Popcorn, all recommended.

Sign-Up Genius Link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040c4fa8ae2ea31-little>

SAVE THE DATE.....02.09.17

Sisterhood Ladies Night Out

because you won't want to miss it...

more info to come.

Topping today's news, you are invited to Sisterhood's January Annual Meeting

Tuesday, January 17

6:30-9:00pm Radnitz Social Hall

Come meet, schmooze and listen to Dallas' finest news and sports personalities!!

- WFAA Senior Reporter **David Schechter**, who has won some of broadcast journalism's highest honors including four Emmys for "Best Reporter"
- Lifelong sportscaster **Gina Miller**, the "lady in the locker room," covering DFW's professional sports teams for 15 yrs
- CBS investigative reporter and Emmy award winner **Jack Fink**, the "go to" journalist for political coverage
- And more ...



Breaking News Our 2017 Woman of Valor will be announced at the event!

Cost: \$20 per person for Sisterhood members

\$25 per person for non-Sisterhood members (**Yes, you can bring your spouse!**)

Includes dinner (**Catering by Larry**) wine and dessert

Checks should be made out to Temple Shalom Sisterhood and mailed to Temple Shalom.

RSVP no later than January 13th to:

Dawn Kaufman at 214-738-2535 or email dawnkaufman57@gmail.com



SISTERHOOD



PLEASE NOTE:
EVENT IS FULL!!

Hanukkah Bunco and Potluck Dinner Thursday, December 15

6:30-9:00pm

Host: Ann Weintraub
6303 Telluride Lane, Dallas



Suggested food categories by last name:

A-H: Dessert or Fruit

I-Q: Latkes, salad or appetizer

R-Z: Main course

No pork or shellfish, please.

Not a cook? Bring Wine!



Temple Shalom Members only.

Bring a wrapped gift (approx. \$10 value) for a gift exchange. Cost: \$5 at the door.

Three Sisterhoods... One Afternoon Tea

Sunday, January 29

2:00pm - 4:00pm

Hostess: Jacquie Schwitzer
5201 Mackenzie Way, Plano



Temple Shalom Sisterhood is planning a Chai Tea with the women of Adat Chaverim and Temple Emanu-El, benefiting the WRJ YES Fund. Cantor Vicki Glikin, Senior Cantor of Temple Emanu-El, will be our special guest speaker. This will be a great opportunity to schmooze and exchange ideas with other Sisters in our area.

RSVP to Joan Cera at 214-912-8530 or email joanhcera@gmail.com by January 22nd.

Open to Sisterhood and Brotherhood Temple Members Only

Coffee Break Book Club

Saturday, January 7

2:00pm - 3:00pm

Cindy Spechler's home

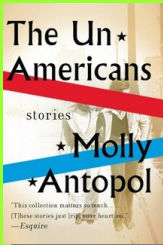
Near Arapaho and Preston Road

Our book is *The Un*Americans*

by Molly Antopol

This is a book of excellent short stories!

RSVP by January 3 to Ilene Zidow at ilene.zidow@gmail.com or 972-491-1492.



Sisterhood Tikkun Olam Project Adopt A Family for the Holidays



Sisterhood will be adopting a refugee family of four from the Democratic Republic of Congo for the IRC Holiday Giving Drive. Please see the wish list below from the family.

Small gifts should be wrapped and labeled with a receipt and dropped off at the Temple Shalom Office by Monday, December 12th.

For any questions or to volunteer to help - contact Tikkun Olam Chair Jane Lachman at 972-735-0133 or jalachman1@gmail.com.

Jane will be accepting the large items (*) at her home. Contact her first to set up a time.

