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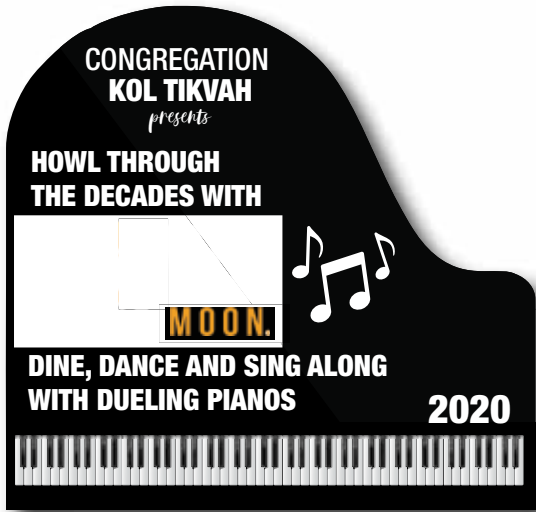
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MEMBER

spotlight

THE GREENE FAMILY

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Heather and Stephen met their junior year at Pomona College in Claremont, CA. Heather was a visiting student there, after her family moved to Los Angeles from the East Coast. They continued to date long distance when Heather went back East to Smith College for her senior year. Upon graduation, Heather and Steve both found jobs in LA and eventually got married in 2001 and moved to Northern California, where their oldest daughter, Madeleine was born in 2003. Stephen grew up in Palo Alto, CA. Steve worked for Mercer Consulting in Los Angeles upon graduation, but always planned to end up back in the Bay Area. After getting married, Steve accepted a job as a Financial Analyst for The Permanente Medical Group in Santa Clara, CA before eventually going on to graduate school and receiving his MBA.

Heather grew up in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. She never planned to leave the East Coast, but ended up falling in love with sunny California during her time at Pomona. Once an official resident of Los Angeles, Heather decided to get her graduate degree in Psychology from Pepperdine University. Once Heather and Steve moved to the Bay Area, Heather took a job conducting Alzheimer's research with Stanford University. Living in a small apartment in California was not all it was cracked up to be once kids were involved. Heather and Steve decided to venture to Austin, TX where Steve could pursue his MBA at the University of Texas, and Heather could be surrounded by other young families – not to mention, Heather's parents had since moved to Austin, which was helpful as well! During their time in Austin, their second child, Lucy was born in 2006. Now, a family of 4, Steve accepted a job at McKinsey and Co. in Dallas, TX upon completing his MBA. While in Dallas, the Greene family became very involved with their local Temple, where Madeleine attended Religious School and Lucy attended Pre-school. They enjoyed going to Rock Shabbat, High Holiday services, youth group activities and more. Baby number 3, Nathan, was born in Dallas in 2009. Their Rabbi came to the house and performed Nathan's Bris, while also having a Naming Ceremony for Madeleine and Lucy. Wanting to get back to healthcare, Steve and Heather then packed the family up and moved to Potomac, MD – a suburb of Washington DC. They spent 7 years there as members of Washington Hebrew Congregation. This congregation was chosen because many of their friends were already an active part of the community. The girls attended Religious School, Nathan attended Pre-school and, ultimately, Madeleine became a Bat Mitzvah.

Upon moving to Parkland 2 years ago, Steve accepted a job at ChenMed, a healthcare company in Miami, FL. Heather has started her own business, 4H Wellness, where she is a health and wellness coach and personal fitness instructor. Dealing with many health issues of her own, Heather's goal is to help others find their way to becoming the best version of themselves.

Although most of the kids' time is spent at school - Madeleine at MSD, Lucy at WMS and Nathan at PTE - they also enjoy playing sports at the PREC, hanging out at the Miralago clubhouse/ pool, and spending time with friends. In search of a local Jewish community, The Greene Family joined Kol Tikvah before even moving into their house. A friend from Maryland had recommended Kol Tikvah to them, saying that they attended another friends' Bat Mitzvah there and it was the best service they had ever been to. Heather immediately called Jennifer Levin-Tavares and was sold after one conversation. Upon joining, Jennifer pulled Heather right into volunteering, knowing how much she wanted to become part of the community. Through the past 2 years, the Greene Family has become actively engaged in Kol Tikvah. Through Religious School, Youth Groups, committee meetings and events, they have remained involved.

The shining moment was Lucy's Bat Mitzvah last December, where the family was able to experience first-hand just how special Kol Tikvah truly was. They look forward to continuing their journey in Parkland among their new friends and Kol Tikvah Family.



MEMBER *spotlight*

THE WEINBAUM FAMILY

In 2001, Marty Weinbaum worked on the 83rd floor in the World Trade Center in New York City. On September 11th he was in Tokyo interviewing a Controller for the company's Tokyo office. If he were not in Tokyo, Marty would have been in his office that morning, like every morning, at 7:30 am in order to beat the daily traffic to work. That was a life changing event for Marty and the whole Weinbaum family. When he was able to return to the States, Marty told his wife Susan that they were moving, as there are other plans for them and it is not in the New York area. Their older son was living in Fort Lauderdale and they decided South Florida was going to be their new home, closer to family. Marty started the job search and found a job working for the Jewish Federation of Broward County as their CFO. There he met Nina Gordon, who was then working at the JCC. Marty and Sue began searching for a house while living in Delray Beach in a condo community for 55 and over adults. They found a home in Heron Bay and, shortly after we moved in, Nina, who was President at the time, recruited Marty to be on the Board of Kol Tikvah as Treasurer.

That was the beginning of the family's involvement at Kol Tikvah and it continues today as Marty and Nat Nussbaum are Co- Presidents of the Brotherhood. The Weinbaum Family all live in South Florida. Their older son Ron lives in Fort Lauderdale with his wife Dana. Cantor Arnold officiated at their wedding! They have an older son Brody who is 15 and two daughters, Talia 20 months old and Vivian who is 6 months old. Both of the girls were named at Kol Tikvah. Their younger son Scott and his wife Lane live in Parkland as well. They have two sons, Ethan who is 6 and Zachary who is 4. They live in Watercrest. They moved there about a year ago from Plantation when they realized what a great city Parkland is. They are very impressed with the services the schools provide. Marty and Sue are going to be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in June.

Marty and Sue love to travel and most recently were on the weekend cruise with the Rabbi. Last year they cruised to the Baltic Capitals and this past summer they went to London and Paris. Their next trip is on the Celebrity Edge in February and they are planning to go to Australia and New Zealand in February of 2021.



Contact Irina Hecht (irinahecht@gmail.com) if you would like to have your family featured in the next edition of **The VOICE**.

WELCOME to our family

Welcome to Our New Members

Phyllis Gilbert

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Are you celebrating a graduation, engagement, marriage, new baby, or some other special moment? Share your simchas with your Kol Tikvah family! Submit all news to Jill at jillr@koltikvah.net.

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Over the last six months, it has been my honor to serve as President of Congregation Kol Tikvah. I have come to understand how fortunate I am to be a link in the chain of Jewish history. Every time I enter Kol Tikvah, whether attending Erev Shabbat services on Friday nights, enjoying our ECC and seeing the children, attending a Rock Shabbat, meeting new congregants, hearing from the Caring Committee, or attending a Sisterhood or Brotherhood event, I begin to understand what we stand for and how the history of our Jewish people will continue to shape our lives for generations to come.

With story after story and the challenge after challenge we face, not only at Kol Tikvah but in our daily lives, we come together in strength and courage to be there for each other.

