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## CLERGY CORNER

ou shall count for yourselves - from the day after the Shabbat, from the day when you bring the Omer of the waving - seven Shabbats, they shall be complete. Until the day after the seventh sabbath you shall count, fifty days..." -Leviticus 23:15-16

The counting of the omer is a mitzvah (commandment) that Reform Judaism doesn't place much importance on. It is a ritual in which we count the days between Pesach and Shavuot (when we received the Torah). An omer is a unit of measurement for barley. Each day, an omer of barley was brought to the ancient Temple as an offering. Today, we recite a blessing each evening, announcing the number of days that have passed. It is meant to remind us that our redemption was not complete until the gift of Torah was given to us.

Reform Judaism does not allow us to simply pick and choose our Judaism. Rather, it asks us to practice mindfully. It obligates us to look at what God has commanded us to do and to determine for ourselves how it applies to us today, in 2018. So let us take a look at the counting of the omer.

Seven weeks. Forty-nine days. What could you accomplish in that time? What new skill could you acquire? What bad habit could you break? Which relationships could you strengthen? What would happen if you committed to an achievable goal, and worked toward it each day for those seven weeks?

The counting of the omer is a countdown to receiving the blessing of Torah. It is an expression



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of anticipation, and an exercise in patience. A goal is also an anticipation of blessing. We envision what we would like to achieve and then we work toward it, receiving the blessing only after we complete the necessary steps.

I invite you to join me in a new Jewish ritual this year, as a modern interpretation of the counting of the omer. Set a goal for yourself. Each day of the omer, beginning on the second day of Pesach, do something - no matter how small - that will move you toward that goal. When you do, count it. Keep track of it. Anticipate the outcome. In doing so, we reach the very essence of Torah, which is to use it to make ourselves better.

This is the blessing of Torah, and of our modern relationship to it. It is a blueprint for bettering ourselves, but a blueprint is one dimensional. We are responsible for bringing its words off the page and into our reality. We must add our creativity and our skill to it in order to make it live

What is your goal for this OST Omer Challenge? What are the steps? Send me an email and tell me how you are going to use this time. Watch our Facebook page for check-in posts, and tell us how it's going. Let us fulfill this commandment this year by making it our own and improving ourselves in order to reap the blessing at the end. I can't wait to see what we will achieve.



Beginning April 4 Focus will be on postural alignment, mindfulness & breath in

order to bring about greater health, well-being, balance & calm.

\$60 prepaid each month with option to rollover one class to the following month.

Space is limited. No prior experience necessary. All mats & props included for class use. Please RSVP at reservations@ohefsholom.org or call the Temple Office at 757-625-4295.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Congratulations Lou and Carol Sherman on the marriage of their son, Scott Sherman to Alison ("Aly") Moss, daughter of Mike and Bev Moss of Midlothian, Virginia, on March 10, 2018. Scott and Aly are living in Arlington, Virginia.

## **CONDOLENCES**

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

Donald (Susan) Sussman, on the loss of his sister, Rita Millindorf.

Isobel (Bill) Bartel, on the loss of her father, Lewis Stern.

## **MAZEL TOV!**

## Congratulations to Kaden Bates on his upcoming Bar Mitzvah on April 14!

Son of Mara and Ken Bates, Brother of McKenna and Makayda, Grandson of Harriet & Jeff Berkey and Arthur & MaryJane Bates.





## Congratulations to Jackson "Jake" Rosenblum on his upcoming Bar Mitzvah on April 21!

Son of Michael and Nicole Rosenblum, Brother of Max Rosenblum, Grandson of Barbara & Fred\* Rosenblum and Lorraine & Frank Gehring, Great-grandson of Clare Siburkis. \*of blessed memory

# Congratulations to Porter & Darcy Foster on their upcoming B'nai Mitzvah on April 28!

Children of Ronni Lynn Markman Foster, Siblings of Skylar Anne Foster, Grandchildren of Lois and Bernie Cohen.



## **TORAH PORTIONS**

### **April**

April 10 25 Nissan Torah Study - 6:00 pm

**April 14 29 Nissan** *Torah Study - 9:00 am*Parashat Shmini, Leviticus 9:1 - 11:47

Haftarah: I Samuel 20:18 - 42

April 17 2 lyyar Torah Study - 6:00 pm

April 21 6 lyyar
Torah Study - 9:00 am
Parashat Tazria-Metzora,
Leviticus 12:1 - 15:33
Haftarah: II Kings 7:3 - 7:20

April 24 9 lyyar Torah Study - 6:00 pm

April 28 13 lyyar
Torah Study - 9:00 am
Parashat Achrei Mot-Kedoshim,
Leviticus 16:1 - 20:27
Haftarah: Amos 9:7 - 9:15



April 26, 2018 12:00 pm

Join Rabbi Roz in her lunchtime discussion "Free Speech, the Judiciary, and the Truth: Are They Under Siege?" Bring an open mind & your own lunch

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## A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

his past month I had the joyful opportunity of attending and celebrating a young boy becoming a Bar Mitzvah. This young person's exuberance and joy were absolutely infectious! As Rabbi Roz described this young man's positive attributes and strong character, she relayed his parents' claim, "He didn't get it from us."

Reflecting on their comment, I realized that I would likely have said the same. But it is not the truth. This young man was becoming the person he was divinely created to be in large part because of them. It was their love and the love of his large family and community of friends that nurtured him and allowed him to flourish.

This coming of age for this young man, I realized, was a *coming* of age for his parents as well. The Torah, its wisdom, values, and traditions are being passed down from generation to generation, I'dor vador. Ultimately it becomes the parents' responsibility to carry the message and ensure its future.

As I looked around the synagogue, I felt the presence of generations preceding us, and saw the future, which is now entrusted to us. I realized more clearly than only moments ago, that my husband and I and our peers had *come of age*. Previously the responsibility of carrying on Judaism and our beloved Temple was relegated to our grandparents and parents. But now it's our turn to take on this responsibility. We are now the new patriarchs and matriarchs of our community. When we see the next generation taking their place as young adults, we take our place as the generation entrusted with providing for their future and that of their children.

