

Temple Adath Israel Bulletin

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FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY



David
Wirtschafter

Publicizing a miracle: Celebrating Hanukkah with pride and joy

Publicity campaigns are not a modern invention. The challenge of spreading the word has been with us for centuries. The rabbis of ancient times taught that it is not enough to light the hanukiah (the Hanukkah lamp/menorah) just anywhere in our homes. Rather, they ask us to place it in the window, where passersby can see it. Our sages call this *persume' nisa*, publicizing a miracle.

In the case of Hanukkah, this means celebrating a victory for religious freedom.

In a contemporary context of recent hate crimes against Jews, African-Americans, Muslims, Hispanics and members of the LGBTQ community, it means having the pride and confidence not to allow violence and vitriol to drive constitutionally guaranteed public rights — freedom of religion, speech and assembly — into private spaces where they can't

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Left: The decades-old jade plants had become top-heavy and root-bound.

Right: After trimming and repotting, the plants are healthier and face a brighter future.

After some TLC, decades-old jade plants get new lease on life

After at least 40 years at Temple Adath Israel, the massive jade plants in the office hallway were in desperate need of attention if they were to live decades longer.

The potted plants were sent to Michler's, where the plants were removed from their pots and trimmed; their roots were cleaned and treated. Claudia Michler divided the two plants into four and put them in clay pots with bamboo supports. She also made cuttings from the plants,

which are potted and included in gift bags to new TAI members.

Now, after several months of R&R at Michler's, the plants are back in the hallway, smaller but far healthier.

According to temple lore, the jade plants were brought to TAI in the 1960s or '70s by congregant Edie Frankel. Edie, who died one day after her 100th birthday in 2007, was a mainstay at Temple for years. She was involved in Sisterhood, building

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



**Deborah
Nelson**

The strength of our community never more apparent

Recent tragedies seared our land, from Pittsburgh to California, shaking us as Americans and reminding us, most personally, that anti-Semitism knows no national boundaries. In these times, I am especially grateful for our Rabbi and Temple community, and am reminded, again, how important the Temple is to our lives as Jews in the Bluegrass. How else to show our children, and experience ourselves, the collective strength of our Jewish community?

In the week after the Pittsburgh tragedy, we were not alone. Condolences and messages of support poured into the Temple. Nearly 1,000 of our friends and neighbors crowded into an auditorium (where the vigil was moved to accommodate the outpouring of support), as civil and religious leaders stood shoulder to shoulder with our Jewish leaders to decry the anti-Semitism and racism that led to the Pittsburgh and Louisville tragedies and to affirm the rights of all people in our nation. My children watched as the chief of police, the mayor and the superintendent of schools spoke with one clear voice: We will walk the right path and we will walk it together.

Make no mistake: this event and this organized outpouring of support simply would not have occurred in the absence of strong Jewish institutional life in Lexington. It built on existing relationships among the broader Lexington community, our rabbis and our Jewish institutions. Through all of our Jewish institutions, we have made our presence known and familiar by

helping to feed the hungry, house the refugee, stand up for the rights of others, welcome the stranger, educate, and join in interfaith expressions of tolerance and unity. At Temple Adath Israel, we take special pride in Rabbi Wirtschafter, continuing in the tradition of Temple rabbis, to stand tall for Jewish values and be the face of Reform Judaism in the Bluegrass.

Also in response to the Pittsburgh tragedy, we have taken additional steps to make the Temple more secure. You will continue to see a police presence in the parking lot on Shabbat and at religious school, and ushers will greet all who enter the building, which is secured and monitored with additional cameras. In the midst of these precautions, I hope we draw our greatest sense of security from the support we give one another as we struggle — each in our own ways — to walk the right path and do what we think is right in honoring our Jewish values.

