

## TEMPLE ISAIAH BULLETIN

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#### **November 2019 Calendar of Events**

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

Saturday, Nov. 2-Lay-led Torah Study, 9:30am

Tuesday, Nov. 5—Board Meeting, 7:30pm

Wednesday, Nov. 6—Howard Israel Program at North Shore Towers, 7:30pm

Thursday, Nov. 7—Lunch & Learn at La Rotonda, 12:00noon

Friday, Nov. 8—Bazaar Opens at 10:00am; Shabbat Service at the Atria, 8:00pm

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

Sunday, Nov. 10—Bazaar Open 10:00am to 4:00pm

Monday, Nov. 11—Bazaar Open 10:00am to 4:00pm

Tuesday, Nov. 12—Rabbi's Class #1, "Jewish Medical Ethics," 7:30pm

Wednesday, Nov. 13—Tai Chi, 11:00am

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

Saturday, Nov. 16—Lay-led Torah Study, 9:30am

Sunday, Nov. 17— "Ten Lost Tribes" Omelette Brunch & Lecture, 10:00am

Tuesday, Nov. 19— "Current Events" with Helman Brook, 7:30pm

Wednesday, Nov. 20—Tai Chi, 11:00am

Friday, Nov. 22—Shabbat Service, 8:00pm

Saturday, Nov. 23—Torah Study & Service, 9:30am; Soup Kitchen Volunteer Day

Sunday, Nov. 24—Rabbi's Class #2— "Jewish Medical Ethics," 11:30am

Wednesday, Nov. 27—Tai Chi, 11:00am

Friday, Nov. 29—Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 6:15pm

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

See Inside for Details on These
Upcoming Events at
Temple Isaiah

Howard Israel's Program At North Shore Towers Nov. 6

Lunch & Learn—Nov. 7

Bazaar/Tag Sale Nov. 8, 10 & 11



Rabbi's Class Nov. 12, 24 & Dec. 5

"Ten Lost Tribes" Program
Nov. 17

"Current Events" - Nov. 19

Special Chanukah Events in December and



Goods & Services
Auction—December 15!

### RABBI'S COLUMN Ry Rabbi Jerry Rlum

Ahh, the happy month of Cheshvan, or is it? As I have said in the past, the month of Cheshvan usually came with the prefix Mar, which many would translate as bitter, but why would anyone say that Chesvan was bitter? Well, for a few interesting reasons that I don't particularly buy into but make for interesting (Jewish) cocktail banter. (Is that even a thing?) The assumption is that it is called Mar Cheshvan (the bitter Cheshvan) either due to its lack of holidays or because it is when Sarah the Matriarch died, but as I said, feh.

In fact, the correct name for this fall month is the one word Marcheshvan/M'rachsh'van which comes from the Akkadian-Babylonian tradition and simply means the 8th month, counting from the Hebrew month of Nissan, known also as Chodesh HaAviv (either the month of spring or alternatively in Karaite tradition, the month of barley) and is the month when we celebrate Pesach.

But why do I even bring this up? I mean, let's face it, after a full month of holiday after holiday, what could be bad (or bitter) about taking a little time to regroup? To me, the Hebrew month of Cheshvan is all about endings and beginnings. On Simchat Torah (which we just celebrated with our neighbors over at Temple Beth El and it was awesome), we finished our Torah reading cycle and immediately began reading about the glories of creation. There really is no rest, but rather looking forward again to a new journey. Another year to grow. Another year to build new relationships. Another year to experience new things. The month of Cheshvan reminds us that there are so many opportunities for us to take advantage of.

On Rosh HaShanah, I spoke about some of the projects we want to participate in and the many portals into our community and as you can see, we have a lot on our plate. In addition, there are programs and events that make Temple Isaiah a very busy and active community, but we need your help. This can't all be done by just a few select people. I ask that you and any of your friends out in the surrounding communities come and participate in these programs, and also, help us out by volunteering your time on a committee. You won't be sorry!