Family clothing sizes:

Mother: shirt size large, shoe size 9.5

Father: shirt size large, shoe size 8.5

Son age 6: pant size 7, shoe size 6

Son age 2: pant size 3T, shoe size toddler 11

Wish list:

* TV with digital antenna or built in digital tuner (can be gently used)

* Microwave (can be gently used)

* Blankets for full or twin bed

* Comforters for full or twin beds

Closed-toe shoes, pants for children, bags, purses, backpacks, kids toys and books, games, kitchen utensils and silverware

Full size toiletries: (shampoo, conditioner, body wash, shower gel, bar soap, hair brushes and combs, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, lotion)

IntraFaith Luncheon
Sunday, January 22
12:30pm
Congregation Beth Torah



JOIN SISTERHOOD!!



We can't wait to share all our great programs with you! Membership forms may be found on the Temple Shalom website at: <http://www.templeshalomdallas.org/groups/sisterhood>.

Questions? Contact Sisterhood Membership Vice President Ann Weintraub at ann@amjdesignonline.com

We'd love to hear from you!

Together, we can move mountains!

Sisterhood Board Meeting
December 12 7:00pm

President.....Bill Hoffpauer
Admin. VP.....Steve Weintraub
Membership VP.....Mark Fishkind
Programming VP.....Ray Farris
Financial Direc...Roy Flegenheimer
Treasurer.....Paul Preite, Jr.
Recording Sec.....Jason Sandler
Corresponding Sec.....Greg Krevon
Immediate Past Pres...Perry Zidow

Brotherhood Membership

Join us!

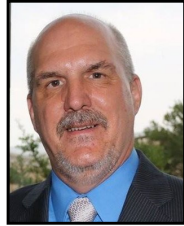
Download our membership form from the Temple Shalom website at <http://www.templeshalomdallas.org/groups/brotherhood>.

Questions? Contact Membership Vice President Mark Fishkind at mfishkind@sbcglobal.net.

See Sunday, December 11th Softball League Breakfast and tryout information on the back page of this newsletter!

**Brotherhood Board Meetings
December 19 & January 9
7:15pm ~ Boardroom
All Brotherhood members
welcome to attend!**

BROTHERHOOD



Temple Shalom Brotherhood *Keeps On Keepin' On* with their approach to Tikkun Olam (repairing the world). I'm so proud of the approach of this organization and its members. I could give you a long list of what we do for the Temple Shalom community, the Jewish community, and the community-at-large, but let's leave that to another time. Instead, let me give you two examples of how our Temple Shalom Brotherhood continues to grow and reach for a better world.

By the time this article is published, we will have held our Movember benefit concert with the Hard Night's Day Beatles tribute band. The efforts to improve Men's Health started small when, a number of years ago, Sander Gothard supplied a speaker for a Brotherhood breakfast. Then, Mark Fisher, along with Steve Weintraub, became involved with the *Movember Foundation* (the leading global organization committed to changing the face of men's health). The following year, they approached Scott Butnick, Brotherhood President at that time, who enthusiastically supported the concept of Brotherhood becoming involved. The very first "Shave Off" only raised \$250. We've come a long way from that first shave off, but the Brotherhood continues to reach for the stars. This year, we obtained sponsors to help cover the cost of the band, the most expensive part of this project: Munn & Morris Financial Advisors, Village Health Partners, and Progressive Packaging, along with two sponsors who wish to remain anonymous. With their sponsorship, almost every dollar of every ticket bought will go directly to supporting the curing of men's health issues. We are so proud of the efforts of Scott Butnick, Steve Weintraub and Mark Fisher, along with everyone who bought a ticket! You are literally saving the lives of your fellow congregants!

Temple Shalom is an inclusive, progressive congregation and so is the Temple Shalom Brotherhood. There are many ways to repair the world and one of them is by building bridges of communication, understanding, accepting differences and embracing the fact that we are all in this together. There is a driving force associated with people who are fighting the same battles Jews fight; prejudice against being different. We must continue fighting this fight. And that's what is so impressive about the upcoming honoree of the Shalom Award, The Reverend Dr. Neil G. Cazares-Thomas, Senior Pastor of the Cathedral of Hope in Dallas, Texas, the world's largest LGBTQ Christian church. We Stand Together fighting hatred, prejudice, ignorance and fear.

