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It's the Purim Issue!

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THE DEADLINE FOR
TEMPLE TOPICS IS
THE
SECOND SUNDAY OF
EACH MONTH!

Sympathy

We send condolences to...

- **Ellen Egan**, Temple Israel staff member, on the loss of her father, Daniel Hodas
- **Judith Menken** and **Leah Levenson**, on the loss of their husband and father, Norman Menken
- **Jessica Shapiro**, on the loss of her grandmother, Marilyn Dianne Shapiro
- **Ira & Andrea Lippel**, on the loss of their cousin, Mark Elengold
- **Brian Heaps**, on the loss of his cousin, Penny Markowitz-Moses

"May their souls be bound up in the eternal bond"

Mazal Tov

We congratulate congregants on their good news...

- **Berdie Stein**, for receiving the Houlihan Lawrence 2018 Platinum Award for Sales
- **Howard & Beverly Hoffmann**, on the engagement of their son, Daniel to Chelsea Shapiro
- **Richard & Deborah Rubin-Marx**, on the birth of their second grandchild, Ella Faye Freed, born to their daughter Kate and her husband Jonathan Freed
- **David Itzkowitz**, for being honored with the 24th Annual Westchester Jewish Council's Julian Y. Bernstein Award for Distinguished Service
- **Jack & Judith Adler**, on the bar mitzvah of their grandson, Gideon Adler Witchel in February
- **Micaela Waterston, Sasha Arbeter, Kallie Greene, Samara Brecher** and **Robby Glusker**, for being called to the Torah this month. See their bios on p. 9.

Send your good news and achievements to OriettaSchneider@tinr.org.

From the President

Dear Fellow Congregants,

It's Purim time! We'll laugh and sing at the Purim Spiel and share in the kids' joy at the Purim Carnival.

It's also a time where those of us who write a Temple Topics column are challenged to make you smile.

We're always looking at the success of the programs and building on those to create new inspiring programs for all. Keeping with that theme...I'm wondering if this idea for an event might catch your eye?

In an effort to continue to grow these deep rooted interpersonal connections, and inspired by the successful "shul-in's" of the youth group where the teens participate in programming for a full evening, and then sleep at the Temple, we are expanding Community Shabbats to Community Shabbat "Sleepovers."

Community Shabbat dinners are attended by up to 200 people each month. We envision these dinners turning into a camping trip of sorts – once again inspired by the success of the Brotherhood annual fall camping trip!

You are invited to come to the monthly event in your pajamas – we'd like you to be as comfortable as possible. Bring your sleeping bags, air mattresses and favorite "blanky."

Following the services and

dinner, we will all share memories from our youth – what scared you the most when you fell asleep? Was it the monster in the closet, or perhaps the one under the bed? Do you sleep with a night light on? As we have aged, we can talk about how many times we need to go to the bathroom in the middle of the night?

Sharing these times will build community. We are fortunate to have such a large facility that we have developed a goal of attaining 100% member participation for the upcoming Community Shabbat Sleepover. That one will be held on PURIM – you know the holiday, where satirical stories are told.

I do hope this one gave you a chuckle!

Chag Purim Sameach
Happy Purim!

Liz Weingast



Board of Trustees Minutes

Temple Israel of New Rochelle
Board of Trustees
Wednesday, February 13th,
2019

Rabbi Nichols opened the Board of Trustees meeting with a word of Torah.

Rabbi Weiner expressed gratitude to the BOT for their presence and engagement in Rabbi Wohl's memorial service.

Rabbi Weiner reported that the clergy have begun to have non-pulpit Shabbat events with the intention of building community within the community. Several small Shabbat dinners are being planned.

In her report on Congregational Learning, Rabbi Nichols, announced that Temple Israel is hosting the regional professional development day for Bright Horizons on Monday, February 18th with over 100 participants.

Treasurer Adam Egelberg presented a comprehensive financial report with graphics that highlighted our need for continued outreach to families that have not yet made pledges. He projects that our net income is still expected to be on budget for the year.

Executive Director, Anita Aronoff, provided the membership report. Outreach to families who have not yet made pledge commitments continues.

President Liz Weingast asked the BOT to respond to the URJ Congregational Survey and reminded the BOT of an additional Board Survey that must be completed as well.

President Liz Weingast announced that the next president of Temple Israel of New Rochelle will be Rich Alter.

Marjory Karlin and Rabbi Jesse Gallop presented an update on the data and financials for Camp Pinebrook. Expected enrollment for the summer is 95 campers.

The Board of Trustees voted to use up to \$30,000 from land & building for security improvements and upgrades designed to further monitor and protect our physical plant and all those utilizing our campus. Allocation of the funds, and implementation of these improvements, will be coordinated by the security committee with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Berdie Stein updated the BOT on plans for the Gala. Honorees were announced:

Main honorees:

Liz and Jim Weingast
Founders' Award:

William Handelman
Presidents' Award: Deb Blatt,
Amy Ecker, Mia Egelberg

Mitchell Tarnopal announced that he will be overseeing journal ad sales for the gala. Please consider purchasing an ad to honor our outstanding volunteers.

Jen Goldman reported that Chavaya fundraisers are happening around lower Westchester restaurants. Most recently, Scoop Shop in Golden Horseshoe and Westchester Taco on North Avenue have sponsored events to help us fundraise. Thank you Scoop Shop and Westchester Taco!

Jackie Saril reported that Sisterhood is hosting comedy night again this Spring. Two more volunteers are being sought. Classes start on February 26th.

Temple Israel is Grateful

TEMPLE FUND

In memory of Rabbi Wohl, in honor of his service and devotion to the New Rochelle and Temple Israel communities

Anonymous

Richard, Karen, Muriel, Sarah, and Hannah Balik
Linda, Michael, & Steven Capozzola

Penny Fischbach Cutler Foundation

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Michael & May Goldberg
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Barbara Kantor

Michael P. Karpf

Ruth Marks

Steven & Sally Meisner

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Bernie & Helen Miller

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Bernie & Judy Robinson
Elliot & Diane Senderoff

Michael & Sandy

Tannenbaum

Marc & Teresa Wager

Barbara Balik, in memory of Rabbi Amiel Wohl. Arthur and I were blessed to have Amiel as our Rabbi, mentor, and dear friend.