As infants, the world revolves around us, and those who care for us are responsible for meeting our every need. As we mature and begin to assume the new responsibilities of adulthood, we begin to realize the world does not revolve around us. We learn that we are part of something much bigger than our nuclear family. We come of age to the realization that we are part of a community where all living things are connected and interdependent. In the competitive culture of our world, however, it is easy to disconnect from the whole, to lose sight of the needs of others, and to see only our needs and desires. When we forget that we are part of a whole, we become blind to the needs of those around us and those yet to come. We become blind to caring for the future.

In the story of Passover, Moses asks God, "Who am I, that I should go unto Pharoah, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?" God assures him that he will be "with thee." God basically asks Moses to be a messenger. God convinces Moses that all he needs to do is be willing to show up.

This passage reminds me of the Mussar *middot*, or soul trait, of *humility*, which teaches us about finding the proper balance between your needs and the needs of others. It is easy for us to fall into the world of only thinking of ourselves when it comes to the responsibilities of our community. I often hear comments like, "I only come to Temple for the High Holidays,



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or "I don't need all of what we offer," or "my kids are grown and no longer live in the area," or "I don't have time to take on the responsibility of leadership." I understand these all too well, but if we only think of ourselves and what we are *getting out of Temple*, where does that leave the future of Ohef Sholom and Judaism in our community? If we don't invest in it for the next generation, who will?

It's hard to put others first, but the future of Judaism depends on how much we value each other and our community. It doesn't matter how many times you come to Temple, whether you prefer more or less Hebrew in services, or if you have no current need for pastoral care. It's not about just what you get, but what you give that matters. Dr. Martin Luther King said it so well, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is, "What are you doing for others?"

When we all show up and send the message that Judaism matters is when its future will be secured for our children and generations to come. I have found that the more I give, the more I value what Ohef Sholom has to offer. As Rabbi Rick Jacobs, leader of our Reform Movement states, "The essence of Judaism is in the Oneness, that we are all tied together in a web of mutual responsibility."

How can we all *show up* and *come of age* to our Temple community?

- By channeling our diverse backgrounds, experiences, talents, and treasure into our sacred community.
- By supporting our Temple fundraiser, Ohef Sholom's Got Talent, as a sponsor or by attending and bringing friends. (See the OST's Got Talent Quick Link at www.ohefsholom.org) We depend on this fun event to make up the shortfall in our operating budget not funded by membership dues, consequently allowing us to be the amazing community we are.
- By becoming a Sustaining level member of even a Pillar of the Temple.
- By getting involved: on a committee, work group, or in a leadership role.
- By making a Life and Legacy Commitment to our Endowment.
- By being an Ambassador of Ohef Sholom in our community, widening our circle by inviting someone you don't know to a temple event, or even just meeting for coffee.

As so poignantly expressed by Jane Goodall, "What you do makes a difference, you just need to decide what kind of difference you want to make." Let's all do our part, take up our space, show up, and take responsibility for our future. In so doing, we will ensure the light of Judaism burns brightly for years to come.

## WE APPRECIATE THE THOUGHTFULNESS OF THOSE WHO SUPPORT OST

by remembering and honoring their friends and loved ones through their generous contributions.

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## **FAMILY LEARNING**

#### The Courage of Our Convictions

Each year at OST, The Mollie and George Radin Archives Trust sponsors a Religious School Essay Contest. Thanks to our Temple library and archives, as well as the custodians of our collections, we brought out some primary sources on our Temple's role in 1958 Norfolk school desegregation and massive resistance crisis for consideration in the 2018 contest. While the contest is only for 6th through 12th graders at OST, the real winners are lifelong learners who discern from these historic materials the role religion, temples and temple spokespersons can play in the civil rights crises of an era. Many thanks to OST Archivist Alice Titus for drafting a preamble to the contest, excerpts of which are reprinted here.

It was part of a state law called "Massive Resistance," and it was a state-wide policy (in Virginia and other Southern states) that allowed the governor of a state to close any public school to prevent its integration. At Granby High School in Norfolk in September of 1958, heavy chains and padlocks were used to prevent anyone from entering the building. Two other Norfolk high schools and three Norfolk junior high schools were locked and bolted. The 17 African-American and 10,000 white students who were supposed to be going to those schools, along with their teachers and administrators, were now locked out. [The Norfolk 17 were recently honored in the Virginia General Assembly.]

At first, no one could believe what was happening. "To me," Ohef Sholom's Rabbi Malcolm Stern later said, "it was unthinkable that public schools could be closed." High school students worried that colleges would not accept them. Working parents worried about where their children would be while they were out. Some parents sent their children to live with friends or relatives in other cities and states, and some enrolled their children in private "segregation academies." For those who didn't have the opportunity to send their children away or to local private schools, another solution was sought.

Stern later reported that "frantic parents organized with the teachers a series of tutoring groups and prevailed on the churches and synagogues to open their classrooms" to students and teachers who had been locked out of their public schools. At the time, Stern had worried that opening Ohef Sholom Temple to these tutoring sessions would actually be used as an excuse to keep the six public schools closed, but in the end, he and OST's Board of Directors agreed to open OST's doors to these tutoring sessions.

In the months that followed, groups of parents, businessmen and women, and other private citizens organized to persuade the governor to reverse his order. There was public pressure from business leaders, civic and educational groups, and even the United States Navy. Finally a decision by a panel of three federal district judges ordered the schools reopened. On February 2, 1959, the six Norfolk schools, along with schools in Charlottesville and Warren County, Virginia, were reopened after a six month lock-out. In Norfolk, 17 African-American students and more than 7,000 white students finally went back to school.



