

TEMPLE B'NAI JESHURUN

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Rabbi's Message

"All beginnings are difficult." So wrote Chaim Potok. So are endings. Why? Because it's tough to say goodbye.

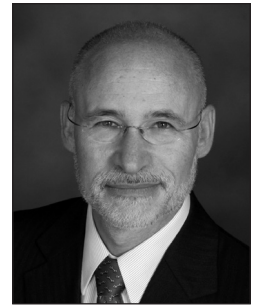
Although the year that has passed has been so unusual in so many ways, nonetheless I have found myself embraced by your warmth. While not knowing exactly what to expect when I first arrived at Temple B'nai Jeshurun, I quickly discovered a congregation with a rich history, a proud tradition, one with open arms and hearts...and a willingness to travel on an uncharted path with a (as then) unknown rabbi.

I am grateful for your trust as we traversed a strange and new landscape. I am appreciative of your generosity when I stepped on tradition's (or your) toes accidentally. I am moved by the volunteers who stepped up – in prayer, in programming, in leadership – to make this year the success that it was. So...I say to each of you, "Thank you."

Part of my job this past year – beyond being your rabbi for life-cycles, counseling, friendship, prayer, and teaching – has been to be your "interim rabbi" – to guide you along a parallel path...one of healing, of understanding, and (now) of anticipation for what comes next in the life of TBJ. During this year, I have listened carefully to your stories. Some were filled with nostalgia. In some, pain was shared. In others, there was hope for the future. In each and every story I heard, though, a single thread was present: a love for this community and a desire for it to be the very best it can be. That message inspired me. And convinced me that Temple B'nai Jeshurun is on a healthy path.

Part of what made this year so special has been the partners with whom I have been privileged to work: first and foremost, our dedicated staff: David Muenchrath, Erin Plank, Wendy Beckerman, and Charles Stanton. These are special souls, each of whom care deeply for this community; second, I thank our volunteer leadership,

shepherded so ably by Dana Dickson, our congregational president. We are so grateful for their dedication to us. Each has been there to assist whenever I have asked. Dana, especially, has been a true force of good and caring for this community; and finally, I thank those who were my "tefillah partners," (Sam Miller, Tara Starr, Ira Lacher, Sally Frank, John Ziemann, Chuck Kuba). Their talents and time have been gifts of immense worth to me and to all of us. All three – our staff, our volunteer leaders, our tefillah team – have been audacious and awesome partners.



I know that Rabbi Neal Schuster will be equally blessed as he becomes your rabbi. And – in turn – he will be a fabulous partner for you as you navigate your way forward. Having known him as a rabbi and a friend for over 19 years, I am confident that your partnership in the months and years to come will be fruitful for you, for him, and for the Des Moines Jewish and general communities. I am excited to following your shared journey.

For me, though, my journey with you comes to a close in a few brief weeks. I hope you will consider being with us on Friday, June 24, during our Erev Shabbat service. Then, I will offer my final words of appreciation to you. It will warm my soul to see you and thank you personally.

A friend once said that endings are just opportunities for new beginnings. That will be true for you and for me. Whatever my next "beginning" might be, know that I will carry fond memories of being a part of your lives even for this briefest of times. And once more, thank you for that precious opportunity!

Rabbi Arthur Nemitoff

Worship Schedule

Currently Friday evening and Saturday morning services are in person and live streamed on our website, www.templebnaijeshurun.org.
Saturday morning Torah Study is in person and via Zoom. Emails are sent biweekly with streaming links and updates to the schedule if there are any. Contact us if you are not currently receiving Temple emails, office@templebnaijeshurun.com.

FRIDAY, JUNE 17

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service
with Rabbi Nemitoff

SATURDAY, JUNE 18

9:00 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

FRIDAY, JUNE 24

6:00 p.m. Rabbi Nemitoff's Final
Erev Shabbat Service
7:15 p.m. Kiddush & Dessert Oneg with
klezmer music by the Java Jews

SATURDAY, JUNE 25

9:00 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
4:30 p.m. TBJ Sisterhood Lilith Salon

FRIDAY, JULY 1

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service
with Rabbi Neal
7:15 p.m. Kiddush & Oneg

SATURDAY, JULY 2

9:00 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

FRIDAY, JULY 8

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, JULY 9

9:00 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

FRIDAY, JULY 15

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, JULY 16

9:00 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

FRIDAY, JULY 22

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, JULY 23

9:00 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

FRIDAY, JULY 29

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, JULY 30

9:00 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

9:00 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

9:00 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

9:00 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

6:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

9:00 a.m. Traditional Torah Study
10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service

AN EVENING WITH THE INDIANAPOLIS QUARTET
in honor of Holocaust survivor David Wolnerman

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
7:30 PM

Hoyt Sherman Place Theater
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President's Comments

Whether you call it 2022 or 5782, it has been quite a FULL year. As a congregation, we have been challenged with change and transition. You have been patient, present, and invested in our Jewish community during this time—asked to evaluate where Temple B’nai Jeshurun is right now, and where you would like it to be in the not so distant future. It is my hope that you were heard and that you heard each other.

