

MARCH-APRIL 2019

DON'T WORRY

THE ISAIAN



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BE HAPPY (IT'S ADAR)



A WARM EMBRACE FROM OUR VP OF MEMBERSHIP, SHARON ESHAGHOFF

In 2010, when Sharon and her husband, Chad, were looking for a preschool for their eldest son, Oliver, she was told by her uncle that all she needed to do was come to Temple Isaiah and her search for a synagogue would be over. He said it with such confidence, with such certainty and he was 110% correct! When the Halimi family left Iran in 1979, there were four values above all others that carried them as they built a life in the United States. Those values were family, community, Judaism and Social Justice. Knowing that Temple Isaiah embraced and celebrated those values, Jamie Halimi was confident that his niece would find a home here too.

Within a few weeks of enrolling her son in Teddy Bears, Sharon was asked for the first time to help. Sharon de Mayo, who was in PPA (Preschool Parent Association) at the time, asked Sharon Eshaghoff to host a PPA Event. It was an honor to be able to welcome her community to her house and from that successful event on, Sharon knew she wanted to help deepen the sense of community at Temple Isaiah. She became involved in PPA (Preschool Parent Association) for the preschool, she became PPA President, a member of PAC (Preschool Advisory Committee) and she joined Temple Isaiah's Board of Trustees. As her children enrolled in the Religious School she became active with REC (Religious Education Committee). Sharon kept giving more and getting even more back and earlier this year was invited to serve on the Executive Committee of the Temple as the VP of Membership.



Sharon & Chad Eshaghoff
Jack, Aaron and Oliver

"How could I not serve as VP of Membership? I look at what Isaiah has provided to my family and my cup is full. I want to help others have that same sense of fulfillment."

Building upon the strong foundation her parents created for her and what she and Chad have built, this community has helped deepen her family's Jewish Identity and their sense of community and belonging.

They are all very proud of being Jewish. Oliver has developed a love of Jewish Music and looks forward to any time he performs with the Pop-Up Choir. Jack has the strongest sense of community as his friends from Isaiah are his closest and dearest. Aaron is her little rabbi; G-d, Rabbi Joel and Josh Nelson are his best friends and he never travels without his little Torah that he received on Simchat Torah. Chad, her husband, feels deeply connected and the services provide a meaningful experience, even though he is still waiting for a country music shabbat.

Ellen Canter, who served as VP of Membership for eight years, laid a fantastic foundation and Sharon is impressed with how many long-standing members are still involved with the community. As VP of Membership, Sharon looks forward to deepening the connection between Family home and Jewish home and looking into ways we can enhance the Shabbat experience both at Temple Isaiah and in the home. Sharon, in partnership with Sheri Gerrman, the new Director of Membership Engagement, hopes we can deepen connections at Isaiah so that people truly embrace each other as extended family. Members will be here to lift each other up in times of sadness and in times of joy. She envisions lifecycle events being not the goal, but part of a longer journey regardless of whether they join that journey in preschool, religious school or later in life.

As Sharon reflects on her Jewish Journey and what has brought her to this point, a smile comes to her face as she remembers her childhood and her family gathering together on Friday Nights.



Halimi-Eshaghoff - Dar Cousins

She is grateful for the values that her parents instilled in her and that she gets to experience that same sense of family at Temple Isaiah, partially because her uncle is still a member, Chad's brother's family are members, and her brother and sister and their families are now members too, but more so because every time she steps foot into Temple Isaiah she feels like she is walking into a warm embrace and she hopes that she can foster that feeling with other members as well.

PURIM: IT'S MORE THAN JUST COSTUMES AND COOKIES

by Rabbi Dara Frimmer



The author of Ecclesiastes tells us, “A season is set for everything, and a time for every experience under heaven.” **How would you describe the season of Purim?** What season or time does it represent for you and your family?

For most of us, Purim is a season of joy, delight, costumes, cookies and silliness. For others, it is a reminder of the fragility and vulnerability of Jewish life. Amidst the carnival atmosphere and humorous spiels, there is a story of anti-Semitism, a plot of extermination, and a miraculous moment in which our people were saved. Does that storyline sound familiar? In many ways, it is the story of every Jewish holiday, whittled down to the tagline: *They tried to kill us. We survived. Let's eat.*

Haman, a descendant of Amalek, the Children of Israel's arch-enemy from the Wilderness, is intent on destroying the Jewish population in the kingdom of Persia. Rather than surrender, a brave queen named Esther helps to reverse the course of events, and out of this moment emerges the holiday of Purim.

We read in the scroll of Esther that Mordechai recorded all these events and sent dispatches to all the Jews throughout the kingdom, charging them to celebrate the holiday on the 14th and 15th days of Adar:

...the same days on which the Jews enjoyed relief from their foes and the same month which had been transformed for them from one of grief and mourning to one of festive joy. They were to observe them as days of feasting and merrymaking, and as an occasion for sending gifts to one another and presents to the poor. (Esther 9:22)

From this section of the story, we receive the four main commandments of Purim:

- **Mikra Megillah** - Hear the Book of Esther
- **Mishloach Manot** - Sending Gifts: Every Jew is obligated to give at least one gift to a friend or neighbor containing at least two different types of ready-to-eat food items.
- **Matanot La'evyonim** - Gifts to the Poor (tzedakah/charity)
- **Seudah** - Festive Meal

While these mitzvot may seem innocuous (after all, who doesn't love a good meal?), our ancestors understood them to be essential in addressing and surviving the ongoing threats that emerge in every generation.

- Listen to the story and remember what we have experienced and overcome.
- Break down the walls between neighbors and community members through the simple act of giving gifts. Allow space to reconnect and remember you are not alone.
- Be generous with your resources; pay attention to the brokenness that surrounds you. Be proactive in building a society in which all people are afforded compassion and dignity.
- And, finally, enjoy a meal with friends and family. Send a message to the world that we are here. We are thriving. We will bless this moment (and this food) even in the midst of ongoing uncertainty and vulnerability.

