



WHAT'S COOKING IN 2018

Shalom Friends,

Recently I invited our members to reach out to me with ideas they believe would help grow our Temple family, and the ideas came pouring in. Plans to build personal connection and joy with one another, events leading us into the wider Los Angeles community, programs bringing more spiritual relevance and meaning in our lives, proposals that create more synergy and collaboration moving forward. All of which will bring our rich and varied voices under one spiritual umbrella.

On Page 2, you can see just some of the new plans that our amazing committees and board have created in just the last month or so. Our commitment is to continue to keep you up-to-date as they evolve. However, please don't let this initial list of programs prevent you from sharing your own vision and designs for our community. On the contrary, we hope it will be an incentive for you to step forward now.

From all of us at TAS, wishing you and all of your loved ones a healthy joyous and prosperous secular New Year!

In blessing,
Cantor Ken

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Good vibrations

Songs of Courage, Hope, and Love

 Cantor Ken Cohen Temple Ahavat Shalom, Northridge	 Jennifer Bennett National Tour - Cats
 Cantor Daniel Friedman Temple Ramat Zion, Northridge	 Cantorial Soloist Jackie Rafii Shomrei Torah Synagogue, West Hills

February 3, 2018
7:30 p.m.

Temple Ahavat Shalom
Dessert Reception to follow

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COMING SOON NEW MEMBER INCENTIVE PROGRAM

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KESHER: Recognizing the need for bringing more joy in this world, our Keshet committee has put together a fun-filled Beatles-Sing-Along after services on Friday night, January 19 at 7 p.m. (perfect for baby boomers). All you need is love.

We're building a cadre of speakers drawn from our own TAS family for Erev Shabbat services. Thoughtful, meaningful, and often entertaining sermons, full of inspiring words and valuable lessons to take with us during the week. Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Feel free to contact me if you are interested in sharing a sermon.

CARING COMMUNITY: Recognizing and valuing the 80+ devoted angels of our Temple who lovingly tend to the ill, bereaved, and isolated among us, we'll be hosting a special Shabbat honoring their kindness, compassion, and generosity on April 20 at 7:30 p.m.

MEN OF TAS: Did you know some Jews have Seders which actually are not on Passover? The Tu b'Shevat Seder (aka Israeli Arbor Day) celebrates the New Year for Trees. This thought-provoking, veritable fruit holiday extravaganza, recognizes the blessing of trees in our world and fosters greater awareness of our environment. MoTAS is hosting a Tu b'Shevat Seder on January 28 from 2-5 p.m. Pride in our home - Thanks to our friends in MoTAS. The group has generously agreed to help renovate the small kitchenette in the main office, providing our office and professional staff a clean, fresh feel for daily food preparation. MoTAS has also generously helped to supply much needed new sound equipment for our Sanctuary sound system.

MEMBERSHIP: Our Membership Committee will soon be rolling out a plan, "Say Chai to TAS." This program will create incentives for existing members to attract new friends to our Temple family, increasing membership numbers. We're also launching a program which will integrate our newest members into our larger spiritual family. We'll be inviting newcomers to lead the kindling of the Shabbat lights for our community, as they experience the warmth and joy of TAS in prayer, and find new friends at the Oneg. On Friday evenings, using social media we'll be inaugurating a new Facebook page inviting members to share three things they love about TAS. The hardest part will be to limit the list to only three. Check out our FB page for more details.

JUST SAY SHALOM: Our newest committee is focused on sharing and providing a feeling of warmth and welcome to all who enter our sacred home. Members have graciously agreed to volunteer to attend many upcoming Temple functions throughout the year expressing to each member just how important and valued they are to our community.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL: "Kehillah Tefillah" A new worship experience designed for young families and their children in the Religious School, full of inspiring music, words, and prayer. Don't miss hearing the sweet sounds of your children in prayer. Parents who normally drop-off their kids on Sunday morning, are invited to stay for a moving prayer experience. We hope to build a stronger spiritual community within the school. Sunday mornings beginning in early January from 9-9:30 a.m. Stay tuned for the first Sunday of "Kehillah Tefillah."

