

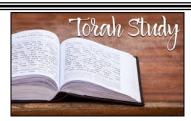
# TEMPLE ISAIAH BULLETIN

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# Torah Study

will resume in September

### MOVIE REVIEW:

Hungry Hearts was fantastic!

A movie with a rich history was pointed out by our very own, knowledgeable David Aubrey.

Visually, a WOW,

A story with so many morals,

Exuding actors.

No hearing issues, there were no words...

Acting and written words to tell the story, was all that was needed.

I could never have sat still at home to see this classic, I am so glad I sat in our sanctuary to watch this Gem.

Thank you, David, for bringing this to US. CAN'T SAY ENOUGH -

IOIN US FOR THE NEXT TWO IN AUGUST!!!



7:30PM at TEMPLE ISAIAH AUGUST 18 AUGUST 25

### \$15 PER MOVIE

Snacks will be included

### RABBI'S COLUMN

As I began writing this article, I noticed that it was *Rosh Chodesh Av*, the first day of the Hebrew month of Av and the beginning of a period of self-reflection that begins on the 9<sup>th</sup> of Av (*Tisha B'Av*) and continues for seven weeks until the beginning of *Rosh HaShanah*.

Tisha B'Av is the commemoration (among many different events) of the destruction of both temples and considered one of the saddest days of the Jewish year. It is traditional to fast on Tisha B'Av and recite the Book of Lamentations, yet for the most part, the vast majority of Jews (non-traditional) don't even know that this day exists, no less observes anything to commemorate the events that I referenced.

The question has been asked, of what relevance is *Tisha B'Av*, and should one fast on this day? Allow me to answer from my perspective. Regarding

the fast, this was done as an act of mourning and remembering a city that was destroyed, but ever since 1967, the city of Jerusalem has been restored to a thriving, bustling metropolis, that is considered holy to three of the greatest religions in the world. It has become a city that combines the ancient with the modern thus bringing together both memory of what had been with the dreams of the future.

Dr. Rabbi Tzvee Zahavy, a Progressive Orthodox Rabbi and teacher in Teaneck, NJ speaking about fasting on *Tisha B'Av* said:

That day was for a long time a commemoration through fasting and prayer over the destroyed city of Jerusalem and the Temple. I visited Jerusalem in May of 2011 (ed.: and again in 2013, and many more times since then) and can attest that the city is not desolate. It is without reservations, glorious.

So why would we be fasting? I would say that fasting on *Tisha B'Av* would be completely ironic in that, Jerusalem has been rebuilt and continues to thrive, albeit at times at the heart of controversy. But what to do about *Tisha B'Av* in general? Do we forget about our suffering at the hands of tyrants? Do we set aside the fact that our Sages explained that these events happened because of *Sinat Chinam*, the act of unbridled hatred for our fellow human beings, and let's face it, that still exists today, and is getting stronger every day? Should we ignore that this day begins a time when we as human beings are asked to stop and take a long look at ourselves in a spiritual mirror? Are we the people we want to be? Do we contribute to the greater good in our relationships, our communities, and our nation? Do we only talk about the downtrodden and not do anything to help?

My understanding of *Tisha B'Av* begs for a different ritual. Yes, we should be reading the Biblical recreation of *Tisha B'Av* in the pages of *Eicha*, the Book of Lamentations, but we should be speaking [and learning] about hope, love and healing as well. As we chant the words of *Eicha*, we notice that the trope is not sad, nor happy. It is hopeful, magical, and sweet. Even as the text speaks of

### Rabbi's Column, continued

horror at the hands of our attackers, the music allows us to move on from the past atrocities, not to forget them, but rather to learn from them. To gain knowledge for the future. Our ritual should take us on a journey of self-reflection, prayer, and song. We should also be engaging in acts of *tikkun olam*, repairing the world, (and we can start in our own backyard) so to begin the process of eliminating *sinat chinam* that unbridled hatred and replacing it with *ahavat chinam*, boundless love.

