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**IT'S  
SUMMERTIME  
AT OST!**



**AT THE  
BEACH!**

**June 14**

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**FNL IS  
BACK!**

**June 21**

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# WORSHIP TORAH PORTIONS

## JUNE | JULY

**June 1 | 27 Iyar**  
Torah Study - 9:00 am  
Parashat Bechukotai  
Leviticus 26:3 - 27:34  
Haftarah: Jeremiah  
16:19 - 17:14

**June 6 | 3 Sivan**  
Torah Study - 4:00 pm

**June 8 | 5 Sivan**  
Torah Study - 9:00 am  
Parashat Bamidbar  
Numbers 1:1 - 4:20  
Haftarah: Hosea 2:1 - 2:22

**June 9 | 6 Sivan**  
Parashat Shavuot I  
Exodus 19:1 - 20:23  
Maf: Numbers 28:26 - 28:31  
Haftarah: Ezekiel 1:1 - 28; 3:12

**June 10 | 7 Sivan**  
Parashat Shavuot II  
Deuteronomy 15:19 - 16:17  
Maf: Numbers 28:26 - 28:31  
Haftarah: Habakkuk 3:1 - 19

**June 13 | 10 Sivan**  
Torah Study - 4:00 pm

**June 15 | 12 Sivan**  
Torah Study - 9:00 am  
Parashat Nasso,  
Numbers 4:21 - 7:89  
Haftarah: Judges 13:2 - 13:25

**June 20 | 17 Sivan**  
Torah Study - 4:00 pm

**June 22 | 19 Sivan**  
Parashat Beha'alotcha,  
Numbers 8:1 - 12:16  
Haftarah: Zechariah 2:14 - 4:7

**June 27 | 24 Sivan**  
Torah Study - 4:00 pm

**June 29 | 26 Sivan**  
Torah Study - 9:00 am  
Parashat Sh'lach,  
Numbers 13:1 - 15:41  
Haftarah: Joshua 2:1 - 2:24

**July 6 | 3 Tammuz**  
Torah Study - 9:00 am  
Parashat Korach,  
Numbers 16:1 - 18:32  
Haftarah: I Samuel  
11:14 - 12:22

**July 11 | 8 Tammuz**  
Torah Study - 4:00 pm

**July 13 | 10 Tammuz**  
Torah Study - 9:00 am  
Parashat Chukat,  
Numbers 19:1 - 22:1  
Haftarah: Judges 11:1 - 11:33

**July 18 | 15 Tammuz**  
Torah Study - 4:00 pm

**July 20 | 17 Tammuz**  
Torah Study - 9:00 am  
Parashat Balak,  
Numbers 22:2 - 25:9  
Haftarah: Micah 5:6 - 6:8

**July 21 | 18 Tammuz**  
Parashat Tzom Tammuz,  
Exodus 32:11 - 32:14,  
34:1 - 34:10

**July 25 | 22 Tammuz**  
Torah Study - 4:00 pm

**July 27 | 24 Tammuz**  
Torah Study - 9:00 am  
Parashat Pinchas,  
Numbers 25:10 - 30:1  
Haftarah: Jeremiah 1:1 - 2:3  
(Pinchas occurring after  
17 Tammuz)



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## High Holy Days Tickets Pilot Program

In the fall of 2018 a work group consisting of John Cooper, Barbara Dudley, Karen Fine, Linda Peck, Anna Rivera, and Margaret Sawyer was convened to address various issues with high holiday tickets.

After analyzing issues and opportunities, the High Holiday Work Group recommended creating a one-year pilot program for High Holidays in 2019 to issue complimentary tickets to guests upon request. All guests will be given the opportunity to make a donation to Temple, and staff will follow up to see if guests would like to become members.

The work group felt that this recommendation is in line with living our Jewish values/norms: being a warm and welcoming congregation; eliminating a barrier to entry; and recruiting new congregants.

To avoid last minute requests/confusion, **all tickets requests must be received no later than September 20, one week prior to Erev Rosh Hashanah.**

At the end of this pilot program, the High Holiday Work Group will review the pilot program and use the data to ask High Holiday guests who are eligible to join the Temple. The group will make changes and/or recommendations to the Board regarding High Holiday tickets and the Membership policy, as needed. ✧



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## Rescheduled for June 1!



### Special Shabbat Service & Kiddush Lunch: 175 Years of Service & Leadership

**Saturday, June 1 @ 10:30 am**

Honoring all current, honorary board members, OST Foundation board members and Past Presidents of both Ohef Sholom Temple and Temple Sinai. Please join us as we honor our dedicated leaders.

**All are welcome to attend!**

## JUNE 21 @ 6:30PM

Join us for an uplifting and especially musical Shabbat service featuring our

FNL musicians Marilyn & Bob Johns, followed by a catered oneg paired with delicious spirits. This event is open to members, friends, family, and the greater community and we would LOVE to see you there!



*FNL is FREE OF CHARGE and made possible by funding from the United Jewish Federation of Tidewater and the Tidewater Jewish Foundation.*

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**Reach Rabbi Roz**

Rabbi Rosalin Mandelberg  
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## Facing the Future

(Excerpted from Rabbi Roz's Annual Meeting Report, May 16, 2019)

“It’s only after you’ve stepped outside your comfort zone that you begin to change, grow, and transform.” Roy T. Bennett, the author of the quote I just shared, calls himself a “thought leader.” Full disclosure, I found his words by typing

“change” in my Internet search engine, and I have been thinking a lot about change, the discomfort it causes, and how both of these are part of leadership. For as I complete my thirteenth year as your rabbi, I recognize that I have now served you for more years than those that remain in my rabbinate. And I would truly love to leave you, God-willing in a decade or so (in 2029), stronger and more vital than when I arrived here in 2005.

When you elected me, I saw my primary role as that of healer. The Temple was still reeling from Rabbi Forman's retirement and the “new rabbi” that wasn't the right fit and all of the hurt, upheaval and uncertainty of the previous decade or so. I was the perfect choice, for I am nothing if not reliable, steadfast, loyal, a constant presence. I would characterize my rabbinate as largely pastoral, spiritual and educational. I am a leader for sure, but no change agent. My goals in those early years were to bring people back into the fold (whether you had physically left the Temple or not), to stop the attrition, and to regain the stature, respect, and leadership that OST had always enjoyed in the larger Jewish, interfaith and civic communities. I hope you would agree that I achieved all of those and more. But I haven't done it alone.

It is only with you – our outstanding leadership and staff partners -- that we are stable in every way. Please know that I am so grateful to all of you for your constancy, your love and support, during my illness last summer and always. I know that I can look to you – my sacred partners -- over the next decade as well to shore up our Temple home and family for the present and the future.

