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When I was in Religious School as a youth, I knew there was some good stuff in the Torah because we often heard about the weekly

Torah Portion. There were really juicy Bible stories about creation, a boat that held a pair of every animal on earth, a kid with a multi-colored coat, and so many other marvelous ideas to capture my imagination. However, when I got to Jewish summer camp, and the rabbis on faculty brought up stories of talking donkeys, God making blessings come out of a sorcerer's mouth, and the earth opening up and swallowing people, I thought they were making it all up. Guess what? It's in there! So often we miss these gems in the Torah because they come around during summer break, and many of us are elsewhere than in the classroom studying the texts.

So, let me give you just a sampling of what goes on in Parshat (Torah Portion) Balak, which will be read this year on July 16. Here's the story:

The king of Moab, a country on the border of where the Israelites are camping out during their 40-year wilderness trek, gets a little paranoid. We are told it is because of the vast numbers of Hebrews, and his advisers tell the king that the Israelites will pick the land clean like a hungry ox grazes grass. The king, Balak, knows what to do in such a case. He sends for a sorcerer, Balaam, saying, "Come on over - bring your best curses - because the people in the land next door are so numerous... (How numerous are they?) ...that they hide the earth from view. Your reputation is that whoever you bless is blessed indeed, and whoever you curse is cursed. So curse them, and then maybe I'll be able to defeat them and kick them out of the land.

Balaam is a wise sorcerer, and he knows the powers of the universe. So, when the king's elders try to hire Balaam to curse the Hebrews, he tells them to waithe needs to consult with the God of the Hebrews. He does so, and God says to Balaam, "That's not a good idea. Don't do it, because they're already blessed." Balaam tells the elders he can't. King Balak doesn't like this answer so he sends dignitaries to persuade Balaam. They tell him the king will give him anything he asks! Balaam goes back to God and God tells him, "You know what, FINE, but only on one condition: Whatever I command you, THAT you shall do."

At dawn, Balaam gets on his faithful donkey to head toward a hill overlooking the Hebrews. An angel of God is blocking the road but only the donkey can see it. Three times the donkey delays Balaam's journey: first she swerves off the road into a field; then she leans up against a wall, crushing Balaam's foot; then she sits right down in the middle of the road. Each time she avoids the angel Balaam can't see, he hits her with a stick. Finally she turns to him and says, "Why are you hitting me? What did I do to you?" Balaam does what any of us would

do, I'm sure - he argues with the donkey. She asks him, have I not been loyal to you always? He has to admit she has a point. After Balaam is one-upped by his beast of burden, God reveals the angel to him, who tells him that the donkey saved his life by avoiding the angel. Balaam apologizes, and offers to go home, but the angel says, no, it's fine, go ahead, but remember - say nothing to My people except what I tell you.

King Balak comes down to meet Sorcerer Balaam at Kiriath-huzoth, overlooking the Hebrews. They offer a bunch of sacrifices to get ready for the big cursing-fest. Balaam reminds Balak of his instructions: he can only say what God wants him to. The king takes the sorcerer to a high place. Balaam consults with God and then says: You Hebrews are great! I want to be just like you! Balak says: What are you doing? I brought you here to bury the Israelites, not praise them! Balaam says: It wasn't my words - God did it. Balak says: Come with me to a different place, and maybe you can curse them from there! They go to the summit of Mount Pisgah, Balaam consults with God, he opens up his mouth, and says to the Hebrews: God is with you! You're going to have a great future!. The king is beside himself. "Don't curse them and don't bless them!" "But I told you, these are God's words!" "Come with me to a different place..." (Do you sense a pattern here?) Finally they reach the summit of Mount Peor, where Balaam skips the consultation with God, opens his mouth, and out comes a poem we sing almost every Saturday morning at Ohef Sholom Temple, and around the Jewish world:

"Ma tovu ohalecha, Yaakov; mishk'notecha, Yisraeil!"
"How lovely are your tents, O Jacob; your dwelling places, Israel!"

Balak is so furious, he slaps his hands together and tells Balaam to go home, without pay. Balaam says, I told you so, and what's more, the God of the Hebrews has a message for you. Those very Hebrews about whom you were paranoid? Now God will give you an actual reason to be afraid: they're going to rise up and defeat you. And they both go home.

When I was a lad, I thought these were fantastic (with an emphasis on fantasy) campfire stories. Talking donkeys indeed! Where do they come up with this stuff? Well, as I came to learn, and now you know too, it's what's hidden in the Torah while everyone's away on summer break. Take time this season to delve into some fantastic stories!

Baruch ata, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech Ha-olam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav, v'tzivanu la'asok b'divrei Torah. Gam bakayitz.

Blessed is God, who makes us holy with commandments, and commands us to immerse ourselves in words of Torah. Even in summer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to **Amy Amanda Shroyer** and **James Godfrey Lightbourn** who were married on *May 14, 2016*, by Rabbi Rosalin Mandelberg at Bayville Golf Club in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Amy is the daugther of **Leslie and Michael Shroyer**.

Theodore (Ted) Crockin, son of Dr. Stephen Mark Goldstein and Marsha Chenman-Goldstein of Virginia Beach married Katherine (Kazzie) Zerface on February 27, 2016 at the Bel Air Bay Club in Pacific Palisades, California. The couple resides in Marina Del Rey, California.

Founding partner and member of Ohef Sholom Temple, **John Cooper**, and partner, **Jim Hurley**, have been named again this year as *Virginia Super Lawyer in the Super Lawyers Magazine*. The designation places John Cooper and Jim Hurley in elite company of less than 5 percent of Virginia's top lawyers. The designation is based upon a rigorous evaluation by a blue ribbon panel of attorneys in the Commonwealth, who recognized the attorneys' expertise and achievement in personal injury law.

John and Dale Jacobs are delighted to announce the birth of twin granddaughters **Silvi and Isabel (Isa)** on *April 5, 2016* - proud parents are **Jordan and Maria Jacobs** of New York City.

Mazel Tov to proud grandparents Linda and George Metzger on the birth of their grandson, Eli Gavin Metzger, born to Jennifer and Jared Metzger, on *March 26, 2016*.

Jerry Nadler, MD, an internationally known physician/scientist who is making potentially game-changing advances in diabetes research, has been named *Virginia's Outstanding Scientist for 2016*. Gov. Terry McAuliffe presented the award to Dr. Nadler on Feb. 25 at the Science Museum of Virginia in Richmond.

Erin Michelle Rosenbach, granddaughter of **Rose and Kurt Rosenbach** and **Gregory Dillon Stockburger** were married Saturday, May 21, 2016 at Botanical Garden by Rabbi Roz.

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

Margaret Sawyer on the loss of her mother, Pearl Scherr.