Mary Ann DeRosa, in memory of of Jill's brother, Steve Levy

Jeffrey & Deborah Gussoff, in memory of Dr. Alvin Kosak

Joel & Almarie Fridovich, in memory of Richard Marx's mother, Emily

Steven & Sally Meisner, in memory of Jill Sorota's brother, Steve Levy; in

memory of Jon Sadow's father, Arthur; in memory of Val Etra's mother, Clarice Pressner

Phyllis C. Rifas, in memory of Jerry Fink

STARS program attendees, in appreciation of the program

SENIOR RABBI WEINER'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Richard Schulman, in gratitude for Rabbi Weiner for officiating at his mother's plaque dedication

Michael & May Goldberg
Thelma Fixler, with gratitude for Rabbi Weiner's excellent work for our congregation and the community

Stephen & Judy Gutmann, in appreciation

Kirk & Sari Bedevian, with thanks & appreciation to Rabbi Weiner

Mitchell & Michele Abrams, in appreciation and in honor

of the marriage of Jeremy Goldstein & Rebecca Kern

Michele, Laura, Meg and

Karin Fisch, in memory

of Morton D. Fisch and in appreciation of Rabbi Weiner for his support

Hank & Joan Goldsmith, in memory of Rabbi Wohl

Howell & Leona Newman, in memory of Rabbi Wohl

RABBI NICHOLS' DISCRETIONARY FUND

Mitchell & Michele Abrams, in appreciation and in honor

of the marriage of Jeremy Goldstein & Rebecca Kern

CANTOR SCHLOSS' DISCRETIONARY FUND

Ira & Andrea Lippel, in memory of their cousin, Mark Elengold

Mitchell & Michele Abrams, in appreciation and in honor

of the marriage of Jeremy Goldstein & Rebecca Kern

JOAN SANDERS TRANSPORTATION FUND

Alan & Ann (Hollander) Schwartz, in memory of and appreciation of Rabbi Wohl

KEHILLAH SCHOOL PROGRAM FUND

Andrea & Ira Lippel, in memory of Eleanor Steckler, in memory of Rabbi Wohl, and mazel tov to Bernie & Rhonda Abramowitz on the birth of their granddaughter, Charlotte Grace

MUSIC FUND

Linda Capozzola, in honor of Cantor Schloss and "The Immigrant Song" music event

PRAYER BOOK FUND

Lynne S. Fertig, in loving memory of my father Herbert Schneur and my mother Beatrice Schneur Fine

RADIO FUND

In memory and appreciation of Rabbi Wohl

The Hollender Family
Mitchell & Michele Abrams
Judith Osten

Val Etra

Mary Ann DeRosa

SIDNEY & RUTH LAPIDUS FUND

Paul & Ilissa Warhit, in loving memory of Rabbi Wohl

SOCIAL ACTION FUND

Herb Smith & Sharon

Blinkoff, in memory of Rabbi Wohl

Bruce & Jessica Cohan, in memory of Mildred Frank

TEMPLE ISRAEL CARES

In memory of Rabbi Wohl

Lenore E. Levine

Kirk & Sari Bedevian

Neil & Marilyn Altabet

Marvin & Joanne Specter

Kirk & Sari Bedevian,

thanks to Josh Warhit

Alan & Toni Hoffman, in

honor of Howard & Beverly Hoffmann's son's engagement

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Warren & Janice Agatston
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Simply the Best

Jeffrey & Mady Stier

Paul & Ilissa Warhit

Adele Wasko

Jim & Liz Weingast

LEAVE A LEGACY TO THE TEMPLE

Please consider joining with those who have pledged a legacy to the Temple by joining the **Tamid Society**. There is no minimum gift required. You will simply reap the satisfaction of providing the Temple with a gift to help ensure all the benefits you have enjoyed will be passed on to future generations. All it takes is a provision in your will to remember the Temple.

The following Temple members have made such a pledge. New members will

be listed in future issues of Temple Topics.

Warren & Janice Agatston

Frank & Barbara Axel

Bernice Braun (estate)

Leroy Fadem

Evelyn Jacobs (estate)

Lilly Kaplan (estate)

Arthur & Carol Ostrove

Mitchelle & Carole Ostrove

Lloyd Robinson

Amy Sincoff (estate)

Jeffrey & Mady Stier

Paul & Ilissa Warhit

For any questions or more information, please contact Anita Aronoff at the Temple office by calling (914) 235-1800 or email AnitaAronoff@tinr.org

Cantor's Note



The True Lesson of Purim*

*Purim is coming.
The Jews are getting fat!
Please put a cocktail in the old
man's hat.
If you haven't got a cocktail,
a glass of wine will do.
If you haven't got a glass of wine,
well, too bad for you.*

I'd like to write to you about a success and a challenge. First the success:

Purim features a rather un-stereotypically Jewish element: heavy drinking. According to the Talmud, at Purim, we are to drink until we cannot recognize the difference between "Cursed is Haman" and "Blessed is Mordechai." Here at Temple Israel, if there is one mitzvah that we are pretty good at observing, it might be this one. While Purim features a parody spiel, funny costumes and some silly songs, it's clearly about the open bar. As the creative force behind our Purim Spiel each year, I can tell you first hand, it's much funnier after a few drinks.

But we don't drink just at Purim. We say Kiddush every Shabbat. You "Jews in the pews" might drink tiny, plastic, cough syrup doser-sized cups of Manischewitz, but you'll notice that the "official" Kiddush cup up on the bima (the one we drink from) holds about 16 ounces. As clergy, we know Jewish. And how about our big, most well-attended Shabbat service each month? Community Shabbat. Yes we have lovely, upbeat music; and Kol Simcha sings nicely and looks cute; and the service

is shorter, with little to no sermon; and the service is followed by a tasty dinner. But it's all a sham. Forget about Kol Simcha. The secret to the success of Community Shabbat? It's right there in the middle of the room: the open bar.

And now the challenge: Yom Kippur, the holiest and perhaps most meaningful day of the year. We are to remain in synagogue all day, fasting, atoning for our misdeeds, making peace with God, ourselves and our neighbors, singing songs that are so catchy that we wouldn't dare sing them the other 364 days of the year. Well, apparently, here at Temple Israel we don't sin very much. By the time we get to Yom Kippur afternoon, not many of us are still in shul. And at *N'ilah*, the final dramatic service where the gates of repentance are closed and the book of life is sealed, not many of you are still around for those final moments. We must be a pretty confident group to think, "I can be signed, sealed and delivered in the book of life in under an hour—two tops. No need to hang around all afternoon."

