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JULY/AUGUST Friday Shabbat Services

Friday, July 3 6pm
Shabbat Service with Nefesh Mountain

Friday, July 10 7pm
Shabbat Service

Friday, July 17 7pm
Shabbat Service

Friday, July 24 7pm
Shabbat Service

Friday, July 31 7pm
Shabbat Service

Friday, August 7 6pm
Shabbat at the Shore

Friday, August 14 7pm
Shabbat Service

Friday, August 21 7pm
Shabbat Service

Friday, August 28 7pm
Shabbat Service

Shalom, Rav



Dear friends,

These past weeks and months have filled our world with immense emotions.

Fear.
Heartache.
Disappointment.

And I believe the most prominent: loneliness.

We have been isolated from our friends, families, work environment, recreational spots, and spaces of worship. We have missed being with our friends at camp, our grandchildren at graduation, our parents at anniversaries. We have watched from afar as loved ones suffer in hospitals. And we have waited at home, alone, for delivery people to bring us food.

We have also experienced the loneliness of people not understanding. What does it feel like to be Black in this country? What does it feel like to absorb centuries of racism?

Only twice does our Torah use the phrase, "It is NOT good." In both cases, it is in reference to humanity being alone. Indeed, we have all lived and breathed the difficulty of being alone. And it truly is not good.

But through the darkness, there are moments of light that give us hope.

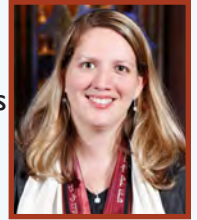
Family reunions on video platforms with second and third half cousins (twice removed).
College reunions on video platforms with old friends (who have stories to tell that you hoped were long forgotten!)
Volunteerism by younger congregants to help those in need.
Re-examination of our spiritual mindfulness.
Engagement with important causes that are helping us to better understand racial iniquity - and guiding us to create change.
Binge-watching or reading.
And, perhaps most important, keeping hope alive that the arrival of the upcoming New Year will open doors to additional points of connection with others.

At Temple Akiba, we are here with you. And in those moments when you feel alone, know that there is a family here that embraces you. And we can't wait to be together once again.

With love and shalom,
Rabbi Zach Shapiro

Our Light Shines Brighter  Together

Cantor's Corner



What a rollercoaster of a year this has been. We've all experienced extreme highs and lows. Despite these difficult times, Temple Akiba has continued to thrive, having made a seamless transition to an online platform. Although it's been fantastic seeing everyone online, I long for the days that we as a congregation can once again be together, to study, pray, sing and learn.

Looking back, this was a year filled with music, comradery and love at Temple Akiba. We were so fortunate this year to debut the majority of our Guest Artists in our Flumembaum/Jaffa Musical Guest Artist Series. Due to the generosity of both families, we were able to bring in a spectacular amount of talented people.

We began the year with a touching performance of Fiddler on the Roof by a local adult Musical Theater group. Joe Buchanan rocked the house and excited our kids with his Americana Shabbat and music. Cantor Rebekah Mirsky led a powerful and important one woman show about addiction. Elana Jagoda and Saul Kaye dazzled our congregation with their beautiful folk and soulful voices. Ellen Allard literally had our congregation dancing in the aisles at her engaging Shabbat service. Our 6 Cantor Shabbat service was filled with beautiful music and voices, and our Disney Shabbat was magical for the young and young at heart. We were unfortunately not able to host two of our artists, Patti Linsky and Charlie Kramer, but we look forward to bringing them to the Temple when the situation is safe.

We are thrilled to culminate our series with a new addition – Nefesh Mountain, a band that blends American bluegrass with Jewish heritage, led by husband and wife Doni Zasloff and Eric Lindberg. They will be joining us on July 3rd for an Americana celebration of our country and Jewish music.

I wanted to give a huge Kol Hakavod and thank you to our Cantorial Intern, Josh Goldberg. Josh was instrumental in helping to cultivate and produce all of these events this year. In addition, he has helped enrich our congregation with his beautiful voice, musicianship, warm manner, and his knowledge. We are so lucky to have had such a dedicated, diligent and talented intern and he will be greatly missed.