What I gained from the past year is that we have an incredibly passionate community of Reform Jews who care deeply for our congregation. Passion, as I have come to understand it, can be expressed through many different emotional facets. I listened as you shared your pain, your anger, your fears and even your enthusiasm as we spoke about change. Ultimately, the passion was directly related to the same idea: a desire for our congregation to thrive, grow and continue to be a sacred space for worship and community—indefinitely.

So, what did we do? We asked Rabbi Nemitoff to help process our passion and work through our year-long transition. We asked our lay-leadership, musicians and staff to be superhuman—leading services, operating new technology to stream services, and making it all work when it was

really, really difficult. Our dedicated Rabbinic Search Committee spent hours on zoom vetting applicants and interviewing candidates. The Board of Trustees held countless meetings, often late into the night, working tirelessly to ensure we would have an excellent, qualified rabbi to lead our congregation on July 1st, 2022. We asked you, our congregants to show up (sometimes last minute) and speak passionately about your wishes for the future of Temple B’nai Jeshurun. And we did it. It took some patience, vigor (and Chardonnay), but we did it!

All things considered, I am so proud of our congregation and all we have achieved. I believe that Rabbi Neal Schuster (call him Rabbi Neal. I promise, he approves!) is a fresh beginning—and what excellent timing for our 150th year as Temple B’nai Jeshurun. Please welcome him with all your “Iowa nice” and warmth. I look forward to taking these next steps with all of you as we continue to grow into a stronger and more beautiful congregation. Toda Raba

Sincerely,
Dana Dickson



MEET OUR NEWEST FAMILY

Temple B’nai Jeshurun is happy to welcome the family of **Tyler and Natali Atkinson**, and their daughter Reagan, to our congregation. For several years they’ve attended services - either in person or by Zoom - and they’re glad to be back in the pews! Tyler is a U.S. Army veteran and in college; Natali graduated from ABI and is working for the State of Iowa at Iowa Workforce.



BAT MITZVAH NEWS

Jeffrienne Young and Eytan Young are proud to announce the Bat Mitzvah of **CAMILLA IRIS YOUNG**. Milla was called to the Torah at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 7, at Temple B’nai Jeshurun.



Executive Director's Message

We knew that the last twelve months would be a time of major transition for our Temple community. Times of transition, like we experienced, can be difficult, but our Temple leadership, community, and staff have done all that we could to meet the challenges of the last twelve months.

We knew that we would have to say goodbye to Rabbi Kaufman, welcome our interim Rabbi, Art Nemitoff, and begin the search for a new permanent Rabbi. Our Temple Board and Rabbinic Search Committee did a wonderful job finding some impressive candidates, and after hearing the feedback of our congregation, selecting Neal Schuster to serve as our new Rabbi.

I want to thank our staff and volunteers who helped make some challenging technical programs work extremely well. The interviews that we conducted in the sanctuary were logistically and technically challenging, but I think that everyone was happy with how they turned out. It was great to see so many of our congregants participate in these interviews either in person or via Zoom.

One thing we could never have predicted is that one of our candidates for our Rabbinic position, would be taken hostage and have to go through a horrible ordeal shortly after interviewing with our search committee and Temple Board. This situation was a stark reminder that we need to continue to be vigilant in regards to the safety and security of our congregation. When we had law enforcement professionals come out they were impressed with the security measures we had already taken, but reminded us that we need to regularly provide training for our congregation so that we might be prepared for any scenario.

This year our staff is undergoing extensive training to be prepared to handle any situation, and

we have started to offer for members of our congregation active shooter training. That training was eye opening for all who participated. Our trainers fired blank shots in the building and the sound of those shots will definitely remain with me for years to come.



In the near future, we will be offering Stop the Bleed training in the Temple Social Hall for anyone who wants to attend. Sadly, recent news has reminded us that despite how much we wish we didn't need training like this, if having this training could save even one life then it will be worth it for our congregation and community.

Lastly, over the last twelve months we have continued to do all that we could to slow the spread of COVID-19, while slowly bringing our congregants back together for worship and programs here at the Temple. We knew this transition would need to be a slow one. Once vaccines became readily available, we knew we could allow people back in the building, but we wanted to be cautious and continued to require masks and limit attendance. Just recently we lifted the mask requirement, but we are continuing to be cautious by maintaining proper sanitation and air purification of our facility.

The pandemic has left an indelible mark on our congregation, and we will continue to see how we can evolve to address the needs of our congregation. It is my sincere hope that when Rabbi Schuster begins on July 1st, 2022, that we will form a good partnership, and that together we will grow as a congregation.

