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November/December 2024
Temple Topics is
Sunday, October 13, 2024

Sympathy

Our Temple Israel of New Rochelle family offers our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the following people, who passed away during the past two months since the last Temple Topics:

David Padua, Jr.- Brother of Dulce Nadorf
Michael Karpf
Lauren Kliegerman - Mother of Dani and Adam Kliegerman

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



Mazel Tov to ...

Cantor Reps, on her 90th Birthday!
Annette & Ken Stier, on their grandson's, Jack Stier's,
first birthday ... and wishing Jill & David a happy 5th
wedding anniversary!
Orietta Schneider, on the engagement of her daughter,
Kim to Alex Harristhal!

Send all your good news to OriettaSchneider@tinr.org

New Members

We welcome the following to our Temple Israel family!

Pamela Hudson
Greg & Jamie Radwan
Jordan & Sari Auerbach
Emily Rosen & Daniel Gorka
Shera Mayer
Joanna & Aaron Venar
Jeffrey & Valerie Mutterperl
Heather & Matthew Vincent
Donald Rosen
Hillel & Stacy Dlugacz
Danielle & Nuri Feder

Please say hello to them when you see them at the Temple!

Closings

Please note the following Temple Office and Kehillah School closures:

Labor Day: Monday, September 2nd, Closed
Erev Rosh Hashanah: Wednesday, October 2nd, 3pm Closing
Rosh Hashanah: Thursday, October 3rd, Closed
Rosh Hashanah Day 2: Friday, October 4th, Closed
Erev Yom Kippur: Friday, October 11th, 3pm Closing
Indigenous People Day / Italian-American Heritage Day:
Monday, October 14th, Closed
Sukkot: Thursday, October 17th, Closed
Simchat Torah: Thursday, October 24th, Closed

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Cantor Rita Glassman

S'lichot

Saturday, September 28th

7:00 pm Temple Israel is delighted to partner with WRT to share in the beauty, awe, and mystery of the season. **AT WESTCHESTER REFORM TEMPLE / LIVESTREAM**

Memorial Service

Sunday, September 29th

11:00 am Let us gather for a Memorial Service at Sharon Gardens where we can honor the memory of our loved ones. **AT SHARON GARDENS**

Rosh Hashanah

Wednesday, October 2nd

7:00 pm Evening Service
SANCTUARY / LIVESTREAM

ASL Services® 

Thursday, October 3rd

9:00 am Tot Service & Activity, Ages 5 and under
COURTYARD



10:30 am Traditional Morning Service
SANCTUARY / LIVESTREAM

ASL Services® 

Youth Program & Service, Ages 6+
This is a Parallel Program for youth only.
LAPIDUS



3:00 pm Tashlich Service, all ages
Join us by Pine "Brook" and toss your sins in the water with your friends and family.
TEMPLE ISRAEL CAMPUS



Rosh Hashanah - 2nd Day

Friday, October 4th

10:30 am Morning Service
For the second day of Rosh Hashanah, the clergy will lead a joyful and reflective service. **SANCTUARY / LIVESTREAM**

TBD Family Apple Picking for Religious School and Kehillah, appropriate for all ages
Join your Temple Israel friends for apple picking.
Information will be sent to families in late August.
OFFSITE



Yom Kippur

Friday, October 11th

7:00 pm Kol Nidrei Service
SANCTUARY / LIVESTREAM

ASL Services® 

Saturday, October 12th

9:00 am Tot Service & Activity, Ages 5 and under
COURTYARD



10:30 am Traditional Morning Service
SANCTUARY / LIVESTREAM

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Youth Program & Service, Ages 6+
This is a Parallel Program for youth only.
LAPIDUS



12:30 pm "Ask the Rabbi"
SANCTUARY

1:30 pm Adult Study, led by Jason Morris
LAPIDUS

2:30 pm Reflective Healing Service
SANCTUARY

3:30 pm Jonah Session, Teens and Adults
Cast into the Water(colors): Join Rabbinic Intern Eden Anolick for a peaceful break in Yom Kippur for conversation and art making. As we paint, we'll discuss the symbolism of Jonah's story and reflect on our own journeys towards self-awareness and forgiveness. No prior watercolor experience necessary - please come with an open heart and an open mind.
LAPIDUS

4:30 pm Yizkor & N'ilah Service
We come together to recite prayers for our loved ones who have passed. During our concluding service of Yom Kippur, we will share in a final Shofar blast and Havdalah before we break the fast. **SANCTUARY / LIVESTREAM**

ASL Services® 



Services/Events for Youth and Families with Children

ASL Services®  American Sign Language

Please visit: www.tinr.org/HHD2024 to REGISTER.

The deadline for all High Holy Days reservations is **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH**.
Questions? Email TempleIsrael@tinr.org or call (914) 235-1800.

Your Temple Israel Family

Important Information for the High Holy Days at Temple Israel

Registration

All services are open seating and unreserved. Services will begin promptly, as scheduled. All onsite services and programs REQUIRE ADVANCE REGISTRATION, except for LiveStream, which does not require registration. The deadline for all High Holy Days reservations is **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH**



Name Tags

Name tags will be mailed to members and guests after registration for onsite services before Erev Rosh Hashanah. For everyone's safety, your name tag and a photo ID will need to be presented.



Guests

High Holy Days services are open to all, but security procedures demand that everyone have a name tag (ages 13+). They are available to anyone who registers. We ask that you use the enclosed card or go online if you plan on bringing guests with you to services.



LiveStream

LiveStream services are available on the Temple Website at www.tinr.org, under the "Livestream" tab on the top navigational tool bar.