Ben Bag Bag said: Turn it over, and [again] turn it over, for all is therein. (Pirke Avot 5:19)

This verse teaches that as we finish one phase of our year, and our study of Torah (as we did on Simchat Torah), it is time to begin our year all over again, with new vigor, new ideas, new friends, and many more programs to grow and learn from. But the next verse is the clincher for me. It says:

Ben Hey Hey said: According to the labor is the reward. (Pirke Avot 5:19)

Our Sage Ben Hey Hey teaches that reward comes with hard work, and that is exactly what is needed right now in our Temple Isaiah community. Please join us as we begin this year's growth campaign. I invite you to join committees, participate in programs, and please bring your friends, neighbors and family to celebrate with us throughout the year. You all are our best ambassadors and we would love to have you join us for all our events.

Also, ask to join our Facebook page, and if you're already part of our Facebook group, invite all your friends to join as well.

Please go to https://www.facebook.com/groups/383427591840857/?ref=bookmarks

Rabbi Jerry Blum



## CANTOR'S COLUMN THE PEOPLE OF THANKSGIVING

By Cantor Leslie Friedlander

There is a tradition in Judaism that encourages us to express 100 blessings each day. In Deuteronomy 10:12, we read, "And now, Israel, what (*mah*) does Adonai ask of you, but to be in awe of God, to walk in all God's ways, to love God, and to serve Adonai with all your heart..." The rabbis of the Talmud considered this verse and thought that the word *mah*, which means "what," is much like the word *me'ah*, meaning "100." In that case, they thought maybe the verse could mean, "And now, Israel, one hundred does Adonai ask of you..." One hundred whats? One hundred blessings. It may seem like a stretch, but that's part of the rabbinic mind and how Talmudic rabbis "argued" with each other. And that's how



we have the tradition – and some people consider it a requirement – to express 100 blessings each day.



One hundred is a pretty big number, so maybe the verse really is saying that we should say a lot of blessings each day, not exactly 100, but in the process of making an effort to say a huge number of blessings, we consequentially become more aware of everything around us. In other words, the exact number of blessings may not be what is divinely asked of us, but that our awareness of our surroundings will be heightened just by having to look for that many things that merit our gratitude.

Being aware of all the motivations and occasions for reciting a blessing – all those reasons to be thankful – can also serve another purpose. If we are intent on finding the goodness in daily life, our attention is pulled away from some of the negativity and challenges we inevitably face every day.

Jews have been called "People of the Book," "Israelites," "Children of Israel." If looking for blessings can define our daily lives, we might also be called "The People of Thanksgiving."

While as Jewish Americans we value and enjoy our annual Thanksgiving ritual, our Jewish tradition helps us to define the spirit and awareness of Thanksgiving 365 days a year.

Cantor Leslie Friedlander

Choir Rehearsals for Chanukah Service
Thursday, December 19, 7:00pm
Monday, December 23, 7:00pm
New Members Needed & Wanted



Welcome to our new members Kit Benton and Micah Raskin and Lauren Uhl (and baby Talia Rose) and goodbye and good luck to Golda Shapiro!



## Did you know you can donate to Temple Isaiah and save money at the same time?

If you're 70 ½ or older, you're required to take a minimum distribution from your IRA each year. Those funds will count as income and be subject to income tax.

But there is a tax-free exception you should know about.

You can make a charitable contribution directly from your IRA account to Temple Isaiah without the gifted funds counting as income or being taxed. You will not only save on federal income tax but may save on state and local taxes as well.

It is a wonderful way to do something meaningful for Temple Isaiah and reap tax benefits at the same time. Your financial institution will provide the necessary form. When you do this please let Cathy Reibstein know that your IRA check will be coming.

If you have questions please contact Steve Warshavsky.



Rabbi's Class: "Jewish Medical Ethics" Tuesday, November 12, 7:30pm Sunday, November 24, 11:30am Thursday, December 5, 7:30pm



We will explore the differences between Jewish and secular medical ethics, and how our Jewish tradition treats issues such as organ transplantation, terminal illness and physician-assisted suicide and genetic modification (among many others). This series will hopefully spark some good discussion and shed some new light on how Judaism treats these controversial issues.