David Muenchrath
Executive Director

**Remember, going to temple
doesn't take a summer vacation!**



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Onsite & Virtual Options:

Friday, June 17 | 9:30AM – 3:00PM

Jewish Federation of Greater Des Moines

33158 Ute Ave.

Waukee, IA 50263

To register for onsite: <https://ihm.ec/pd-registration>

Thursday, June 23 | 9:30AM – 3:00PM

Virtual (on Zoom)

To register for virtual : <https://ihm.ec/summer-institute-ia>

Travel Stipends are available. For additional information, please contact

Jessica.Hulten@ihmec.org or Bob@jewishdesmoines.org

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How Do You Get To Know A Person?

What was your first concert? It's a bit of a random question, and sometimes those are the best for getting a person to open up; a kind of side-door to getting to know who they are. Of course, there are the standard questions people ask when meeting someone new: where are you from? What do you do? Where did you go to school? And the college classic, what's your major?

But standard questions invite standard answers – the kind that are well-rehearsed and unrevealing. On the other hand, here is a question that is distinctively non-standard: if you've filled up a plate at a buffet, do you take an eat-your-favorite-thing-first approach, or do you save the best for last? Or how about this one: if you are walking through the candy section and decide to treat yourself to something, what is your go-to candy?

On the face of it, these are ridiculous and meaningless questions. But the conversations they can initiate are not meaningless. Like the 18th century Reb Leib Sarahs, who said, "I do not go to Rabbi Dov Baer of Mezrich to learn the interpretations of Torah. I go to him to observe his ways of tying his shoes," we can learn a lot about a person through seemingly meaningless things. But even more so, opening a conversation with questions like these – questions that everyone has an answer to – invites a person to reflect on something personal and distinctive about themselves, and then share it. It is not the answer that matters, it is the conversations that follow that make such questions an excellent way of getting to know a person.

And getting to know each other is exactly where we stand with each other at this point in time. Here I am, a stranger of a rabbi, about to become a big part of your lives (I hope). I imagine that you would like to get to know me. And I want to get to know each of you. What better way of doing so than asking each other questions?

And what could be more Jewish than asking questions? Biblical figures are constantly asking God questions. The entire rabbinic tradition is built upon the value of posing challenging questions, so much so that, in the Talmud, Rabbi Yochanan was bereft without his friend Reish Lakish, because no one else could ask

challenging questions as well as he did. Throughout the ages, Jewish students have been encouraged to ask questions, not disciplined for speaking up. And even today, the Jewish ethos is so wrapped up in questions that in the TV show, *Frasier*, when Frasier didn't know how to pretend to be Jewish, his father told him, "That's simple. Just answer every question with a question."

So, in the months, and, God willing, years ahead, I am going to have questions for all of you. Some of these questions will come in the literal form a survey, and others will be personal and one-on-one. When you receive a survey link from me, I hope you will each take a few minutes to fill it out so that I can get a broad picture of who all of you are. And when I reach out to you, asking to get together for a conversation, I hope you will each accept my invitation, and that you will bring some good questions for me. I will definitely have questions for you. Here are a few for you to think about:

- What is one of your earliest Jewish memories?
(For some of you, the answer may lie deep in your childhood. For others, it may be a matter of looking back months or a handful of years.)
- Who is someone in your life, who is not a rabbi (or other Jewish professional), to whom you look as a source of Jewish connection or wisdom?
- What is one Jewish idea, teaching, or value that just speaks to you; that you really connect with and find meaningful?

I look forward to hearing what each of you has to say about these questions, and more, as we get to know each other in the days ahead.

But first, I just might ask you, what was your first concert? By the way, mine was Devo.

Rabbi Neal Schuster



PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING
RABBI NEAL SCHUSTER
TO TEMPLE B'NAI JESHURUN

FRIDAY JULY 1, 2022

6:00 PM
SHABBAT
SERVICE

Come celebrate the next chapter in Temple B'nai Jeshurun's history as we welcome Rabbi Neal Schuster.

7:15 PM
KIDDUSH &
ONEG

Shabbat Service will be followed by a "meet and mingle" with vegetarian hors d'oeuvres and sweet delights.

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Sisterhood News

Shalom! 2021/'22 has proven to be a year of reclaiming our space. With the Temple open more of us have gathered-in and it's felt like a renewal.

Through it all, the Sisterhood continued to celebrate the B'nai Mitzvot with gifts and now our gifts can be given on the bimah! Connecting with all women of the Temple, we sent personalized birthday greetings and now we hope to see everyone in person. Annual gift bags for Rosh Hashanah could be picked up or delivered and so we could greet everyone who wanted one. Other programs were held hybrid. Collaborating with the Women league of Tifereth Israel, we presented a hybrid "Conversation with Hannah Rogers," Jewish Federation President. It was well attended in-person and online.