Contributing This Season

Traditionally, the High Holy Days are a time to offer additional financial support to our synagogue. Your generosity during this time of spiritual seeking is essential for Temple Israel to maintain its service to the Community.



Please visit www.tinr.org to donate to Temple Israel of New Rochelle during these High Holy Days and throughout the year.



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Rabbi's Note

Judaism 101: Learn, Refresh, Engage



Each of us has developed our connection to Judaism in a unique way. While on the surface there may be general categories that we may fall under like "went to Hebrew school," "grew up in another faith," or "I was raised Jew-ish," these titles do not share who we truly are, our experiences, or what we hope to gain by being part of the Temple Israel community. What I have learned, as your rabbi, is that no person's story is the exact same as another. And, while as adults we have found our

connection here, many did not have the opportunity, interest, or felt engaged as children. I am always a huge advocate for community building. I also acknowledge that Judaism is more than a social connection. The Jewish faith has so much to offer personally, intellectually, and spiritually.

That is why this fall we will be offering **Judaism 101: Learn, Refresh, Engage**. This is more than an "Introduction to Judaism" course. It is ideal for those who want to LEARN MORE about Judaism, lack formal Jewish education, don't remember as much as they would like from their upbringing, and for those looking to have an Adult Bar/Bat/B Mitzvah. The class is eight sessions long, Tuesdays from 7:00-8:30 pm (beginning September 17th). The course will give general knowledge and include discussions, so that the information can be internalized and connected meaningfully to life.

I highly recommend this course for anyone contemplating conversion to Judaism. Study is one of the core components in this sacred process of becoming Jewish. While it is possible to study one-on-one with me, it is always more fun and engaging to be part of a group. Jewish tradition always recommends learning with at least one partner, called *chevrutah*. There is no single way to understand texts, tradition, and teachings. Please reach out to me at (914) 235-1800 x212, or email RabbiJesseGallop@tinr.org, if you are considering conversion, and would like more information.

And, those who would like to participate in an Adult Bar/Bat/B Mitzvah should also register for this course. The adult b'nei mitzvah program is a two-year commitment. Not everyone had a "coming to age Jewish celebration" as a child. Temple Israel offers the opportunity for adults to have this ceremony, reading from the Torah, and leading the community in worship. Participants share in leading a service together. There are 4 learning components to this program: 1) Judaism 101 (fall), 2) Introduction to Hebrew (spring), 3) In-depth Jewish learning (next year), and 4) learning to chant 2-3 verses of Torah (next year). It is special to have a cohort to learn with and share this experience together.

I hope you will consider participating in **Judaism 101: Learn,**

Refresh, Engage. When you register, we will provide you with the course book. It will be fun, insightful, and help you to better understand Judaism, its history, traditions, and practices.

L'shalom,
Rabbi Jesse



Tuesday, September 17th, 7-8:30 pm

First One in the Series!

Great for spouses who grew up in other (or no) faith traditions, those who would do not remember as much as they would like from their religious school experience, and those looking to have an adult bar/bat mitzvah in the near future. Each class will cover a particular topic, where there will be reading, discussion, and an opportunity to reflect. This course is an introductory level of learning.

Visit www.tinr.org for a list of topics and to reserve your spot!

Other Dates: September 24th, October 15th, October 29th, November 12th, November 19th, December 3rd, December 10th

In times of happiness and sorrow, through each Lifecycle, the Clergy are HERE for you.

Please do not hesitate to call (914) 235-1800, email, or reach out to us with questions or requests.

Rabbi Jesse Gallop
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Jeremy Arcus-Goldberg, Clergy Assistant/Lifecycle Coordinator
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Commemorating "October 7th"



ONE

SAVE THE DATE



WESTCHESTER COUNTY-WIDE OCTOBER 7 COMMEMORATION

THE EVENING OF SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024

More details to follow at the end of the summer.
For more information contact Donna@wjcouncil.org

TWO

Commemorating October 7th at Temple Israel

Tuesday, October 8th from 5:30-6pm

Temple Israel members are invited to join our Religious School students as we commemorate the events that took place in Israel last October 7th. As a community, we will give honor to those who lost their lives and offer prayers of hope and healing for the families. We will also offer prayers for the families that are still waiting for their loved ones to come home.

Please let us know if you'll be attending on or before Tuesday, October 1st by emailing Youth@tinr.org

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A Melodic High Holy Days!

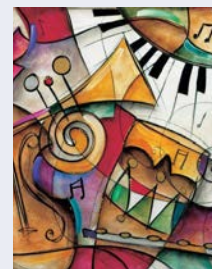


Image: Eric Waugh, "JAZZ IT UP"



It's hard to believe a whole year has gone by and here we are, about to "sing in" another new year. So much in our world has challenged, rattled, disturbed, saddened, and surprised us these past eleven months, and yet as Jews, we are a resilient people and so we continue on with courage, faith, and hope in our hearts. We come together in our TINR community, offering strength and comfort to one another, and a place to share in meaningful, respectful discussion, deep listening, and friendship. Most of all, I am grateful to have seen so

many of you show up this past year at Shabbat services, holiday celebrations, Purim Spiels, B'nei Mitzvah services, Confirmation, High School Graduation, Jewish community-wide events, not to mention the wonderful and spirited Kehillah Shabbat gatherings of our youngest children every Friday morning. What a joy it is to sing about rainbows, that special "Shabbat feeling," the braiding of challahs, and dinosaurs knocking at the door, wanting to celebrate Shabbat with us.

