

# FROM YOUR RABBI: WHAT WILL YOUR LEGACY BE?

Is it me, or are we all feeling a little overwhelmed this time of year? I'm not sure if I want to turn on the 11:00 news every night or just hide under the covers. People from Ohev Sholom have asked me how I feel about every difficult news story we've heard in the past month or so, and quite honestly, I'm at a loss.

December can be a time for great joy, but for others, it is a time of darkness and cold. It's dark when we get up in the

morning and dark when we come home in the evening, and it's cold and raw. What can we do to bring light and warmth into our world?

So many families are hungry at holiday time...now is the perfect time to volunteer at Downtown Daily Bread, or send a check to the Kosher Food Pantry at Jewish Family Service. Many of our local dry cleaners are collecting warm coats for children who are cold this winter.

Now is also the time to remember your congregation as the year ends, and we make charitable contributions before 2017 tax credits expire the end of the month. And to remember Temple Ohev Sholom as a legacy for the next generation.

The Grinspoon Foundation, in conjunction with the Jewish Community Foundation of Central PA, is helping us maintain an endowment to secure the future of our congregation. We receive a check from the Grinspoon Foundation when we have 18 pledges to leave whatever you wish in your will as a legacy to Ohev Sholom. (No money is collected now...it's for our future when you've passed on). We only need 4 more pledges for 2017...please check with Michelle Darr in the temple office to sign a pledge to ensure our future.

In closing, there is so much we can do to focus on the goodness in each of us, rather than listening to all of the sadness in the world. So, let's be kind to each other, bring the spirit of light to those who need it, and let's make this darkest month of year one filled with brightness and joy!

Your rabbi,

Peter Kessler

## JANUARY SERVICES SCHEDULE

JANUARI GERVIOLO GUILDULL		
Wednesday, 3 January 2018		
4:30pm	Religious School	
Friday, 5 January 2018		
7:30am	Shabbat Services - Sanctuary	
Sunday, 7 January 2018		
9:30am	Religious school	
10:00am	Rabbi's PEP Class	
Wednesday, 10 January 2018		
12:00pm	Lunch & Learn - Lehrman Chapel	
4:30pm	Religious School	
Friday, 12 January 2018		
6:00pm	Shabbat Services - Lehrman Chapel with Soup & Study following	
Saturday, 13 January 2018		
10:30am	Tot Shabbat-Lehrman Chapel	

Sunday, 14 January 2018

Monday, 15 January 2018

Friday, 19 January 2018

Sunday, 21 January 2018

Tuesday, 23 January 2018

Friday, 26 January 2018

Sunday, 28 January 2018

Wednesday, 31 January 2018

Wednesday, 24 January 2018

Wednesday, 17 January 2018

Dr. King Holiday

4:30pm

7:30pm

9:30am

10:00am

11:00am

7:00pm

4:30pm

6:00pm

9:30am

4:30pm

No religious school - Dr. King weekend

Religious School

Religious school

Basic Judaism Class

Rabbi's Book Review

Adult B'nai Mitzvah

Religious School

Religious school

Religious School

Shabbat Services Lehrman Chapel

Shabbat Services Sanctuary

## **SAVE THE DATE**



#### **PEP**

PEP is our Parallel Education Program. We meet once-a-month on Sunday mornings for bagels & coffee, and an hour of study and discussion. This year's curriculum is YIDDISH...learning more about the Mother Tongue. Our next class is January 7th at 11 AM in the Lehrman Chapel. Hope to see you there!

#### Rabbi Kessler's Book Review

Rabbi Kessler leads a discussion each month on a book of Jewish interest. Refreshments are always provided...no need to RSVP...just join us! Our next Book Review class is January 21st at 11 AM in the Lehrman Chapel. We will be discussing: Safekeeping, by Jessamyn Hope.