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"As Jews – even in the South – we must face up to the nobility of our heritage." – Rabbi Jacob M. Rothschild, Hebrew Benevolent Congregation, (also known as "The Temple"), Atlanta, Georgia, 1956

[At the time,] Rabbi Jacob Rothschild of Atlanta said that Jews "must face up to the nobility of our heritage." What in our Jewish heritage made Rabbi Rothschild and Rabbi Malcolm Stern speak out against segregation in the 1950s, and made some OST members join with other concerned citizens to prevail upon the governor to reopen Norfolk's schools in 1958?

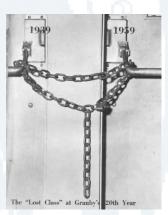
6th-12th graders can submit their answers in a 3 page essay by April 15, 2018. Prizes from \$50 - \$100 will be awarded on May 6, 2018, the Final Day of Sunday Learning, 5778. Recent political lobbying by teenagers for gun control has demonstrated the political power of organized youth. Those of us who are not young enough to compete, but are old enough to vote, can consider the sources below, and reflect upon what is it in our Jewish heritage that compels a person to speak out publicly and take action against the law of the Commonwealth.



Laws Struck Down, Schools Reopened

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## FROM THE ARCHIVES

### Through History's Lens: The Alexander Hart Story

The new Rabbi had a prior commitment and would be out of town for six weeks. The Board of Directors was asked to find a substitute clergyman. Ever sensitive to the synagogue's budgetary constraints, the Board came up with an ingenious solution. Rather than hire another rabbi, the Congregation would rely on a distinguished and well-liked Congregant. He had often stepped in when the former Rabbi couldn't conduct services or carry out the other considerable rabbinic duties of this historic synagogue. All were in agreement.

The year was 1907, the historic synagogue was Ohef Sholom Temple, the Rabbi was Louis Mendoza, and the Congregant was Veteran of the Army of the Confederate States of America, Major Alexander Hart

Hart was born in 1839 in New Orleans, the son of immigrants and the oldest of 12 children. His family worshipped at the Orthodox Shangarai-Chasset (Congregation Gates of Mercy), which later merged with another congregation to become New Orleans's Touro Synagogue, home of the current Reform congregation named for merchant and philanthropist Judah Touro. Alexander's father, Isaac Hart, was one of the original synagogue's founding members and served as secretary and president of the congregation. Religious observance and affiliation with a congregation was part of young Alexander's heritage. His great-grandfather, Judah Hart, had been a rabbi, and his grandfather, also named Alexander Hart, had been hazzan of what was then the recently formed Congregation B'nai Jeshurun in New York City, founded by descendants of the first group of Jews in North America. As his adult life bore out, that tradition would continue to remain important to the young Alexander Hart.

Hart began his adult life selling "gentlemen's furnishings," but this retail clerk's life was soon to take a dramatic turn. On April 12, 1861, a Confederate unit attacked Fort Sumter in Charleston, South Carolina, initiating the bloody, four-year struggle known variously as the American Civil War or the War Between the States. Alexander Hart, along with at least 3,000 other Jewish Southerners and 7,000 Jewish Northerners, soon found themselves caught up in what is still considered America's deadliest war.

On May 10, 1861, barely one month after war was declared, Hart enlisted as a first lieutenant in the 5th Louisiana Infantry, quickly rising to the rank of captain and then major. The 5th was sent to Virginia early in the war, and Hart participated in several battles and skirmishes. He was wounded at least three times - the first time at Sharpsburg in September of 1862, then at Gettysburg in July of 1863, and finally at Winchester in September of 1864. After the Gettysburg injury, he spent some time in Richmond, and perhaps that is when he met his future wife, Leonora Levy, youngest daughter of Jacob Levy and Martha Ezekiel. Hart refused to accept that his injury disqualified him from rejoining his men, and by April of 1864, he was back with his unit. Wounded again in the Third Battle of Winchester in September of 1864, Hart was captured and moved to two different Union military hospitals, then to prisons located at Ft. McHenry and the dreaded Ft. Delaware. Finally, he was transported by steamship to Hampton Roads, where, according to his diary, he was held at Fort Monroe in November 1864, and then transported again by steamship to one of a handful of prisoner exchange sites, probably Venus Point in Savannah, Georgia.

Hart, along with the other released Confederates, began making his way back to Richmond. Found unfit for duty in the field, he was ordered to join the staff of General Williams [possibly General John Stuart Williams] in Mobile, Alabama. Mr. Ezekiel [possibly Jacob Ezekiel, Leonora's uncle and the father of sculptor Sir Moses Ezekiel] and Captain Zeke Levy, Leonora's brother, saw him off. And according to Hart's diary, his Uncle Abram lent him money "in bonds" which he later exchanged for gold in order to buy a mule and saddle. He spent Passover with the Heilbrun family in Charlotte, North Carolina, having brought matzos with him from Richmond for the occasion. Then he traveled to South Carolina and had supper with the Reverend Henry Jacobs, perhaps the Henry Jacobs who was the rabbi of Charleston's Shearit Israel, which had been completely destroyed by the war.

At war's end in April of 1865, Hart went home to New Orleans but soon returned to Richmond, married Leonora in August of 1866, and went into her family's dry goods business. In 1876, the couple and their two children moved to Staunton, Virginia, where Hart opened a dry goods store and became founder and president of the first congregation in Staunton, Temple House of Israel. He was president for 18 years and also served as lay leader. The lectern he used as lay leader is still in use today. He also assisted the small Jewish community in Harrisonburg, where he "confirmed the first class in the congregation's... new place of worship." However, in 1893, Hart's business failed, perhaps a victim of the serious depression, known as the Panic of 1893, that crippled or ruined many businesses in the country.

We don't know what prior connections the family had in Norfolk, but an opportunity opened up in 1894, and the Hart family moved to Norfolk. Alexander is listed in the 1895-96 Chataigne's Directory of Norfolk as living at 94 Yarmouth Street between Duke and Dunmore and working as an insurance agent at 27 Granby Street. The family joined Ohef Sholom, where Hart often assisted or substituted, first for Rabbi Bernhard Eberson (1877-99), then for Rabbi Simon Cohen (1899-1907), and finally, for Rabbi Louis Mendoza (1907-1945).