To assist those who are continuing to reach out and help our Lexington community, here is a sampling of opportunities this month:

- God's Pantry food sorting, Dec. 18 (future bat mitzvah Amanda Palley, appalley789@gmail.com)
- Catholic Action Center Dinner: food prep, Dec. 23 (Mary Engel,

kyengels727@gmail.com); serve dinner, Dec. 25 (Rich Ornstein; rjornstein@gmail.com)

- Meals on Wheels food delivery, Dec. 25 (Austin Cantor, ahcantor64@gmail.com)

On behalf of the Temple board, I thank you, again, for your membership at TAI. Please remember that it sustains Jewish life far beyond what we experience as individuals. For those who are able, please also remember the Temple in your end-of-year giving; look for a mailing this month showing that much of our annual revenue relies on these contributions. This is especially true this year; the police presence we have been providing on Shabbat and at religious school comes with a cost, beyond what was budgeted for this fiscal year.

Wishing you a season of fierce, Maccabean faith.



Photos by Alex Slitz | Lexington Herald-Leader

TAI President Deborah Nelson lit one of the 13 memorial candles for victims of the Pittsburgh and Louisville shootings at a community vigil on Oct. 31.



Vigil attendees included Wayne Graff, left, Rabbi Sharon Cohen, Sylvia Cerel-Suhl and Jerry Cerel.

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improvements and the kitchen. She was described as gracious and kind, and extended a hand without a second thought.

She and her husband, Jimmy, founded what is now the Lexington Hearing & Speech Center in 1960. (Jimmy was deaf, and Edie had hearing loss.) The Lexington Deaf Oral School was housed at TAI for nine years before moving up the street to a house at 158 North Ashland Avenue. Over the years the center



Edie Frankel

expanded to include the houses on either side of the original building, spaces now occupied by the Children's Advocacy Center of the Bluegrass and Rose Law Offices. In 2011, in need of more space, LHCS moved to the former Julia R. Ewan Elementary School on Henry Clay Boulevard.

In addition to her community involvement, Edie lovingly cared for the jade plants for many years, until others took on the job.

Since the beginning of Temple Adath Israel in 1904, each succeeding generation has depended on the dedication and caring efforts of the last, as the jade plants show. People like Edie have made it possible for the temple to continue to exist to welcome those searching for a community that honors the dignity we all share as

Do Not Water

Lowell Nigoff, who currently oversees the jade plants, has asked that no one water the plants. There is a sign to that effect in one of the pots.

children of God by embracing enduring Jewish values including worship, Torah study and social justice.

It is the hope that through membership and participation, we will make an impact on our present, and Temple Adath Israel will be there for future generations of Jews looking for a spiritual home.

Lowell Nigoff, co-chair of the Membership Committee, contributed greatly to this article.

Torah scribe's Jan. 6 visit will include programs, scroll assessment

Sofer Neil Yerman will be visiting Temple Adath Israel on Sunday, Jan. 6. As a sofer/scribe, he is a master of Hebrew calligraphy, document restoration, and the many rules and traditions governing the writing and restoring of a Torah.

During his visit he will be sharing the joy of Torah along with Torah fun facts with our Religious School students (The Torah Detective Training Academy) and presenting

an adult education program (Torah Concealed, Torah Revealed). He also will be providing an assessment of the work needed to restore our Holocaust Memorial Torah Scroll.

Look for more details in upcoming emails.



Neil Yerman



FROM BROTHERHOOD

Nick Fain, President

Greetings from the TAI Brotherhood! Hope this finds you and your family well. We'd like to thank everyone

who stopped by and visited with us during the "Coffee & Bagels" event in November. It was great to meet new members and catch up with old friends. We received a lot of great input regarding ideas for service and activities that the Brotherhood can organize and participate in.

Coming up, we are looking forward to helping make latkes for the Hanukkah Carnival this December. Also, we are currently working on two unique programs for early 2019. Please watch this space for more information.

If you are interested in participating in the Brotherhood, please contact Nick Fain at taibrotherhood@gmail.com.