As clergy, expert in Jewish prayer, knowledgeable in ritual, skilled in creating meaning for our entire community, the answer is right there in front of us: the open bar. Perhaps you are thinking, "That's a nice idea. When we break the fast at the end of the day, in addition to some lackluster honey cake and juice, how about a nice Dirty Martini, Mind Eraser, or a Flaming Blue Jesus?" (yup,

those are real cocktails) Well, that would be nice, but Yom Kippur is bigger than that. We need to shake things up with something a little bolder: At the end of the Yom Kippur Morning Service, I suggest we open up the bar. Drinks for everyone! Imagine spending Yom Kippur afternoon in Synagogue with a Harvey Wallbanger in your hand. How much more meaningful, significant, and necessary would it be for each of us to call on God, "*Avinu Malkeinu*," while throwing back a Boiler Maker? We could accompany each lament of "*Al cheit*," "I have sinned," with a shot of Jagermeister. And for once we'd really mean it!

I know, it's revolutionary... and genius. And for those of you who are saying to yourselves, "It just isn't Jewish," – well, instead of Jagermeister, we could have Slivovitz.

Happy Purim!

Cantor Apple Schnapps

Please join us for our other programs throughout the year: Bible and Bourbon, Tequila and Torah, Talmud and Tonic, Martinis and Mitzvot, and Dollar Beer night.

* This message brought to you by the URJ-WBD (Union for Reform Jewish Winemakers, Breweries and Distilleries).

DID YOU KNOW? You can pay Temple dues or make donations to the Temple with appreciated stock? If you would like to do so, please follow the directions below:
Janney Montgomery Scott LLC #0374 Janney Montgomery Scott LLC
Physical Certificates: Janney Montgomery Scott LLC
26 Broadway 9th Floor
Mezzanine New York, NY 10004
Account Registration: Temple Israel of New Rochelle (Operations) Account Number: 6286-6155

Temple Israel of New Rochelle also gratefully accepts donations of real property. Please contact Anita Aronoff, Executive Director, to discuss in confidence and advise her of your donation at (914) 235-1800.

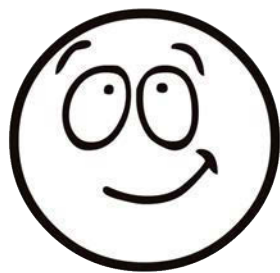
Are you celebrating a special birthday, a momentous anniversary, and would like to donate to Temple Israel? Or would you like a blessing for a special occasion?

Please let us know! Contact the Temple Office at (914) 235-1800 and we'll make sure that special event is a remembrance for you.

Did you know, you could be supporting Temple Israel when you shop with **www.smile.amazon.com** ... just designate Temple Israel as the charity, and the rest will be taken care of!

Thank you to **Barbara Kantor** for making sure Temple Topics gets out the door every month. Barbara is helped by Barbara Nissim and Linda Capozzola!

March Calendar



4:00 PM Chavaya
5:45 PM Kehillah School Closes Early
6:00 PM Mishloach Manot Packing

Fri 3/1 **Social Action Committee March Drive: Feminine Products. Details in upcoming marketing.**
9:00 AM Talmud Class
7:30 PM Shabbat Evening Service

Sat 3/2 **Shabbat Shekalim/Parashat Vayakhel**
9:00 AM 6th Grade B'nei Mitzvah Program
9:00 AM Torah Study
10:30 AM Shabbat Morning Service
Bat Mitzvah Micaela Waterston
4:00 PM Poland and Hungary Pre-Trip Gathering

Sun 3/3 **NFTY-NAR Elections (offsite)**
9:30 AM Chavaya
9:45 AM Social Action Committee Meeting
10:30 AM Boker B'yachad Nitzaneem
10:30 AM Camp Committee Meeting

Mon 3/4 **Mishloach Manot Deadline. See p. 8 for details.**
10:45 AM STARS (Seniors Together at Retirement)

Tue 3/5 3:30 PM Kol Simcha Rehearsal
4:00 PM Chavaya
6:30 PM Chavaya High School/Moving Traditions
8:00 PM Purim Spiel Rehearsal

Wed 3/6 6:00 PM TIFTY Monthly Meeting
6:30 PM Sisterhood Yoga & Salad. *See p. 15 for details.*
7:30 PM Brotherhood Schmooze & Booze. *See p. 14 for details.*
7:45 PM Teen Engagement Committee

Thu 3/7 3:45 PM Torah Corps
4:00 PM Chavaya

Fri 3/8 9:00 AM Talmud Class
5:30 PM Kehillah School Shabbat
6:00 PM Community Shabbat Service, followed by dinner. *See p. 18 for details.*

Sat 3/9 **Parashat Pekudei**
9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Service/Torah Study
5:00 PM Shabbat Evening Service
Bat Mitzvah Sasha Arbetter

Sun 3/10 **Club Kef/Club 56 Ice Skating April Temple Topics Deadline**
9:00 AM Purim Carnival Setup by Brotherhood
9:30 AM Chavaya
10:30 AM Boker B'yachad Shorasheem
12:00 PM Camp Pinebrook Tours

Mon 3/11 10:45 AM STARS (Seniors Together at Retirement)

Tue 3/12 3:30 PM Kol Simcha Rehearsal
4:00 PM Chavaya
6:30 PM Chavaya High School
8:00 PM Purim Spiel Rehearsal

Wed 3/13 11:30 AM Food for Thought. *See p. 18 for details.*
7:30 PM Board of Trustees Meeting

Thu 3/14 3:45 PM Torah Corps

Fri 3/15 9:00 AM Talmud Class
7:30 PM Shabbat Evening Service

Sat 3/16 **Shabbat Zachor/Parashat Vayikra**
9:00 AM Torah Study
10:30 AM Shabbat Morning Service
Bat Mitzvah Katie Greene

Sun 3/17 **NFTY-NAR Advocacy Day**
9:30 AM Chavaya
11:00 AM Purim Family Service.
See p. 7 for details on Purim
11:30 AM Temple Purim Carnival

Mon 3/18 **NFTY-NAR Advocacy Day**
10:45 AM STARS (Seniors Together at Retirement)

Tue 3/19 3:30 PM Kol Simcha Rehearsal
4:00 PM Chavaya
6:30 PM Chavaya High School
7:30 PM 24th Annual Westchester Jewish Council's Julian Y. Bernstein Award Gala at Temple Israel at White Plains
8:00 PM Purim Spiel Rehearsal

Wed 3/20 **Erev Purim**
7:30 PM Purim Spiel & Megillah Reading
See p. 7 for details.
8:00 PM Purim Spiel Rehearsal

Thu 3/21 **Purim**
11:45 AM Kehillah Purim Parade
3:45 PM Torah Corps
4:00 PM Chavaya

Fri 3/22 9:00 AM Talmud Class
7:30 PM Shabbat Evening Service

Sat 3/23 **Parashat Tzav**
9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Service/Torah Study/
Wedding Blessing for Michaela Jones & Ryan Robbins
5:00 PM Shabbat Afternoon Service
Bat Mitzvah Samara Brecher

Sun 3/24 9:30 AM Chavaya
1:30 PM Camp Pinebrook Open House
4:00 PM Israel Trip 2020 Interest Meeting.
See p. 22 for details on the trip.

