



Temple Israel Dayton

THE TEMPLE TABLET

GLOBAL DAY OF JEWISH LEARNING

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We will join together with numerous others around the globe to dive into this year's theme.

RYTERBAND SERIES RETURNS

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Our long-running speaker series returns this month and features great talent.

NEW-ISH TO BEING JEWISH

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A new program launching this month is geared toward helping newer Jews.

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Save the date!

Hanukkah Happening
Sunday, December 11 at 11:00AM

Join us for a special celebration of Hanukkah with all of our religious school students and teachers. Each class will present something they learned about Hanukkah and lunch will be served as well. More details to come in the next few weeks!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP

By Courtney Cummings

Our High Holidays wouldn't happen without the support and participation from our members. We thank everyone who participated in services, served as ushers, assisted with break-the-fast, brought in food for the Foodbank, and helped to beautify our space.

Service Participants:

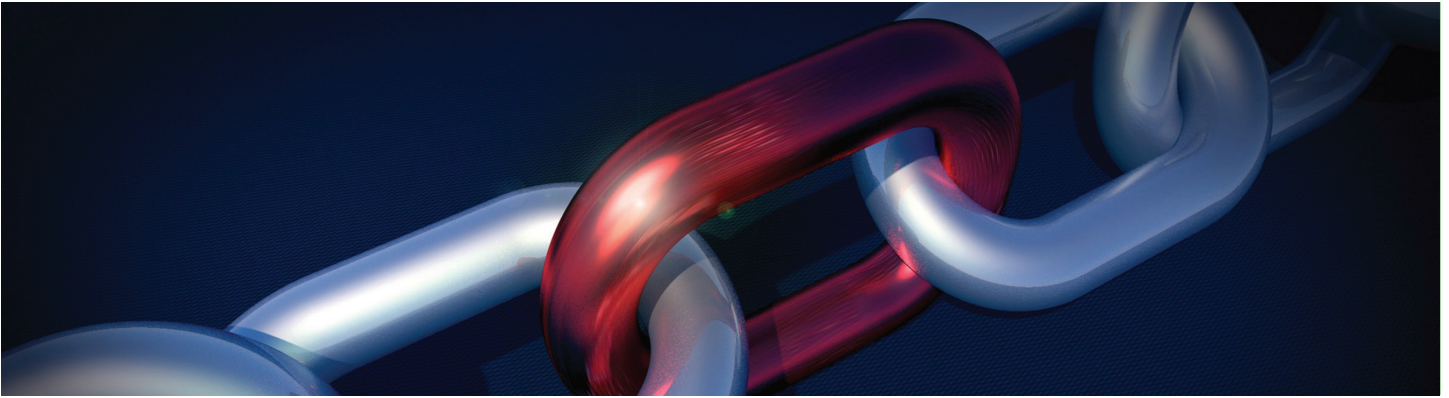
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A LINK IN THE CHAIN

By: Senior Rabbi Karen Bodney-Halas



Our Jewish Cultural Festival offers a warm welcome to the greater Dayton community, inviting newcomers into our Jewish home. People come to the event to learn about our faith, culture, and traditions, have the opportunity to get to know us, and show their support. Because of the festival and year-round involvement with the non-Jewish community, Rabbi Sobo and I are frequently approached by individuals exploring Judaism.

It is a privilege to be a part of this process. These potential converts bring a special joy and enthusiasm to our community. Their eagerness to learn, spiritually reflect, and become involved in Jewish life motivates the rest of us to do the same. As a rabbi, I support their self-transformation through counseling, education, and opportunities for reflection. But, following immersion in the Mikveh and the completion of an intense period of study, clergy involvement wanes and some of our newest members still wish for additional support. Nick Schmall, a recent Jew-by-Choice, shared with me: "I still have a lot to learn and appreciate about Judaism and I do not want to miss an opportunity to deepen my faith."

