

### FROM YOUR RABBI: WHAT WILL 2022 BRING?

Two years ago, as 2020 began, we were just learning about COVID 19, and wondered what it would mean if the virus came here...to the United States. Then March arrived, and with the end of the month, many if not all of us were wearing masks and stayed at home. The world changed.

Then last year, when 2021 began, we were all hopeful for the vaccine. Health care workers began to be vaccinated, and we were convinced that COVID would be a thing of the past.

Now 2022 is beginning, and we are as confused as we were two years ago. The vaccines are working, but not everyone is vaccinated. We are



learning of all kinds of new variants of the disease, trying to get together with our friends and families but remaining cautious. And wearing our masks.

We make plans and God laughs. But that doesn't mean we should stop making plans and living our lives as best we can. We have in-person worship now, in-person Religious School, and hope to have in-person special events in the future as well. But as we all know, life can change in a moment's time.

So now, at the beginning of 2022, we have learned a few lessons. The vaccine is helpful, but the disease is still out there. We still wear our masks, and we hope for the best. We won't let COVID ruin 2022 if we are vigilant, careful, and wise in our decisions. Let's make 2022 the year we take care of each other, as we navigate the future.

All my best for a Happy and Healthy 2022.

Your Rabbi, Peter Kessler

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of Temple Ohev Sholom, I want to wish each of you and your loved ones a happy and healthy (secular) new year! And speaking of new years...

As we approach the start of the third year of the global COVID-19 pandemic, please be assured that your temple leadership is doing everything possible to find and manage the appropriate balance between protecting the health and safety of individual members with nurturing the sense of community among our membership as a whole. This is what has allowed us to resume many in-person functions such as services, religious school, and special programs, while still offering online options for those who are interested. We continue to make adjustments to "the rules" as warranted, without wavering from the overall goal of ensuring that the spiritual, educational, and social needs of our congregation are met.

Certainly what were simple decisions in the past are more complicated and require more of a formal decision-making process now. I want to publicly thank my colleagues on the Board for going above and beyond in terms of the time and effort that they have been putting in for almost two straight years without a break. We are fortunate to have lay leaders who take their governance responsibilities as seriously as these times demand, and who do so without hesitation, without complaint, and without pay!

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with questions or concerns. In the meantime, please stay healthy, safe, and connected to our special community.

Rob Teplitz President, Temple Ohev Sholom

# January Adult Education Classes Contact Rabbi Kessler on the Temple Web-Site if you would like to be on the ZOOM link e-mail list

Basic Judaism will be held on January 9 at 10am on Zoom.

Adult B'nai Mitzvah class will be held on January 23 at 10am on Zoom.

**PEP** is the Parallel Education Course taught once-a-month on Sunday mornings. Our next class is January 23 at 11am on Zoom.

**Book Review** is our monthly Sunday morning book club. Our next class is January 30 at 11am on Zoom.

Confirmation Class will be held on January 30 at 10am on Zoom.

### Beth El Temple and Temple Ohev Sholom In-person Joint Services

Friday Evenings 6:00 p.m. with Rabbi Ariana Capptauber and Rabbi Peter Kessler



Please join us as we celebrate Shabbat with our neighbors and friends!

	Dates:	<u>Location</u> :
•	December 24	Beth El Temple
•	December 31	Temple Ohev Sholom - New Year's Eve Shabbat
•	January 7	Temple Ohev Sholom
•	January 14	Beth El Temple—MLK and Tu B'Shevat Weekend
•	January 21	Beth El Temple

#### Note:

Masks are required to be worn inside the Beth El Temple and Temple Ohev Sholom buildings. Thank you!

**Temple Ohev Sholom** 



**January 28** 



# SISTERHOOD NEWS

It might be cold outside, but Sisterhood has had some really good programs and we have some really fun and/or interesting upcoming programs to warm your heart.

Our 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.