Mon 3/25 10:45 AM STARS (Seniors Together at Retirement)

Tue 3/26 3:30 PM Kol Simcha Rehearsal
4:00 PM Chavaya
6:30 PM 11th/12th Grade Dinner Out With the Clergy
6:30 PM Chavaya High School

Wed 3/27 6:30 PM Pizza Party for TINR Basketball
See p. 14 for details.

Thu 3/28 3:45 PM Torah Corps
4:00 PM Chavaya

Fri 3/29 9:00 AM Talmud Class
6:00 PM Shabbat HaKavod Evening Service, followed by dinner. *See p. 19 for details.*

Sat 3/30 **Shabbat Parah/Parashat Shmini**
9:00 AM Shabbat Morning Service/Torah Study
9:00 AM Tot Shabbat/Birthday Blessings
5:00 PM Shabbat Afternoon Service
Bar Mitzvah Robert Glusker

Sun 3/31 9:30 AM Chavaya

SHUSHAN RHAPSODY

BASED ON THE MUSIC OF
QUEEN



**Want to participate in
the Purim Spiel?**

Contact CantorSchloss@tinr.org

Sunday, March 17, 2019

11:00 am Purim Family Service
11:30 am Purim Carnival

Wednesday, March 20, 2019 • Erev Purim

7:30 pm Purim Spiel & Megillah Reading
"Sushan Rhapsody" (based on the music of Queen)
Sanctuary/Brotherhood Lounge with open bar and hamantashen
Want to participate in the Purim Spiel? Email CantorSchloss@tinr.org

Thursday, March 21, 2019 • Purim

11:45 am Kehillah Purim Parade

We ask each Temple member to bring in a box of macaroni and cheese to use as a grogger during all of Temple Israel's Purim services. This food will then be donated to HOPE Community Services.

Brotherhood is requesting volunteers for set up on Sunday, March 10 at 9:00 am, and to help during the Carnival. Please contact Dave Karlin at tank1dog@aol.com



Mishloach Manot

Purim is a holiday for laughter, costumes, noisemakers and giving treats. *Mishloach Manot* is the Purim Mitzvah of sending small gifts, usually of food, to friends, neighbors and the community.

Surprise your friends and family with *Mishloach Manot* gift bags. Each decorated package contains an assortment of Kosher candy and snacks, hamentaschen, and a grogger.

Why should you purchase *Mishloach Manot* this year?

- It is a Mitzvah to gift baskets of food to family and friends.
- *Mishloach Manot* sales are an important fundraiser for Chavaya, and help subsidize the costs of our program.

* Prices for this year's *Mishloach Manot* bags:

To be delivered	\$18
To be picked up at Temple Israel	\$13
For United Hebrew or Sarah Neuman Nursing Home	\$13
Gluten and Allergy Free	\$18

How do I purchase *Mishloach Manot* gift bags?

All Temple Israel members received a customized link which would allow them to purchase *Mishloach Manot* gift bags through a safe and secure online portal.

Deadline: Monday, March 4, 2019

Questions? Email to Chavaya@tinr.org

* *Purchase 3 or more bags and receive the fourth bag at a discounted price of \$10.*



Support Chavaya

In the upcoming "Spring Semester" Chavaya is embarking on a new fundraiser. Each month a few local restaurants and shops will be featured. A percentage of all orders will be donated back to Chavaya. The funds raised will go towards technology enhancements for the Chavaya program. All you need to do is mention that you are a part of the Temple Israel Chavaya Fundraiser when you order and pay your bill. **On Monday, March 4th – 8th visit Popojito in Scarsdale to support Chavaya, and have a good time (MedMex and Gluten-free).** Please be sure to mention you are a member of Temple Israel in order for us to receive credit.

The TIFTY Executive Board welcomes all TIFTY members to the **TIFTY Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, March 6 at 6 pm.** This is your chance to have a voice in shaping Temple Israel's senior youth group. Dinner is served, so please let us know if you are coming so we can have enough food. Contact *Sophie Goldman* with questions or RSVPs.

Come make sandwiches for the HOPE Soup Kitchen at our **TIFTY Monthly Sandwich Brigade on Tuesday, March 19, 8-9 pm.** Right after Chavaya on Tuesday evening

we will meet in the kitchen. We have a great time making sandwiches and catching up with each other. *Please contact Social Action VP Rachel Gorman-Cooper for more information. Please bring loaves of bread, jelly or non-peanut butters (allergy friendly).*

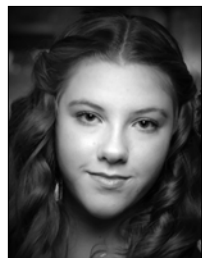
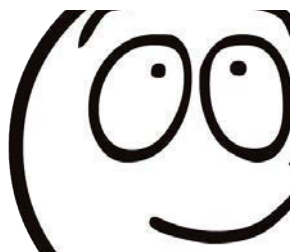
Stand up for issues you care about by attending **NFTY-NAR's Albany Advocacy Day, Sunday-Monday, March 17-18 in Albany.** If you liked the RAC Trip to Washington DC, you will love this! This year advocacy efforts will focus on Immigrant Rights, Voting Rights, Environmental

Protection and Criminal Justice Reform. *Register online at newyork.nfty.org*

TIFTY Shul-In, Saturday-Sunday, March 23-24, 7 pm. Join us for an "Outer Space" themed overnight. This Shul-In is open to friends from other synagogues and youth groups. We want a crowd! The cost is \$25 and includes dinner. *Questions and RSVPs to TIFTY@tinr.org*

**TINR Hoops
End of Season Party**
*sponsored by Brotherhood
See details on p. 14.*

B'nei Mitzvah



My name is **Micaela Waterston** and I will celebrate becoming a Bat Mitzvah on **Saturday, March 2, 2019**. I will be chanting from *Vayakhel* in the Book of Exodus. I belong to Temple Israel with my mom, Adrienne Waterston and my aunt and uncle, Alisse Waterston & Howard Horowitz. I am in the 7th grade at Albert Leonard Middle School. Outside of school, I enjoy hiking and skiing in the Adirondacks; hanging out on the beach in Puerto Rico; traveling

in general; sharing time with my family and friends; doing arts and crafts; and being with my pets, Tux, Boo, and Bella. For my Mitzvah Project, I volunteered at the Boys and Girl's Club at Ward Elementary School where I helped take care of the younger children. This project is important to me because I got to spend time helping people and making stronger connections in my community. I hope to see you at services when I am called to the Torah.