This year, Purim may be just the holiday we need to guide us (all of us!) in navigating the uncertainty of Jewish life in the 21st century. May it continue to teach us and strengthen us all. Chag Sameach!

PURIM



**"A BEAUTIFUL DAY IN
SHUSHAN NEIGHBORHOOD"**

**WON'T YOU BE OUR
NEIGHBOR?**

SAVE THE DATE

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL TEMPLE-WIDE
PURIM CELEBRATION ON

SATURDAY

3.16.19

3:00 P.M. TO 8:30 P.M.

CARNIVAL | 3:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

Enjoy a full day of fun, costumes, concession stands, food trucks,
music, dancing and laughter. Experience Temple Isaiah's
transformation into one great big neighborhood!

MITZVAH FAIR | 3:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M.

PURIM SPIEL | 5:00 P.M.

Watch our phenomenal Purim spiel
"A Beautiful Day in Shushan Neighborhood."
starring Temple youth and clergy.

CARNIVAL REOPENS | 5:45 P.M.

Enjoy more games, raffle, food and music.

RAFFLE WINNERS ANNOUNCED | 7:30 P.M.



SAVE THE DATE

NEW THIS YEAR PAJAMA PURIM

WEDNESDAY

3.20.19

Join Temple Isaiah clergy and preschool staff
for a cozy and cuddly megillah reading
followed by hot chocolate, milk,
and hamantaschen.

Come in your favorite PJs (adults too),
and we'll send you home ready for
dreams about Esther and Mordechai.

For families with children
ages 0-5

6:30 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

At Temple Isaiah, *Your Home at the Intersection of Tradition and Innovation*, we discover and rediscover ancient celebrations, making them relevant for a 21st century Jewish community. This year we offer you two takeaways, one for Purim and one for Passover. We hope that these will inspire conversation with family and friends, both young and old.

THE MEGILLAH FOR KIDS

Once upon a time in a town called Shushan, there lived a man called Mordechai. He was a very good man, and always tried to help people and do the right thing. Mordechai lived with his niece Esther, and they were Jewish, just like you. (That means they liked eating challah and lighting Hanukkah candles and singing Shabbat songs, just like you!)

In the same town there was a king called King Ahashverosh. He lived in a big palace and had lots of money, but he was a bit lonely. He needed a new queen to come and live with him in the palace. He looked everywhere and eventually he decided that the one person he liked most of all was Esther, who was not only pretty but also kind and very smart.

So Esther said goodbye to her Uncle Mordechai and went to live in the palace with the King and become his queen, but she didn't tell him she was Jewish.

Now there was a man who worked in the palace who was not very nice. His name was Haman. He expected everyone to do exactly what he said, and to bow down to him when they saw him, and he got angry if someone didn't do exactly what he wanted.

One day Haman met Mordechai, and Mordechai did not bow down to him. Haman became very cross and he went to the King and said, "There are some people around here who do things differently from other people, and I think you should make them go away."

The King didn't really know what Haman was talking about, but he said "OK, you can tell those people to go away, the ones who do things differently."

What Haman wanted to do was to get rid of Mordechai and Esther and all their Jewish friends!

The Jewish people were very sad, because they liked living in the kingdom and they didn't want to go away. What could they do? Mordechai sent a message to Esther at the palace, and the message said "Esther we need your help! That nasty Haman wants to get rid of us all! Please talk to the King and ask him to stop Haman." Queen Esther thought "I must be very brave" and she made a special dinner for the King, with all his favorite foods. Then she invited the King and Haman to come and have dinner with her. The King thought dinner was delicious, and he was so happy that after he finished eating, he said to Queen Esther "What can I do for you, to say thank you?"

Queen Esther said, "Oh please, I need you to help me and my Uncle Mordechai and all our friends, because someone wants to make us go away."

"That is terrible!" said the King, because he really liked Esther and he didn't want her to go away. "Who wants to get rid of you and your family and friends?"

Esther pointed at Haman and said "It's him! Haman wants to get rid of us!"

"Oh no!" said the King, and he was very angry indeed. He called his guards and said "Take away Haman and get rid of him instead!"

Then the King asked Mordechai to come and work at the palace and do Haman's job - but of course Mordechai was much nicer than Haman! And nobody had to go and live anywhere else if they didn't want to.

So after that, everyone lived happily in the Kingdom. Esther and Mordechai did a really good job working with the King, and everyone learned to make delicious cookies called Hamantaschen, which are definitely tastier than latkes. (Right, Rabbi Joel?) The End.

מה נשתנה הלילה הזה מכל הלילות

Mah nishtanah halailah hazeh mikol haleilot?
How is this night different from all other nights?

שבכל הלילות אנו אוכלין חמץ ומצה, – הלילה הזה כלו מצה.



Sheb'chol haleilot anu ochlin chameitz umatzah, halailah hazeh, kuloh matzah.
On all other nights, we eat chameitz and matzah. On this night, only matzah.

שבכל הלילות אנו אוכלין שאר ירקות – הלילה הזה כלו מרור.



Sheb'chol haleilot anu ochlin sh'ar y'rakot, halailah hazeh, maror.
On all other nights, we eat all vegetables. On this night, maror.

שבכל הלילות אין אנו מטבילין אפילו פעם אחת – הלילה הזה שתי פעמים.



Sheb'chol haleilot ein anu matbilin afilu pa'am echad, halailah hazeh, sh'tei f'amim.
On all other nights, we don't dip even once. On this night we dip twice.

שבכל הלילות אנו אוכלין בין יושבין ובין מסבין – הלילה הזה כלנו מסבין.