As I pointed out above, we have entered a period of seven weeks of consolation (note that there are seven *haftarot* read over that period during each Shabbat morning service that speaks to this healing) that leads us to *Rosh HaShanah* and *Yom Kippur*. These are days when we begin a process of *Cheshbon HaNefesh*, doing an accounting of our souls. Noticing the experiences we have gone through and how we have changed over this past year. We take a deep dive into our own actions and reflect on the good and the not so good. Where we have contributed to society and where we have missed the mark. Where we have helped and where we might have hurt others. This is not an easy task, but one that in the end allows us to grow, transcend and become closer to others, our God and ourselves.

I pray that as the days of summer come to an end, we again look forward to coming together in prayer and community within the walls of our holy sanctuary at Temple Isaiah. I look forward to singing and praying with you all together as we ring in the New Year. Wishing you all a *kayitz tov*, a good summer.

Rabbi Gerry





### <u>2022 – 5783</u>

### Selichot

Saturday, September 17 Program: 8:00pm Service: 9:15-10:00pm

### **Erev Rosh Hashanah**

Sunday, September 25 Service: 7:30pm

### Rosh Hashanah: 1st Day

Monday, September 26 Morning Service: 10:00am

### Rosh Hashanah: 2<sup>nd</sup> Day

Tuesday, September 27 Program: 10:30am Tashlich: 12:30-1:30pm (Steppingstone Park)

### **Erev Yom Kippur: Kol Nidre**

Tuesday, October 4 Service: 7:30pm

### Yom Kippur: Day

Wednesday, October 5 Morning Service: 10:00am Discussion: 1:00-2:15pm Meditation/Moment at Ark: 3:45pm Afternoon Service: 4:00-5:15pm Yizkor: 5:15pm N'ilah: 5:45pm

### **Erev Sukkot**

Break-the-Fast: 6:45pm

Sunday, October 9 TI Annual Sukkah Building Party and Dinner: 5:00pm

### Sukkot

Monday, October 10 Service: 10:30am-12:00pm

### **Erev Simchat Torah**

Sunday, October 16 more information to come

### Simchat Torah: Yizkor (Temple Isaiah)

Monday, October 17 more information to come

Please note that this schedule is subject to change. Additional information will be forthcoming.

# **Continuing Education Opportunites...**



# Hate in the Empire State: Extremism & Antisemitism

# Tuesday, August 9th

5:30 - 6:30 pm ET Virtually Via Zoom

**REGISTER HERE** 

For more information please contact Amelia Morris at amorris@adl.org.



Rebecca Federman Threat Intelligence Analyst, Community Security Initiative



Scott Richman ADL New York/New Jersey Regional Director

ADL's Center on Extremism (COE) and the Community Security Initiative (CSI) recently released a major new report, entitled "Hate in the Empire State: Extremism & Antisemitism in New York, 2020-2021." This report is a first-of-its-kind look at the state of hate in New York. Join us for a conversation between ADL NY/NJ Regional Director Scott Richman and CSI Threat Intelligence Analyst and author of the report, Rebecca Federman about the report and it's findings. They will discuss incidents of hate and extremism on Long Island including the recent dissemination of antisemitic, transphobic, and hate-filled flyers by the Goyim Defense League.

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4:00 to 5:00pm EDT

Or click here

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Sunday, August 28th Game starts at 5:05pm

Temple Isaiah Brotherhood has reserved a suite for Jewish Heritage Night. Look in your email for more information and to RSVP

# Honor your loved one in our Memorial Book

As the High Holy Days approach, we continue our tradition of publishing a Memorial Book to honor our departed loved ones that have made an imprint in our heart and been a part of our lives. As in past years, the booklet will contain the names of our loved ones, as well as a memorial prayer. The booklets will be available to you for Yom Kippur.

In order to be certain that the names of your loved ones are included in the Memorial Book, please complete and return the form no later than Wednesday, September 14, 2022. Please note that all information must be submitted in written form.

\*\*For those that placed remembrances in last year's booklet, a copy of your entry will be sent for your review. If needed, please make the appropriate changes and send back to Temple Isaiah.