I want to thank not only Karen Fine, for two extraordinary years, but also the entire Executive Committee -- Matthew Weinstein, Barbara Dudley, Lawrence Steingold, Steve Kayer, Alyssa Muhlendorf, John Cooper, Margaret Sawyer, Bert Newfield, Joash Schulman and Nicole Rosenblum, as well as Immediate Past President, Ted Kaufman, for their tireless work on behalf of OST. They have made enormous strides in helping us define our values and live by them as well as to structure us in a way that poises us to face the challenges the future holds. They have been aided immeasurably by incredible committee chairs and members of our Board of Directors whose commitment to bettering our congregation is unwavering. I have no doubt that Terri Denison Budman, our new president, and her team will leave an indelible, positive mark of their own upon OST as well.

Immense gratitude to our staff led by Linda Peck, who works tirelessly to keep our house in order; Kitty Wolf, whose commitment to our school and willingness to step in and lead is awesome; and Chuck Woodward, who continues to provide us with the highest level and quality sacred music program imaginable for any synagogue anywhere.

Finally, thank you to my remarkable clergy partner, Cantor Jen, who never ceases to amaze me with her intelligence, compassion, sense of justice, soulfulness, and voice. She is simply the BEST.

In closing, just remember, ours is the only way that we can be Jewish as we are: embracing a tradition that grounds us and informs who we are while living out those values we hold most dear in the love and lives we have chosen. As we celebrate our 175th year, I hope that, together, we continue to create the ultimate sacred community living our limitless shared Jewish future, ☆

Rabbi Rosalin Mandelberg





# PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

## We of Ohef Sholom

Every two years, one administration winds down and another ramps up. As the transition begins for 2019/2020 with the arrival of new faces on the Executive Committee, we thought we'd write this column together, as outgoing and incoming presidents, as partners in our new roles – Terri as president, Karen as immediate past president.

In typical Ohef Sholom fashion, we've hailed from two distinctly different backgrounds, and yet we've ultimately landed in the same place.

Karen joined Ohef Sholom in 1989, initially because of her marriage to Matt and their commitment to raising their children with the values and traditions of Judaism. She made the conscious choice to convert in 2005, following their twin sons' *b'nai mitzvah*, because she recognized that she had been living Jewishly for many years and wanted to sanctify it, and intentionally commit herself to Judaism, to solidify its importance in her life, as well as the moral and sacred obligations it requires take place.

Terri, on the other hand, grew up at Ohef Sholom. This is where she was named, attended Sunday School, became a Confirmand, was married, and started the cycle again with her daughters.

Though our paths have been different, we share and value the essence of Judaism, and we respect each other's perspectives. We are committed to working together to lead OST forward, to nurturing all of our sacred partnerships – with our rabbi and cantor, our fellow congregants, our staff, and each other. We will do our best to effectively engage the resources to enable us to offer the meaningful services, programs, social action efforts, and acts of compassion and caring that are the We of Ohef Sholom. In addition, we take seriously the need to protect our Temple community – to make our physical space as well as our financial status – as safe as possible.

As we continue to develop our many committees for the coming year, we welcome and, in fact, seek your input and participation. Please contact an Executive Committee member to say you'll join a committee. Serving on a committee can be a rewarding experience, plus it fulfills the *mitzvah* of *Tikkun Olam*. A complete list of committees is on page 7.

### Executive Committee members are:

#### President

Terri Budman

#### Vice President

John Cooper

#### Treasurer

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#### Secretary

Barbara Dudley

#### Member-At-Large

Charlie Nusbaum

#### Past President

Karen Fine

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#### Talk to Terri

Terri Denison Budman,  
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#### Converse with Karen

Karen Fine,  
Immediate Past President

Together is where our strength lies and how we are bound to succeed. Together, we are certain to stay relevant as we evolve and adapt with the times, mindful of Ohef Sholom's proud and impressive 175 years of history, Reform Jewish values, and community involvement. Together, we are the *We of Ohef Sholom*. ☆

Terri Denison Budman







# JEWISH LIFE

JUNE/JULY

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mazel Tov to **Lisa Bertini** who was named one of the Top 50 Women Lawyers in the 2019 Virginia Super Lawyers Edition (for the 5th year!) She was also named again to the Top 100 Lawyers in all Virginia.

Mazel Tov to **the Friedman Family** on the marriage of **Kari Friedman and Mitchell Rotenberg** on Sunday, April 28, 2019 in Chicago, Illinois. Kari is the daughter of Celia and Jay Friedman, the granddaughter of Ethel Goldman and the sister of Wendy Stiller. Kari and Mitchell reside in Chicago, Illinois.

Mazel Tov to the **OST Sisterhood** - represented by Abbey Pachter and Jeanne Miller - as Kurt Rosenbach presented the Sisterhood with the 2019 Rosenbach Award for Outstanding Service to the Temple. ☆

## CONDOLENCES

Ohef Sholom offers heartfelt condolences to the following members & friends:

**Noah Green** on the loss of his mother, **Judith Green.**

**Paul Terkeltaub** on the loss of his brother, **Michael Terkeltaub.**

**Marlene Aikman** on the loss of her sister, **Adele Finkelman Carl.** ☆



## shabbat for everyone

Pre-neg & Registration

**5:30**

Enjoy snacks and socialize!

Dinner is limited to 100 people - early registration recommended!  
Dinner walk-ins may not be able to be accommodated.  
**IN CASE OF RAIN, DINNER & SERVICES WILL BE HELD AT TEMPLE.**  
Watch your email, social media, and the Temple website for rain updates on Thursday, June 13 at 12 pm.

Bring a chair or blanket for services

No services will be held at Temple

Multi-generational Shabbat Service

**6:00**

Cost:  
\$5 per person/  
\$10 per family

Shabbat Dinner

**6:30**

Friday,  
June 14

**OFFSITE LOCATION:**  
Great Neck Park - Shelter 1  
2513 Shorehaven Drive  
VA Beach

We're Having a Cookout!

- Hot Dogs
- Burgers
- Chips
- Dessert

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# OHEF SHOLOM TEMPLE COMMITTEES

Calling All Congregants! Get Involved - We Need You!

- 175th Anniversary
- Adult Education
- Archives & Library
- Budget
- Caring Community
- Eco Judaism
- Education
- Engagement
- Finance & Development
- Fundraising
- House
- Membership
- Military Support and Outreach
- Music
- Religious School
- Shalom Greeters
- Security
- Special Needs
- Tikvah
- Torah Study
- Worship

## Happenings in Your Caring Community!

### Casseroles ForKids Program

Thank you so much to the women of Ohef Sholom Sisterhood who so graciously gave their time to help cook for our ForKids Homework and Casseroles Program. We successfully made 25 casseroles! ☆



Front Row: Pearl, Margaret, Heather, Levi, Mandi, Marsha, Sandi, Kari, Gail, Joyce.  
Back Row: Paula, Jeanne, Sara.







