



# **TEMPLE OHEV SHOLOM NEWSLETTER**

## **STATE OF THE CONGREGATION EDITION**

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# FROM YOUR RABBI: STATE OF THE CONGREGATION

This month, we wanted to share the “State of the Congregation.” I have been here for roughly six months - and what a six months it has been! The leadership team brought me in to serve as Interim Rabbi for two years. They tasked me with renewing and redirecting our Temple Ohev Sholom’s vision and operations. The first major part of my task was to get to know people and discern our history.

As we investigate our longer-term history, it becomes clear that our default practices no longer serve our evolving needs. Looking to secure our vitality for the coming years, we are looking at every facet of synagogue life, from the condition and use of our physical plant to our engagement with the broader Jewish and non-Jewish community. We are developing new educational curricula, social action investiture, governance practices, and financial awareness. In this article, I wanted to share a brief overview of some of our initiatives. Please know that this list is a moving target and in no-way conclusive. As we continue to grow our depth, we encounter challenges and opportunities that cause us to take a few steps back to regroup.

For worship, we are blessed to have great musical talent and love for our community. We are involving more people and experimenting with some new ideas. Thus far, the feedback seems good. Of course, the major drawback is that we had to say “Kaddish” for our sanctuary sound system, as it died a month or so back. Thanks to Jon Snaveley, we are limping with an old soundboard as we await the installation of a new system. By the way, anyone wanting to contribute – all gifts are welcome. We also have a weekly Saturday morning eclectic Torah study. I call it the “Not your normal Torah study, Torah study.”

Sally Jo Bronner (lovingly known as “SJ”) and I are creating a new religious school program rooted more in teaching Jewish values, which will help make more sense of the Hebrew and other pieces of the curriculum.

Per the repeated concerns of our need for more social action, we are still holding the collection drives, but also hosted our first Justice Shabbat celebrating the Jewish commitment to justice and our partnerships with other communities. We are investigating using the classrooms in the old building as training centers to help people create businesses and non-profits. On January 22nd, we hosted the first conversation with the Hadee Mosque (thanks to our diligent ladies!).

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On February 23, we kick-off an initiative to work on restoring inner-city Harrisburg, partnering with Capital Rebirth – “Laugh Out Hate” is a social justice comedy night.

Our leadership team gathered for a full-day retreat and training in December. The way in which people are growing teamwork and perspective is gratifying. We are addressing our future needs in the front office from the perspectives of personnel, technology, and systems.

Most of all, we are growing our community. We have more students in religious school this year than last. Every Tuesday, several of us gather for coffee at Elementary Coffee downtown – just to be together. We sponsored eight “Meet & Greets” so that we could all meet. The conversations at each were wonderfully honest and hopeful. We are currently forming focus groups (more on this forthcoming), hoping to bring people together to brainstorm our future focus on specific aspects of congregational life: 1. Education; 2. Socialization; 3. Project/ Programming; and 4. Resource growth and management. Most importantly, these gatherings will help us to better share valuable time with each other.

If you have any thoughts or questions, call me for coffee or a meeting around my table. I look forward to sharing with and learning from each of you.

***Rabbi Marc Kline***

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My term as President of the Temple Ohev Sholom Board of Trustees started on July 1, 2022. As I write this message for publication in the February Bulletin, I will have been in this position for a little over 6 months. One of the key lessons learned from the past few months is that there are two related pillars by which the entire Board of Trustees needs to operate: communication and transparency. The 2022-2023 Trustees have been operating with these pillars in mind over the past few months, recognizing that there have been quite a few hurdles to overcome. I am generally a “glass half full” person, so I am going to go over the more challenging aspects of temple leadership that the board has faced, and then “get to the good stuff.” Because there is plenty of good.



The obvious challenges have been the loss of members and the financial challenges associated with those losses. As generous as the current membership was with the Kol Nidre appeal, we did not meet the levels for which we budgeted. There simply is not enough money to do all the things we want to do now, and we have to really think hard about how we move into the future. Jews seek many different things from temple life. For some it is services, for some it is social action, for some it is friendship and camaraderie and companionship. We say we are all inclusive, but how do we demonstrate that to those not included? We say we are community minded, but how do we show that unless we get involved in the greater community? Who are we? These are the questions with which the board wrestles.

