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**CONGREGATIONAL  
MEETING:**  
Sunday, Oct. 7, 9:30  
a.m.

**BOARD MEETING to  
follow.**

## VICTIMS NO MORE

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**Civil Discourse and the polite exchange of differing viewpoints has largely died out on college campuses and universities in 5778.**

**And by the looks of things 5779 doesn't look like it will be much better any time soon! After a week of eulogizing Senator McCain, we all came to agree that what set him apart was his willingness to reach out across the aisle to work together across the political divide for the sake of the common weal. But no sooner was his body freshly interred but already the Kavanaugh hearings had become a scene of chaos and mayhem. How do we expect the students to behave when the adults are such poor role models?**

**Antisemitism is still strong and is increasing in strength year by year. Hatred of the Jews has now morphed into hatred for the State of Israel, the state of the Jews. But after the Holocaust, we refuse to be the victims. The premise of Zionism was that Jews would no longer play powerless victim to the whims of others. When your enemies are not fighting for land, as they pretend, but rather for your death and extinction, how then does one compromise?**

**Israel is condemned by the left precisely because she refuses to play victim and give in to those who would destroy her. She, the representative of the Jewish People, no longer fits the victim narrative. Rather, her enemies now flip history on its head and claim the role of victim. Thus they have become the reigning superstars of the campus and of the politics of intersectionality. The Arab world lost war after war in its attempt to annihilate the nascent state of Israel. Having lost time after time, they came to learn that in claiming victimhood they will win global sympathy.**

**America lost a true role model with the passing of Charles Krauthammer this past summer. While the politics of discord thrive on a perceived sense of victimhood and injustice, as if to justify every act of outrage, there was a corner of America at the address of Charles Krauthammer where victimhood was not welcome. If anyone would be permitted to feel victimized by cruel fate it would be he, having suffered a tragic accident while at medical school while diving in a pool. The two books he had brought poolside to read were *The Fate of Man* and a textbook on the spinal cord. Ironical indeed!**

**But he refused to see himself as a victim! He completed medical school and then pursued a passion in politics and writing. Winning honor after honor, he soon became one of the most highly respected thinkers and writers of our generation. Many who had seen him for years on TV were shocked upon meeting him in person, to discover him in a wheelchair, having preferred to not let his paraplegic status come to define him. He would succeed in spite of his injury, on his own terms. He defined himself by his mind, not by his gender or race or handicap.**

**And yet he reveled in his Jewishness. Not so much that he was a man of faith and belief, but rather that the philosophical underpinnings of Judaism demanded that we, humanity, take full responsibility for our actions and our fate. He didn't blame the universe for his spinal injury. He blamed his own decision to dive in the pool, and the physics that put the full weight of his plunge on that particular vertebra on his injury. His decision. His fate. His freedom of choice. His responsibility. He recognized the beauty and maturity of Judaism that recognize the centrality of the idea of personal responsibility, *bechirat chafsheet*, as a central hallmark of its philosophical foundation. Yes, the temptation to blame others is very strong. But in the end it comes down to us - what paths we choose and what decisions we make.**

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Please provide Barbara with any information that is missing for you in the above grid. Thank you.

Dear Fellow Temple Israel member –

With the Rosh Hashonah Holidays so fresh in my head, following the wonderful two days of services brilliantly conducted by Rabbi Melman, it is hard not to be nostalgic and self-reflective during this auspicious time. As I write this, the Book of Life has not yet been sealed – but I'm praying my darnedest that we are all pardoned and will be privileged to daven together again next Yontif!

As we settle into the New Year and look forward, Sandra, our previous president, has successfully made Aliyah and is now comfortable in her Jerusalem apartment, posting pictures of her new digs on Facebook. She sounds deliriously happy and we wish her only the best on this new stage of her life. Here is the lesson we should take from Sandra – you never have to be afraid to challenge yourself, step outside your comfort zone and indulge yourself in an effort to reach for the stars. In the simplest of terms – Yes, dreams can come true.