For a Cantor, summer is always a great time to take some time off- relax, renew, and recharge in nature, at home, and at professional conferences. It is also a precious time for planning and organizing the music of the High Holy Days, collaborating with my Rabbinic partner, so that our vision and presentation of the services is in sync. We have much discussion about how we can include music which is both traditional and contemporary, (something for everyone), and is aligned with the themes of the "Days of Awe" and Rabbinic offerings from the Bimah. Together it is our aim to create a safe and comfortable space where everyone can feel a sense of belonging, finding their own way to pray, sing, reflect, and connect as a new year begins.

This will be our third High Holy Days together (three's a charm, so they say!). Again, we will be blessed with the extraordinary musical gifts of our professional quartet of the last two years, and our accompanist on keyboard and organ, Chris Creaghan. This year we have a wonderful group of Torah readers including- a few B'nei Mitzvah, a recent Confirmand, some returning High Holy Day Torah chanters and some newbies. This is really what our synagogue is all about- a place where everyone has a voice, where collaboration is key, ensuring a strong, healthy and vibrant community that carries on "*l'dor va-dor*," from generation to generation.

Although the High Holy Days are relatively "late" this year in terms of the calendar, I trust they will arrive just in time! I hope the music of these upcoming High Holy Days will uplift, inspire, comfort, and help us all connect deeply to

the words in our prayerbook, to our faith and to each other. And finally, I look forward to sharing with you a new piece I recently composed post October 7th "*Oseh Shalom/Let There Be Peace*" which has been arranged for **Cantor and Choir** by Dr. Tali Tadmor, an accomplished pianist and the Music Director at Stephen Wise Free Synagogue in Los Angeles. This new arrangement will be sung for the very first time on Rosh Hashanah morning at services.

Wishing you all a sweet and joyous New Year 5785.

L'Shanah Tovah Tikateivu!

Warmly,
Cantor Rita Glassman

Service Times

These are the service times on upcoming Fridays:

September 6th	6:00 pm	Shabbat Service
September 13th	6:00 pm	Community Shabbat
September 20th	6:00 pm	Shabbat Service, in celebration of Cantor Reps' birthday
September 27th	6:30 pm 7:00 pm	"Pre-Neg" Noshing & Schmoozing Shabbat Service
October 4th	10:30 am	RH Morning Service

Shabbat Shuvah: there is no Shabbat Service at the Temple on this evening, however, we ask you to invite your friends, family, and fellow congregants for dinner to celebrate Shabbat. *Shabbat Shalom!*

October 11th	7:00 pm	YK Kol Nidre Service
October 18th	6:00 pm	Shabbat Service
October 25th	6:00 pm	Special Simchat Torah Service, followed by dinner (<i>see p. 5</i>)

Please join us for this "Pre-Neg" Noshing & Schmoozing on Friday, September 27th beginning at 6:30 pm, as well as beginning each 7pm Service. Wine, refreshments, and hors d'oeuvres will be offered for noshing, schmoozing, and community.

Other "Pre-Negs" are being offered on the following Fridays at 6:30pm, prior to the 7pm Service:

- November 15th	- April 11th
- December 20th	- May 16th
- February 21st	- June 20th
- March 21st	

From the President

Welcome 5785 with Open Hearts



Anja Rožen, a 13-year old elementary school student from Slovenia



Dear TINR Family,

I want to take a moment to express our heartfelt deepest gratitude for your continued support and generosity towards our beloved synagogue. Your dedication to our community is the cornerstone upon which we build our shared traditions, values, and faith. Recently, we sent out our annual "give from the heart" dues model correspondence. Your participation by

completing and returning this outreach helps us plan and allocate resources for the coming year based on your pledges. We are truly thankful for your care and prompt response.

We understand that the situation in Israel continues to weigh heavily on our hearts. As American Jews, we find ourselves in the difficult position of grappling with international politics and the challenging realities in Israel while grappling with our own political challenges right here in America. At TINR we strive to support to our sister congregation, Or Chadash, in Haifa. Rabbi Gabby Dagan recently joined us for Shabbat and shared his moving story of how their community came together after October 7th. As one of the few Reform Synagogues in Israel, it is crucial that we continue to stand with them. Our support helps protect and promote Reform Judaism in Israel and aids our Israeli brothers and sisters as they face immense challenges.

The best way to show support for Israel is to visit Israel! The country's economy is struggling, and through tourism, we can help ordinary citizens sustain their livelihoods. Many have lost loved ones who were meant to carry on family businesses. Joining our TINR trip to Israel in February 2025 is a powerful way for us to show our solidarity and care. I encourage you to reach out for information and come on this remarkable journey with our TINR family. Please reach out to Rabbi Jesse for more information.

As we prepare for the upcoming High Holy Days, the sounds in our hallways are changing – from the joyful laughter and songs of the children at Camp Pinebrook and Kehillah, - to the sounds of the Shofar and the warm embraces and greetings of congregants returning to our Temple. We are coming together as one, ready to welcome 5785 with open hearts.

It is my hope to see you all for our beautiful services as we gather to usher in this new year together.

L'shalom,
Margie Ostrove
President, Temple Israel

COME TO ISRAEL IN 2025!

TEMPLE ISRAEL

MULTIGENERATIONAL JOURNEY TO ISRAEL
LED BY RABBI JESSE GALLOP

FEBRUARY 13-23, 2025

Calling All Travelers! Come to Israel, with Rabbi Jesse!

Thursday, February 13th – Sunday, February 23rd

ALL ARE INVITED!

