



TEMPLE ISAIAH *BULLETIN*

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February 2019 Calendar of Events

Friday, Feb. 1—Birthday/Anniversary Shabbat Service, 8:00pm

Saturday, Feb. 2—Torah Study & Service, 9:30am

Tuesday, Feb. 5—“Gathering of the Scrolls” at Temple Emanu-El in NYC, 6:00pm

Wednesday, Feb. 6—Tai Chi, 11:00am

Thursday, Feb. 7—Board Meeting, 7:30pm

Friday, Feb. 8—Shabbat Service, 8:00pm

Saturday, Feb. 9—Torah Study & Service, 9:30am

Wednesday, Feb. 13—Tai Chi, 11:00am

Friday, Feb. 15—Shabbat Service, 8:00pm

Saturday, Feb. 16—Lay-led Torah Study, 9:30am; Soup Kitchen Volunteer Day

Wednesday, Feb. 20—Tai Chi, 11:00am

Thursday, Feb. 21—Game Night, 7:30pm

Friday, Feb. 22—Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 6:15pm

Saturday, Feb. 23 — Torah Study, 9:30am; Shacharit Service, 10:30am

Sunday, Feb. 24—Linda Marshak Program, 2:30pm

Monday, Feb. 26—Books & Bagels, 7:30pm

Wednesday, Feb. 27—Tai Chi, 11:00am

*When the weather (or other circumstance) threatens the cancellation of services or a temple event, if the office is closed please call Kathie Davis to check:
516-487-1576 or 516-297-0254*

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Details on These
Upcoming Events (& More) at
Temple Isaiah*

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RABBI'S COLUMN

By Rabbi Jerry Blum

"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven"
(Ecclesiastes 3:1)

Do you remember the last time you said, boy, I just have so much time on my hands? Yup, me neither. I keep on saying, it feels like the years are passing by so quickly, and exclaiming, where has the time gone?



This month of February marks the Hebrew month of Adar, the month when we celebrate the joyous festival of Purim, but this year is different as it is a Shanah Me'uberet – a Leap Year (literally a pregnant year). This means that the Hebrew calendar adds an entire extra month in order to balance out the difference between the lunar and the solar calendars so our Jewish holidays (sort of) land in their correct seasons. Does that mean there's more time in our lives? Well, not exactly, but could you imagine celebrating Rosh HaShanah in early August and Pesach in late February?

Of course, there are volumes of Halachah (Jewish Law) regarding leap years and specifically about the months of Adar I and Adar II, but suffice it to say, it just doubles the fun and adds a little extra time to our already cluttered calendar, and this year we will need it with so many events.

By far, the most important event for us in February is the "Gathering of the Scrolls" on Tuesday evening February 5th at 6:00 pm at Temple Emanu - El, 1 East 65th St. New York, NY.

As many of you know, Temple Isaiah is the guardian of a Torah scroll from Czechoslovakia, that was rescued from the horrors of the holocaust. Our Czech Torah MST#785 came from an unknown town in Bohemia and Moravia and survived the Shoah in Prague, before being brought to London in 1964.



On the 5th of February, hundreds of these sacred scrolls will be gathered together in a celebration of Jewish culture and survival. These beautiful scrolls will be on display and this will be an evening rich in history, pride and joy, and we would love to have as many Temple Isaiah members there to join in on this momentous occasion.

Because security for this event will be very tight, it is important that you register with the temple, and that we have your name written down on the invitation list at Temple Emanu-El. Please call, or send an email to, isaiahgn@yahoo.com telling us that you want to attend. If your name is not on the list, you will not be admitted to the event. We will reach out to all who will join us so as to facilitate some car-pooling to the city. We hope you all will join us for what promises to be an amazing evening.