It takes a long time for someone to become fully comfortable with Jewish tradition and culture, especially for someone raised in another faith. Tom Bainbridge, a long-time Temple member, approached me this summer about starting a post-conversion program and creating mentoring opportunities. Tom, himself a Jew-by-Choice, is spearheading this effort as a way to support

his Temple family. He recognizes the challenges people face as they observe the holidays for the first time and hopes to help alleviate some of that pressure. Kit Brewer, a current conversion candidate, is especially appreciative for this type of effort because, "So far in my Jewish journey, I haven't seen too many resources for converts by other converts."

Over the last few months, a diverse group of Temple members have been working with Tom and the Adult Education Committee to make this proposal a reality. Whether it's called "New-ish to being Jewish," "So, you're Jewish, now what?," "How-to-Jew It," or something else, this series of discussions will support a wide range of community members: those who are curious about Judaism, returning to Judaism, converting to Judaism, raising Jewish children, or sharing Judaism with loved ones. Our upcoming "how-to" classes will serve as an introduction to the celebration of Jewish life and provide support and guidance for those in interfaith relationships.

If you are comfortable with Jewish holidays and customs, we hope you will get involved and play an important role in this program. We need your mentorship! Nick shared with me that, since converting, he finds that "the best way to learn about Jewish holidays is to share the experience with others." Now that we are less restricted by Covid, we can offer this to him and others. It would be wonderful for you to offer your knowledge and friendship to our newest members. We often speak of the importance of transmitting our tradition from generation to generation, *l'dor v'dor*. A new generation of Jews emerges every day and is here and ready to learn. Come be a link in our chain of tradition.

GLOBAL DAY OF JEWISH LEARNING

Join thousands from around the world!

By: Rabbi Tina Sobo

Launched in 2010 as an effort to connect Jews around the world in mutual appreciation of Jewish wisdom, the Global Day of Jewish Learning is inspired by the vision and leadership of Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz (z"l).

We are excited once again to join hundreds of Jewish communities worldwide on Sunday, November 13 to explore the theme of "Rebuilding" in the Global Day of Jewish Learning. There's something for everyone! Topics include: "Rebuilding the Past, Envisioning the Future," "Repairing and Rebuilding Relationships," and more. Religious school students will delve into these topics with their classmates in multi-modal ways during our usual religious school sessions. **Adults are strongly encouraged to join as special Zoom guest, Rabbi Sally Priesand, presents to us all at 10:15 a.m. on November 13.** This special presentation is hosted jointly by the Ryterband Speaker Series and the Adult Education Committee.

Rabbi Priesand became America's first female rabbi when she was ordained by Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in 1972. As we celebrate 50 years of women in the rabbinate, she will share her thoughtful reflections on her career, experiences, and insights as the rabbinate has been built, rebuilt, and reshaped over that time.



NEW-ISH TO BEING JEWISH?



A new program aimed at new converts and those who seek to learn more about Jewish customs and traditions, begins this month. This new initiative, led by Tom Bainbridge and the Adult Education Committee, will support folks on their journey with Judaism. (Read more about the formation of this new series in Rabbi's article on page 2.)

The first program installment, called "Making Hanukkah Happen," will take place on Wednesday, November 16 at 7:00PM at the home of Carol Graff. (Call the Temple office for the address.)

If you are interested in attending this event, please contact Tom Bainbridge to RSVP - thomasbainbridge5751@gmail.com or (937) 620-4466. We kindly ask that you respond no later than November 14.

Can't make it this time? Let us know that you are interested and we will keep you posted on the next event. We look forward to many more programs like this in the months to come!

INTRO TO JUDAISM

The Synagogue Forum of Greater Dayton will present an Introduction to Judaism course that is open to anyone interested in Jewish learning, dialogue, and exploration. The course offers an in-depth look at Judaism from Conservative, Orthodox, Traditional, and Reform perspectives. Instructors are rabbis from Beth Abraham, Beth Jacob, Temple Beth Or and Temple Israel synagogues, as well as invited guest speakers.

The registration fee is \$36 for an individual or couple. The class begins on Tuesday, November 1 at 7:00PM. Register at jewishdayton.org or by calling 937.610.1555.

Come learn with us (and have fun, too)!