Build it and they will come. I dream that Temple Israel will be restored to the bustling, pew-filled, youth abundant, center of Jewish activity that it was when I was raising my own children. Yes, it can happen, but unfortunately, not simply by dreaming. It takes determination, dedication, time, energy – and that motivation is your own personal reason for making it happen. I need to stay connected to my community of Jews. That's my reason. What's yours? Some of our senior members, life-long Stroudsburg area residents, whose parents and grandparents built this shul may need to stay connected to the dreams of their own relatives and ensure that their legacy lives on. That's a great reason. I'm witnessing the return of members who have taken a "hiatus" from synagogue life – their children are post- bar/bas mitzvah but something is drawing them back. (Ask Bernie D how do you permanently get rid of mice? Bar Mitzvah them and they'll never return!) Maybe it is High Holiday syndrome that brings people back. High Holidays and the resonant sounds of full voices singing as one still sends chills up my spine, just as it did when I stood next to my father as a young girl. Rabbi tells us that G-d is in the field at this time, not aloft in the heavens, but right next to us, observing, so close, approachable and open. If you don't feel that during the High Holiday services when we are united and unified, then you are missing out on one of the greatest "highs" offered during the High Holidays. Whatever the reason, I hope you will join us for just one more service, one more event, one more workshop or seminar this year. Find your reason to stay connected.

Our Board members have been busy planning ahead for a very busy and productive year. At the end of September, we are exploring a new, ambitious three to five year Strategic Plan for Temple Israel. There is no limit to ideas and creativity that is needed for this venture. If you would like to be a part of this, please let me know. We need positivity and vision. If you want to come and complain, stay home and call your mother.

We are sprucing up the outside and the inside to make the synagogue even more beautiful. But a beautiful building and grounds without people, especially young people to fill it, is just an empty pretty edifice. I am seeking your help in making Temple Israel bloom. I am appealing to the "Pintele Yid" deep inside of you, that spark, that spirit that is calling out to you and all those generations of Jews within you. Bring me your ideas. Bring me your talent. Start a workshop. Present a program. What is your area of expertise? What wisdom can you impart on others? Help me engage others to bring them through our doors.

We are still in need of a Membership Chairperson who can reach out to the young families in the area. Next year we will be losing our Kitchen Chairperson and our Program Chairperson as they transition to warmer climates upon retirement. I would like to see a Social Action Chairperson step up and get us involved with some of the local issues that are facing our Monroe County community. How about an Education Chairperson for those of you who may have a Teaching background?

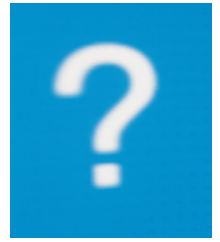
There's so much we can do and plenty of time to do it. We just need to take the first step and we can take that step together. Call and say you want to be a part of the success story. Whatever your reason to stay connected, it's a good one. Call me any time – or better yet, come to Shabbos service and we can schmooze over a delicious Kiddush.

May you and your loved ones be inscribed and sealed for a joyous, healthy and sweet year.

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

## ***Ask The Rabbi***.....© 2018 by Rabbi Baruch Melman



**Q.** Someone recently on a particular social media platform wished all of her Jewish friends a Shana Tova, wishing "a Happy New Year to all my Jewish friends." Now I am guessing that in doing so she was, in her own way, trying not to impose a Jewish holiday greeting on her non-Jewish friends, trying to acknowledge that while they may be captive to reading her posts and comments, she doesn't wish to obnoxiously act in a way which assumes that all her friends are Jewish. If she may be bothered by a month of hearing Merry Christmas, she may be sensitive to the feelings of her non-Jewish friends as September rolls around. What do you think?

**A.** I think your friend's sensitivity is truly admirable and she should be applauded for her actions. But from another vantage point, a perspective born of a true understanding of the nature of the holiday, she may be completely missing the larger point. Obviously she meant well, so I would assume, but Rosh Hashana is really not just a Jewish holiday. It is, essentially, the most cosmic and universalistic of all the holidays, so why should anyone be left out of its holiday greeting?