Sisterhood is about bringing us together so I was delighted we could offer more in-person events. Programs on hiatus have started again... Breakfast Club and We Do Lunch. Craft Schmooze thrived over zoom now meets at Temple. Quarterly Lilith Salons have returned in person. If you want to read articles, find the latest Temple copy in the Library and return it so others can read. Our popular Book club remains on zoom for the time being. We enjoyed the return of Supper in the Sukkah - a sold-out event! Welcoming younger members, we hosted a Young Members

Coffee - the perfect occasion to know each other better. Our brilliant Wine and Cheese Tasting brought in new members. Theme colors were blue and yellow and opportunities to support Ukrainian refugees were announced. We hosted "A Conversation with Chaplain Russell Braman, Resilience." Certainly, our resilience has been challenged over these past few years. May 20, we celebrated our first Sisterhood Shabbat in decades. The historical theme reminds us of how Judaism survives and thrives... l'dor v'dor.

A year-long social action project was completed for ML King Elementary School. We completed the furnishing of the "ISU 4U Legacy Teachers' Lounge." Over a year of supply chain issues, damaged goods, cost over-run, loss of personnel, we persevered! What a gift to the teachers and the perfect way to support a truly Jewish value. (See photos below.)

Membership in the Sisterhood is open to all. Imagine how much more we can do if everyone joins! Consider supporting us with dues then participate on whatever level is comfortable for you. All are always welcome as you are.

Lehitraot!

Rebecca Shaffer, Sisterhood President



TBJ sisterhood co-sponsor in the ISU 4 U Promise Legacy Lounge



Rebecca Shaffer highlighting a MLK Jr. mural in the teachers' lounge.



One of the teachers arriving first!



L to R: Heather Loeb, Rebecca Shaffer, Wendy Beckerman, Nancy Chavannes welcoming the teachers to their newly completed teachers' lounge

JOIN THE TBJ SISTERHOOD!



Team Members Needed For-

- President/Co-President Team
- Membership Team
- IT, Graphics & Marketing Team
- Programs, Projects & Events Team

*Teams will transition with guidance & assistance over the summer.

*Team terms run from July 1st - June 30th

For team descriptions, questions or to volunteer-
Rebecca Shaffer- 515-343-7831 bookcclane@me.com



GRADUATION HONORS

AIDAN ALAN WILLIAM WALSH graduated from Dallas Center-Grimes High School on May 27. Proud parents are Sara & Matt Walsh. He is tolerated by sister, Rose and doted on by **grandparents Maryanne & Herb Remer**. Throughout high school, Aidan enjoyed playing football and wrestling and has spent his senior year focusing on strongman competitions (and his studies, of course!). He received second place in the teen division of the United States Strongman National Championship last year and is planning to return this June to compete for first place. He's gone to Camp GUCI for the last several years and made his trek to Israel last summer. He plans to attend Des Moines Area Community College in the fall with a focus on kinesiology, which is the study of the mechanics of human movement and how it impacts health and well-being.



IAN WILKE-SHAPIRO, son of **Steve and Rachel Wilke-Shapiro**, graduated from Roosevelt High School. At Roosevelt, he participated in band and soccer all four years, earning a varsity letter in soccer the last two years. Ian also played club soccer with the Des Moines Soccer Club, where he became friends with players throughout the city. Ian took several Advanced Placement courses at Central Academy and developed his aptitude for math and science. Outside of school Ian enjoys video games, anime, and his dog. He had a job slinging pizza for awhile and was a counselor in training at Engman Camp Shalom. Next year, Ian will be attending the University of Iowa. He intends to major in biochemistry and pursue an advanced degree in pharmacy, epidemiology, or something else that will keep him in a laboratory and out of a restaurant kitchen. He has a sharp sense of humor and a kind heart.

ZACK PHILLIPS, son of **Bruce and Kryz Phillips**, graduated from Roosevelt High School and Central Academy. This year Zack's Central Academy Math team (11462) received an outstanding award for their work on the first round of the HIMCM competition, as they finished in the top eight out of more than 700 teams internationally. On the second round, the group scored in the top three teams in the nation. Team 11462 was the only American team to be designated both Outstanding on the HiMCM and as a Finalist on the IM2C. Zack also became involved in QuizBowl his senior year. He was the only DMPS student to attend individual competition. Zack played tenor saxophone in Jazz Band at Roosevelt, and this year he received the Louis Armstrong Award for Jazz. He is in Honor Band, and he received a Division 1 rating in State Band for his piano solos in 2020 and 2022. He has received Academic Letters for the last three school years. He has received the DMACC Dean's Award for high scholastic achievement multiple semesters. Next year Zack plans to attend DMACC to finish elective credits, and he will continue his private piano study with Sue Hudson. He plans to continue playing saxophone and join the DMACC Jazz Band. After DMACC, Zack hopes to attend Grinnell College, majoring in Math.



NOAH PINS, son of **Jeremy and Danna Pins**, graduated from Valley High School in May. While at Valley, Noah was involved in orchestra, green house club, chess club, silver cord, and National Honor Society. Noah will attend Drake University in the fall.