## Sisterhood Annual Report 2018-2019

(Excerpted from Annual Congregational Meeting Report, May 16, 2019)

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Co-Presidents: Abbey Pachter & Jeanne Miller  
 Executive VP-Administration: Margaret Sawyer & Nichole Kushner (*in absence of the Presidents*)  
 Treasurer: Jane Goldman  
 Recording Secretary: Tammi Foer  
 Corresponding Secretary: Gabriele Jiannas  
 Membership Chair: Margaret Sawyer (127 Sisterhood Members)  
 At-Large Directors (3): Marsha Moody, Paula Russel, and Gail Bachman

### COMMITTEES

#### Ways and Means

Uniongrams Vicki Wolfson, Chair  
 500 Uniongrams were sent this year.

Floral Fund Paula Russel, Chair  
 Sisterhood provided weekly Bima flowers & flowers for the 100th Anniversary & Rededication of the Sanctuary & other events. \$2,800.00 was given for the Holocaust Garden. Funding was provided for new spigots to water the atrium & Nadler Native Plants Garden.

Rummage Sale (every other year) Marsha Moody, Chair for Spring, 2020

Judaica Shop Amy Metzger & Karen Plotnick  
 \$2,000.00 was generated for the Sisterhood Annual Budget.

The Sisterhood also provided funding for Oasis, the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, holiday staff bonuses, Youth Scholarships, Caring Committee, Better Together, Mazon, WUPJ, & new electrical receptacles in the quilting room.

#### Service to Temple

Onegs faYe Howe, Chair  
 Sisterhood sponsored weekly Onegs & provided additional food & supplies for Friday Night Live & special Onegs, such as Men's Club Shabbat & Military Shabbat.

Thanksgiving Reception at OST in 2019  
 Jeanne Miller, Chair

Chanukah Dinner Jeanne Miller, Chair -  
 Attendance 163 ( Adults 142, Children 21)

Purim Carnival Bake Sale (to benefit OSTY)  
 Lori Galbraith, Chair  
 Sisterhood donated \$750 to OSTY/JOSTY.

Annual Congregational Reception Margaret Sawyer & Jeanne Miller, Chairs (Held May 16, 2019)

Shabbat for All Jeanne Miller Chair  
 Attendance 81 (Adults 74, Children 7)

Sunday Learning Sisterhood hosts the fall RS faculty lunch and contributes to Sunday morning refreshments.

#### Service to Community

ForKids Casserole Cooking Sandi Levi, Chair  
 65 Casseroles were donated.

N.E.S.T. Dinner Jeanne Miller, Chair  
 Sisterhood donated \$1,083.00 & participated in staffing.

#### Programs & Education

Book Club Debi Stadlin, Chair  
*On the Sickle's Edge* by Neville Frankel, 11/2018,  
*The Lost Family* by Jenna Blum, 2/2019.

Shabbaton 2018 Marsha Moody & Abbey Pachter, Co-Chairs of the "Un" Shabbaton  
 10/26-10/29/2018: 17 attended. \$458.00 of the proceeds from this event was donated to the Pittsburgh, PA Tree of Life Synagogue.

Women's Seder Amy Metzger & Alyssa Muhlendorf, Chairs  
 4/9/2019: 110 women of OST & Beth El attended.

Sisterhood Shabbat Service Barbara Dudley & Margaret Sawyer, Chairs  
 4/5/2019: Barbara Hamm Lee, guest speaker.

Other Programming Mermaid Winery Meet & Greet, Silver polishing for the 100th Sanctuary Rededication, Chanukah painting event, Self-defense Seminar, Sumi-e watercolor painting & Premier Designs Party. ☆

*Jeanne Miller & Abbey Pachter*  
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## Men's Club Annual Report 2018-2019

(Excerpted from Annual Congregational Meeting Report, May 16, 2019)

The Men's Club was in high gear during the fiscal year 2018-2019. We started off with our annual Tides Picnic. Our own Cantor Jen absolutely nailed it on the National Anthem. An excellent attendance of upwards of 150 congregants were on hand for the event which was enjoyed by all.

Our Hanukkah Happening, Religious School Picnic and Purim Carnival are always great events loved by kids and parents alike. As always, too many latkes, burgers and hotdogs were made and consumed to even try counting. But lest you think that burgers and dogs are all we do, I'm very happy to report that Men's Club is on the cutting edge of healthy eating as we hosted our first ever vegan Carpool Café complete with all vegan fare and motivational speaker. And yes, people did show up! :)

We sponsored Temple Shabbat dinners and our own Men's Club Shabbat Dinner and Service was a terrific event which filled the Chapel. Our Veterans Program and Brunch was, likewise, quite successful. Naturally, we were there supporting the Temple with the usual contingent of ushers for High Holiday services.

I'm pleased to say that after a one year hiatus we again invaded the home of Anne and Eddie Kramer for the traditional Men's Club Super Bowl Party. The event is open to the entire congregation and the Kramers are wonderful hosts. Not to be outdone, Ted Kaufman opened up his home for a gathering of Men's Club members to watch a day's worth of NCAA Final Four basketball. Spirits were high as the faithful ate, schmoozed and watched as UVA prevailed.

As you can tell, camaraderie and giving back are still at the core of our organization as it has been for decades. We look forward to 2019-2020. ☆

## MEN'S CLUB MEETINGS

**Next Meeting:  
August 7, 2019**



*OST Men's Club*  
**Tides Game & Picnic**  
☆☆☆

**SATURDAY, JUNE 15**

Join us at Harbor Park for fun, food and fireworks as the Norfolk Tides take on the Toledo Mud Hens!

**5:35 PM** *Dinner Time* | **7:05 PM** *Game Time*

**TICKET PRICING**  
Adults \$25  
Children (12 & under) \$15

**PICNIC MENU**  
Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Chips, Watermelon, Cookies, Soft Drinks. *Veggie burgers available upon prior request.*

Make checks payable to "Men's Club" and mail to:  
Men's Club of Ohef Sholom Temple  
530 Raleigh Avenue  
Norfolk, VA 23507  
On the memo line of the check please indicate the number of adults and children (12 & under).  
**Checks must be received by Monday, June 3.**

**NORFOLK TIDES**  
**VS**  
**MUD HENS**

**Ohef Sholom Temple**

**Scott Galbraith**  
Men's Club Co-President  
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# EDUCATION & ENGAGEMENT

## SLC REGISTRATION 2019-2020

The Family Learning Subcommittee is deeply grateful for the support we received this year from our families and the congregation. We are looking forward to a new year with exciting and engaging programming encompassing our mission: OST Religious School is committed to raising Reform Jews whose identity is firmly grounded in Torah and Jewish texts and connected to Israel, our history, culture, language and traditions.