We are celebrating the birth of all humanity and the genesis of human self consciousness, and acknowledging G\*d as the Caring Creator of the world and its true Judge on this day when the fate of all existence is weighed in the balance for the coming year.

Christianity marks its calendar time from the birth of its founder. Similarly, Islam marks its calendar time from the birth of its founder. But Adam and Eve weren't Jewish! And neither was Noah! We mark our Jewish calendar by the birth of humanity, not by the birth of Abraham, the founder of the Jewish people, nor by the birth of Moses, the Giver of the Law.

As students of science we cannot accept the premise that the world is only 5779 years old, as some Jews proclaim. But being that science has shown us no human writing remains that predates some six thousand years, roughly the timeline of our Jewish calendar year, one can make the argument that the dawn of recorded writing parallels the dawn of a distinctive human awareness and self consciousness.

That humans are obsessed with mortality, of making our mark in the short time we are allotted, that is symbolized by the Tree of Life in the Garden. That humans are obsessed with morality, with questions of right and wrong, that is symbolized by the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil.

The Flood story, depicting the rebirth and fresh start of humanity, actually has scientific support. Good and evil figure prominently in the saga of the flood that swept away humanity. The Epic of Gilgamesh mentions a flood event, but ties no moral imperative to its narrative, whereas the Hebrew Bible does.

The Black Sea Deluge theory, advanced in 1997, and supported by the archaeological record, argues that some six thousand years ago the salt waters of the Mediterranean and Sea of Marmara broke through the Bosphorus Straits and flooded a once vastly smaller fresh water Black Sea, and swallowed up the literally hundreds of villages that once dotted its shores and lived off its sea life and its life sustaining fresh water irrigation that cultivated the surrounding lands. All of human habitation surrounding the Black Sea was swept away by the gushing flood waters of the Mediterranean Sea. Fresh water marine fossil remains can still be found on the sea bed. What were fresh water species doing in a salt water Black Sea? Well it used to be a fresh water sea before it suddenly became a salt water sea!

### Ask the Rabbi (continued from previous page)

This event was so ground shaking that humanity now saw its whole existence as imperiled. Indeed, much of the known world along with its inhabitants was now permanently under water. Writing was created to record this event for posterity, and with it, human creativity and self conscious awareness were born.

Why was humanity flooded? As survivors, what does the Deity want from us, if anything? Abraham came from Ur of the Chaldees, from the Mesopotamian fertile crescent, where these questions begged for answers. Abraham had discovered the answer to this riddle, discovering the One G\*d who demanded strict standards of ethics and morality, and thus charted a new course for all humanity - ethical monotheism.

So while we may not be literally marking the birth of the world, we are marking the birth of a new human consciousness, that because of the flood event that caused the near annihilation of human civilization, humanity set off on a new path of wrestling with the meaning of life and questions of right and wrong. And we are still struggling with these same questions today. And while once the global threat was only one of water, we have now created a new global nuclear threat of destruction by fire. Only a new consciousness can save us all from fiery destruction. Only when we see both a common humanity as well as a common Divinity which unites us all, can we hope to save ourselves from future calamities. There is no black race or white race. There is only the human race. And with the peace and tranquility that Shabbat offers the world, there is finally an escape from the rat race, the worst race of all!

Happy New Year!

Thank you to the Schuchman Family and Odd Lot  
for their donation, just in the nick of time.

We were putting up the succah and we seemed to be missing a few pieces.  
They were just a phone call away. Their donation allowed us to continue with  
construction.

Thank you !

**SUKKOT**

SUNDAY, Sept. 23	Candlelighting: 6:38 p.m.	Maariv Service: 7:00 p.m. Kiddush in Sukkah
MONDAY, Sept. 24	Shacharit Service: 9:00—noon  Maariv Service: 7:00 p.m. Candlelighting after 7:35 p.m.	Kiddush in Sukkah Lulav Parade  Kiddush in Sukkah
TUESDAY, Sept. 25	Shacharit Service: 9:00 a.m.—noon Maariv Service: 7:00 p.m. Yom Tov ends 7:34 p.m.	Kiddush in Sukkah Lulav Parade