Happy Anniversary

Priscilla & Michael Kalhorn • June 4
 Stuart & Judy Shkolnick • June 5
 Michael & Ronda Davis • June 8
 Aliza & Daniel MacKenzie • June 11
 Steven & Renee Newman • June 12
 Sharon & Larry Squibb • June 12
 Stuart & Sondra Feldstein • June 16
 Louis & Lois Fingerman • June 16
 Beverley Chapman & Richard Waugh • June 18
 Ross Daniels & Amy Ward • June 24
 David & Raynae Kitsis • June 24
 William Friedman Jr. & JoAnn Friedman • June 25
 Gerald & Debra Damsky • June 30
 Victoria & Steve Eckstat • July 2
 Jennifer & Michael Hamilton • July 3
 Sami & Colin Whittie • July 3
 Howard & Heidi Berger • July 6
 Alexis Manassa & Dustin Shivers • July 8
 Gary & Teena Greenberg • July 9

Philip & Marla Sobel • July 10
 Neil & Miriam VanHeukelem • July 21
 Meyer & Jennifer Lehman • July 23
 Louis & Ann Balentine • July 27
 Stephen & Gwenn Copple • August 1
 Stephen & Claudia Siegel • August 2
 Jeffrey & Sarah Rader • August 3
 Tyler & Natali Atkinson • August 4
 Emily & Terry Kruse • August 5
 Steven & Rachel Wilke-Shapiro • August 7
 Dean & Deana Lerner • August 9
 Maryanne & Herbert Remer • August 12
 Larry & Judy Deutch • August 13
 Michael & Melissa Wolnerman • August 21
 AJ & Barbara Bobb • August 23
 Lorrie & William Jagiello • August 29
 Paul Schwegler &
 Nicole Chavas-Schwegler • August 29

Yahrzeit Observances

The following names will be read on Friday, June 17 and Saturday, June 18

Maurice Raphael Rosin
Mathilda Jacobs Wolf
M. Burton Drexler
Mollie G. Goldman
Rabbi Aaron Gorbaty
Edward Hackner
Muriel Oxer
Benjamin Paset
Michael Saffel
Laura Sparks
Sam Callistein
Bernard Cohen
Annette Friedman
Murphy Greenhill
Sue Levin
Ronald Press
Ida Bader
David S. Gold
Shirley Ann Jacobs
Alice Shapiro
Marcus Younker
Ruth Zapel
Bertha Sheuerman Strauss
Phyllis Eisenberg
Nathan Levitt

The following names will be read on Friday, June 24 and Saturday, June 25:

Lawrence Duplessis
Leona Mills
Joseph Taub
Esther Wolf
Verna S. Copple
Bessie Goldberg
Sarah Kaplan
Rose (Roe) Myrna Cohen
Morton Freeder
Myer Silverstein
Ralph Copple
Betty Dubansky
Andrea Elena Levitt
Mildred Pomerance
Constance N. Belin
Ben Glazer
Moses Marks
Arthur David Brody
Tinny Nadel
Jerome Schlesinger

The following names will be read on Friday, July 1 and Saturday, July 2:

Irene L. Boldes
Norman M. Wilchinski
Estelle Hackner
Charles Hendricks

Herman Katzman
Gilbert Weishaar
Sigmund Kikoler
Eleanor Esther Taub
Rosalyn Berck
Marjorie P. Epstein
Frances Rosin
Larry Cotlar
Babette Joseph
Irving Lazar
Robert Weinberg
Joseph Kuhn
Carrie Oppenheimer
Charlotte Solomon

The following names will be read on Friday, July 8 and Saturday, July 9:

Albert Ravreby
George Stern
Sarah Gold
Fanny Biber Land Lazarus
Alan Rapaport
Jon Marc Cooper
Simon Frank
Rose Miller Cowen
Harry Marks
Jerry Oxer
Robert Isaac Adato
Martin Bucksbaum
Irving Numeroff
Julius C. Swartz
Phyllis Grossman Weber
Sylvia Feingold
Herbert Harris
Albert Bassin
George Chayet
Samuel Hurwitz
Benjamin Leventhal
Shirley Pearlman

The following names will be read on Friday, July 15 and Saturday, July 16:

Ida Klein
Louie Patterson
Caroline Maas Weinstock
Thelma June DeTemple
Matthew Kaufmann
Max Saul Berck
Steve Dubansky
Abraham Friedlich
Sadie Lipsey
Bertha Purnell
Abraham Sklar
Nathan Beckerman
John E. Cunningham
Gretchen G. Friedman
Harriette Lubetkin
Agnes Wilchinski

Joseph "Shadow" Foley
Sam Fortess
Gertrude Greenhill
Theodore "Ted" Livingston
Louis J. Rosenthal
Bessie Greenhill

The following names will be read on Friday, July 22 and Saturday, July 23:

