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MISSION STATEMENT:

*"My House Shall be
Called a House of Prayer
For All Peoples"*

To provide a spiritual,
cultural and educational
environment inspired
by the highest
Reform Jewish values.

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PURIMSHPIEL 2017

Disney BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

*A dashing man... A smart and beautiful girl...
A monstrous-looking royal... Who's the hero? Who's the beast?*

JOIN US FOR THE TRADITIONAL RETELLING OF THE PURIM STORY
AS YOUR FELLOW OST MEMBERS PRESENT A HILARIOUS
"BEAUTY AND THE BEAST"-INSPIRED MUSICAL MEGILLAH
ON SUNDAY, MARCH 12 AT 11:00 AM.

COME IN COSTUME TO BE IN THE PURIM PAGEANT!



shabbat for **everyone**

March 17, 2017

5:45 pm

**Family-Friendly
Service**

6:30 pm

**Sisterhood
Community
Shabbat
Dinner**

7:00 pm

**Ice Cream Bar
Social for Teens
(and almost teens)**

7:30 pm

Sisterhood Shabbat Service

Guest speaker Susan Feit-Stern, OST
member & social
justice strategist.



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Purim took place in 1977 in Washington, DC. And, Purim took place in Cairo in 1323. And, in Casablanca in 1943. Not the Biblical Purim, but a Purim nonetheless.

The Biblical Purim, of course, celebrates Jewish salvation at the time of Esther and Mordechai. But, the theme of Purim – the survival of the Jewish people when threatened – has been repeated endless times through our history. Fascinatingly, a tradition of ordaining a “special Purim” arose to mark these deliverances. Communities have called for a special Purim after natural disasters and acts of anti-semitism. There are over 100 such special Purims; Encyclopedia Judaica has the most complete list.

To celebrate a special Purim, the community writes a megillah, or scroll, describing what happened and how the community was saved. This megillah is read on the anniversary of the event, along with special prayers and sometimes a feast.

Here are just a few examples:

On March 9, 1977, terrorists held 136 hostages from the B'nai B'rith headquarters in DC for 36 hours. Police negotiated an end to the crisis and most hostages were released unharmed. The terrorists were all convicted. A special Purim was ordained in commemoration.

In Cairo in 1323, a Muslim crowd attacked a Jewish funeral procession. Twenty-three Jews were arrested and the rest of the community retreated to their home and fasted. On the third day, mirroring Esther's fast, a group of Jews appealed to the Caliph. The Caliph investigated and ordered the Jewish prisoners released. A special Purim was ordained.

In Casablanca in 1943, on the 20th of Kislev, the Jewish community was saved from Nazis, when Allied forces invaded. A special Purim, called Purim Hitler, was ordained and a special Megillah was composed. This Megillah is now at the US Holocaust Museum.

As students of Judaism, special Purim commemorations give us a unique look into the history of Jewish communities worldwide. As spiritual Jews, they remind us how Purim is not only about one event, but about God's continual role in the salvation of our people.

May your Purim this year be a special celebration, filled with learning, joy and thankfulness.

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CHANTING GROUP

reduces anxiety,
boosts immunity, and
engenders compassion.

Join Rabbi Roz as we engage in
this ancient spiritual practice.
There will be a brief teaching,
chanting of our sacred texts,
and time for reflection.

Fridays
March 3 • April 14 • May 5 • June 2
5:30 pm – 6:00 pm
Ohef Sholom Temple

RSUP to reservations@ohefsholom.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to **Nancy & Alvin Wall** on the birth of their grandson *Tyler Harrison Wall* born October 17, 2016. Parents *Robin & Michael Wall*, grandparents *Susan & Steve Greene*, and great-grandmothers *Joan S. Harrison* and *Charlotte Corenblum* are very proud.

Please join us in congratulating **Jeanne McDougall** and **Bob Zentz** on "going forth" with marriage on January 4, 2017. On Sunday, February 26, 2017, Bob was honored with an induction ceremony and concert at the *Legends of Music Walk of Fame*, which recognizes Hampton Roads natives who have made significant contributions of national or international significance to the world of music.

Congratulations to **Colby & Randy Smith** on the birth of their twins *Lily & Logan Smith* born December 15, 2016. Proud Grandparents are *Roy & Lorie Beskin*.