Sisterhood welcomed author, Nadine Epstein, via Zoom, on Dec. 28th. It was so interesting to hear about her book *RBG's Brave & Brilliant Women* and life as CEO and Editor-In-Chief of Moment Magazine.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- We are so excited SISTERHOOD'S WINTER SOCIAL. This year we will be having a Paint Night on Saturday evening, January 22nd at 7:00pm. This will be the first program in our temple's Social Hall since the Pandemic started. To register go to: <a href="https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/studio/lancaster/event/2908436/">https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/studio/lancaster/event/2908436/</a>
  - Password: SHALOM
- The cost will be \$40.00 which includes all the materials and the two instructors. Everyone will have to wear a face mask and no food or drink will be permitted. However, it will be such a good feeling to be together in our temple's Social Hall for a Sisterhood program. It should be a great time.

 SAVE THE DATE for Sisterhood's Brunch which will be on Sunday morning, Feb. 27th. Learning about Alzheimer's and Dementia will be the very important topic this year. Please see the SAVE THE DATE flyer in this month's Bulletin for more information.

 Mark your calendars for the next Torah Talk with Rabbi Kessler, formally Soup and Study. This event is slated for Friday, March 12th immediately following the 6:00 pm Shabbat Service.

 Our special **Donor event** will take place on Thursday, March 24th. In the next month or so, everyone will be receiving a letter in the mail explaining this year's Donor Campaign. We hope you will join us in making this annual Sisterhood fundraiser a success.

There are so many programs that will be happening in the next couple of months. Whether you like to paint, have questions about Alzheimer's/Dementia, would like to learn about the Torah, or would just like to socialize, there is room for everyone in our Sisterhood and I hope you will join us. 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.If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. My email address is <a href="mailto:rmjose32@comcast.net">rmjose32@comcast.net</a> or give me a call 717 379-0674.

Reyna Jose, Sisterhood President

### Temple Ohev Sholom Sisterhood

Winter Social

Paint Night



Saturday, January 22, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Temple Ohev Sholom Social Hall

Cost: \$40 - Includes Painting Materials
& Artist Fee

This program will be in person, so we are limited to 40 people in the social hall according to the guidelines set up by the temple board. Therefore, register early!

All attendees will need to wear masks during the entirety of the event.

No food or beverage allowed in temple.

#### To register go to:

https://www.paintingwithatwist.com/studio/lancaster/event/2908436/

If you have questions, contact
Patti Hivner at pattiscookin@comcast.net or Miriam
Robinson at chutzy1@yahoo.com.

### SAVE THE DATE

Temple Ohev Sholom Sisterhood Brunch February 27, 2022

Learning about Dementia and Alzheimer's An informative program on a topic that may touch all our lives in one form or another!



More information will be provided in the future.

# JANUARY KADDISH

### January 7

Lois Forner
Pauline Goldring
Florence Gurwitz
Seymour Hartman
Aaron Henken
H. Albert Kerstein
Fanny Kruger
Sol Kuhn
Erwin H. Lenz
Herman Levy
Robin Rogoff Star
David Daniel Ufberg
Doris O. Zaritzky

#### January 14

Lewis F. Adler Lewis Baturin Herman Berk Samuel Bronstein Rosalyn Chizeck Norma Finstein Beth Frahm Frank Philip Goldberg Sarah Goldstein Bette Goodman Bessie Kaufman Barry Koppel Mayer (Bob) Kutler Lena Lang Mamie K. Levinson Saul Litvack

Karen McManuels Lillian Melman Gustav H. Nachman Naomi Samkoff Betty Snyder Harold Spector Hedwig M. Strouse Amelia Wilson

### January 21

Emma Astrich Oskar Beck Bernard Beitman Minnie R. Cohn Randall Disend Albert P. Doranz Alan I. Ettinger Edward Friedman **David Gaynes** Morris Goldberg Morris Goldring Benjamin Jaffe Thelma Marie Johnson Yetta Marino Lily Meyerwitz Gloria G. Miller Sylvia Nurick Bernard M. Plawsky Sally Rokoff Rebecca Scheier Maxine Talkov Isaac L. Yoffe

### January 28

Morris Baturin Joseph Baum Isadore Cibull Bertram Goldberg Hannah L. Goldberg Helen Goldberg **Evelyn Goldstein** Faina Gordin Louis Gordon Sara J. Gross Marco Grovich Harry E. Pyke Aaron Rokoff Bernhard Rubin Bernard Sack Donald Schwartz Anna S. Sherman Carl A. Wagenheim Celia Y. Yaverbaum

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