Sheb'chol haleilot anu ochlin bein yoshvin uvein m'subin, halailah hazeh, kulanu m'subin.
On all other nights, we eat either sitting upright or reclining. On this night we all recline.

The 5th Question: At the Intersection of Tradition & Innovation

How is this year's seder different from all other seders?

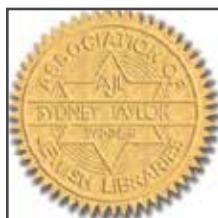
What new question(s) will you ask?

What new tradition(s) will you bring?

LINES FROM THE LIBRARY

by Ellen G. Cole, Librarian

THIS YEAR'S BEST JEWISH CHILDREN'S BOOKS



What more wonderful way to say community than to share the coveted Sydney Taylor Book Awards for 2019. This year's distinguished contributions to Jewish children's literature reflect the blessings of positive Judaism.

The Younger Readers winner is *All-of-a-Kind-Family Hanukkah* by Emily Jenkins, illustrated by Paul Zelinsky. Charming text and playful illustrations merge in a new picture book version inspired by the classic chapter books by Sydney Taylor for whom the awards are named.

The Older Readers gold medalist is *Sweep: The Story of a Girl and Her Monster* by Jonathan Auxier. Golem meets Mary Poppins' pals in an energetic super-hero adventure built on Jewish legend and the social horrors of Victorian England's chimney sweeps.

Author/Illustrator Vesper Stamper captures the Teen Readers gold with *What the Night Sings*. In this moving novel, a teenage Holocaust survivor struggles to reconcile her identity after the tragedy.

There are five Honor Winners in the three categories: Picture Books: *A Moon for Moe and Mo* and *Through the Window: Views of Marc Chagall's Life and Art*. Older Readers: *All Three Stooges* and *The Length of a String*. Teen Readers: *You'll Miss Me When I'm Gone*. There are nine Notable Books in these categories. The Levine Library has this list.

Winners receive cash prizes from the Sydney Taylor estate at the Association of Jewish Libraries convention in Los Angeles in June. Taylor's success created American Jewish children's literature. Librarian Ellen Cole recommends these special books, in the Library for you.



Library Hours:

Tuesday | 2:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.
Sunday | 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

SPINE TINGLES BOOK CLUB

Discussions with our award-winning librarian, Ellen Cole

Upcoming Dates | 10:30 a.m. to noon



WHEN A STUDENT IS SENT TO THE OFFICE

by Rabbi Zoë Klein Miles



I have been grateful for my time as Interim Religious School Director at Temple Isaiah which has given me the opportunity to engage with our students, parents and teachers on a new level. I want to share an experience that I treasure, although it may sound strange.

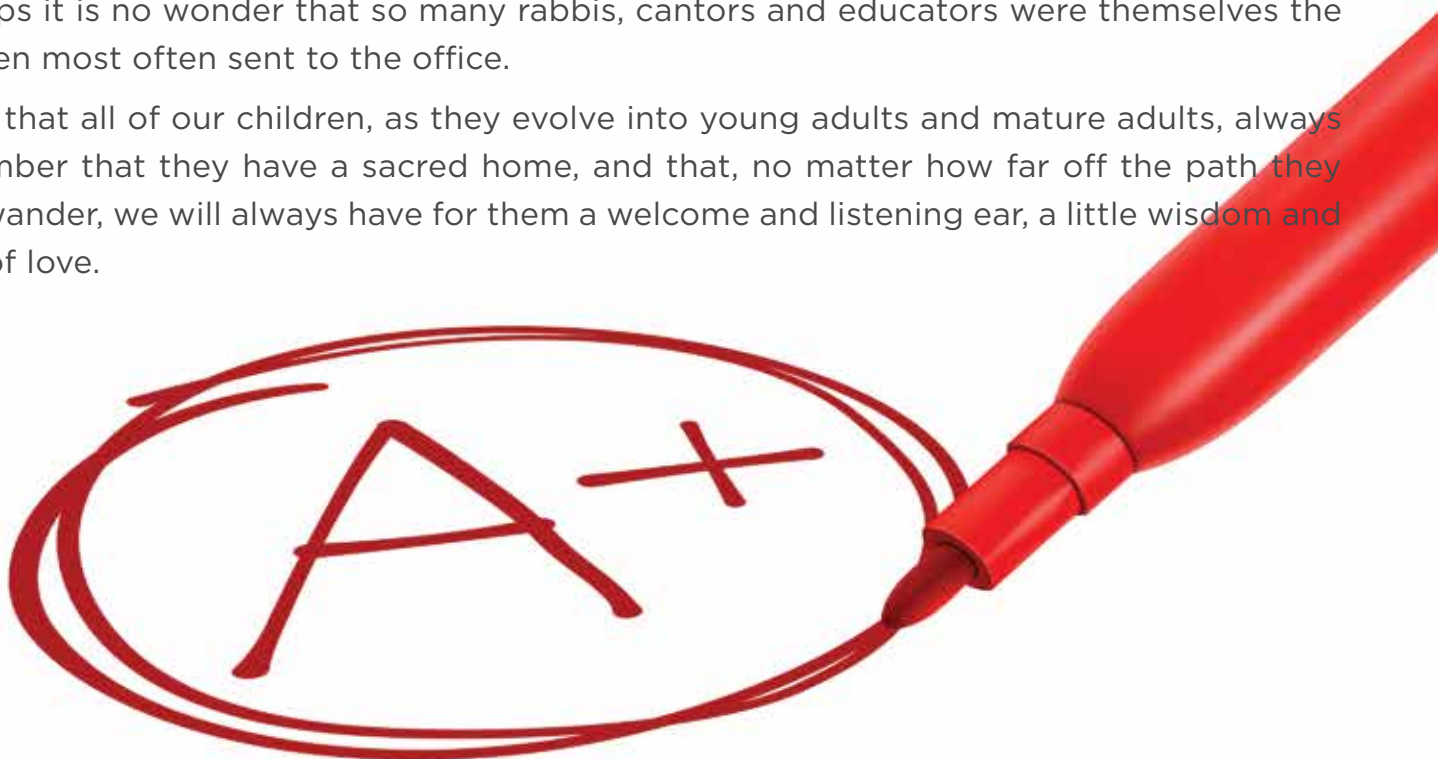
Sometimes children are sent to the Religious School Office because they are misbehaving in class. It may be that the student was being disruptive, using their cell phone, teasing another student, or any number of unique reasons. It doesn't happen often, but when it does, I have had the opportunity to see our educators and staff at their best. It is one of the most tender, beautiful moments to watch our educators Carla or Stephanie gently talking with one of these students, listening to their side of the story, and offering guidance and suggestions. I have also seen our school administrator Jen, our office volunteer Rhonda, and our custodian Carlos spending time with these students, sharing sage advice.