\*\*For those that have not previously placed a list of remembrances in our booklet but would like to this year, please list below the names that you would like listed in the book. If they have departed during this past year, please indicate that below.

It is an old Jewish Tradition and Mitzvah to honor our loved ones that have departed, by making a contribution in observance of Yizkor. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

\$18 \$36 \$54 \$72 \$108 \$180 \$

Please make checks payable to Temple Isaiah. All credit card transactions are subject to a 3% administrative fee and must be a minimum of \$25.

# Temple Isaiah's Jewish New Year's Card

Share the sweetness of the New Year and wish your Temple Isaiah Family a Shanah

Tovah by including *your name* of our Temple's New Year's Card.

For **only \$36**, your name (or family name) will be listed as one of the congregational well-wishers. *Names will be listed alphabetically.* 

Please call or email the office with the exact way you would like your name included in the card.

### You must respond by August 17th to be included!

Please check here if you would like to purchase a box of 10 personalized cards that you can send to your non-Temple friends and family. Cost \$25.



### Beguests to Temple Isaiah

To leave a legacy for our Temple is both impressive and heartwarming, knowing that others can enjoy the gift you leave behind.

If you're not sure how to make a bequest, you can begin by writing out this sentence directing your attorney to modify your will:

"I hereby give, devise, and bequeath <u>(a dollar amount, or all or a percentage of the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate)</u> to Temple Isaiah of Great Neck, now or formerly in the Village of Great Neck Plaza, 1 Chelsea Place, in the State of New York, for its general purposes."

For your reference our federal tax ID number is 11-2202208

For further information, contact <u>Steve Fein</u> who has generously volunteered to provide a free consultation on the topic. You can reach him at <u>sfeinesq@gmail.com</u> or at his home number, 516-829-5758.



# Northwell Health®

The Feinstein Institutes for Medical Research at Northwell Health, is seeking volunteers for a variety of research projects regarding Alzheimer's disease.

The studies are for both people with Alzheimer's disease and their caregivers. If you are interested in learning more, please reach out to the Temple office, visit Clinical trials | Northwell Health to see all research opportunities, or contact Elena Herrero at 516-562-3492.

# Partners in Caring

Sid Jacobson JCC's Partners in Caring offers an array of specialized services including support groups, counseling, information and community referrals, workshops, autism and Alzheimer's programs, as well as other social services. Together with UJA-Federation of New York and your synagogue, we are your partner in caring for you and your family.

PIC helps create a caring, responsive Jewish community by providing support for:

Bereavement Parenting Life Cycle Issues
Marital/Family Concerns Caregiving Issues and more

For assistance, contact us at 516-484-1545 ext. 196.
A licensed social worker will respond promptly to provide you with information and support.





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Partners in Caring is funded by a grant from UJA-Federation of New York and partnering synagogues

## Celebrations & Remembrances

### **August Birthdays**

August 8: Micah Raskin August 12: Howard Israel August 17: Rona Levy August 30: Eric Tosky

### **August Anniversaries**

August 5: Denise Miller and Steve Fein (21st) August 12: Howard and Mindy Israel (45th) August 18: Michelle & Rod Birnbaum (26th)

### **August Yahrzeits**

August 1: Olga Gowryluk, June Feldman's Mother August 2: David Brook, Helman Brook's Brother (Av 5) August 7: Joanne Branch, Suzanne Branch's Mother August 9: Anne Lesser Abeles, Jean Lesser's Sister-in-Law August 10: Raechel Israel, Howard Israel's Aunt (Av 13)

August 10: Leona Marks, Kathie Davis' Mother

August 11: Faye Gensler Amdur, Daniel Gensler's Grandmother

August 11: Zvi Hersh Appleman, David Aubrey's Great Grandfather (Av 14)

August 11: Robert Lipsey, Carol Hersh's Father

August 11: Bessie Luftig, Elliott Gayer's Grandmother (Av 14)

August 13: Lillian Fein, Steve Fein's Mother

August 14: Edith Warshavsky (Itkah bat Yosef), Steven Warshavsky's Mother (Av 17)