Highlights

- Celebrate Shabbat with Or Hadash Reform Congregation in Haifa
- Explore Tsfat, a center of Jewish mysticism for hundreds of years
- Go for a jeep tour of the Golan Heights
- Home hospitality dinner with an Israeli Druze family
- Walk through colorful Neve Zedek, one of Tel Aviv's earliest neighborhoods
- Travel to the Dead Sea & Masada
- Visit Yad Vashem, the national memorial of the Holocaust
- Tour Jerusalem's Old City and the Jewish Quarter
- Celebrate Shabbat in Jerusalem
-and much more!

REGISTRATION OPEN until December 13, 2024

Visit www.tinr.org/events/trip-to-israel-2025 to see more!, and to **SAY YES to Israel!**

Temple Israel is Grateful

Todah Rabah – Thank You

Temple Fund

Janice Agatston, in honor of Frank's special birthday
Hank & Joan Goldsmith, congratulations to Orietta Schneider on Kim & Alex's engagement; Happy 5785
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Cantor Reps

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Arthur & Carol Ostrove, in honor of the special birthdays of David Gavrin and Frank Axel

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Mazel Tov to Helen Miller, on her 90th Birthday



Thank you for supporting
OUR community!

Temple Israel of New Rochelle 2024-2025 Support/Pledge Packets are being mailed in the beginning of July, to your households.

Now is the time to join your fellow congregants in supporting Temple Israel as best you can for the 2024-2025 year.

If you would like to support and pledge online right now, please visit www.tinr.org/SupportTINR

Thank you for your consideration and support!

Apologies to Mitchell & Carole Ostrove for omitting them from the list of "Gala Donors" in the July/August Temple Topics. We thank them for their continued generosity and support throughout the many years!



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Co-President

Sweet Bouquet of Vegetable Soup (Pareve/Dairy)

A delicious low-cholesterol, low-calorie, hearty vegetable soup.

1 onion, chopped
1-2 ounces margarine or butter
8-10 cups water (may add pareve chicken soup mix or bouillon cubes)
6 carrots, sliced
1 tomato
2 parsnips
3 celery ribs, sliced
1/2 cauliflower, broken into pieces
1/2 bunch parsley
Garlic salt and pepper to taste

Saute chopped onion in margarine or butter. Add water or stock and remaining ingredients.

Simmer covered, approximately 30 minutes or until vegetables are tender.

Adult seasonings to taste.

Serves 6-8



THE GOLDEN DAYS OF SUMMER!

The golden days of summer
Will fade to chilly fall,
And we'll be here to embrace you
And get you through it all.

Our recipe is filling
and sure to be a treat.
Try our delicious soup
We know it can't be beat!



To Toni, From Marjorie!

Dearest Toni

**You are Temple Israel's Eternal Light
When you walk into a room it's instantly bright
You're always bringing energy, enthusiasm, and heart
To the countless activities in which you take part
Better Together, the Purim Spiel, and TIC—to name just a few
Each are all the more fun and special because of you
You bring humor and comfort in equal measure
No matter where you are, Toni, you're a TINR treasure!**

Congregant and TIC Co-Chair, Toni Brackis, will be beginning a new journey in North Carolina, but she will always be a friend to many! Good luck Toni!



Some Housekeeping

Donation Drop Boxes

Temple Israel partners with The Sharing Shelf and HOPE Food Pantry in collecting donations for these very important organizations. Each entity asks for specific donations. **The Sharing Shelf** requests: new and slightly used clothing for children 0-19 year old; new underwear and socks for ages 0-19; diapers for infants and toddlers; feminine hygiene products; and toiletries. For **HOPE Food Pantry**, items requested are: unopened dry and canned goods. Designated drop boxes are located next to the coat room. Please **DO NOT** drop random items in these boxes. Thank you!

YOUTH & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT



For those that know me well, I love composition notebooks. When the programming year ends, I close the notebook and place it on my shelf to join the notebooks from previous years. People have often found my need to keep the notebooks year after year to be somewhat odd, but I know that within those pages lie creativity and possibilities. Just take a look at my notebooks on the next page!

Just two months ago I began a fresh composition notebook and have been filling it with ideas for creativity, growth, and exploration. As I begin my 13th year at Temple Israel of New Rochelle, I am excited for our **new Youth & Family Engagement committee** to hit the ground running with our programming year. This group is comprised of parents from the various sectors of our community: The Kehillah School, Camp Pinebrook, and the Religious School. They will be partnering with me to plan, publicize, and execute programming that is geared towards families with children from infants to high school seniors.

The Youth & Family Engagement Committee includes:

Co-Chairs: Rebecca Halperin-Chao and Amy Levy
Members: Monica DiLorenzo, Sarah Kaye, Rebecca Lippel, Madelyn Scheffler, David Soberman, Sophia Wiener, and Rebecca Zampolin.

Kick-off Community Shabbat of Welcome

We are excited to see families at our kick-off Community Shabbat of Welcome on Friday, September 13th. This Shabbat will be especially geared towards our youth with activities like facepainting, a Shabbat Glo Dance Party, 3 on 3 basketball, edible Challah painting and more. Don't delay registering as this dinner is sure to fill up quickly!

NEW THIS YEAR! Youth Group is Back!

We are pleased to be able to offer social programming outside of religious school for our youth in K-7th grade. Rayann Tobia, a long-time member of Temple Israel and current Kindergarten teacher in our religious school, will be serving as our Youth Advisor for these grades and working with me to provide engaging and fun events! Check out Rayann's bio below!

