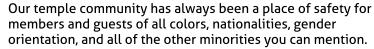


FROM YOUR RABBI-PITTSBURGH: BEFORE AND AFTER

I could write volumes about the events of the past month...and I will in next several weeks and months for sermons at Shabbat services as well as in Bulletin articles to come. But for now, I won't get into the issues that precipitated the massacre in Pittsburgh on October 27th. That's for a later day. Today, as you read our monthly Bulletin, I want to focus on how the Pittsburgh shooting is affecting us, here at Ohev Sholom.





That will never change. Our building has also been a place of safety and will continue to be, although you may see a different sense of security as the temple board continues to evaluate and re-evaluate our plans to keep the building secure. We have security cameras and keep a watchful eye for any questionable activity. But in the coming months you may also see security guards, armed or otherwise, being watchful of us as well. This is not to alarm you. This is to protect all of us as we live in world that makes us anxious.

What can we do to protect our building, as well as protect all of us who love it? Some simple things. First and foremost, remember that our members and friends come in all shapes, sizes, and skin color. No one looks like a Jew these days, as everyone looks Jewish because of our diverse community. Second, let's watch out for each other to make sure we are safe. When you leave the building, please make sure the door is closed properly. There will be times when only one door is open for services and temple events- please respect the directives of our security guard and our ushers to keep us safe. Please don't prop a door open, and while we are cognizant of the diversity of our congregants, keep a watchful eye for anything that looks suspicious. Trust your instincts, as they are often correct.

The temple board is in the process of re-evaluating our security concerns every day, including meeting the experts at the URJ, our local law enforcement, and the FBI. We want to be safe, but we don't want to feel as if we are entering a prison in order to pray as a community. It's going to be a tough balancing act, and it will certainly add to our already strained budget. Funding additional security will be a challenge, but we know our membership will step up to help if permanent security measures will need to stay in place. We will keep you posted.

In the meanwhile, Ohev Sholom is your home, and we want you to feel as if you're walking into your own living room when you come here. We will do our part to keep you safe, even as we live in a world where frightening acts of violence can take place in any public space- the grocery story, the movie theater, a restaurant, and yes, places of worship.

These are trying times, but I'm here for you if you need me. The best way to find me is through e-mail rabbi@ohevsholom.org instead of the telephone. We will get through this, as we get through any other struggle in life.

Your Rabbi, Peter Kessler

	DECEMBER SCHEDULE
Saturday, 1 December	
11:00am	Bar Mitzvah - Sanctuary
Sunday, 2 December	
9:30am	Religious School (at JCC)

Wednesday, 5 December

Religious School 4:30pm Friday, 7 December

Hanukkah Shabbat Services & Dinner 7:30pm

Sunday, 9 December

9:30am Religious School 10:00am Rabbi's Classes

Wednesday, 12 December Religious School 4:30pm

Friday, 14 December 7:30pm Shabbat Services - Sanctuary

Saturday, 15 December 10:30am Tot Shabbat - Lehrman Chapel

Sunday, 16 December 9:30am Religious School 11:00am Rabbi's PEP Class

Wednesday, 19 December No religious school Friday, 21 December Shabbat Services - Lehrman Chapel 6:00pm

Sunday, 23 December No religious school

Wednesday, 26 December No religious school

Friday, 28 December

6:00pm Shabbat Services @ Beth El Sunday, 30 December No religious school

Temple Ohev Sholom Sisterhood is excited to announce...



The Hanukkah Dinner Friday, December 7, 2018



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At bulletin print time, the dinner was close to the maximum capacity. Watch your email for announcements to determine if space is still available. Then after dinner join us for Hanukkah Shabbat Services at 7:30 in the Sanctuary. We plan to recognize and thank our members that have signed a pledge to participate in the Life & Legacy Program.



Left: 2nd grade class gets ready to lead Shabbat Family worship

Right: Our 7th Grade class cleans the Holocaust Monument

AVE 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 PART II...learning more about the Mother Tongue.



Our first class is December 2nd 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! Book Review this month is on December 9th. We will be discussing Beneath a Scarlet Sky by Mark Sullivan

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 Nine Essential Things I've Learned about Life. Our next class is scheduled for **December 12th.** 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 "12 Major World Religions", by Jason Boyett. Our next class is scheduled for December 13th at 7:30 PM. Location will be announced. Hope to see you there!



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 December 15th at 10:30am in the Lehrman Chapel.



BAR MITZVAH: RICHARD LUTKINS

My name is Richard Thorsten Lutkins. I am the son of Monica E. Baturin-Lutkins and Kevin M. Lutkins. I have two brothers, Matthew (15) and Bennett (9) and an amusing Bassett Hound named George. My family's history at this Temple goes way back, dating to my maternal great grandmother Ruth Baturin's father, Harry Salkin.