Kitty Wolf on the loss of her husband & Rabbi to OST, Rabbi Arthur Steinberg.

Ohef Sholom Temple congregant, Ruth Gutherz

Candace Altschul on the loss of her mother, Elinor Summers.

Mark Friedman & Jay Friedman on the loss of their uncle, E. Allan Fine.

Stuart (Sarah Jo), Richard (Martha), and Michael (Lori) Glasser, and Jane Susan (Joe) Frank on the loss of their mother, *Rose Frances Glasser*.

Mary Cantin on the loss of her husband, Jane Cantin, Nancy Cantin Burton and Marshall Cantin on the loss of their father, *Ira Cantin*.

Louis & John Grossman on the loss of their mother, Rose Ann Grossman.

Shelley (Jeff) Loeb on the loss of her mother, Estelle Ruth Hochstadt.

MAZEL TOV!



Congratulations to Sabrina Sterns on her upcoming Bat Mitzvah on June 4, 2016.

Sabrina is the daughter of George & Jenny Sterns, sister of Alastair Sterns, and granddaughter of Harvey & Ronni Sterns and Harloe & Harriet Cutler.



Congratulations to Cecilia Firoved on her upcoming Bat Mitzvah on June 11, 2016.

Cecilia is the daughter of Ross & Mandi Firoved, sister of Jayden and Levi Firoved, and granddaughter of Vicki & Bob* Wolfson.

* of blessed memory

WORSHIP

June Torah Portions

June 3 26 lyyar

Shabbat Services - 6:30 pm

Parasha: B'chukotai Lev. 26:3 - 27:34

Haftarah: Jeremiah 16:19 - 17:14

June 10 4 Sivan

Shabbat Services – 6:30 pm

Parasha: B'midbar Num. 1:1 - 4:20

Haftarah: Hosea 2:1-22

June 17 11 Sivan

Shabbat Service – 6:30 pm

Parasha: Naso Num. 4:21 - 7:89

Haftarah: Judges 13:2-25

June 24 18 Sivan

Shabbat Service – 6:30 pm

Parasha: B'haalot'cha Num. 8:1 - 12:16

Haftarah: Zechariah 2:14 - 4:7

July Torah Portions

July 1 25 Sivan

Shabbat Services – 6:30 pm

Parasha: Sh'lach L'cha Num. 13:1 - 15:41 Haftarah: Joshua 2:1-24

July 8 2 Tamuz

Shabbat Service – 6:30 pm

Parasha: Korach Num. 16:1 - 18:32

Haftarah: I Samuel 11:14 - 12:22

July 15 9 Tamuz

Shabbat Service – 6:30 pm

Parasha: Chukat Num. 19:1 - 22:1

Haftarah: Judges 11:1-33

July 22 16 Tamuz

Shabbat Service – 6:30 pm

Parasha: Balak Num. 22:2 - 25:9

Haftarah: Micah 5:6 - 6:8

July 29 23 Tamuz

Shabbat Service – 6:30 pm

Parasha: Pinchas Num. 25:10 - 30:1

Haftarah: Jeremiah 1:1 - 2:3

Headsets are available for those in need of audio assistance at Services.

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Shalom Y'all, Here is a story with a subtle message to share:



Ted Kaufman Temple President Micah 6:6-8 שָלום יאַל!

ell, it's been a challenging year. You might say it has been the Best of Times yet also the Worst of Times. A lot of good work was accomplished, but we also experienced some things that were uncomfortable and discomfiting to say the least. They ranged from the death of our beloved Rabbi Steinberg to significant changes resulting from financial neglect in our front office.

The coming year should be a lot smoother, because as lay leaders, we have learned valuable lessons. Task Forces are in place, and we have a plan for better governance. There is an old Norfolk saying: "Be careful when you open up a Wall in Ghent." You never know what you are going to find, but if you uncover something wrong, you have a duty to fix it for those who follow.

Let's recap some things we did Our House Committee, right. under the leadership of Jane Klein Goldman, re-grated and restriped our parking lot for the first time in years. We completed a Landscaping Plan for the upcoming 175th anniversary celebration of our Congregation. And Ohef Sholom now possesses the most elegant Dumpster Enclosure in all of Ghent. Under the Leadership of Linda Fox-Jarvis, we raised the funds and installed a Handicapped Accessible Family Bathroom for those whose wheelchairs could not fit into our existing restrooms. And Karen Fine led an outstanding and highly profitable Fundraiser.

As explained last year, the theme of my Presidency is Y'alldeinu, a Hebrew word meaning "for our children." Under the leadership of our Director of Family Learning, Chris Kraus, kids look forward to coming to Religious School. Parents

no longer refer to our Religious School as "Jewish Jail." Religious School enrollment has declined to 169 from over 200 a few years ago. We are aware of it and are working on it. Interestingly, our Temple learning programs have seen increased attendance. The Wiggles & Giggles program for infants and toddlers, for example, grew from 4 families last year to 14 this year. That's an increase of 350%. They will be kindergarteners and 1st graders in a few years and represent the future growth of our Reliaious School.

Last June, our Treasurer announced that we were concerned with some of our financial numbers, which precipitated an investigation. Our investigation revealed that one of our employees had been committing serious financial irregularities (some might allege credit card fraud) over several years. Ultimately, that person was allowed to resign after promising to pay us back. Out of respect for the family involved, we chose not to prosecute.

Unfortunately, in trying to discover how that employee's misbehavior could have gone on for so long, we uncovered a multi-year pattern of lack of oversight that prompted us to eliminate two positions in our Front Office (Data Entry Clerk and Temple Administrator) and move to an Executive Director staffing model, a previously approved Board goal. Today, one person, Linda Peck, is in charge of the entire operation.

Frankly, we have learned the hard way that we need proper accounting controls, supervisory audits, and personal accountability. We have been challenged to generate necessary reports out

of our new Database, but have hired a consultant to fix this issue. Additionally, congregants did not receive their December bills. While we usually do not send High Holiday tickets to congregants in arrears, that was not done this past year for the first time in decades. And our phone system died after 12 years of useful life.

Last month, we lost Rabbi Arthur Steinberg to declining health. Who can forget his last High Holiday speech on whether it is okay to eat string beans on certain Jewish holidays? He turned that seemingly trivial detail into a talk on how we are defined by the questions we ask. His last sermon on April 7 was a humorous explanation of Jewish vs. Christian views of food and wine. He had a knack for making the mundane extraordinary, thanks to that firm, soft voice of his.

To fill the void, we are assembling clergy search committee various representing the demographics of our Temple. Read your bulletins for more information as it may take many months to find the right person. Anyone involved in the two year search that eventually led us to Rabbi Roz will concur. Just know we take the time to get it right.