OST's minute books document his participation. At the September 19, 1899 Board of Directors meeting, the "Secretary reported having written a letter of thanks to Major Hart for his past services – and also tendering him a seat for himself and family, which he accepted." From what we know of his Staunton synagogue participation and what we see in future OST entries, it seems probable that Hart had either been leading or assisting Rabbi Eberson with services. A Sept. 5, 1906 entry lends additional credence to this interpretation. At that time, the secretary of the Board "was instructed to invite Major Hart on behalf of the Board to assist Dr. Cohen at the Yom Kippur services." That this was expected to continue under Rabbi Mendoza seems probable, as on May 6, 1907, a motion was made, duly seconded, and the Board resolved to "pay Maj. Hart \$50 per Annum payable quarterly and, [sic] that he be charged the same as other Members for Dues and Seat Rental...."

The Board's confidence in Hart's ability to act as lay leader is clear from the minutes of a special meeting of the Board on June 28, 1907, two months after Rabbi Mendoza became OST's new Rabbi. At a special meeting of the Board, "a letter was read from Rabbi Mendoza in regard to obtaining services of a minister for six weeks – during his absence. After considerable debate on the subject, it was deemed inexpedient to employ a minister for that period and upon motion of Mr. J Moritz – it was decided to request Major Hart to officiate at Friday evening services... and Saturday morning services to be conducted by Major Hart or Mr. [Elias] Ball... same was carried."

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Alexander and Leonora Hart had four children. At least one son, Albert L. Hart, continued the family's connection with OST. Albert married Ida Margolius in 1904, and they had two children. Albert appears to have followed the example of participation in the temple community set by his father and already a tradition in his wife's family. An October 20, 1909 minute book entry records the receipt of a letter from Dr. A. Hart acknowledging the Board's appreciation for "services rendered." Albert's wife's family had a long and distinguished relationship with OST, and Albert and Ida's great-niece, Karen Margolius Plotnick, continues that proud tradition today.

Alexander Hart died on September 21, 1911, and is buried in Forest Lawn Cemetery in Norfolk. However, the OST Archives continues to provide a lens through which we can view his story and the stories of the many Jewish Americans who made this Congregation and the Tidewater Jewish Community remarkable in so many ways.

A debt of gratitude is extended to Eddie Kramer, Mark Friedman, and Linda Peck for their encouragement and Rabbi Michael Panitz of Temple Israel for having first brought Alexander Hart to my attention.

Alice Titus
OST Archivist

## **LIFE & LEGACY**

We are privileged and grateful to be entering our second year of the LIFE & LEGACY program, a four year partnership with the Tidewater Jewish Foundation and the Harold Grinspoon Foundation that will help us significantly build on our existing endowment fund, the Eternal Light Society.

Matthew Weinstein is an Ohef Sholom congregant who "walks the talk" and lives his values. He is a first year LIFE & LEGACY DONOR, the Vice President of the Ohef Sholom Board, a past President of the Men's Club President, and currently on the board of Beth Shalom and a number of other non-profits. He and his wife Giselle were among the OST congregants who helped build the Sukkah. He notes that, "The impact the Temple has had on my life has not been as great as it has been for the long term members as I have only been a congregant for 10 years. My reason for giving to the LIFE & LEGACY Fund is to try to ensure a stable financial future for the Temple and to allow future congregants to have access to an exceptional spiritual experience in Judaism."



We are proud of our spiritual home and believe it is a valued asset to the Tidewater community. With your support we can ensure the future of Ohef Sholom Temple: allowing it it to continue to be a *House of Prayer for All Peoples* and a beacon of openness and inclusivity in our community for generations to come.

For more information, please contact LIFE & LEGACY Chair, Matthew Fine, at *matthewfine@cox.net* or call 757-407-1368.

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## **CARING COMMITTEE**

Happy Passover to all! By the time you read this you will most likely have shared at least one Seder and delicious meal with friends and/or loved ones, remembered to welcome the stranger into your community and thanked G-d for our freedom!

For me, Seder takes me back to my father's (of blessed memory) beautiful singing voice and refrains of *Chad Gad Yaw* and *Dayenu*!

I am also grateful for my husband's unique approach to Passover each year, bringing the Haggadah and the Exodus to immediate relevance in small, but significant ways. For example, we sometimes take the family outside to witness the full moon occurring each and every Passover; the same moon Moses and Aaron and the masses saw as they made their way out of Egypt. We've also staged "team challenges" at baking matzo in the 18 minutes it requires to prevent the dough from becoming chametz! One year, we gathered around the piano before beginning the seder meal to sing the old Negro Spiritual, "Let my people go," (a fun way to start if your group is musically inclined)!

Sharing these experiences can help us (and our children) develop compassion, a living connection to our ancestors and empathy for others who still suffer from repression and hostility through no fault of their own.



As the holiday encourages us to share and remember the story of our deliverance, let's begin a new chapter; perhaps share new stories of participation in social action and interaction. Will your story involve feeding and clothing the hungry and homeless? OST has an "app" for that! Will it involve sewing a quilt to warm a lonely heart? OST has an "app" for that! What about tending to the earth through gardening or green energy efforts? OST has an "app" for that! Will it mean making a meal or spending an hour with a sick or bereaved member of our community? OST has... (well, you get it, I know).

Watch this space and your email for some new opportunities to show your support for Jewish values by engaging actively to promote justice and understanding in our community.

Chag Sameach and happy spring!

Carol Roth Brum Caring Committee Chair carolnanroth@gmail.com



Sisterhood

April 10, 2018

7-8pm

following Sisterhood meeting at 6pm

Floral Design Class

with Jeanne Miller, Kaufman Hall

You're welcome to bring a vase or container & a small paring knife & bring home some flowers.

RSVP to reservations@ohefsholom.org

Jeanne Miller Sisterhood Co-Presiden sisterhoodost@cox.net



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A big thank you from Sisterhood to Marsha Moody, Chair of the Rummage Sale, and her Co-Chairs, Susan Sussman, Karen Plotnick & Yvonne Lerner for a successful Rummage Sale.