SOCIAL ACTION/ADULT EDUCATION: Interfaith Weekends that will create goodwill and build bridges with our Jewish, Christian, and Muslim neighbors. Programming includes sharing sacred prayer and music, educational workshops, and of course, breaking bread together. Be on the lookout for more details coming this Spring.

**DEADLINE FOR THE SPRING
EDITION IS MARCH 15, 2018**

ECEC



A BUSY AND ACTIVE AUTUMN AHEAD FOR TAS TOTS

We have had a busy few months in the ECEC and ITC. We have learned about Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah. We are now hoping to be exploring Fall, although, as I write this newsletter, it is still extremely hot and un-fall-like. Singing about the leaves that are falling and turning red and orange seems out of place.

Our children are all settled in their routines and happy to come to school. We have now included a Science and Environmental Curriculum for our 3-year-old and 4-year-old classes. Jill Cullen, who is a TAS member, very kindly offered to share her knowledge in these fields with us and will now come once a month to teach the children about topics ranging from water conservation and trees to electricity. She began this month by talking to our children about recycling, the benefits and the importance of recycling, and helping children make correct decisions about what should go in the recycling bin or in the trash bin. Thank you so much, Jill.

We also have Temple member Becky Breuer visit a couple of times a month. She reads to our children, and they love having her visit. We would like to start an intergenerational program with more of our members,

whereby they visit once a month on Friday at 9 a.m. for about an hour. They could help us make challah and share their Shabbat stories with the children. If anyone is available to do something along these lines, please contact me at the school office. The children and teachers would love the interaction.

We have started having monthly Dine Out events. We have gone for frozen yogurt and to Pizza Rev, and these have been well attended by our ECEC families. Our last Dine Out was at Presto Pasta on November 14. Thank you to all who joined us and helped support the school.

At the beginning of November, we had the first of our monthly Friday morning Shabbat services. Parents joined us to welcome Shabbat at 9:15 a.m., instead of our usual time of 11 a.m. This was a way to not only show families how easy it is to do Shabbat, but to include our parents in more community activities.

We hosted a school Thanksgiving feast for all our families. We had 150 in attendance and it was a wonderful event! For Hanukkah, the children lit candles together every morning at school. We also had a Hanukkah Bim Bam Bimah with a candle lighting and sing-along on Friday, December 15.

Although it has passed, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a Happy Hanukkah, and now a Happy New Year, all in the same sentence! May this year be filled with peace and prosperity for us all.

*L'Shalom,
Tessa Cramer*

JEWS WITH BASEBALLS: A LOVE STORY

The love affair between Jews and Baseball goes back to the early part of the 20th century. It is beautifully chronicled in such movies as “Jews and Baseball: An American Love Story” and “The Life and Times of Hank Greenberg.” In the early 1900s, Jewish immigrants used baseball as a way to assimilate into American culture and since that time have adopted baseball as “their/our game.” While his love affair with baseball only started in 1974, congregant Gregg Garfinkel has recently found a unique way of combining his passion for baseball with his Jewish heritage. Specifically, Gregg has discovered his creative side and has artfully crafted a beautiful Hanukkah from gently used, professional baseballs.

Gregg indicates that this whole endeavor started on a dare. “I started this project last October when my son Benjamin was selling pine tree wreaths as a fundraiser for his baseball team. Someone suggested that we sell ‘real baseball’ wreaths, so I looked into the possibility of doing so. Since I have so much free time, I thought it would be a great diversion from everyday life.” Well, a new crafter was born. Gregg immediately took to researching such sites as Pinterest and Etsy to see if creating a baseball wreath was possible. “Once I confirmed that a baseball wreath was possible, I then turned my attention to creating something which reflected my upbringing, which has been centered around baseball and Judaism. That’s when I created the Baseball Hanukkah concept.” The response to Gregg’s handmade items has been overwhelming. He is selling out of them at boutiques and at local Judaica shops. He is humbled by the reception that his creations have garnered. “To see the items that I create being used in my friends, family, and client’s Hanukkah celebrations truly moves me.”

