

Kol Sholom

The Voice of Peace



October 2018 Tishrei – Cheshvan 5779

From the Temple Presidents Desk

Dear Congregants;

My comments during this holy season are a bit of a departure from the routine. The period of time since I assumed the presidency of the Temple Board has been difficult, and very demanding, for everyone. I greatly appreciate the assistance and support of many of you. I wish to tell everyone that things are so much better now than they were a year ago. This change could be seen the Friday, only two nights before the erev Rosh Hashanah service, when we had 23 people at Shabbat services. You could also see it in the relief on the faces of many of the people present.

Today, for the most part, I want to speak briefly about where we are now as a congregation, and where we are hopefully going to be in the future. I want everyone to know that I am optimistic. Many of us have seen recent signs of a more promising future. Congregations, like their individual members, have disruptive events occur which require renewal. Renewal means “resuming an activity or state after an interruption.” Our congregation has had a one-year interruption. Thankfully, we are in the process of a renewal; and, in this process, we are addressing our priorities and our long-term plans. That is our current task.

As the president of the Board, I am focused on six key priorities:

1. Promoting greater fellowship among the members of the congregation;
2. Ensuring that the Temple provides uplifting spiritual experiences;
3. Promoting growth in membership (this IS possible);
4. Consolidation of the two religious schools, in the best interest of the children;
5. Achieving financial solvency (I truly believe that by next year, at this time, we can be solvent); and,
6. Last (and most troubling), we must address the pain that I believe was experienced by many persons in our congregation, and the damage that I believe was done in the community this last year. I think that this was the result of the actions of a troubled spiritual leader. Everyone involved needs closure. I think that many persons in the congregation, and in the community, are owed an apology that may never come. While I do not expect an admission of the harm that was caused, our congregation WILL be PREPARED for any more problems in the future.

Please, let this “interruption” end on the basis of my sincerest apology (an apology to all involved). From this point forward, let your energy and imagination focus on the future. Let this help to unite us, and move us forward. That era is over. It is over.

In closing, I join Cantor O’Desky to wish the entire community a warm Shanah Tovah. We thank you all for the honor of sharing religious services with us in the coming year, and wish all peace, contentment, and happiness.

Jim Shinder
Board President
Temple Rodef Sholom



October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Simchat Torah	2	3	4	5 7:00 PM Shabbat Service led by Ellan Burke	6
7	8	9	10 7:00 PM Board Meeting	11	12 7:00 PM Shabbat Service led by Karen Humphrey	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 7:00 PM Shabbat Service led by Cantor Monica O'Desky	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 6:00 PM Friends & Family Dinner 7:00 PM Shabbat Service led by Cantor Monica O'Desky	27 10:00 AM Torah Study
28	29	30				

Please consider making a donation to the Temple

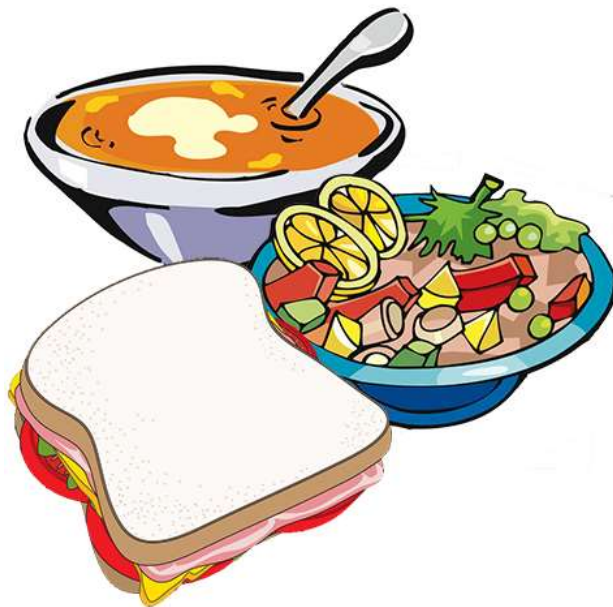
It is a wonderful way to:

- Mark a *simchah* (happy occasion)
- Honor someone's memory
- Wish someone a speedy recovery
- Express Gratitude

Donations

An Anonymous donation was made to the General Fund and for Charity (Food Drive).

A donation was made in memory of Jennifer Sternberg's father.



FRIENDS AND FAMILY DINNER!

Please come on

OCTOBER 26th AT 6:00 PM

FOR SOUP, SALAD & SANDWICHES, AND GOOD COMPANY!