Sisterhood Lunch & Learn

Noon Thursday, Dec. 13
Talk by Rabbi Wirtschafter at 12:30

Soup, salad, bread, dessert
\$10 per person

RSVP by Monday, Dec. 10;
call TAI office at 269-2979



FROM TAI PRESCHOOL

**Katherine Henry,
Director**

Celebrating Hanukkah is always fun for the Preschool. We sing many Hanukkah songs, make special crafts for our parents, play games, and during our party we eat doughnut holes, potato latkes and applesauce. Before winter break we talk about winter fun and all the things we can do with our families while we are away on break. When we come back to school in January we are ready to learn many new things in 2019!

We will start registering for the 2019-20 school year in January. If you know anyone with children ages 18 months to 4 years old, please tell them about us. I always enjoy talking to perspective families and meeting their little ones. I am happy to answer any questions about our program and give tours of the school.



Genevieve Vogel song and her classmates in the preschool's 4-year-old/Pre-K class dressed up for their Thanksgiving celebration.



FROM THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

**Kristen Hoffman
and Jori Sussman,
Co-Directors**

It's hard to believe that it is December already! In November, we enjoyed joint programming with Ohavay Zion Synagogue at Global Day of Jewish Learning and celebrated our youngest Religious School members at Consecration. It was wonderful to see so many TAI families gather to welcome all of our new students as they begin their journey in formal Jewish education. Thank you to all of the families who helped make the evening an unforgettable one.

On Sundays, our students have been working hard on their Hebrew and Jewish Values curriculum and enjoying their enrichment rotations with Music & Movement, Art & Garden, and Library. We also have been meeting monthly for an all-school assembly, where each grade is responsible for leading a portion of the service. On the community-service front, we are proud that our students collected enough non-perishable goods to fill seven Thanksgiving baskets for families in need at Ashland Elementary School this year and that they are continuing to reflect on their annual classroom Tzedakah projects.

The Social Action Committee is hosting a Hanukkah Carnival on Sunday, Dec. 2, after Religious School, and TAI Brotherhood is making latkes for the event. Our December Tot Shabbat and Family Service is on Friday, Dec. 7. The schedule will be as follows: Tot Shabbat (geared toward children up to 6 years old) will begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 6, and the Family Service (geared toward families with children in elementary school) at 7 in the sanctuary. Please RSVP to Kristen Hoffman at kristen@lextai.org for Tot Shabbat or Family Service.

After winter break, our next Tot Shabbat and Family Services will be Friday, Jan. 25, following the same schedule.

Thank you for your continued support. Please contact Kristen Hoffman (773-425-2005 or kristen@lextai.org) or Jori Sussman (jori@lextai.org) if you have any questions about Religious School.

Friday, Dec. 7 and Jan. 25



Tot Shabbat at 5:45 p.m.

Dinner at 6

Family Service at 7

For dinner, please RSVP to the Temple office (269-2979 or laura@lextai.org)



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be so easily compromised. To appropriate the LGBTQ term, it means living with PRIDE, even when pride is a scary way to live. Pride is the underpinning of *perumei nisa*, publicizing a miracle.

We will not allow fear to become the No. 1 emotion associated with being Jewish. The presence of patrol cars and the installation of more security cameras should not be the only outward displays we make available. The hanukkah is lit not only for those inside a Jewish setting but for those on the outside. The Maccabees did not allow fear of oppression to result in the abandonment of their faith, and neither will we. It is with pride and joy that we will broadcast the miracle of our survival, and refusal to be driven into hiding, from our windows and front porches, from our Facebook pages and Instagram accounts.

We take the responsibility of security seriously, but we will not permit concern for our safety to compromise the essence of our identity. We ask you to partner with us in making sure that the measures we have taken for our protection do not define how we relate to one another or undermine the quality of our interactions.

The most important thing we can do to protect our congregation and sustain the Jewish people is to keep



adding to the happy memories and meaningful experiences we create at home and here at Temple. So please, get some sufganiyot (jelly doughnuts,) make some Kentucky fried extra crispy latkes, buy a few extra bags of gelt (chocolate “coins”) and learn how to spin a dreidel upside down with your non-dominant hand while standing on one foot and singing Ma-Otzer (“Rock of Ages”). Sometimes, the greatest act of resistance to bullies, big and small, is to live our lives with happiness and courage. To remind them that we, not they, define who we are, what we do and how we feel.