The baseball Hanukkah was so well received, that Gregg ventured into making them out of hockey pucks. “I didn’t realize that there were so many hockey fans in our congregation.” The clients that we spoke with

all appreciate the fact that Gregg can customize a Hanukkah for any team that has a logo. However, that customization comes with a price. “There is a dramatic surcharge for those who want a Giants or Ducks Hanukkah,” Gregg said jokingly.

A seasoned attorney with a vibrant law practice, Gregg finds this craft as a welcome escape from his “real job” as an attorney. “I didn’t think that I would ever be on a first name basis with the good folks at Joann Fabrics or Michaels, or complain to my son about burns from my hot glue gun. Nonetheless, it is such a great feeling to create something that brings friends and family joy, versus what I do on a daily basis at work.” Gregg’s efforts have also expanded to a much larger level of recognition, one of his handmade baseball Hanukkyot was recently accepted into the Jewish Baseball Hall of Fame!

Happy New Year!

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OUR SISTERHOOD IS AWESOME!

Our devoted members and friends are stepping up in big ways to make Sisterhood fabulous. Some examples: Irene Miller volunteered to become our third Friday Judaica Shop hostess when Jill Morgenstein moved to Northern California. Laraine Miller made dozens of phone calls reminding members to send in their dues checks. Becky Breuer volunteered to make gifts for our new members and Friends. If *you* would also be willing to pitch in to make Sisterhood even better, let us know. We have a couple of easy Fundraisers we would like to do that need chairs and committees. The Volunteer recognition lunch in June could use your help. And the Membership committee always needs new faces and new voices helping us be the best we can be.

What's new in Sisterhood?

NEW SISTERHOOD WEBSITE: We have had some exciting changes since the beginning of the year. We launched a TAS Sisterhood website! You can find it at www.TASsisterhood.org. Our website has information about upcoming programs (click on the Monthly Programs menu item under Programs), fliers for fundraisers (click on Fundraisers), all the emails we send out (click on Blog), Photos (click on Photos) and much more. If you want to know something about Sisterhood and you can't find it on our website, we want to know!

DONOR PROGRAM CHANGES: The other big change in Sisterhood is that we are trying out a big change to our donor program. In the past we would track volunteer hours for fundraising events and then reward those who volunteered a lot for fundraising events with a free luncheon at the end of the year. This year we are going to try having a luncheon where *everyone* can attend for a modest fee, and we will recognize *all* of our volunteers, both those who volunteer a lot and those who volunteer a little, and regardless of whether it earned money for Sisterhood. We love *all* our volunteers! This year, we will honor all of you.

Sisterhood events

RECENT EVENTS: We have had several excellent events this year. Our September event, on how to keep your feet healthy and pain-free was very informative and well liked – Look at the happy faces in the photo! In October, the Cantor led us in an excellent event in Schwartz Sukkah – Thanks to Jo and Jim for opening their Sukkah and home to us for the evening! We schmoozed, we sang, we shook (the lulav and etrog), we snacked, and then we schmoozed some more. We had a record turnout for our fall Mahjonn tournament, with 108 people in attendance – the room was filled to bursting. The paid-up luncheon was also well attended. Jill Gold Wright's presentation on the *Immigrant Experience and its Impact on American Theater* was fascinating and the food was excellent. Our Hanukkah Party was Thursday, December 21. We celebrated with our traditional gift exchange and latkes.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Our upcoming events will be just as good. Our **January meeting (Thursday, January 18)** will present tips and techniques on tax preparation, presented by our own Phyllis Bigelson. The **February meeting (Tuesday, February 20)** will be a panel on Gender Identity with an opportunity to get your questions answered. Plus, we will have the always popular **Bingotini on Saturday, February 10**.

March will be a busy month for Sisterhood members with the **Sisterhood seder on March 15**, an **author** (Arlene Stone's son) presenting his book on **March 22**, a speaker from **Women of the Wall on March 24**, and our **Mah Jongg cruise on March 22-26**. Lots of good stuff happening in March!

