

# The Temple Times

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## **Temple Beth El Service Schedule**

#### Services

Monday Morning	8:00 A.M.
Thursday Morning	9:00 A.M.
Friday Shabbat Evening	5:30 P.M.

Services and Kiddush Hosted by the Temple Beth El Sisterhood Saturday Shabbat Morning 9:30 A.M.

### Dear Friends,

To help make a minyan. Please join us.

#### **Temple Beth El Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday: 9 A.M. - 3 P.M.

## **CANDLE LIGHTING - 5779**

March 1 <sup>st</sup>	5:32 P.M.
March 8 <sup>th</sup>	5:41 P.M.
March 15 <sup>th</sup>	5:49 P.M.
March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	5:57 P.M.
March 29 <sup>th</sup>	6:06 P.M.

Please notify Temple of any <u>ADDRESS</u> <u>CHANGES</u> you have for the <u>winter or</u> <u>summer months</u>, we need these address changes if we are to continue sending the bulletin – Thank You. Temple Beth El's Centennial Celebration October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> 2019 SAVE THESE DATES



### **Temple Beth El**

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## Temple Beth El Cantor's Message

## **Purim Tidbits**

A man comes to his rabbi and says, "Rabbi, I don't know what to do! My family, thank God, is growing so that we have no room in the house. I need to add an extension, but have no idea how."

The rabbi replies, "It just so happens that I am studying a section of the Talmud where they bring up this very question. It includes plans for an addition. Let me make you a copy, and you can use them." After offering the rabbi profuse thanks, the man takes the plans and leaves.

Five weeks later, the man returns to the rabbi. "Rabbi," he says, "I followed the instructions you gave me to the letter, and no sooner did I finish the extension than it collapsed on itself. Why did it do that?"

The rabbi says, "You know, Rashi asks the same question."

There was a synagogue in Texas where the rabbi gave wonderful *divrei Torah*. Unfortunately, one weekend a member had to visit Long Island for his nephew's bar mitzvah, but he didn't want to miss the rabbi's sermon. So he decided to hire a Shabbat goy to sit in the congregation and tape the sermon so he could listen to it when he returned.

Other congregants saw what was going on, and they also decided to hire Shabbat goys to tape the sermon so they could play golf instead of going to shul.

Within a few weeks' time there were 500 gentiles sitting in shul taping the rabbi. The rabbi got wise to this. The following Shabbat he, too, hired a Shabbat goy who brought a tape recorder to play his prerecorded sermon to the 500 gentiles in the congregation who dutifully recorded his words on their machines.

This marked the first incident in history of artificial in**sermon**ation

Coming this Fall, the first network TV show about the rabbi of Kotsk. The champion of uncompromising honesty and self-scrutiny leaves his home for a few weeks. When he returns, he discovers that his students have been replaced by a crew of unruly, wisecracking underachievers. Hilarity ensues when machmir meets yo' momma in *Welcome Back, Kotsker*.

Cantor Levitsky, in his first official act as a cantor, had to officiate at a funeral for a homeless man with no friends or family. The funeral was to be held at a new cemetery across town and this man was the first to be laid to rest there.

Cantor Levitsky arrived late, but noticed a few workers gathering around the grave opening. Young and enthusiastic, the Cantor poured out his heart and soul as he gave the eulogy and recited the prayers. He was so powerful that he brought the cemetery workers to tears.

When the service was over, Levitsky walked to his car and as he opened the door he heard one worker say to the other, "I never saw anything like that before and I've been putting in septic systems for over 20 years."

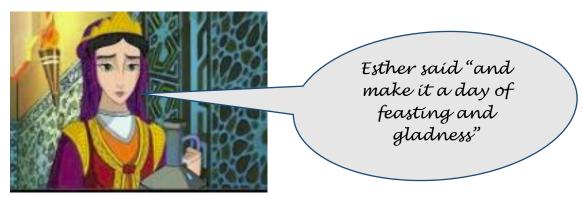
Cantor Socolof

## HELP US LOCATE FAMILIES

If you know anyone who has family buried in any of our cemeteries that have family members who have gravestones in disrepair please ask them to contact us or simply send us their address and we will contact them. This way when they come to visit their loved one they will be greeted with a clean well maintained monument.