Mary Franklin
Jana Grady
Nathan Rubenstein
Helene Barricks
Arthur Goldford
Harry Goldman
Leon L. Jacobs
Lloyd Miller
Lucille Weishaar
Rose Biber
Anne Damsky
Bernard Kohn
Stan Steinger
Philip Miller
Jerry Dann
Dorothy D. Krause
Samuel Newmeyer
Norman M. Carmel
Lee Hurwick
Dr. Nathan Josephson
Freda Leff
Belle Mintzer
Burton Press
Lillian Rothenberg
Edward Thomas Tregilgas

The following names will be read on Friday, July 29 and Saturday, July 30:

Julius Mandelbaum
Max Shloss
Loretta C. Conley
Norman Plasur
Burton Joseph Sr.
Richard A. Schuler
Arnold Caplan
Max Hiller
Roy Hjelmaas
Ike M. Block
Kay Braverman
Louis E. Cohen
Myron "Mike" Goldman
Ethelyn Cohen Swartz
Oscar Karp
Rodney Shkolnick
Theodosia "Theo" Blank
Nicholas L. Friedman
Leone Morgenstern
Selma Strasburger

The following names will be read on Friday, August 5 and Saturday, August 6:

Roscoe Alcorn
Helen Balentine
Steven Bassman
Leona Duplessis
Emma Katanick
Jennie R. Brody
Charlotte From
Esther Mallon
J.J. Mallon
William "Bill" Silver
Chester Stricker
Emmanuel I. Troyansky
Hannah Davidson Aldes
Mary Bader Cohen
Helen Gruen
Muriel Lantor
Minnie Pomerantz
Stephen Alan Wayne
Joanne Brown
Bernadeen McKinney
Florence Stansberry
Ruth Honig Zeff
Maureen Durwood
Sueann Mann
Ramona Nadel Robinson

The following names will be read on Friday, August 12 and Saturday, August 13:

Madeline Gottstein
Philip A. Swartz
Alice H. Davidson
William Newman
David Tobis
Elaine Bailie
Elaine Brown
Stuart Gottstein
Ida J. Loeb
Sandra Nagelberg
Pauline Neufeld
Sam Shlaes
Dr. Berthold Weiss
Dorothy Block
Elizabeth Aliber Gordon
David Mintzer
Helen Sklar
Marie Swarzman
Saul Waltman

Bernice Wolf
Mary Abrams
Mary Rubin
Ruth DeGraff
Richard Rosin
Donald Shrago

The following names will be read on Friday, August 19 and Saturday, August 20:

Archie Arkin
Constance Arkin
Abraham H. Blank
Arnold E. Levine
Nelle S Levitt
Esther Mogolov
Marvin Pomerantz
Kate Ravreby
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Doris Sherman
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Madaline Brody
Sam Hockenberg
Byron A. Jacobs
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The following names will be read on Friday, September 2 and Saturday, September 3:

John Arum
Eli Braverman
Charles Duchen
Mary Gordon
Stephen A. Gross
Estelle Leib
Minnie Levitt
Ruth Jacobson
Milton Price
Beverly Rosenfeld
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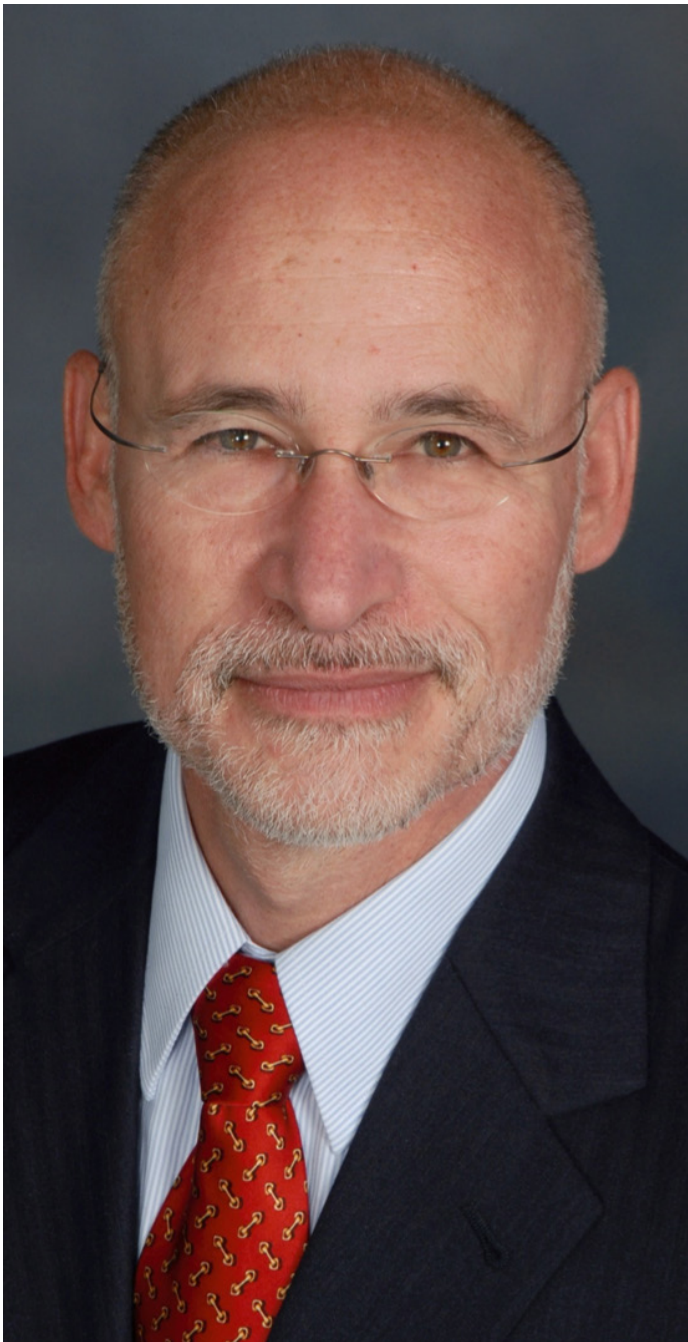
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Please join us as we thank
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FRIDAY JUNE 24TH