We hope to see you soon,

Jackie Zev and Kathy Barker
TAS Sisterhood co-Presidents

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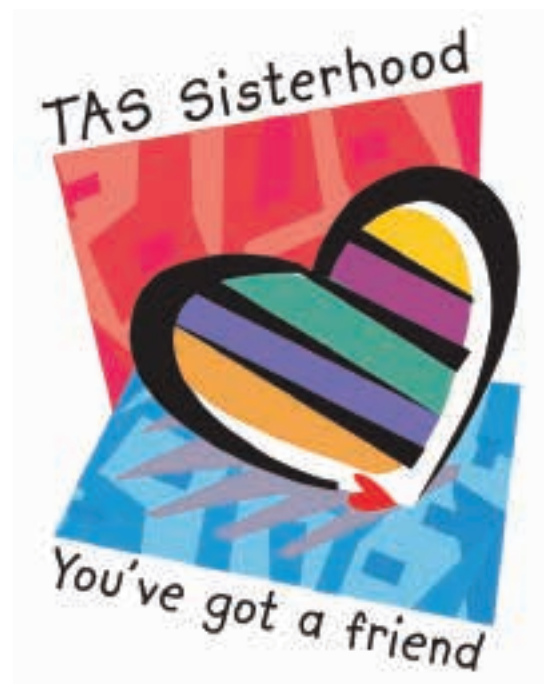
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Taken at our September meeting
Around the table starting with left front corner: Robyn Blachman, Arlene Stone, Efrat Yakobi,
Alyce Schultz-Rozsa, Mel Birken, Joe Blachman.
Standing in back left: Dr. David Kleinbrodt (speaker) and Ellen Lowe
Sitting in back right: Laraine Miller (but I don't know who she's talking to)



Cantor Ken celebrates Sukkot with a young congregant at our October meeting.



MAZEL TOV TO OUR B'NAI MITZVAH FAMILIES

MONTH OF JANUARY 2018

January 20

Stefanie Karp and Family on the Bar Mitzvah of Andrew Karp

January 27

Robbie and Cindy Yates and Family on the Bar Mitzvah of Joshua Yates

MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2018

February 17

Rob and Michelle Baron and Family on the Bat Mitzvah of Rachel Baron

MONTH OF MARCH 2018

March 10

David and Michele Tarlow and Family on the Bat Mitzvah of Cayla Tarlow

March 17

Susan Bernardo and Family on the B'not Mitzvah of Jennifer and Katie Bernardo

March 24

Steven and Jennifer Kosoy and Family on the Bat Mitzvah of Mikayla Kosoy

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“Kol Yisrael Arevim Zeh Bazeh”

“All Israel Is Responsible For One Another”

Talmud (Shevuot 39a)

The Temple Ahavat Shalom Caring Community supports members of our community who are ill, bereaved or in need of a little extra assistance and encouragement.

Here is how our Caring Community fulfills the *mitzvah* of caring for one another:

- ❖ Preparing and delivering a meal, lifting the spirits of our congregants when there is an illness, incapacity or bereavement.
- ❖ Setting up the meal of condolence, to allow the family to be together at the funeral.
- ❖ Calling members and sending cards to congratulate or comfort congregants as they mark life events.
- ❖ Delivering cheer and goodies in holiday care bags to enhance members' celebration.
- ❖ Comforting families who are mourning through condolence care bags and the leading of *minyanim* in the days following a funeral.
- ❖ Visiting members to brighten their day.

We welcome you to the Caring Community! If you need assistance, please call the temple office at 818-360-2258. If you would like to volunteer with the Caring Community, or for more information, please email us at:

caringcommunity@tasnorthridge.org

There are no minimum or maximum number of hours required. Assist when you can, and in as many areas as you wish!

VOLUNTEER CORNER

TAS thrives with the dedicated efforts of congregants who volunteer to help with activities, projects and services. It's a great way to make friends and deepen your connection to TAS. Our calendar is full with many opportunities to be of service. Please contact me. I look forward to help you make TAS your second home.

Laraine Miller, TAS Volunteer Coordinator
tzlady@socal.rr.com (818) 993-0796

SOCIAL ACTION: Learn about the many community outreach efforts that TAS supports. Contact Judy Stehr, jesterjudy@gmail.com.

KESHER: Help brainstorm ideas to increase connections between our members. Contact Sue Issler, sissler@socal.rr.com.