We are excited to welcome our new intern, Liz Baseman and look forward to the amazing things she will be bringing to Temple Akiba.

Sending all of you love and prayers for safety and health.

Cantor Lonee Frailich

President's Message

I have just completed my first year as president and what a year it has been! We have celebrated wonderful events including the birth of Rabbi's beautiful twins, Maya Ruth and Eli Noah, and had to contend with difficult events including the unprecedented closing of our building due to the pandemic. Through it all, we remain strong and resilient. We are a wonderful community who supports one another through the joyous and sad events of life.

Though our building remains officially closed, we are planning for the day when we can begin our opening process. Maintaining the health and safety of our members, staff and guests at Temple Akiba is primary and we are implementing important protocols. Thank you to Marc Bauer, Kevin Knopf, Andrew Lachman and the reopening team for working on this important task. We are also in the process of upgrading our air conditioning system.

I would like to express my appreciation to Amram Hassan, our former Executive Director, and wish him well as he begins a new chapter of his life. I am very grateful to Randee Bishoff, our Director of Education, who is assuming the position of Interim Administrator while we search for a new Executive Director. For membership or other administrative questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Randee at director@templeakiba.net or for school related questions to religiousschool@templeakiba.net.

Thank you very much to our outgoing Board of Director members Jen Sheppard and Deb Falcon. Their efforts on the Board have been so important. Due to the hard work and countless hours of the Temple Akiba staff and Board, we are still able to serve our community in many meaningful ways.

Lastly, I hope all of you have received your membership packet. Please send in your membership forms early this year! The easiest way is to fill it out online. It will help us during this challenging time.

I look forward to the day when we can be together in person. I wish you and your family health, happiness and shalom!

Ira Diamond
President

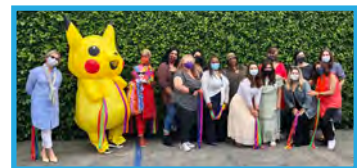
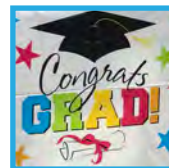


ECC & Religious School

Dear Temple Akiba School Families,

We made it!! As we conclude another year of school, I would like to thank our dedicated teachers, students, and families for another incredible year, and especially for their commitment to Jewish education through these past months of distance learning. It was heartwarming to see our Temple Akiba community praying together through Zoom and comforting to witness our schools adeptly pivot to online classes, providing much needed continuity over these last weeks and months.

We were honored to share in the celebration of our ECC graduates and our high school seniors as we send them off to Kindergarten and to college on their new journeys.



We are continuing to plan for the months ahead and amidst all of this uncertainty, one of the things that we can count on is our unwavering commitment to each other and the immeasurable returns gained through being a part of this community.

We are excited to welcome back our ECC students this summer and we want to assure all families that both of our schools will continue in the fall with a high-quality program that ensures the safety and health of our students and staff.

Like our ancestors before us, we will persevere through these trying times and gain strength by overcoming the challenges. Our children will only benefit from continuing their Jewish education, and arguably need the wisdom of Torah and community engagement now more than ever. We look forward to another meaningful year for our Temple Akiba schools and wish you all the best. We look forward to continuing to connect with you over the summer.

May you go from strength to strength,

Randee Bishoff
Director of Education



Welcome Back to Enrichment.... Involvement.... And Engagement

It's Membership Renewal Time!

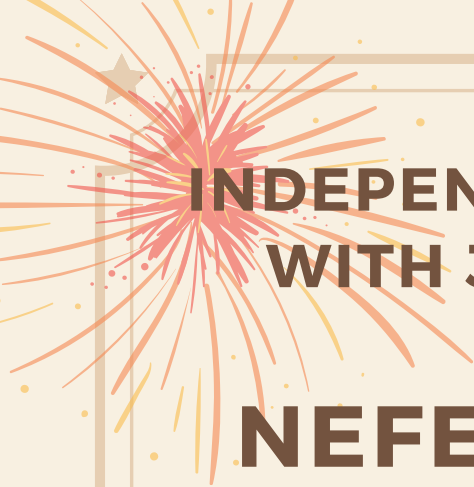
- ◆ Be a part of a supportive and vibrant temple community
- ◆ Receive tickets for High Holy Day services
- ◆ Personally engage with our Clergy, who are available for your life cycle events
- ◆ Be eligible to enroll your children in our Religious School
- ◆ Enjoy Adult Education classes
- ◆ Receive our bi-monthly newsletter
- ◆ Be eligible to join a Havurah (social friendship group)
- ◆ Receive reminders of your family Yahrzeits/inclusion on the Shabbat Yahrzeit list
- ◆ Have the privilege of voting at Congregational Meetings
- ◆ Have the opportunity to serve on a committee or become a member of the Board of Directors
- ◆ Know that you are supporting your Jewish community