Youth Group Leader

Rayann will be stepping into the role of Youth Group Leader for the K-7th graders this year. With her passion for working with children as an elementary school teacher, she brings valuable experience from her previous role as a Junior Youth Group leader when she was in high school here at Temple Israel. As a matter of fact, she and Rebecca worked together!

Rayann recalls these experiences from her own childhood



as exciting and community-building, and she aims to create similar connections for your child. Rayann looks forward to the fun events we have planned for the year!

Fall Youth Group Events

Saturday, September 21st: Lateover for youth in grades 3rd-5th @ Temple Israel from 6-8 pm.

Tuesday, November 19th: Cakewars for youth in 6th and 7th grade @ Temple Israel from 6-7:30 pm.

Saturday, December 14th: Lateover for youth in grades K-2nd @ Temple Israel from 6-8 pm.

High Holy Days 2024

9am: Infants-Kindergartners and parents are invited to join us for our fun Tot Service and activity in the Courtyard for both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur!

NEW THIS YEAR! Youth service and programming for 1st-6th Graders. Teen volunteers needed!

Shofar Squad! Calling all youth in 1st-6th grade! We have created a special opportunity for our children to learn how to blow the Shofar at the High Holy Days. The cost is \$30/person and you get to keep the Shofar! Our adult Shofar blowers are, David Canon and Carolyn Dudek. Rehearsals will take place during Religious School. Please let us know how many children are interested, and their names.

Starting at 10:30 am on Rosh Hashanah Day 1 and Yom Kippur, youth in grades 1st-6th are invited to join us for an interactive worship experience followed by holiday games and activities. **Parents must register on or before Thursday, September 12th!**

Apple Picking: Rosh Hashanah Day 2

For the third year in a row, families are invited to join us at Maskers Orchard in Warwick, NY for a day of apple picking and nature! BYOL (Bring Your Own Lunch) and join us for a picnic. **This event requires registration and payment by Thursday, September 12th!**

Religious School 2024-2025

Tuesday, September 10th: First Day K-7th Grade from 4-6 pm

Thursday, September 12th: Opening Thursday session for 3rd-6th Grade from 4-6 pm and 8th-12th graders from 6:15-8 pm

In our effort to build relationships between our youth and their families, we will be launching our K/5 Buddy Program. The program pairs Kindergarten students with 5th graders. Over the year, the buddies will meet together for an activity during religious school hours. We hope to help build leadership skills with our 5th graders and provide our Kindergarten students with a friendly "older" face to play and have fun with!

Teen Engagement 2024-2025

Thursday Learning Sessions:

The opening Thursday session for 8th-12th graders will take place on Thursday, September 26th with dinner and a "Welcome Back" program. This year's curricular focus is *Tikkun Olam* and the teens will be learning about, and meeting with, Westchester organizations that work to help the community. The teens will also be providing items of need such as making sandwiches for HOPE Community Services or packing toiletries for The Sharing Shelf. Each session will focus on one organization and how we can help. Teens will receive community service credit for their participation.

Teen Service Trip to Philadelphia: January 17-19

We'll be traveling to Philly in January to learn about, and work with, organizations helping communities provide for its members. The trip will also include celebrating Shabbat with a university Hillel and a social event on Saturday evening. To register, please log-in to your Shulcloud account. Reach out to me with any questions.

BBYO Signon: Teen Youth Group

The Signon chapter will kick-off its first event on Thursday, September 5th with a BBQ and games from 7-8pm. To register and learn more about our amazing chapter, please connect with our Rabbinic Intern, Eden Anolick.

Better Together: An Intergenerational Program FUN FOR ALL AGES!!!

Back for its fifth year, the Better Together program is a highlight for our teens and adult community. If you're a teen or adult ages 65+, please connect with me so that I can share the joy of this program with you.

As you can see, my composition notebook is already filled with ideas for an amazing year ahead. I look forward to seeing you soon and creating those memories with you.

B'chavod (with respect and friendship),
Rebecca Elkus-Ferst
Director of Education: Youth & Families



Rebecca's Notebooks!

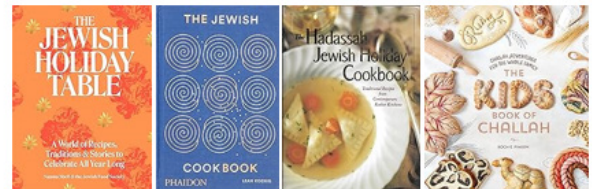


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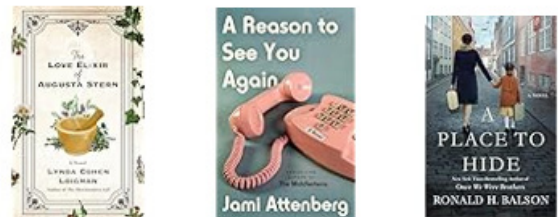
Time to Get Reading for the High Holy Days!



Make Something Yummy!



Watch for these new novels coming soon!



OUR LIBRARY IS ALWAYS OPEN!

Come browse our wonderful library in person or online. Watch for all the new books for adults and kids that arrive weekly. Self check-out by signing the card in the back of the book and leave the card in the red box on the librarian's desk.

All books can be reserved on our library website:
<https://www.librarycat.org/lib/HandelmanLibraryTINR>

Questions or suggestions? Contact our librarian Stephanie Krasner at stephkras11@gmail.com. (Please don't forget to return the books so that others can enjoy them!)