Peter and I had the occasion to go on our Congregational Cruise. While it was only for four days on a Royal Caribbean ship, the warmth, humor, and love that we felt during those few days exemplified everything Kol Tikvah stands for. We celebrated Havdallah on the top deck of the ship, the crow's nest. It was dark and we had to climb some stairs. Our CKT member, Alan Rosen, had a picture of a havdallah candle on his cell phone and just as we stood together, a flash appeared in the sky. I am sure it was only from the ship next to us, but for me, it was a hallelujah moment. I wanted to call out... "is anyone out there?" But as I looked around and we stood together, I knew we were family.

I feel the same magic when I visit the ECC and receive hugs from the children, talk with the Hebrew School students, meet a new congregant, listen to Cantor sing, hear one of Rabbi's sermons, or simply walk through our sanctuary doors and we are greeted with a "Shabbat Shalom". I invite you to join a committee, attend a service, and continue to enhance our Kol Tikvah family.

Who we are and what we stand for is shaped by so many others, including our synagogue, Kol Tikvah. Just as we do, and what we stand for, will shape our Jewish community for generations to come.



Between January 21 and March 11, basically Martin Luther King Day to Purim, every self-identified Jew 18 years and over will have the opportunity to voice his/her opinion concerning the future of Israel's Democracy in the World Zionist Elections.

Here at Kol Tikvah, you will be given the opportunity to vote to help influence what happens in Israel and to support our Reform movement in working to achieve mutual respect and funding for all streams of Judaism, and promote religious pluralism in all aspects of Israeli society. I encourage you to vote for the ARZA slate, the largest contingent represented in the Congress. ARZA supports institutions such as the Israel Religious Action Center (IRAC), which toils admirably on behalf of those denied their civil and religious rights as guaranteed in Israel's own Declaration of Independence. IRAC has successfully argued Supreme Court cases which have protected asylum seekers, refugees, the LGBTQ community, women and Israeli Arab citizens of Israel.

By voting Reform, you vote your values. You also ensure that a budget of over one billion dollars is allocated to programs and institutions in Israel which represent our highest values and ideals. Our CKT Co-Chairs, Hedy and Bruce Cohn, along with our ARZA Committee will make voting as easy as possible. We will set up online voting stations at important CKT functions and events. Every adult member of our congregation, as well as non-members who identify as Jewish, are encouraged to vote their conscience. For those who may be unaware, the WZC was established by the founding father of Modern Zionism, Theodor Herzl in 1897, holding the first such Congress in Basel, Switzerland.

Since then, delegates from around the world gather in Jerusalem every five years to express our support for the Jewish State and ensure its vitality for generations yet unborn. Look for information about how you can vote online in the coming months.

SAVE THE DATE

*Congregation Kol Tikvah—Cruise of the Jewish Caribbean
December 13-20, 2020*

Our next Sisterhood/Brotherhood Cruise will take us to St. Thomas, St. Kitts, and CocoCay, I, as your tour educator, having lived and served as a Rabbi on St. Thomas for 6 years, will explore the rich history of our people in the Caribbean. Alan and Cathy Rosen of Sand & C Travel have secured our awesome rates and it is not too early to book your cabin. *For more information about the cruise, call Sand & C Travel at 561-736-3880 and ask for Alan or Cathy.*

L'shalom,
Rabbi Boxman

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2020—PERFECT **VISION**

2020... I can't control my mind from orienting that number from the year to 20:20 vision. After all, the year is new in my vocabulary, but 20:20 vision has been the default meaning for my entire life. So, instead of ignoring that temptation, I will yield to it. What are my visions for the coming years? How do I envision myself? Will I envision these with perfect 20:20 vision or will I know if I was correct only as life unfolds? I pose the same questions to you.

Questions, questions, and more questions.

Envisioning the future of our world can be discomfoting because of a feeling of helplessness or obliviousness or lack of concern. We can dismiss it as 'beyond our control.' It seems that those capable of assessing the future have been blessed with special gifts – super intelligence or spiritual enlightenment. Biblically, we hold up Joseph and Daniel, the latter who actually saw the writing on the wall, as two examples who credit their ability as God-given. However, we can be like Joseph if we are willing to go beyond our intuition and take action to promote or prevent what we foresee. In contrast, we can be like the Israelites who ignored the pleading of the prophets who repeatedly warned them of imminent destruction, suffering, and punishment if they failed to change their ways. They neither saw nor heeded the words of those who could see. As we consider the comparison – one results in life; the other in death.

**We may not need perfect 20:20 vision to recognize our place in making this a better world —
for even the blind have vision**

Are we powerless to do anything but accept change? Will nationalism dominate the geo-political world to the point that individuality equates with danger? Will the economy put more money in our pockets or will the cycle reverse? Will we be touched by violence, terrorism, or war? Will anti-Semitism and religious persecution continue to foment to levels we thought were long behind us? Will storms become more frequent and more destructive? Will we just sit by and let the chips fall, or do we have the inclination to do something about it? Besides our vision of the world, we also have a vision of our place in that world. How do we envision our contribution – our footprint in the world? Are we aware that in addition to seeing, we are also seen. Would a stranger, a co-worker, a family member, a loved-one, or a friend recognize the *'you' that you think you are or you aspire to be?*

Debbie Friedman made the word of the prophet Joel familiar to many of us: *"The old shall dream dreams and the youth shall see visions."* With all due respect to Joel, I not so humbly disagree. As someone who is closer to old than to youth, I contend that am still able to see visions of the future and, in particular, my future. Perhaps my future isn't as far and numerous in years as someone in their youth, but I find it insulting that the old can only imagine the future while asleep – too tired and resigned to make changes or move forward with the times. Whatever happened to the respect for those who have gained wisdom through life's experience? Carl Jung said, "Your visions will become clear only when you can look into your own heart. Who looks outside, dreams; who looks inside, awakes."

In this new year, may we be awakened to life's joys, strengthened to face life's challenges, and open to experiencing and affecting the ever-changing existence we call life.

We may not need perfect 20:20 vision to recognize our place in making this a better world – for even the blind have vision.



What's In Our Future?

As you hopefully know, Kol Tikvah has embarked on a strategic planning effort. There are several reasons for the timing. The most critical one, in my mind, is the changing nature of religion in America. Increasingly, we are seeing rates of unaffiliation skyrocketing. As the 2013 Pew Research Center survey on Judaism showed, younger generations get their spirituality and meaning in ways other than through traditional synagogue membership. This is not unique to Judaism – the other faith traditions are experiencing the same phenomenon. In December, I went to the annual conference of my professional organization, National Association for Temple Administration (NATA). The theme was Navigating New Realities. For those who

went to the Union for Reform Judaism (URJ) biennial, which directly followed the NATA conference, they heard much of the same message.

The session that was most fascinating to me was “The Future of Membership and Belonging,” presented by Rev. Sue Phillips and Casper ter Kuile of Harvard Divinity School, who study and teach about congregational polity and religious innovation. They theorize that people have the same needs as they always have: belonging (being known and accepted), becoming (what we hope for ourselves), beyond (believing in something bigger than oneself). It is the distribution system that is broken. Jewish community used to be one-stop shopping – you could go to one place and get all of one’s needs met. As more kids grow up not having been involved in synagogue life, they are less inclined to go back to synagogue since they were never there in the first place. Synagogues, like other institutions, are good at making things the way they have always been – keeping things the same. Yet, what we need to do is change the way in which we offer things. There is a gap between what people’s needs are and where they go to get those needs met. Increasingly, for the younger demographic, it is not at synagogue – at least in the traditional sense.