But these challenges have not deterred the Trustees from envisioning a new era for the congregation, one filled with inspired staff, committed trustees and congregants, and terrific programming, which we do have. Read through all of the reports submitted by my fellow trustees and you should agree that we are headed in the right direction. Let me start with the inspired staff. Our interim rabbi, Marc Kline, has made quite a mark on the community and has engaged us in a new strategic planning and visioning effort. He is active in the community and sought out as a speaker in the Central Pennsylvania area. He has listened to our members both current and former, and he has heard them. He is committed to ensuring that Temple Ohev Sholom is known for its Tikkun Olam and Tzedakah (Justice). Jon Snaveley has done a fabulous job in keeping the building functioning for all that is happening: meetings, programs, religious school and services. Conrad Smith has really stepped up to make music an integral focus of temple life. His musical direction has greatly enhanced services, and at his suggestion, we now have a cadre of members who share their voices with us on a regular basis. Sally Jo Bronner has brought energy and excitement to the religious school, which is thriving.

We have committed congregants and energized trustees. For one, take a look at the enhanced newsletter that is in your hands, the fabulous programming offered for youth, the social action events that we are sponsoring (check out the flyer for “Laugh out Hate,” a night of comedy at the Federal Tap House on February 23, 2023). Our job as trustees is to help you connect to Judaism, to the community, and be proud that you are a member of the Temple Ohev Sholom family. We need you. This is your synagogue; this is your community. We are your home for reform Judaism.

*Audrey Miner*

# BOARD LETTER TO CONGREGATION

Dear Congregant,

One of the action items that stemmed from the congregational meetings that were conducted last year was a review and update of the Temple's Constitution and Bylaws.

Our task began with looking specifically at the clause that describes about how we offer contracts to our clergy. Very quickly, it became apparent that for our Constitution and Bylaws to be an operating guide for our Temple changing one section would not have the impact of improving how we function as a congregation. Originally, we had committed to completing the revision within six months, but that is not going to be enough time. We need to complete our strategic planning process as a congregation first to ensure we have a living governing document that reflects that plan.

Working with Rabbi Marc, we are embarking on setting a vision for what our congregation will look like in the next few years and for years to come. We will be asking you for input — through focus groups, surveys and meaningful conversations. And we will be working to improve how our board functions to serve the congregation.

This is a process that will take time and include all of us to ensure we have a Temple Ohev Sholom that reflects our congregation.

Revising our Constitution and Bylaws is our priority, but it's important to get it right. With your help, and your patience, we will complete this task and produce a valuable and meaningful tool for our congregation.

Thank you for your understanding as we work through these revisions and your participation in the process. If you have questions, please contact our Constitution and Bylaws Committee Chair April Hutcheson at [aprilhutcheson@ohavsholom.org](mailto:aprilhutcheson@ohavsholom.org).

*Thank you,  
Temple Ohev Sholom Board of Directors*

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## **Caring Community Update by Irith Harpster, Caring Community Chair**

The Caring Community was active in December distributing holiday gift packages to 12 Temple Ohev Sholom seniors who were either homebound or living in senior living facilities. Thank you to Gail Riegler, Shelly Adler, Dianne Stolberg and Rabbi Marc for taking the time to deliver the gift bags containing Hannukah cookies, gelt, chocolate kisses, candy and dreidels. Items for the bags were purchased by Irith Harpster using funds from the Harpster Tikkun Olam Fund.

## **Jewish Family Service Food Pantry**

The food pantry at Jewish Family Service is running low on the following items should you wish to donate: Tuna, canned fruit, ketchup and mustard, spaghetti, canned potatoes, peanut butter and jelly. If you wish to donate these items or wish to have further information you can call 717-233-1681. Visit their website at: <https://jfsfobg.org>