Thank you to Amy Metzger & Alyssa Muhlendorf for organizing a wonderful Women's Seder.

Save the Date! Sisterhood Shabbat on April 27 at 6:30 pm.



Families are invited to join us for a Tefillah Service on Sunday, April 29, at 11:30 am in Sinai Chapel to Honor and Thank our Educators followed by a luncheon in Kaufman Hall.

As we reach the end of the school year, it's time to honor a few familiar faces for their dedication to education at Ohef Sholom Temple.

**Gail Bachman** has given more than 50 years of service to OST, and we'll honor her by creating the *Gail Wasserman Bachman Educational Grant Fund*.

Marilyn Johns served 25 years as our Religious School's music teacher and director.

For 23 years, **Jim Dunn** has served OST first as Rabbi Forman's assistant and then as our Religious School administrative assistant.

Finally, we'd like to thank **Chris Kraus**, the Director of Family Learning, for his three years of dedication to the OST community.

We will forever be grateful to their devotion and commitment to the OST community. We'll honor them on **April 29**, the last day of Sunday Learning in our building for the school year, and at our Congregational Meeting on **May 17** at **6:00 pm**. Please join us in thanking them and wishing them well.

Please RSVP to reservations@ohefsholom.org.

## **OST: A CLOSER LOOK**

The intention of A Closer Look Inside OST is to help educate and raise awareness of what it takes to operate our sacred community. This month's focus is Ohef Sholom's Got Talent, our annual fundraiser. As mentioned in previous articles and elsewhere, membership commitments, or dues, accounts for 75% of our operating income. The remaining 25% comes from other sources like our Endowments, facilities rental, fees for religious school and our annual fundraiser, which will be held on May 5th at the temple.

In recent years the line in our budget devoted to our fundraising efforts has had to be increased, doubled actually (from \$20K to \$40K this year) to keep up with rising operating costs. We have an almost 100-year-old building which requires constant care and maintenance, we want to appropriately compensate our valuable staff and clergy, and most importantly we want to keep membership fees affordable so we can truly be A House of Prayer for All Peoples, not just those who can afford

it. Clearly it is an important piece of our development plan.

#### Why an event?

In the Fund Development field, events are widely cited as being highly laborintensive and having a low return on investment. Ideally, they should be part of

an overall Development plan, and though this citing is often true (as I can personally speak to how much work they are) they are, however, important for several other reasons. They create ancillary methods of raising funds outside of your regular donor base. Some examples are In-Kind donations (goods and services given instead of dollars), corporate or business sponsorships which can be a source of marketing for businesses, as well as help build relationships with organizations. Events provide an opportunity to bring new or potential donors into your organization and to connect with the people making it happen. As well, events provide for a myriad of volunteer opportunities for congregants and board members who may be reluctant to helping raise funds by direct solicitation, which is a primary role of all board members.

Fun events like these provide the opportunity to work



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towards a common goal together in unity, to build on the strength of us as a community. They allow us to bring our unique talents, skills, creativity and resources together to raise funds that go directly to supporting our operations and allow us to offer all the amazing programs, staff and clergy, and magnificent historic building, our spiritual home: the people, places and things that provide meaning and spiritual fulfillment to you, our sacred partners.

Events like this year's *OST's Got Talent* allow people to make gifts in a visible and fun way while having a great time and connecting with each other, connections which will ideally transcend the walls of our building.

This event will be a first for Ohef Sholom: all of the entertainment, food, art for the silent auction, and sponsorships will come from congregants. It will be a unique opportunity for us to see the depth of talent, business acumen, and deep roots our congregation possesses, and a chance to make new connections. It will

be authentically Ohef Sholom, and we need your help in supporting this event!

#### Here is how you can help:

- Visit the OST's Got Talent Quick Link at www.ohefsholom.org
- Become a Sponsor or get one or more!
- Purchase tickets to event and invite friends too!
- Share the event on your social media pages (FB, Twitter, etc)
- Be an ambassador of this fun event and of OST!
- Volunteer to help by emailing membership@ohefsholom.org

We look forward to making this event a great success and to coming together as one community!

#### **CALL TO ACTION!**

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We heard your voices, and responded by signing the *Brit Olam* and making the commitment as a congregation to delve more deeply into Social Justice work. We are looking

for volunteers to come together around this *Tikkun Olam* initiative. Please contact me at *president@ohefsholom.org* to get involved! Together we can change the world!



Ohef Sholom's

# CPA'S, FINANCIAL ANALYSTS, AUDITORS, ACCOUNTANTS NEEDED!

We are looking for congregants to help us with financial concerns, reconciliations and auditing. Part time, committee, and specific task-related opportunities available. Please let us know if you are able to perform this type of mitzvah for OST. Those interested please contact *linda@ohefsholom.org*.

## OSTY | JOSTY

Four years ago, little did I know that NFTY-MAR would become my "home." As the classic NFTY-MAR song goes, "home is wherever I'm with you," which embodies the spirit of the region. NFTY-MAR connects reform teens 8-12 grade from North Carolina, Virginia, D.C., and Maryland and transforms strangers into family in less than a 48-hour period. Looking back as my last event inevitably approaches, here is why I would encourage every single congregant to get involved in such an impactful organization.

Connect with URJ (Union for Reform Judaism) friends from other programs or find out about all the URJ has to offer. The colloquialism "it's a party in the URJ" rings true in NFTY. NFTY has helped me stay in touch with my Harlam friends and form even stronger relationships than I had with them at camp.

NFTY-MAR has also brought speakers from Six-Points Sci-Tech, Six-points Sports Academy, Mitzvah Corps- Social Justice Travel Programs, URJ Heller High High School in Israel, and URJ Kutz Camp (a NFTY leadership camp) to tell us about all the ways you could expand your feelings towards Judaism over the summer!

