Temple Emanu El
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Hello October

The B'nai Mitzvah Edition

When You Tell Your Rabbi....

You never know what's going to happen when you make a comment to your rabbi. A couple of years ago, Marlene Cohen made what I think she believed was a passing comment: "I've always wanted to become a Bat Mitzvah." I said, "Let's make that happen!" And we did.

A little over a year ago, twelve adults embarked on an incredible journey together. Having never designed or led an Adult B'nai Mitzvah program before, I often described the process as building the plane while we were flying it. And there were certainly moments when we experienced a little turbulence!

Twice a month, this group came together to learn. They dug deeply into Hebrew, preparing to lead a Shabbat service and read from the Torah. There were moments when some did not believe they would ever be able to do what we were asking of them. There was frustration and doubt, and even a few moments when I had to convince someone not to give up. Thankfully, they stuck with it.

And on October 9, 16, and 23, every one of them will stand on our bima and demonstrate just how far they have come. But Hebrew was only part of the journey. Together, we explored the meaning and purpose of Jewish prayer, including the Sh'ma and her blessings and the Amidah. We explored the innovations of Reform Judaism and thought about not only how we pray, but why we pray and what Jewish practice might mean in our own lives.

Most importantly, we had fun. Over the course of the year, twelve individuals became a community within our TEE community. They learned together, laughed together, supported one another, and celebrated each other's successes. Watching that happen has been every bit as meaningful to me as watching their Hebrew improve. I could not be prouder of them.

Because each student deserves the opportunity to truly lead, we divided the class among three consecutive Friday night services. Each student will have a meaningful role leading our congregation in prayer, reading Torah, and sharing a D'var Torah created with their group. These are not simply ceremonies marking the completion of a class. These services belong to them.

This journey began with Eileen Sadowsky and me dreaming about what this program might become. Once Yael Greene joined our TEEm, she became instrumental in helping our students prepare for these big days. I am incredibly grateful to both of them for helping turn an idea into something so special.

Now our students are ready. They are proud of what they have accomplished, as they should be, and they want to celebrate it with their entire Temple Emanu El community. I hope you will join us on October 9, 16, and 23 to pray with them, cheer them on, and celebrate this extraordinary accomplishment.

And perhaps, as you watch them standing on the bima, you'll find yourself thinking, "You know, I've always wanted to do that."

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- Rabbi Matt Cohen

NOTED *October* DATES

See flyers or TEEmail for event details

OCT 9+10	B'nai Mitzvah Weekend #1
OCT 10	Early Engagement Shabbat Program: For the Love of Animals @ CLE Metroparks Zoo
OCT 11	1st Grade Family Program: Beginning Your Child's Jewish Journey
OCT 15	Feeding the Soul: Mussar Lunch n' Learn
OCT 16+17	B'nai Mitzvah Weekend #2
OCT 23+24	B'nai Mitzvah Weekend #3
OCT 25	The Great Pizza Chase: Grades 3-6 Lunch + Scavenger Hunt
OCT 25	Pam's Porch
NOV 1	Brotherhood's Browns Watch Party @ Burgers 2 Beer

Celebrate Shabbat

In-person & Livestream Shabbat Service

For all streamed services & events, go to the homepage of our website (www.teecleve.org), click on "Participate" at the top & then "Stream." Then click on the image in the center of the page as the stream begins.

Talkin' Torah Zoom Info: Meeting ID: 846.5218.0544 | Passcode: TEETorah

Friday, October 9

NO Shabbat Nosh
5:45pm • Shabbat Service & B'nai Mitzvah of Carolyn Cutler, Suzi Freimark & Carolyn Lorber
Oneg Shabbat to follow

Saturday, October 10

Parashat Bereshit
9:30 • Talkin' Torah with Yael Greene, In Person + Zoom
10:30am • Bar Mitzvah of Andrew Schiller, son of Karen & Jeffery Schiller

Friday, October 16

NO Shabbat Nosh
5:45pm • Shabbat Service & B'nai Mitzvah of Lisa Cronig, Beth Mann, Robin & Ed Warren
Oneg Shabbat to follow

Saturday, October 10

Parashat Noach
9:30 • Talkin' Torah with Yael Greene, In Person + Zoom
10:30am • Bat Mitzvah of Emma Pollack, daughter of Gina & Matt Pollack

Friday, October 23

NO Shabbat Nosh
5:45pm • Shabbat Service & B'nai Mitzvah of Marcia Bakst, Marlene Cohen & Linda Jakob
Oneg Shabbat to follow

Saturday, October 10

Parashat Lech-Lecha
9:30 • Talkin' Torah with Yael Greene, In Person + Zoom
10:30am • Bat Mitzvah of Simone Gusso, daughter of Laura Binstock Palmer & George Palmer

Friday, October 30

6:15pm • Shabbat Service Led by Yael Greene

Saturday, October 31

9:30 • Talkin' Torah with Yael Greene, In Person + Zoom



Andy Schiller



Emma Pollack



Simone Gusso











Yahrzeit

✡ *Denotes a perpetual yahrzeit plaque has been installed in the Kumin Family Memorial Alcove*