Want to join a Havurah? Contact Carol Bizar-Morton, carolthebizar@yahoo.com or Carol Stern, gusstern47@msn.com for more details.

ALUMNI OUTREACH: Help keep in touch with our college age students with holiday mailings. Contact Alyce Caskey, tasalumniprogram@gmail.com.

MARKETING: Help with marketing and promoting our community, special events and ongoing services and activities. Contact Steve Schachter, steven@socal.rr.com.

WELCOMING (JUST SAY SHALOM!): Help with ways to introduce and connect our new members into our Temple family. Contact Todd Reznik, treznik@bsrgcpa.com.

MEMBERSHIP: Help with ideas to bring in more members to our community, and keep the ones we have! Contact Karen Goldman, karen@goldmanseeger.com.

EARLY CHILDHOOD ENRICHMENT CENTER (ECEC): Any weekday reading, baking or sharing your skills and hobbies with the children. Need help with building items, painting rooms, doors and equipment. Contact Tessa Cramer, ECEC Director, tessa@tasnorthridge.org.

LIFELONG LEARNING: Help with TAS Tuesday & Thursday Adult Education Nights. Plus, help us design new adult education programs. Contact Diane Levine, levinedp@gmail.com.

CARING COMMUNITY: Help with visits to congregants, or cooking for congregants in times of need. Contact Abbey Klein, caringcommunity@tasnorthridge.org.

Main Office assistance: Answering phone, selling gift cards, using copier, weekday afternoons 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Contact Sophia in office, (818) 360-2258.



TAS CONFIRMATION CLASS GETS TWO NEW TEACHERS

Rabbi Dalia Samansky was born in Philadelphia, however, she is fourth-generation raised in Los Angeles. Although she began Hebrew school here at TAS, she became a bat mitzvah at Temple Aliyah in Woodland Hills, went to college at Brandeis University and was ordained at Hebrew Union College. Rabbi Samansky is married to Jason, and they have two daughters -- Naomi, 9 (who went to preschool at TAS), and Tova, 6.

What influenced Rabbi Samansky to become a teacher of Judaism was the desire to share her passion for Judaism. She wanted to turn her “passion into a profession, and do what I love and call it work.” She feels it makes her a better person and enables her to share. For Rabbi Samansky, the most enjoyable thing about teaching is all the ideas the students bring to class, and the joy of having new students each year, over and over again. What she likes best is helping people find connection and relevance to Judaism in their life.

This February, she is looking forward to taking the Confirmation class to Washington, D.C., for the L'Taken Social Justice Seminar. Sponsored by the Religious Action Center, the advocacy arm of the reform movement, this trip will enable the students to bond together in friendship and to learn that “democracy is not a spectator sport.” They will learn to stand up for their Jewish values, learn to lobby for their causes, and will be given a chance to meet with a senator or representative on a topic the students will choose from a prepared list. The D.C. trip will be the highlight of the year for her Confirmation students, who will celebrate the culmination of their studies at the Confirmation service in May 2018.

Arnon Arad, TAS' other new Confirmation teacher, was born in Zambia, where his father worked for the Israeli government in agriculture. Subsequent to that, Arnon lived in Israel till he was 12, then moved to Puerto Rico, where he became a bar mitzvah. This “wandering Jew” also has lived in Florida, Las Vegas and on the Upper West Side of New York. Arnon moved to the Valley four years ago, as his ex-wife moved to San Jose with their two youngest children (Orli, 17; and Jaden, 14). His eldest daughter Shoshana, 20, lives here in L.A.

Arnon was educated at Nova Southeastern University and Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (Jerusalem) and graduated from the University of South Florida. He majored in religious studies and Judaic studies.

He loves sharing his life experiences and relating them to the Torah and Jewish values, which is the aspect of Judaism that he most enjoys imparting to his students. He loves to “find a connection with all of my students and know what they love and enjoy.” His mother is the reason Arnon became an educator. She trusted his ability, at age 16, to have him teach a class in religious school. His mother taught him that “every aspect of me can be brought into the classroom.” In addition, “My love for music, sports and Judaism made me into a well-rounded teacher.” Arnon looks forward to taking the Confirmation class to Washington, D.C., in February for the L'Taken Social Justice Seminar. He wants his students to be “emotionally connected to what they bring to D.C., and not just go through the motions.”