## Temple Beth El Purím





Temple Beth El invites you to join us for a Purim **"FEAST OF ESTHER"** March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - - - at 6 PM - - - at the Temple followed by the Reading of the Megillah.

## MENU

Kosher Hot Dogs Potato Salad - Cole Slaw - Baked Beans Sauerkraut - Ketchup - Mustard - Relísh Hamentashen Beverages

\$5.00 for Adults (13+) \$3.00 Children (5 to 12) Under 5 Free







RSVP – We must have reservations by March 13, 2019

## **Temple Beth El President's Message**

Hello my friends,

We have been receiving stories and photos for the program that we will publish for the Centennial Celebration. If you have not sent in your memories, please do.

October 25-26<sup>th</sup> would be a great way to get family and friends to return to the Utica area. Please spread the word and send any address to the temple office (<u>tbeutica@gmail.com</u>) or call (315-724-4751) so we can add them to our mailing list.

Purim begins on March 20<sup>th</sup>. We will be serving dinner before the Megillah reading. Please check out the flier in this month's bulletin and make your reservation for dinner. I hope to see you there!

In preparation for your Passover shopping, we have Hannaford and Price Chopper gift cards in the office. This is very easy way for you to support temple.

Please save the date for the Sperling Lecture on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Stay happy and healthy, Marsha

## JNF TREE CERTIFICATES \$18.00 PLEASE Call Marsha 315-725-7787

You may drop your Blue Box off at the JCC or Temple.

Thank you, Marsha



## CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

## MORE STORIES AND PICTURES PLEASE

Please return you list of amily and friends addresses for the 100<sup>th</sup> Centennial Celebration

## Temple Beth El Executive Director's Message

Dear Friends,



Since this article is for "the bulletin" we have to be sure to let our readers know what to look forward to in March, and going forward.

We will observe Purim on Wednesday March 20<sup>th</sup> at Temple. We are having a hot dog supper with all the fixings – potato salad, coleslaw, beans and more followed by the reading of the Megillah.

Purim, a holiday that recognizes Esther as our heroine, is a story of romance, loyalty, faith and courage. As in much of our history, we are assured that despite oppression and anti-Semitism the prevailing tyrant in this case Haman, will ultimately be overthrown.

Purim is a holiday of feasting, costumes, masks, gaiety, noise from the groggers, hat shaped cookies – reminders of Haman's three cornered hat – filled with fruit and poppy seeds, gifts and goodies as directed in the Megillah.

Pious Jews fast on the day before Purim to honor Esther, who did not eat for three days before visiting with the King, who she was seeing without being invited. Purim is the only time a Jew is allowed to get so 'high' that he literally "does not know" the difference between cursed Haman and blessed Mordeca – this is known as Adeloyada – the gay quality of Purim.

Did you know Esther's Hebrew name was Hadassah? The Woman's National Zionist Organization, which came into existence on Purim and was named for her. Purim never falls on the Sabbath and God's name is never mentioned in the Megillah.

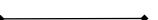
If Purim is in March can Passover be far behind – almost one month from the day of Purim is the 1<sup>st</sup> Seder, Friday night April 19<sup>th</sup>.

April 19<sup>th</sup> is also the anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. We must pay attention to observe the sweetness and the sadness of those days. We will have a joint Seder with Temple Emanu-El on April 19<sup>th</sup>.

If you check your calendar you will also see that Sunday March 10<sup>th</sup> is the start of Daylight Savings Time, and Purim is on the first day of Spring. Now I've caught all of us up on some important dates in all our lives.

Please keep in mind the pleasure of participating in Temple Beth El's Centennial Celebration on October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. 100 years is special, everyone is welcome to share our Simcha. We will keep you informed in future bulletins.