Our job is to transmit tradition in a way that allows the next chapter of Judaism to live.

Phillips and Kuile theorize that we need to unbundle. We should think of synagogue activities like apps. There is an app for everything and everyone fills their phones/mobile devices with the apps that are meaningful to them. We need to build relationships and find new ways of helping individuals express tradition.

The professional staff at Kol Tikvah have been talking about these concepts for some time and are actively in dialogue with the Board and leadership about redesigning what Kol Tikvah offers and how we offer it. There are distinct populations within the congregation – some who like things exactly the way they are, some who want something very different, and everything in between. The challenge is to create something that fits our community where they are now and to do so in a way that is economically sustainable. It is a huge challenge.

Leadership can get the best information by hearing directly from you, and thus the strategic planning process. Focus groups and surveys are already being formulated. This will be a fluid process for the next several months. So when you get that call to participate in a focus group or an email to participate in a survey, please respond “Hineyni” “Here I am.” We need to hear from you. Together, we will ensure that Kol Tikvah is strong, vibrant, and the most effective outlet for Jewish life in the greater Parkland area for generations to come.

Rabbi Melissa STOLLMAN

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In the fall semester our students focused on several Jewish values tied to the Jewish holidays. For example, we learned the value of *teshuvah*—taking responsibility for our actions, when learning about the High Holy Days. We learned about *gevurah*— using our inner strength to do what is right, when learning about Chanukah. For about a month we studied the Jewish value of *b'tzelem Elohim*— honoring the image of God in ourselves in others. This value permeated through our religious school, early childhood center and youth group programming under the leadership of Jennifer Levin, Assistant Director of Youth Education and Engagement. Through reflective activities, stories, music and more our students learned that we all have the Divine spark within each and every one of us. Each age group learned developmentally appropriate ways to understand this value – from celebrating our differences to understanding the importance of being inclusive.

You can learn more about this Jewish value here: <https://reformjudaism.org/btzelem-elohim-gods-image>. Or, if you are registered with PJ Library, you can share the book *Stork's Landing* with your child which discusses this value as well.

Speaking of PJ Library, this is a wonderful Jewish educational resource for your children. Each child in your home can receive a FREE book each month centered on a Jewish value or holiday. Visit www.pjlibrary.org to register younger students or www.pjourway.org for books for older students.

As we move into the new year, I will be departing my position at Congregation Kol Tikvah. Over the past 5 ½ years I have been honored to get to know you and your children, assist our community during one of its most painful times, and create Jewish educational programs to help you engage with our synagogue on many levels. I am sad to say, “goodbye,” but look forward to continue being with you as my family will call Kol Tikvah our spiritual and Jewish educational home.

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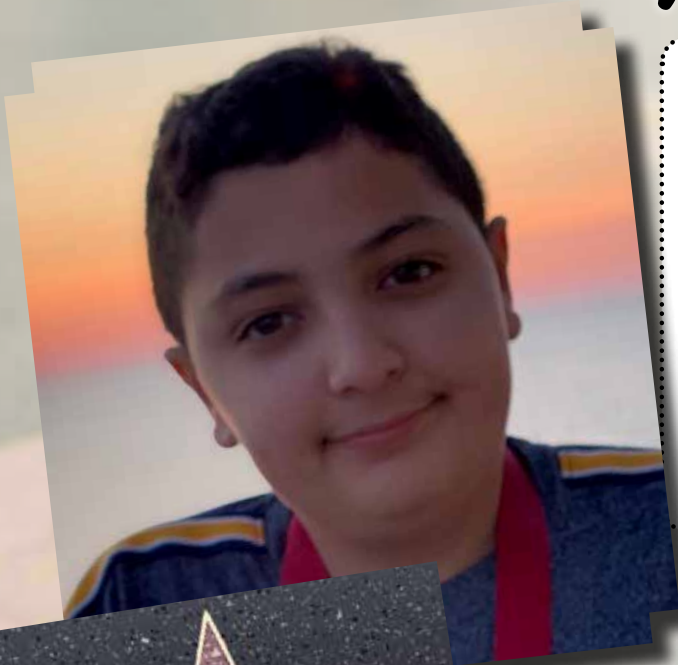
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CKT'S *Walk Of Fame*



Alexander Gerard Singer will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on January 11, 2020. Alex will share this special day with his parents, Gary and Norma Singer, his sister, Sofia, his grandmother, aunts, uncles, cousins. Alex is a 7th grader at North Broward Preparatory School. Alex enjoys playing the piano, cello, watching the Florida Panthers, golf, and playing video games with his friends. Besides playing cello at school, Alex performs with the Florida Youth Orchestra and at other Performing Arts Festivals. Alex frequently donates his time for different causes, most recently with a 5K walk to support Special Olympics. Alex and his family would like to thank Rabbi Boxman, Cantor Arnold, Andrew Arnold, and everyone else at Kol Tikvah for all of their time, support, and guidance in helping prepare for Alex's big day.



Amarah Shae Hersh will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, January 11, 2020. Amarah's parents, brother, grandparents, aunts, uncles and many cousins will be here to celebrate her special day. Amarah is a 7th grade student at Westglades Middle School. Her favorite subject is Spanish and she enjoys dancing, baking, reading and playing tennis. Amarah loves spending time with family and friends, especially all of her wonderful neighbors! Her Mitzvah project is raising necessary funding for the Oklahoma City National Memorial and Museum in her cousin's honor (Jaci Rae Coyne, for whom Amarah Shae is named after). Amarah and her family are grateful for Rabbi Boxman, Rabbi Stollman, Mrs. Smiley, and all her teachers including Mr. Arnold for their teaching and their guidance through her Bat Mitzvah journey.



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Alexa Shea Malin will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, February 8, 2020. She will be celebrating her Bat Mitzvah with her parents, Glenn and Melissa and older brother Jake. Alexa, or Lexi as she is known to family and close friends, is a 7th grader at Westglades Middle School, where she excels in Math and Spanish. She aspires to be a lawyer in the future. Alexa's mitzvah project is raising money to be donated to the American Heart Association to honor her late grandfather. The Malin family would like to thank Rabbi Boxman, Cantor Arnold and especially Fred Berkowitz for their guidance and support to prepare Alexa for this special day.



Mitchell Adam Tabin will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, March 7, 2020. He will be celebrating with his parents, Matthew & Ekaterina, his brother Aris and sister Mariya, grandparents, other family and close friends. Mitchell is a 7th grader at Loggers Run Middle School. Mitchell's favorite subject in school is science, but to be honest he would much rather be outside playing basketball, video games with friends or just hanging out with his family. Mitchell is taking part in the Remember US, the Holocaust B'nai Mitzvah project, and he is twinning his bar mitzvah with Marcel Alfred Aa z"l, a child from Amsterdam who was lost in the Shoah. Mitchell would like to thank Rabbi Boxman and Cantor Arnold, who have helped prepare him for his special day.