I am a 7th grade distinguished honors student at the Camp Hill Middle School and I enjoy playing all sports, listening to great music and learning about history. I also like to play the trombone.



My Bar Mitzvah is on December 1, 2018. The Torah portion that I will read from is Vayeishev, from the Book of Genesis. In this section, Joseph is cast aside by his brothers and sold as a slave in Egypt, because of a deep-seeded jealousy his brothers have of him. Although Joseph's father, Jacob, believes Joseph is dead and mourns his son's death, Joseph survives. He ends up as a kind person, despite some horrendous life events he encounters.

The theme for my Mitzvah Project is to "Keep it Kind," and to always remember and help those that are less fortunate. I especially feel committed to helping the plight of the homeless and homeless veterans and have made trips to the Downtown Daily Bread in Harrisburg with my Religious School class and my family to assist with the soup kitchen, as well as donating clothes. I would encourage every person to do this type of good deed at some point in their lives. It is really rewarding.

I would like to thank Rabbi Kessler, my religious school class and faculty for encouraging and helping me to review for my Bar Mitzvah. I would also like to extend a special thanks to my Grandfather (Floyd Baturin) and Mormor (Kersti Baturin) for having taken such a deep interest in my religious studies. They have taught me more about Judaism and life than they will ever know!



Service Schedule for Late December

December 21st 6:00 PM Lehrman Chapel December 28th 6:00 PM at Beth El

MESSAGE FROM THE SISTERHOOD

As I am writing this, our national and worldwide Jewish community is still recovering from the atrocity at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh. Those senseless murders of people just because of their religious beliefs has been a wake-up call for many – me included. We can never forget, no one can ever forget.

November 8, 2018 was also the 80th anniversary of Kristallnacht, the "Night of Broken Glass." Kristallnacht is when the Nazi's terrorized Jews in Germany and destroyed their synagogues, homes and businesses.

We can never forget.

My family joined other families and communities of all faiths throughout our nation in keeping our lights on during the Shabbat on the 9th/10th as our personal act of remembrance and resistance.

We can never forget.

My husband told us the story of his grandfather's brother, a highly decorated German WWI veteran. His business was looted and destroyed on Kristallnacht. Eventually he and his family were rounded up and taken to a concentration camp and they tried to escape. Sadly, he and his family were shot and killed in the woods.

We know and understand there are many, many stories like this for many other families in our Ohev family. My husband has more as well.

We really can never forget.

Sadly, and for a multiple of reasons, we live in a climate where hateful speech has lowered the threshold for violent actions and a persistence of anti-Semitism in our society.

By keeping the lights on, we joined others to show solidarity in remembrance of Kristallnacht and hate – we were bringing light into darkness. We should all be proud our Ohev Sholom Sisterhood and entire Ohev family stand united to the principles of justice, inclusion, dignity and respect.

Never forget.

Denyse Miskin

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My heartfelt thanks for the many good wishes I received for my milestone birthday and thanks to Frankie Glass and Teresa Dorritie for all they do for this great Sisterhood Uniongram project.

Marjorie M. Sherman

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.



KADDISH

December 7

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December 14

Milton S. Abel Mae Robbins Adler Robert Baum Harry Becker Henry Benjamin Florence Berger Grace S. Buxbaum Abe Epstein Reuben Ettinger Martin L. Finkelstein **Dorothy Sweedler** Hess Anita Jaffe Goldie Kassnar Carol Kaye Martha Lehrman Joseph E. Morris Norman Neiman

December 21

Matilda Arch Phyllis Bagley Minnie D. Bryant Sylvia Casher Helene Cohen Nat Epstein Michael P. Feldser Leah Fukson Minnie Gordon Myer Gross Ken Hess Sue Hoffman Dr. Louis C. Jacobs Israel Kades Wilmer Lapp Moe Mishkin

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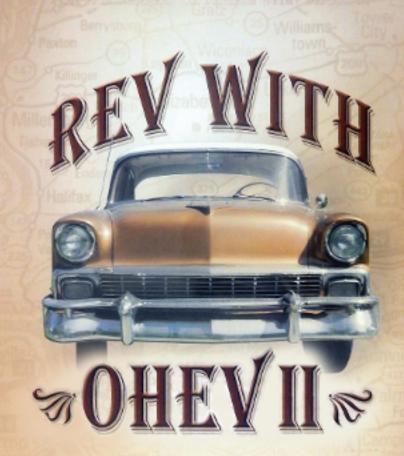
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