Add meaningful leadership experiences to your college applications. My sophomore year, I received the opportunity to be an event chair for TheVent 2016 when it was hosted at OST. I learned how to write meaningful social action programs and see the process first-hand of a large event coming together. Not only did this help me see the massive responsibility of regional event planning, but an impactful leadership experience to discuss on college interviews, college essay topics, and more self-confidence in my abilities.

Learn about current events and societal problems from innovative perspectives. I have learned more about the world's problems and myself from the mind-shattering programs at events. Some of my most memorable programs are the ones about social justice issues such as the economic disparity program where we told that we were a certain class in society and were given a number of "stones" (construction paper) to help us cross from one line to the other without touching the floor. It demonstrated that people with certain positions in society are born with an easier time getting through life than others in order to encourage mindfulness of others' situations. Winter Kallah is the primary event for social justice programming, but the Vent (which is in March) contains hands-on Tikun Olam activities. The event in April (Spring Kallah) features more metacognitive and contemplative programming, encouraging participants to think about their role in MAR and the world itself. The central focus is about leaving an impact wherever you go, which has inspired me to take more initiative and create my own path in the region. Additionally, it has influenced me to reach out to as many people I can to optimize my impact in the region.

Do things you normally wouldn't! One thing I have loved about NFTY is taking risks and leaving my comfort zone. When I was younger and for most of my life, I have hated getting dirty and any activity that was messy. At a paint party during Spring Kallah my junior year, I had a much better time than I expected, and it taught me that I am capable of more than I thought.

Become so close with friends that your last event with them causes "tears [to] stream down your face when you lost something you cannot replace." The classic Coldplay song "Fix You" captures the sentimental meaning of Spring Kallah. I have become close with so many senior classes and felt heartbroken when the regional advisor says it's time to go on the buses as I think about if I will really "never see my friends again" as the twisted NFTY tune goes. As my last event is coming up, I have realized what this region means to me and am prepared for the tears to come down as I say goodbye to my second home.

Escape real life stressors and spend time in nature! As terrifying as it sounds to anyone in the twenty-first century, my favorite experiences are when I don't have service and am forced to not use my phone. Although the picture shown below might look like a first-class nature reserve, it is actually URJ Camp Harlam in Kunkletown, PA-- the home to NFTY-MAR Spring Kallah. Personally, being around nature makes me feel serene and distracts me from my school stress and I would recommend it as a stress relief to any Jewish teen!

Dance the night away with your best friends. When I was in eighth grade, I would have never said that dancing to 2000's throwbacks in the Beit at Harlam or a large empty room in a synagogue with 300+ Jewish teens would be my favorite thing in the world, but four years later I look forward to it. It is such a nice way to let loose and bond with new and old friends.

# **Lucie Waldman**OSTY Programming Vice President ostyadvisors@gmail.com



(Above) Spring Kallah semi-formal in front of Harlam's Lake Joshua.



(Above) Paint flag football at Spring Kallah 2017.

## **MEN'S CLUB**

The Men's Club is rolling. And grilling! About a dozen members came out to prep and serve for the annual Purim Carnival on Feb. 25. The kids looked great and both they and their parents "consumed mass quantities" of burgers, dogs, pizza, and soda. FYI: Pizza is by far the unofficial favorite. Everyone had a great time. All proceeds went to OSTY and a special shout-out to them for assisting in setting up Kaufman Hall the day before.

Coming attractions for April include our monthly gathering on April 4 and the Men's Club Shabbat Service on April 13.

Also in April, you MUST make plans to attend the 2018 Kaufmann Award ceremony on April 22. This year's recipient is Sharon Nusbaum. Sharon has been doing great work for the Temple and the community for many years and is a huge asset to the congregation. There will be speeches by Rabbi Roz and folks from inside and outside of Temple. This is one of the Temple's most significant events so please come out and show your support. Naturally there will be terrific food as well. It is a Men's Club event, after all.

They say membership has its privileges. April 25 will see Men's Club members come together for a new event, the Golf & Tennis outing.

Definitely mark your calendar for June 30, when our very own Cantor Jen will be singing the National Anthem at Harbor Park for our annual Tides Picnic. Good food (even though we aren't preparing it), baseball, Cantor Jen, and shmoozing with your Temple buds combine to make this event a home run! Great fun for the entire family with reduced rates for kids. Keep an eye out for coming details on how to reserve your

And finally this.... the Men's Club is, primarily, a service organization. We have been doing good work for many, many, years and having fun doing it. We invite all adult, male congregants to come check us out. We need you! Your ideas. Your passion. Your vision for the future. Contact us at mensclub@ohefsholom.org.

> Mark Hecht OST Men's Club



## SATURDAY, JUNE 30TH

Join us at Harbor Park for fun, food and fireworks as the Norfolk Tides take on the Durham Bulls.

**5:35** *D*inner | Time

7:05 Game

June 10th - 20th **Ticket Pricing** Before June 9th \$25 Adults \$20 Children 12 & under \$10 \$15

## OUR OWN CANTOR JEN SINGING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

#### **Picnic Menu:**

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Chips, Watermelon, Cookies, Soft Drinks.

Veggie burgers available upon prior request.

Make checks payable to "Men's Club" and mail

Men's Club **Ohef Sholom Temple** 530 Raleigh Avenue Norfolk, VA 23507



On the memo line of the check please indicate the number of adults, children 9-12 and 8 & under.

CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20 PICK UP TICKETS AT THE EVENT NEAR THE BACK ENTRANCE OF THE PARK. VISIT WWW.OHEFSHOLOM.ORG FOR DIRECTIONS PHONE RESERVATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

#### APRIL 13TH AT 6:30 PM

## Men's Club Shabbat Service



with Guest Speaker Kim Simon Fink

This year's Men's Club Shabbat will celebrate and honor community service.

Featured Speaker Kim Simon Fink will highlight some of our leading men who have shaped both our Temple and greater communities, starting with our founding pioneers.