# STATE OF RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

***BY SALLY JO BRONNER, RELIGIOUS SCHOOL DIRECTOR***

I write this report to you at the 6th month mark of my tenure as Religious School Director. I am happy to say that the Religious School is both thriving and in need of some change. First, the good stuff. We currently have 46 students, 8 of whom are new students. We have combined our K/1 class which is taught by Cara Grossfeld. Iris Klinepeter returned to Religious School and is expertly guiding our 2nd graders on their Jewish education path. Deb Davidheiser is a professional educator with two children in Religious School, and she teaches 3rd grade. Similarly, Julie Goddard, professional educator, mother of two in Religious School, teaches the 4/5th grade class. Ann Rosenberg, long time Ohev teacher and Keshet Israel member, does an excellent job teaching 6th grade. One newcomer to Ohev's Religious School is Jennie Baar, teaching 7th grade, and mother to two Religious School students. Both Cara and Jennie have upcoming Be Mitzvah's in their families and we are very excited for them! Sawyer Mitchell was Bar Mitzvahed early in the year, and we have 8 more approaching soon: Jordyn White, 2/18/23, Noah Cohen 2/25/23, Cricket Baar 3/4/23, Chloe Hjelm 3/18/23, Jonah Turk-Geller 6/3/23, Eli Brown 6/23/23, Sydney Kawasaki 9/9/23 and Addy Rosenberg on 9/20/23. As their director, and Be Mitzvah tutor, I have a first-row seat to their growth as young Jewish adults, an experience that I cherish.

Like last year, our students receive a half hour weekly ZOOM lesson in Hebrew. The ability to read Hebrew provides our students with the skills they need to participate in Jewish prayer anywhere in the world. Additionally, Religious School is blessed with Jamie Friedman, mother of two Religious School students, who is baking her way through the year with us. Sarah Kawasaki, mother of two Religious School students, devotes her time and voice to Religious School as well. Sisterhood provides treats to our students for holidays. Mia Rosenberg, parent of two in Religious School, and Doreen Evrard, long time teacher and tutor, have volunteered to help with Pot Luck dinners. Erika Saunders, Rob Teplitz and Ari Nepon have provided steady guidance to me - Erika is the chair of the committee, Rob and Ari are members of the committee - and we are thrilled to welcome parents Jonathan Hjelm and Mia Rosenberg who have recently joined them. Without this team of dedicated folks, Religious School would not be the wonderful place that it is currently. Along with Rabbi Marc, we look forward to growing and thriving.

I have recently refreshed the "How to Be Mitzvah at Ohev" booklet. I also am sharing a template for the Shabbat handout with families so that they can personalize it for their family. Rabbi Marc also meets with the Be Mitzvah students,

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helping them understand their readings and craft a “dvar torah” which they will share with the congregation. Rabbi Marc has introduced a youth-oriented siddur to the congregation, which will be used for Be Mitzvahs and Family Shabbats. Denyse Miskin and Ari Nepon are currently handling the ceremony’s administrative pieces, and I also thank them.

Thus far, Religious School students have participated in many programs including a consecration potluck and Pizza in the Hut during Sukkot. The 7th grade family service coincided with Simchat Torah, and we all enjoyed unrolling the Torah around the sanctuary, followed by a potluck dinner. The 4th, 5th and 6th grades hosted a family shabbat together and were happily joined by accompaniment from the newly formed Ohev choir. The 7th and 8th grade students from Gesher, Ohev Sholom and The Silver Academy are once again participating in Shamor V’Zachor, a community wide program during which our students learn about Shabbat and the Holocaust. This major community project includes participation in a joint Shabbaton and a visit to the United States Holocaust Museum in Washington DC on Sunday March 19, 2023. Additionally, all students will also participate in the Schwab Essay Contest due March 2023 and The Reading of the Names ceremony on April 17th at Ohev Sholom.

During the pandemic, Jason Graf helped the congregation pivot to online learning by introducing Shalom Learning. Now that this program has been in use for a year and a half, we are ready to assess the benefits and weaknesses of online learning and discuss how best to move the Religious School forward. I invite all members of the congregation, particularly those with young children, to join these upcoming discussions.

We have welcomed the return of communal festivities with Friday night potluck dinners. Participation and enthusiasm were high at both events. However, to sustain this momentum, we will need to identify and engage more parents who will spearhead future events that will build and strengthen our community. Feel free to contact me and let me know how you want to join us.

***Sally Jo Bronner can be reached at [school@ohavsholom.org](mailto:school@ohavsholom.org).***

# TEMPLE OHEV SHOLOM TRANSITION TEAM

The role of the Transition Team is reflected in Pirkei Avot 2:21, Sayings of the Fathers: “Lo alecha ham'lacha ligmor.” Our job is not to complete all the tasks, but neither are we free to desist from it either. When our congregation experienced a change in rabbinic leadership, the Temple leadership took the next step to address the human processing of this change and the reorienting from one reality to another.