By Myrna Davis

TAS RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

Hanukkah is one of my favorite Jewish holidays, so beautiful and family oriented. The days before Hanukkah, we decorate the house with Jewish stars and hanukkiyot. My boys rediscover their dreidel collection, and they fight over it and compete with each other. Hanukkah is the time when we invite family and friends to share the calories of the latkes and sufganiyot and the warmth from the light of the candles. My favorite day of Hanukkah is the last one when everybody brings their own hanukkiah and the lights all shine so brightly.

Growing up in Israel was a different experience. In the United States, Hanukkah is the holiday of jelly doughnuts, dreidels and hanukiyot that children enjoy, but in Israel, it does not have the same effect as it does here in the United States. What is it that makes it such a unique experience and an important holiday for the American Jewish people? Many believe that living in the diaspora forced the Jewish people to transform Hanukkah so it would be attractive for our children who see their non-Jewish friends decorating their Christmas trees and getting presents from Santa Claus.

No matter what brings us all together during Hanukkah, it is a great time to connect with the community. TAS Religious School focused on many different aspects for this Hanukkah. Our first through seventh grade students worked hard on creating the Hanukkah centerpieces for our community dinner. This was a lovely project making Hanukkah symbols and decorating silver sprayed branches that Irit Shemesh, our art teacher, collected. You can see the final result in the pictures below.

On Sunday, December 10, our Religious School students participated in a Hanukkah celebration. All students got the chance to go on stage and sing Hanukkah songs. Third through sixth grade students participated in Robbo's original play, "The Good, The Bad and The Maccabee". All students left the Temple with a bag of chocolate gelt and a new dreidel donated by Sisterhood. TAS high school students also got to celebrate Hanukkah and light the first candle together. Thanks to TASTY board members for assisting.

I want to wish TAS families, a very Happy Hanukkah!

B'Ahavah,

Sharon Furman-Lee
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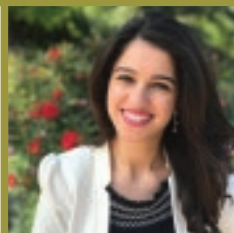


Jennifer Bennett
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Daniel Friedman**
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**Cantorial Soloist
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TAS BOOK GROUP SELECTIONS FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY

The Book Group meets in the Rothenberg Chapel/Library on the second Thursday of the month. Refreshments are available at 7 p.m. and the discussion begins at 7:30 p.m. A \$5 contribution per person is requested. Feel free to join the group even if you have not read the book.

JANUARY 11 - *LEAVING LUCY PEAR*

BY ANNA SOLOMON

Phyllis Bass, Facilitator



One night in 1917, Beatrice Haven sneaks out of her uncle's house and leaves her newborn baby at the foot of a pear tree and watches the unwed daughter of wealthy Jewish industrialists and gifted pianist bound for Radcliffe. Ten years later, she returns to discover that her daughter has been raised by an Irish-Catholic woman and is now a bright,

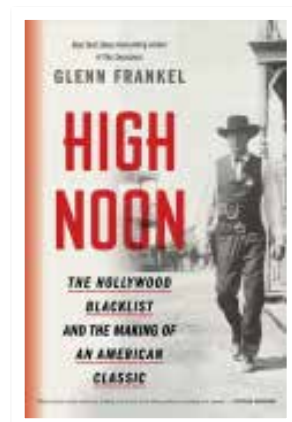
bold cross-dressing girl named Lucy

FEBRUARY 8 - *HIGH NOON: THE HOLLYWOOD BLACK LIST AND THE MAKING OF AN AMERICAN CLASSIC*

BY GLENN FRANKEL

Cathy Meyer, Facilitator

The story behind the American classic film. Not only the story of how the movie almost did not get made, but the story of how the Hollywood blacklist and the HUAC impacted the American scene. A good blend of moving making, Hollywood and politics. This is a well-researched and well-written book.