Week Ending October 2

David Aber
Alan Abrams
✡Jacob Bernstein
✡Sara Blum
Lena Bregman
Howard Caplan
✡Ben Fink
Julie Fink
Dr. David Ganch
Lois Hunt
✡Richard M. Jordan
✡Sandra Justus
✡Hannah Kline
Sherry Kolibar
✡Herbert H. Kurland
✡Jeffry Landis
✡Abraham Mandel
✡Irving Morgenstern
✡Louis Moskowitz
✡Gladys L. Olson
Isadora Rae Rosenbaum
✡Marvin Schwartz
✡Robert Skall
✡Gary Solomon
✡Lilian Zeefe

Week Ending October 9

Ruth Bailin
Harv Baron
Dell Battler
Samuel Borodofsky
✡Brian David Burrage
Marc Cronig
✡David Freiman
✡Albert Frieder
✡Hilda Goodman
✡Henrietta B. Heiner
Anna Horwitz
✡Eva Katowitz
✡Robert Katzel
✡Barney Krantz
✡Eleanor Kushnick
✡Gilbert M. Laven
Bryan Levine
Connie Molecke
✡Harold Pete'"' Peterson
✡Barney Roberts
Edith Roebuck
Mildred Sachs
✡Martin M. Schwartz
Mary Sebransky
Marcia Seiger
Jules Shapiro
Kenneth Vinocur
✡Irving A. Zaner
Charles Zucker

Week Ending October 16

✡Bess Abt
✡Marcia Appelbaum
Salvatore Calco Jr
Henrietta Clayman
✡Pearl Krantz Elpiner
✡Sarah Fisher
Hyman Forman
Kenneth Friedlander
Sol Gutmacher
Max Haberman
Irving Herzog
✡Jack Hurwitz
✡Jerome Kanner
Florence Kaplan
✡Milton Krantz
✡Carol Landau
✡Jacob Landis
✡Rose R. Leventhal
✡Sandra P. Lewis
Sam Marks
✡Rose Z. Mechanic
✡Rubin Paley
✡Nathan Ringler
✡Ethan Roberts
✡Dr. Joseph Roth
✡Breindel Saltzman
Marvin Scheer
✡Evelyn Schwartz
✡Harry L. Solomon
✡Bertha Massing Tave
Versie Tinnon
✡Hyman Winisky
Leonard Zeid

Week Ending October 23

Stuart "Jack" Barmen
Helene Barrish
Miriam Braverman
Howard Brenis
✡Julian Cohen
✡Shirley Davis
✡Marvin Evans
Barbara Feldstein
✡Dr. Maurice Grossberg
Dr. Richard Katzman
✡Heddi Kretsch
Joshua Kronenberg
Donald Kumin
Lee Kuper
✡Hal Lebovitz
✡Abner Lefkovitz
✡Dr. Philip D. Lubitz
Lawrence Mattes
Howard Reider
Dr. Benjamin Richman
Danny Roebuck
Sam Rosenberg
Nina Rothman
Harold H Ryshen
✡Dora H. Sandson
Solomon Sesnowitz
✡Ken Shapiro
✡Katie Sherwin
✡Jean Tetalman
✡Elsie Weiser
Arthur Weisler
✡Gilbert H. Wieder









Yahrzeit

Week Ending October 30

- Marvin Altfeld
- Sandy Arnovitz
- Martha Beathard
- Rhonda Blank
- Libby Borodofsky
- Mary Ellen Dettelbach
- Sarah Epstein
- Joseph Fainstein
- Jane Frankel
- Harriet Freiman
- Myrna Gebhart
- Joan Horvitz
- Debbie Levine
- Eunice M. Littman
- Barbara Lurie
- Alice Mady
- Irv Meckler
- Bernard Pocrass
- Aron Reznick
- Dorothy K. Rogat
- Arlene M. Sachs
- Louis Scott
- Harry L. Solomon
- Edward Stern
- Rae Waxman
- Norman Weinberg
- Gerald Zlotnik

Our Congregation Mourns

THE CONGREGATION MOURNS THE LOSS OF OUR MEMBER:

Dennis Cott
husband of Barbara Cott, z'l

WE EXTEND OUR CONDOLENCES TO:

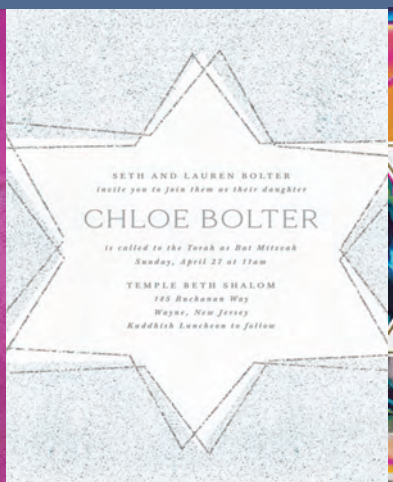
Jennifer (Noah) Hershey
on the loss of her father,
Ronald E. Meyers

Lori Pritzker
on the loss of her aunt,
Martha Pritzker



Please reach out to Renee Delafranconi, reneed@teecleve.org for information on yahrzeit plaques or cemetery lots.