A transition team comprised of Shelley Adler, Irith Harpster, April Hutcheson, Reyna Jose, Jeanette Krebs, Steve Miskin and Bekah Saidman-Krauss was appointed to guide this initial process. In consultation with Rabbi Marc Kline, the team organized a variety of “Meet and Mingle” gatherings. These gatherings were a vehicle to create community in conversation.

Some of the themes that emerged from the conversations included:

Reinvigorating the religious school and enhancing the preparation for Be Mitzvot (Gender neutral B’Nai Mitzvot service). In times past, the Be Mitzvah students led more of the service and some congregants have expressed a desire to return to that level of literacy. Corollary to this was a desire for families to have more options to personalize the Be Mitvah service rather than having a standard service.

A desire for the Temple to be more involved in social justice endeavors.

Meaningful communication between the synagogue leadership and the congregation is an imperative.

Restore trust between Temple leadership and members of the congregation where trust had been lost.

A desire for clergy to be more involved with the children in the congregation.

Our mission needs to be articulated to the congregation.

A positive consensus emerged at the gatherings that took place after the High Holidays about opening our doors for a ticketless Yom Kippur.

A desire for more adult learning opportunities.

# Temple Ohev Sholom Financial Picture by Denyse Miskin, Treasurer

As of this writing, the Temple is 212 members strong. Financially, the board is currently operating within the current 2022-2023 approved budget. The Temple continues to receive contributions/donations from a variety of sources in both large and small amounts. With regards to Ohev's investments, the board voted to strengthen its existing relationship with the Jewish Community Foundation of Central Pennsylvania and to leverage their investing guidance and management expertise for the Temple's funds.

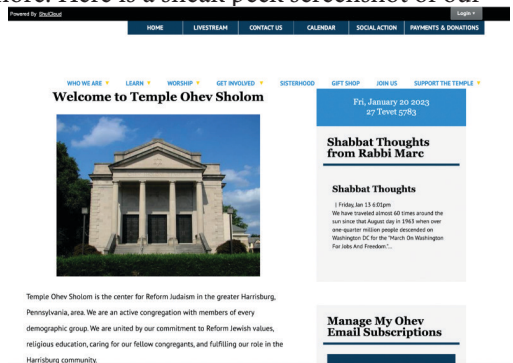
## State of Information Technology by Ari Nepon, Vice President and IT Committee Chair

Temple Ohev Sholom 2.0 is well underway! In the last 6 months, much of the underlying IT infrastructure for Ohev has gone through a revitalization.

To start, our website, <https://ohEVsholom.org> has already been enhanced to showcase the many events and activities at Ohev with photos galore! Our website's Upcoming Events and Calendar sections are now chocked full of the goings on at the Temple. But that only achieved Website 1.5.

Website 2.0 is just around the corner and will bring a member portal, simplified payments and donations that can also be automated, subscription to emails for your areas of interest, simplified "sign in with Google", and much more. Here is a sneak peek screenshot of our Website 2.0 in development.

Behind the scenes, our Temple depends on customized software built for Temples. For years, that software has been Chaverware. In 2022, Chaverware reached its software "end-of-life", and the provider would no longer support it starting in 2023. Over the last quarter, our Temple Team has migrated entirely off of Chaverware to our new platform, Shul Cloud. This new software is tightly integrated with our Temple 2.0 website and will support a much more robust and personalized experience for our membership.



Most recently, the IT Committee assessed our IT costs and identified multiple opportunities to reduce cost, while increasing functionality. By registering with Microsoft's non-profit program, our costs for Microsoft's operating systems and Office software were eliminated. In January, Temple Ohev eliminated additional IT costs by moving to a Google Workspace backed operations platform. By availing ourselves of Google's free non-profit program, Ohev Sholom staff, committees and leadership now have access to a managed and integrated Google Workspace which includes @ohEVsholom.org email accounts, personal & shared cloud drives, personal and shared calendars, Google Meet accounts (to replace costly Zoom), Google Docs, Sheets, Chat, and so much more. Additionally, through Google's non-profit program, Ohev Sholom is now able to run substantial free Google Ads campaigns. These ads are already live and are increasing our online traffic and presence.

Many of these services are still very new and being integrated into our everyday IT workings at Ohev Sholom. The IT Committee would love to hear from folks who are interested in these initiatives or about additional IT topics. Contact the committee at [itcommittee@ohEVsholom.org](mailto:itcommittee@ohEVsholom.org).