Penny and Ken Powders announce the birth of their granddaughter *Maeve Minna Woods-Powders*. Parents are *Dave Powders & Cathleen Woods*. Big Sister is *Violet Marie*.

CONDOLENCES

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

Billye Broen Youmans, on the loss of her sister, *Jennie Lewis*.

Arlene & Howard Kesser, on the loss of her sisters, *Suzanne Berman Goldberg & Phyllis Berman Kaplan*.

Ilene Stein & Alan (Susan) Stein, on the loss of their father, *Bernie Stein*.

Ellen (Danny) Brooke-Coley and Michele Brooke-Newbill, on the loss of their father, *Benny Brooke*.

Linda Cole, on the loss of her mother, *Ruth Horlick*.

Laura (Rabbi Larry) Forman, on the loss of her mother, *Ann Giat*.

David Fierman, on the loss of his partner, *Ron Miller*.

Arlene (Jack) Rephan and Brenda (Alan) Stein, on the loss of their sister, *Susanne (Clark Geshekter) Smith*.

Martin (Marsha) Moody, on the loss of his mother, *Margaret Perry Moody*.

MAZEL TOV!

Congratulations to **Melissa Young** on her upcoming **Bat Mitzvah** on **March 4!**

Melissa is the daughter of Jack & Norma Young, sister of Jason, granddaughter of Harry* & Miriam Young and Annette & Murray Sokoloff*.

* of blessed memory



TORAH PORTIONS

March

March 4 6 Adar

Torah Study – 9:00 am

Parasha: Trumah; Exodus 25:1-27:19

Haftarah: I Kings 5:26-6:13

March 7 9 Adar

Torah Study – 6:00 pm

March 11 13 Adar

Torah Study – 9:00 am

Parasha: T'zaveh; Exodus 27:20-30:10

Haftarah: Esther 7:1-10, 8:15-17

March 14 16 Sh'vat

Torah Study – 6:00 pm

March 18 20 Adar

Torah Study – 9:00 am

Parasha: Ki Tisa; Exodus 30:11-34:35

Haftarah: Ezekiel 36:22-36

March 21 23 Sh'vat

Torah Study – 6:00 pm

March 25 27 Adar

Torah Study – 9:00 am

Parasha: Va-yak'heil-P'kudei; Exodus 35:1-40:38

Haftarah: Ezekiel 45:16-25

March 28 1 Nisan

Torah Study – 6:00 pm



Join
the OST
walking group
for the Great
Dismal Swamp walk
on **Sunday, March 5** or
Thursday, March 9. Meet
in the OST Temple parking
lot at 8:30 am OR at the trail
at 9:00 am.

Please let Sharon Nusbaum
know you are coming at email
or call 515-4226 and look for
directions in *As The Temple Turns*.

NJURBANFOREST2012

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Shalom, Ya'll;

Todah Raba (thank you) to all of you who participated in our recent Listening Campaign. The results of this survey of Temple members has been compiled and will have a major impact upon our developing Long Range Plan as well as the type of new Clergy Partner we will recommend to you for supporting Rabbi Roz.

Your Search Committee has so far received 22 resumes and has reduced those down to a final TWO. Don't think it has been an easy process. Each candidate was vetted thoroughly, the committee then voted whether or not to invite them for a telephone/Skype interview and, from that list, only 3 candidates were invited to Ohef Sholom to interview in person. The crème rose to the top, and now your Board of Directors is trying to decide between our favorite Cantorial candidate and our favorite Associate Rabbinic candidate. Watch this space next month for more details.

The most clear message sent is that we collectively want Ohef Sholom to remain the warm, welcoming, spiritual home that it is. In addition, several dichotomies were revealed that many of us can only smile at, particularly if you have been a member for many years. Chief among these are:

More Hebrew in services	More English in services
Less Talk about Money	Stress Fiscal Responsibility
Too many Programs	More Programming
Too many Emails	Not enough communication

We hear you loud and clear and are working toward a new vision that embraces our current Congregational Psyche. That is how we continue to be relevant to future generations. Times change, and we change with them. Change is neither good nor bad. Nature is constantly changing. Consider these 2 questions from a Recent Board of Directors meeting:



Ted Kaufman
Temple President
Micah 6:6-8

שְׁלוֹם יְאִל!