The best publicity campaign we can create is to fill our homes and congregations with pride and joy.

Happy Hanukkah!

Tzeason of Tzedakah Volunteer Opportunities

Tzeason of Tzedakah is the Lexington Jewish community’s way of giving back to the broader community during the holiday season. This year, Tzeason of Tzedakah is being organized by organizations within the Jewish community that are sponsoring projects throughout Lexington. Here is a list of currently scheduled events. For updates and more details, check out the Community Calendar at Jewishlexington.org or contact the event organizers directly.



help cover cost of providing sandwiches/lunch bags for 150 people. Contact Shirley Bryan at emailmymother@gmail.com.

Dec. 23

Catholic Action Center Christmas Dinner prep

10 a.m. Advance cooking and baking at Temple Adath Israel for Dec. 25 meal for 150. Shifts of 1 to 3 hours available. Sponsored by TAI. Knowing whether we have enough help is essential, so please RSVP by Dec. 20 rather than just showing up. Contact Mary Engel at kyengels727@gmail.com

Dec. 25

Serving Christmas Dinner at Catholic Action Center

4:30 p.m., 1055 Industry Road. Set up and serve 5 p.m. dinner for 150. Sponsored by TAI. Knowing in advance whether we have enough help is essential, so please RSVP by Dec. 20. Contact Rich Ornstein at rjornstein@gmail.com

Dec. 25

Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Bluegrass dinner

7 p.m. at Ronald McDonald House, 1300 Sports Center Dr. Sponsored by Lexington Chapter of Hadassah. Contact Lisa Satin at las.satin@gmail.com

Dec. 1, 23

Mary Todd Lincoln Elementary School Backpacking Event

6 p.m. Dec. 1, 3 p.m. Dec. 23. Sponsored by Ohavay Zion Synagogue. Contact Brian Derer at brian.derer@twc.com.

Dec. 2

HopeMobile sandwich making

10:30 a.m. at OZS. Sponsored by OZS. Donations needed to

Dec. 4

PJ Library Hanukkah Celebration

Join PJ Library at 5:30 p.m. at Joseph-Beth Booksellers for a story, mitzvah station, crafts and candlelighting. RSVP by Dec. 2 to jori@jewishlexington.org.

Dec. 6, 13

Torah Talk with Rabbi Sharon Cohen

High-level, discussion-based adult education class studying pivotal moments in Jewish history that provide a framework for exploring important topics such as Jewish identity, assimilation, ethics, law, spirituality, theology and feminism. For more information, contact Rabbi Cohen at rabbisharon@jewishlexington.org.

Dec. 7, Jan. 11

YBJ "By The Candlelight" Shabbat Dinner

Join Young Bluegrass Jews at 7 p.m. Dec. 7 for a Shabbat dinner hosted by William Bourne. The January dinner, also at 7 p.m., will be hosted by Katie Kaplan. For more details, check out the YBJ Facebook group or contact daniel@jewishlexington.org.

Dec. 8

YBJ Hanukkah Party

Join Young Bluegrass Jews at 6:30 p.m. for a party hosted by Daniel Baker and Tyler Arvin. There will be latkes, sufganiyot, Hanukkah cocktails and a dreidel competition. Guests are encouraged to bring a side item to share and their hanukkah with candles to light. For more details, check out the YBJ Facebook group or contact daniel@jewishlexington.org.

Dec. 11

PJ Library Chef's Night Out

6:30 p.m. at Wild Thyme. A fun cooking class for PJ Parents, with a menu of healthy family dinner ideas, plus Hanukkah doughnuts. RSVP required by Dec. 2 to jori@jewishlexington.org.

Dec. 16

PJ Library Dad's Event

Volunteers are needed for two shifts at a Lexington Humane Society adoption event to monitor animals, assist customers, keep cages clean, etc. Six people per shift; two shifts available: 8:20-10:30 a.m., 10 a.m.-1 p.m. RSVP by Dec. 2 to jori@jewishlexington.org.