**We are delighted that you are part of the Temple Akiba community.
By completing and returning your Membership Covenant now, you will continue
to enjoy all these benefits and more.**



Questions? Contact Amram Hassan at amram@templeakiba.net or Elizabeth Zlotowitz (V.P. Membership) at membership@templeakiba.net

Our Light Shines Brighter - Together

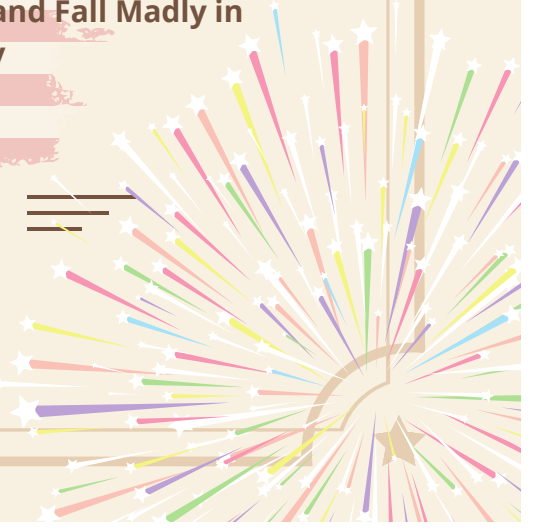


**INDEPENDENCE DAY SHABBAT
WITH JEWISH BLUEGRASS
SENSATION,
NEFESH MOUNTAIN**



**JULY 3RD, 6PM PST
-STREAMED ONLINE-
TEMPLEAKIBA.NET**

**"Bluegrass and Jewish Traditions Meet and Fall Madly in
Love" - Bluegrass Today**



MEET OUR RABBINIC INTERN



My name is Rachel Rothstein and I am so grateful for the opportunity to be part of the warm Temple Akiba community this summer. While I'll only be with you for June and July, I look forward to teaching Torah Study where we will focus on the Ten Commandments and a 4-series Lunch and Learn about Mussar.

I will also be joining services, and helping with lifecycle events and programs.

I was once told that the best teachers are the ones that also learn from their students and I take that to heart this summer. During the short amount of time we'll have together, I look forward to many opportunities to learn from you when we study and pray.

Some background about me: I just completed my third year of rabbinical school at Hebrew Union College and am originally from Cincinnati, Ohio. A lot of people ask me why I didn't stay in my hometown for school and despite Graeter's Ice Cream (the world's best ice cream), graduate school was the perfect time for me to get out and spread my wings! I grew up in Cincinnati, went to undergrad at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio (45 minutes north of Cincinnati) and moved back to my hometown for many years after graduating. While I always took advantage of opportunities to study abroad and learn from other cultures, I thought rabbinical school would be the perfect time to grow not just intellectually, but culturally. While the Cincinnati Jewish community is great, the Los Angeles Jewish community is vibrant, and I can't wait to bring what I learn during my time in LA to wherever I go after I'm ordained.

Coming together virtually may not replace 100% of what we're missing right now, but it does help us add to the intricate web of our community. Covid-19 has kept us in our homes and changed the way we meet, but I look forward to using the platforms we do have to gather, learn and pray so I can get to know all of you.

MEET OUR CANTORIAL INTERN

Hello, Temple Akiba!

My name is Liz Baseman, and I am honored to be joining you as the Cantorial Intern for this upcoming year. I am entering my third year of Cantorial School at The Academy for Jewish Religion, California (AJRCA). I love sharing my passion for Judaism and music with my community.