If you would like to get involved with our learning community, please let us know. Perhaps you have a special talent or interest: music, art, dance, cooking, crafts, or anything you would like to share with our students. We welcome your participation. ✨

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## COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP REMINDER:

There is still time to apply for one of Ohef Sholom Temple's College Scholarships! **The deadline has been extended to June 30!**

Do you know a student who can benefit from our scholarship funds? There are special funds available for non members of OST and even for students who are not Jewish! You can find the scholarship application on our website. For more information contact Kitty Wolf at 757-625-4295 or email her at [kitty@ohefsholom.org](mailto:kitty@ohefsholom.org). ✨



## Archives Essay Contest Award

On May 5, 2019, the Mollie and George Radin Archives of Ohef Sholom Temple was pleased to present first prize awards in the 2019 Archives Essay Contest to Campbell Fox and John Williamson. This year's topic was the story of the ship named Exodus 1947 and the passengers and volunteer crew who attempted to "run the

blockade" around what is now the nation of Israel and was then the British-ruled mandate territory called Palestine. The year was 1947, the 4,500 passengers were Holocaust survivors, and the blockade was set up to limit Jewish immigration to the majority-Arab territory that the British had governed since the end of World War I.

The essay contest, an annual event since 2014-15, was open to fifth through twelfth graders from Ohef Sholom Temple. The winning essays used the story of the ship and its passengers as well as documents from the OST Archives to analyze the motivations of the British government, the passengers, and the Haganah. The Haganah was the secret Jewish military group that had fought side by side with the British during the war, but had then become the organizer of most of the post-war attempts to smuggle Holocaust survivors into Palestine.



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## IN THE ARCHIVES WITH ALICE

### A Look Back at Our History, Part III: Ohef Sholom's Third Twenty-Five Years (1894-1919)

This third installment in a series of articles on Ohef Sholom's 175-year history begins where the second installment (May issue) left off. We don't have Temple records for the years 1894 through 1899; however, these were pivotal years in the nation's history, and it's reasonable to believe the Tidewater Jewish community was impacted by the turbulent events of the time. The country was still reeling from the financial crisis of 1893. Businesses went bankrupt, banks closed, and people lost their jobs and sometimes their homes. In 1896, the Supreme Court's *Plessy v. Ferguson* decision upheld a lower court finding that condoned segregation. Two years later, the United States made its debut as a world power in the short but deadly Spanish-American War.

By contrast, the year 1899 was relatively calm, both nationally and here at Ohef Sholom. There was a smooth transition from Rabbi Bernhard Ebersson to Rabbi Simon R. Cohen. The congregation allotted \$100, a generous amount at the time, for a gift for the departing rabbi, and Ebersson was lauded with a testimonial in his honor. Cohen, a noted scholar in the field of Jewish art, served the congregation for the next eight years, and they were years of growth and of change.



Rabbi Simon R. Cohen

Cohen's arrival may have been the impetus for the congregation's move to its third home. In September, the new rabbi made it known that the current temple building was not suitable for conducting religious school classes. In October, the Norfolk Hebrew and English Literary Institute, which had held the deed for OST's Church Street building, turned the property over to the congregation. The Board acted swiftly to investigate selling the Church Street property and purchasing property on the corner of Freemason and Tripoli [now Monticello]. Three years later, on May 22, 1902, a new temple was dedicated. *The Virginian-Pilot* praised the new structure, calling it one of the handsomest religious

buildings in the South. The gray brick building was designed in the Italian Renaissance style, measured 80 feet square and two stories high, and had a center dome that measured 40 feet in diameter and four smaller domes, all of which were copper-covered.



OST's Monticello Street Temple

provided the music, and the auditorium and gallery were filled with 750 invited attendees.

Two years later, in 1904, the Board recommended that the congregation consider moving religious school classes from Sunday to Saturday, immediately preceding services. The following year, the congregation suffered the tragic death of its president, Jacob Hecht, son of Jonas Hecht, long-time *chazzan* [cantor] and *shammes* [sexton]. The congregation suffered two additional losses in the year that followed. Beloved former rabbi, Bernhard Ebersson, and former and then honorary president Isaac Hofheimer both passed away in 1906. The very next year, Rabbi Cohen, who seven years earlier had interrupted his academic career to enter the rabbinate, made the difficult choice to leave Norfolk in order to take a position in New York City, where he would also be able to pursue post-graduate studies. The resignation of Rabbi Cohen in 1907 led to an invitation to the man who would become the congregation's longest serving spiritual leader, Rabbi Louis Mendoza. Mendoza would go on to serve the congregation with distinction for the next 38 years.

The next few years were years of growth and accommodation. A decision was made to do away

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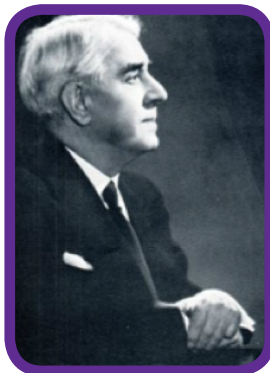


# EDUCATION & ENGAGEMENT

## IN THE ARCHIVES WITH ALICE (continued from page 11)

with Bar Mitzvah services in favor of Confirmation for both boys and girls. The new rabbi, though not always in total agreement with the Board, was establishing a reputation for oratorical skill and interfaith commitment. The congregation was experiencing an expansion of its membership which, by 1911, led to the first discussions of moving to a different location. The current location was becoming heavily trafficked, and the noise of streetcars on nearby Granby Street and bowling in the neighboring YMCA, among other things, had turned out to be more disruptive than had been anticipated. Though the decision to move was eventually tabled, the year 1912 was noteworthy for the establishment of a temple Sisterhood, whose members wasted little time in providing resources, assistance, and a perspective that had been missing heretofore.

The years 1914 through 1918 are remembered as a time of death and devastation abroad, as first the nations of Europe and then the United States as well as countries in Asia, South America, and the Middle East made what had started as a European conflict into a world war. More than 20 OST members joined the armed services, serving with distinction and honor. At home, February 12, 1916, witnessed the destruction of OST's



Rabbi Louis Mendoza

magnificent temple building due to a catastrophic fire that fortunately did not result in the deaths of congregants or firefighters. The organ and all of the furniture in the building were destroyed, and only the heroic action of congregant D.E. Levy resulted in the saving of the Sefer Torah from the burning ark. Remarkably, the fire had broken out only minutes after the children had left their Sabbath School classrooms and Rabbi Mendoza had left his office.

For the next two years, the congregation met at the Ghent Club, as decisions were made regarding the location and design of a new temple building. Finally, on March 1, 1916, the congregation decided on a plot of land on the northeast corner of Stockley Gardens and Raleigh Avenue, and construction began on the structure that we now know as Ohef Sholom Temple. On April 22, 1918, a dedication service was held, as hundreds of congregants and honored guests filled the new sanctuary. Rabbi Mendoza's words at the time encapsulate the spirit that had guided the creation of the new temple and continue to inspire the hopes of its members. "We have built this temple for the strength of Judaism. It shall not be a mausoleum, but a living part of our lives. Here we shall find an interpretation to the problems of life, and here we shall exemplify the words which are engraved above the portico, "My House Shall be a House of Prayer for all Peoples." ☆

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## Archives Photo Caption Contest

The winning caption for the April Archives Photo Caption Contest is below. The Archives Photo Caption Contest will be taking a hiatus for the summer months, but never fear... look for the contest to resume in the Fall of 2019. ☆

**First Place in April's Photo Caption Contest:**  
"This is a sorry-looking lulav.  
And where is the etrog?!"  
-Paula Russel



- June 13 10:00 am    July 11 10:00 am
  - June 18 11:30 am    July 16 11:30 am
  - June 27 10:00 am    July 25 10:00 am
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## FROM OSTY: CONGRATULATIONS SOPHIA ALLEN !