Through it all, our Senior Rabbi and Cantor have stood by our side through thin and thick. Thank you, Rabbi Roz and Cantor Wally, for being the glue that keeps Ohef Sholom the caring, loving, and spiritual place that it is.

To Be Continued. . .

Todah Raba,

TED Prez

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June/July 2016

FAMILY LEARNING

SARAH LISNER, AMELIA FOX, BRIAN COHN- REGIONAL WINNERS



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wo young members of OST, Sarah Lisner (14) and Amelia Fox (13) are recent winners of the regional 2016 Elie Wiesel Writing and Visual Arts Competition, sponsored by The Holocaust Commission of the United Jewish Federation of Tidewater (UJFT). Amelia's work Reaching for Freedom (pictured here) in her own words, "reflects that during the Holocaust, rescuers indeed had no profile. On the reaching hand, you will find many diverse individuals represented by items and patterns, thus showing that anyone can reach out and be a rescuer...a hero." Sarah's poem, Irene Gut Opdyke, reprinted here, describes the compelling story of a righteous gentile, whose daughter has become part of the new generation of compelling holocaust witnesses and public speakers.

A special feature of Sarah's and Amelia's artistry is that they each composed their work as part of a class assignment in their respective Monday-through-Friday schools. Their work reflects a central goal of our OST learning community: Sunday Learning...Full Time Living. Take what you learn at Temple and elsewhere, and weave it into what is important to you throughout the week and years. Read about other inspiring student entries at http://jewishva.org/holocaust-elie-wiesel

On May 11, 2016, Brian Cohn (11) won the regional Israel poster contest sponsored by the Community Relations Council of the UJFT. Brian selected one of many Israeli ecofriendly contributions to global society. His winning poster, created during Sunday learning at OST, depicts how "Israel's Eternergy can get 40% more power from the sun with lightweight solar energy trackers, based on the principles of kite surfing."





Irene Gut Opdyke, by Sarah Lisner

She was Catholic I am Jewish

She was captured by Russians I am a captive of others' expectations

In her imprisonment she risked everything to forewarn others

In my imprisonment I think only of myself

She didn't question her need to act I have nothing but questions

She started small I have yet to start

She made a choice to stand up for social justice I let others make my choices for me

She was influenced by her parents as role models I am influenced by rules and social norms

Many years ago she delivered her friends from evil Today I deliver myself from evil

No more will I allow myself to fade into the background

Today I will wear blue In a sea of black and white

Today I will make a difference
And do what's right, not what's expected

HOLOCAUST GARDEN MEMORIAL

ow do you teach the Holocaust to a wide range of ages, in a short period of time, in a way that inspires life? On May 1, 2016, about 170 OST learners moved from Sinai Chapel to the Holocaust Memorial Garden with slips of bio-degradable paper on which was written the name, date of birth, city of origin and date of death, if known, of a person whose life was cut

short by the Holocaust. Each learner read the name out loud, and composted the paper into the garden soil. A 10-minute ceremony teaches a life-affirming lesson about who we are, where we came from, and where we will all ultimately return. Additional slips and names are available to anyone who wants to participate in this recycling ritual.





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Ed KramerScholarship Committee Chair
April 2016



The Iftar is the evening meal after sunset that concludes the daily fasting during the month of Ramadan. It is prepared by members of our local Turkish Muslim community.

"Iftar" literally means 'breakfast,' or 'breaking the fast.' Observers around the world gather with families, loved ones, and

communities to break their fast together. For observers, the Iftar dinner and Ramadan are a time to reflect on humanity and to reaffirm commitments to helping the most vulnerable in our society.

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic lunar calendar. Every day during this month, Muslims around the world spend the



daylight hours in a complete fast. During Ramadan, Muslims all over the world abstain from all food, drink, and other physical needs during the daylight hours. Ramadan is much more than just not eating and drinking; it is a time to purify the soul, refocus attention on God, and practice self-discipline and sacrifice.

Child-care will be available, but dining is limited to the first 45 OST members and friends. Donations are graciously accepted to American Turkish Friendship Association (ATFA) http://www.atfa.us or RUMI Forum http://rumiforum.org

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LONG-RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

HE FUTURE IS YOU! In April, the Board approved the Vision for the Long Range Plan: *To Renew 175 Years Of Excellence By Embracing The Needs Of Future Generations*. To attain this Vision, the Board also approved having the Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) focus on the following important concerns:

Board and
Governance How
can our Board be
more effective? How
can we attract more
volunteers in this era of
increasing commitments and
diminishing time?

Serving Our Members and Attracting New Ones
How can we make OST relevant to all members? What can we do to engage the millennia and their children?

John Cooper LRPC Chair, Long Range Planning Committee Affording and Hiring the Clergy and Staff We Need to Serve Us All With Excellence – Is our staffing sufficient for all the committee work and programs we offer? Is more clergy needed to handle life cycle events, prepare services and programs, act as a presence in our community as well as tend to the sick and the stressed?

Managing
Our Financial
Resources – How
can we afford to
provide meaningful
services and programs in
our beautiful but aging
structure without raising
dues? Are we operating
as competently as we can
as a charitable, non-profit
organization?

These are all BIG questions! And only YOU have the answers. Now that the direction is set and the challenge enormous, the LRPC would like to speak to EVERY member. As it is said in Pirke Avot: Who is wise [is] he who learns from every man [and woman].

OHEF SHOLOM TEMPLE TO HOST INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED MUSICIANS

French pianist Prisca Benoit, Israeli cellist Amit Peled, and lecturer Kamal Chemali, MD, will join together for a concert / lecture at Ohef Sholom Temple on Sunday, June 5, at 4 p.m. The program, organized by the Sentara Music and Medicine Center and sponsored by Ohef Sholom Temple, is free and open to the public.

Dr. Kamal Chemali, neurologist, is the director of Sentara's Music and Medicine Center, founded in 2013. In addition, he is a classically trained pianist. Dr. Chemali will speak on the Center's focus on integrating music-based interventions as a treatment for improving the quality of life for patients and caregivers, and will be joined on this program by internationally renowned musicians Prisca Benoit and Amit Peled.

Prisca Benoit is artist in residence at the Sentara Music and Medicine Center. A prizewinner at major international piano competitions, Ms. Benoit has performed with prestigious orchestras including Bordeaux-Aquitaine, Capitole of Toulouse, New Japan Philharmonic, Virginia Symphony, and National Symphony Orchestra of Ireland. A well-recognized educator and sought-after pedagogical innovator, she is an associate professor at the Conservatoire National Supérieur de Paris.