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- March 8 – *Leaving Berlin* by Joseph Kanon Fran Lapides, Facilitator
 April 12 – *Matzo Balls and Cornbread* by Tyree and Les Wieder T and L Wieder, Facilitators
 May 10 – *Waking Lions* by Ayelet Gundar-Goshen Joyce Edelson, Facilitator
 June 14 – *Lisette's List* by Susan Vreeland Barbara Vosen, Facilitator

GENEROUS GIFTS

ALUMNI OUTREACH FUND

Wendy and Barry Krowne in memory of Ila Rothenberg
Wendy and Barry Krowne in memory of Sonny Siegel
Wendy and Barry Krowne in memory of Henry Orenstein
Cindy Petrak in honor of the Alumni Outreach efforts

ANNUAL GIVING/ GENERAL FUND

Fran and Al Lapidés to Wendy and Barry Krowne in honor of the Marriage of Kim and Edward Deborah S. Weissman
Lynn and Michael Doner in memory of Ila Rothenberg
The Doner Family-Lynn, Michael, Geoff and Samantha in memory of Heidi Yellen
David and Becky Breuer in memory of Lawrence M. Berlin Samuel and Susan Behar
Fran and Al Lapidés in honor of Sharon Janis and Anita Hoch, "Thank you for all the hard work for the High Holidays"
Ginger Mueller Mann in honor of Rabbi Barry Lutz
Brian and Cheryl Hatkoff in memory of Lawrence Berlin
Brian and Cheryl Hatkoff in memory of Lester Elisco
Alaine, Rick and Karen Seidman, "Mazel Tov to Alan Kassan on becoming President of the San Fernando Valley Bar Association"
Dr. Richard J. Follett
Fran and Al Lapidés in memory of Maynard Eisinger
Fran and Al Lapidés in memory of Freda Heller
Debbie and Leslie Feldman in memory of Maynard Eisinger

CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Sisterhood of Temple Ahavat Shalom to Cantor Ken for Sukkot
Shelly and Phil Trop in memory of Maynard Eisinger

CARING COMMUNITY FUND

Shelly and Phil Trop sending belated Birthday Wishes to Andrea and Mark Rosenfeld
Shelly and Phil Trop in memory of Edward Levin
Rochelle and Marvin Skolnick in memory of our friend Elinor Christian, "May she rest in peace."
Nancy Rubin in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Amanda Rabin on October 14, 2017
Steven and Janice Berlin to The Caring Community, with special thanks to Fran and Al Lapidés, Mel Birken, Jo Schwartz, Ellen Lowe, Margaret Chroman, Rhonda Mayer, Diane Levine, Arlene Stone and Bob Levine
Phyllis and Hal Bass in memory of Lila Klein
Abbey Klein to the Pearlman Family "With congratulations on the wedding"
Phyllis and Hal Bass in memory of Freda Heller, beloved aunt of Anita Hoch

Sharon and Mel Janis in memory of Freda Heller
Shelly, Phil and Jonathan Trop in memory of Freda Heller
Phyllis and Hal Bass in memory of Maynard Eisinger, father of Karen Schnee
Abbey Klein in memory of Freda Heller
Abbey Klein in memory of Maynard Eisinger
Les and Tyree Wieder in memory of Maynard Eisinger
David and Becky Breuer in memory of Karen Schnee's father, Maynard Eisinger

EARLY CHILDHOOD FUND

Mindy and David Free in memory of Fannie Plutsky
Sandee Libby in memory of Shirley Kligman
Abbey Klein in memory of Lila Klein
TAS Book Group
Michael and Lynn Doner

MARISA INGRUM FUND-RESILIENCE OF THE SOUL

The Shearer Family in memory of Marguerite Shearer

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Jerry and Trish Wiener in honor of Jolie Wiener making Aliyah
Melissa and Alan Kassan to Rabbi Lutz, "Thank you for Jared and Helen's Aufruf"

SOCIAL ACTION FUND

Sandra Rogers in memory of Joel Micah Kleinman
Judy Stehr and Bob Brostoff sending get well wishes to Bob Rosen