Our psalmists tell us to *"Teach us to number our days, so we may obtain a wise heart"* (Psalm 90:12). Each year this verse takes on new meaning, as I become more cognizant of the blessings that fill my life. The lesson I take from verse 12 this year is to be more judicious with my time. Times spent with family and people we love are the precious gifts that will give us emotional and spiritual wisdom. Embrace these times and remember the words of Rabbi Harold Kushner, "nobody on their deathbed has ever said I wish I had spent more time at the office"

I pray we all take the time to notice the small, but important blessings in our lives, and show gratitude each day. And, spend more time with people we love.

Rabbi Jerry

CANTOR'S COLUMN

Blending the Familiar with the New

By Cantor Leslie Friedlander



During the past several years, there has been an ongoing dialogue between the Reform and Conservative Movements and their respective congregations regarding the issue of accessibility of the liturgy as it relates to the music of the prayer service.

Prior to the last decade or two, little thought was given to the need for individual congregants to feel fully involved through their direct participation in the service. Indeed, involvement was deemed sufficient as long as people were “inspired” during prayer, while the role of clergy was to lead. Fortunately, things have changed, and most congregations now seek a balance between congregants feeling fully involved and empowering the clergy to help inspire and educate.

Creating an effective balance of congregational participation in the service is not a simple, one-solution-fits-all task. Let me explain.

Simple tunes and melodies, including folk music, have always enjoyed popular appeal, both for the beauty of the melody and for the ease that most people feel in being able to participate in singing. In fact, many folk tunes have inspired composers to use these simple melodies as a basis for more complex symphonies and art songs. This is also true of liturgical music. In the synagogue, there is a place for both seeking spiritual fulfillment using simple melodies that lend themselves to full participation as well as more complex arrangements that enable the cantor to inspire through musical interpretation and harmony. Musical notes can be wonderfully familiar and functional while, at the same time, they can also be arranged to produce a multi-level experience that can be something more than “love at first sight.”

Creating a successful service is both an art and a science, and satisfaction can only be achieved by creating a full partnership amongst all participants, whether they be members of the clergy, congregants who regularly attend services, or even the occasional worshipper. Fortunately, the philosophy of Temple Isaiah is one of full inclusion and a willingness to evolve. Of course, like life itself, we have learned that the most important goal is to travel the correct path rather than to find the one right answer.

As your cantor, I am never satisfied with simply accepting the status quo and I am continually seeking new ways to create a proper musical balance that includes all elements of participation and inspiration. It is only through this full partnership that we will successfully meet the spiritual challenges of our time and our congregation.

Cantor Leslie Friedlander



**Current Events on Tuesday, March
19th at 7:30pm**



SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

From its inception, the congregants of Temple Isaiah have been concerned about and involved in social action and social justice. This concern and involvement continues to this day. Evidence of this is our ongoing collaboration with Hatzilu and our hands-on participation with the soup kitchen, Ladles of Hope.

We can, however, do more. Toward this end, we are revitalizing the Social Action Committee. This has already begun with a meeting held late last year during which interested members met to exchange ideas. There will be further meetings and programs in the future, which will hopefully be attended by even more members. We are looking for new issues and projects through which we can channel our energy and impetus for social action and social justice.

If you are interested in working with fellow congregants to help others and foster social change, please contact Denise Miller, Social Action Committee Chairperson, at 516-829-5758 or at denibethesq@gmail.com.



A quick reminder: the dates for working at the Soup Kitchen are as follows:

Feb. 16th
Mar. 2nd
June 1st
Sept. 7th
Nov. 23rd

The address for the Ladles of Hope is:

Salvation Army Community Center
65 Atlantic Avenue
Hempstead, NY

Adult B'nei Mitzvah Classes Are Coming!

Did you miss out on becoming a bar or bat mitzvah when you were 13, or, did you ever want to re-live that moment again?

It's never too late to become a bar or bat mitzvah! (And it's always fun to re-live their celebration.)

The rabbi will be forming a new Adult B'nei Mitzvah class beginning in February (or maybe March, depending on the weather) for those who never became or those who want to re-live that moment.