Amit Peled is acclaimed as one of the most exciting instrumentalists on the concert stage today. He has performed as soloist in the world's major concert halls including Carnegie Hall and Alice Tully Hall (New York) Salle Gaveau (Paris), Wigmore Hall (London), and Mann

Auditorium (Tel Aviv). A sought after cello pedagogue, Mr. Peled is a Professor at the Peabody Conservatory of Music at the Johns Hopkins University.

Ohef Sholom Temple is located at 530 Raleigh Avenue, Norfolk. Reservations to the program and reception are not required but are kindly requested for planning purposes. They may be made by email (reservations@ohefsholom. org) or by calling the Temple office (757-625-4295).



RABBI STEINBERG

delivered a prayer prior to Ohef Sholom

Foundation's Annual Meeting on March 24, 2016. We were touched by his beautiful words not realizing that they would be one of his last prayers at Temple.

"This Foundation meeting is about standing on the solid ground of the present and leaning over to touch the fabric of the future. We offer gratitude and ask God's blessings on all who are responsible for that solid ground and look within our own hearts for the resources of the future. It is about rounding that corner and glimpsing a future that we may not be here to see, but we can be among those who craft legacies for generations to come, for those descendants whose lives are already intertwined with ours.

Bless us, Adonai, and all who give their

strength to Ohef Sholom. As we look to another year of dedication, crafting the destiny we share with one another, may we do this work with wisdom and with love."

3-24-16 Rabbi Steinberg

YOUR SAFETY IS OUR PRIORITY!

The OST Special Needs & Security Committee has been meeting with security professionals & local law enforcement specialists since 2014 in order to improve our safety in a 21st Century world.

Please make OST safer by cooperating with the policies developed to reduce the possibility of anyone succeeding in causing harm to our congregants, guests, religious school children and staff.

FOR YOUR SAFETY:

- 1. All bags are subject to search.
- 2. No Backpacks, Roller Bags, or Duffle bags are permitted in building. Leave them in the car.
- 3. Bags necessary for infants or health related issues are permitted but are subject to search.

Please make your family & any guests you may be entertaining at OST aware of this Policy. We are consistently reviewing procedures and meeting with the Worship Committee in order to make attendance at all services safe and enjoyable.

Bonnie Kerner Special Needs & Security Chair kmail2@verizon.net **Rick Rivin**Special Needs & Security Co-Chairickrivin@amail.com



Please attend our strategy meeting on Tuesday, June 21st at 6:30 pm and help us make the Caring Committee vital and integral to Temple life once again. We need your input and your passion!

TRAVELING THIS SUMMER? NEED A PROJECT FOR YOUR GIRL SCOUT OR BOY SCOUT TROOP OR B'NAI MITZVAH? Please collect your hotel toiletries and bring them to the Temple to be distributed to our Soup Kitchen guests. We hand out hundreds of toiletries at every Soup Kitchen meal and depend on donations to make this possible. You don't know the value of a bar of soap until you don't have one!

Several congregants have expressed interest in forming a caregiver support group. This group would meet bimonthly to share stories, concerns and fears that come with the challenge of caring for sick or aging loved ones, particularly those with dementia or Alzheimer's. The group would be led by a professional facilitator who would weave in our Jewish traditions which can provide grounding for these difficult challenges. We would also address the most important aspect of "taking care of the caregiver."

If you have any interest in joining please contact Sharon Ross (s4ross@cox.net) or Barbara Dudley (dudleb@gmail.com) We are just in the planning stages and welcome ideas and s.uggestions.



please email or call with any ideas or suggestions you may have.

Please RSVP to Sharon Ross (s4ross@cox.net) or Dorianne Villani (dvillani@cox.net).

Sharon RossCaring Committee Cha

WANT TO BE A GREETER?

Dear Ohef Sholom Temple Friends,

About a year ago the OST Shalom Committee was formed to recruit greeters for the Friday night services as a way to make both congregants and visitors feel appreciated and welcome as they arrive for Shabbat services, and to extend a friendly greeting to visitors or those standing alone during the Oneg following services.

As we begin a new Temple year, would you please consider volunteering to be a Shalom greeter? The job simply involves standing at the door prior to services, handing out prayerbooks, smiling and saying "Shabbat Shalom" as people enter the Sinai Chapel or the Sanctuary.

Please volunteer by going to SignUpGenius.com and follow the directions for signing up to be a greeter. SignUpGenius will remind you a week in advance, and I will also email you with specific instructions. If you find you can't serve as a greeter for a date for which you have already committed, it's no problem! You

can remove your name and signup for a different date. If you are unable to serve at a week's notice or less, please email me at *sharonuz@aol*.com or call me at 757-622-4226. I can make arrangements for others to take your place.

Please consider volunteering for this mitzvah--one, two or three times during the coming year. A friendly greeting can set the tone for a positive worship experience!

With appreciation,

Sharon Nusbaum

Shalom Committee Chair sharonuz@aol.com





OST WINS COMPOSTING GRANT

You will return to the ground, for it was from the ground that you were taken. (Gen. 3:19)

Exciting news! The Commission on Social Action of Reform Judaism (CSA) has awarded Ohef Sholom Temple a Travel Justly grant in the amount of \$500 for purchasing equipment to launch food composting at Temple. The CSA was inspired by our congregation's commitment to forward thinking on adopting sustainable practices.

Sunday learners will pilot the program in the fall of 2016 and be encouraged to BRING IN their organic, compostable material from home to be communally composted at Temple. This is a great learning opportunity, and gives families alternatives for weekly ritualized tzedakah

- compost or coins. Home kitchen waste can be turned into something productive for our Temple. Families will learn in a hands-on way the meaning of bal tashchit, a virtue from our Torah that means "do not waste." Families will also learn the importance of minimizing waste and what we will do with the compost once it is ready. The outdoor compost will fuel our temple grounds with rich nutrients.

Ten pilot classrooms will receive their own compost bins and be a part of the first phase of the Temple's compost education and implementation plan. Each week, once home compost is compiled into the classroom bin, a student from each class will add that class's compost to the large compost bin outside, and turn the bin to mix the decomposing materials together. The bin will then be rinsed out so no food waste will sit anywhere in the Temple.

Once the Sunday morning learners launch this program, the Environmental Stewardship Subcommittee will work with other Temple groups programs to determine whether food composting, instead of food trashing, is a viable option. Composting instead of throwing away our food leads to a reduction of trash transported to landfills and rotting in a way that emits large amounts of methane, and reduces carbon emissions in Southeastern Virginia.



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Sisterhood

appy Spring to all! With this beautiful time of year comes some of Sisterhood's annual events that we have loved doing each year for our Temple community, and just for FUN!