Dec. 19

JFB Board Meeting

Regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. Contact tamara@jewishlexington.org for details.

Jan. 16

YBJ Brews With Jews

Join Young Bluegrass Jews at 6 p.m. for a social event at West Sixth Brewing. Food is available for purchase at Smithtown Seafood, or you are welcome to bring your own. For more details, check out the YBJ Facebook group or contact daniel@jewishlexington.org.

Jan. 21

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Freedom March

Join members of the Jewish community marching under one banner. Lineup begins at 9 a.m. in the Main Street corridor of Heritage Hall at Lexington Civic Center. For more information, contact tamara@jewishlexington.org.

Jan. 27

JFB Winter Dinner

Details to come. As the date draws near, check the JFB website, Jewishlexington.org.



Trevor Creamer, a native of Australia, became a U.S. citizen during a naturalization ceremony on Nov. 7.



**First Saturdays Film Series:
*Jewish Directors of the Diaspora***

Begins Saturday, Jan. 5
6 p.m., Temple Adath Israel

View Ernst Lubitsch's *The Shop Around the Corner* (1940), starring James Stewart and Margaret Sullavan, followed by discussion with Professor Randall Roorda.
Pizza provided; BYO salad, beer/wine



Out and about with LEXTY and JYG

Left: LEXTY members challenged themselves while supporting and encouraging their friends as they conquered the high ropes course at Life Adventure Center on Oct. 28. Thank you to the Dr. Sherman E. and Fannie H. Miller Memorial Fund for subsidizing the event. Clockwise from front left are Madison Drexler, Zach Eichner, Emmy Sippy, Abe Nelson, Bela Nelson, Samantha Levine and Charmi Rosenberg.

Below: The Junior Youth Group held its first event of the year in early November. Meeting at TAI before walking to A&W for lunch, the kids did various activities, including grouping themselves into those who liked roller coasters and those who didn't, those who would rather watch sports and those who would rather play them, and those who want people at school to know they are Jewish and those who didn't, followed by some interesting discussion and debate. Kids talked about how they thought their schools should have addressed with students the synagogue shooting in Pennsylvania compared to what was actually done (or mostly not done). After lunch, the group returned to TAI for a scavenger hunt, where the girls edged the boys for the win. Clockwise from front left are Darlene Grossman, Angie Smith, Hunter Smith, Cerise Archer, Tess Nelson, Nathan Palley, Danit Schachman, Laine Fine, Amanda Palley, Tommy Grossman and Noah Howard.





Yahrzeit ... *These we remember...*

Dec. 7

Harry Abraham
Ben Cohen
Bert T. Combs
Michael Mayer
Elkouby
David Forman
Abe Goldenberg
David Kahn
Abraham Kesten
Ben Krinsky
Judith Dean
Liebman
Helen Sopkin
Lowenthal
Harry M. Miller
Irving Jerome Miner
Bessie Mulinsky
Hyman Shraberg
Bertha Spence
Mrs. Ben Steinberg
Arthur Stevens
Lester Waldman
Simon Weil
Gertrude Yanoff
Sally Zwicker

Dec. 14

Susan Adams
Clive M. Beck
Lewis A. Bernard, Sr.
Cecelia Corliss
Rabbi Maurice Davis
Saul Kaufman
Leonard Kozman
Elizabeth Kuhn
Rubin Kuperstein
Greg LaZur
Jennie G. Loevenhart
Jean Mizell
Harry Moss
Norma Yonover Podet
Samuel Rabiner
Agatha Reed
Goldie Rogers
Morris Rozen
Avrom H. Siegel
Deborah Genensky
Snyder
Estelle Steinberg
Byrd Taulbee