Children 12 and under are free

A \$5 donation is requested for others

RSVP by Friday, October 19th

Services with Cantor O'Desky will follow at 7:00 PM

Simchas

Birthday

October 2nd – Loren Schwartz
October 9th – Arnold Miller
October 13th – Mara Sternberg
October 21st – Gretchen Englander
October 28th – Bernd Hirsch

October 8th – Doris Katten
October 9th – Maurice Labens
October 21st – John Householder
October 26th – Elysse Englander
October 29th – Theo Goldenberg

Anniversary

October 12th – Elysse and Leonard Englander
October 15th – Yvonne and Arnold Miller

October 14th – Nora and John Householder

Yahrzeits

September 28th – October 4th

Mary Lou Daniels Leichter
Nora Desenberg

Harry Kestner

Max Lewis

October 5th – October 11th

Abbye L. Freed Sr.
Rebecca Liptsitz

Ruth Keen Levy
Stanley Ray Chodorow

Elsa S. Freed

October 12th – October 18th

Rosa Rosenfeld
Hannah Lyon Knop
Bessie Cinnamon French
Mamie Klein

Esther Wesler Perlman
Michael Robert Hecht
Cecile Strauss Schoenmann
Evelyn Adams Gorin

Mose Levy
Charles Kirstein
Marty Miller Clark
Sophie Adele Rosenbaum

October 19th- October 25th

Dr. Peter Lee Kochman
Minnie Daum
Harold Kleiman

Anne Louise Freed
Jake David Aronson
Gus William Levy

Corrine Desenberg Katten
Miriam Borschow Chodorow
Mary Heyman

October 26th – November 1st

Bernhard Alexander
Rose E. Robinson
Harry Julius Greenberg

Hellen Marks Fred
Sadye Jack Levy

Ike Handelman
Isidore Gabert

GET **YOUR** RID OF STUFF

ANOTHER SISTERHOOD RUMMAGE SALE REMINDER!!

THE SISTERHOOD RUMMAGE SALE IS COMING!

Thursday and Friday,
NOVEMBER 8TH AND 9TH!!!

Mark your calendar!!

Do you remember all of those things you were saving for the rummage sale? Now (yes, finally!) is the time to bring them to the Temple. We finally have room to store rummage sale items in the social hall, as of now!

Call Suzan at 254.881.2131, if you have any questions, or to volunteer to help at the sale. We will need help setting up on the Tuesday and Wednesday (November 6th & 7th) before the sale, and we need sales-people (and clean-up people) on Thursday and Friday. This is the Sisterhood's biggest fundraiser. Please help!

THE 2018-19 ONEG LIST

Kabbalat Shabbat is a space in time for holiness, rest, and joy. The women who create our Onegs help create that space for us. Our Oneg list for 2018-19 is our first step to that joy. There are almost 40 Shabbats on the list, so some may be asked more than once. If you are on a date that won't work for you, please call another woman on the list, and trade with her! If you don't cook, something from the local grocer is a great solution! Remember, it's not about eating, it's about JOY! If you are not on the list and you are willing to help, or if you have a question, please call Suzan at 254.881.2131. You are not alone. If someone calls you to trade, please say "yes!" Make it work! We all have to say "yes" for this to work! Say "yes" to joy!

10-5-18 Suzan Shinder
10-12-18 Lauren Wessinger
10-19-18 Alice Todd
10-26-18 Pat Segal (Friends and Family Dinner Dessert)
11-2-18 Jennifer Sternberg
11-9-18 Betty Bauer (Oneg in the foyer)
11-16-18 Abby Sobel
11-23-18 Alice Todd
11-30-18 Sue Shipp
12-7-18 Cindy Wood
12-14-18 Loren Schwartz
12-21-18 Debbie Schwartz
12-28-18 Shauna Bauer
1-4-19 Janis Unell Mayfield
1-11-19 Rachel Martinez
1-18-19 Gayle Marcuis
1-25-19 Eleanor Levy

2-1-19 Martha Bauer
2-8-19 Patty Knighten
2-15-19 Barbara Kirstein
2-22-19 Dr. Maura Jortner
3-1-19 Dr. Karen Humphrey
3-8-19 Nora Householder
3-15-19 Tracie Hermann
3-22-19 Meredith Harmon
3-29-19 Nan Haber
4-5-19 Sue Hanson
4-12-19 Mendy Hanson (Passover begins)
4-26-19 Abby Garrett
5-3-19 Cheri Gardner
5-10-19 Ricki Florsheim
5-17-19 Sara Jo Englander
5-24-19 Elysse Englander
5-31-19 Ellan Burke



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