- How many of you want Change?
- How many of you are Willing to Change?

In other words, you cannot change anyone but Yourself. That's how you help others get where they need to go.

The Listening Campaign also brought something else to light. A lot of our members do not know what goes on at Ohef Sholom Temple between the High Holidays. Which is a Pity, really? Unless you get involved, you are not going to get out of our Temple what you Need from it.

SO HERE IS A CHALLENGE

to each and every one of you:
Our Temple Board meetings are open to the Public, held on the third Thursday of each month at 7pm. You are welcome to attend and find out what goes on around here between Yom Kippur and the following Rosh Hashanah. Full Disclosure: Board meetings can resemble Sausage. You may like it but don't necessarily want to know how it is made!



BEYOND THE BOOK FESTIVAL

with author *Jessica Fechter*

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

12:00 PM

Reba & Sam Sandler Family Campus

Tickets: \$10 per person with lunch included.

Please RSVP to reservations@ohefsholom.org by Friday, March 10, 2017.



Jessica Fechter, author of award winning memoir, *Stir: My Broken Brain and the Meals that Brought Me Home*, will share her journey of recovery from a ruptured aneurysm at age 28 and how she reclaimed her life through the restorative power of food and cooking.

MEMBERSHIP

Shabbat is for Everyone

Together is a wonderful place to be, and that is certainly the case on a *Shabbat for Everyone* Friday. The evening begins with Family Friendly Friday at 5:45 pm. This is an interactive, musical, child-centered worship service held by our clergy and youth choir. The early service is followed by a multigenerational Shabbat dinner at 6:30 p.m. During the dinner hour, children may participate in a craft or other activity. At the March 17th Shabbat for Everyone, children in the sixth through tenth grade will have the opportunity to enjoy dessert together in their own space. Each household that attends the dinner receives a Jewish themed toolkit for continued celebration of a Jewish holiday, festival or concept at home.

Dinner is followed by our traditional Shabbat Service at 7:30 p.m.

If you haven't decided to join us yet, take note. Recently, we asked the 200+ people that attended a *Shabbat For Everyone* evening in 2016 to respond to an email survey. Of the 55 people that responded,

90% plan to attend another *Shabbat for Everyone*

81% would recommend a *Shabbat for Everyone* to a friend

74% report that they were able to get to know members of another household better by attending a *Shabbat for Everyone* event.



Shabbat for Everyone is open to the entire Jewish community-OST members and non-members. All are welcome. I invite you to join with members and friends of all ages and experience the delight in celebrating Shabbat in this fun and meaningful way. The next *Shabbat for Everyone* is March 17th. We hope you attend and please ask "everyone" to join us!

Nicole Rosenblum
Membership Committee Chair

CLERGY SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Clergy Search Committee continues to evaluate resumes for the clergy position that will open on June 1, 2017 when Cantor Wally leaves the congregation.

The Committee continues its search in reviewing resumes from cantors and rabbis. The Committee's goal is to identify and interview candidates whom we believe will be an extremely effective clergy partner to assist Rabbi Roz in administering to a congregation of 700 family units.

The Committee's focus is to concentrate our efforts on finding a cantor or a rabbi that can meet our needs. The Committee has established the principle that if we cannot find the candidate that meets our expectations we will identify and recommend an interim clergy member to the Executive Committee and Board. This strategy is in place to ensure that we will not settle for a candidate that does not meet our expectations.

To date we have received twenty-two resumes. The resumes are from both cantors and rabbis who are about to be ordained at HUC. We have also received resumes from both rabbis and cantors who are experienced.

In order to ensure that the Committee finds the best possible candidate, all candidates are thoroughly researched and vetted and then presented to the Committee for a vote. Music files and writing samples are requested and reviewed. Those who meet our criteria

are invited to an electronic interview. A candidate must excel in the electronic or in-person interview prior to being invited to meet the Temple's leadership.

The Committee has interviewed candidates by telephone, Skype and "Go to Meeting" (an internet based audio/visual communication medium). One candidate, Cantor Jennifer Rueben, came to OST for an interview February 9-12. A second candidate, a rabbi, came to OST for an interview on February 26 -28.

The Committee has been meeting on a weekly basis and communicating via email and telephone on an almost daily basis.