### 2019's Better Together Essay Winner



Sophia Allen, who is in eighth grade, is this year's Better Together essay winner. Her essay was selected among our local participants and entered in the national contest.

Sophia Allen, left, makes a seder plate at Better Together in March. The program brings together seniors from Beth Shalom Village and teens from Ohef Sholom Temple, Congregation Beth El and Temple Israel once each month. ☆

Read Sophia's full essay posted to The pOST Bulletin Board section on the back cover (page 20)!







# INSIDE OST

## A CLOSER LOOK

### Security & Emergency Response Plan Update

**A**s a part of our Security & Emergency Response Plan, we are rolling out an Emergency Notification System using an automated dialing system. In just moments, this emergency phone service can alert our entire congregation with a phone call or text message.

We can use this system to notify you of any emergency situation or a cancellation due to inclement weather.

Congregants who have a cell phone number will receive a text message. Those without cells will receive a phone call.

On **July 17** we will test our system by sending the message, "This is a TEST of the Ohef Sholom Emergency Notification System. This is just a test. Thank you, Shelley."

To paraphrase Benjamin Franklin, "It is better to be prepared for an emergency and not have one than to have an emergency and not be prepared." ☆



[Learn more from Linda](#)

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### A New Way to Increase Productivity at OST

**A** University of California Irvine study reports that people spend an average of 11 minutes on a project before they are interrupted. According to the report, it takes people an average of 25 minutes to get back to the point where they were before the distraction. The average person gets interrupted once every 8 minutes, which translates to approximately 7 interruptions an hour or 50-60 interruptions each day. Imagine how productive we could be if we could minimize interruptions!

Working toward a goal of being more productive, Ohef Sholom is about to experiment with a new program. On the first Monday of every month, the Temple will be closed for a staff in-service day. Mondays tend to be quiet and are the clergy's official day off. While the staff will all be in the office working, OST will not be open for meetings and the phones will not be answered. Of course, we will check voicemails and emails. Additionally, our voicemail message always provides a number to contact a person in case of an emergency – so, we will be reachable.

We hope this monthly uninterrupted block of time will allow staff to better focus and be more productive. We can also use this time for staff training.

Our first staff in-service day is scheduled for Monday, July 1. Certain months will not have a scheduled in-service day, such as September (Labor Day) and October (day before Erev Yom Kippur). We will send out email reminders and the dates will be published in the Bulletin.

As always, we will be available for emergencies, and in the meantime, we hope this new program will allow US to be more productive employees for YOU! ☆







# YAHREZEITS

## JUNE & JULY

### May 26 - June 1

Flora Albert  
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 Charles Joseph  
 Foster V  
 Ruth Basch Front  
 Marion Glazer  
 Lavada Goldberg\*  
 Samuel Goldstein  
 Kate Goldstein  
 Clara G. Harris\*  
 Donald Higgins  
 Edwin "Buddy"  
 Jacobson\*  
 Felmore Jacobson  
 Bernard Jaffe  
 Solomon Kaplan  
 Earle J. Kerpelman  
 Martin Klinghoffer  
 Birdye G. Leterman\*  
 Seymour (Buddy)  
 Levinson\*  
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### June 2 - 8

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Arthur Paul Cohen\*  
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 Milton Drucker\*  
 Fannie Duny  
 Minnie Eisenstein\*  
 I. Morton Feldman  
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 Peggy Hellner  
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 Lazon  
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 Jacob Levy  
 Sarah Lobock  
 David Lowenberg  
 Dr. Eugene  
 Lowenberg\*  
 Ruth Mayer  
 Ann Papier  
 Greenberg  
 Mary Elizabeth  
 Perkins  
 Bertha Reisner  
 Ida Schafetz  
 Jerome Smith  
 William Waldman\*  
 Richard Wingfield

### June 9 - 15

Celia C. Altschul\*  
 Phillip Barr\*  
 Leo Baydush\*  
 Belle S. Bear  
 Max A. Berger\*  
 Alice Blumenson  
 Robert Broudy  
 John Doe  
 Bessie P. Dozoretz\*  
 Joseph S. Evans\*  
 H. William Fink  
 Arthur Frasca  
 Samuel H. Fried\*  
 Harold Friedman  
 Elsa Wallerstein Gerst  
 William Goldman  
 David Goldrich\*  
 Rachel F. Goldstein\*  
 David H. Goodman\*  
 William H. Harrison\*  
 Stanley Leigh  
 Harrison\*  
 Minnie B. Hollan  
 Samuel Kaiser  
 George B. Kaufman\*  
 Hilda Saxon  
 Kerpelman  
 Coralyn Lakamp  
 David Ari Leavitt

Emanuel Lester  
 Moe Levy\*  
 Lena A. Liverman  
 Lt. David  
 Lowenberg, Jr.  
 Ellie M. Marx\*  
 Sarah Meyerson  
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 Daniel Schneider  
 James Scranton  
 Michael Shank  
 Louis Shapiro  
 Ann Shapiro  
 Moe Aaron Snyder  
 Shirley Steinberg  
 Ernestine Stiffman  
 Bernice Stillman  
 Pauline Wasserman\*  
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 Patricia Wisoff  
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### June 16 - 22

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 Rena Myers Bartley\*  
 Jerome Breinin  
 Stella Chase  
 Rita Cogan  
 Sarah Rebecca  
 Cooper\*  
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 Naomi Karlin  
 Laderberg  
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### June 23 - 29

Minnie Silverman  
 Adler\*  
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 Jennie F. Barr  
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 Philip Bass  
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 Billy Bazar  
 Philip Belkov  
 Emeri Berkovitz  
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 Friedman\*  
 Suzanne Galumbeck\*  
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 Carl Gilbert\*  
 Max Goldberg  
 Bonna Haywood  
 Albert G. Isay  
 David G. Jacobs\*  
 Stephanie Jacobson\*  
 Earl Jarvis  
 Beatrice Kagan  
 David Kaufman  
 Henry B. Kaufmann\*  
 Jack Klar  
 Goldie Levin  
 Kathryn Levy  
 Moses Levy  
 Carl Lifland\*  
 Frank Livingston\*  
 Richard Miller\*  
 Richard I. Miller  
 DeWitt Moody  
 Cameron Munden\*  
 Eleanor Neukrug  
 Alan Nusbaum  
 Dorothy Jean Rager\*  
 Andre Roberto  
 Irving Rosen  
 William Rosenfeld  
 Ada Rosenfeld  
 Robert Rovner  
 Harry Sacks  
 James Schiavo  
 Henry Schlesinger\*  
 Sarah G. Segal\*  
 Clare Siburkis  
 Morrie B. Silverstein  
 Shirley Sobel  
 J. Arthur Stein  
 Selma Swersky  
 Israel Winn  
 Sigmund Wolf