Happy Spring and Shalom, Mundy



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## Dear Friends,

The Helen and Leon Sperling Holocaust Education Essay Contest is being developed by members of The Holocaust Committee through The Jewish Community Federation of the Mohawk Valley. For this first year we are excited to present this limited opportunity, for continuous Holocaust education, to students in grades 6-8 who attend or are affiliated with Jewish synagogues and temples in Oneida and Herkimer Counties. All essays will be scored using an objective scoring guide with awards and prizes given to those who place in the top three of all submissions. Following review of input related to this first year, we will offer the essay contest to all students in grades 6-8 and 9-12, who live in the areas served by the Madison-Oneida, Oneida-Madison, and Herkimer-Fulton BOCES regions. These are the areas where our esteemed Helen Sperling presented to students facts about the Holocaust, her personal experiences as a survivor, and why we must speak-up to combat bullying and intolerance. For the future we will also consider expanding this educational challenge to include fine arts and poetry categories.

You have attended or heard about the annual Helen and Leon Sperling Holocaust Lecture. Each year, guests visit with us to share an overview of their experiences as survivors and/or people with first hand, experiences of Holocaust related atrocities and hopes for a better future through Not Being Bystanders. For several years different people have considered embellishing on the annual lecture and Helen's visits to schools. Through challenging students to research and identify with a specific topic we expect students to go beyond what they learn through their school and home education. With greater knowledge we expect students to have greater power when making choices that affect themselves and others.

Thank you for your anticipated support. We hope you will encourage eligible children to participate. Your feedback is important to us and the committee loves to hear input, especially positives. Submit your comments to Steven Marcus at <u>smarcus53 1999@yahoo.com</u> and he will share them with the committee for future consideration. Committee members who have worked on this educational program are: Marsha Silverman, Ann Siegel, Cecily Eidelhoch, Lois Silverman, Judy Oster, Andi Dinerstein, Victor Pearlman, Dan van Leeuwen, Lisa and Gary Philipson, Jerry Pittaresi, Linda Slavin, Linda Dresher, Kathy Glickman, and Steven Marcus.

## Be well,

The Holocaust Education Committee

## THE HELEN AND LEON SPERLING HOLOCAUST EDUCATION ESSAY CONTEST

The lessons of history are many. Among the most important is the way that events of the past teach us how to better view the present and to react with understanding, foresight, and courage. In your essay, consider the following:

Do events of the Holocaust have meaning in our 21st Century lives?

How does the Holocaust affect every person—no matter what age in 2019?

How does the Holocaust affect you?

## This year's essay contest pertains to the Nuremberg Laws and other anti-Semitic German laws of the 1930s.

**INSTRUCTIONS:** 

- This essay contest is open to any student grades 6-8 in a Jewish congregation in the Mohawk Valley.
- Approximately 3 pages, using 12pt. Times New Roman font doublespaced.

•Cite your references and sources.

•Grammar, punctuation and spelling will be taken into consideration.

•Entry forms are available on the following websites:

JCCUTICA.net TBEUTICA.org TEMPLEEMANUEL-UTICA.org

Submit completed application and essay to: <u>razn4@roadrunner.com</u>
Deadline for submission is April 1, 2019

Cash prizes will be awarded.

The first place essay will be read at The Annual Helen and Leon Sperling Holocaust Memorial Lecture May 2, 2019 Jewish Community Center 2310 Oneida St. Utica NY 13501

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•Submit completed application and essay to: <u>razn4@roadrunner.com</u> •Deadline for submission is April 1, 2019





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April 2019



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Mary Usher	02	Bob and Ellie Cohen	4/20/1986
Josh Pearlman	06		
Edward Kowalsky	07		
Evan Philipson	18		
Howard Stern	19		
Jeremy Philipson	22		
Stanley Shapiro	22		
Birdye Wolfe	27		
Debra Rosenthal	30		

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Due by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month

I have printed my name and date as I wish it to appear on the Simcha Gram.