There have been a few times when it has been only me in the office when a student was sent there. Sitting with a child, with big thoughtful eyes, reflecting together on their behavior, on Jewish learning, and on life itself, is meaningful and precious.

It is not "discipline" in the traditional sense. Rather, it is our opportunity to teach children that the Temple is a safe place to be, and that the clergy, educators and staff are here not to judge them, but to support them in their growing and discovering who they are.

Perhaps it is no wonder that so many rabbis, cantors and educators were themselves the children most often sent to the office.

I pray that all of our children, as they evolve into young adults and mature adults, always remember that they have a sacred home, and that, no matter how far off the path they may wander, we will always have for them a welcome and listening ear, a little wisdom and a lot of love.



“TZEDAKAH FOR SHOES”

by Avital Ethad, Preschool Associate Director



On Tuesday, February 12, our Temple Isaiah Preschool Social Action Committee teamed up with Rabbi Dara Frimmer and some of the Preschool classes to participate in a Tikkun Olam project called “Tzedakah For Shoes.”

All proceeds and shoes collected were donated to Baby2Baby, an organization that gives to local families in Los Angeles.

During the day, our children learned the importance of having shoes, and how they can use their tzedakah money to help others in need. Our Preschool teachers incorporated literacy and other types of lessons into their curriculums prior to taking part in the Tikkun Olam activity.

Before finally browsing our Temple Isaiah “Shoe Store,” our children were able to get a feel for what it was like to walk without shoes by stepping barefoot on different textures.

We wish to thank all who participated and made contributions to this cause. In the tradition of Tikkun Olam, we seek to heal a broken world by teaching our children ways to make a brighter future.





Camp Isaiah's K-10 summer program weaves Jewish values, culture, and traditions into the very fabric of our daily camp activities, helping campers to connect to their own identity and the larger Jewish community.

OUR 8TH GRADERS HAVE A CHOICE!

One of the best aspects of our JCIT-CIT crossover program is that if your teen is in the 8th grade, we offer them the choice between two programs.

They can choose to attend the newly revised JCIT Adventure and Leadership program—which focuses on team building, community-skills, and relationship development, while challenging their adrenaline levels with adventure activities.

If your teen is mature, responsible and fun-loving, and enjoys working with children, they can become a Counselor-In-Training (CIT). Guided by a teen specialist, CITs will participate with hands-on leadership skills training while role-modeling and participating with younger campers.

It doesn't matter which program they choose, at Camp Isaiah all campers of all ages will return home each day more connected to their Jewish community and make friends that will last them a lifetime.



REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

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THIS
SUMMER**

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JUNE 17 - AUGUST 9, 2019
Monday-Friday
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

OUR AMAZING PROGRAMS!

- Entering Grades K-5
- Entering Grades 6-8**
JCIT Adventure & Leadership Program
- Entering Grades 8-10**
CIT Program & Leadership Program



JCIT'S BUOY INDEPENDENCE

by Lisa Rostaing, Youth and Camp Director

Did you know that the Talmud only commands parents to teach their children three things? And they are, drum roll please...Torah, a trade, and to swim. Wait, what? Out of everything we must teach as parents, how did SWIMMING make the coveted shortlist?

As a summer camp director, this is kind of good for my business. But I too must admit, the parallels drawn from the metaphorical swimming are surely just as important. As adults in the 'real' world, we have so many analogies: "keeping my head above water," "swimming upstream," "fighting the current," you get the idea. The ultimate lesson is to teach your child how to survive in life without floaties, and that means letting them practice independence in safe waters. Note, the language isn't "be your child's flotation device."

Let me tell you about an incredible way to allow growth of independence, maturation, and connection to Jewish life: Camp Isaiah Junior Counselor-In-Training (JCIT) Adventure and Leadership Program for children entering grades 6-8 in the fall! This isn't just shameless promotion; it's an actual opportunity to encourage deep connections to peers while offering adventure-based programming and social action experiences. This program was designed for tweens to test the waters of independence, emerging as self-assured team-players and the lifeguard for their own summer experience. Pushing the boundaries with water activities, theme parks, unique museums, team-building, and Tikkun Olam counselor-in-training opportunities, we are anchoring roots in the Jewish community. The JCIT Adventure & Leadership Program is a segue into future leadership and independent teen-led groups, such as ITY, Isaiah Temple Youth.

If your tween/teen is interested in testing the waters of growth and maturation, join us this summer! We believe that our JCIT's will feel confident in their competence, overcome challenges and learn they are capable of taking responsibilities for their behaviors and obstacles. Most importantly, tweens choose to be active in a safe place that allows Jewish identity to grow with friends who also choose to dive into the deep end of community while gaining independence.

CHAI VILLAGE LA LIFTS US UP

by Sue Rosenblum, ChaiVillageLA Member



ChaiVillageLA is part of the rapidly growing Village Movement. We're not a place—we're a community of adults who share our optimism, skills, and support with one another to joyfully navigate the next steps in our lives.