**SHABBAT**

FRIDAY, Sept. 28	Candlelighting: 6:30 p.m. Shabbat Services 7:00 p.m.	Kiddush in Sukkah
SATURDAY, Sept. 29	Shabbat Services: 9:30 a.m. Parshat: Vezot Hab'rachah	Kiddush in Sukkah

**SHEMINI ATZERET**

SUNDAY, Sept. 30	Candlelighting: 6:26 p.m. Maariv Service: 7:00 p.m.	Kiddush in Sukkah
MONDAY, Oct. 1	Yom Tov Services: 9:00 a.m.—noon Yizkor: 11:30 a.m. (approx.)  Candlelighting: AFTER 7:23 p.m. Maariv Service: 7:00 p.m.	Kiddush in Sukkah (last day in Sukkah)  Yizkor luncheon after services.
TUESDAY, Oct. 2	Simchat Torah Shacharit Service Honoring:  Chatan Torah: Herb Rosen Chatan Bereisheet: Sam Newman	Dancing with the Torahs (Hakkafot)  Light refreshments to follow. Yom Tov ends 7:22 p.m.

**This is official notification of a Congregational Meeting  
to be held on Sunday, October 7, 2018**

The purpose of this meeting is 3-part.

- 1) To vote on the renewal of the contract between Rabbi Melman and Temple Israel of the Poconos. This is YOUR Temple. This is YOUR Rabbi, This is YOUR responsibility. Please come and cast your vote.
  
- 2) Amendment to By-Laws: Art. VIII, Section 1(a), add the following:

“If the immediate past President is not available, this position shall be filled by the next previous past President.”
  
- 3) Amendment to By-Laws: Art. X, Committees, add Section 12:

**Executive Committee.** The Executive Committee shall be comprised of the officers of the Congregation, the President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and Secretary. The Executive Committee, which shall meet at the call of the President, shall have all of the powers of the Board of Directors, and may act between meetings of the Board of Directors.”



## October Yahrzeit List



October 1	Tishrei 22	George Green Tony La Barca	October 19	Cheshvan 10	Nathan Abeloff Mildred Caplan Benjamin Rothman Philip Venitsky
October 2	Tishrei 23	Sally Kandel Fred Wolf	October 20	Cheshvan 11	Tova Loffer
October 3	Tishrei 24	Leon Wilensky	October 21	Cheshvan 12	Arthur Kaufman Mollie Krawitz Samuel Lustgarten Francis Marks Evelyn Pehr Samuel Silverman
October 4	Tishrei 25	David S. Katz Minnie Rothstein	October 22	Cheshvan 13	Morris Martin Lillie Starr
October 5	Tishrei 26	Saul Schulman	October 23	Cheshvan 14	Joseph Saltzman
October 7	Tishrei 28	Carl Newman Menachem Mendel Rosenfeld	October 24	Cheshvan 15	Becky Resnick
October 8	Tishrei 29	Mollie Rosen Murray Weinstein	October 25	Cheshvan 16	Harry Morris Merle Steir Fannie Surks
October 9	Tishrei 30	Selig Katz B. Yakov	October 27	Cheshvan 18	Wilbur Bornstein Hyman Levine
October 10	Cheshvan 01	Chic Gorman Sylvia Rothman	October 28	Cheshvan 19	Charles Sommer
October 11	Cheshvan 02	Samuel Cohen Molly Green Samuel Monatt	October 29	Cheshvan 20	Morris Laveton Jeanne Wolf
October 14	Cheshvan 05	Rebecca Libfeld Morris Newman	October 30	Cheshvan 21	Samuel Brody Gladys Solomon
October 15	Cheshvan 06	Sidney Hampell Benjamin Koshar Joseph Steir	October 31	Cheshvan 22	Grace Schuman
October 16	Cheshvan 07	Kiva Trumpaitzky			
October 18	Cheshvan 09	Ida Sarah Jacobson			