Name:

Telephone Number:

Please call the Temple Office 724-4751, if you wish to add any names to the list

## **Temple Beth El March Yahrzeits**

#### The following Yahrzeit will be observed during the week of April 6 to 12, 2019, 1 to 7 Nisan 5779 These names will be read from the pulpit on Friday April 5, 2019

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Dora Brill Alderman*	Harriet C. Friedman*	Arno M. Lewus*	Yerac Samuels*
Martin Abelove*	Shaina Gordon*	Mae Mitchell*	Jacob H. Samuels*
Arthur Berkowitz	Theresa Guttman*	Alan N. Nathan*	Lew Starer*
Ethel Beckwith*	Robert J.Goodman*	Lena G Oppenheim*	Helen Schor*
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Anna Amelia Fink*	Janice Goldstone Lipman	Bernard Sherman*	Andrew Wineburgh*

#### The following Yahrzeit will be observed during the week of April 13 to 19, 2019, 8 to 14 Nisan 5779 These names will be read from the pulpit on Friday April 12, 2019

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Herman J. Abrams	Moses B. Goldstone*	Isidore Landset*	John D. Rubin*	
Dorothy Bernstein*	Rosalyn Horowitz*	Saul L. Meyers*	Chester Sitrin*	
Max Berkowitz*	Mitchell A. Harris*	Joseph Meyer*	Herman Sherman*	
Norman Baker*	Fannie Heiman*	Hyman Mettleman*	Sara M. Silverman*	
Joseph Cohen*	Wolf Kowalsky*	Frances Oberman*	Gordon F. Seely*	
Nathan Cynkus*	Harry S. Kowalsky*	Leba Bauer Philipson*	Jack Stern*	
Jennie Damsky*	Arthur J. Kirschtein*	Harry Popick*	Samuel Small*	
Bertha Dumain*	Wolfe Kowalsky*	H. Robert Rosenblum*	Arnold Speiller*	
Flora Feldman*	Eleanor J. Kowalsky*	Joel Irving Rudolph*	Jacob N. Sitirin*	
Max Goldberg*	Bert Lowen	Philip Rodin*	Miriam G. Tapper*	
Jacob J. Gordon*			Rose Zeidner*	

#### The following Yahrzeit will be observed during the week of April 20 to 26, 2019, 15 to 21 Nisan 5779 These names will be read from the pulpit on Friday April 19, 2019

Rose Abelove*	Belle Cominsky*	Anna Kay*	Jacob Rothchild*
Sadye Vyner Allen*	Sigmund Dumain*	Hattie Krohn*	Gerald S. Smith*
Louis Abelson*	Leona Firstenberg*	Rosalyn Lichtman*	Louis Snyder*
Ida Brooks*	Robert Feldman*	Sisel Levinson*	Morris Solomon*
Harry Bartnick*	Rose Berlin Gordon*	Bertha Lichtman*	Charles Saltzman
Mac Berger*	Eva Goldstein*	Joseph Landset*	Regina L. Schott*
Charles Brenner*	Jacob P. Golding*	Anne A. Perlman*	Frances F. Smith*
May Bernstein	Edward N. Grossman*	Sarah Ribyat*	Mark Simons*
Sarah Brown*	Jacob H. Galinn*	Myron Rothschild*	Anna Smith Silverman*
Mollye Brill Case*	Herman Hoffman*	Yetta Rossky*	Fannie Zavotsky

#### The following Yahrzeit will be observed during the week of April 27 to May 3, 2019, 22 to 28 Nisan 5779 These names will be read from the pulpit on Friday April 26, 2019

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Harold D. Antovil*	Sophie Jimnefsky*	Anne B. Parker*	Harris Spears*
Max Antovil*	Sylvia B. Jacobson*	Roy Pollicove*	Goldie Sitrin*
Leah Berger*	Harry Kopel*	Toby Sue Rosenblum*	Mollie Shapass*
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MARCH 2019

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