## **State of Ohev Facilities by Aaron Krause, Past President, and House Chair**

So far winter has been kind to us. The weather has been cold, yes, but no big issues have surfaced. At the end of March/April we will have roofing work begin to replace shingles and other minor fixes. One priority that has crept up is the replacement of our sound system in the sanctuary and chapel. We have been barely getting by for the last few months on the existing 25-year-old system. For safety reasons, all the emergency exit lighting in the building and at Mt. Moriah will be replaced. We have purchased new updated units and Jon Snavey will replace them. When the warmer weather becomes more consistent, we will look to spruce up our curb appeal once again on the outside which will include power washing, landscaping, etc. Of course, there is always something to do from a maintenance standpoint at the Temple.

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### **Laugh Out Hate Event**

Temple Ohev Sholom members and members of the Harrisburg community have the unique opportunity to go see a rising star in comedy who will take the stage on Feb. 23 in Harrisburg with two local comedians at a charity fundraiser to Laugh Out Hate.

The event is Feb. 23 at the Federal Taphouse in downtown Harrisburg. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. A General Admission ticket is \$18. A \$36 ticket includes admission plus two drink vouchers. In addition to buying tickets, Temple Ohev Sholom members can help support the event in two different sponsorships packages of \$180 or \$360.

The event, Laugh Out Hate, is supported by Temple Ohev Sholom and the Cole Foundation to bring together the Jewish, LGBTQ, and communities of color of Harrisburg in solidarity against hate and growing acts of intolerance in the United States. The event will benefit Temple Ohev Sholom and Capital Rebirth, the premier community organization in Harrisburg working to improve lives of children in the city.

Ariel Elias – who grabbed national attention for her savvy and grace when she chugged down a beer that had been chucked at her by an angry heckler – will travel from New York City in the midst of a tour dates around the country to headline the event. She'll share the stage with one of Harrisburg's best-known comedians, Matt Moyer, and promising young local comedian Eve Emery, as they each take a turn in this season's best stand-up comedy event in central Pennsylvania.

For information and tickets: [www.ohevsholom.org](http://www.ohevsholom.org) or 717-233-6459.



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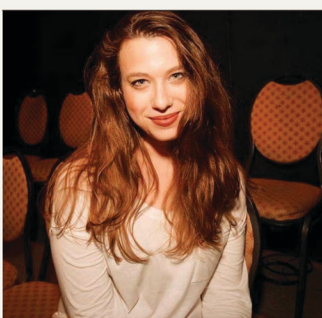
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# Laugh Out Hate

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Eve Emery



Ariel Elias  
as seen on Jimmy Kimmel



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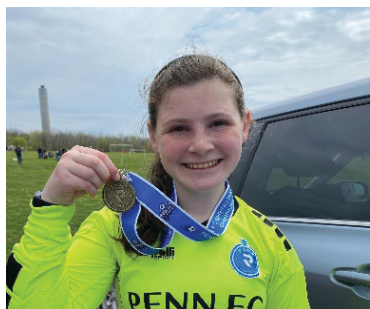
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A portion of the proceeds will benefit Capital Rebirth



# BAT MITZVAH: JORDYN TAYLOR WHITE



Hi Temple Ohev Sholom. My name is Jordyn Taylor White, and I am becoming a Bat Mitzvah on February 18th. I am currently a 7th Grader at Lower Dauphin Middle School and play soccer in my spare time. I play for PennFC 09 Girls as a Goalie and have been playing for close to 9 years. Hopefully, in the spring I will play for the Lower Dauphin Middle School team. Besides soccer, I enjoy reading, Legos, and all things Harry Potter, Big Bang Theory, and Friends. Someday, I hope to work for NASA or become a Marine Biologist. My Torah portion is Parashat Mishpatim. This portion discusses the ordinances, meaning the

rules that pertain to worship, slavery, and injuries. To be honest, I don't really have a personal connection to this parsha, other than my own personal worship. I would like to take a moment to thank some people who have helped me get here. Thank you to my parents, Cara Grossfeld and Jeremie White, for always encouraging me to keep going and to my 5 siblings for always being there. Thank you to my Religious School Teachers, current and past, for helping me learn and understand. And thank you to Sally Jo and Rabbi Klein for getting me prepared for my Bat Mitzvah.

## BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: DENYSE MISKIN

Growing up in a small, rural town in northwestern Pennsylvania, Denyse Miskin followed an accounting position in York, to move to Harrisburg in 1989. Married to her husband Stephen in 1996, the couple subsequently adopted three children, Ben, Max and Hannah, and settled on the West Shore. They joined the Temple Ohev Sholom family around 2002 and have been involved ever since. Denyse started volunteering with the Sisterhood Hanukkah dinner, then eventually became Sisterhood president, and now serves as a temple board member. As her career has been mostly in the financial realm, Denyse is currently the Board Treasurer and serves on the Finance and Investment Committees. Denyse loves spending time with family and friends and enjoys reading, hiking, and especially making jewelry.



# SISTERHOOD REPORT

It's hard to believe it is already February! Our year is off to a busy start, and we are so happy many of you could join us last month for our program with women from the nearby Hadee Mosque. A special thank you to Shelley Adler for coordinating with Hadee Mosque and to Steve and Shira Ettinger who sponsored the program. It was wonderful.

Please put our next Soup and Study on your calendar. It is scheduled for Friday, March 3, and will take place right after the 6 p.m. service that night. If you are interested in attending, please email Linda Grobman at [lindagrobman@gmail.com](mailto:lindagrobman@gmail.com).

We also are planning for our annual Sisterhood Shabbat on Friday, March 17. We would love to have many participants! If you would like to be part of the program, please email Reyna Jose at [rmjose32@comcast.net](mailto:rmjose32@comcast.net).

And just a reminder that we have a fabulous donor event planned for Thursday, April 27, so mark your calendar. Look for a letter in the mail and more details in the next Ohev newsletter.

If you are not a member of Sisterhood, we would love to see you join. We have many activities you can be a part of and enjoy. What's even better is that our programs and services benefit the temple in many ways.

Thanks so much to everyone at Ohev for your support. If you have any questions or comments, please call or text us, Reyna at 717 379-0674 and Jeanette at 717 418-6106.

***All the Best,  
Reyna Jose and Jeanette Krebs, Co-Sisterhood presidents***



## TOT SHABBAT

Tot Shabbat is held the first Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. in the Lehrman Chapel. The next one will be held on February 4th. All are welcome. Won't you join us in the fun?

***"The moms hold history, but their children hold the future."***

# SISTERHOOD TRIBUTES

## Did you know that:

- Sisterhood and the USPS can provide a greeting card to anyone you'd like, not only Temple members.
- Are an appreciated donation to Temple Ohev Sholom Sisterhood.
- Can be for any occasion: birthdays, anniversaries, births, deaths, encouragements, get well wishes, congratulations, thinking of you, "you're the best" greetings.

## You can choose from several Fund Designations:

- Tribute Fund – donations are used to fund Sisterhood programs and defray costs, and to provide support to the Temple.
- Doris Zaritzky Fund – donations benefit youth and religious school activities.
- Margaret Friedman Emergency Aid Fund – donations are used to sustain the committee that prepares and serves meals following funerals for a bereaved family.

Contact Sisterhood Board Member Kim Poolman at poolmankb@gmail.com or 717-580-5667 and mail a check for \$5.00 made out to T.O.S.S to 1304 Georgetown Circle, Carlisle, PA 17013

Additionally, you can honor a person or a special occasion by donating to the Sisterhood Flower Fund which provides flowers for services in the sanctuary. To do so, contact Sisterhood Board Member Fran Casher at 717-238-3141.

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To request a Tribute, please contact Sisterhood Board Member, Kim Poolman at poolmankb@gmail.com or call 717-580-5667. Or, for your convenience, complete and mail this form with your check for \$5.00 made out to TOSS to: Kim Poolman, 1304 Georgetown Circle, Carlisle, PA 17013

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## **Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Memorial Day) to be commemorated with the “Reading of Names” program to be held at Temple Ohev Sholom**

On Monday evening, April 17, 2023 at 7:30 pm, Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Memorial Day) will be commemorated with the “Reading of Names” program to be held at Temple Ohev Sholom. We hope that you and your family will be able to attend this special opening service and stay for a portion of the Reading of Names program.

In an effort to pass the torch of remembrance to the next generation, students from congregational Religious Schools and the Silver Academy will participate in the opening ceremony. They will also read names with their parents immediately following the opening ceremony.