Faith and Curriculum



Kehillah believes in the Judaic morals that reflect justice, healing the world, charity, and kindness to others. The Reggio Emilia approach recognizes social interaction with peers and adults as a vital component in learning. Opportunities to build close relationships with teachers, peer groups, and the Kehillah community are highly prioritized. As we move into a new school year, Kehillah welcomes new families and teachers to our understanding of creating a connected community through our faith and curriculum.

We are grateful to be a part of The Temple Israel community as we keep Jewish morals at the foundation of our learning and build the spirit from our faith and connection to our Reggio inspired curriculum approach.

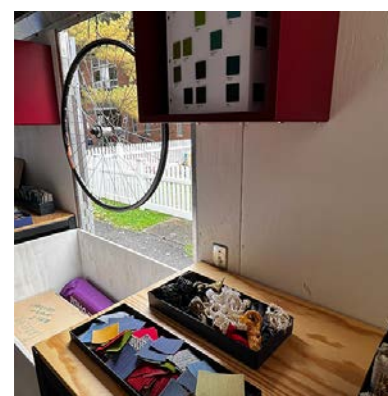
Marie Masseo
Kehillah School Director

Our school year will start with teachers preparing through OCFS trainings with the Child Care Council of Westchester guided by Jami Flynn, in better understanding child development and infant care. Our Kehillah Teachers look forward to a special training from Temple Israel's Director of Education: Youth and Families, Rebecca Elkus-Ferst, who will outline our Judaic benchmarks and bring understanding of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur to our educators.

This summer, Morah Maria focused on her new role as Atelierista, curating The Kehillah School Materials Center. The space was created to support our children and teachers with an Emergent Reggio-Inspired curriculum. Maria will work with teachers and children facilitating learning experiences that compliment classroom curricular learning. She will guide the documentation of student learning and communication of that data in different forms for both the professional benefit of teachers and the relational benefit of the wider school community. Kehillah children and teachers will have access to the materials to weave into their ever-evolving curriculum every day.

In November, our Preschool and K-Prep will be meeting with Teaching Beyond the Square (TBS). TBS' is a nonprofit, based in NYC, which aims to improve the quality of early childhood education. Through collaborative partnerships with school communities, TBS works with students, educators, and parents to advance developmentally appropriate best practices which are more playful, effective, engaging, and equitable. TBS will bring "The Materialized Classroom" on November 7th to Kehillah. It is a program designed to help teachers and children learn how open-ended materials promote creative thinking, language development, and collaboration for everyone. This will greatly benefit the "Materialized Classroom" at Kehillah.

Kehillah starts the new school year with gratitude for the learning and the creativity that will evolve because of the new "Materials Center."



Sisterhood



Berdie Stein
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Greta Berenbaum
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Sisterhood Co-President

Happy Autumn from Sisterhood!

As we've been busy event planning for this upcoming season, we hope you're all ready for some exciting treats. Speaking of treats, bring your Sisterhood aprons on **Thursday, September 19th at 6:30 pm** as we're happy to welcome master chef and baker Nancy Wolfson-Moche for our **Rosh Hashanah Baking Event**. Nancy will teach us how to make especially beautiful and delicious "Apple Roses" along with a new "Honey Cake" recipe. Wine and cheese will be served. Please RSVP soon, as space is limited.

Next, sign up to join us for the **Jewish Heritage Trolley Tour of the Historic Woodlawn Cemetery** in the Bronx, **Sunday, October 27th**. We'll learn why famous Jewish American authors, entertainers and politicians, such as Joseph Pulitzer, Irving Berlin, and E.L. Doctorow, chose Woodlawn as their final resting place. A combination of trolley and walking with our docents is sure to be an exciting and interesting adventure. Cost is \$30 with space limited to 24 people.

We'll be celebrating Sukkot together - details to follow. In preparation for **Thanksgiving**, we will welcome back **Robert Sloop from Colonial Village Flowers on November 21st**, who will help us decorate our holiday tables.

All this, and of course, our very popular and very addicting "Game Nights" of mah jongg and canasta on the first Wednesday of every month (mostly, confirm on www.tinr.org) starting September 4th - definitely plan on playing with us and Temple friends.

For any details or questions about these happenings, please reach out to us.

We wish you all and your families L'Shana Tovah!

With much love,
Berdie and Greta

Brotherhood



Allen Fishbein
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Gary Frey
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Brotherhood Co-President

Greetings from Brotherhood,

We hope everyone had a great summer! Brotherhood is looking forward to another year of great events.

Our trip to **Sammy's Roumanian** will be in November! If you have never been to Sammys get ready for a night of fun, food, and commaradiere. See the upcoming weekly e-blasts for more details.

We are also very excited to announce our sponsorship of an evening of music with our own Cantor Rita Glassman in Spring 2025. Proceeds from this event will go to Temple Israel's Music Fund. Stay tuned for more details to come.

Of course, we are planning some of our classics like "**Bourbon & Bible**," "**JewPardy**," and "**Virtual Golf**."

Brotherhood wants to continue to make TINR an event destination. If you have ideas for events, please let us know by contacting us directly or attending a meeting.

Happy and healthy New Year to all! We hope to see you at some events this year.

Allen and Gary



Wednesday, September 4th, 7-9 pm
followed by October 9th

First One, after Summer!

Canasta or Mah Jongg ... your choice. Play with old friends, and new! Invite a friend!

This event is FREE, EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
RSVP to Jamie Deutsch at derekandjamie@gmail.com

Other Dates: November 6th, December 4th, January 8th (2025),
February 5th, March 5th, April 2nd, May 7th, June 4th



Friday, September 13th
Service 6:00 pm / Dinner by RSVP 7:00 pm

First One, after Summer!