## November Yahrzeit List



November 1	Cheshvan 23	Abraham Dr. Kleinfeld Ida Fearer Yenofsky
November 2	Cheshvan 24	Kusiel Chiat
November 3	Cheshvan 25	Isadore Frisch Nathan Mandel Rosa C. Zimmerman Sally Shevrin
November 5	Cheshvan 27	Adele Sorger Terris Tornberg
November 7	Cheshvan 29	Minda Newman Hart
November 8	Cheshvan 30	Morris J. Newman
November 9	Kislev 01	Gertrude G. Breslauer Hyman Solomon Max Zacher
November 10	Kislev 02	Sophie Kaminstein Benjamin Phillips
November 11	Kislev 03	Samuel Kaminstein Felicia Susan Kyle Cary Mandel
November 12	Kislev 04	Max Greenstein Jeanette Lubin
November 14	Kislev 06	Bentzion Goldberg Pearl Woodnick
November 15	Kislev 07	Howard Popkin Harry Prizant Charles B. Schecter

November 16	Kislev 08	Sharon Marcus Elizabeth Morris
November 17	Kislev 09	Esther Shevrin
November 18	Kislev 10	Jennie Greenfield
November 20	Kislev 12	Isaac Max Jacobson
November 21	Kislev 13	Sabina Diamond Lawrence Green Joseph Greenfield
November 23	Kislev 15	Lee Bogatz
November 24	Kislev 16	Lillian Postol Rose Richmond
November 25	Kislev 17	Sam Buck Max Katz Florence Lewis Milton Lubin Jonathan Newman
November 26	Kislev 18	Lottie Chiat
November 27	Kislev 19	Bernard Koenig
November 28	Kislev 20	Judith Brown Rose Levine
November 29	Kislev 21	David Newman
November 30	Kislev 22	David Auerbach Nahum Kokos

# Hebrew School Happenings

MONDAY, Oct. 1	Simchat Torah	7:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, Oct. 3	Hebrew School	5:30— 6:30
SATURDAY, Oct. 6	Shabbat School	10:00—11:30
SUNDAY, Oct. 14	Sunday School	10:00—11:30
WEDNESDAY, Oct. 17	Hebrew School	5:30—6:30
SUNDAY, Oct. 21	Sunday School	10:00—11:30
WEDNESDAY, Oct. 24	Hebrew School	5:30—6:30
SUNDAY, Oct. 28	Sunday School	10:00—11:30



**Enroll your child  
today to  
socialize with other  
Jewish children &  
learn:**

- Hebrew & Prayers
- Holidays & Lifecycle
  - Israel
- History/Holocaust
- Bible/Torah/Ethics

## Temple Israel of the Poconos

(711 Wallace Street, Stroudsburg)

## Hebrew School

**Pre-K TO 6th GRADES**  
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**<http://templeisraelofthepoconos.org/>**

**Please refrain from smoking on  
Temple property.**



**NO SMOKING**

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**Have some free time during the week?  
Interested in joining a mah jongg game?**

**Contact Suzanne Tremper  
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**Rabbi's Discretionary Fund**

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**Sponsored Kiddush Luncheons**

Linda Feliciano  
Howard Farber

**Welcome new member:  
Jeffrey Keith**

**HESSED FUND**

Hessed is a Hebrew word meaning kindness and a reaching out to other people.

It is the way you can express sympathy, warm wishes or celebrate simchas for any one within or outside the Jewish community. If you would like a card sent:

Call the Temple Office (570-421-8781) and speak with Lucinda.

Cards are usually sent within three days of the request.

**To Yisraela Melman  
Get Well Wishes  
from  
Barry and Suzanne Tremper**

**To Maryjane Newman  
Mazel Tov on the birth of your granddaughter  
from  
Art Glantz**

**To Shelly Farber  
Deepest condolences on the passing of Michele Gendler  
from  
Herb and Sylvia Rosen  
Art Glantz**

**To June and Howard Farber  
Deepest condolences on the passing of Michele Gendler  
from  
Herb and Sylvia Rosen**

**To David Kresdie  
in memory of Pat  
from  
Art Glantz**

## UPCOMING EVENTS AND CLASSES

**SUNDAY, Oct. 14th, 11:30—12:30** Read Hebrew by Chanukah Rabbi is offering a 6-week crash course in Hebrew reading in conjunction with NJOP program. Please call the office to register.