As I said earlier, I am so proud of the Temple Shalom Brotherhood for their efforts of Tikkun Olam (repairing the world)!

Bill

Bill Hoffpauer, Brotherhood President

Guys Nights Out

**Thursday, December 8
6:45pm Kenny's East Coast Pizza**
4701 W Park Blvd #101 Plano 75093
Enjoy casual Italian food, featuring pizzas, pasta and sandwiches.



For more info, contact Ray Farris at raymond@raymondfarris.com.

**Thursday, January 12
6:45pm Escape Room & Dinner**
Work with your fellow Bros to escape the room before time runs out.



For more information and to RSVP, contact Mark Fisher at dallasfish@aol.com.

SAVE THE DATE



Shalom Award Presentation

Sunday • February 26, 2017
5:30-9:00 PM

Honoring

Reverend
Dr. Neil Cazares-Thomas

CATHEDRAL OF HOPE
VIBRANT • INCLUSIVE • PROGRESSIVE



GRATITUDES

Adult Education Fund

in memory of

Nathan Green

David & Brenda Grossman

Beautification/Flower Fund

in honor of

Isaac Heller & Rachel Waltz and Lauren Heller & Jon Berk

Sol & Toba Reifer

Brotherhood

in memory of

Myron M. Presby

Paul Preite Jr. & Carol Preite

Building Fund

in memory of

Leonard Gershberg

Annette Gersh

Bob Blumin

Phil & Judy Goodman

Mort & Jacque Prager

Cantor Avery's Discretionary Fund

in honor of

Cantor Avery

Ed & Robyn Klein

Murray & Carole Rice

in memory of

Shirley Shapiro

Rusty & Mitzi Milstein

Aaron Kahn

Richard Kahn & Barry Pierce

Caregivers' Day Out Program

in memory of

Bob Blumin

Bob & Shirley Zlotky

Larry & Barbara Glazer

Donald & Marilyn Schaffer

Caring Congregation Fund

in memory of

Bob Blumin

Allan & Gail Gilbert

Hildred Hoodin

Ken & Phyllis Roseman

Joe Kessner

Lawrence & Elaine Solomon

Natalie Schlosser

Sol & Toba Reifer

General Fund

in honor of

Larry Taub and Gabby Giddan

Phillip & Eileen Disraeli

in memory of

Bob Blumin

Dennis & Julie Eichelbaum

Charles & Barbara Vaughan

Ralph & Debbi Sorrentino

Boris Blumin

Carolee Blumin

Nathan Brown & Janet Stein

Barry & Barbara Brown

Sam Radnitz

Paul & Raelaine Radnitz

Greene Family Camp Fund (*scholarship*)

in memory of

Bob Blumin

Gene & Louise Yoss

Samuel H. Goodman

Phil & Judy Goodman

Julia Michele Warren Scholarship (*Greene Family Camp*)