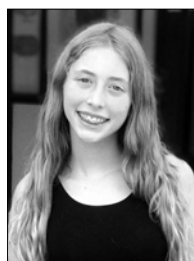
My name is **Sasha Arbetter** and I will celebrate becoming a Bat Mitzvah on **Saturday, March 9, 2019**. I will be chanting from *Vayikra* in the Book of Leviticus. I belong to Temple Israel with my parents, Yonat & Lou and my siblings, Mikey and Layla. I am in the 7th grade at Albert Leonard Middle School. Outside of school, I am in Girl Scouts, Troop 1871. We help and volunteer people and organizations. For my Mitzvah Project, I am making dog toys

to sell at the dog park and raise money to help the Humane Society of Westchester. This project is important to me because I believe we should help animals. This project is helping an animal organization but also gives new toys to dogs. I hope to see you at services when I am called to the Torah.



My name is **Kallie Greene** and I will celebrate becoming a Bat Mitzvah on **Saturday, March 16, 2019**. I will be chanting from *Vayikra* in the Book of Leviticus. I belong to Temple Israel with my parents, Lesley & Cliff and my siblings, Tyler and Luke. I am in the 7th grade at Albert Leonard Middle School. Outside of school, I love playing with my dog Rosie, and spending time with friends. For my Mitzvah Project, I am selling homemade dog toys

to raise money to buy supplies for the Humane Society of New Rochelle. This project is important to me because I love animals and want to help raise money for the place that helps them. I hope to see you at services when I am called to the Torah.



My name is **Samara Brecher** and I will celebrate becoming a Bat Mitzvah on **Saturday, March 23, 2019**. I will be chanting from *Sh'mini* in the Book of Leviticus. I belong to Temple Israel with my parents, Todd & Jacquie and my siblings, Mikaela and Cary. I am in the 7th grade at Albert Leonard Middle School. Outside of school, I like performing in musicals, hanging out with home and camp friends, and playing with my dog. For my Mitzvah

Project, I am volunteering at the Boys and Girls Club at Ward School. This project is important to me because I like working with kids and helping them read. I hope to see you at services when I am called to the Torah.



My name is **Robby Glusker** and I will celebrate becoming a Bar Mitzvah on **Saturday, March 30, 2019**. I will be chanting from *Tazria* in the Book of Leviticus. I belong to Temple Israel with my parents Bethany & Dan and my brother Sam. I am in the 7th grade at Albert Leonard Middle School. Outside of school, I play baseball and basketball. I also like to hang out with my friends. For my Mitzvah Project, I am volunteering to make meals

for the Community Service Associates soup kitchen in Mount Vernon. This project is important to me because I feel that I am helping those in need in my community obtain something that everyone should have enough of: good food. Hopefully helping my community will influence others to contribute to this great cause. I hope to see you at services when I am called to the Torah.

Temple Israel's Oral History Project

One of the oldest human (and Jewish) traditions is story-telling. Now at Temple Israel, we are starting a project to collect our stories. Temple Israel is a congregation of hundreds of families, each with its own stories. Some those stories took place in our building, or in the Webster building, or perhaps in one of the even earlier buildings downtown. We are looking for people who want to share their stories of Temple Israel, and for volunteers to help us collect them. We will be recording interviews with willing subjects, at the temple or another convenient location. The recordings will be archived at the Temple, where they can be viewed. We plan to develop the means for the interviews to be viewed remotely, so that stories can be shared with people who are not nearby.

Each year the Passover Seder reminds Jews everywhere of the power of retelling our people's story. Let this year be the year that we record Temple Israel's story. By remembering and retelling how we got here, we can honor our past and find the inspiration for our future. *If you are interested in interviewing, being interviewed, or providing technical support, please contact:*

Warren Agatston (lawwsa@aol.com) or
Mia Egelberg (miaegelberg@gmail.com)



Camp Pinebrook has been busy getting ready for our second summer. One thing we're working on right now is finding the best staff possible.

We're looking for: **high school students aged 16 or older** to be junior counselors or junior lifeguards; **college students** to be counselors, lifeguards, and in certain situations specialists (certifications for all lifeguards should be completed by the end of May); **adult counselors** as specialists to run our fantastic programs.

Working at Camp Pinebrook is an amazing experience that allows you to have an impact on the lives of the campers in our community. *If you or anyone you know would be interested in working at Camp Pinebrook this summer, please visit www.CampPinebrook.com to apply today.*

Come and see what Camp Pinebrook is all about. Some Sunday dates to remember:

March 10, Noon - 2 pm: Camp Tour
March 24, 1:30 - 3:30 pm: Camp Family Fun Day!
(see ad on back cover!)

Visit www.CampPinebrook.com for more information on Camp Pinebrook, and how much fun it is for the campers!

Questions? Contact Rabbi Jesse Gallop at jesse@camppinebrook.com or call (914) 813-8700.

From Cantor Emerita Helene Reps:

In Appreciation

Temple Israel was at its finest on the afternoon of Rabbi Amiel Wohl's Memorial Service, Monday, January 21, 2019.

The time was set to coincide with the Rabbi's funeral in California: 3:00 pm in New Rochelle, 12:00 noon, Pacific time.

Starting with Rabbi Nichols' gracious personal welcome at the front door, to the display of the Rabbi's Memoir on a table in the lobby, to the warmth of the immaculate building, no detail was overlooked.

The design of the service was meticulously prepared. From Congregation and Community, from Temple members and Civic leaders alike, thoughtfully chosen speakers offered words of gratitude, praise and respect for a life well lived.

Together with our accompanist and professional quartet, Cantor Schloss consoled the Congregation with exquisite artistry.

And finally, Rabbi Weiner brought us the message we all yearned to experience: life lesson in the form of a perfect eulogy: teaching, encouraging, comforting, & inspiring.