My passion for Jewish music began when I was young. I started Songleading at 16 at URJ Eisner Camp in Great Barrington, MA after I completed my years as a camper. I graduated from U.C. Santa Cruz, where I studied Vocal Performance and Opera Performance, and started leading services at Hillel and nearby **congregations. I taught at a non-profit after-school music program for underserved children for several years after college. While that work was important to me, I really missed sharing and connecting with Judaism in the community. I moved to Los Angeles two years ago when I was accepted to the Cantorial Program at AJRCA.**

I really enjoy writing music, stories (short and long), poems, drashes, and services. (I even like writing my school essays!) Recently, I've started to write prayer poetry, combining the words from my heart with the holy words from the prayerbook. I hope to share some of this with you over the next few months.

I am so excited to be part of this community, and to have the opportunity to work with Rabbi Shapiro and Cantor Frailich. I look forward to meeting all of you, online or in person!

Wishing you a healthful and beautiful summer!



B'Nei Mitzvah - Mazal Tov!



Micah Aigner
Son of Sharon & Robert Aigner
Saturday, June 13



Sariya Schainen
Daughter of
Andrea & Dan Schainen
Saturday, June 20



Nathaniel Josephson
Son of Paula & Matt Josephson
Saturday, August 22

Please join us this summer as Rachel Rothstein, our Rabbinic Intern, leads us in study and reflection.

Torah Study focusing on the TEN COMMANDMENTS

Saturdays, June 27 – July 25, excluding July 4, from 9-10 am on Zoom.

From the thunder and lightning on Mount Sinai, the Jewish people received the Torah! Our text includes detailed descriptions of this moment and on Shavuot, we celebrate what we received. How did the 10 Commandments get expanded into the Five Books of Moses, our written Torah, oral Torah and beyond? This 4-class series will explore this evolution as well as our modern day connections to these cornerstones of our faith.

Lunch and Learn—Topic: MUSSAR

Mondays, July 6—27, from 12:30-1:30 pm on Zoom

Mussar helps us learn how to cultivate holiness within ourselves. We will learn more about this Jewish spiritual perspective and discipline of transformative practices which emerged in Lithuania in the 1900s during this 4-part series beginning in July. I will be using Alan Morinis' book Everyday Holiness, but will be scanning pages so there's no need to purchase it. As a group, we will reflect on our own behavior and spiritual practices in order to learn how to incorporate the commandment "you shall be holy" into our lives so we become the best versions of ourselves.

News from the Tikkun Olam Committee

Civic Engagement Campaign

As we approach the November election, the Tikkun Olam Committee has embarked on a Civic Engagement Campaign in conjunction with the Religious Action Center (RAC), the social advocacy arm of the URJ. Voting is a sacred act, right, and responsibility. It is the way to have our voices heard and to ensure that the values of Judaism are represented in our elected officials and laws.

We invite you to join us in these efforts, to mobilize our members to vote and to ensure that all who are able to, can vote. Key aspects of this campaign include:

- Outreach to all temple members
- Outreach to high school graduates and college students
- Educating and encouraging our members to vote by mail



• Participating in the Reclaim our Vote Campaign to inform and mobilize voters, especially voters of color, to make sure they are registered and they know how to get a ballot vote. Through phone, text and postcard banks we will help combat voter suppression and support increasing voter turnout among low-propensity voters.

We need you! Together we can make change and repair the world! To get involved, contact Cathy Penso, VAffiliations@templeakiba.net or call 310-670-6394. Thank you!

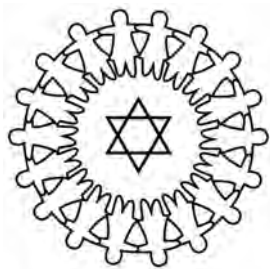
We are working in conjunction with the Religious Action Center, the social advocacy arm of the Union of Reform Judaism, on this Campaign and other social justice causes. As a member of RAC-CA, we sent letters to Governor Newsom, State Senators Ben Allen and Holly Mitchell, Assemblymembers Sydney Kamlager and Autumn Burke supporting A People First Budget, one that does not adversely affect vulnerable and underserved Californians.