With over 200 members, ranging from their 50's to 90's, ChaiVillageLA is a very active community full of programs and events that bring people together, encouraging connections and friendships. For example, our calendar includes movie meet-ups, bridge games, current events discussions, and weekly walks. We've visited museums, libraries, and art exhibits. We have celebrated holidays together.

In our member-led Village, members serve on committees, run events, and put on Village-wide celebrations such as our annual seder. And for those who might need a little help--such as friendly visit or a check in call--our members pitch right in.

ChaiVillageLA is an unqualified success. Some of us assumed that we had made all of the friends we would have and now we're making wonderful, new friendships—from both temples. Some of us were starting to feel a bit socially isolated and now we're attending classes and art exhibits and looking forward to Village celebrations. As one member said recently, "ChaiVillageLA is such a big part of my life, I don't know what I would do without it."

ChaiVillageLA is a collaborative program of Temple Isaiah and Temple Emanuel, grounded in Jewish values.



To learn more about ChaiVillageLA and how you can join, contact Devorah Servi, ChaiVillageLA Executive Director (310) 592-0321 or devorah@ChaiVillageLA.org.

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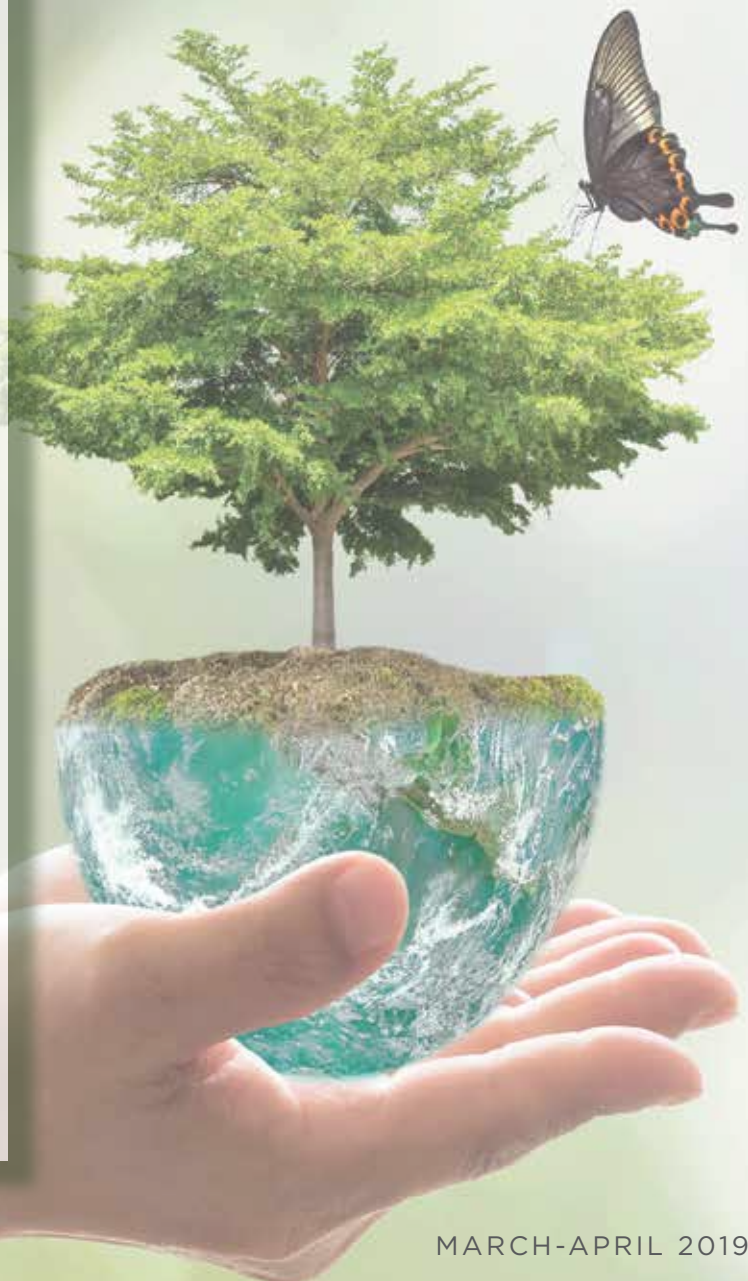


The Talmud teaches, *“Even if a sharp sword rests upon a person’s neck, he should not prevent himself from praying for mercy. One may still hold out hope that his prayers will be answered, as was David himself when he saw the Angel of Destruction, but nonetheless prayed for mercy and his prayers were answered.”* (Berakhot 10a:31) It is very Jewish to maintain hope even in the face of the most dire challenges.

Today, it’s common to hear pessimistic predictions that humanity won’t avert the worst of climate change. And indeed, the challenge has never felt more dire. But there are also plenty of exciting things happening that give all of us reason to hope. A better future is really, truly possible if we not only pray, but work hard to build on the progress we are right now seeing.

HERE ARE SOME EXCITING REASONS FOR OPTIMISM:

- The EU is banning throwaway utensils and containers by 2021.
- Working towards a WWII type mobilization, L.A. and three other California cities have endorsed the declaration of a climate emergency.
- Australian scientists implanted 100,000 baby corals which survived heat traumas to try to rejuvenate the reefs.
- 350 mayors adopt the Paris Climate Accord after the US pulls out.
- The United States set a new record for coal plant retirements in 2018, with 22 plants in 14 states totaling 15.4GW of dirty energy transitioning to clean power.
- Deforestation in Indonesia fell by 60% in 2017, because of a ban on clearing peatlands, new educational campaigns, and better law enforcement.
- Researchers discovered a bacterium that can convert cellulose from plant cell walls to a biofuel. This could return corn to the dinner table from ethanol distilleries.
- A Green New Deal is emerging to stop the climate crisis by decarbonizing the economy, creating millions of green jobs, and rectifying racial and economic inequality.