Walk Of Fame

Samuel Mason and Drew Perry Auster will be called to the Torah as B'nai Mitzvah on Saturday, March 7, 2020. Their grandparents, Warren and Marion Gilbert and Marsha and Mitchell Auster, their parents Adrienne and Brian Auster and their sister, Elayna couldn't be more proud. Their many cousins and close family friends from near and far will help to make this amazing day even more special. The boys are 7th graders at Westglades Middle School. Sammy bangs on the percussion instruments and Drew plays the clarinet in the Symphonic and Marching bands. Outside of school, they play Parkland Flag Football, Soccer and participate in Soccer Buddies. They enjoy their summers at camp in New Hampshire and fill the house with the sound of their beautiful piano playing. Their very favorite pastime is playing with their dog, Miles. For his Mitzvah project, Sammy has chosen to collect goods and donations for the tri-county animal shelter in Boca. Drew is raising money for the St. Baldrick's head-shaving event in honor of his friend, Aaron Pinsky. St. Baldrick's is a volunteer-driven charity that is the number one private funder of pediatric cancer research. The entire Auster family is grateful to Fred Berkowitz, Rabbi Boxman, Cantor Arnold and Rabbi Stollman for their guidance, support, patience and humor in preparing them for this special moment in their lives.



Josh Fooksman will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on March 14, 2020. Josh is a seventh grader at Westglades Middle School in Parkland who has been a part of the school's student government and DECA business clubs. He's also an avid hockey fan who cheers on the Florida Panthers and attends a hockey academy at Florida Panthers IceDen. Funny, inquisitive and always up for an adventure, Josh is interested in current affairs with a particular penchant for criminal justice issues – he's visited many courthouses across Florida with the hope of one day working as a prosecutor in one of those courthouses.

CKT'S Walk Of Fame

Sophie Layne Reese Schneider will be called to the Torah on March 14, 2020. Celebrating with her on her special day is her older brother Sammy, older sister Ava, and her parents Dana and Craig. Sophie is a 12 year old student at West Glades Middle School. She moved down to south Florida 3 short years ago. When Sophie is not playing volleyball, making Tik Tok videos or studying for her upcoming Bat Mitzvah, she loves to spend time with her friends and her dog, Dax. She loves music and dancing and planning her summer up at her sleep away camp, Towanda where she has gone for the last 6 years.



Matea Cohen will be called to the Torah on the morning of March 21, 2020. Celebrating her accomplishments will be her parents, three siblings and many family and friends. Matea is a 7th grader at Westglades Middle School. She loves music, art and all interactive games. She is an honor student and a member of the Concert band and the Marching Wolves. She plays all low brass instruments, specializing in the euphonium. Her passion for music transcends into tutoring younger students in her free time as part of her Mitzvah project. As the youngest of four, Matea has shone bright by being independent and strong. She has a natural gift of bringing her family and friends together through her kindness and wicked sense of humor. Matea and her family would like to thank Fred Berkowitz for his many hours of time and guidance to all of the Cohens throughout the years as well to Rabbi Boxman for his support.





SOMETIMES IT JUST TAKES ONE...



Recently our school was fortunate enough to have a special visitor, Mayor Christine Hunschofsky, who took time out of her busy schedule to read to our classes. One of the books she read was, *One* by Kathryn Otoshi. This book, at its core is about standing up to bullying and friendship. Uniquely enough, the story is told by using only colors and numbers to convey the meaning and feelings that people have. Blue is picked on by Red: “Red is HOT. Blue is NOT.” The other colors like Blue but are intimidated by the bluster so they say nothing, and soon Red is bossing everyone around.

But then One comes. It is funny and brave and confronts Red: “If someone is mean and picks on me, I, for One, stand up and say, No.” All the other colors follow One’s lead and become numbers too. The rest of the numbers stick up for Blue, but offer Red the opportunity to join in the counting, and all ends well. Red is not ostracized but included in the game, and the essential point of one person making a difference is emphasized by the ending: “Sometimes it just takes ONE.” This lesson teaches us the importance of how we treat our friends, how we respect them and appreciate them.

If someone does something mean or says something mean it’s ok to stand up for them and say something.👏

According to the Torah, each individual must love each other like his or her own self. Teaching these concepts should be part of everyday life both in the home and at school. Character building in Early Childhood is essential and is done by teaching Jewish values. Gemilut Hasadim “the act of loving-kindness” is a fundamental social value we teach. It is a mitzvah that one must complete without the anticipation of receiving something in return. Fostering an understanding of Jewish values can be done through teaching Jewish text and traditions. Jewish text and traditions are taught through creativity in a classroom allowing a child to explore these values, nurture their curiosity and make dreams come to life. Through song, story-telling and various activities, Gemilut Hasadim is integrated in our curriculum and taught throughout the year. By beginning the day in circle time and singing songs such as Shalom Chaverim and Mispacha, we instill the meaning of love, friendship and family. With activities as simple as blending colored Play-Doh (“hugging blue and yellow to make green”) we can discuss love and friendship while addressing the science of mixing colors. For many, our school is the beginning of a child’s Jewish education. Here at PJG ECC, our goal is to teach values to our children and translate them into educational lessons that will provide opportunities for children and their parents to explore ways in which to live them throughout their lives.

With a new year upon us, I think it is an important lesson for us all to incorporate into our resolutions for this coming year. Living each day with Gemilut Hasadim, acts of loving-kindness.

Wishing you all great things for 2020!



GUESS WHAT???
SPECIAL GUEST
APPEARANCE
FOR DINNER!
OLAF AND
ELSA!

A VERY FROZEN TOT SHABBAT!

featuring the 3's

FRIDAY,
JANUARY 10, 2020
5:30PM

Rabbi Boxman and Cantor Arnold will lead our Tot Shabbat. Ms. Stacy will lead the children with some special songs. Then we will tell some stories and eat cookies and milk.

**COME DRESSED AS YOUR FAVORITE
FROZEN CHARACTER
OR IN YOUR FAVORITE WINTER GEAR!**

Please join us before services for our Pizza, Pasta Bar and Salad from 5:30PM-6:00PM! Tot Shabbat is at 6:00PM!

Dinner is \$6 per child/ \$8 per adult.



Name _____

Child's Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Price: \$6 Child \$8 Adult

Check: _____ Cash: _____

Please make checks payable to Phylis J. Green ECC



LET'S GET WILD FOR SHABBAT!

featuring the 3's

FRIDAY,
FEBRUARY 7, 2020
5:30PM



Rabbi Boxman and Cantor Arnold will lead our Tot Shabbat. Ms. Stacy will lead the children with some special songs. Then we will tell some stories and eat cookies and milk.

COME DRESSED AS YOUR FAVORITE JUNGLE ANIMAL!

Please join us before services for our Pizza, Pasta Bar and Salad from 5:30PM-6:00PM! Tot Shabbat is at 6:00PM! Dinner is \$6 per child/ \$8 per adult.

Name _____

Child's Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Price: \$6 Child \$8 Adult

Check: _____ Cash: _____

Please make checks payable to Phylis J. Green ECC

ROCK

Shabbat
WITH CONGREGATION KOL TIKVAH

FRIDAY,
JANUARY 24
6:30PM

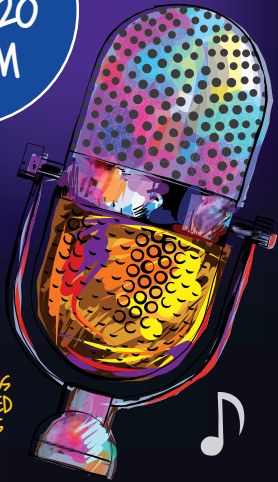
FRIDAY,
FEBRUARY 21
6:30PM

FRIDAY,
MARCH 20
6:30PM

TRADITIONAL SHABBAT SERVICES WILL
BE LED BY CANTOR ARNOLD AT 7:30 PM

LIVEMUSIC

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS
WILL BE CELEBRATED
AT BOTH SERVICES



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Let's Get

Creative & CRAFTY!