Social Action

The Jewish World Watch Walk to End Genocide will be on **October 25, 2020**. JWW continues its work to end atrocities throughout the world and to fight the spread of Covid-19 in these countries. Whether an actual Walk or a virtual Event, JWW needs your support. Contact Sharlene London, Social Action Chair for more information: sharlonlondon@yahoo.com.

Blood Drive

Temple Akiba opened its doors during the Covid-19 Pandemic to host a blood drive. 30 units were collected. The Red Cross is very grateful. The need for blood is constant. Thank you to all who donated and especially to Ron Watts, Chair, and to Amram Hassan, for his assistance that day.



TEMPLE AKIBA
SISTERHOOD



Brighter and Stronger...Together!

Our heartfelt thanks to all of our members and volunteers for making 2019 – 2020 an amazing and memorable year. Although we did not get to finish out the year with all of the plans and celebrations we planned, we were able to maintain our continuity as part of the extra ordinary community of Temple Akiba. We are so very blessed to have this sense of family and engagement that is an intricate part of who and what Temple Akiba Sisterhood is about.

As we navigate our way through the coming months we are faced with challenging circumstances that enable us to continue doing old things the old way, doing old things a new way, and embracing new plans. We are confident that will continue to enhance and support our Temple community. Our incoming Executive Board for 2019 – 2020 is:

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All of us are looking forward to making the coming year memorable, safe, and happy. We hope for your continuing support. Look for our membership mailing which you should be receiving in early August. We look forward to hearing from you and “seeing” you all again. Until then -many virtual hugs!

July 2020

9 Tammuz 5780 - 10 Av 5780

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9 TAMMUZ	2 10 TAMMUZ	3 11 TAMMUZ 6:00 PM Independence Day Shabbat with Jewish Bluegrass Sensation. NEFESH MOUNTAIN - Streamed Online - Templeakiba.net	4 12 TAMMUZ  Independence Day
5 13 TAMMUZ	6 14 TAMMUZ 12:30 PM Lunch and Learn: Mussar	7 15 TAMMUZ	8 16 TAMMUZ 4:00 PM Life Transsition Group - Via Zoom	9 17 TAMMUZ	10 18 TAMMUZ 7:00 PM Shabbat Service - Streaming	11 19 TAMMUZ 9:00 AM Torah Study - Via Zoom
12 20 TAMMUZ	13 21 TAMMUZ 12:30 PM Lunch and Learn: Mussar	14 22 TAMMUZ	15 23 TAMMUZ 7:00 PM General Board Meeting	16 24 TAMMUZ	17 25 TAMMUZ 7:00 PM Shabbat Service - Streaming	18 26 TAMMUZ 9:00 AM Torah Study - Via Zoom
19 27 TAMMUZ Sisterhood Planning Meeting - Via Zoom	20 28 TAMMUZ 12:30 PM Lunch and Learn: Mussar	21 29 TAMMUZ	22 1 AV 4:00 PM Life Transsition Group - Via Zoom	23 2 AV	24 3 AV 7:00 PM Shabbat Service - Streaming	25 4 AV 9:00 AM Torah Study - Via Zoom
26 5 AV	27 6 AV 12:30 PM Lunch and Learn: Mussar	28 7 AV	29 8 AV	30 9 AV	31 10 AV 7:00 PM Tu B'Av Shabbat Service - Streaming	

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 <small>11 AV</small>
2 <small>12 AV</small>	3 <small>13 AV</small>	4 <small>14 AV</small>	5 <small>15 AV</small>	6 <small>16 AV</small>	7 <small>17 AV</small> 6:00 PM Beach Shabbat Service	8 <small>18 AV</small>
9 <small>19 AV</small>	10 <small>20 AV</small>	11 <small>21 AV</small>	12 <small>22 AV</small> 4:00 PM Life Transition Group - Via Zoom	13 <small>23 AV</small>	14 <small>24 AV</small> 7:00 PM Shabbat Service - Streaming	15 <small>25 AV</small>
16 <small>26 AV</small>	17 <small>27 AV</small>	18 <small>28 AV</small>	19 <small>29 AV</small> 7:00 PM General Board Meeting	20 <small>30 AV</small>	21 <small>1 ELUL</small> 7:00 PM Shabbat Service - Streaming	22 <small>2 ELUL</small> 10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah of Nate Josephson
23 <small>3 ELUL</small>	24 <small>4 ELUL</small>	25 <small>5 ELUL</small>	26 <small>6 ELUL</small> 4:00 PM Life Transition Group - Via Zoom	27 <small>7 ELUL</small>	28 <small>8 ELUL</small> 7:00 PM Shabbat Service - Streaming	29 <small>9 ELUL</small>
30 <small>10 ELUL</small> Religious School Begins	31 <small>11 ELUL</small> ECC Begins Monday Night School Begins					