### June 30 - July 6

Ilona Aranyi\*  
 Samuel Ashinoff\*  
 Jay D. A. Barr  
 Ethel Bass\*  
 Arthur Bear  
 Harry Berman\*  
 Ethel Brotman  
 Doris Meyer Cohen\*  
 Miriam Cohen  
 Weisberg  
 Sara Comess\*  
 Lewis P. Cooper\*  
 Ida Goldblatt  
 Diamonstein\*  
 Roth Raw Dreggors  
 Sonya Fine  
 Bessie Galumbeck  
 Satoris Gutterman  
 Roger A. Horne\*  
 Esther Jacobs\*  
 Blanche Kaufman\*  
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 Legum  
 Jacob W. Legum  
 Jean Levin  
 Ben Levy  
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 Salomonsky\*  
 Florence Sherman\*  
 Elise Simon  
 Lillian M. Strelitz\*  
 Lillian Strom\*  
 Seeman Waranch  
 Samuel Weisberg  
 Benjamin Weisel\*  
**July 7 - 13**  
 Jack Ballan  
 Jeffrey Blair  
 Helen Katz Bowdree  
 Max Charm  
 Joe Chernitzer  
 Raymond Israel  
 Cohen  
 Max Comess\*  
 Alan Seth Deutsch  
 Leah W. Drew\*  
 Phillip Engel\*  
 Rosabel S. Fleishman  
 Barbara Leterman  
 Fletcher\*  
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 Bertha Levine Gilbert  
 Joseph Glanzer\*  
 Gertrude Rubenstein



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 Benjamin J. Levy\*  
 Sidney Lutzin  
 Robert Mccullough  
 Leon Miller  
 Murray Paster  
 Harold Rapp  
 Leon Salzberg  
 Harry C. Schapiro  
 Milton G. Schloss  
 Beverly Schulman  
 Fannie Seldes  
 Sandra Slaven  
 Shirley Smith  
 Meyer Staub  
 Stephen D. Unger\*  
 Herman Unger\*  
 Helen Wasserman  
 Van Os\*  
 Ruth C. Wasserman\*  
 David Jay Weinstein  
 Birdie Weitsman  
 Murray Wolsh  
**July 14 - 20**  
 Ida Adelsdorf\*  
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 Blumenthal, Jr.\*  
 Dudley Cooper\*  
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 Linda Gissen  
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 Elise N. Hofheimer\*  
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 John Bennett  
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 Elsie Goldstein  
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 Milton Saul  
 Carolyn Schlenger  
 Hilda Cohen Shank  
 Hy Sherman  
 John "Jack"  
 Simmons\*  
 Luba Zelda R. Small  
 Joseph Smith  
 Sylvia Stark  
 Meyer Steingold\*  
 Pauline J. Turner\*  
 Taylor Via\*  
 Eloise Ward  
 Pauline C. Whitlock\*  
 Lucy With  
 Renee Wolfson  
 Fannie Zittrain

**July 21 - 27**  
 Ryan Barkan  
 Linda Brill Barnes  
 Ralph J. Berlin\*  
 Florene Feinberg  
 Berman\*  
 Cecil Blum\*  
 Joseph Bohrman\*  
 Leonard Breinin  
 Theodore H. Cohen\*  
 Harry Cohen  
 Betty Cohen  
 Herbert Freeman  
 Louis H. Friedman\*  
 Frances S. Garnher\*  
 Marcelle H. Gates\*  
 Richard Carl Geis  
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 Goldstein\*  
 Lynn R. Goldstein  
 Rose S. Gordon\*  
 Anna Ruth Gross  
 Emma Heimanson\*  
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 Jefferson Davis  
 Hofheimer  
 Shirley Hurwitz  
 Leo Jacobs  
 Fleurette Joo\*  
 David Kane  
 Eleanor Sue Kanter  
 Charles King\*  
 Adele H. Koster\*  
 Michele Krock  
 Irving Leibowitz  
 Kenneth Levi\*  
 Rose Lifland\*

Anna C. Lisner  
 Roberta Moore  
 Joseph Rosenbaum  
 Jacob Rotholz\*  
 Tybell Schub  
 Michael Shanker\*  
 Lawrence Snyder  
 Shirley Miriam  
 Sobel\*  
 Sam G. Spindel\*  
 Lewis N. Strelitz\*  
 Gregory Vita  
 Mildred Zacks  
 Mollie Zimberg  
**July 28 - August 3**  
 Benjamin Allen  
 Barbara Alper  
 Evelyn Brand  
 Raymond A. Cogan  
 Rachel L. Cohen  
 Esther Comess  
 William Cross  
 Emily Drummond  
 Alberta Evans  
 Jennie Fass\*  
 Lisa Frank  
 Jennie Friedman  
 Ira Gissen  
 Margaret Glans  
 Samuel Goldstone\*  
 Elsa Campe  
 Goodman\*  
 Ruth N. Goodman\*  
 Gertrude Gore  
 Jerry Griffin  
 Cantor Joseph  
 Gutherz  
 Robert Hecht  
 Benjamin Hoffer\*

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 Ida Horwitz  
 Irving Kas  
 Amelia Kline\*  
 Iosif Kosoi  
 Harry Legum\*  
 Howard Legum  
 Leo H. Maltz  
 Junius Miller  
 Mary Munich  
 Lorin Goodman  
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\* denotes memorial plaque

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The ship, originally named the President Warfield, had been a ferry that transported passengers between Norfolk and Baltimore, Maryland. In 1942, the ship was commissioned by the Navy to carry American troops to Europe. After the war, the ship was to be sold for scrap, but instead, was purchased by the Haganah and refitted in Newport News, with support from the Tidewater Jewish community. Setting off for Europe to pick up the passengers, it was damaged in a storm and taken to Norfolk for repairs, where the local Jewish community, including several OST congregants, contributed money, food, and other supplies, to replace those that had been lost in the storm.

After picking up the passengers in France, the ship approached the coast of Palestine, where it was stopped and ordered to withdraw. The passengers

and crew refused, and in the attack that followed, three people were killed and several others were wounded. Although the attempt to circumvent the British blockade was unsuccessful and the passengers were sent back to European displaced persons camps, reports of the way in which they had been treated led to a backlash against the British immigration policy. The protests and publicity which followed are thought of as contributing factors in swaying the international community's support for the creation of the modern nation of Israel.