As Rabbi Wohl's clergy partner for so many years – on the Bimah, and at Life-Cycle Occasions, both celebratory and solemn – I'm profoundly grateful to Rabbi Weiner, Rabbi Nichols, Cantor Schloss, and Executive Director Anita Aronoff, for arranging a most memorable, truly magnificent service in honor of Amiel's devotion to our beloved Temple.

May the name of Rabbi Amiel Wohl serve always as an ever living, everlasting blessing.

- Cantor Helene S. Reps

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Kol Sasson will begin preparing for
Purim on Tuesdays, March 5th, 12th, and 19th at 8:00 pm

Contact Cantor Schloss at cantorschloss@tinr.org
or Beverly To at beverlyto@tinr.org
to join or to find out more information.

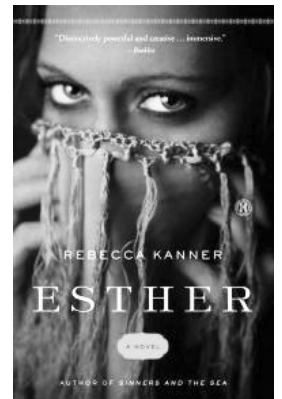
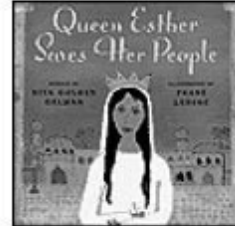


Purim is Coming! Purim is Coming!

Let's have some fun, make some noise, read some books:



On Purim "The Book of Esther" is read. Now read Rebecca Kanner's novel retelling the story as it might have happened.



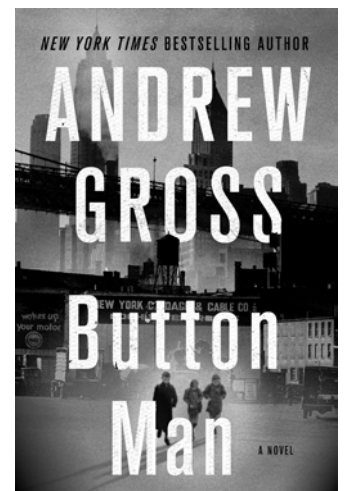
The Temple Israel Sisterhood and Library Common Read Event

Author of **Button Man**, Andrew Gross will join us on May 5th to discuss his newest historical thriller, Button Man, based on his own family history, the garment industry, labor unions, and the birth of organized crime in the 1930's.

Please contact Stephanie Krasner at stephkras11@gmail.com to purchase your copy directly from Temple Israel at \$18 per copy. Books purchased will be signed at the event.

Find these and many more on our library website: www.librarycat.org/lib/HandelmanLibraryTINR
New books arrive weekly. Visit the library to see all the wonderful new books on display.

The library is always open, and Stephanie is available in the library on Fridays from 10:00 am – 12 noon for any questions. Happy Reading!



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Sunday, February 3, 2019

Brotherhood



As you all know, I haven't been in the sanctuary in some time, but the Rabbi recently came to me and shared his lifelong dream of parking cars. So next Rosh Hashanah, the Rabbi and I are going to trade places. He will be outside directing traffic while I will be on the Bimah doing my best to keep up with Rabbi Nichols and Cantor Schloss. I will be joined by my partner in crime, Todd Pekats and giving the sermon will be Paul Warhit - since there will be children in attendance, Paul has promised to perform a G-rated sermon. As for the Rabbi, he is not that tall, so please watch out for him when you come up the hill.

Mitchell

SAVE THESE DATES!

Brotherhood Booze & Schmooze

Wednesday, March 6th at 7:30 pm

Come join us for food, booze and fun.

Questions? Contact Mitchell Tarnopal at mitchell.tarnopal@randrealty.com

Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 17th, 11:30 am

The Purim Carnival brings joy and happiness to scores of children and parents - but to ensure it as a success, we need volunteers. *If you think you might be able to help please contact Dave Karlin at tank1dog@aol.com.* And, for all of you who have young children please put it on your calendar as a must attend, especially if you like seeing big smiles on your children's faces.

Later that night we are going to take a road trip and have a **Purim (Italian) Feast** for dinner with entertainment. *We are still working on all the details, but if you think you might be interested in attending please contact Mitchell at mitchell.tarnopal@randrealty.com or Todd at ToddPekats@live.com*

Brotherhood can only succeed and do all it does with your participation and support. If you haven't joined Brotherhood yet please do so and/or consider making a contribution to help us run activities like Brotherhood Breakfasts, movies, lectures, Bourbon & Bible and of course supporting youth activities and the Temple.

Thank you! See you at the Temple!

Todd and Mitchell
Brotherhood Co-Presidents



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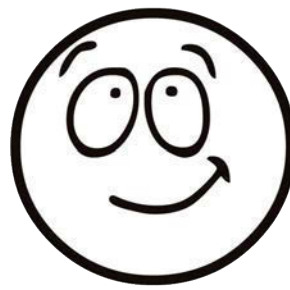
**TINR's Hoops
Youth Basketball
End-of-Season Party
Wednesday, March 27
6:30pm, at Temple Israel**

Come for pizza, pasta & ice cream, and hear the season recaps from the coaches, and special guest speaker Brian Mahoney (national NBA writer for The Associated Press since 2005, covering the NBA Finals, All-Star Games, and international basketball events such as the Olympics and World Basketball Championships) who will have some great Knicks and Nets stories!

Please RSVP on behalf of your player to either your coach or to Jeff Berenbaum at jberenbaum@optonline.net

Thank you to Brotherhood for hosting this event!