We hosted another successful Rummage Sale on Sunday, April 3rd, and filled Kaufman Hall with toys, furniture, books, etc. which were then sold to raise money for Sisterhood's many programs. Marsha Moody and Gabriele Jiannas, our fantastic duo, did another wonderful job co-chairing the event. We appreciate so much their hard work in coordinating the Rummage Sale.



You may have already heard about the unique twist that cochairs Amy Metzger and Alyssa Muhlendorf took in planning this year's Dessert Seder, which took place on the evening of April 13th. Simon Hall was decked out in style gorgeous "tablescapes." Guests noshed on a variety of Passover-themed desserts paired with wine, coffee, and tea as they shared in a meaningful Seder Service that focused on past and present Jewish women who have inspired us. Bravo to Amy and



Alyssa, another fantastic duo, for treating us to such a fun and meaningful experience.

Sisterhood's Annual Meeting was held on May 18th. We reviewed the past year, approved the budget for next year, and met the newest members of our board, all while enjoying delicious dessert and wine prepared by Sharon Nusbaum and Gabriele Jiannas, who coordinated the event. If you are new to Sisterhood or don't know much about us, attending our Annual Meeting or a regular Sisterhood monthly meeting is a perfect chance to come find out who we are and what we do. So please join us. Contact the Temple office or go to reservations@ ohefsholom.org to RSVP for one of our events.

With Spring also comes the annual Men's Club Shabbat Service where we show our appreciation for all that the OST Men's Club does for our Temple. Sisterhood hosted Shabbat dinner for the Men's Club on May 6th prior to the Service, and this was once again chaired beautifully by Jeanne Miller.

Finally, did you know that

Sisterhood provides the beautiful flowers that are in the chapel or sanctuary for every Shabbat? A beautiful way to honor a bar/bat mitzvah, memorialize a loved one, or honor anyone is to sponsor these flowers. You can even choose the type of flowers you would like to go in the arrangement to personalize the occasion. In addition, Sisterhood also sponsors the Oneg after Shabbat Services each Friday night, and Rita Weiss does a beautiful job of making it all happen. By opting to sponsor one of the Onegs, you can also honor or memorialize someone special. Contact the Sisterhood or Temple office if you would like to honor a loved one in this way.

Check out our webpage to get more information on continuous projects that Sisterhood is working on, such as our quilting group and Judaica Shop. The Judaica Shop has recently joined Facebook, so you will be able to make purchases online soon!

It has been a busy and wonderful 2016 for Sisterhood, and we hope it has been for you as well. Happy and healthy Spring to you all!

Wishing A Happy Birthday to: **GAIL BACHMAN Bob Liverman** LISA COHEN **Bob Liverman** JOAN DALIS **Bob Liverman SUSAN DONN Bob Liverman** SANDRA FORTE-**NICKENIG**

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THE COST OF PAYING BY CREDIT CARD

Temple dues & donations with a credit card, you are also assessed a 3% fee? This fee goes directly to the banks and credit card companies.

enough fees for almost a month's worth of Starbucks' coffee! Temple President, Ted Kaufman, says, "I believe most of our credit card paying members don't realize the amount being wasted on bank fees and would prefer to either keep the money or, better yet, apply it to a good cause at our Temple?"

Rabbi Roz elaborates: "Avoiding



This fiscal year, payments made to the Temple by personal credit cards will exceed \$100k in revenue, resulting in over \$3,000 in credit card fees, some would say, money "thrown away."

Your annual OST Membership, when paid with a credit card, produces

credit card fees, individually or collectively, and redirecting that money to the Temple, could go to supporting prayer books, scholarships, community service, office supplies or a Temple fund of your choice." For example, revenues applied to bank fees just this year could have purchased two computers or enough supplies to operate the Soup Kitchen for ten nights.

So what is the alternative to paying by credit card? Write a simple check to OST when you pay your dues, rather than charging them. Better yet, If you are paying your dues, donations and related Temple costs manually or by credit card, contemplate switching over to automatic (ACH) withdrawals from your bank.

Automatic payments can be arranged easily with the Temple office. This hassle-free method incurs no additional fees for you or the Temple. You can indicate a monthly or quarterly payment for your convenience. the form can be found online. Please complete and return to the Temple office or via email to reservations@ohefsholom.org.

SEND BEST WISHES THE BEST WAY!

ur fabulous Sisterhood has been offering the best way to send best wishes for many years: Uniongrams! We purchase them directly from Women of Reform Judaism, the umbrella organization of all Reform Temples' women's groups, we fill them out and address the envelopes, and you don't even have to remember what day to mail them!

Once every four months you'll find a special insert in your TEMPLE POST with a list of important events in your OST friends' lives. All you have to do is fill out the form, selecting those people to whom you want to send congratulations, and mail it to Connie Golden as directed. Each Uniongram costs \$3.00, and there's no waiting for billing or credit card statements; just make out a check and send it along with your order, and you're done! Be sure, though, to make out the check only to:

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him. But those of you who ordered a High Holiday Uniongram for him

SO REMEMBER:

Uniongrams are easy to send.

Uniongrams are personal and on time!

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Plus, Uniongram income goes to our Sisterhood, where it is used to support the Temple as needed.

Even more exciting, all events are acknowledged with best wishes from our Sisterhood and our Clergy, which means that when it's your turn to receive a hearty Mazal Tov, you'll get those two special ones in addition to those from your friends. How special is that?!

Finally, we keep track for you of the seasons of the Jewish year, and offer you a lovely way to express your appreciation of clergy and staff for the High Holidays, as we did in our latest POST insert form. Sadly we lost our dear rabbi and friend Arthur Steinberg before your wishes could have reached will be happy to know that your \$3.00 will be sent, along with all the others, to Oasis Social Ministry, an organization which was very important to him.

LOST & FOUND

Have you misplaced your sunglasses?

Is your child missing a glove?

They may be in the Lost & Found box, located in the Temple office.

Please feel free to come by and take a look!



Every Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. and Saturday at 9:00 a.m. the Adult Education Committee sponsors a Torah Study class. All are welcome!

Mussar classes are ongoing. You can receive information on meeting times by contacting the Temple at 625-4295.

STUDY STUDY STUDY

As all of us know, we Jews are called by many, "The People of the Book." We are countless other things: principled, moral, nationalists of both Israel and wherever we live, observers of customs and rituals, helpers of the poor, and so on. But the reality is that it is our Religious

Heritage that guides us on all those levels. It is the books of our Tradition which teach us to be all that we are.

Given that, it's no surprise that we explore our world and our lives not only through current events and literature but also through history and Traditional texts. That's why I, for one, love it when I can study with a special Scholar-in-Residence for a whole weekend at OST. We get to do that once every other year, and of course get to study with our own Temple teachers and clergy the rest of the time.