Please reach out to the rabbi (rabbi.jerry.isaiahgn@gmail.com) or the office (isaiahgn@yahoo.com) if you are interested. Information will be sent out soon.



February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Birthday/ Anniversary Shabbat, 8:00pm	2 Torah Study & Service, 9:30am
3	4	5 Gathering Of Scrolls 6:00pm Temple Emanuel, NYC	6 Tai Chi, 11:00am	7 Board Meeting, 7:30pm	8 Shabbat Service, 8:00pm	9 Torah Study & Service, 9:30am
10	11	12	13 Tai Chi, 11:00am	14	15 Shabbat Service, 8:00pm	16 Lay-led Torah Study, 9:30am; Soup Kitchen Vol- unteer Day
17	18	19	20 Tai Chi, 11:00am	21 Game Night 7:30pm	22 Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 6:15pm	23 Torah Study, 9:30am; Shacharit Service, 10:30am
24 Linda Marshak Program, 2:30pm	25	26 Book Club, 7:30pm	27 Tai Chi, 11:00am	28		

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					1 Shabbat Across America and Birthday/ Anniversary Shabbat, 6:30pm	2 Torah Study & Service, 9:30am; Soup Kitchen Volunteer Day
3	4	5 Board Meeting 7:30pm	6 Tai Chi, 11:00am	7	8 Rosh Chodesh Service, 7:30pm	9 Torah Study & Service, 9:30am
10 Brunch & Learn and Mishloach Manot Baskets, 11:00am	11	12	13 Tai Chi, 11:00am Rabbi's Class #1 7:30pm	14	15 Shabbat Service, 8:00pm	16 Torah Study & Service, 9:30am
17 Auction 2:00pm 	18	19 Current Events, 7:30pm	20 Tai Chi, 11:00am Purim— Megillah Reading & Purimspiel, 7:30pm	21	22 Shabbat Service, 8:00pm	23 Lay-led Torah Study, 9:30am
24 31	25	26	27 Tai Chi, 11:00am Rabbi's Class #2 7:30pm	28	29 Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 6:15pm	30 Torah Study, 9:30am; Shacharit Service, 10:30am



TEMPLE ISAIAH GOODS & SERVICES AUCTION

ONE OF THE BIGGEST FUNDRAISERS OF THE YEAR AND OUR MOST EXCITING AFTERNOON IS FAST APPROACHING. PLEASE PLAN TO BE THERE.

BID ON: VACATIONS, THEATER TICKETS, JEWELRY, ELEGANT DINNERS, RESTAURANTS, SPORTING EVENTS, ART, TOYS, COMPUTER LESSONS & MORE

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Raffle Tickets

\$10 per Ticket

3 Tickets for \$25.00

Auction Reservations

\$18 Adults,

\$5 Children 11-17, Under 10-Free

Raffle Drawing at Auction

Need not be present to win

No purchase necessary

TEMPLE ISAIAH GOODS & SERVICES AUCTION

**MARCH 17, 2019
2:00PM**

NAME(S): _____ TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

AUCTION RESERVATIONS @\$18 ADULTS, \$5 CHILD 11-17 \$ _____

RAFFLE TICKETS @\$10/TKT, OR \$25/3 TKTS \$ _____

(NO OTHER PURCHASE NECESSARY-NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN)

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No. _____ TYPE: _____ EXP. DATE: _____

PLEASE ENTER YOUR NAME, ADDRESS & PHONE NUMBER ON RAFFLE TICKETS AND
RETURN THIS FORM AND TICKETS IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE TO
TEMPLE ISAIAH, 1 CHELSEA PLACE, G.N., NY 11021
QUESTIONS: CALL 516-487-5373

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*Game Night
 February 21*



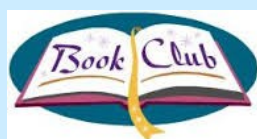
Sunday, February 24, 2:30pm

***Getting Your Legal House in Order In the New Year
 With Linda Marshak***



Even MORE information from our resident elder law legal expert Linda Marshak.