Our Next Soup Kitchen Volunteer Day is Saturday,
November 23
Contact Denise Miller for Details

## November 2019

| Sun   | Mon                           | Tue   | Wed   | Thu  | Fri  | Sat   |
|---|-------------------------------|---|---|--|--|---|
|   |                               |   |   |  | 1<br>Birthday/<br>Anniversary<br>Shabbat<br>Service,<br>8:00pm                     | Lay-led<br>Torah Study,<br>9:30am   |
| 3   | 4                             | 5<br>Board<br>Meeting,<br>7:30pm                        | Howard Israel Program at North Shore Towers, 7:30pm | 7<br>Lunch &<br>Learn,<br>12 Noon at<br>La Rotonda | 8 Bazaar<br>Opens, 10am<br>to 4:00pm<br>Shabbat<br>Service at the<br>Atria, 8:00pm | 9<br>Torah Study<br>& Service,<br>9:30am                                      |
| 10  Bazaar, 10:00am to 4:00pm                           | 11  Bazaar, 10:00am to 4:00pm | Rabbi's Class<br>#1, 7:30pm<br>Jewish<br>Medical Ethics | 13<br>Tai Chi,<br>11:00am                           | 14   | Shabbat<br>Service,<br>8:00pm  | Lay-led<br>Torah Study,<br>9:30pm   |
| 17 "Ten Lost Tribes" Omelette Brunch & Lecture, 10:00am | 18                            | Current<br>Events,<br>7:30pm                            | 20<br>Tai Chi,<br>11:00am                           | 21   | Shabbat<br>Service,<br>8:00pm  | 23<br>Torah Study<br>& Service,<br>9:30am<br>Soup Kitchen<br>Volunteer<br>Day |
| 24 Rabbi's Class #2, 11:30am Jewish Medical Ethics      | 25                            | 26  | 27<br>Tai Chi,<br>11:00am                           | 28   | 29<br>Kabbalat<br>Shabbat<br>Service,<br>6:15pm                                    | Torah Study,<br>9:30am<br>Shacharit<br>Service,<br>10:30am                    |

## December 2019

| Sun   | Mon                           | Tue                         | Wed                       | Thu   | Fri  | Sat                                      |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|--|
| 1   | 2                             | Board<br>Meeting,<br>7:30pm | 4<br>Tai Chi,<br>11:00am  | 5 Rabbi's Class, #3, 7:30pm Jewish Medical Ethics | Birthday/<br>Anniversary<br>Shabbat<br>Service,<br>8:00pm            | 7<br>Torah Study<br>& Service,<br>9:30am |
| 8   | 9                             | 10                          | 11<br>Tai Chi,<br>11:00am | Lunch &<br>Learn<br>(Time &<br>Location<br>TBD)   | Shabbat<br>Service,<br>8:00pm  | Torah Study<br>& Service,<br>9:30am      |
| 15<br>Goods &<br>Services<br>Auction,<br>2:00pm | 16                            | 17                          | 18<br>Tai Chi,<br>11:00am | Choir<br>Rehearsal,<br>7:00pm                     | Shabbat<br>Service,<br>8:00pm  | Lay-led<br>Torah Study,<br>9:30am        |
| Chanukah First Night Latke Party, 5:00pm        | Choir<br>Rehearsal,<br>7:00pm | 24                          | 25  APPY ** Hanu          |   | 27<br>Choir<br>Shabbat<br>Service &<br>Chanukah<br>Dinner,<br>6:30pm | Torah Study<br>& Service,<br>9:30am      |
| Last night of Chanukah                          | 30                            | 31                          | January 1                 | January 2   | January 3  | January 4                                |



# TAG SALE BAZAAR

at Temple Isaiah of Great Neck

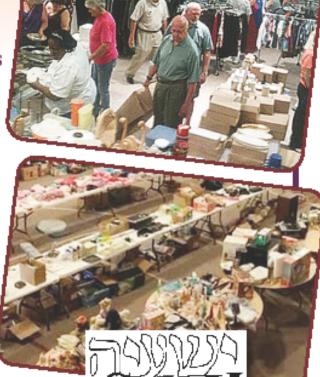
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### Something for Everyone!