Dec. 21

Theresa R. Abraham
Frances Bailey
Harvey Edward Brazin
Trevor Brown
Sue Deehne
Lillian Lowenthal
Epstein
Rose Garden
Edythe Gewirtzman
Israel Gorman
Ruth Gorman
Jeannette Graham
Solomon Kahn
Sara Kaufmann
Norma E. Mayer
Ed Menkus
Gus H. Milner
Garrett Pugh
Miriam Rattner
Betty Rosenthal
Edward Schulzinger
Anna Schwartz
Herman Silver
Carl Starr
Edward Sulkin
Sol Victor
Alice Yarus

Dec. 28

Adolph Abraham
Richard Balmer
Adrienne Mazo Cohen
Sonia Cohen
Mark Sandor Darlow
Helene S. Fogel
Dr. Irving Gail
Elaine Gellin
Mary Goldschmidt
Joe Hirsh
Evelyn Baker Hymson
Ellen Liebman
Edward Novick
Dorothy Plavin
Dora G. Pollack
Patrick Rodden
Herman A. Sampliner
Joseph Sampliner
Alice Scheeline
Jonas Weil
Sello Wollstein

Jan. 4

Dr. William Bloom
Dana Bloomfield
Jack Cohan
Ruth Cohan
Jacob Concors
Hannah Doctrow
Ruth Edelman
Howard Eichner
Harriet Marcus Fields
Allan Forman
Don Forman
Harry Gantz
David Gerson
Rose Goldberg
Benjamin Goldfarb
Paula Leichtman
Bernice Spero Lentner
Joseph Lowenthal
Edward Robert
Markhoff
Franklin Moosnick
Joseph Natow
Bertha Olshan
Julia Petsonk
Rose Pressman
Rosalind Weisenberg
Robert Young

Jan. 11

Ignatius (Nash)
Arellano
Samson Biederman
Dr. Joseph M. Fine
Harold Fine
Joseph I. Goldman
Louis Kossay
Karyn Martin
Joe Nisman
Steven Richard Rozen
Sanford Rubin
Rose Sachs
Marie Salmon
Moses Eleazar Snyder
Rabbi Malcolm H. Stern
Albert Sugarman
Herschel Weil
Brett Steven Weinstock
Ruben Weisenberg

Jan. 18

Harriet Baker

Sidney Ross Bazell
Leon Block
Saul Burg
Elizabeth "Betty" Cloud
Jennie Cohen
Marcus Engelberg
Norman S. Gordon
Charlotte Kant
Bernard Kaplan
James Levenson Sr.
Maurice B. Loevenhart
Rose Markovitz
Frederick A. Meyer
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I. Jay Miller Jr.
Robert M. Rosenstein
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Jack Shapero
David Shraberg
Isabel Siegel
Mrs. Al Smitha
Bertha Lauer Speyer
Lois Stern
Nanette Wile Strauss
Lowell Sugarman
Philipp Wurmser

Jan. 25

J. Frank Belin
Max Cerel
Nusek Dekhtyar
Peggy Fain
Hattie Gordon
Hazel J. "Nicki" Kaplan
Susan Kelly Knoll
Rose Lampel Krinsky
Ann R. Levenson
Nancy Shraberg Marx

Jennie Meyer
Morgan Frumberg
Miller
Yolanda Font Musgrave
Bertha Pessin
Bess Shraberg
Gerald W. Smith
Miriam Zuckerman
Florence Zusman

Feb. 1

Celia F. Abraham
Willard David Barnes
Abraham Blucher
Clara Blucher
Frances Bramlage
Solomon Cantor
Sam Feller
Howard Flomenhoft
Howard Allen Gerson
Carl Goldschmidt
Henrietta Rubel
Harrison
Meyer Max Harrison
Vicki S. Hershinow
Corrine Higdon
Elliott Joffe
Robert Joffe
Bert Klein
Alan Lubin
Ruth Mandel
Irvn David Sachs
Larry Scher
Freda Schumard
George Shipman
Ella Jean Taulbee
Aaron Weinberg
Fanny B. Winters

In Memoriam ...

Sol Helfand, father of Sharon Helfand (Bill Prewitt), grandfather of Hannah Prewitt.