As of this report, seventeen candidates have been eliminated and notified. One rabbinic candidate declined to visit our congregation (favoring other congregations to interview) and four candidates are still in some form of evaluation or consideration.

The Committee members are: Carol Brum, Lisa Cohn, Karen Fine, Mandi Firoved, Andy Fox, Linda Fox-Jarvis, Rachel Frieder, Steve Kayer, Steve Kocen (Chairman), Jon Kranz, David Kushner, Jay Legum, Bert Newfield, Linda Spindel, and Amy Weinstein. Ted Kaufman and Rabbi Roz are ex-officio members of the Committee.

Steve Kocen
Clergy Search Committee Chair

COMMITTEE FOCUS

featuring **OHEF SHOLOM FOUNDATION**

I can't tell you the number of times I've spoken to congregants who have no idea that their Congregation actually has a Foundation. You might wonder why Ohef Sholom Congregation has a separate Ohef Sholom Foundation. The answer is simple; *we need to attract, preserve and honor endowment gifts that support the Congregation in perpetuity.*

We are blessed that several of our members had the foresight to see that our Congregation could not survive on member commitments alone. Kurt Rosenbach is probably the most vocal cheerleader for our Foundation, having been instrumental in its formation and leadership for over twenty years. Our previous president, Rob Goodman, worked tirelessly on understanding the vehicles we use to preserve our assets and ensuring that we honor those who make gifts to the Foundation appropriately. You may have noticed the new Eternal Light Campaign plaques in Simon Hall.

This past January we elected new officers and board members. I have the honor of being the Foundation's new President. Matt Fine will serve with me as our new Vice-President. Bill Nusbaum will continue as our Secretary and Jay Friedman will continue as our Treasurer. Nine members of the Foundation board were elected by or approved by the Temple's Board of Directors this past December. The members are Jane K. Goldman, Morris Fine, Gene Ross, Bert Newfield, Izaak Glasser, Kurt Rosenbach, Jonathan Muhlendorf, Susan Hirschbiel, and Andrew Nusbaum. The Foundation Board has 28 members. Alan Nordlinger, Debbie Keeling, Robert Nusbaum and Rob Goodman have stepped down, and I can't thank them for their service enough. I know I will personally miss their wise counsel.

Through our Foundation's hard work we have



over \$5,000,000 in assets, and over \$6,000,000 in promises. Our Foundation contributes over \$200,000 to the Temple's bottom line either in program support, capital improvement, scholarships or just direct cash contributions. This represents almost \$300 for every member of our Congregation.

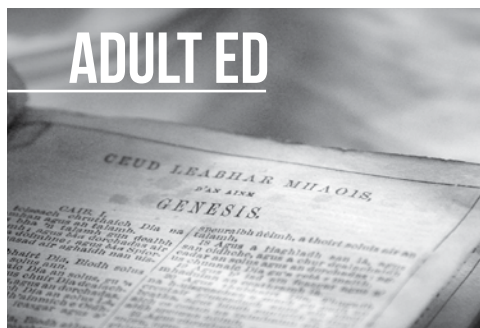
We partner with the Tidewater Jewish Foundation. Together, we manage our current assets to do our best to preserve principal and to distribute much needed income to support our Congregations needs. We also get the benefit of TJF's fundraising prowess and professional advice. Currently, we are participating with TJF in their *Life and Legacy Campaign*, which is described on the next page.

Hopefully, you now know what your Ohef Sholom Foundation is, what it does, and why it is so important to Ohef Sholom Congregation's long term viability. If you have any questions regarding the Foundation, please contact Matt or me. We'll be happy to discuss your Foundation with you.

Please consider joining your fellow Congregants already committed to the Foundation with your own Legacy gift.

Thank you for allowing me to work on these efforts with you and on your behalf,

Edward Kramer
Ohef Sholom Foundation President



ADULT ED

SEE, O' ISRAEL A VIEWER'S GUIDE TO THE BIBLE IN FILM

MARCH 14
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
OHEF SHOLOM TEMPLE

JOIN ONE OF THE AREA'S MOST ENGAGING TEACHERS, RABBI MICHAEL PANITZ, AS HE EXPLORES THE MIDRASHIC IMPULSE IN CINEMATIC INTERPRETATIONS OF THE STORY OF MOSES FROM CECIL B. DEMILLE TO RIDLEY SCOTT. LIGHT REFRESHMENT WILL BE SERVED.