**SUNDAY, Oct. 21st, 1:00** We will honor Tom Breslauer on what would have been his 101st birthday. We will have a showing of a film on Tom's life as well as discussion to follow. Light refreshments. **If you have not seen this film you are missing out on a very informative, professionally produced chance to get to know who Tom was and what he stood for.**

**SUNDAY, Dec. 2nd, 1:00—3:00** Chanukah Cake Decorating Class with international Cake Decorator Gitti Allman. Limited availability. Call to reserve your spot. \$5/child, \$10/adult

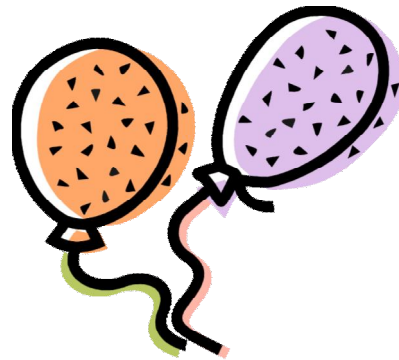
**SPECIAL ACTIVITIES BEGINNING IN OCTOBER. Dates and times to be announced. Watch your email. Please call the office for additional information, and to register:**

1. Jewish Book Club lead by Marcie Rabinowitz. Books to be considered are: The Golems of Gotham, The Book of Rachel, The Dove Keeper and the Nightingale
2. Bread and Breath Class—Yoga and Challah Baking
3. Kosher Wine Tasting and Painting Class
4. Mah Jongg—contact Suzanne Tremper at [grand6ma@ptd.net](mailto:grand6ma@ptd.net)



October Anniversaries	
October 12	Daniel and Julie Harter
October 16	Mario and Illise Arvelo
October 23	Jason and Jeanie King Paul and Jennifer Solomon
October 25	Joshua and Vivian Herschlag

October Birthdays	
October 03	Lana Kosyakovsky Deborah Costanza
October 10	Molly Smith Melvin Rosenthal
October 11	Louise August
October 12	Olivia Newman Rabbi Baruch Melman
October 14	Mollie Krawitz Jay Strodel
October 18	Dylan Star
October 19	Julie Harter
October 21	Judy Schuchman
October 24	Tobias Mills
October 25	Dee Kohl
October 26	Malachi Mills Barbara Rosenberg



If you are celebrating a milestone year, whether it be birthday or anniversary, please let me know so others may celebrate with you.

Contact: Lucinda at the Temple Office  
(570) 421-8781

**WE ALL HAVE SIMCHAS AND NACHES IN OUR LIFE  
CELEBRATE AND COMMEMORATE WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING...**

**SEND WARM THOUGHTS**

Give the Temple Office a call or send an e-mail to [tipoc@ptd.net](mailto:tipoc@ptd.net) and let someone know you're thinking of them. For a small contribution to the **Hessed Fund**, we will send a card wishing a Happy Birthday, Congratulations, Mazel Tov, Get Well or Condolences. A notice will appear in this bulletin, as well. When you call, please leave all the information needed.

**TREE OF LIFE AND MEMORIALS**

Add a leaf to the Tree of Life to celebrate births, birthdays, marriages, bar and bat mitzvahs, or any other special event for a minimum contribution of \$150. Remember loved ones with a Memorial Plaque at a minimum contribution of \$600 for members, \$850 for non-members.

Contact the Temple Office at 570-421-8781.

**ENDOWMENT FUND**

It's always a great time to make a contribution. Make your check out to "Temple Israel."  
Another thought to consider, remember Temple Israel in your will.

Call the Temple office at 570-421-8781 or [tipoc@ptd.net](mailto:tipoc@ptd.net)

**Honor or Remember Someone Special  
with a Bookplate**

A bookplate can be placed in a Siddur, the weekly prayer book we use every Friday evening and Shabbat morning, or in a machzor, the prayer book which is used on the High Holidays. Remember a special occasion such as a birthday, anniversary, bnei mitzvah or any other occasion you want to note for a relative or friend. You can also place a dedication in someone's memory. A nameplate with the donor, recipient, and occasion will be inserted. The minimum donation is \$50.