#### **LUNCH AND LEARN**



On the 2nd Wednesday of each month, Rabbi Kessler teaches a noon-time class called LUNCH AND LEARN. The class is taught in a very informal way. Participants come to the Lehrman Chapel at 12 noon with their lunch (we supply the beverage) and an hour of study follows. No need to RSVP...just drop in! This year's topic comes from the book BROKEN TABLETS, Restoring the 10 Commandments. Our next class is scheduled for January 10th. Hope to see you there!

### HERSHEY STUDY

Rabbi Kessler comes to Hershey every month on a Thursday evening to teach a cozy and relaxed study session at a congregant's home. This year's curriculum is taken from the book "Jewish Literacy", by Rabbi Joseph Telushkin. Our next class is scheduled January 18th at 7:30 PM. Location will be announced.

### TOT SHABBAT

Tot Shabbat is for our "little ones", from birth through 2nd grade, and their family & friends. We have a short service, story time, singing & dancing with Rabbi Kessler, and a great snack. Our next Tot Shabbat is January 13th at 10:30 AM in the Lehrman Chapel.

## A LETTER FROM THE SISTERHOOD

The chill of winter has settled in but we have several events to warm your hearts, tummies and minds. On January 12, 2018 we will have our next Soup and Torah Study following the 6:00 Shabbat service that evening. Rabbi Kessler will continue his discussion on the new high holidays prayer books.

Come to this year's Purim Speil and support the many sisterhood members who perform. It will once again be held at the JCC. Always an entertaining experience for attendees and participants. Think fun in the sun with this year's theme set to the melodies of the Beach Boys. Look for further details soon.

We'd like to give a big thank you to Denyse Miskin and the Hanukkah Dinner committee for once again putting on a delicious event. We are sorry we could not accommodate everyone who wanted to attend. But this event always "sells" out fast.

Our TOSS Religious School committee provided beautiful packages for the students for Hanukkah which included candles, gelt, dreidels and the prayers. Our Special Services committee sent our congregation's college students Starbuck's gift cards to celebrate the Festival of Lights.

Don't forget to stop by our Gift Shop during religious school sessions on Sundays from 9:30 am to noon. We have lots of items for b'nai mitzvahs, Purim, Passover and more. You can also pick up some scrip/Cash for Causes gift cards to use when shopping at the Giant.

Your presence at our events is a great way to get involved and meet congregants! Thank you for your continued support at our activities and membership!! All our dues dollars go toward supporting services for our congregation. If you haven't already sent your dues to Dara Kluger, please do so.

Please call us with any questions you may have. We look forward to welcoming all of you into our Sisterhood!!

Sarah Brown	Patti Hivner
Co-President	Co-President
717-540-9709	717-533-6269

REMEMBER ... to send in your UNIONGRAMS!!

## SISTERHOOD TRIBUTE CARDS

Sisterhood Tribute cards, at a minimum amount of \$5.00 each, are an easy and

inexpensive way to send greetings, well wishes and any other family milestones you wish to acknowledge.

The three Sisterhood funds are:

The Margaret Friedman Emergency Aid Fund

Donations are used to sustain the committee that prepares and serves meals

following funerals for a bereaved family.

The Doris Zaritzky Fund

Donations are used to benefit Temple youth and religious school activities.

### The Tribute Fund

Donations are used for Sisterhood Temple expenses

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Tribute goes to:
Address (if not a Temple member):
Message:

	Your name:
	Please check one:
Margaret Fried	Emergency Aid Fund Doris Zaritzky
	Educational Fund
	Tribute Fund
Please m	check made out to "TOSS" to:
Irith Harpster, 11	leron Court Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

## Soup & Torah Study



With Rabbi Kessler

### Friday, January 12, 2108

Friday, March 9, 2018

All will follow the 6:00 Shabbat Service that evening.