## **KAUFMANN AWARD**

#### SHARON K. NUSBAUM TO RECEIVE THE 2018 HENRY B. KAUFMANN AWARD

By now we should all know the story of Henry B. Kaufmann... Richmond native who matriculated to Norfolk. Accountant. So active in Temple and community life that in 1980 the Men's Club honored his volunteer spirit by naming an award after him and installing him (posthumously) as its first recipient. Past recipients include rank and file congregants all the way up to Temple Presidents. Proving, once again, that at OST, it's not the position you hold at our synagogue that counts, it's the position you hold in our heart. Similarly, it's not "what have you done for me lately?", it's what have you accomplished over a long period of time.

This year's recipient is Sharon K. Nusbaum. Sharon holds a B.A. in Sociology. Her work history includes stints as a Juvenile Probation Officer, school fundraiser and Associate Broker at S.L. Nusbaum Realty Company. She is a long time Congregant at Ohef Sholom, the wife of Bill (also a Kaufmann Award recipient) and mother of Leigh.

Her past and current Temple activities include: membership on the Caring Committee and serving on our Board of Directors (both as a regular Board Member and Secretary). She is a Coordinator for Greeters at Shabbat evening services and leader of the OST Walking Group. Sharon was the Sisterhood Co-President for three years and has cochaired, or participated in committees including: The Torah Restoration Committee, the Sanctuary's 100th Anniversary celebration, the 175th Anniversary Ad-Hoc Committee, Temple Sinai Merger Ceremony Committee and the UJFT

CRC's Interfaith Committee. As if this weren't enough, she is a graduate of the Florence Melton School of Jewish Learning.

Sharon's community involvement includes being current Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors for Virginia Supportive Housing (providing permanent housing and services for single adults in South Hampton Roads, Richmond and Charlottesville), immediate past Chair of VHS's Hampton Roads Mission Advancement Council, member of the Rumi Forum Hampton Roads Advisory Board as well as being a long-time volunteer for the Democratic Party of Virginia having worked past campaigns for Al Gore, Hillary Clinton and Ralph Northam. Other past community involvement includes chairing a Norfolk program for non-violent offenders and a Norfolk Harborfest committee.

With all this work it's hard to believe she has time to sleep, but that's just the way that Sharon is. Whether she's working to get a Governor elected, fixing and delivering meals to congregants, or simply being a Friday night greeter, from the exciting to the mundane, in her own unassuming way, Sharon chooses projects that make a difference in the lives of people and quietly, and without fanfare works to get them done.

Please join with the Men's Club as we honor Sharon on Sunday morning, **April 22**. Brunch will begin promptly at 10:30 am. The award presentation will follow at 11:00 am. Admission is \$10.00 per person. You may reserve your space by calling the Temple office at 625-4295.





#### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

#### April 1

Jack R. Glaser Susan Hirschbiel Sandra Leon Marilyn Mendelson Amy Metzger Cynthia Spoolman John C. Stein **Edward Whiteman** 

#### April 2

John R. Harris Robin S. Katz

#### April 3

Anna Baber LeShay Bernstein Jo Ann M. Hofheimer Dorothy G. Jacobson-Wetsel

#### April 4

Irwin S. Sacks

#### April 5

Jefferson Cooper Alan Jay Stein

#### April 6

Sandra Fraim Jan Goldrich Elsie Hirsch Louis D. Snyder Alice Titus

#### April 7

Tammi Foer Chris Lagow

#### **April 8**

Michael Darr Glenn Diskin Gabriele Jiannas

#### April 9

Barbara Carlson Deborah Friedman Yekaterina Gotkis Jeffery Murawski Linda G. Scheimberg

#### April 10

Sandra Forte-Nickenia Paula D. Fox Brenda Klar Sharon S. Perlman

Jack Shanker Lisa Stern

#### **April 11**

Mark B. Dreyfus James Dunn Bruce H. Gilbert Stanley Glaser Michael H. Hubbard Beth Pikelny Kinnear Debra L. Moore Dan Villani

#### April 12

Terry Dorfman Karen Gershman

#### April 13

Tyler J. Caskill Judith B. Freedman Helene Frost Jean Kay Swartz

#### April 14

Michelle Halpern Jeffrey Loeb Karl Spoolman

#### April 16

Kenneth Bates Mark Goldberg Daniel Salomonsky Louis P. Snyder

#### April 17

Alyssa Muhlendorf Joel Zaba

#### April 18

Ronda G. Bazar Beth Darrow Kathy Greenhood Jeffry A. Sachs Leah Waitzer Joseph M. Wolsh

#### April 19

Carol M. Cohen Barbara Gross John Mancoll Martin Mandelberg Erin McGrattan Evelyn Munden

#### April 20

Kenneth M. Klein

#### April 21

Lisa Chacon Benjamin Orloff Lillie L. Whitehurst

#### April 22

Patti Seeman Robyn Weiner

#### April 23

Brian Neil Friedman Andrea Helms Alana Hollings Joel C. Jacobson

#### April 24

Helen Rosenthal Rosenberg

#### April 25

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#### April 26

Susan B. Donn Leslie H. Friedman Neil A. Landy Pamela B. Snyder

#### April 27

Holly Gebel Gene G. Hubbard William P. Williams

#### April 28

Todd Aftel William A. Hearst Elaine Lustig

#### April 29

Mark Metzger James D. Schloss

#### April 30

Linda H. Kaufman

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### APRIL YAHRZEITS

April 1 - April 7 Izzy Albinder Donald Allison Lottie Berk Bessie Bernstein Rebecca Bohrman\* Anne Cash Louis Chanin\* Georgia Cohen William B. Ein Philip Farber Lois Troy Feldman Patricia Finkelstein Albert Fox Samuel J. Garfinkel\* Naomi Giat Helene Gilbert Leroy M. Goodman Simon Gutterman James Guy Max Haber Leo Hermann Samuel Himmelstein Hannah Hoffer\* Pauline Kaplan Celia Kaufman\* Albert Kupferman Aline Lansburgh\* Margaret Lasakow Max Lefkowitz Lulee Ries Lowenberg Rose Lowenthal Lillian Lutzin Charles Mansbach\* Sparks W. Melton\* Florence Mendoza\* Lillian D. Mervis\* **Ruth Orleans** Ann Prisco George Radin\* Elmer H. Rager\* Allen Reisner Edward Ring Bernard Rivin Louise Rovner