Join us for an
ECC PTO/Sisterhood

"CRAFT NIGHT"
Thursday, February 13
7:00PM

More details to come!



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Our Youth Department had a busy couple of months. As the school year began, we made it a goal of the department to engage the students in various experiences. Focus is placed on the engagement of children in a non academic environment while still emphasizing the importance of socialization and Judaism.

GARINIM

Garinim is our Pre-K-1st Grade Youth Group. They participated in a variety of hands on experiences. Nothing is more fun than playing with food, during the month of September the children participated in edible science. Here they made fizzing lemonade and ice cream in a bag. October was beach ball bonanza. This experience got the children moving. They played beach ball relays, and beach ball hockey. They day ended with a paper plate beach ball craft. Following the beach ball game, Garinim touched on their artistic side through splatter paint palooza. Here the children use tape canvases and spray bottles to create beautiful paintings. *Looking ahead at what's to come, we are excited for our Kid Surge exercise party (1/12), our Garinim olympics (2/2), Wild Animal World to come and bring us some cute animals (3/1) and ending with an exciting trip to Monkey Joes (4/5).*

CHAVERIM

Chaverim is our 2nd-3rd Grade Youth Group. We began the year with the next great baker. This event began with various ice breaking activities. Following those they made and baked their own sugar cookies. Chaverim took their first field trip to Off The Wall, where they jumped around for an afternoon of fun. Recently we brought in a third party company for a Mad Science experience. The children loved all the various experiments they participated in. Ending the first half of the year with Messy Chanukah Olympics. The group participated in games such as: donut on a string, egg toss, dreidel search and find the gelt. *Coming up for Chaverim we are looking forward to exercise with Kid Surge (1/26), getting dirty with slime time (2/9) and participating in tie-dye day (4/26).*

BONIM

Bonim is our 4th-5th Grade Youth Group. This year we implemented a new programs where the students participated during religious school in a fun and educational Bonim experience. The first one we created apple tarts for Rosh Hashanah. While they baked the students participated in icebreakers to get to know one another. While the students learned the value B'tzelem Elohim in their Judiac studies, we supplemented their learning by having them create their own life size images of themselves and how they think God sees them. In addition to these wonderful experiences, Bonim also went on a fantastic trip to Sky Zone. Bonim has a lot to look forward to. *The first exciting event is our Lock-In (1/24-1/25), a mystery bus ride (3/15) and a field trip to Boomers!(4/19).*



JANUARY 2020

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

			ECC and Temple Office CLOSED	ECC WINTER BREAK CAMP 7:45AM BNG Meeting (Offsite)	ECC WINTER BREAK CAMP 6:30PM Shabbat Services led by Cantor Arnold	8:45AM Bagels & Bible 10:00AM Shabbat Services led by Cantor Arnold
			1	2	3	4
NO Religious School	7:00PM Executive Committee Meeting 7:30PM Choir Rehearsal	4:15PM Religious School 7:00PM ARZA Committee Meeting	9:15AM ECC PTO Meeting	12:00PM Jewish History Class 1:00PM Hebrew Conversation 7:00PM Ritual Committee Meeting 7:00PM Sisterhood Board Meeting	9:30AM Taste of Shabbat 5:30PM Tot Shabbat Dinner 6:00PM Tot Shabbat 7:00PM Wine and Cheese 7:30PM Shabbat Services w/New Member Blessings, Choir and Visual T'filah	8:45AM Bagels & Bible 10:00AM Shabbat Services w/Bar Mitzvah (Alex Singer) 10:00AM Shabbat Morning Light 5:15PM Bat Mitzvah (Amarah Hersh)
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
9:00AM Religious School 9:15AM Education Committee Meeting 10:30AM Sisterhood Mah Jongg 11:30AM Family Haftarah Ed 11:30AM Ganimim 12:00PM PARTY Board Meeting 7:00PM Book Club Meeting (Offsite)	4:15PM Dual Enrollment 5:30PM TNT 6:00PM Confirmation 7:00PM Adult Hebrew 7:00PM Board Meeting	4:15PM Religious School 7:00PM ARZA Speaker		7:45AM BNG Meeting 12:00PM Jewish History Class 1:00PM Hebrew Conversation 6:00PM PARTY Lounge Night	9:30AM Taste of Shabbat 7:30PM Social Action/MLK Shabbat Service led by Cantor Arnold	8:45AM Bagels & Bible 10:00AM Shabbat Services led by Cantor Arnold
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
NO Religious School 12:30PM Brotherhood/Sisterhood Silverball Pinball Museum	ECC and TEMPLE OFFICE CLOSED	4:15PM Religious School 7:00PM Brotherhood Board Meeting		10:00AM Adult Education Committee Meeting 12:00PM Jewish History Class 1:00PM Hebrew Conversation 7:00PM Fundraising Event Meeting	L'TAKEN 9:30AM Taste of Shabbat 5:30PM Bonim Lock-In 6:30PM Rock Shabbat w/Birthday Blessings 7:30PM Traditional Shabbat Services led by Cantor Arnold w/Birthday Blessings	8:45AM Bagels & Bible 10:00AM Shabbat Services led by Cantor Arnold 5:00PM Jr. PARTY Night Out
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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26	27	28	29	30	31	

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FEBRUARY 2020

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

						8:45AM Bagels & Bible 10:00AM Shabbat Services 1
9:00AM Religious School 9:15AM 4th Grade B'nai Mitzvah Parent Meeting 11:30AM Garinim 2	4:15PM Dual Enrollment 5:30PM TNT 6:00PM Confirmation Class 7:00PM Adult Hebrew 7:00PM Executive Committee Meeting 7:30PM Choir Rehearsal 3	4:15PM Religious School 6:30PM Tu B'Shevat Seder 4	9:15PM ECC PTO Meeting 5	7:45AM BNG Meeting 12:00PM Jewish History Class 1:00PM Hebrew Conversation 6:00PM Brotherhood/PARTY Jr. PARTY Panthers Game 6	9:30AM Taste of Shabbat 5:30PM Tot Shabbat Dinner 6:30PM Tot Shabbat 7:00PM Wine and Cheese 7:30PM Shabbat Services led by Brotherhood w/New Member Blessings & Choir 7	8:45AM Bagels & Bible 10:00AM Shabbat Services w/Bat Mitzvah (Alexa Malin) 10:00AM Shabbat Morning Light 8
9:00AM Religious School 11:30AM Chaverim 12:00PM MRJ Meeting 7:00PM ARZA Movie Night 9	TU B'SHEVAT 4:15PM Dual Enrollment 5:30PM TNT 6:00PM Confirmation 7:00PM Adult Hebrew 7:00PM Board Meeting 10	4:15PM Religious School 6:30PM Youth Committee Meeting 11	12:00PM Jewish History Class 1:00PM Hebrew Conversation 7:00PM Ritual Committee Meeting 7:00PM Sisterhood/PTO Craft Night 12	12:00PM Jewish History Class 1:00PM Hebrew Conversation 7:00PM Ritual Committee Meeting 7:00PM Sisterhood/PTO Craft Night 13	ECC CLOSED Professional Development Day 5:30PM City Wide Interfaith Service at the Park 6:30PM Shabbat Service w/Anniversary Blessings 14	8:45AM Bagels & Bible 10:00AM Shabbat Services 15
NO Religious School 16	ECC and TEMPLE OFFICE CLOSED 17	4:15PM Religious School 18	7:00PM Spiel Rehearsal 19	7:45AM BNG Meeting 6:00PM Adult Education Committee Meeting 12:00PM Jewish History Class 1:00PM Hebrew Conversation 7:00PM Spiel Rehearsal 20	9:30AM Taste of Shabbat 5:30PM PARTY Lock-In 6:30PM Rock Shabbat w/ Birthday Blessings 7:30PM Traditional Shabbat Services led by Cantor Arnold w/Birthday Blessings 21	8:45AM Bagels & Bible 10:00AM Shabbat Services 22
9:00AM Religious School 9:00AM Mitzvah Day 12:00PM Spiel Rehearsal 23	4:15PM Dual Enrollment 5:30PM TNT 6:00PM Confirmation 7:00PM Adult Hebrew 7:00PM Spiel Rehearsal 24	4:15PM Religious School 7:00PM Brotherhood Board Meeting 7:00PM Rosh Chodesh 25	7:00PM Spiel Rehearsal 26	12:00PM Jewish History Class 1:00PM Hebrew Conversation 7:00PM Spiel Rehearsal 27	Spring Kallah 9:30AM Taste of Shabbat 7:00PM Wine and Cheese 7:30PM Shabbat Services 28	Spring Kallah 8:45AM Bagels & Bible 10:00AM Shabbat Services 7:00PM Howl at the Moon 29