August 16: Vivian Gloria McGrath, Terry Birnbaum-Horton's Aunt-in-Law

August 18: Evelyn Weiner, Richard Weiner's Mother

August 19: Molly Friedman, Elliott Gayer's Aunt (Av 22)

August 26: John Lesser, Jean Lesser's Father

August 26: Sharon Wagner-Sammis, Jonathan Wagner's Aunt (Av 29)

August 28: Hyman Gayer, Elliott Gayer's Grandfather (Elul 1)

August 29: Julia Isaacs, Terry Birnbaum-Horton's Grandmother

August 30: Marcus Goldberg, Meryl Menashe's Uncle

August 31: Frida Lustig, Mort Hans' Mother-in-Law (Elul 4)

### Congratulations

Steve Fein has officially retired!!

Share your
Simchas or Memories
with us.
Email images to
isaiahgn@yahoo.com.

# August 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	Shabbat Services, 6:30pm	6 Erev Tisha B'Av
7 Tisha B'Av	8	9	10	11	12 Shabbat Services at the home of the Gordon's	13
14	15	16	17	Movie Night, part 2, 7:30pm	Shabbat Services, 6:30pm	20
21	22	23	24	Movie Night, part 3, 7:30pm	Shabbat Services, 6:30pm	27
Game, 5:05pm	29	30	31		J.	

### **Donations from July 2022**

### Arza Exchange

Mort Hans

Howard & Mindy Israel

### **General Donations**

In honor of Kathie Davis, Judy Brook's "Personal Fairy Godmother"

Helman & Judy Brook

In honor of a speedy recovery for Judy Brook

Terry Birnbaum

Helman & Judy Brook

Kathie Davis

June & Allan Feldman

William & Carol Hersh

### Tree of Life

In honor of the Presidencies of

Steven Warshavsky & Terry Birnbaum-Horton Scott Schleifstein and Judy Snow

### **Yarzheits**

In memory of Michael Epstein's recent passing,

Rhoda Epstein's Husband

Terry Birnbaum

Helman & Judy Brook

Kathie Davis

June & Allen Feldman

William & Carol Hersh

In memory of Irvin Spira's recent passing,

Husband of Florence Spira, friend and neighbor of

Kathie Davis

Kathie Davis

### **Yarzheits** (continued)

David Brook, Helman Brook's Brother Helman & Judy Brook

Leona Marks, Kathie Davis' Mother Kathie Davis

Olga Gowryluk, June Feldman's Mother June & Allan Feldman

Jacqueline Ferguson, David Ferguson's Wife Kathryn Mayer, Jacqueline Ferguson's Mother David & Susie Ferguson

Al Loew, Mindy Israel's Uncle Howard & Mindy Israel

David Kutcher, Blossom Kutcher's Husband Erica Kutcher, Blossom Kutcher's Daughter Blossom Kutcher

Harry Lewis, Willa Lewis' Father Mercedes Moulin, Edward Moulin's Mother Willa Lewis & Edward Moulin

Ruth Mandelbaum, Rose Mandelbaum's Mother Rose Mandelbaum

Leon Beck, Meryl Menashe's Father Meryl & Jack Menashe

Celia Stone Goldbas, Jacqueline Neumann's Mother Jacqueline Neumann

Esther Solow, Richard Solow's Mother Evelyn & Richard Solow

Morton and Rita Wechsler, Robert Wechsler's Parents Robert & Kathleen Wechsler

Ruth Koenig, Alice Weiner's Mother Alice & Richard Weiner

Please note: Donations listed are based on when the financial contribution was received by the Temple office, not necessarily when a notice of a donation was sent and billed to a congregant's account.

### Save the Dates for the Remainder of 2022 Luncheon honoring Terry Binbaum-Horthon

September 11th

Games Day October 23rd

Bazaar

November 11th, 13th and 14th

**Holiday Bake Sale** 

Dates TBD, for Thanksgiving and Hanukkah

Holiday Auction
December 11th

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Deadline for submissions 15th of the Month

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