LIFE AND LEGACY CORNER

Our Temple connects us as we strive for spiritual meaning, moral purpose, and a sense of community. We are inspired by our high caliber clergy, our programming, worship and our volunteer opportunities that create fulfilling social networks among each other, fostering a sense of belonging. Our open, inclusive community is a mosaic of multigenerational Jews and partners of Jews.

We are proud of our spiritual home, and know it is a valued asset to our Tidewater community. For over a decade, dedicated volunteers, the Ohef Sholom Foundation, and the Tidewater Jewish Foundation have assisted Ohef Sholom Temple congregants to build an endowment through legacy gifts. These gifts ensure our synagogue has a stable financial foundation to grow from, and already provide critical funds to respond to our synagogue's changing needs.

Legacy gifts allow people of all means to do something significant in their lifetimes that will benefit our temple after their passing.



Recently OST was accepted into a national program called *Life & Legacy* that incentivizes the Tidewater Jewish community to build endowments for nine local Jewish organizations.

Our goal in the *Life & Legacy* program is to reach out to our members, our partners, and "start the conversation" of your values, about the ways Ohef

Sholom has impacted your life, and what your hopes are for the future of Ohef Sholom.

Securing the future of OST is our collective responsibility. We simply cannot do it without you.

To educate, inspire, and show our gratitude, we will feature stories from those whom we have "started the conversation" and share what led them to make a legacy commitment.

This month we highlight Andrew and Morris Fine whose family spans five generations at OST. These brothers gave a gift to the Life & Legacy program after a productive conversation with the *Life & Legacy Team*. They shared the following statement to answer why they chose to establish the Fine Family Fund in December 2016:



OST is deeply rooted in the Fine family DNA.

For well over a century, and at least four generations, we have worshiped within these beautiful and serene surroundings. It is here, in the company of parents and grandparents, a sense of self identity was developed. It is here where teachers inspired respect and curiosity for scholarship. It is here that seeds of future leadership were planted. Much of my spiritual awakening occurred at OST. These core values and spiritual engagement are principles which must be preserved for future generations and was the principle reason for making a gift to the OST Foundation.

We look forward to inviting you to join the conversation, to ensure our sacred home remains a beacon of light and inclusivity in our community.

Alyssa Muhledorf
Development Committee Chair

FAMILY LEARNING

Temple Teamwork with Casseroles ForKids

What do you get when you combine 5 parts Sisterhood, 2 parts Bat Mitzvah project, 3 parts Caring Committee, and 6 parts Sunday morning learning? Add a dash of Men's Club kitchen-sharing during Car Pool Cafe, and a winter blizzard earlier in the month. You get 50 delicious pasta casseroles delivered to the local non-profit, *ForKids*. It was tasty for the kids in our Norfolk community. It was a sense of accomplishment and mitzvah for our teen and pre-teen learners. And it was Temple teamwork at its best. Thank you to our leaders in Sisterhood, Bat Mitzvah student Lindsey Foer, and everyone who planned, shopped, re-scheduled, cooked and delivered. As a community, we accomplish what we cannot do on our own.



Chris Kraus

Director of Family Learning
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UPCOMING FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENTS



March 12 • 11:30 am



March 17 • 5:45 pm



March 19 • 11:00 am

B'nai Mitzvah Winter 2017 Class



Saturday mornings, putting the mitzvah into bar/bat mitzvah with our families. How good it is to be together, mother, father, sister, brother, teacher and friend.

Better Together Participants Ring in the New Year



Kari Levi and her senior partner from Beth Shalom Village, Majorie Simon*, rang in the New Year together. Kari, a participant in Better Together, a program fostering relationships between

OST teens and Seniors at BSV, has proved to be a big success this school year, with special friendships uniting these two generations.