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MARCH 2020

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Spring Kallah
9:00AM
Religious School
11:30AM
Garim
12:00PM
Spiel Rehearsal

1

4:15PM
Dual Enrollment
5:30PM
TNT
6:00PM
Confirmation
7:00PM
Adult Hebrew
7:00PM
Executive Committee Meeting
7:00PM
Spiel Rehearsal

2

4:15PM
Religious School

3

7:00PM
Spiel Rehearsal

4

7:45AM
BNG Meeting
12:00PM
Jewish History Class
1:00PM
Hebrew Conversation
6:00PM
PARTY Lounge Night
7:00PM
Spiel Rehearsal
7:00PM
Sisterhood/Youth Group/
PTO Hamantaschen Bake

5

9:30AM
Taste of Shabbat
7:00PM
Wine and Cheese
7:30PM
Healing Shabbat Service w/New Member Blessings, Choir and Visual T'filah

6

10:00AM
Shabbat Services w/Bar Mitzvah (Mitchell Tabin)
10:00AM
Shabbat Morning Light
5:15PM
B'nai Mitzvah (Samuel & Drew Auster)

7

Mishloach Manot Basket Distribution
9:00AM
Religious School
4:00PM
Spiel Rehearsal
6:00PM
Purim Spiel

8

NO TNT
5:30PM
Family/Purim Celebration
6:00PM
Erev Purim/
Megillah Reading

9

PURIM
4:15PM
Religious School
7:00PM
ARZA Committee Meeting

10

9:15AM
ECC PTO Meeting

11

12:00PM
Jewish History Class
1:00PM
Hebrew Conversation
7:00PM
Ritual Committee Meeting

12

9:30AM
Taste of Shabbat
7:30PM
BART Shabbat Services (Hollywood)
7:30PM
Lay Led Shabbat Services at CKT

13

10:00AM
Shabbat Services w/B'nai Mitzvah (Josh Fooksman and Sophie Schneider)
10:00AM
Shabbat Morning Light

14

9:00AM
Religious School
11:30AM
Bonim Mystery Bus Ride
11:30AM
Family Haftarah Ed

15

7:30AM-9:00AM
PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY
4:15PM
Dual Enrollment
5:30PM
TNT
6:00PM
Confirmation
7:00PM
Adult Hebrew
7:00PM
Board Meeting
7:00PM
Brotherhood/Teen Program
7:30PM
Choir Rehearsal

16

4:15PM
Religious School
7:00PM
ARZA Speaker
7:00PM
Brotherhood Board Meeting

17

7:45AM
BNG Breakfast
12:00PM
Jewish History Class
1:00PM
Hebrew Conversation

18

9:30AM
Taste of Shabbat
6:30PM
Rock Shabbat w/ Birthday Blessings and Visual T'filah
7:30PM
Traditional Services led by cantor Arnold w/ Birthday Blessings

19

10:00AM
Shabbat Services w/Bat Mitzvah (Matea Cohen)
10:00AM
Shabbat Morning Light

20

NO Religious School

22

ECC SPRING BREAK MINI CAMP
NO TNT

23

ECC SPRING BREAK MINI CAMP

24

ECC SPRING BREAK MINI CAMP

25

ECC SPRING BREAK MINI CAMP

26

ECC SPRING BREAK MINI CAMP
6:30PM
Shabbat Services w/ Anniversary Blessings

27

NO Religious School

29

4:15PM
Dual Enrollment
5:30PM
TNT
6:00PM
Confirmation
7:00PM
Adult Hebrew

30

4:15PM
Religious School
7:00PM
Brotherhood Mental Health Panel
7:00PM
Social Action Committee Meeting

31

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Kol Tikvah/Social Action Cares



HELP FOR COMMUNITY

♥ 2019 ANUAL HIGH HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

Generous donations of non-perishable food and many helping hands contributed to the success of our food drive. Our PARTY teens helped to load the truck on Yom Kippur morning. The next day, **Jay Gelfand** drove the U-Haul truck and with the help of Sisterhood members, **Karen Burks, Lisa Grossman, Fran Nieporent, Elissa Schekowitz and Helene Sorcic**, our Kol Tikvah donations filled the shelves of the WECARE Pantry!

Thank you to everyone!

♥ PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY SANDWICHES

Each month Kol Tikvah families prepare hundreds of Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich lunches, donate toiletries and clothes to Our Father's House Soup Kitchen. This kitchen started in 1989 with only a hot plate, limited food items and very little money. They were only feeding 30-35 guests per day. Since then, the organization has really grown to now serving 145-220 meals per day. They are open for 5 days per week and 52 weeks per year! Besides serving meals the facility also offers a food pantry, a clothing boutique and many other services to help those in need. To learn more about this wonderful organization, please connect to their website: www.ofhsoupkitchen.org



Kol Tikvah/Social Action Cares



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♥ PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY SANDWICHES



SOCIAL ACTION

at CONGREGATION KOL TIKVAH



"I choose to be God's partner in repairing the world one mitzvah at a time"

The Kol Tikvah Social Action Committee seeks to involve the congregation to participate in Tikkun Olam "Repairing the World" by serving those who are disadvantaged or in need. We strive to educate and provide avenues for adults, youth and children to do social action and advocacy to help local, national and international causes and promote greater social justice.

Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Collection Dates

So many families have participated in our monthly PBJ sandwich collection to help feed the homeless. The numbers are amazing...

Monday, January 27
Monday, March 16
Monday, April 27
Monday, May 18

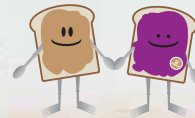
Social Action Meetings @ 7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 28
Tuesday, February 26
Tuesday, March 31
Tuesday, April 28
Tuesday, May 26

Important Dates

MLK/Social Action Shabbat...Friday, January 17
Mitzvah Day...Sunday, February 23

PB&J TIME!