6pm: Rabbi Nemitoff's Final
Erev Shabbat Service

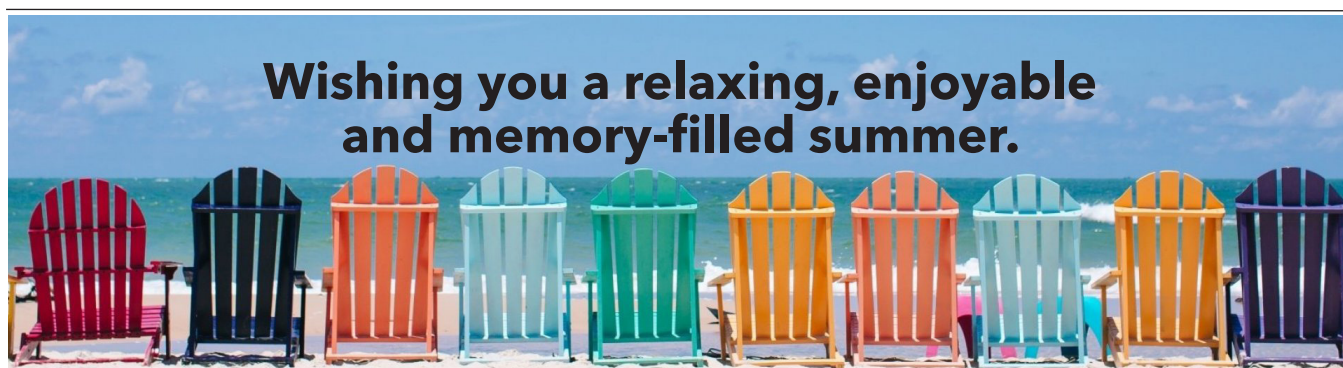
7:15pm: Kiddush and Dessert
Oneg with Klezmer music by
the Java Jews

Stuart Oxer	June 4
Barbara Sherman	June 5
Marla Sobel	June 5
Dean Lerner	June 8
Tom Franklin	June 9
Daniel Loeb	June 9
Gabrielle Solomon	June 10
Peder Skoog	June 11
David Brown	June 12
Ryba Epstein	June 13
Tyler Atkinson	June 15
Thomas Goldman	June 15
Linda Cohen	June 17
Jeffrienne Young	June 17
Virginia Stone	June 19
Marsha Johnston	June 20
Mark Conley	June 21
Gerald Damsky	June 21
Philip Sobel	June 22
Jeffrey Lipman	June 23
Jeffrey Margolin	June 23
Dana Wylie	June 23
Mrs. Ronda Davis	June 24
Brian Feingold	June 24
Gwenn Copple	June 26
Larry Deutch	June 26
J. Todd Ellis	June 26
Rebecca Shaffer	June 26
Rocky Sobotka	June 26
Daryl Anderson	June 27
Lawrence Hulse	June 27
Randy Leventhal	June 27
Samuel Miller	June 27
Heather Loeb	June 28
Deborah Gitchell	June 29
Jennifer Hamilton	June 29
Benjamin Kaufmann	June 29
Aliza MacKenzie	June 29
Ann Balentine	June 30



Mary Seidler	July 1
Gil Coosner	July 2
Marlene Kavan	July 2
Beverley Chapman	July 3
Emily Rahe	July 3
Ben Shlaes	July 4
Debra Damsky	July 7
Bruce Buchsbaum	July 8
Janet Epstein	July 8
Joel Hjelmaas	July 10
Valerie Cohen	July 11
Brenda Daisy	July 11
Jane Tew	July 11
Ellen Adelman	July 16
Glenn Purnell	July 16
Paul Schwegler	July 16
Stephen Siegel	July 18
Mary Kay Buchsbaum	July 19
Arlene Wolf	July 19
Gary Galinsky	July 21
Jody Leventhal	July 21
Marilyn Musser	July 22
Joyce Wayne	July 23
Ira Arenson	July 25
Beatrice Gruen	July 25
Susan Hoffman	July 25
Jeff Pomerantz	July 25
Stephen Copple	July 26
Gail Klearman	July 26
Ronna Pochter	July 26