But I keep thinking about how exciting it would be to have a Scholar-in-Residence with us once every year, as many other Reform Temples do. When I asked Rabbi Roz about it a few years ago she let me know that sadly the cost would be prohibitive, as Scholars are expensive and so is housing. So I offered to – and did – pay for a Scholar to come during an in-between year. It was fantastic: not only did I get to study more, but I felt I was doing a mitzvah because all of us got to study more!

I had hoped that my gesture would inspire others to help too. Unfortunately no one has picked up on the idea, possibly because we have not asked. So I'm giving a nudge now, to any of you who love study and who can afford to sponsor a Scholar-in-Residence, to think about doing so. The Temple has a Fund which sponsors a Scholar every other year; YOU can sponsor someone during an in-between year! It's not prohibitively expensive, and you can do it just once; you won't be committed to anything ongoing.

Please think about it, and if you feel you might be interested in doing so, contact the Temple office. There might even be a particular Scholar whom you'd like to suggest we invite!

Connie Golden rab.golden@cox.net

OST'S NEW COUPLES MUSSAR GROUP

A new Mussar group is forming at Ohef Sholom. Unlike the others, this one will be comprised of couples. We think it may be interesting to learn Mussar as a couple, so we want to try this. We'll meet 10 - 12 times per year at 7 p.m. on a weekday, rotating the location among group members.

This Mussar group will examine a list of character traits (kindness, gratitude, simplicity, humility, enthusiasm, moderation...) in an ethical context, hoping to move toward a good balance on each. For example, a person who is too generous might give everything away, but one who is not generous at all may miss the joy of sharing with others. What is the right balance for each of us? Well, there is no magic formula... and that's why we discuss these things.

As we read about each trait, we will consider how to move more closely to "our personal ideal." Mussar helps us close the gap between lofty ideals and the reality of how we lead our lives. The goal is to encourage us to think in new ways, always asking how we can become the best version of ourselves.

If you might be interested in joining this couples group, please email *NanciGlassman@gmail.com* or call her at 423-5872.

Nanci Glassman
nancialassman@amail.com

INTERFAITH DIALOGUE WITH A PURPOSE

Current levels of intolerance directed toward Muslims living in our community have highlighted the need to build bridges of understanding with our neighbors of different faiths. Such intolerance, if allowed to go unchecked, puts us all at risk, as will be explained by a panel representing the three major monotheistic religions at First Presbyterian Church in Virginia Beach, 300 36th St, Virginia Beach, VA on June 1.

The panel will include Rabbi Rosalin Mandelberg, Rev. Craig Wansink of the Center for the Study of Religious Freedom at Virginia Wesleyan College, and Imam Khould. All will share personal experiences with intolerance and how they have responded to resulting persecution. It is hoped that the discussions will lead to plans for inclusive follow-up action and activities, such as multi-cultural meals or visits to a synagogue, and/or a mosque.

This session will begin at 7 pm and will include interesting presentations, a brief break for refreshments, and an opportunity to meet in small groups to discuss questions and get to know others who may have a different perspective on our one and only God.

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JUNE BIRTHDAYS

June 1

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Jerry Golden
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Marja-Leena Jacobson
Jerry Meltsner
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Jeffrey A. Swartz
Linda Kayer Willey

June 9Kirby Lefkowitz
Sharon Shanker

June 10

Marcia Potts Teresa Lynne Shapiro Lynne Sward Jack Young

June 11

Judy Benjamin Karen Longwater

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Michael Gebel John Lomogda JoEllen Rose

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

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Robert Kirschner Jonathan Muhlendorf Victor Pickett

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May 29 -June 4

Flora Albert

Frieda Berman Amelson* Bertha M. Aronson* Dr. Richard Bartley* Jerry Baydush* Harold I. Breit* Israel L. Brenner Lewis Alfred Bress Abraham Bress Rachel Brown* Emma Cross Sara Joo Davidson* Jennie Lohrman Dobbs* Abraham Donn* Sarah Feldman Charles Joseph Foster V Steven Friedman Ruth Basch Front Marion Glazer Lavada Goldberg* Kate Goldstein Sylvia Greenspoon Clara G. Harris* Felmore Jacobson Edwin "Buddy" Jacobson* Bernard Jaffe Solomon Kaplan Sarah Kayton* Edna Sara Lazaron Reba M. Leterman* Agatha L. Leventhal* Seymour (Buddy) Levinson* Sonya Levy Anna Lee Liverman* Jacob Markovitz Maurice J. Miller*

Harry Nicholson*
Minna Nordlinger*
Mary Elizabeth Perkins
Bertha Reisner
Doris Roth
Roberta Schiff
Rose Silverton
Brian Simon
Harriet Solomon
William Waldman*
Julia Weisel*
Belle V. Weiss
Shirley Ann Yusuf

June 5 - 11

Leo Baydush* Alice Blumenson Priscilla Close Arthur Paul Cohen* John Doe Bessie P. Dozoretz* Milton Drucker* Minnie Eisenstein* I. Morton Feldman Arthur Frasca Sylvia Geffen Rachel F. Goldstein* Murray B. Goldsticker Stanley Leigh Harrison* William H. Harrison* Peggy Hellner Minnie B. Hollan Albert Laderberg Coralyn Lakamp Rabbi Morris S. Lazaron Charles P. Leavitt Regina Weiss Lefkowitz **Emanuel Lester** Elsie Leviton Jacob Levy

Moe Levy*
Lena A. Liverman
Sarah Lobock
David Lowenberg
Dr. Eugene Lowenberg*
Ellie M. Marx*
Sarah Meyerson
Marilyn Moon
Murray Pikelny
Ida Schafetz
Daniel Schneider
James Scranton
Michael Shank
Richard Wingfield

June 12 - 18

Phillip Barr* Rena Myers Bartley* Belle S. Bear Max A. Berger* Jerome Breinin Robert Broudy Sarah Rebecca Cooper* Meyer Engelberg Joseph S. Evans* H. William Fink Samuel H. Fried* Harold Friedman Elsa Wallerstein Gerst William Goldman David Goldrich* David H. Goodman* Samuel Kaiser George B. Kaufman* Hilda Saxon Kerpelman Malvina Kirschner Allen Kline Isabelle H. Kline* David Ari Leavitt A.J. Legum

Leo Levine Leonard Levitan Simmy Sadie Levy Lt. David Lowenberg, Jr. Bernard Lubschutz Margaret Newfield Stephen L. Preddy Jeanne Reznick Lena Riskin Rita B. Rosenberg* Joseph Rottenberg Maurice Sacks Jean Schepper Ann Shapiro Louis Shapiro Lester S. Sherrick* Moe Aaron Snyder Shirley Steinberg Ernestine Stiffman Bernice Stillman Elise Loemann Ullman* Louis Wasserman* Pauline Wasserman* Jerrold Weinberg* Jeffrey Winn Bonnie Brill Zipkin