VI AND DAVID LIEBER MEMORIAL MUSIC FUND

Abbey Klein, "Remembering Ellie Christian"
The Krimston/Korduner Family to the Christian Family, "In memory of our beloved Ellie, With Love and Remembrance"
Fran Krimston to the Levy Family, "In loving memory of my beloved friend Eilyne"
Fran Krimston to Wendy and Barry Krowne, "In celebration of Kim and Edward's Marriage"
Fran Krimston to Ann Lieber, "In celebration of your big eight-zero! Mazel Tov and Love"

Yahrzeits

David and Laurie Scher in memory of Marti Daniels
Rosalind and Lawrence Porton in memory of Louis Ross
Nick and Rosie Mandel in memory of Dora Gniazardowicz
Allan and Pamala Evenas in memory of Zofia Evenas
Eva-Lynn Diesenhaus in memory of Harriet Diesenhaus
Rick, Alaine and Karen Seidman in memory of Irving Seidman
Leslie Sperber Reid in memory of Stuart Sperber
Ira and Sherry Kaplan in memory of Eugene Pleshette
Anita Hoch in memory of Miriam Kleinbrodt
Anita Hoch in memory of Mildred Sherman
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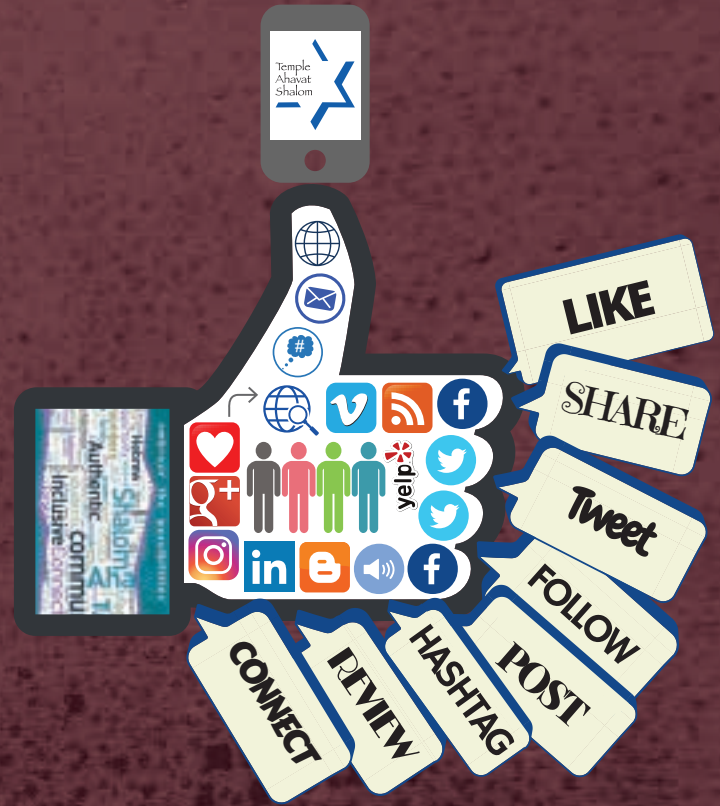
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| Dec. 22 | 7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service |
| Dec. 29 | 7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service |
| Jan. 5 | 7 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service |
| Jan. 12 | 5:30 p.m. Bim Bam Bimah Service
7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service |
| Jan. 19 | 7 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service
8 p.m. Beatles Sing-Along |
| Jan. 20 | 10 a.m. Shabbat Minyan led by Efrat Yakobi
10:15 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Andrew Karp |
| Jan. 26 | 7 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service and Consecration |
| Jan. 27 | 10:15 a.m. Bar Mitzvah of Joshua Yates |
| Feb. 2 | 7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service |
| Feb. 9 | 6:45 p.m. Lay-led Torah Discussion
7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service |
| Feb. 16 | 7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service featuring the L'Taken Participants |
| Feb. 17 | 10 a.m. Shabbat Minyan led by Efrat Yakobi
4:45 p.m. Bat Mitzvah of Rachel Baron |
| Feb. 23 | 5:30 p.m. Bim Bam Bimah
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7 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service |
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7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service |
| March 10 | 9:45 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Cayla Tarlow |
| March 16 | 7 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service |
| March 17 | 10 a.m. Shabbat Minyan led by Efrat Yakobi
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