Jeff Gioimo	July 27
Katherine Eckhouse	July 28
Jason Bernstein	July 31
Larry Kirsner	July 31
Kenneth Pratt	August 1
Steve Sims	August 1
David Binder	August 3
Norton Chayet	August 3
Joseph Dehner	August 4
Steven Schoenebaum	August 5
Nathan Kitsis	August 6
Ruth Robinson	August 6
Sherida Josephson	August 8
Andi Lipman	August 8
Sarah Rader	August 9
William Grund	August 10
Miriam VanHeukelem	August 11
Terri Smith	August 14
Audrey Porter	August 15
Craig Shadur	August 15
Charles Kuba	August 16
Jeffrey Rader	August 17
Jonathan Fialkov	August 18
Stephanie Masters	August 18
Marc Klein	August 20
Lisa Lacher	August 20
Todd Steinberg	August 20
Richard Chavannes	August 21
Stuart Feldstein	August 21
Mark Lazar	August 21
Marvin Braverman	August 22
Priscilla Kalhorn	August 23
Sarah Buchanan	August 25
Beverly Kikoler	August 27
Matt Buchanan	August 29
Steven Callistein	August 29
Taylor Gioimo	August 21
John Zieman	August 31



Temple B'nai Jeshurun

June 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 6pm Family Shabbat Service in Social Hall Shabbat Dinner	4 9am Traditional Torah Study Kuper Schwartz Bar Mitzvah 7pm Confirmation Service
5 10am Shavuot Morning Service with Consecration	6 7pm Temple Annual Meeting via Zoom	7 10am Temple Staff Meeting Worship Committee Sisterhood Meeting	8	9 10am Sisterhood Crafts Sisterhood Event	10 6pm Erev Shabbat Service with Yizkor for Shavuot	11 9am Traditional Torah Study 10am Shabbat Service 4:30pm Jack Mollison Bar Mitzvah
12 11am Joanne Brown's Short Story Book Club	13 9:30am Breakfast Club	14 10am Temple Staff Meeting	15	16 10am Sisterhood Crafts	17 6pm Erev Shabbat Service	18 9am Traditional Torah Study 10am Shabbat Morning Service
19	20	21 10am Temple Staff Meeting	22	23 10am Sisterhood Crafts 12pm WE DO (Women of Experience Dining Out) Lunch	24 6pm Erev Shabbat Service with Farewell to Rabbi Nerniioff (In Sanctuary) Oneg	25 9am Traditional Torah Study 10am Shabbat Morning Service 4:30pm TBI Sisterhood Lilith Salon
26	27	28 10am Temple Staff Meeting	29	30 10am Sisterhood Crafts		

Temple B'nai Jeshurun

July 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 6pm Erev Shabbat Service One to Welcome Rabbi Neal	2 9am Traditional Torah Study Shabbat Morning Service
3	4 Independence Day - Temple Office Closed	5 10am Temple Staff Meeting Worship Committee Sisterhood Meeting	6	7 10am Sisterhood Crafts	8 6pm Erev Shabbat Service	9 9am Traditional Torah Study Shabbat Morning Service
10 11am Joanne Brown's Short Story Book Club	11 9:30am 6:30pm Breakfast Club TBJ Book Club via Zoom, "Educated"	12 10am Temple Staff Meeting	13	14 10am Sisterhood Crafts	15 6pm Erev Shabbat Service	16 9am 10am Traditional Torah Study Shabbat Morning Service
17	18	19 10am Temple Staff Meeting Temple Board Meeting	20	21 10am Sisterhood Crafts	22 6pm Erev Shabbat Service	23 9am 10am Traditional Torah Study Shabbat Morning Service
24	25	26 10am Temple Staff Meeting	27	28 10am 12pm Sisterhood Crafts WE DO Lunch	29 6pm Erev Shabbat Service	30 9am 10am Traditional Torah Study Shabbat Morning Service
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Temple B'nai Jeshurun

August 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 10am Temple Staff Meeting 5:30pm Worship Committee 6:30pm Sisterhood Meeting	3	4 10am Sisterhood Crafts	5 6pm Erev Shabbat Service	6 9am Traditional Torah Study (TTS) 10am Shabbat Morning Service
7	8 9:30am Breakfast Club	9 10am Temple Staff Meeting 6:30pm Temple Board Meeting	10	11 10am Sisterhood Crafts	12 6pm Erev Shabbat Service	13 9am Traditional Torah Study (TTS) 10am Shabbat Morning Service
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