June 19 - 25

Stuart Abramson Minnie Silverman Adler* Jennie F. Barr Marsha Bartley* Philip Bass Philip Belkov Jack Bodner Stella Chase Rita Cogan Harry Echmann Mathilde (Tillie) Farber Sidney Feldman Mamie Heller Fine* Thomas M. Friedman* Pauline Becker Galumbeck Harry L. Gilbert* Max Goldberg Ruth Kaufman Goldstein Sarah Yetta Hecht Albert G. Isav David G. Jacobs* Stephanie Jacobson* Beatrice Kagan Dr. Bruce Kane David Kaufman Henry B. Kaufmann* Richard B. Keelev Jack Klar Naomi Karlin Laderberg Carl Lifland* DeWitt Moody Dorothy Jean Rager* Harry Sacks Morrie B. Silverstein Anna Smith Shirley Sobel Rachel Steel* Selma Swersky Solomon D. Troy Israel Winn Sigmund Wolf

June 26 - July 2

Ilona Aranvi*

Samuel Ashinoff*
Jay D. A. Barr
Fannie Bass
Philip S. Bass
Billy Bazar
Emeri Berkovitz
Dr. Walter Berman
Lynn Chapel

Bertha G. Cohen* Doris Meyer Cohen* Irene Cohen Sara Comess* Ida Goldblatt Diamonstein* Abe A. Forman* Bessie Galumbeck Suzanne Galumbeck* Carl Gilbert* Roger A. Horne* Jacob W. Legum Goldie Levin Ben Levy Kathryn Levy Moses Levy Frank Livingston* Clara Lohrman* Fannye Metzger* Cameron Munden* Eleanor Neukrug Alan Nusbaum Harry Pincus, Sr.* Harry Puritz Peter Reisner Andre Roberto Joseph Rose* Irving Rosen Ada Rosenfeld William Rosenfeld Robert Rovner James Schiavo Henry Schlesinger* Sarah G. Segal* Florence Sherman* J. Arthur Stein Samuel Weisberg

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JULY BIRTHDAYS

July 1

Marsha Hirschler Linda S. Laibstain Michael Rosenblum Susan Rvan Leonard B. Zacks

July 2

Brian Deutsch Jeanette Friedman

July 3

Roy Beskin Seth Gilbert Shirley Schulwolf Hainer Robert S. Kline Daniel R. Weckstein

July 4

Marilyn Allison Ragan Freeman Helen Margolius George Rowland Jean M. Snyder

July 5

George H. Metzger

Ronald Miller Marc Moss Gerald M. Zeno

July 6

Jonathan Harris Joan S. Harrison Barry Kayer Cindy Levin

July 7

Alex Berkowitz Morton A. Brownstein Allen Larar Marty Moody **Donald Sussman**

July 8

Josh Hobbs Heather Keller

July 9

Laura Gilbert Leanelle Goldstein

July 10

Joel Cohn Burton H. Jaffe Susan F. Katz Barbara Pributsky

July 11

Cathi M. Laderberg

July 12

Lynnda Brotman Matthew Epps **Dale Jacobs** Mary Ann Nadler Marc L. Paster Gilbert F. Schmidt, Jr. Helen Sonenshine

July 13

Charles N. Cooper Suzanne Feldman Linda F. McGreevy

July 14

Suzanne W. Gruelle

July 15 Carole Sacks

July 17 Stuart Katz Cathy Lynn Romash Mimi Stein Ruth F. Tavss

July 18

Joseph Hooks Bari Kraus

July 19

Jerome D. Perlman

July 20

Sandra Coplon Margaret S. Sawyer

July 21

Fredrick Dagen **Delores Beverly Fox** Martin M. Freedman Gail Heagen Joseph H. Hecht Nathan Jaffe **David Titus**

July 22

Marilyn B. Buxbaum **Beth Campion** Michael Konikoff

Roberto Luna Robert Pariser

July 23

Asher Rolfe Edwin A. Salomonsky Nancy H. Wall

July 24

Jeremy Laws Bruce I. Longman Cara D. Novick Steven Taubman

July 25

Stacie Moss Gail Salzberg Debi Stadlin

July 26

James Belote Jerome Gold David J. Soforenko

July 27

Kristina Cartwright Yaniv Drezner Cheryl Frasca Norman Olitsky

July 28

Sura Goldner Jay W. Legum Lauren Truslow

July 29

Paula L. Blachman Megan Brown Eric J. Freeman William L. Nusbaum

July 30

William D. Coley Rachel Frieder Shari Kletz Marcia Landman Joashua F. Schulman Sandra Glasser Tavss

July 31

Matthew Fischi **Shelley Frazier** Patricia Kayer

JULY YAHRZEITS

July 3 - 9

Ethel Bass* Arthur Bear Harry Berman* Jeffrey Blair Helen Katz Bowdree Ethel Brotman Joe Chernitzer Raymond Israel Cohen Lewis P. Cooper* **Roth Raw Dreggors** Rosabel S. Fleishman Phyllis Gilbert Gertrude Rubenstein Goldberg* Satoris Gutterman Esther Jacobs* Blanche Kaufman* Max Kleinfeld* Frank Laderberg* Jean Levin Leon Miller Charles Moore Murray Paster Minna Powders Harold Rapp Betty Romulus **David Saks** Benjamin Salomonsky* Milton G. Schloss Beverly Schulman Fannie Seldes Elise Simon Sandra Slaven Meyer Staub Lillian M. Strelitz*

Lillian Strom*

Herman Unger* Helen Wasserman Van Os* Benjamin Weisel* Birdie Weitsman Murray Wolsh

July 10 - 16

Henry S. Blumenthal, Jr.* Max Comess* **Dudley Cooper*** Alan Seth Deutsch Leah W. Drew* Bernhard Eberson* Phillip Engel* Dorothy Flax Barbara Leterman Fletcher* Milton L. Friedman* Bertha Levine Gilbert Joseph Glanzer* Martha R. Goldin* Barbara Haag Eric Hecht Jack Hogen John Bennett Jacobson* Virgie Johns Elsie Goldstein Kerley Jeffrey Kesser Lenora Kroll Benjamin J. Levy* Sidney Lutzin Robert McCullough Evelyn Nadler Dr. Henry Newfield Henry Milton Nordin* Leon Salzberg

Harry C. Schapiro

Carolyn Schlenger Joseph Smith Shirley Smith Meyer Steingold* Stephen D. Unger* Eloise Ward Ruth Wasserman*