TZEDAKAH

Members and friends of Temple Akiba have chosen to honor the memories of loved ones and to express their condolences to bereaved families by making contributions to the Yahrzeit and other Temple funds. In addition, one can make donations to the Temple to honor birthdays, a marriage, a baby naming, a conversion, the privilege of sitting on the bima, for having an aliya, or for any other blessed occasion.

TEMPLE FUND

In hopes of:

A speedy recovery for **Michael Lowenstam**, from the Akiba Amoeba Havurah

In honor of:

Sheila and Stan Weinberg's wedding anniversary, from Cindy and Mike Smith

In memory of:

Arthur Lewin, my brother, from Joanne Wolf

Rich Polep, a forever friend, from Leanna and Ron Watts

Lillian Ross, from Lewis and Arleen Forsheit

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

For a family in need, from Carole Seedman

In honor of:

Maya Ruth and Eli Noah, from Lisa Lobenthal

Rabbi Shapiro for his Torah Study and Lunch and Learn zoom programs, from Steve Ross and family

Rabbi Zach & Temple Akiba for the wonderful work you do for the community, from Maddy Silverman

Rabbi Shapiro for officiating my brother Arthur Lewin's funeral, from Joanne Wolf

In memory of:

Selma Mehlman, my mother, from Sam Mehlman

William Harold Podorzer, from Yvette and Paul Joffe, and Sherri Hess

Howard Shabsis, from Roz Wyman

CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In memory of:

Howard Shabsis, may his memory be a blessing, from John Magoulas

LEE WOLKOWITZ MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of:

Ruth Knopf, from Bob Knopf and Sharon Krakoff

Lee Wolkowitz, from Bob Knopf and Sharon Krakoff

Lee Wolkowitz, always in our hearts, from Leanna and Ron Watts

Lee Wolkowitz, from Ed and Marla Wolkowitz

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER SHINE BRIGHTER FUND

Lori and Bruce Rudich

In honor of:

Nathan Van Gelder's graduation, from Naomi Zimmermann and Alan Van Gelder

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER FUND

Ruthe Feldman

Philip K. Feldman

In honor of:

The Michael & Marc Bauer Families for all they do for the Temple & Community, from Marlene Steinberg

TASTY, DAY CAMP AND RESIDENT CAMP FUNDS

In memory of:

Stacey Feige Conwiser, you are missed, from Leanna & Ron Watts

Eleanor & Alfred Mendel, my parents, from Elaine Holiday

Yahrzeit Fund

Jozsa Benedikt, my mother, from John Brasch

Darlene Bilkiss, our family friend, from Beverly Eshed-Magaril

Sara Bloch, from Paulette and Joel Gessin

Martin Bordo, my brother-in-law, from Sue Polep

Rhoda Brandes, Leslie's mother, from Leslie and Ron Ostrin

Sol Comp, my grandfather, from Bradley Comp

Nathan and Sara Feler, from Leila and Paul Rosemberg

Samuel Flumenbaum, my father, from William Flumenbaum

Clarice Gelb, my mother, from Steven Gelb

Ellen Gordon, Ira's grandmother, from Ira and Lori Rudich

Mary Grossman, Letty's mother, from Letty and Jerry Mendel

Mike Gruver, beloved brother of Liz Harris, from Sue Polep

Bernard Herz, my father, from Joanne Herz Molner

Ernie Jenkins, my husband, from Lillian Jenkins

Annette Kahan, my mother, from Alan Kahan

Thelma Kahn, from Joanne and Lawrence Kahn

Selma Kallis, from Joanne and Duke Molner

Glenn Karel, my father, from Linda Forman

Marion Kassan, my mother, from Arthur Kassan

Lillian Knell, my mother, from Judy Jamner-Freedman

Dora Kochen, our niece, from Arleen and Lewis Forsheit

Marvin Kornfeld, Marla's father, from Marla and Robert Rothfarb

Jean Krenicki, from Joanne and Lawrence Kahn

Chaim Lachman, my grandfather, from Mary Lachman

Mollie Levine, my mother, from Shirley Price

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Samuel Starr, my father, from Mark Starr