NEW PROGRAMS FOR ELEMENTARY-AGE CHILDREN

By: Lake Miller

We are so excited to be kicking off programming for some of our youngest temple members! In addition to Prayer and Play, our older elementary school students will now have opportunities each month to get together for enjoyable activities to grow our Jewish community. If your family wants to know more about these events, reach out to me - lakeography@gmail.com. Specific event times will be listed in future *Temple Tablets* and flyers distributed at Religious School, and sent via emails. We hope to see you at an upcoming event!

We are working with any and all interested Temple families to identify the best times for



MAZEL TOV!



Special Member News:

Mazel tov to **Julie and Dave Buckner** on the birth of their grandson, Joshua Harris Levine-Cohen, who came into the world at 7 pounds 12 ounces and 20 inches long. Proud parents are Andrew Levine and Debra Cohen. Proud great-grandparents are **Lois Harris** and Herbert Harris (z"l).

Mazel tov to **Melissa and Tim Sweeny** whose daughter, Lauren Sweeny, married Kyle Hopkins on September 10. Lauren is also the sister of **Dan Sweeny**.

Mazel tov to **Joel and Judi Guggenheimer** on the engagement of their son, Samuel Guggenheimer, to Frances Wallman, daughter of Jon and Sally Wallman. Frances has a Master's degree in International Security Studies from Georgetown University School of Foreign Service and is currently employed by the State Department. Sam graduated from Georgetown Law School in 2021 and works at the firm of Shearman & Sterling. A June 2023 wedding is planned.

Birthdays

Temple recognizes member birthdays beginning at age 35 every 5 years and then annually starting at age 85.

December:

3 Natalie Barrar
6 Michael Caruso
8 Wendy Wright
9 Merrill Asher
12 Diane Duberstein
14 Lynette Karp
20 Sylvia Blum
21 Kim Howell
23 Elli Kent
25 David Pierce
26 Barbara Goldberg
26 Libby Elbaum
29 Kenneth Blum
29 Barb Gronefeld
29 Charles Fox

Anniversaries

Temple recognizes member wedding anniversaries every 5 years and every year after 60.

December:

15 Harry and Rita Rich celebrating 50 years
17 David and Lynn Goldenberg celebrating 55 years
18 Jim and Diane Duberstein celebrating 62 years
27 Ramon and Mary Harris celebrating 63 years
31 Steve and Kim Adler celebrating 15 years

Please call Temple if you do not wish to be listed or if you were omitted from the list.

*Thank you to our September Schmooze & Nosh donors:
Linda Novak, Carol Graff, and David & Barbara Shon*

HIGH HOLIDAYS IN PHOTOS

Temple Israel's High Holiday services were a time for us to celebrate and reflect as we looked forward to this new year of 5783. We gathered together as a community, both in-person and online, to pray and sing, hear the call of the shofar, confront our own failings of the year, and seek atonement from God and from those we did wrong. We enjoyed honey cake on Rosh Hashanah and brought in food for the Foodbank for our neighbors in need on Yom Kippur. We delighted in each other's company and support. Enjoy these photos from our time together and we wish you a wonderful year to come.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP

By: Courtney Cummings

Service Participants (cont'd):

Dennis Lieberman, Adriane Miller, Lake Miller, Vicki Minor, David Mollenhauer, Jennifer Mollenhauer, Linda Novak, Marsha Pfeiffer, Lisa Pierce, Fran Rickenbach, Alice Saidel, Burt Saidel, Ira Thomsen, Peggy Weller, Teresa Wyman, Dan Young

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We appreciate your dedication and commitment to Temple Israel! May this year of 5783 be a good one for us all.

Our members make the holidays happen!



SOCIAL JUSTICE TORAH STUDY



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Temple is offering a new class beginning this month, focused on the area of social justice in our Torah.

Rabbi Karen Bodney-Halasz will conduct the weekly session on Wednesdays at 10:00AM beginning on November 9, at Dorothy Lane Market (Washington Square, 6177 Far Hills Ave, 45459).