ISAIAH WOMEN – March/April Calendar of Events

Isaiah Women has a rich, educational and inspiring list of events planned this spring, including two services that you will not want to miss: our much loved IW Women's Seder on April 7, 5:00 p.m., led by Rabbi Dara Frimmer, and Friday night Shabbat Service on June 21, 6:15 p.m., designed by Isaiah Women, which will include our Board installation. Further details will be announced in the coming months.

Isaiah Women is evolving, expanding, and deepening. This organic growth of our sisterhood is fun to be part of. Our members are curious about the world and are a successful and powerful group of women that come together for an array of events planned by our wonderful and passionate Programming Committee.

If you are not yet a member, this is my invitation for you to join us at one of our upcoming activities. You can become a member online at templeisaiah.com. Click on "Connect", "Groups", "Isaiah Women", "Membership Application". There is a form to complete and a way to pay your dues to join.

Please feel free to contact me directly if you have any questions about any of our activities or seek further information about Isaiah Women.

Isaiah Women Board Members wish you a wonderful spring and look forward to seeing you at our many upcoming events.

Ginny Solomon, *President, Isaiah Women*
iginski@yahoo.com

JOIN US FOR THESE MARCH AND APRIL EVENTS

MARCH

Thursday, March 7 | 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Essential Oils Workshop

Led by an expert, attendees will learn the various types of oils and their properties/uses and will leave with a custom-blended vial of oil. Light refreshments will be served. Women Only

Cost: \$12 for IW members, \$20 for guests. In a private home.

RSVP to Erica Jamieson at erica@fiftiness.com

Thursday, March 14 | 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Lilith Salon

Lively discussion of the latest issue of the feminist Jewish Lilith magazine. At the home of Eileen Lewis (address provided upon RSVP).

Free for IW members.

RSVP to Elaine Diamond at ediamond27@hotmail.com

Sunday, March 17 | 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Hamantaschen Making

Join us in Sherri Zigman's kitchen as we enjoy each other's company while making Hamantaschen fillings. We will fill, shape, and then bake the cookies.

Cost: \$10 per person. Space is limited.

RSVP to Sherri Zigman at sherrizigman@gmail.com

Tuesday, March 19 | 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

"Cover to Cover", IW's Book Group

We will discuss *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Della Owens. All IW members are welcome to join.

RSVP to Ginny Solomon at iginski@yahoo.com

APRIL

Sunday, April 7 | 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Isaiah Women's Seder

Isaiah Women's annual Women's Passover Seder and meal, led by Rabbi Dara Frimmer. Temple Social Hall.

Cost: \$12 for IW members, \$18 for guests.

RSVP to Ellen Canter at ellenjcanter@aol.com

Tuesday, April 16 | 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

"Cover to Cover", IW's Book Group

We will discuss *Inheritance - A Memoir* by Dani Shapiro. All IW members are welcome to join.

RSVP to Ginny Solomon at iginski@yahoo.com

Sunday, April 28 | 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Urban "Hike"

Join IW for a morning stroll through several west LA neighborhoods (includes beverage & snack stops), ending up at a local eatery for lunch. IW members, spouses and guests are welcome to attend.

RSVP to Erica Jamieson at erica@fiftiness.com



ISAIAH MARCH/APRIL SHABBAT SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

Friday Night Shabbat

Musical service - Shabbat at Isaiah is experienced through music, friendship, warmth, and creativity. Come for a musical service with violin, drum, piano, and bass.

5:45 p.m. Pre-Oneg

6:15 p.m. Services

Oneg to follow services

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

Friday Night Shabbat

Religious School service - Celebrate Shabbat with members of all ages, a full musical band and the Pop-Up Choir. Expect a lively and participatory service with stories and inspiration drawn from our tradition. This month our Shabbat dinner and service are hosted by the 2nd and 3rd grade Religious School students. The entire community and Religious School families are welcome.

5:45 p.m. Pre-Oneg

6:15 p.m. Services

Dinner to follow services (RSVP Required)

FRIDAY, MARCH 15

Friday Night Shabbat

Celebrate Purim with a fun and wacky Shabbat service involving our entire clergy team - who knows what magic & whimsy await?

5:45 p.m. Pre-Oneg

6:15 p.m. Services

Oneg to follow services

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

Friday Night Shabbat

Shabbat at Isaiah is experienced through music, friendship, warmth, and creativity.

5:45 p.m. Pre-Oneg

6:15 p.m. Services

Oneg to follow services

TWO SERVICES

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

Family service - Our Shabbat Family Service is designed for our youngest members and their families. Torah discussion and "shots with the Rabbi" for our adults. Bring the whole family!

5:30 p.m. Family Shabbat Service
(for families with younger children)

6:00 p.m. Family Shabbat dinner
(for families with younger children-RSVP required)



Join us in the kitchen as we cook together for this celebratory Shabbat meal - sign up online when you RSVP for dinner.

Friday Night Shabbat

Service and Discussion - What is the difference between religion and spirituality? A discussion about G-d for those who can't believe.

5:45 p.m. Pre-Oneg

6:15 p.m. Services

Dinner and Speaker to follow services (RSVP required)

8:00 p.m. Speaker (RSVP required)

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

Friday Night Shabbat

Religious School service - Celebrate Shabbat with members of all ages, a full musical band and the Pop-Up Choir. Expect a lively and participatory service with stories and inspiration drawn from our tradition. This month our Shabbat dinner and service are hosted by the Kindergarten and 1st grade Religious School students. The entire community and Religious School families are welcome.

5:45 p.m. Pre-Oneg

6:15 p.m. Services

Dinner to follow services (RSVP Required)

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

Friday Night Shabbat

Shabbat at Isaiah is experienced through music, friendship, warmth, and creativity.