The winning essays demonstrated an understanding of the story and the goal of the contest. The two winners showed perceptiveness and an ability to think analytically. Each received an award of a \$100 VISA gift card and well-deserved recognition from their teachers and peers. ✪







# CALENDAR & BIRTHDAYS

JUNE

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

### June 1

Craig S. Derkak  
Richard G. Diamonstein  
Tracee Elwess  
Chris Graves  
Sherry Goldstein  
Hecht  
Ellen Mesh  
Amy Milligan  
Arlene Strelitz  
Marti J. Wachtel

### June 2

Linda Ausch  
Betty Hecht  
Ruth R. Legum  
Ina L. "Dede"  
Schmidt

### June 3

Teresa L. Canepa  
Nancy E. Rosenberg  
Henry C. Wolf

### June 4

Hilary Mountgordon  
Shelly Simon

### June 5

Kenneth Muhlendorf  
Norbert L. Newfield  
Kurt M. Rosenbach

### June 6

Art Becker  
David Brown  
Ann Nusbaum

### June 7

Jessica Julius  
Besianne Tavss  
Maiden

### June 8

Jennifer Gebler  
Jerry Golden  
Robert C. Goodman, Jr.  
Marja-Leena Jacobson  
Jerry Meltsner  
Jeffrey A. Swartz

### June 9

Kirby Lefkowitz  
Sharon Shanker

### June 10

Emily Marie Gissen Dreyfus  
Teresa Lynne Shapiro  
Lynne Sward  
Jack Young

### June 11

Judy Benjamin  
Karen Longwater

### June 12

Michael Gebel  
John Lomogda  
JoEllen Rose

### June 13

Sharon Goldner  
Jonathan Jacobs  
Lawrence Klar  
Blanche B. Nusbaum  
Alfred M. Schulwolf

### June 15

Jonathan Muhlendorf  
Victor Pickett

### June 16

Susan Allen  
Cohn  
Angela Christina Harris

### June 17

Izaak D. Glasser  
June Goldman  
Jan Lane  
Robert Zentz

### June 18

Joshua Kinnear  
Madeline Morgan  
Kelly Rowell  
Alvin A. Wall

### June 19

Donald Hurwitz  
Don Keeling  
Stuart J. Kerner

### June 20

Leon Sarfan

### June 21

Dennis W. Gruelle  
Errol S. Lifland  
Michael Makela  
Ilene Snyder

### June 22

Sandra C. Mendelsohn  
Pansy D. Perlman  
Penny G. Powders  
Katherine Simpson

### June 23

Peter Benson  
Crockin  
Kim S. Fink  
Dmitry Gotkin  
Susan Hooks  
Irwin B. Levinstein

### June 24

Shelley Loeb  
Rona McMillan  
Sharon A. Ross  
Baila P. Waldholtz

### June 24

Sarah K. Keasey  
David Metzger

### June 26

Brian C. Bachman  
Martin Levin  
Brenda G. Lisner  
Abbey Pachter  
Sharon Rosenbaum  
Kenneth Weinstein

### June 27

Jay Lazier  
Rebecca S. Sacks

### June 28

Peggy Goldstein  
Sharon Laderberg  
Adam Lefkowitz

### June 29

Elise Berkowitz  
Martha Colen

### June 30

Diane Muhlendorf  
Sarah K. Newfield

## JUNE EVENTS

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### SATURDAY

**9:00 am**  
Torah Study  
**10:30 am**  
175th Shabbat Services & Luncheon for Honorary Directors and Past Presidents  
**3:00 pm**  
Better Together Gala (offsite)

4

### TUESDAY

**4:00 pm**  
House Committee Meeting

6

### THURSDAY

**4:00 pm**  
Torah Study

7

### FRIDAY

**6:30 pm**  
Shabbat Services

8

### SATURDAY

**9:00 am**  
Torah Study  
**10:30 am**  
Shabbat Services & **Shavuot Celebration** and Kiddush Lunch  
**2:00 pm**  
OSTY Election

12

### WEDNESDAY

**5:00 pm**  
Executive Committee Meeting

13

### THURSDAY

**10:00 am**  
Quilting Group  
**4:00 pm**  
Torah Study  
**6:00 pm**  
Federation Biennial Meeting (offsite @ JCC)

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### FRIDAY

**Shabbat For Everyone At the Beach!** (Services will be held offsite @ Great Neck Park Shelter 1 2513 Shorehaven Drive, VA Beach)  
**5:30 pm**  
Pre-Neg (Snacks)  
**6:00 pm**  
Multi-generational Shabbat Service  
**6:30 pm**  
Shabbat Dinner

No services will be held at Temple unless rained out.

Watch your email, social media and the TEmple website for rain updates on Thursday, June 13 at 12 pm.

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### SATURDAY

**9:00 am**  
Torah Study  
**10:30 am**  
Shabbat Services  
**5:30 pm**  
Men's Club Annual Tides Game & Picnic (offsite)

17

### MONDAY

**12:00 pm**  
Finance & Development Meeting

18

### TUESDAY

**11:30 am**  
Quilting Group

### THURSDAY

**4:00 pm**  
Torah Study  
**7:00 pm**  
Board Meeting

20

### FRIDAY

**6:30 pm**  
Friday Night Live Shabbat Services

21

### SATURDAY

**9:00 am**  
Torah Study  
**10:30 am**  
Shabbat Services

22

### MONDAY

**9:30 am**  
Soup Kitchen

24

### WEDNESDAY

**12:00 pm**  
Ohef Sholom Foundation Annual Meeting

26

### THURSDAY

**10:00 am**  
Quilting Group  
**4:00 pm**  
Torah Study

27

### FRIDAY

**6:30 pm**  
Shabbat Services

28

### SATURDAY

**9:00 am**  
Torah Study  
**10:30 am**  
Shabbat Services

29

To add an event to the Temple calendar, please email [reservations@ohesholom.org](mailto:reservations@ohesholom.org).



## JULY EVENTS

- 4 THURSDAY**  
Independence Day  
**OFFICE CLOSED**
- 5 FRIDAY**  
**6:30 pm**  
Shabbat Services
- 6 SATURDAY**  
**9:00 am**  
Torah Study  
**10:30 am**  
Shabbat Services
- 8 MONDAY**  
**12:00 pm**  
Finance &  
Development  
Meeting
- 11 THURSDAY**  
**10:00 am**  
Quilting Group  
**4:00 pm**  
Torah Study  
**5:00 pm**  
Executive  
Committee Meeting
- 12 FRIDAY**  
**6:30 pm**  
Shabbat Services
- 13 SATURDAY**  
**9:00 am**  
Torah Study  
**10:30 am**  
Shabbat Services  
**11:30 am**  
Kiddush Lunch
- 16 TUESDAY**  
**11:30 am**  
Quilting Group
- 18 THURSDAY**  
**4:00 pm**  
Torah Study  
**7:00 pm**  
Board Meeting
- 19 FRIDAY**  
**6:30 pm**  
Shabbat Services
- 20 SATURDAY**  
**9:00 am**  
Torah Study  
**10:30 am**  
Shabbat Services
- 25 THURSDAY**  
**10:00 am**  
Quilting Group  
**4:00 pm**  
Torah Study
- 26 FRIDAY**  
**6:30 pm**  
Shabbat Services
- 27 SATURDAY**  
**9:00 am**  
Torah Study  
**10:30 am**  
Shabbat Services
- 29 MONDAY**  
**9:30 am**  
Soup Kitchen