For reservations contact: Phyllis Berman (717)232-4901 Kim Poolman (717)580-5667

TOSS Chairmanships Available

\*Religious School \*Program

\*Special Services

Inquiries contact: Sarah Brown or Patti Hivner

## TRIBUTES

### RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

With thanks for your help preparing Joshua for his Bar Mitzvah

Jennifer and Jason Kirsch

With thanks for your help preparing Zoe for her Bat Mitzvah

A.J and Seth Mendelsohn

A donation from Mollie B Jewelers

In thanks for my teaching the Adult B'nai Mitzvah class

Eileen Wiley

In memory of Samuel Joseph Finkel

Roslyn Finkel

In memory of Martin Finkelstein

Michael & Kelley Finkelstein

### MEMORIAL TRIBUTES TO THE TEMPLE ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Robert Hoffman Marjorie Sherman

In memory of Robert Ruth Stacey & Robert Zuckerman Alyce & Morton Spector

In memory of Stuart Cohen, brother of Chuck Cohen Arlene & Chuck Fradkin

### SISTERHOOD FLOWER FUND

Flowers were provided in memory of Rose Herman Lehrman Lois Lehrman Grass

We want to thank all our wonderful friends from our Ohev family who have sent us happy wishes for our Anniversary. Your Uniongrams were sincerely appreciated.

### Phyllis & Leonard Berman

Sending a sincere thank you to The Book Review Committee. It is an honor to conduct you in putting together this highly successful event. You are a most competent and efficient group. Each of you have evolved to a master at your particular "specialty." Your many years of dedicated service has turned each of you into an expert.

Working with you was a pleasure.

Frankie

# **KADDISH**

January 5 Ida G. Ahraham Delores Bernstein

Bowman A. Brown, Jr. **Pauline Goldring** 

Irwin I. Grossman H. Albert Kerstein

Bernhardt Kramer Sol Kuhn

Erwin H. Lenz **Irving Levine** 

Herman Levy Fred Ratowsky

William Moss Strouse Doris O. Zaritzky

### January 12

Lewis F. Adler Lewis Baturin Herman Berk Samuel Bronstein Beth Frahm Frank Bette Goodman Florence Gurwitz

Seth Jacobs

Bessie Kaufman

Barry Koppel Fanny Kruger

Mary Levine

Lillian Melman

Gustav H. Nachman

**Harold Spector** Maurice I. Unger Amelia Wilson Abraham Woldorf

### January 19

Emma Astrich

Oskar Beck Bernard Beitman Rosalyn Chizeck Minnie R. Cohn Paul Cramer Alan I. Ettinger Luella Evrard Norma Finstein Edward Friedman Morris Goldberg Philip Goldberg Morris Goldring Sarah Goldstein Seymour Hartman Benjamin Jaffe Mayer (Bob) Kutler Lena Lang Sally Lehrman

Mamie K. Levinson Saul Litvack

Karen McManuels

Martin Levine

Gloria G. Miller

Sylvia Nurick

Bernard M. Plawsky **Betty Snyder** Hedwig M. Strouse Maxine Talkov David Daniel Ufberg Isaac L. Yoffe

### January 26

Morris Baturin

Joseph Baum Isadore Cibull Randall Disend Hannah L. Goldberg Helen Goldberg **Evelyn Goldstein** Faina Gordin Louis Gordon Thelma Marie Johnson Yetta Marino Lily Meyerwitz Harry E. Pyke **Aaron Rokoff** Sally Rokoff Felice Gold Sachs Bernard Sack

Helene Savar Rebecca Scheier

**Donald Schwartz** 

Carl A. Wagenheim

# **OUR COMMUNITY**



Rabbi Kessler is available for home and hospital visits for our congregants in need. Won't you please do a mitzvah and let him know of those who would like a visit? Thank you.



## Your Life – Your Legacy... What's in Your Heart





### YOUR LEGACY matters.

You have poured your heart and soul into this Jewish community and made a difference. Whether your greatest passion is your congregation, an organization, or a day school, that commitment stands as a testament to your values.

Now is the time to take the next step in making it an enduring part of your Jewish legacy.

As you plan for the future, think about what your Jewish legacy means to you. Please consider a gift through your will, trust, retirement account, or life insurance policy to Temple Ohev Sholom. Join our growing list and sign your Letter of Intent today!



To learn more about how to create your Jewish legacy, please contact the Jewish Community Foundation of Central PA at 717.236.9555 or foundation@pajewishendowment.org



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