5:45 p.m. Pre-Oneg

6:45 p.m. Service

Oneg to follow services



FRIDAY, APRIL 19

Friday Night Shabbat

Passover service - Shabbat at Isaiah is experienced through music, friendship, warmth, and creativity.

4:00 p.m. Erev Passover Shabbat



FRIDAY, APRIL 26

Friday Night Shabbat

Jazz service and discussion - Join us for a festive service that blends our ancient words of prayer with syncopation and swing. (Green Team speaker)

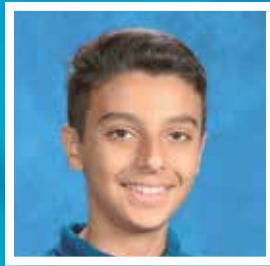
5:30 p.m. Yizkor

5:45 p.m. Pre-Oneg

6:15 p.m. Services

Oneg and speaker to follow services

B'nai Mitzvah MARCH



Alexander Halimi
Son of
Maryam and Jamie Halimi
Saturday, March 2, 2019



Keira Mohammed
Daughter of
Bethanie and Palvi Mohammed
Saturday, March 30, 2019



Samara Fattal
Daughter of
Ilene Claudius and Oved Fattal
Saturday, March 30, 2019

B'nai Mitzvah APRIL



Danielle Efron
Daughter of
Ranit and Guy Efron
Saturday, April 6, 2019



Ila Labb
Daughter of
Jody and Evan Labb
Saturday, April 13, 2019



Ella Seidel
Daughter of
Jill and Scott Seidel
Saturday, April 13, 2019

LIFECYCLES

MILESTONES

Mazel Tov to: Nancy and Mitch Dreier on the engagement of their daughter Katie Dreier to Christopher Metter; Orly and Carlo Tabibi on the birth of their son Phoenix; Nicole Solig and Matthew Goldfarb on the birth of their son Caleb Noah; Erin and Seth Marsh on the birth of their daughter Rose Naomi; Suzanne and Marty Solig on the birth of their granddaughter Eloise Rachel and grandson Caleb Noah; Wanda and Michael Jones on the birth of their son Oliver Buckley; Kathy Rabian and Arash Aghajani on the birth of their son Mason; Melody and Elliot Zarabi on the birth of their daughter Mia Leah; Frances Sabetfard and Yosi Yahoudai on the birth of their daughter Adele; Samantha and Scott Rapkin on the birth of their son Nathan Julian; and, Ellen and Jeff Nagler on the engagement of their daughter Michelle Nagler to Davie Heaton.

SYMPATHY

We would like to express our sympathy to the following Temple members and their families on the recent loss of their loved ones: The Hirsch Family on the death of family friend Neil Lazarus; Sam Shakerchi on the death of his uncle Jehuda Shakerchi; Jonathan Goldrich on the death of his father Stephen Mark Goldrich; Dena Tanzman Cohen on the death of her grandmother Joy Audrey Tanzman; Ryan Lawrence on

the death of his grandmother Lorelle Kahane; Karna Ruskin and Brandon Behrstock and the death of their father Don Behrstock; Melinda Sachs on the death of her father Elias Liberman; Jacqueline Canter-Schmitman on the death of her father Alan Saul Canter; Elaine Deutsch on the death of her husband Warren Deutsch; Rhonda Studner on the death of her uncle Joseph McDuffie; James Keston on the death of his father Michael Keston; Ellen Nagler on the death of her brother Michael Roth; Sheila Ravi on the death of her grandfather Yaghoub Souferian; Teacher Brett Weisman on the death of his grandfather Arthur J. Ruminez; and, Sahar Bina on the death of her grandfather Homayoun Bina.

R'FUAT HANEFESH

We offer our prayers for healing to all who struggle with illness and pain. May you be blessed with a renewal of body and spirit. If you, or someone you know, wishes to connect with a member of our clergy team for support, please contact Claire Austin in the Temple office.

MARCH MEMORIAL PLAQUES

March 1

Mac Altkorn
Robert Braun
Gary Brodsky
Annie Fink
Samuel Fink
Sara Freeman
Joe Gillerman
Samuel Goldstein
Harry Gordon
Charles Kimmel
Henry Kolb
David Levich
Eugene Levine
Eva Marx
Herman Peskay
Boris Posner
Rose Sherman
Jerome Spatz
Lena Weiss
Bess Yettra

March 8

Bud Blitzer
Joseph Bookman
Minnie Freeman
Anna Goodman

Isaac Harris
Samuel Kaminker
Louis Levitz
Michael Marshall
Sara Mishne
Boudewijn Mulder
Abraham Pinchasi
Samuel Sax
Tillie Walter
Sol Ziskind

March 15

Herman Bayless
Morris Brounstein
Mimi Friedman
Lillian Goldman
Harriet Jacobs
Rose Jacobs
Abraham Jaloff
Lawrence Joseph
Zerlina Katz
Sidney Kern
Charne Kodimer
Morris Leinow
Abe Levatter
Augusta Miller
Hyman Miller

Fanny Roth
Jacob Sands
Louis Shapiro
Fred Strozer

March 22

Morris Avidon
Rita Clayman
Morris Fabrick
Jean Geber
Helen Gootkin
Harold Kreisberg
Adele Levine
Arthur Maschkowski
Muriel Pines
Herbert Edward Polinsky
Ida Sands
Morris Silverstone
Isaac Slott

March 29

Harry Brownstein
Irene Elizabeth Davidson
Lottie Firestone
Paul Freedberg
Anna Freidson
Hannah Glassman

Dina Goldfarb
Nancy Klein
Lillian Needelman
Leah Rector
Gayle Sadofsky
Harry Schechter
Flora Siegel
Betty Soskin
Rose Subotnick
Joe Terrence