Sisterhood



Committee Spotlight



Lauren Pekats
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Sisterhood
Co-President



Jackie Saril
Sisterhood@tinr.org
Sisterhood
Co-President

Upcoming events with Sisterhood:

YOGA & SALAD

Wednesday, March 6th, 6:30 pm

Join congregant, Debbie Zimmerman, as she leads us in a relaxing yoga class to increase our flexibility, mindfulness and mental health. A healthy salad dinner will follow. No charge for paid up Sisterhood members, \$18 non-members. All Welcome! Bring a mat. *Please RSVP to tinr.org/events*

** Years ago, the party game Twister was all the rage. Now we call it yoga. Whether you're a graceful swan or more like a newborn giraffe learning to use its legs, pull on those yoga pants and grab a mat. Do you pray you won't pass gas while doing the poses or do you look at yoga as an opportunity for a relaxing nap on your mat? No matter your motivation, we welcome your participation.*

COMEDY NIGHT

Saturday, April 6th, 7:30 pm

Come out and laugh with us at Sisterhood's sole fundraiser of the year – Comedy Night! You've joined us before. This year promises to be better than ever. Doors open at 7:30 pm. Dessert and beer, wine, soda will be served. \$45 / \$50 at the door. Open to all. *Please RSVP to tinr.org/events*

** To overcome fear of public speaking, many are told to picture the audience in their underwear. To help out the volunteer congregant comedians, this year we ask for all guests to show up without clothes. To make it easier, we will be providing hangers and clothing racks in the lobby for use when disrobing before the show. Thanks in advance for agreeing to help out our comics in this way.*

TEMPLE ISRAEL SISTERHOOD & LIBRARY

COMMON READ EVENT - Button Man by Andrew Gross
Sunday, May 5th, 9:30 am

NY Times bestselling author, Andrew Gross, will be joining us to discuss his latest novel, **Button Man**, a historical thriller based on his own family history, the garment industry, labor unions, and the birth of organized crime in the 1930's. Event is open to all – no charge.

** Psst! You, yeah you. Come here, we got a special tip for ya. And, whatever ya do, don't tell anybody. Go see Stephanie in the TINR Handelman Library. She's got a special deal on buying the book. Tell her that Lauren and Jackie sent ya. She'll have a copy of the book for \$18 - that's half off the list price. And, if ya know what's good for ya, be at the discussion on May 5th. We don't want to see any a ya 'swimming with the fishes' at the bottom of Beechmont Lake wearing 'cement shoes'. Understand?*

See you soon!

**Have a happy Purim!*

Lauren & Jackie

Let's meet the Temple Israel Cares Committee members!

Temple Israel Cares is made up of a group of volunteers who reach out to our congregants during life cycle events. From joyous births to heartbreaking losses, we try to let our Temple Israel family know that they are being thought of during their time of need.

Chaired by Sari Bedevian the committee is made up of Helen Miller sending condolence cards and donation thank you notes, Dina Bino delivering baby blankets, Toni Hoffman, Marjorie Mangot, Karen Balik, and Sari shopping for and delivering Shiva Bags, Phyllis Slotnick writing birthday cards and Susan Tarnopal keeping our records.

In 2016, we delivered 20 notes and bags, in 2017 we made 46 deliveries and in 2018 we made 56. It is because of generous donations that we are able to continue the mitzvah of being Temple Israel's Angels.



TINR's Social Action Committee - March Collection



We are collecting Feminine Hygiene Products -
Tampons, Pads and Gift Cards
(to stores like Target and Harmon that sell these products)
to benefit The Sharing Shelf and
the Jewish Board's Mann Center

Did you know?

A year's supply of tampons and pads costs upwards of \$70 and is not covered by food stamps.

In fact, even though the FDA considers them "medical products," most American programs designed to help low-income families, including Medicaid, SNAP and WIC exclude menstrual products.

SNAP and WIC classify pads and tampons alongside "luxuries" like pet food, cigarettes, and alcohol.

Bring your donations to the Giving Corner
between March 1st - 31st

Questions?

Contact: Jill Winston at jillwinston@yahoo.com
or Deborah Blatt at debblatt@yahoo.com



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Every Monday at 10:45 am
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*Check the Temple calendar to see whether
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Questions? Contact the Temple Office
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Yoga & Salad

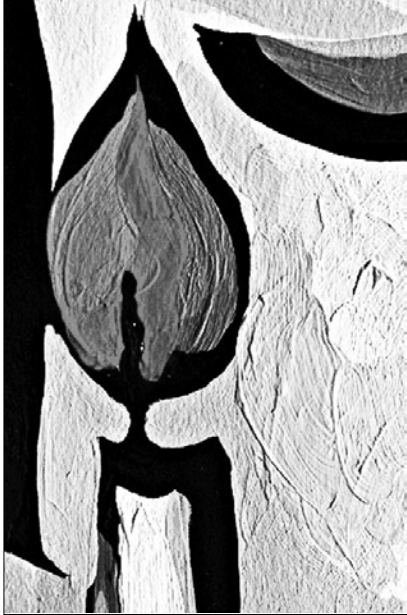
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Wednesday, March 6, 2019 • 6:30 pm

Open to all. Bring a mat and water!

Visit www.tinr.org/events to join us. See p. 15 for details.

Community Shabbat Service/Dinner



Friday, March 8

6:00 pm Service • 7:00 pm Dinner

All Invited! RSVP for Dinner!

Cost for dinner is \$25 per adult, \$8 per child (6-12), Tots FREE

Visit www.tinr.org/events to join us for dinner.

The cost will increase to \$30 per adult on Wednesday, March 6th.

Upcoming dates: April 5, May 17, June 7



Wednesday, March 13, 2019 • 11:30 am

Temple Israel's own Rabbi Beth Nichols who will be speaking about "**Esther's Secrets Revealed: There's more to her story than you know!**" to get ready for Purim!

Join us!

\$15 per person covers lecture, discussion and lunch.

To register, visit www.tinr.org/events or call the Temple Office at (914) 235-1800.

We cordially invite you to join our congregation at our
9th Annual Shabbat HaKavod on Friday, March 29, 2019.

Service at 6 pm, followed by a Special Dinner & Dessert

Please join us as we celebrate the milestone membership of the following:

60 Years of Membership

Muriel Balik
 Helene & Bernard Fishman
 Miriam & David Fridovich
 Nancy & David Gavrin
 Cynthia Mintzer
 Charlene Newburg
 Blanche Pressberg
 Isabel & Sheldon Sklar
 Adele Wasko

50 Years of Membership

Judith Osten
 Marian & Richard Reiner
 Sandra & Michael Tannenbaum

36 Years of Membership

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 Sharon Blinkoff & Herbert Smith

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 Janet Goodman & Charlie Reitman
 Nanette & Warren Sacks
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 Sue & Gary Rothbart
 Heidi Siesfeld
 Sue & Mitchell Tarnopal
 Deborah Blatt & Shmuel Vasser

10 Years of Membership

David Cohen, Ariella Colman, Debbie & Ralph Davis, Sylvia Fasulo, Janet & Gary Frey,
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 Sally & Steven Meisner, Paula & Charles Miller, Diana & Greg Nero,
 Sydelle & Herbert Ornstein, Amy & Mathew Schlamkowitz,
 Marla Keller & Adam Silvers, Ruth & Peter Topol, Limor & Rabbi Scott Weiner,
 Robin & Greg Werner