**of blessed memory*

THEVENT

March 24 - 26, 2017 Temple Rodef Shalom, Falls Church, VA Grades 8-12

At this event your teens will:

- » Meet new people and see their friends from NFTY, Camp, Israel and Mitzvah Corps
- » Learn about different social justice programs in their area as part of the event theme: Journey to Justice Mountain

NFTY MAR Scholarship Application
midatlantic.nfty.org

- » Participate in Color War: Battle of the Sub-Regions. This year's theme is trailblazers. Find your sub-region:

North: Blue Skiers
West: Gold Surfers

East: Green Hikers
South: Red Bikers

- » Welcome eighth graders to their first event

\$190 until Feb. 15

\$225 until Mar. 1

\$260 after Mar. 1 if space available

Includes Bus transportation

OSTY

Temple Scholarships Available: ohefsholom.org/community/youth/youth-scholarships

**THE 4TH ANNUAL
MOLLIE & GEORGE RADIN
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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL ESSAY CONTEST

PRIZES

will be awarded on the final day
of Religious School

1st place - \$100 VISA gift card

2nd place - \$75 VISA gift card

3rd place - \$50 VISA gift card

ELIGIBILITY

5th - 12th grade

DEADLINE

Sunday, April 23, 2017

**CLICK ON THE ESSAY
CONTEST QUICK LINK
ON OUR HOME WEBPAGE
FOR INFORMATION**

CARING COMMITTEE

A Winter Tale

You may have already forgotten about the cold and snowy weather that descended upon our fourth and fifth days of NEST - but I have not forgotten this chiefly due to the generosity of so many of our Temple members. Understandably ALL my volunteers canceled from Saturday night to Sunday night. But close living as well as brave Temple members trudged or drove really slowly to help cook and feed our NEST guests. These hardy folks included: Andy Fox, Anne Kramer,



AJ Pollack, Debi Stadlin, Debbie Keeling, Mandi and Ross Firoved, Sandy and Martin Mendelsohn, Carol Laibstain, Gene Ross, Karen and Matt Fine, Meredith



Rose, Danielle and Riley Benjamin and Jeanne and Julius Miller. The weather was truly frigid, but this outpouring of support warmed my heart.

Not to forget all the other volunteers- I truly do appreciate all of you! This year we had more kids – which is the way it used to be. I hope next year we will see even more family involvement- such an incredible “life lesson” for young souls.

We hope to continue community projects and would like your input! We are having a **Caring Committee meeting at 6:00 pm on Tuesday March 21st** at the Temple.

Yours in Caring,

Sharon Ross
Caring Committee Chair
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ONGOING PROJECTS

SOUP KITCHEN

Monday, March 27
9:30 am - 1:30 pm

Dorianne Villani
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MEETING

Tuesday, March 21
6:00 pm

Sharon Ross
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QUILTING GROUP

March 21
5:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Marsha Moody
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MEN'S CLUB UPCOMING EVENT



Men's Club Shabbat Dinner & Service

with Guest Speaker Peggy Haile McPhillips

April 7

Dinner starts at 6:30 pm
Services start at 7:30 pm

\$10 Adults, Kids up to 12 free

ADULT MENU

Chicken Marbella
Roasted herbed
potatoes & carrots
Brownies & strawberries



Peggy Haile McPhillips

Did you ever wonder what Norfolk was like when Ohef Shalom was founded? Join us as we travel back in time and learn about life in Norfolk in the 1840s.

KID's MENU
Available

VEGETARIAN ENTREE
Available on Request

SISTERHOOD

Why do we do what we do?

For our Sisterhood.
To recognize the needs
of Women,
Children, Family
And attend to those
needs through
Study, programs and
social interaction

Why do we do what we do?

For our Temple.
To fortify the institution,
Enhance the spiritual
climate
Create a community,
recognize our heritage.

Why do we do what we do?

For our community.
To serve those who are
less fortunate
To bring awareness of
issues and concern
To take action whenever
we can

Why do we do what we do?

For the world.
To go beyond the
local sphere
To repair this world and
Help make it a better,
healthier,
Safer place for humankind.

Why do we do what we do? For ourselves.

Covenant of the Soul published by Women of Reform Judaism

As our Temple has been listening to our congregants to gather a sense of what is expected of and from Ohel Sholom, Sisterhood has been looking at what we do and are we relevant. We are reviewing our mission statement and looking at all that we do, social, educational and Temple support. We hope to align ourselves with the expectations and values that the Temple has gathered from congregants.

As we move forward we encourage all women of OST to join us. Below are listed just a few activities and events we will be working on in the next few months.