The Reading of Names is a vigil in which the names of those who perished during the Holocaust are read continuously over a period of 24 hours. “Unto Every Person There is a Name” seeks to dignify the memories of victims of the Shoah (the Nazi Holocaust) by reading their names aloud. These victims were stripped of their names by their oppressors and tattooed with numbers. Through the public reading of the names of Holocaust victims, this program strives to restore a portion of their humanity and to retrieve them from the lost depths of anonymity.

Temple Ohev Sholom’s time slots for reading are Tuesday, April 18 from 3:00 am-4:30 am and from 1:30-3:30 pm. For more information or if you would like to sign up for reading, please contact our congregational representatives, Gloria Kaplan for the middle of the night slots (via ZOOM) at [grady19321@aol.com](mailto:grady19321@aol.com) or Judy Heckert for the afternoon slots (in person) at [judith678@verizon.net](mailto:judith678@verizon.net). You may also contact Jenna Rappaport at the Jewish Community Center at 236-9555, ext.3402 ([j.rappaport@jewishfedhbg.org](mailto:j.rappaport@jewishfedhbg.org)).

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## **Temple Ohev Sholom Needs Your Time and Love**

As you know, Michelle Darr, the Temple office administrator recently left for alternative employment. Temple leadership is working on a new position description and will soon begin a search for a new administrator. In the meantime, a few members of the congregation have been volunteering their time whenever possible to staff the Temple office, answering the phone and handling administrative tasks. There will be specific tasks that will require care and attention. If you have time, and you are willing/able to help out in the office, the Temple needs you! Please contact Rabbi Marc if you are interested and available. Please do not contact him via the Temple office. Please contact him via his cell at (732) 575-2088 or via email at [rabbimarc@ohavsholom.org](mailto:rabbimarc@ohavsholom.org).



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# RECIPE CORNER

Sweet Noodle Kugel by Debby Rudy:

Ingredients:

- 1 stick butter (divided)
- 1 lb. large curd cottage cheese
- 6 eggs
- 1 cup sugar
- 8 oz. sour cream
- 1-2 tsp. vanilla
- 3 cups very fine egg noodles (measured dry)
- Topping – mix in a zip lock bag crushed corn flakes cereal + cinnamon + butter (melted)

Recipe:

- Boil noodles and drain
- Cream ½ the butter, sugar and cottage cheese thoroughly
- Add in the eggs, sour cream and vanilla and beat well
- Add in ½ the butter melted to the noodles
- Combine the noodles with the mixture and stir well
- Pour into a 9 x 12 pan
- Bake in preheated 350 degree oven for 20 minutes
- Remove from oven and add the cornflake topping
- Return to 350 degree oven and bake for another hour

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# FEBRUARY CALENDAR

**February 3 - Shabbat Services, 6pm**

**February 4 - Tot Shabbat, 10am**

**February 5 - Kugel Making w/ Sisterhood, All Day  
Religious School - 9:30am**

**February 9 - BOT Meeting, 7pm**

**February 10 - 3rd Grade Family Shabbat Service, 6pm**

**February 12 - Religious School, 9:30am  
Sisterhood Board Meeting, 9:45am**

**February 17 - Shabbat Services, 6pm**

**February 19 - No Religious School**

**February 23 - Laugh Out Hate Comedy Night, 6:30pm**

# TEEN CLASSES WITH RABBI MARC

*(All classes begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Lehrman Chapel)*

February 5 - All Teens - Tu B'shvat - The Single Most Important Of All Jewish Holidays And Why It Is Crucial For America To Learn And Celebrate - American, Jewish, And American Jewish Holidays - They Are Not For Children - Part 3

February 19- All Teens - Purim - Who Really Is The Enemy Of The Story And Why Does The Messiah Depend On This Story?

March 12 - All Teens - Can I Pitch On Yom Kippur- Jewish Sports Heros, Comedians, And Important People - Also Known As "Why Do People Love Jewish Lawyers?"

March 26 - 10th Grade - Preparing For Confirmation

April 2- All Teens 10-11:30 & 10Th Grade 10:00 Until 12:30 - The Holocaust And America -Anti-Semitism, Ignorance, And How Not To Be Part Of The Problem. Then, Preparing For Confirmation

April 23 - All Teens - Why Israel Matters - Yes, It Is Half-Way Around The World & Why We Need To Be Concerned-

May 14 -10th - All Teens-Final For TOS Teens-2023 -Wrap Up

May 21 - 10th - Grade Preparing For Confirmation

May 26 - Confirmation And Shavuot

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