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 Meryl & Kirill Bash, Lauren & Geoffrey Cole, Erica & Robert Ellis,
 Sondra Lavin & Jason Falberg, Dea Katel-Fischer & Jeffrey Fischer, Marci Fox,
 Caitlin & Sean Gilman, Ilyssa & Jeff Henle, Jessica & Aaron Hoffmann,
 Amy Horton & Nicholas Valdes-Fauli, Lauren & Ross Hurwitz,
 Erin Anthony-Jagoda & Lee Jagoda, Amy & Lonnie Klein, Tracee & Adam Neumann,
 June Streisand & John Reiches, Penny Rosenberg & John Eckes, Robyn & Joshua Salles,
 Lois & Mark Scheffler, Alyssa & Corey Sieven, Amanda & Tom Vega,
 Whitney Barrat & Bryan Wang, Dana & Jason Zeman

If you feel your name may have
 been left off any listing in error,
 please contact Anita Aronoff.

Submit photos of your TINR
 years to mararoberge@hotmail.com
 or drop at temple. Photos will be
 returned



Visit
www.tinr.org/events
 to join us.

See p. 15 for details.

4 PRIME TIME ADULTS

CARNEGIE HALL OUTING

Monday, April 15, 2019 • 8:00 pm

"From Shtetl to Stage: A Celebration of Yiddish Music and Culture"
part of Carnegie Hall's festival "Migrations: The Making of America"

Cost: \$54 per ticket, + \$20 per person for round trip bus from Temple Israel to Carnegie Hall
(West 57th Street and 7th Avenue). *Availability is first come, first served.*

Reserved 18 seats are available in the Center Rear Balcony. Seating is high, but offers full view and great sound. **Please Note: Access to the seat locations is first by elevator, and then climbing stairs to the balcony.**

RSVP to Debby Rubin-Marx at debrubin56@aol.com if you are interested.
You may reach her through smoke signals or carrier pigeon too.
We need commitments and payment by EARLY-March for this special event!



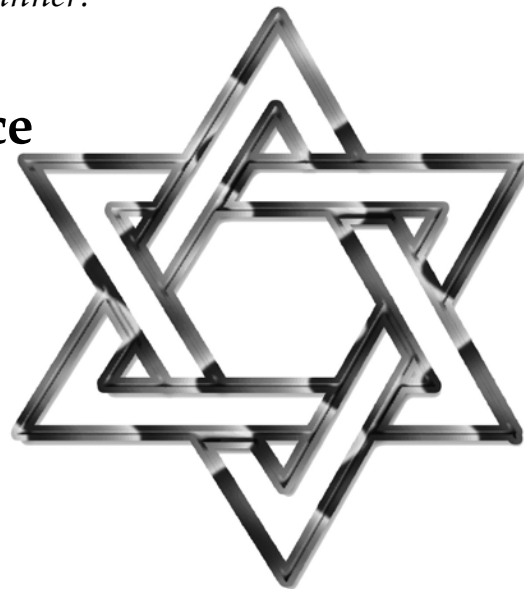
Kol Shabbat Service & Dinner The Voice of Shabbat

A relaxing and meditative Shabbat evening service featuring reflective music and a thought-provoking sermon, followed by a delicious Shabbat dinner.

Friday, April 26, 2019 • 6:00 pm Service
followed by dinner

Cost for dinner is \$25 per adult
Visit www.tinr.org/events to join us for dinner.
The cost will increase to \$30 per adult on
Wednesday, April 24th.

Upcoming dates: May 31, June 21

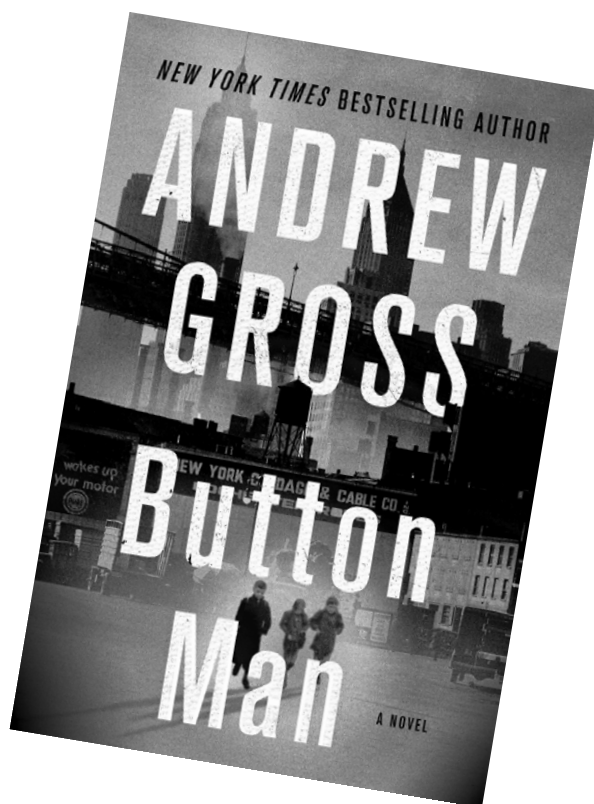


The Temple Israel Sisterhood and Library Common Read Event

**Sisterhood & the
Edith H. Handelman Library
are collaborating once again!**

Sunday, May 5, 2019 • 9:30 am

Start reading **Button Man** by Andrew Gross, about the history of the Jewish Mob in NYC in the 1930's. The author will be on hand to lead the discussion and sign copies of his book. Copies of "Button Man" are available for sale in the library at a discounted price of \$18.



Saturday, May 11, 2019



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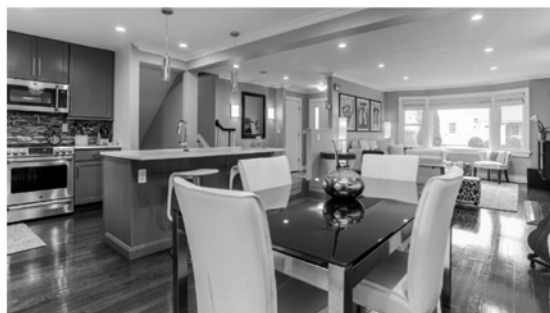


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**Sunday, March 24, 2019
1:30 - 3:30 pm**

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Ages 2.5 - 8

*Questions? Rabbi Jesse at (914) 813-8700
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