July 17 - 23

Ida Adelsdorf* Cecil Blum* Harry Cohen Joseph B. Cooper* Fredric Coplon Larry Dagen Herbert Freeman Frances S. Garnher* Richard Carl Geis Samuel E. Goodove Rose S. Gordon* Fmma Heimanson* Samuel R. Heller* Lewis D. Hirschler, Sr.* Elise N. Hofheimer* Barbara Broudy Howie Shirley Hurwitz Fleurette Joo* Adele H. Koster* Kenneth Levi* Solomon Loeb* Roberta Moore Sally Rogers Jacob Rotholz* Milton Saul Tybell Schub Hilda Cohen Shank

Michael Shanker*

John "Jack" Simmons* Luba Zelda R. Small Shirley Miriam Sobel* Sylvia Stark Pauline J. Turner* Pauline C. Whitlock* Lucy With Renee Wolfson Fannie Zittrain

July 24 - 30

Linda Brill Barnes Ralph J. Berlin* Florene Feinberg Berman* Joseph Bohrman* Leonard Breinin Raymond A. Cogan Betty Cohen Theodore H. Cohen* **Esther Comess** William Cross Jennie Friedman Louis H. Friedman* Marcelle H. Gates* Margaret Glans Etta Goldblatt Florence W. Goldstein* Elsa Campe Goodman* Gertrude Gore Anna Ruth Gross Benjamin Hofheimer* Jefferson Davis Hofheimer Leo Jacobs David Kane

Charles King* Amelia Kline* Iosif Kosoi Michele Krock Harry Legum* Irving Leibowitz Rose Lifland* Anna C. Lisner Junius Miller Lorin Goodman Nelson* Henry Porter Joseph Rosenbaum Sylvia W. Schechter* Lawrence Snyder **Esther Solomon** Sam G. Spindel* Lewis N. Strelitz* Gertrude B. Weisberg Harold Wolff Mildred Zacks Mollie Zimberg

July 31 - Aug 6

Benjamin Allen Barbara Alper Rachel L. Cohen Irving Cooper* Milton Donn* Alberta Evans Jennie Fass³ Lisa Frank Albert A. Gabel* Marsha Goldman Samuel Goldstone* Ruth N. Goodman* Teddy F. Greenhood Jerry Griffin

Cantor Joseph Gutherz Robert Hecht Phillip Herman* Benjamin Hoffer* Ida Horwitz Irving Kas Morris Kluger Emma Maude Learned Howard Legum Milton Lewis Leo H. Maltz Celia Mandelkern* Florence Mendelsohn* Lillian D. Mervis* Julius Miller* Jay Lawrence Millison Mary Munich Charles W. Novitch* Herman C. Petock Levi Plant* Virginia Rosen Margery Salzberger **Ruth Sherman** Sidney Slane Abraham Smith Miriam Rae Snyder Martha Stein* Norma T. Steingold Minnie G. Strelitz* Walter W. Vatcher Rhona S. Weinstein

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HIGHLIGHTED EVENTS

June 4 5:35 pm



Men's Club Tides Game

Join us at Harbor Park for fun, food and fireworks as the Norfolk Tides take on the Pawtucket Red Sox.

Pick up tickets at the event near the back entrance of the park. Visit *ohefsholom.org* for directions and more info.

June 5 4:00 pm



Music & Medicine

French pianist Prisca Benoit, Israeli cellist Amit Peled, and lecturer Kamal Chemali, MD, will join together for a concert / lecture at Ohef Sholom Temple.

Please RSVP to reservations@ohefsholom.org

June 9 &



7:30 pm

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Interfaith Iftar

In observance of Ramadan, Ohef Sholom Temple with the Rumi Forum & the American Turkish Friendship Association (ATFA) invite you to join us for an Islamic ritual and Turkish cuisine.

Please RSVP to reservations@ohefsholom.org

June 14 7:00 pm



HR LGBTQSI Interfaith Celebration

Join with folks from all across Hampton Roads from different faith traditions to affirm, support, and celebrate members and allies of our LGBT Community.

June 18 12:00 pm



PrideFest Boat Parade

OST enters the 6th Annual PrideFest boat parade at Norfolk's Town Point Park on a "Fine"-looking boat. Contact Chris at chris@ohefsholom.org to decorate and ride with OST, or enter the parade with your own decorated boat.

June 21 6:30 pm



Caring Committee Re-engergize Meeting

We are looking for new ideas and projects and would love your input!

Please RSVP to Sharon Ross s4ross@cox.net or Dorianne Villani dvillani@cox.net.

June 27 & July 25



9:30 am

Soup Kitchen

Come lend a hand at the upcoming Soup Kitchen meal.

Contact Soup Kitchen Chairperson Dorianne Villani at 301-6477 or dvillani@cox.net.

July 22





Temple Israel & OST Pulpit Exchange

We will be having Shabbat Services July 22 at Ohef Sholom Temple with guest speaker Rabbi Panitz.

July 23





Temple Israel & OST Pulpit Exchange

We will have Torah study & Shabbat Services at Temple Israel (7255 Granby St, Norfolk, VA 23505) with Rabbi Roz speaking.

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SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.					
			1	2 9:00 a.m. HRPN Mtg 1:00 p.m. Board of Rabbis & Cantors Mtg 3:00 p.m. Executive Comittee Mtg	3 6:30 p.m. Shabbat Services	4 9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Bat Mitzvah of Sabrina Sterns 5:35 p.m. Men's Club Tides Game					
5 TBD OSTY Pool Party (offsite) 4:00 p.m. Music & Medicine	6	7 4:00 p.m. House Committee Mtg. 6:00 p.m. Dues Committee Mtg., Torah Study	8	9 10:00 a.m. Quilting Group 7:30 p.m. Interfaith Iftar (break-the- fast) Meal	10 6:30 p.m. Shabbat Services	11 9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Bat Mitvzah of Cecilia Firoved					
12	13	14 5:30 p.m. Quilting Group 6:00 p.m. Torah Study 7:00 p.m. Hampton Roads Interfaith Pride Celebration	15	16 7:00 p.m. Board Mtg	17 6:30 p.m. Shabbat Services	18 9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Services 12:00 p.m. PrideFest Boat parade					
19	20 7:30 p.m. Interfaith Iftar (at ATFA Center)	21 6:00 p.m. Torah Study 6:30 p.m. Caring Committee Mtg	22	23 10:00 a.m. Quilting Group	24 6:30 p.m. Shabbat Service	25 9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Services					
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ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



Our new Board of Directors for 2016/2017.



Sharon Nusbaum swears in our officers (left to right: Ted Kaufman, Karen Fine, Erik Cooper & Jim Schloss).



Our President Ted Kaufman made a speach about what to expect in 2017.