Joyce Fienberg, Richard Gottfried, Rose Mallinger, Jerry Rabinowitz, Cecil Rosenthal, David Rosenthal, Bernice Simon, Sylvan Simon, Daniel Stein, Melvin Wax and Irving Younger, victims of the Pittsburgh synagogue attack

May their memories be for a blessing



WORSHIP SCHEDULE



Dec. 1

Jewish Texts 9 a.m.
Parsha 11 a.m.
Vayeshev—Genesis 37:1-40:23

Dec. 7

Shabbat 7 p.m.

Dec. 8

Kollel 9 a.m.
Parsha 11 a.m.
Chanukah V —Numbers 7:36-47

Dec. 14

Tot Shabbat 5:45 p.m.
Dinner 6 p.m.
Family Shabbat 7 p.m.

Dec. 15

Jewish Texts 9 a.m.
Parsha 11 a.m.
Vayigash —Genesis 44:18-47:27

Dec. 21

Shabbat 7 p.m.

Dec. 22

Kollel 9 a.m.
Parsha 11 a.m.
Vayechi—Genesis 47:28-50:26

Dec. 28

Shabbat 7 p.m.

Dec. 29

Jewish Texts 9 a.m.
Parsha 11 a.m.
Shemot—Exodus 1:1-6:1

Jan. 4

Shabbat 7 p.m.

Jan. 5

Jewish Texts 9 a.m.
Parsha 11 a.m.
Vaera—Exodus 6:2-9:35

Jan. 11

Shabbat 7 p.m.

Jan. 12

Kollel 9 a.m.
Parsha 11 a.m.
Bo—Exodus 10:1-13:16

Jan. 18

Shabbat 7 p.m.

Jan. 19

Jewish Texts 9 a.m.
Parsha 11 a.m.
Beshalach—Exodus 13:17-17:16

Jan. 25

Tot Shabbat 5:45 p.m.
Dinner 6 p.m.
Family Shabbat 7 p.m.

Jan. 26

Kollel 9 a.m.
Parsha 11 a.m.
Yitro—Exodus 18:1-20:23

Feb. 1

Shabbat 7 p.m.

Feb. 2

Jewish Texts 9 a.m.
Parsha 11 a.m.
Mishpatim—Exodus 21:1-24:18

KOLLEL STUDY GROUP

Kollel meets at 9 a.m. every two weeks in the Library. The group explores cultural, ethical and historical aspects of our 4,000-year tradition. The emphasis is on dialogue and exploration. Please join us any time.

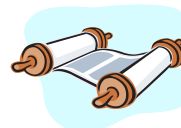


JEWISH TEXTS STUDY

We will discuss selected readings in rabbinic literature on alternate Saturdays at 9 a.m. in the library. The discussion is always lively and informative, and you can join the group any time.

PARSHA

Join us each Saturday morning at 11 a.m. in the library as we take a look at the Torah portion for each week.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Executive Committee

Thursday, Dec. 6, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 3, 6:30 p.m.

Board of Trustees

Tuesday, Dec. 11, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 8, 6:30 p.m.

Shabbat Security Protocol

In consideration of the safety and security of our TAI family on Shabbat, we are ensuring that access to our main entrance is controlled from 6:30 to 7:20 p.m., with greeters meeting you outside and ushers meeting you at the sanctuary entrance.

If you know you will arrive at TAI at or after 7:20, please call ahead (859-269-2979). If you know that a guest or family member(s) will arrive late, please stop at the office to give security staff their names and approximate time(s) of arrival.

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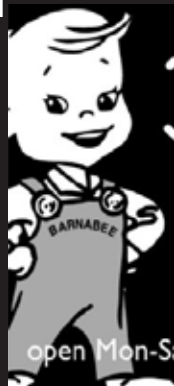
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The agreement creating the fund provided that, after the anniversary activities, the TAI Board, with advice of the Budget Committee, should have control and jurisdiction of the fund within the General Fund.

The Centennial Fund generated income of \$5,947 in 2017. Each year's income is contributed to the General Fund the following year.