We invite the congregation and guests, friends, and family, to celebrate coming back after summer!

Prices/dinner
Adults-\$30 • Child (Grades K-6)-\$10 • Tots-Pre-K-FREE

Visit www.tinr.org to RSVP for dinner, all welcome for the service without reservations.

Other dates! October 25th, November 8th, December 13th,
January 10th (2025), February 7th, April 4th, May 2nd



Please join us for a
Celebratory Shabbat!

with special blessings for
Cantor Emerita, Helene S. Reps'
90th Birthday

Friday, September 20th, 6pm
Service followed by Dinner

RSVP is required for dinner
www.tinr.org/CantorReps90th



You Are Cordially Invited!



Our Temple clergy, staff, and trustees have named Erev Shabbat, September 20th, the evening to celebrate my 90th birthday.

Several cantorial colleagues will join Cantor Rita Glassman on the bimah: my children, grandchildren, extended family, and my brother, Dr. David Shifrin, will fill the front rows. Rabbi Jesse Gallop will bless my head and heart with his tender touch.

Following the 6:00 pm service, dinner will be served in Forbes, to which the entire congregation is invited, as my guest.

Dear Temple friends, please plan to join us for this very special "Shecheyanu" celebration.

Cantor Emerita Helene Reps

Cantor Emerita Helene Reps





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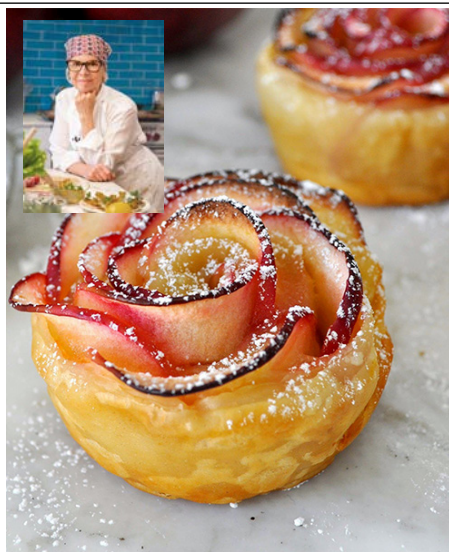
Tuesday, September 17th, 7-8:30 pm

First One in the Series!

Great for spouses who grew up in other (or no) faith traditions, those who would do not remember as much as they would like from their religious school experience, and those looking to have an adult bar/bat mitzvah in the near future. Each class will cover a particular topic, where there will be reading, discussion, and an opportunity to reflect. This course is an introductory level of learning.

Visit www.tinr.org for a list of topics and to reserve your spot!

Other Dates: September 24th, October 15th, October 29th, November 12th, November 19th, December 3rd, December 10th



Sisterhood
TINR

**Rosh
Hashanah**

**Baking
Event**

Please join us as we learn to create and bake fabulous Apple Roses and Honey Cake!

with Nancy Wolfson-Moche

Thursday, September 19th, 6:30-9:00 pm

Cost: \$36 per person
Wine & Cheese served

Reservations limited so please signup early at www.tinr.org!

Brunch & Learn



Saturday, September 21st, 10:30 am First in the Series!

Intro to Modern Jewish Literature - Sholem Aleichem

Join Rabbinic Intern Eden Anolick for the kick off event of our Brunch and Learn series on Modern Jewish Literature.

Explore "Tevye the Dairyman" by Sholem Aleichem. You may have seen the classic movie "Fiddler on the Roof" - now explore the original work that brought life in the shtetl to life!

Visit www.tinr.org for a list of topics and to reserve your spot!

Other Dates: November 16th, December 21st, February 8th (2025), March 8th, May 10th

**ISRAEL
ACTION
COMMITTEE
PRESENTS
ISRAEL
MATTERS**



Israel Matters is an interactive program designed to improve the quality of Israel conversation at TINR. A safe place where people can express themselves and ask questions without being judged

1st Session (monthly): Thursday, September 26th, 7 pm

There is no cost associated with participating. However, space is limited and pre-registration is required to attend. Please register with Israel Action Committee chairperson, Paul Warhit, at paulwarhit@gmail.com.

Visit www.tinr.org for more details



Sunday, October 27, 12:00 noon - 1:45pm
 Historic Woodlawn Cemetery (4199 Webster Avenue Bronx NY)

From Joseph Pulitzer to Joseph Bulova, Irving Berlin to E.L. Doctorow, Samuel Untermyer to Sam Harris, we will learn the stories of great Jewish Americans and why they chose Woodlawn, a National Historic Monument from 1863, as their final resting place.

Cost for this exciting tour is \$30 per person and is limited to 24 people, so please signup soon!

Visit www.tinr.org for more details and to RSVP.



Families get together in many different ways, so get together at Temple Israel for an opportunity to worship in a family-friendly, musical service experience, geared towards families.

Service: 6:00 - 6:30 pm • FREE Pizza Dinner: 6:30 - 7:00 pm

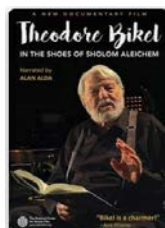
Visit www.tinr.org to RSVP by the Wednesday prior, by midnight, to accommodate for food and seating.

Mark Your Calendars! November 22nd, January 24th (2025), February 28th, March 28th, April 25th, May 30th

SAVE THE DATES!

Temple Israel Celebrates Theodore Bikel

Theodore Bikel was an Emmy winning, Oscar, Tony, and Grammy nominated actor and folk singer; a real hero in the Jewish world! Among other things he was the actor who played Tevye in Fiddler on the Roof more than any other living actor.