in memory of

Bob Blumin

Herb & Martha Oberman

Beatrice Klein Schneider

Phil & Judy Goodman

Rose Warren

Alice Warren

Music Fund

in memory of

Selma Levitan

Helene Levitan

Sarah Radin

Jason & Monica Sandler

Project Atideinu/50th Anniversary Fund

in honor of

Brett Lasher & Rachel Scheinfeld

Susan Hoffman

in memory of

Bob Blumin

Lillian Ostroff

Rabbi Boxman's Discretionary Fund

in memory of

Paul Bines

Amy Bines

Bob Blumin

Murray & Carole Rice

Hugo Lederer

Lisa Katz

GRATITUDES, *con't*

Rabbi Paley's Discretionary Fund

in honor of

Joseph Brownlee

Mike & Laura Brownlee

Rabbi Paley

Lucille Klein

Tom Finn & Melanie Reuler-Finn

in memory of

Bob Blumin

Arvin & Arlene Kreitman

Steve & Shana Javery

Sam Weber

Gary & Susan Weber

Ann Gross & Bernadine Schanbaum

Gene Schanbaum

Irene Brenner

Larry & Karen Bissinger

Moe Kanner

Larry & Linda Elkin

Paul Bines

Lawrence & Leslie Bines

Joanne Weishaupt

Mark & Brandy Wayne

Sylvia Vinocur & Anna Smith

Mike & Joanne Vinocur

Leo Heinz Benjamin & Margot Benjamin

Steve & Shana Javery

Elly Caplan, Eric Caplan & Bertha Javery

Steve & Shana Javery

Dorothy Reuler

Tom Finn & Melanie Reuler-Finn

Hans Oppenheimer

Vincent & Lilli O. Cirillo

Temple Shalom Endowment Fund

in memory of

Bob Blumin

Ken & Judy Parker

Irv & Cindy Munn

Tikkun Olam/Social Action Fund

in honor of

Max Grunewald & Sabrina Arnold

Sol & Toba Reifer

Laura Lachman & Michael Lavey

Sol & Toba Reifer

in memory of

Bob Blumin

Fred & Jerri Grunewald

Max Lewis

Geane Glaser

Youth Activities (*scholarship*)

in memory of

Hedi Rosenberg

Andrew & Ruth Bramley

Youth Education General Fund

in memory of

Isabel Yakowitz and Golde Hersch

Joyce Rubenstein

Remember the Temple in Your Will

Temple Shalom is committed to preserving the future of our congregation for generations to come. Bequests of all sizes are important resources for the Temple, and we encourage you to be a link to the future by remembering the Temple in your will. Your lasting tribute is your commitment to the survival of our religion, our Temple, and our people.

A bequest can easily be established by adding a simple codicil to your will. Additionally, many other options exist to leave a legacy for Temple Shalom.

A brochure with more information is available by contacting the administrative offices. For more information, please contact our Executive Director Steve Lewis at 972-661-1810 x202.

Your planned gift will serve the future of our congregation and community. Thank you for helping assure the strength and health of Temple Shalom for generations to come.

Congratulations to...

- ☆ Jerri and Fred Grunewald on the marriage of their son, Max and Sabrina Arnold
- ☆ Peggy and Rik Heller on the marriages of their children, Isaac and Rachel Waltz & Lauren and Jon Berk
- ☆ Jane and Barry Lachman on the marriage of their daughter, Laura and Michael Lavey
- ☆ Keo and Brian Strull on the marriage of their son, Brandon and Jessi Byas

Of Blessed Memory...

- ☆ Temple member James R. Alexander, husband of Rosalie
- ☆ Victor Mashbein, brother-in-law of Linda Widman
- ☆ Allen Passer, brother of Linda Widman

Welcome New Members of the Temple Shalom Family!

Paul and Sophie Jacobs
 Emil and Faina Lysyansky
 Perry and Wendy Narzem

Services Online

Video streaming, webcasting, internet broadcasting, call it what you will, we are doing it! Regular Friday evening Shabbat services can be viewed on the internet for times when you cannot attend in person. B'nei Mitzvah services and weddings can also be scheduled for webcasting (for a fee). All live webcasts are also recorded and can be viewed "on-demand" at other times.



To view a Shabbat service live or on-demand, go to Temple Shalom's website at www.templeshalomdallas.org and then point to Worship or Multi-Media. Click on "Services online" and follow the directions. B'nei Mitzvah and weddings are password protected. To view one of these events live, viewers must obtain a password from the sponsoring family. The sponsoring family will also have a link for viewing the archive of a special event.

Our mission is to inspire in you a relationship with God, Torah, Israel and the Jewish people through worship, study, gathering and community service. Do you know someone we should invite to Temple, someone who is new to Dallas or is not connected to a congregation? Please contact Executive Director Steve Lewis slewis@templeshalomdallas.org so we can show them that Temple Shalom is their place.