APRIL MEMORIAL PLAQUES

April 5

Dorian Anderson
Kala Biales
Morris Davidson
Jacob Freidson
Ellen Goldberg
Rose Goldberg
Ayn Gottlieb
Harry Lewis
Chil Pick
Celia Radoff
David Rector
Nathan Sidlow
Edmond Somekh
William Weill

April 12

Polina Abramovich
Herman Birken
John Brenner
Phamie Fabrick
Alan Freeman
Celia Hochman
Arie Huss
Leila Newman
Rebecca Offer
Emanuel Piller
Jacob Pollak
Lionel Riave
Deborah Rolfe
Babe Smardan
Morris Stein
Ann Winogura
Ronald Wynbrandt
Betty Zsupnik

April 19

Harry Arnold
Ruth Barsky
Leon Bayard
Sandra Belinky
Lucy Bretzfelder
Lillian Crafton
Joseph Dlugofsky
Rose Dolivik
George Feigenbaum
Samuel Freedberg
Arthur Friedman
Baruch Katz
Rose Kerson
Mae Korman
Rabbi Albert M. Lewis
Abraham Liebman
Anne Lutz
Charlie Marks
Benjamin Miller
Eliazar Rynveld
Alfred Seal
Jack Silverberg
Diana Stell
Louis Wallace

April 26

Celia Altkorn
Max Bretzfelder
Erwin Chessen
Jennie Cohen
Sydney Cross
Edward Frumhoff
Michael Gussman
Pauline Hirsh
Maurice Kopald
Paul Kramer
Deborah Kreingel
Thelma Neworth
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Baby Boy Coyot
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Baby Boy Coyot
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the birth of Baby Boy Coyot on
December 7th 2018
by Abigail and Dotan Saguy
the birth of Rafael
by Ellen and Marshall Cole
the birth of Rafael Coyot
by Karen and David Leichenger
the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
by Andrea Rosen Daniels
the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
by Andrew, Hannah, Avi and Micah Terkel
the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
by Jessica and Bradley Smiedt
the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
by Harriet Sepinwall & Jeffrey Rosenberg
the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
by Jami Messinger
the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
by Jean and Jay Abarbanel
the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
by June-Ellen Miller
the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
by Cheri and Manuel Katz
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by Ellen and Ronald Canter
the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
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the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
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The Coyot Family on the joyous
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Lucille Meyers
by Honey De Roy
Micah Joel Schwartz
by Carol Schwartz
Henry Klein
by Honey Amado

Raphael Amado
by Honey Amado
Patricia Dillon
by Marcia Albert and Elliott Ribeiro
Patricia Dillon
by Honey Amado
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Ryan Moncavage
by Sheila Moncavage
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by Andrea and Terry Pullan
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by Sherry and Paul Altura
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by Ann Weinman
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on the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
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by Ellen and David Davidson
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by Edward Auslender & Family
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on the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
by Honey Amado
on the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
by June Wynbrandt
on the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
by Peggy Engman
on the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
by Oreet and Steven Smith
on the birth of Baby Boy Coyot
by The Dabney Family
on the birth of Rafael Lazarus Coyot
by Wendy and Gene Yano
on the bris of Rafael Lazarus Coyot
by Suzanne and Martin Solig
on your beautiful new addition
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to Coyot Family
by Cynthia Allen
to the Coyot Family on the birth of their baby
by Bethanie and Palvi Mohammed

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MARCH/APRIL 2019 CALENDAR

MARCH EVENTS & MEETINGS

- Spine Tingles Book Group - Tuesday, March 5 | 10:30 a.m.
- ChaiVillageLA: Brown Bag Short Stories - Friday, March 8 | 11:30 a.m.
- Hearts & Minds: A Torah Roundtable - Saturday, March 9 | 9:00 a.m.
- IsaiahWomen Lilith Salon - Thursday, March 14 | 7:00 p.m.
- R/S PG 13 Discussion: Teaching Resilience - Thursday, March 14 | 7:00 p.m.
- Temple Isaiah Purim Celebration - Saturday, March 16 | 3:00 p.m - 8:30 p.m.
- Temple Isaiah Business Networking Group Meeting - Tuesday, March 19 | 8:00 a.m.
- ChaiVillageLA: Understanding the World's News - Tuesday, March 19 | 10:00 a.m.
- Preschool Pajama Purim - Wednesday, March 20 | 6:30 p.m.
- Mingle March Madness - Thursday, March 28 | 6:00 p.m.
- Conversation with Rabbi Sandy Sasso - G-d's Name - Friday, March 29 | 8:00 p.m.
- Conversation with Rabbi Sandy Sasso - Love Letters - Saturday, March 30 | 9:30 a.m.
- Conversation with Rabbi Sandy Sasso - Woman and Spirituality - Sunday, March 31 | 10:00 a.m.
- Teen Wellness and Self Defense - Sunday, March 31 | 10:00 a.m.

APRIL EVENTS & MEETINGS

- Spine Tingles Book Group - Tuesday, April 2 | 10:30 a.m.
- IsaiahWomen Seder - Sunday, April 7 | 4:00 p.m.
- ChaiVillageLA: Brown Bag Short Stories - Friday, April 12 | 11:30 a.m.
- ChaiVillageLA: Community Seder - Friday, April 25 | 6:00 p.m.
- "On The Map" Movie Screening - Sunday, April 28 | 5:00 p.m.

ONGOING

- Senior Support Group - Every other Monday
- Daughters of Torah ~ Learning Circle: Every Wednesday | 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- Shabbat Torah Study: Every Saturday | 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
- ChaiVillageLA Walk With The Rabbi: Every Tuesday | 8:15 a.m.

SHABBAT AT ISAIAH

If you are celebrating a special event, come and be honored at our First Friday Night Shabbat service of the month.
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