MONDAY, JANUARY 27 AND
MARCH 16
7:30AM - 9:00AM



Pack in a brown lunch bag with your peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and please include a drink, snack and napkin. Deliver your sandwiches to the Kol Tikvah sanctuary driveway.

Social Action will deliver the sandwiches to help to feed the hungry and homeless in Broward County. We are also accepting donations of clean, used men's clothing and socks disposable razors and bath towels.

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Caring COMMITTEE 
Nat NUSSBAUM
Genie SASSON



The Caring Committee continues to support the congregation in good times and less fortunate times. We are so proud of our 111 members!

Please send your email address to Genie Sasson geniegs@aol.com to join our wonderful committee. Co Chair Nat Nussbaum may be reached at nlnmktg@aol.com and we are both here to lend a helping hand. Please keep us informed of any good or unfortunate news, and we will do our best to support you.

We are planning our annual Shabbat Healing Service for March 2020. Our heartfelt thanks to all. Genie & Nat.

We received a beautiful note from Vivian Silbiger, one of our founding members, and Holy Care Chair:

"HAVING BEEN ON THE COMMITTEE FOR ALL THESE YEARS I WAS THE ONE TO REACH OUT TO NEEDY CONGREGANTS UNTIL I RECENTLY BECAME ILL AND IN THE HOSPITAL. I NEVER REALIZED HOW HELPFUL ALL THE ATTENTION GIVEN IS TO THOSE IN NEED. ONCE I CAME HOME I WAS OVERWHELMED BY THE GENEROSITY OF THE COMMITTEE TO BRING MEALS TO THE HOUSE SO I COULD HEAL AND NOT WORRY ABOUT MAKING DINNER FOR MYSELF AND MY HUSBAND. I ALSO HAD HELP WITH GETTING ME TO DOCTORS APPOINTMENTS SINCE THERE WERE TIMES I COULD NOT DRIVE MYSELF. I FEEL SO BLESSED KNOWING THERE IS HELP OUT THERE."

We wish you all a happy, healthy, mazel-filled New Year 2020!

PROJECT LIST/SUPPLIES

SUPPORT THE TROOPS

Small Size Toilet Articles (Shampoo, Body Wash, Lotion For Both Men And Women)
Travel Size Kleenex Packs
Travel Size Wipe Packs
Men And Women Disposable Razors
Chapstick
Boxes Of Instant Oatmeal
Boxes Of Instant Hot Chocolate
Packs Of Ramen Noodles
Microwave Popcorn

IN JACOBS SHOES

Gently Used Sneakers
Oxiclean Stain Remover Spray
Oxiclean Laundry Soap Powder
Lysol Disinfectant Spray
Disposable Gloves, Towels
Shoes Laces And Insoles (New Only And All Sizes Needed)

CHEMO CARE BAGS

Small Blankets (Available At Walmart, Target Or On-line)
Non-skid Socks (Available At The Dollar Store)
New Reusable Water Bottles
Unscented Lip Balm And Body Lotion

SNACK BAGS FOR LIFENET4FAMILIES

Brown Paper Lunch Bags
Small, Individual Size Of The Following Snacks:
Cookies, Pretzels, Crackers, Trail Mix, Granola Bars, Goldfish Or
Cheez-it. (Purchase At Costco Or Bj's)
Small Water Bottles
Napkins
Wrapped, Individual Hard Candy





Wow! What a great few months we have had. We now have new shirts, hats and even a new logo. We have had several successful events over the last few months (see photos below). We have a very active Brotherhood and the comradery is contagious. If you have not joined yet there is still time for you to become a member and get involved with this great group of guys. Here is a list of things of all the exciting events that are coming up:

FUN TIMES WITH BROTHERHOOD



Upcoming Brotherhood Events:

January 19, 2020 12:30PM-3:30PM—Pinball Museum (program with Sisterhood) Open to all families

January 30, 2020 7:00PM—Brett Tessler Sports Agent discussing football and the upcoming Superbowl

February 6, 2020 6:00PM—Hockey Game with PARTY(Teenagers)

February 7, 2020 7:30PM—Brotherhood Shabbat

Come share a meaningful Shabbat led by our Brotherhood

March 19, 2020 7:00PM—Brotherhood Night Out at Lefty's

Come join the Brotherhood for a Men's Only night out for dinner, drinks, and camaraderie! No need to RSVP, just show up!



Join the CKT Brotherhood and Sisterhood
for a fun family day at
SILVERBALL MUSEUM IN DELRAY BEACH

January 19, 2020
12:30PM-3:30PM

\$25 Per Person
Includes: Unlimited playing time
for (3) three hours, playing classic pinball
and arcade games,
pizza, hot dogs and soda

Please RSVP NO LATER than
Monday, January 13 to Brotherhood
at brotherhood@koltikvah.net

Please make checks payable to
"CKT Brotherhood"
If paying online, please go to
<https://tinyurl.com/cktmenscc>

SILVERBALL PINBALL MUSEUM
19 NE 3rd Avenue
Delray Beach, FL

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ABOUT THE BOOK!

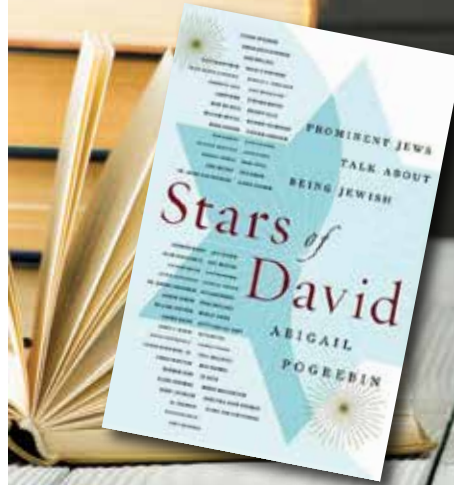
Sixty-two of the most accomplished Jews in America speak intimately—most for the first time—about how they feel about being Jewish. In unusually candid interviews conducted by former 60 Minutes producer Abigail Pogrebin, celebrities ranging from Sarah Jessica Parker to Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, from Larry King to Mike Nichols, reveal how resonant, crucial or incidental being Jewish is in their lives. We ask that all who are attending please select 2 or more stars they are interested in to give their thoughts about that person during the discussion.

Please join
Congregation Kol Tikvah's
Book Club
on Sunday, January 12, 2020
at 7:00PM

at the home of
Suzanne and Ben Brafman
as they present
the next book, movie and
discussion group

Stars of David: Prominent
Jews Talk
About Being Jewish
by
Abigail Pogrebin

Book Discussion
and Nosh!



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NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE AGENT
BRETT TESSLER LET'S TALK SPORTS!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2020
7:00PM

COME OUT AND HEAR HIS SUPERBOWL PREDICTIONS, HIS INSIGHT
INTO WHO WILL BE THE DOLPHINS' TOP DRAFT PICK,
AND HIS EXPERIENCE WITH THE SHENANIGANS ON AND OFF THE FIELD
WITH SOME OF HIS PLAYERS.

WE WILL ALSO HAVE A SPECIAL GUEST, SPORTS TALK SHOW HOST
"BIG O" ORLANDO ALZUGARAY. HE WILL BE HERE TO TAKE
ALL OF YOUR QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE.