Sherri Lee Stone, my wife, from Michael Stone

Dorothy Swerdlow, Jay's mother, from Andie and Jay Swerdlow

Celia Wexler, Jack's mother, from Jack and Adelle Wexler

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Florence Ziedman, Sheila's mother, from Sheila Gordon and Family

MEN'S GROUP

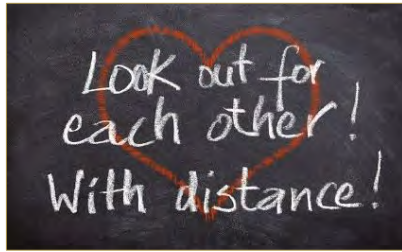
In memory of:

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Caring Communities Outreach



🏠 Homebound Seniors

- *Are you without immediate family close to home? (15 miles)
- *Do you need someone to deliver groceries?



CONTACT BELOW**

- You will be matched with a Mensch in our Temple Akiba community to do your grocery shopping.
- You will be responsible for reimbursing Mensch/Menschette for food costs.

🏠 Healthy Congregants

- Do you want to do some volunteering to help others in your area?
- Would you be able to provide grocery market runs for homebound seniors near you?

CONTACT BELOW**

- You will be matched with a senior that lives near where you live.
- All food costs will be reimbursed by the recipients/seniors.



CONTACT:

Lauren Varsano
Caring Communities Trustee
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Bereavement & Life Transitions Group Build Emotional Strength...

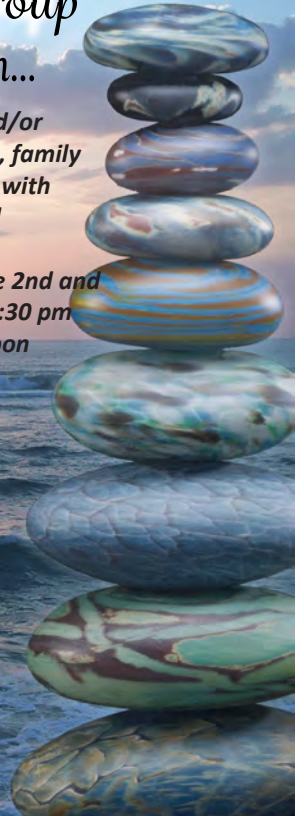
A group dealing with bereavement and/or changes in relationships, career, social, family and health issues. Share your feelings with others in a supportive and confidential atmosphere.

Non-Members are welcome. Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 7-8:30 pm via Zoom. Please call Temple Akiba upon interest.



Led by Shirley Hirschberg
Social Worker & Life Style Counselor

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Parents Supporting Parents

A free online meetup, where parents of children 0-5 years old can share with one another the triumphs and setbacks of raising our children in today's society.

We will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm beginning in August

Facilitated by: Diane Germansky, Assistant Director of Education

We also have a Playgroup for children 0-3 yrs old that meets once a month on Saturday Mornings via zoom

For more information and the link, please email Diane Germansky at Nurseryschool@templeakiba.net

Akiba's Virtual Resident Camp 2020

"A feeling, not a place"

July 22 - July 26

Camp is open to campers going into 2nd-11th grade.

Look forward to some of our traditional programming brought into your home from our amazing staff!

Programs with Cabins, Units & All-Camp!

Talent Show

Chugim (Electives)

Dance Party with DJ Zack

Service Project

CIT Shabbat and Havdalah (CITs will be contacted)

Closing Campfire

Join our Camp Akiba family virtually this summer and make some lasting memories of your own!

Register for Virtual Resident Camp 2020:

https://templeakiba.formstack.com/forms/akiba_virtual_resident_camp

This virtual camp experience will replace all physical camp programs but will provide campers with the needed **connection** with each other and with our dedicated staff.