Celebrating a SIMCHA?

Give the gift of Israel! Consider the purchase of an eMitzvah bond for as little as \$36. The recipient will receive the principal plus interest at the end of the five year term. You can now invest in an Israel bond online for any occasion, at any time. Simply go to www.israelbonds.com, create an account and purchase a bond.



Name Tags at Shabbat Services

"Where Everybody Knows Your Name"

We ask visitors, members and their guests to wear a paper name tag at Shabbat services. We feel that we should all get to know each other and warmly greet our guests. Nothing does this better than seeing a person's name and addressing them with it.

We will have paper name tags available in the foyer, and for members who wish to have permanent magnetic name tags, you may order one at the sign-in table for a nominal charge of \$5 each. These are appropriate for all Temple Shalom events.

As a caring community, we would like to reach out to our members. When there is an illness, death, hospitalization, birth, etc. please contact Elise Donosky in the clergy office at 972-661-1810 x201 or edonosky@templeshalomdallas.org. Clergy and the Caring Congregation Committee are here to help during times of need and celebration.

The on-line directory is updated periodically. Please send any changes to Joy at jaddison@templeshalomdallas.org. If you need assistance accessing the directory on our website, please contact Joy.

TEMPLE SHALOM

- Senior Rabbi.....Andrew M. Paley
- Rabbi.....Ariel C. Boxman
- Cantor.....Devorah G. Avery
- Rabbi Emeritus.....Kenneth D. Roseman
- Cantor Emeritus.....Don Alan Croll
- Executive Director.....Steve Lewis
- Youth Advisor.....Michaela Rollins
- President.....Josh Goldman
- Vice President.....Richard Kahn
- Vice President.....Kamy Ross
- Vice President.....Rodney Schlosser
- Secretary.....Barry Bell
- Finance Director.....Irwin Kaufman
- Treasurer.....Debra Levy-Fritts
- Past President.....Dennis J. Eichelbaum



Temple Shalom Brotherhood and the Temple Shalom Brotherhood Softball League Invite You to the 42nd Annual Shalom League Softball Awards Breakfast

Sunday, December 11

8:30am

Radnitz Social Hall

Special Guest Speaker: Chuck Greenberg
Owner of the Frisco RoughRiders



Join us for a free breakfast for all current Spring and Fall Season Softball players,
as well as all paid up Brotherhood members, \$5/for all others.

Women invited to attend as well!!

Chuck Greenberg, a Pittsburgh, PA native and attorney specializing in sports, helped save the Pittsburgh Penguins Hockey Team from bankruptcy. Owner of two minor league baseball teams, the Myrtle Beach South Carolina Pelicans and one in State College, Pennsylvania, Chuck also owned the Texas Rangers for seven months and helped usher them through bankruptcy.

Chuck headed the group of local investors who purchased the Frisco RoughRiders for 30 million dollars! He will speak about the excitement happening with the RoughRiders, including the new on-field look for the club, including the "lazy river". He is the Chairman, CEO and Managing Partner of the team and spends nearly all day every day at the ballpark during the season.



**Softball Commissioner Wayne Casper will present Spring & Fall Season
Softball Awards:**

*Division Winners *Championship Teams *Most Valuable Players *Rookies of the Year
*Mr. Shalom Brotherhood *Fan of the Year *A Possible Hall of Fame Inductee or Two
*Other Exciting Awards

RANDY KRAMEN'S DOCUMENTARY VIEWING, TOO!

We will view excerpts from Shalom Softball Leagues' 1978, 1979, 1980 and 1981 seasons,
following up on the successful video two years ago of the first few years of our League.



For more information about the event, contact Bob Weinfeld at (972) 814-6214 or robert.weinfeld@tx.rr.com.



Applications for the Spring season will soon be
available on the shalomleague.org website.
Evaluations for new players will take place at the
end of February.