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

9:30 am – 1:00 pm

Sisterhood Purim Carnival Bake Sale
to benefit OSTY

TUESDAY, MARCH 14

6:00 pm

Sisterhood meeting – Salad Dinner
– 7:00 pm **Book Club** moderated by
Jane Goldman

FRIDAY, MARCH 17

6:30 pm

Sisterhood Shabbat

TUESDAY, APRIL 4

6:30 pm

**Sisterhood Women's
Dessert Seder**

FRIDAY, APRIL 7

6:30 pm

Men's Club Shabbat
Sisterhood cooks dinner

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

6:00 pm

ForKids Casserole Cooking

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Long Range Planning Committee is moving forward to define the Temple's values, vision and goals for the next five years and beyond. The Listening Campaign was a success in that lots of good ideas and feedback was received from a broad swath of the congregation. In analyzing the information, we found that the following values emerged as among the most important for our temple family:

- 1** We are a house of prayer for all peoples.
- 2** We strive to better our world.
- 3** We connect with our community.
- 4** We are proud of our heritage.
- 5** We encourage Jewish learning.
- 6** We are committed to Israel.

The Long Range Planning Committee is proud to facilitate the congregation's progress in keeping with our Reform Jewish values. It is critical to remind ourselves of what OST stands for as we plan for the future. We thank everyone who participated in the work. The Long Range Planning Committee looks forward to having a report ready for the spring annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

John Cooper

LRPC Chair, Long Range Planning Committee

Sandy Forte-Nickenig

Vice-Chair, Long Range Planning Committee

WE APPRECIATE THE THOUGHTFULNESS OF THOSE WHO SUPPORT OST

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

Please have your donations submitted to the Temple before the beginning of each month.

175th

Wishing A Happy

Birthday to:

CHARLES S. NUSBAUM

*Blanche Nusbaum

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**March 5, 12 &
19**

8:45 am

Adult Yoga

De-Stress & Move Towards
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Healing

Come join our Certified Instructor
Cathy Romash in Room 202.

Free & No experience necessary.



March 5

2:00 pm

Ramblin' at OST Folk Music Coffeehouse

Please join us for coffee and folk
music with Bob Zentz
and special guests. You are
welcome to bring your
acoustic instruments for a jam
session.



March 7

7:00 pm

Cafe Ivrit

Adult Ed is hosting a meet-up to
help our congregants practice
their Hebrew using different
types of medias.

To RSVP, email the Temple at
reservations@ohefsholom.org or
call 757-625-4295.



March 14

6:00 pm

Sisterhood Book Club

Join Sisterhood as they discuss
David Grossman's book *To the
End of the Land*. There will be
a meeting at 6:00 pm, a light
salad dinner at 6:30 pm and the
book discussion at 7:00 pm.

To RSVP, email the Temple at
reservations@ohefsholom.org.



March 11

10:30 am

Learner's Service

Want to know more about the
Who, What, Where, Why &
How of Jewish prayer? Rabbi
Cohen will be talking about
the meanings and customs
associated with different parts
of the service.

For more information, email
rabbicohen@ohefsholom.org.



March 12 & 26

10:00 am

Intro to Judaism

Please join Rabbi Deborah
Bodin Cohen to learn the
fundamentals of Jewish thought
and practice.

For more information, please
contact Rabbi Cohen at
757-625-4295 or
rabbicohen@ohefsholom.org.



March 12

11:00 am

Purimshpiel & Purim Carnival

Join us for our Beauty & the
Beast themed Purimshpiel at
11:00 am followed by our Purim
Carnival with food provided by
the Men's Club & Sisterhood's
Bake Sale.



March 15

12:00 pm

Mavens & Mensches: Beyond the Book Festival

Join us in attending Beyond
the Book Festival with author
Jessica Fechter at the Reba &
Sam Sandler Family Campus
Tickets: \$10 per person with
lunch included.