OST Presents a Family Friendly Shabbat Service & Celebration of



**SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2019 | 10:00 AM**

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## JULY BIRTHDAYS

- July 1**  
Marsha Hirschler  
Linda S. Laibstain  
Michael  
Rosenblum  
Susan Ryan
- July 2**  
Brian Deutsch  
Jeanette Friedman
- July 3**  
Roy Beskin  
Seth Gilbert  
Shirley Schulwolf  
Hainer  
Robert S. Kline
- July 4**  
Marilyn Allison  
Freida Duny  
Ragan Freeman  
Helen Margolius  
George Rowland
- July 5**  
George H.  
Metzger  
Marc Moss  
Gerald M. Zeno
- July 6**  
Jonathan Harris  
Barry Kayer  
Cindy Levin
- July 7**  
Allen Larar  
Marty Moody
- July 8**  
Josh Hobbs  
Heather Keller-  
Umberger
- July 10**  
Joel Cohn  
Susan F. Katz  
Barbara Pributsky
- July 11**  
Cathi M.  
Laderberg  
Morgan Zubof
- July 12**  
Lynnda Brotman  
Matthew Epps  
Dale Jacobs  
Mary Ann Nadler  
Marc L. Paster  
Gilbert F.  
Schmidt, Jr.
- July 13**  
Charles N. Cooper  
Suzanne Feldman
- July 14**  
Jeanne Goldstein  
Suzanne W.  
Gruelle
- July 15**  
Blair Belkin  
Carole Sacks
- July 17**  
Stuart Katz  
Cathy Lynn  
Romash  
Mimi Stein  
Ruth F. Tavss  
Sylvia Turner-  
Yanofsky
- July 18**  
Joseph Hooks  
Bari Kraus
- July 19**  
Jerome D.  
Perlman
- July 20**  
Margaret S.  
Sawyer
- July 21**  
Delores Beverly  
Fox  
Martin M.  
Freedman  
Joseph H. Hecht  
Nathan Jaffe  
Kim Marin  
David Titus
- July 22**  
Jenna M.  
Aiken-Ritzmann  
Marilyn B.  
Buxbaum  
Beth Campion  
Michael Konikoff  
Roberto Luna  
Robert Pariser
- July 23**  
Edwin A.  
Salomonsky  
Nancy H. Wall
- July 24**  
Mathew Freeman  
David Javinsky  
Bruce I. Longman  
Cara D. Novick  
Steven Taubman
- July 25**  
Suzanne Freeman  
Stacie Moss  
Gail Salzberg  
Debi Stadlin
- July 26**  
James Belote  
Jerome Gold  
David J.  
Soforenko
- July 27**  
Kristina Cartwright  
Cheryl Frasca  
Norman Olitsky
- July 28**  
Sura Goldner  
Sharon Hurwitz  
Jay W. Legum  
Lauren Truslow
- July 29**  
Paula L. Blachman  
Megan Brown  
Eric J. Freeman  
William L.  
Nusbaum
- July 30**  
William D. Coley  
Shari Kletz  
Joashua F.  
Schulman  
Sandra Glasser  
Tavss
- July 31**  
Matthew Fische  
Patricia Kayer  
Ralph Rabinowitz  
Albert Solomon







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## Better Together Experience

By Sophia Allen

Better Together is an opportunity that anyone should jump to in a heartbeat. There is so much to learn and explore. Elders can hear about what kids are doing these days, and kids can learn how elders lived back in the old times. Through my experiences at Better Together, I have met numerous wonderful, kind people, including Evelyn and Lil, who are in fact best friends since childhood. Both have amazing stories from their lives; it's always a pleasure to hear them. From my time at Better Together over these past few years, I have learned that elderly people are relatable, are such intricate and unique people, and are people that one easily grows close with.

Being generations apart doesn't stop me from relating to Lil and

Evelyn. One thing that really stood out to me was Lil's sense of humor. During our previous meeting, we exchanged a couple of jokes. Both of us, I found, are very sarcastic people. This fact surprised me because prior to meeting her, I thought it was a 'this' generation thing to be sarcastic. I learned that humor is humor no matter what. Evelyn, Lil, and I all love fashion and are girly. One example is from our last get together when Lil mentioned that she had a hair appointment in the near future. In addition to this, both of the citizens had their nails done in some sort of vibrant pink. Also last year, Evelyn had asked me to explore the gift shop to see if I could find any cute clothing items or accessories. I think that it is so amazing that no matter where someone is in life, they still want to bring their inner self out through creativity, whether through humor, fashion, or both.

Often times people think of elders as only a burden of some sort. I find this to be very untrue, and by participating in the Better Together events I have seen what wonderful people they are. When I come to Beth Shalom Village to talk with them, I know that I am in for a treat with fine stories that they tell. One time, Lil told me about her life as a criminal secretary. She mentioned that criminals would come up to her and ask what was going to happen to them. She would just say that

she didn't know, when in fact she did. I found myself trying to be in her shoes and imagining what I would do if I were in her situation. Evelyn, on the other hand, had a different type of adventure, something that changed and shaped her life drastically. A couple years ago, she had an elevator accident which caused her to break her leg. After much physical therapy and surgeries, she is doing well. Due to this experience, it is now hard for her to use the elevator, as it would be for anyone who had such a traumatic experience. It doesn't matter what life brings you, it just depends what you do with it, just like Evelyn and her elevator incident. She now talks about it to her many visitors. Life brings things that are exhilarating, but it may not seem so in the action, like Lil when she had to speak to the criminals. At the time, I can imagine, it must have been frightening, but looking back, it seems exciting. These stories are just one piece of their life, imagine what they have learned throughout their whole life, let alone all of the people at their age.

At times, the village can be lonely without your immediate family by your side and it may be hard to find that special bond. I think that through the words and thoughts that Lil, Evelyn, and I give to each other that we have developed a special bond with each other. From the first day I met them, we clicked. Sometimes I'm not having a great day, but I know that they will be there to cheer me up, even if they don't know it. Although each of them has their own family and grandchildren, I still think of them as my lost grandmothers. They are so kind to not only me, but the people around them which I find so amazing.

I have been so surprised to learn what I've learned in my time at Better Together. People that have gone through the hardships of life are not only funny and kind, but also relatable, unique and interesting, and easy to get along with. These are just the main three things that I have found through the program at Better Together, but there are so many more. Lil and Evelyn have inspired me to live my life to the fullest and to be like them when I reach their age. I will hold what they say in my heart forever and hold what they say in my heart forever and hold what they say in my heart forever and hold what they say in my heart forever. I will cherish.