**Friday Evening,
 December 14th, 6 pm**

**The Extraordinary Life and Legacy
 of Theodore Bikel**
 at our Community Shabbat Service

Saturday, December 15, 11:30 am

Brunch and Film- "In The Shoes of Shalom Aleichem" starring Emmy Award Winning Theodore Bikel, with Q&A following the film showing.

Presented by the late Theodore Bikel's wife Aimee Ginsburg Bikel, inspiring storyteller, Director of The Theodore Bikel Legacy Project.



More details to follow.

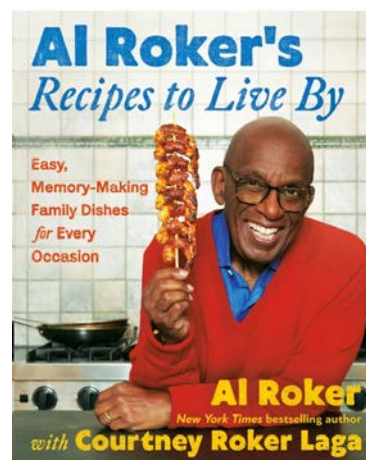
SAVE THE DATE!

Al Roker's "Recipes to Live By" Book Event!

As a guest of "Scarsdale Adult School," Al Roker will be at Temple Israel of New Rochelle, with his daughter, Courtney Roker Laga, sharing their journey in collaborating on their book together, "Recipes to Live By"

**Wednesday Evening,
 December 11th, 7 - 9:30 pm**

More details to follow.



An Afternoon of Music and Joy

A Westchester-wide Celebration of Music and Joy

Enjoy the music of Kol Hazzanim - The Cantors of Westchester

Locally Grown:
A Celebration of Jewish Music from Westchester and Surrounding Communities

Sunday, November 17, 2024 @4pm

Westchester Reform Temple
255 Mamaroneck Road, Scarsdale, NY

Register online at www.wjcouncil.org



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For more information contact

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Register online at
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\$25 Per Person until Nov. 6th

\$36 Per Person after Nov. 6th

Walk-ins welcome only
as space permits

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Connect Here

Basketball is BACK!

...and it's time for you to sign up!
Registration is open

Some details from NEW Coach, David Soberman!
(thank you Jeff Berenbaum for all your years!)

- For 5th to 12th grade, boys and girls are invited
- Teams are 5th/6th, 7th/8th, and then HS
- Weekly practices at TINR gym starting in Fall
- League play is November - March
- No games during Thanksgiving, December school break, or February school break
- We welcome parents who want to coach!
- **Ready? Visit www.tinr.org. The deadline to register is Sunday, October 13th!**

Questions? Email TINR JBL HOOPS at tinrbasketball@gmail.com.



"Bizy Bee" has some
High Holy Days
Programming for Children!
*Check out p. 3 in this
Temple Topics!*



FESTIVALS

Sukkot / Simchat Torah

Thursday, October 17th

8:30 am Sukkot Festival Service & Bagels

Friday, October 18th

6:00 pm Shabbat Services

7:00 pm 'Hors d'oeuvres' Oneg in the Sukkah
sponsored by Sisterhood

Thursday, October 24th

10:30 am Yizkor Service followed by
Kiddish Luncheon

Friday, October 25th

6:00 pm Special Simchat Torah Service,
followed by dinner

Chag Sameach

List of Funds

Temple Operating Fund – To support Temple Israel programs, Jewish education, social activities and operations

ASL (American Sign Language) Interpreting Fund – To provide funding for ASL interpreting and to build the bridge between the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and the general Jewish Community

Brotherhood Fund – Brotherhood of Temple Israel of New Rochelle is a group of dedicated Temple members, spanning all ages, who volunteer their time and effort on behalf of Temple members and the New Rochelle community

Camp Pinebrook Program Fund – To enhance programs associated with Camp Pinebrook.

Cantor Discretionary Fund – This fund allows the Cantor to support a wide variety of music / worship projects and charitable causes

Endowment Fund – Used to maintain and expand religious, educational, cultural, social, and philanthropic activities of the Temple

Hospitality Fund – For the holding of Kiddush and Oneg Shabbat receptions

Israel Action Committee Fund – sponsors educational, social, and cultural programming with the goal of enhancing our congregants' relationship with Israel.

Kehillah School Childhood Program Fund – To support Kehillah programs

Music Fund – To support musical programs and the cultural life of the Temple

Prayer Book Fund – To enable the Temple to purchase prayer books

Rabbi Discretionary Fund – This fund allows the Rabbi to support a wide variety of projects and charitable causes.

Religious School Program Fund – To support Religious School programs

Joan Sanders Transportation Fund – To enable congregants who do not drive to get to services and events at Temple Israel

Sisterhood Fund – Temple Israel of New Rochelle Sisterhood brings together all generations of women within our synagogue to serve our congregation. Our Sisterhood sponsors a variety of social, religious, and community activities throughout the year.

Social Action Fund – To support social action projects in our synagogue and neighborhood communities

Temple Israel Cares – Enables the committee to provide meals for congregants who have been hospitalized or are recovering from illness, to provide Shivah baskets, to give blankets for new babies born, to acknowledge milestone birthday, and to welcome new members

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You can pay Temple dues or make donations to the Temple with appreciated stock?

If you would like to do so, please follow the directions below:
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Account Number: 6286-6155

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From my family to yours!

- Berdie Stein



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