Henry Salzberger

Louis A. Schulman

David Samler\*

Rose Shiffrin

Mary Shofer

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Mary Shofer Rose Zins Siegel\* Donna Signorelli Louis Walter Small Rita Smith Bernard Snyder Rabbi Samuel Sobel\* Ben Steingold\* Sara Sterns Flizabeth Waldman Virginia M. Wallace Herbert Weitsman Seymour I. Wilks Abe Wilks\* Esther Zimmerman

April 8 - April 14 Eli Baer Dr. Maxwell Berman\* Sallie Brown\* Abraham Chernitzer Elias Codd\* Bernard Cohen Bennie Cooper John Cross Miriam Cross Lillian Dauer Nissim David Nina Douglas F. Allan Fine Maxine Friedman\* Morris Friedman Lillie Garrett Sal Galdstein Pauline D. Golub John M. Gordon Zalman Graber Sara Jacobs Ben Jaffe Mollie Javinsky Harris Kawalick\* Rose Klein Arthur Eugene Lasko Jennie S. Latona Gilbert E. Levin Ida Levy Daniel Levy\* Dr. Edward Levy\* Kenneth McMillan Hannah Melville\*

Anne Miller\* Marion Radin Mirmelstein\* Dr. Solomon Baer Mizroch\* Sarah Moss Rae Perlman Etta H. Plant\* Emilio Posada Barbara Rice Ida Rosenberg Louis Roth Ruth Golub Roth\* Frances Sallmaier Burton Schepper Abraham Schnader Sarah Seiderman\* Martin T. Siegel Nettie Soble Jeffrey B. Spindel\* Arthur Steinberg Shelia Wasserman\*

#### April 15 - April 21

Rose Wax

Sam Weinberg

Reba Weinberg

Jerome A. Zentz

Owen Adams, Jr.\* Francis G. Berger Bernard Beskin Abraham Chernitzer Sarah S. Cogen Jon Cohen Arthur Cooper\* Ben Cooper\* Lawrence A. Crockin\* M. Dan Dalis\* Robert L. Dorsk Harvey Dunn J. Edward Eller Arlene Feinman Rose Frances Glasser Dr. Jerome Gross Ruth E. Gutherz Carlyn Herman Mabel Hirschbiel Aline Fies Hofheimer\* Helen Isay Isaac Jacobs\* Mary Koenigsberg Dr. Robert Kraus Mina H. Levine\*

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April 22 - April 28 Esther Alcalav Ethel Altschul\* Barney Barr Mary Bass Gerald Bloom Esta Bodner\* Phillip Brenner Lea Brooke Ira Cantin\* Rebecca Davidson Herman Feldman Julia Feldstein\* Emanuel C. Friedman Bessie Goldrich\* Pauline Goodman Fannie Grossman Sondra Hanberry Jeffrey Haspel Joseph C. Hecht Gus Hermes Estelle K. Hornstein\* Robert Katz

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#### April 29 - May 5 Sophia S. Albert

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## **APRIL 2018**

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SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.	
1 12:30 pm OSTY Board Meeting	2	3 4:00 pm House Committee Meeting 6:00 pm Torah Study	4 6:00 pm Men's Club Meeting	5 9:00 am Walking Group @ Botanical Gardens 6:00 pm Caring Committee Meeting	6 6:30 pm Shabbat Services	7 9:00 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Services	
8	9	10 6:00 pm Budget Committee Meeting Sisterhood Meeting Torah Study	11 11:00 am Young @ Heart - Botanical Gardens	12 10:00 am Quilting Group 12:00 pm Executive Committee Meeting	13 6:30 pm Men's Club Shabbat Services	14 9:00 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Services & Bar Mitzvah of Kaden Bates	
15 8:45 am Interfaith Parenting Circle Sunday Learning 9:00 am Walking Group @ Botanical Gardens 11:00 am Wiggles & Giggles 4:00 pm Religious School Essay Contest Due	16	17 5:30 pm Quilting Group 6:00 pm Torah Study	18 1:00 pm Men's Club Golf & Tennis Outing (offsite) 5:30 pm Chesterfield Academy Ready Night (offsite)	19 6:00 pm LIFE & LEGACY Workshop (offsite)	20 5:30 pm Chanting Group 6:30 pm Shabbat Services	21 9:00 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Services & Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Rosenblum	
22 8:45 am Sunday Learning 10:30 am Kaufmann Award Brunch 1:30 pm Human Flag @ IsraelFest (JCC)	23	24 6:00 pm ForKids Cooking Torah Study	25 12:00 pm 175th Anniversary Committee Meeting	26 10:00 am Quilting Group 12:00 pm Lunch & Learn (offsite) 7:00 pm Board Meeting	27 6:30 pm Sisterhood Shabbat Services	28 9:00 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Services & B'nai Mitzvah of Porter & Darcy Foster	
29	30 9:30 am Soup Kitchen	If you'd like to add an event to the Temple calendar, please email					



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April 11, 2018

#### WHAT:

A motorcoach ride through Norfolk Botanical Gardens during the Lantern Asia exhibit.

WHEN: 11 AM

Meet at Visitor's Center

WHO: 55+

But all are welcome

COST: \$15 PER PERSON



## STAY FOR LUNCH AT THE MARIGOLD & HONEY CAFE (Must be pre-ordered with RSVP)

CLASSIC LUNCH \$10.50 Turkey & Provolone Sunbutter & Jelly Hummus & Cucumber SIGNATURE LUNCH \$12.50 Turkey Avocado Lettuce & Tomato Mediterranean Chicken Veggie Delight

Includes choice of chips or fruit, and a cookie.

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