RSVP by March 10 to
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March 26

11:00 am

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March 3

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March 4

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Goldstein
Sheryl Grossman
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March 6

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Alice L. Twining

March 9

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Jill Miller
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March 10

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March 11

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March 12

Joan Laderberg
Kris E. Kennedy
Carol O. Pariser
Ashley Adler

March 13

Nancy Helman
Ronald King
Cory R. Belkov

March 14

Jeannie B. Frieden
Charlotte Zito

March 15

David Brotman
Josh Adler
Judy Rubin

March 16

David E. Jarvis
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March 17

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Lee N. Kastner
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March 20

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March 25

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March 26

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Stuart H. Buxbaum
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March 27

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March 30

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			1 1:00 pm Development Committee 6:00 pm Men's Club Mtg	2 12:00 pm Policy & Procedure Task Force 6:00 pm Clergy Search Committee Mtg	3 5:30 pm Chanting Group 6:30 pm Shabbat Services	4 9:00 am Torah Study, Winter B'nai Mitzvah classes 10:30 am Bat Mitzvah of Melissa Young
5 8:30 am Walking Group (offsite) 8:45 am Adult Yoga, Sunday Learning 10:00 am Confirmation Class 1:00 pm OSTY Board Mtg 2:00 pm Ramblin' at OST Folk Music Coffeehouse	6	7 4:00 pm House Committee Mtg 6:00 pm Dues Committee Mtg 6:00 pm Torah Study 7:00 pm Cafe Ivrit	8 6:00 pm Clergy Search Committee Mtg	9 8:30 am Walking Group (offsite)	10 6:30 pm Shabbat Services	11 9:00 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Services, Learner's Service
12 8:45 am Adult Yoga, Sunday Learning 10:00 am Confirmation Class 10:00 am Intro to Judaism 11:00 am Purimshpiel 11:30 am Purim Carnival, Men's Club Purim Lunch, Sisterhood Bake Sale	13	14 12:00 pm Life & Legacy Mtg 6:00 pm Sisterhood Mtg & Book Club, Torah Study 7:00 pm See, O'Israel: A Viewer's Guide to the Bible in Film	15 12:00 pm Mavens & Mensches Beyond the Book Festival 2:00 pm Special Needs & Security Committee Mtg 4:00 pm Personnel Committee Mtg (offsite)	16 7:00 pm Board Mtg	17 5:45 pm Family-Friendly Friday 6:30 pm Sisterhood Shabbat for Everyone Dinner 7:30 pm Sisterhood Shabbat Services	18 9:00 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Services
19 8:45 am Adult Yoga, Sunday Learning 10:00 am Confirmation Class 11:00 am Wiggles & Giggles 12:30 pm Better Together Lunch & Learn	20	21 5:30 pm Quilting Group 6:00 pm Caring Committee Mtg, Torah Study	22	23	24 TheVent (Temple Rodef Shalom, Falls Church) 6:30 pm Shabbat Services	25 TheVent (Temple Rodef Shalom, Falls Church) 9:00 am Torah Study 10:30 am Shabbat Services
26 TheVent (Temple Rodef Shalom, Falls Church) 8:45 am Sunday Learning 10:00 am Confirmation Class, Intro to Judaism 11:00 am Chai Mitzvah	27 9:30 am Soup Kitchen	28 6:00 pm Torah Study 7:00 pm Cafe Ivrit	29	30	31 6:30 pm Shabbat Services	

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Congratulations to our Honorary Board member and Past President, Kim Simon Fink, who is being honored at the *Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities' Humanitarian Awards Dinner* on March 30, at the Westin Virginia Beach Town Center.

As the daughter of Marvin & Elyse Simon (*both of blessed memory*), Kim was raised on community activism and philanthropy, and she continues that family tradition as an influential community leader in Hampton Roads for over 25 years.

A television and radio writer and producer by training, she is a volunteer extraordinaire. In addition to her dedication to the Temple, leadership experiences across the community include ODU Advisory Board for the Institute for Jewish Studies and Interfaith Understanding, the Holocaust Commission of Hampton Roads, the United Jewish Federation Women's Campaign, Director of Tidewater Performing Arts Society, D'Art Center, Child Abuse Awareness/Spectrum Puppets, and current President of *ForKids*.

At a time when building walls is the big news, Kim believes there is value in creating communities of inclusion. She notes, "Walls that separate are the antithesis of freedom and democracy. Walls around communities disenfranchise and create insurmountable and exponential barriers – portals for disruption, violence and the breakdown of societies. Without walls all are able to incorporate and thrive from the enrichment of diversity."

Congratulations to Kim, husband Andrew and their three children, Simon, Dustin and Erica, who continue to wonder "Who?" and "What?" next.