We encourage you to grab a cup of coffee and study the weekly Torah portion with Rabbi Bodney-Halasz through this social justice lens. Writings by a diverse array of authors delve deeply into each week's portion, drawing lessons to inspire tikkun olam. We'll address key contemporary issues such as racism, climate change, mass incarceration, immigration, disability, women's rights, voting rights, and many more.

No previous knowledge is required and everyone is welcome to attend. Contact Rabbi Bodney-Halasz if you have any questions about the class.

RYTERBAND LECTURE SERIES BEGINS

The Dorothee and Louis Ryterband Lecture Series kicks off this month with a great lineup of speakers. A light breakfast of bagels, schmear, coffee, and tea, begins at 9:45AM and the speakers start their presentations at 10:15AM. Cost is \$7 per person for the nosh and talk or \$65 for the entire series.



We welcome presenters from near and far.

November 6
Rabbi David Sofian
*Jewish Identity, How Many
Legs Does Your Table Have?*

Rabbi Sofian once again kicks off the Ryterband Brunch Series with a thought-provoking discussion regarding how people identify as being Jewish. He will also expand his presentation by answering questions about what's happening in Israel to include the impact of the Israeli elections.

November 13
Rabbi Sally Priesand
*Reflections on My Life
as a Rabbi*

Rabbi Priesand was America's first female rabbi ordained by Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati, Ohio in 1972. She will share her career, experiences, and insights learned in her rabbinic journey over the last 50 years.

This presentation is part of the Global Day of Jewish Learning and it is a partnership with the Adult Education Committee at Temple Israel. Rabbi Priesand will speak to us via Zoom.

November 20
Bob Thum
*Jewish Life in
19th Century America*

This presentation will focus on the conflicts and disputes within Judaism in 19th century America. How individual Jewish religious leaders saw their roles within a distinctive American culture became a defining moment for Judaism in America.

Please note that this presentation will take place at Beth Abraham Synagogue.

For the complete list of 2022-23 speakers, visit tidayton.org/ryterband-series.

TRIBUTE DONATIONS

Temple gratefully acknowledges the following gifts received in September. We list donations in the *Tablet* of \$10 or more and mail a notification for donations of \$18 or more. Donations of \$100 or more are described as generous. A complete list and descriptions of funds is available at todayton.org.

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These names are inscribed on the Memorial Tablets in our Sanctuary and, together with others whose Yahrzeit occurs during these weeks, will be read during Shabbat services before Kaddish.

November 4 and 5

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November 11 and 12

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November 18 and 19

Blanche Bilenkin, Lillie Sternbe Booth, William Bremer, Worley Collins, Sidney Donenfeld, Margaret Emoff, Marsha Froelich, Jessica Gordon, Louis Gradsky, Benjamin Greenblat, Max Isaacson, Clara Daneman Jacobs, Hal Kamin, Frances Klarin, Philip Kohn, Louis Lamfrom, Louis Leeds, Joseph M. Lessner, Fanny Thal Levi, Milton Marks, Ruth Melet, Lester M. Myers, Abraham B. Ross, Henry S. Rothenberg, Jack Rouda, Linda W. Ruchman, Richard S. Rutmann, Rosa F. Sajovitz, Leo Sajovitz, Israel Jacob Saul, Joseph Saul, Adele H. Schuman, Rosetta M. Schwartz, Joseph Seaman, Naomi Slavin Shaffer, Charles C. Wasserman, Bessie Weinstein, Frank Weprin, Rabbi Louis Witt, Leo Youngheart

November 25 and 26

Gilbert Bilenkin Jr., Lewis C. Booth, Beatrice Cohen, Alex Cutler, Alfred S. Daneman, Albert Eichorn, Manuel Freeman, Robert D. Gradsky, Kate Hampel, Gertrude Kahn, Roberta (Bobbie) Kantor, Eric Kohlhausen, Simon Levinson, Ruth Levitt, Amelia D. Linder, Nathan Prigozen, Pauline S. Rosenbloom, Samuel Roth, Maurice Sajovitz, Benjamin Smilg, Joseph Thal, Hattie Winters, Henrietta Youngheart

We mourn this recent death:

Marilyn Serbin

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