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sisterhood upcoming events

**A DAY OF
MAH JONGG
JANUARY 12**

**FAMILY DAY at the
SILVERBALL PINBALL
MUSEUM
(with BROTHERHOOD)
JANUARY 19**

**TU B'SHEVAT SEDER
FEBRUARY 4**

**MITZVAH DAY
FEBRUARY 23**

**WOMAN OF VALOR
LUNCHEON honoring
GERI POMERANTZ
APRIL 19**

As we approach 2020, I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year. I wish us all health, laughs, love, and peace in our lives, community and in our world.

I would like to thank my Board Members and Sisterhood members for making our fall's events so successful. We can't do it without you. We are especially proud of sharing events with other auxiliaries of the Temple.

- CHALLAH BAKE/BREAST CANCER AWARENESS WITH THE ECC
- CRUISE WITH BROTHERHOOD
- ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW WITH BROTHERHOOD

Kol Tikvah Sisterhood

A Day of Mah Jongg

January 12, 2020
Check in begins at 10:30
Followed by Brunch

Mah Jongg
Cash Prizes and Raffle
\$36

Drop registration and check at the temple or mail
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Deadline to sign up is January 7, 2020

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Play Level Novice Intermediate Experienced




As you register or re- register for Kol Tikvah next year, don't forget to join Sisterhood. Get involved and make new friends. Always feel free to contact me at frieparent@gmail.com or by phone at 561 350-8581.

Tu b'Shevat Seder
Presented by the Women of Kol Tikvah
(Rosh Chodesh and Sisterhood)

For a human being is a tree of the field
- Deuteronomy 20:19

Tuesday, February 4, 2020
Congregation Kol Tikvah
6:30 Potluck Dinner

Tu b'Shevat, Judaism's 'arbor day', is a festival celebrating the wondrous natural world around us, the gifts of the Land of Israel, and the conservation of our resources.

Join us for this special festive Kabbalistic ceremony with song, fruits of the Land of Israel, prayer, and friendship. Connect to others, connect to the Divine and connect with yourself. Wherever you are in your life, you are welcome to join us.

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APRIL 19, 2020

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Lois and Ken Rubin

ARZA Fund

In Memory of Jacob Borger.
Tina and David Beale

Caring Committee Fund

In Honor of Francine Brussel's birthday.
Irene Martin

In Honor of Edith Kaplan's birthday.
Irene Martin

In Honor of the Caring Committee.
Vivian and Larry Silbiger

In Memory of Molly Knopf.
Lucy Cohen and Mitchell Stern

In Memory of Jason Forman.
Irene Martin

In Memory of Hank Martin.
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In Memory of Sylvia Nussbaum.
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Tami and Barry Press

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Education Fund

In Memory of Hanora and Israel Barbell.
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General Fund

In Honor of Seth Pomerantz,
Mensch of the Year.
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of Benjamin Halem.
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Nancy Moskowitz

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Carol and Harvey Raff

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Cathy and Alan Rosen

In Memory of Joseph Schain.
Ron Schain

In Memory of Julia and Morton Sussman.
Roberta Sussman

In Memory of the Yahrzeit of Father.
Barbara Weinstein

In Memory of the Yahrzeit
of Harold and Renee Gardner.
Lynne Westberry

In Honor of the birth of Vivian
Jett Weinbaum.
Cathy and Alan Rosen

Jewish National Tree Fund

In Memory of Ester Pschechazki.
The Dobrin Family

In Memory of Isabelle Gonshak.
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In Memory of Kathy Gonshak.
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In Honor of the Confirmation
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In Honor of Rabbi Boxman.
Gregory Ritter

In Memory of Clarice Fiestal.
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In Memory of Richard Fiestal.
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In Memory of Father.
Myra Stolzenberg.

In Memory of Mother.
Myra Stolzenberg.

In Memory of the daughter
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In Memory of Shirley Ratzkoff.
Jill and Neil Vogel

In Honor of the baby naming of
Vivian Jett Weinbaum.
Sue and Marty Weinbaum

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In Honor of Nancy Nussbaum.
Cathy and Alan Rosen

In Honor of Alan Rosen.
Cathy Rosen

Youth Activities Fund

In Memory of Michael Frabosilo.
CKT/ECC Staff

In Memory of Marcia Kunken.
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In Memory of Shirley Raff.
Carol and Harvey Raff



UPCOMING EVENTS



FEBRUARY **4**

Tu B' **Shevat Seder**

FEBRUARY **6**

ECC TOT **Shabbat**

FEBRUARY **9**

ARZA **Movie Night**

FEBRUARY **13**

ECC PTO/**Sisterhood Craft Night**

FEBRUARY **21**

Rock **Shabbat**

FEBRUARY **23**

Mitzvah **Day**

MARCH **5**

Sisterhood/ECC PTO **Youth Hamantaschen Bake**

MARCH **8**

Purim **Spiel**

MARCH **9**

Family Purim Celebration
Erev **Purim/Megillah Reading**

MARCH **13**

BART **Shabbat**

MARCH **19**

Brotherhood Night **Out (Lefty's)**

MARCH **20**

Rock **Shabbat**



“Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Haran. He came upon a certain place and stopped there for the night.” It was night, so he laid himself down to sleep and had a dream of a ladder raising up from earth to heaven. He encounters God. He wakes and says, ‘How awesome is this place. Surely God is present in this place.’”

Moses was tending the flock of his father-in-law when he encountered the burning bush on Horeb, the mountain of God. God instructs him, “Remove your sandals from your feet, for the place on which you stand is holy ground.” We can’t expect such monumental moments of revelation as we walk through places that have been touched, blessed, or scarred by the history of generations of Jews who preceded us, but the experience of walking in their footsteps ties us to them. We come to realize that the events that shaped their lives would eventually affect our own lives. I have made numerous trips to Paris, a city of which I have a special appreciation. I have visited most, if not all its significant Jewish museums. These museums are filled with Jewish artifacts and history, but they pale in comparison to two particular sites I encountered – by accident. The first one is located just behind Notre Dame Cathedral. It is a memorial to the Parisian Jews who were rounded-up and transported to the camp at Drancy and later sent to various death camps. Far beyond a dedication to their memory, it is the sight of departure along the Seine of thousands of Jews on their final journey.

As much as one reads or watches movies of our history, there is nothing that compares to walking in the footsteps of those whose lives were shaped by history – by events of their making or beyond their control. The same can be said by meeting and conversing with fellow Jews who make their lives in these places. *What is their experience? How are Jews treated there? How does the future portend their continued presence there?* We are planning and gathering travelers for this coming summer’s **Jewish Heritage Journey (June 11-21) to Vienna, Prague, Terezin, and Berlin**. The three major cities very well could be where your family originates. There’s personal history in these locations. You all have stories. The deadline to sign up is in February and we need at least twenty people for the trip to come to fruition. If you have participated in our congregational pilgrimages to Israel, you are aware of the knowledge you’ve gained by first-hand contact with the locals and have returned as a group connected by the sharing of a wonderful unique experience. To experience the riches of our history in these locations under the inspiring knowledgeable tour guides we have engaged will evoke similar feelings of connection as I encountered by chance in Paris – except you won’t have to depend on it being by accident.

If you are interested in participating in this journey of a lifetime or would like more information, I urge you to contact me either personally or through my e-mail: cantor.arnold@koltikvah.net. I will supply you with details, itinerary, and costs. Most of all, as the host of this trip, I look forward to the opportunity of getting to know you better and sharing this incredible experience.



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