If you missed her first program, this is your second chance!



***Tuesday, February 26 at 7:30pm — “Memento Park”
 by Mark Sarvas***

After receiving an unexpected call from the Australian consulate, Matt Santos becomes aware of a painting that he believes was looted from his family in Hungary during the Second World War. To recover the painting, he must repair his strained relationship with his harshly judgmental father, uncover his family history, and restore his connection to his own Judaism.

Contact Judy Snow to obtain the book from a neighboring library. It is also available on Kindle. Please RSVP to Shelley Sherman about attendance: seeshell98@yahoo.com.

Save
the
Date

Wednesday, June 5th
Gala Journal Dinner Honoring
Linda & David Burghardt
At Port Washington Yacht Club



Rabbi's Classes

March 13, 27 & April 10, 7:30pm

**The Psalms: The spiritual and emotional poetry
of our lives.**

What the psalms say about us!



"Brunch & Learn" Plus Mishloach Manot

Join us on Sunday, March 10th at 11:00am
for a fun-filled Brunch & Learn about Purim and
the *mitzvot* of *tzedakah* and *mishloach manot*.
We will be putting together packages of goodies
for our friends and family while learning about
the tradition of *tzedakah*.

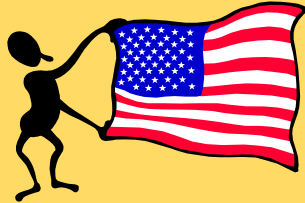


**Purimspiel and
Megillah Reading
Wednesday, March 20
7:30pm**

Friday, March 1, 2019

Join tens of thousands of Jews across America as we come together to eat, drink, relax, enjoy, debate and celebrate at the 19th annual

Shabbat Across America



Bring the family - bring your friends to an early Shabbat service at 6:30pm followed by a delicious kosher dinner at 7:30PM
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RSVP **REQUIRED**—487-5373 or isaiahgn@yahoo.com

Bakers wanted: for information
please call Kathie Davis at 487-1576 or Sheila DeFazio at 643-1459

From Observance to Tradition—Calling All Women Rosh Chodesh—Friday, March 8 at 7:30pm

We are a little over one month away (March 8th) from our Rosh Chodesh celebration service (the lunar date celebrating a new moon) when the women of Temple Isaiah will lead our Shabbat service. Please put this date into your calendar and plan to attend to celebrate together a special Shabbat.

Rosh Chodesh has grown to be associated especially with women and we encourage everyone to come and learn, celebrate and participate. Please put the date into your calendar and plan to join us. We would love for everyone to be part of the celebration. There is something for everyone: hospitality, music, prayers and songs.

Call Terry Birnbaum-Horton at 516-978-7408 and leave your name and number, or email her at tbahorton@aol.com.



General Donations

In Loving Memory Of:

Miriam Parmer, Mother of Laura Skodol
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In Honor of :

The Wedding of Hannah Diamond & Sam Feldman

Terry Birnbaum-Horton
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Kathie Davis
June & Allan Feldman
Denise Miller & Steve Fein
Gail & Robert Gordon
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Bella Bekker-Silver & Jonathan Silver
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Sherry Wallack, Terry Joseph, Kathie Davis and
Everyone who Contributed to the Lovely Ladies'
Night Event

June & Allan Feldman
The Speedy Recovery of Lori Katz

Terry Birnbaum-Horton
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In Honor of (Cont'd):

The Birth of Zoena Marley Bekker,
Granddaughter of Bella Bekker-Silver & Jonathan Silver

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With Thanks to Rabbi Blum and Cantor
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Laura & Andrew Skodol

Thank You for All the Good Wishes in Honor of
Our New Granddaughter Zoena Bekker
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Clergy Discretionary Account:

In Honor of Cantor Leslie Friedlander and the Bar
Mitzvah of Our Son Jem Lundberg
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