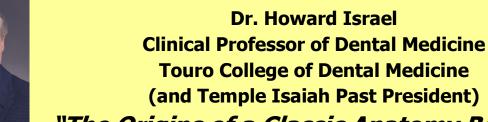
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Temple Isaiah of Great Neck





"The Origins of a Classic Anatomy Book and the Role of Nazi Medicine in the Holocaust"

Presentation will be held at North Shore Towers
Sub-Basement Card Room, Bldg. 2
(Let us know if you need a ride, or if you can provide a ride.)
Sponsored by Migdal Chapter of Hadassah at North Shore Towers

Let's have a good turnout from Temple Isaiah!

Friday, November 8th
8:00pm
Special Shabbat Service to
Commemorate Kristallnacht



The Atria—96 Cutter Mill Road

Join us for a Special Service with our Friends

Across the Street



Lunch & Learn
Thursday, November 7th
La Rotonda at 12 Noon

"Current Events" with Helman Brook Tuesday, November 19th at 7:30pm



## The Adult Education Committee & The Schiller-Tuchinsky Tikkun Olam Foundation present:



## The Ten Lost Tribes of Israel Aren't Lost (and never were)

Sunday Omelet Brunch & Video Lecturer

| Where:         | Temple Isaiah of Great Neck   |
|----------------|---|
| When:          | Sunday November 17, 2019  |
| Time:          | 10:00 a.m. Video Lecture  |
| Omelet Brunch: | 11:00 a.m Coupon Required for each omelet   |
| RSVP to:       | https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-lost-tribes-of-israel-omelet-brunch-<br>coupon-required-tickets-67639173589 or call voice mail at 516-502-<br>5174 |
| Cost:          | No Cost to Attendees but for each coupon redeemed for an omelet The Schiller-Tuchinsky Tikkun-Olam Foundation will donate \$18.00                   |

# Chanukah Family Potluck Dinner And Shabbat Service with Choir

Friday, December 27th, 6:30PM

Celebrate the holiday with your Temple Isaiah family at our traditional "meat" potluck supper (Non-Dairy)









Bring an appetite for great food!

Bring the Family and Friends!

Contact dinner chairpersons Marcia Null (516-570-6322, matanu@optonline.net) or Mickey
Kornzweig (516-482-2477,



Kornzweig@optonline.net) to RSVP and let them know what dish you will be bringing.

#### Save these Dates!



Temple Isaiah
Goods & Services Auction
Sunday, December 15, 2:00pm
(See flyer on following page)



#### Chanukah Events 2019



Sunday, 12/22: Candle Lighting &

Latkes at 5:00pm

Friday, 12/27: Potluck Supper &

Festive Chanukah Service with Temple Isaiah Choir, 6:30pm

Bring Your Own Chanukiah!

Help Wanted for Temple Isaiah Fall Bazaar/Tag Sale

We can use help setting up, selling, and packing up at the end

Please contact Terry Joseph to volunteer.



Sale runs 11/8 11/10 and 11/11

Help needed before & after sale days as well!



# 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.

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Need not be present to win
No purchase necessary

# TEMPLE ISAIAH GOODS & SERVICES AUCTION

DECEMBER 15, 2019 2:00PM

| Name(s):  | TELEPHONE NUMBER: |  |  |  |
|---|-------------------|--|--|--|
| AUCTION RESERVATIONS @\$18 ADULTS, \$5 CHI  | LD 11-17 \$       |  |  |  |
| RAFFLE TICKETS @\$10/TKT, OR \$25/3 TKTS (No other purchase necessary-Need not be pres              |                   |  |  |  |
| TOTAL ENCLOSED (CHECK PAYABLE TO TEMPLE IS  | SAIAH) \$         |  |  |  |
| OR PLEASE CHARGE MY CREDIT CARD (3% FEE FOR CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS) (MINIMUM FOR CREDIT CARD \$25.00) |                   |  |  |  |
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| PLEASE ENTER YOUR NAME, ADDRESS & PHONE RETURN THIS FORM AND TICKETS IN THE                         |                   |  |  |  |

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