**Contact the Temple Office (570) 421-8781.**

**Do you need a Mi Sheberach Recited?**

When you can't make services, but would like a prayer said on behalf of someone important to you, please don't hesitate to call the synagogue and leave a message on the Temple answering machine for Rabbi Melman so that your prayers will be included in our services.





## Shabbat Oneg and Kiddush Luncheons

### Some good reasons to sponsor a Kiddush luncheon or Oneg Shabbat:

- It's your birthday, or your friend's or your mom's etc.
- It's a special anniversary — of a bar or bat mitzvah or wedding
- In memory of a loved one
- To celebrate special event
- Because you are a nice person who likes to support your favorite neighborhood shul

### Friday Night Oneg \$75.00:

Package would include a sweet assortment of Pareve desserts, fresh fruit salad along with beverages

### Sponsored Kiddush Luncheon:

**Regular Kiddush:** Challah, Bagels with cream cheese, plus 4 cold salads (e.g., egg salad, tuna, salad, fresh green salad, bean salad, fruit salad, pasta salad, macaroni salad, mozzarella ball salad, cucumber and tomatoes salad, herring), kugel, assortments of dairy desserts, beverages. **\$125.00**

**Deluxe Kiddush:** the basic Kiddush along with Lox, white fish salad \$150.00

**You can sponsor alone, or can co-sponsor with other people!** Please contact the Temple Office at 570-421-8781 or email [tipoc@ptd.net](mailto:tipoc@ptd.net) We need 2 weeks prior to the date you would like to sponsor the Kiddush or Oneg.

**Requests for special menu items must be discussed at time of booking and may include extra charges (i.e. delicatessen, hot food, special desserts)**

**FROM YOUR MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.....  
we offer you a challenge!**

*We need everyone to help with this. Surely you know individuals and families who have no affiliation with a Synagogue. Encourage them to become members of our Temple Israel Family!*

**If every family brings in one individual or family,  
think of the possibilities!**

*At Temple events, be they regular Shabbat Services or a social occasion, introduce yourself to anyone you don't recognize. You'll make new friends and assist us in enlarging our family.*

**YOU CAN BE PART OF OUR SUCCESS!!**

For information please contact:

Temple Israel 421-8781

Please leave a phone number so that we may return your call.

October 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 22 tishri Candlelighting AFTER 7:23 p.m. Shemini Atzeret YIZKOR	2 23 tishri	3 24 tishri Hebrew School 5:30—6:30	4 25 tishri	5 26 tishri Candlelighting: 6:18	6 27 tishri Hebrew School 10-11:30 a.m. Kiddush sponsored by Morris Janowski
7 28 tishri Congregational Meeting 9:30 Board Meeting to follow	8 29 tishri	9 30 tishri	10 1 Cheshvan Hebrew School 5:30—6:30	11 2 Cheshvan	12 3 Cheshvan Candlelighting: 6:07	13 4 Cheshvan
14 5 Cheshvan Read Hebrew By Chanukah— Call Temple Office Hebrew School 10:00—11:30	15 6 Cheshvan	16 7 Cheshvan	17 8 Cheshvan Hebrew School 5:30—6:30	18 9 Cheshvan	19 10 Cheshvan Candlelighting: 5:56	20 11 Cheshvan
21 12 Cheshvan Tom Breslauer's Life in Film 1:00 followed by discussion Hebrew School 10:00—11:30	22 13 Cheshvan	23 14 Cheshvan	24 15 Cheshvan Hebrew School 5:30—6:30	25 16 Cheshvan	26 17 Cheshvan Candlelighting: 5:46	27 18 Cheshvan Kiddush sponsored by Tom and Georgianna Wolf
28 19 Cheshvan Hebrew School 10:00—11:30	29 20 Cheshvan	30 21 Cheshvan	31 22 Cheshvan	Friday evening services: 8:00 p.m. Saturday Shabbat services: 9:30 a.m.		



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