Akiba's **traditions** can **stay alive and strong** through our shared love for this community.

For more information follow link above or email Leah, Camp Director at youthgroup@templeakiba.net

Thank you Patricia & Bill Flumenbaum and
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the Musical Artist Series last year!

NEFESH MOUNTAIN

Cantor Rebekah Mirsky



Eliana Jafada &
Saul Kaye

Joe Buchanan's Americana Shabbat Weekend

Shabbat Requests
SIA Cantors

Ellen Allard



Season of Renewal

Slichot Saturday, September 12

A Service of Introspection
Havdalah Service & Study: 8:30 pm
Breakout Zoom Rooms 9:30 pm
Meditative Slichot Service: 10 pm



Tashlich Sunday, September 20 1 pm at Toes Beach

Join us as we symbolically cast away our sins and regrets into the ocean and start the New Year refreshed!

Sukkot October 2 - 9

Celebrate Sukkot by building a Sukkah at your home!
We will be providing ideas for decorations and arts and crafts activities!



Yizkor & Simchat Torah Saturday, October 10

Yizkor Service 5 pm
Simchat Torah Service 6:00 pm



Temple Akiba's



High Holy Day Services 2020/5781



Rosh Hashanah: Sept. 18-19

Yom Kippur: Sept. 27-28

Erev Rosh Hashanah service at 6:30 pm

Kol Nidre service at 7:00 pm

Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Torah Service and Study at 9:00 am

Morning Services begin at 10:30 am

Rosh Hashanah Day Children's Service at 3 pm

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TEMPLE AKIBA OF CULVER CITY TZEDAKAH SOCIETY 2020 - 2021

Temple Akiba thanks members who have made generous donations over their full membership commitment to bring an even brighter "Light" to our Temple Community.

President's Circle

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Jerry & Letty Mendel Sara & Peter Rutenberg

Heschel

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Renee Meshul & Thomas Klitzner Cathy & Bruce Penso

Maimonides

Lacey & Marc Bauer Carol & Ira Diamond

Arleen & Lewis Forsheit Elaine Holiday Sandy Luboviski

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TEMPLE AKIBA OF CULVER CITY

TZEDAKAH SOCIETY

2020-2021

Please consider deepening your commitment to Temple Akiba by pledging at one of our Tzedakah levels. Your generous donation over your regular membership commitment empowers us to bring an even brighter "Light" to our Temple Community and enables our children to learn, our adults to dream, and our souls to realize goodness.

President's Circle	
Tzadik	\$10,800 _____
<u>Trailblazers</u>	
Heschel*	\$ 7,200 _____
Priesand*	\$ 5,400 _____
<u>Scholars</u>	
Hillel	\$ 3,600 _____
Maimonides	\$ 2,500 _____

Prophets

Moses	\$ 1,800 _____
Miriam	\$ 720 _____
Micah	\$ 360 _____
Deborah	\$ 180 _____

Name _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

All Tzedakah Society donors are acknowledged in the Temple Bulletin and will receive 20 tickets for the Purim Carnival and one raffle ticket for the annual fundraiser event.

Scholars, Trailblazers and Tzadik receive the above plus are honored with a plaque on our President's Circle Tzedakah Society Board.

Trailblazers and Tzadik receive ALL of the above, as well as two complimentary registrations for our High Holy Day Services in addition to the member registration.

Tzadik level receives ALL of the above, as well as two tickets to our annual fundraiser event.

Please check this box if you wish your donation to remain anonymous.

*Rabbi Abraham Heschel – marched for social justice in the 1960's

*Rabbi Sally Priesand – first female rabbi ordained by an institution



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-H. Jackson Brown Jr.

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Shabbat at the Shore

Friday, August 7

GATHER AT 5:30 PM

SERVICE BEGINS AT 6 PM

TOES BEACH, END OF CULVER BLVD.

Bring your own beach chairs and blankets.

Directions: Take Culver Blvd. west and continue on it after the Jefferson signal and Nicholson signal, and past Vista Del Mar.

Group will gather to the left of the Lifeguard Operating Station.

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