Milestones

Milestone birthdays are listed every 5 years beginning at age 25 & every year after age 90. Anniversaries are listed every 5 years & every year after 50 years.

OCTOBER MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS

10/4	Linda Gold
10/5	Cheryll Joseph
10/7	Barbara Spevack
10/8	Diane Brenner
10/10	Pamela Hruby
10/17	Bobbi Sedley
10/19	Helen Weisler
10/22	Rena Sobul
10/23	Kevin Gehrt
10/24	Lynn Gottlob

OCTOBER MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES

10/6	Lisa & Ilan Konover
10/26	Nancy & David Falck
10/27	Debora & Lewis Ritchard
10/28	Norma Kronenberg & Robert Lewandowski
10/29	Roslyn & Kenneth Brenis

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Share Your Joy

Mazel Tov Moments

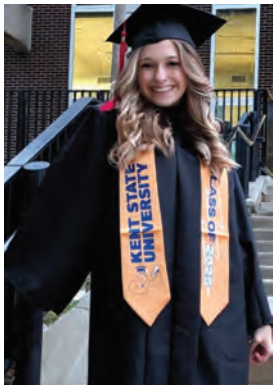
Share your joy by emailing dhershey@teecleve.org for the next bulletin.



YAEL GREENE, September graduate of (YLD Jewish CLE) 2026 LEADS Cohort of Future Jewish Leaders.



Yom Huledet Sameach to **RABBI MATT** on his 50th Birthday!



LISA & SHAWN HOPSON celebrated their 30th Wedding Anniversary, daughter Taighan graduated from Kent State University & son Dillon is getting married this month.

Dedications

As of 9/30/26

ADMINISTRATIVE

General Operating Fund

in memory of
Phyllis Wolk by Lillian Schlachter
Howard Fishman by Jennifer & Larry Goddard, Cindy & Evan Klotzman

for the yahrzeit of
Rose Schoenberg and Betty & Hyman Forman by Susan & Jeffrey Forman

in honor of
Joanna Radov & Owen Sherwood's Engagement
The Adult B'nai Mitzvah Cohort by Lillian Schlachter
Rebecca Rolleston & Natalee Hilt's joining the "Tribe" by Lillian Schlachter
Hermine & David Ostro's 50th Wedding Anniversary by Lillian Schlachter
Mitchell Cronig's "Medicare" Birthday by Lillian Schlachter

in appreciation of
Robert Lewandowski's recuperation by Norma Kronenberg

Hineini Capital Campaign Fund

in memory of
Dennis Cott by Beth Dery & Steve Schecter

Social Gathering Fund

in honor of
TEE's Sukkot Dinner by Marlene Cohen
TEE's Bondalah by Hermine & David Ostro and Evin & Brian Johnson
TEE's Back to School Potluck by Judy Klotzman, David Sperling & Pam Hruby, Pam & George Richards, Rhoda Konigsberg, Judy & Denny Hershey, Carolyn Lorber, Mandy & Adam Miller, Ruth & Mark Elliott

Manny & Sherrie Sperling Family Arts & Enertainment Fund

in honor of
Sherrie Sperling by Margie Hirschfeld & Hermine Ostro

in memory of
Gwenn Galvin by Barrie & Dan Galvin

Chesed Fund

in memory of
Leslie Friedman by Barbara Spevack

Ronald & Shelley Lipson Caring Fund

in memory of
Bob Soshnik by Amy Lipson
Shelley Lipson by Louise Chesler

ADVOCACY

Henry Schneps Advocacy Fund

in honor of
Sherri Rosichan & Steve Brofman's Wedding by Debe & Kerry Klotzman

in memory of
Sol Schneps by Suzanne Schneps

DISCRETIONARY

Rabbi Matt Cohen Discretionary Fund

in honor of
Rabbi Matt's 50th Birthday by Carolyn & Ethan Cutler, Elena & Leo Golubitsky, Sandi Fine

in memory of
Richard A. Katzman M.D. by Audrey Katzman & Tim McParland
Phyllis Wolk by Marty Wolk

in appreciation of
Rabbi Matt for the tree dedication by Bonnie Chernikoff

Renee Delafranconi Discretionary Fund

in appreciation of
TEE for the High Holy Day Tickets by Audrey Katzman

EARLY EDUCATION

Sharyn Bailin Memorial Preschool Fund

in memory of
Sharyn Bailin by Charles Bailin

Dedications Continued

in honor of
Sally Jo Hirsch's Birthday by Rachel Smith, Leah Freeman, Jan & Gary Freiman, Betsy Friedlander

EDUCATION

Lois W. & Raymond A. Abt First Grade Endowment Fund

in memory of
Lois W. & A. Raymond Abt by Beth Tramer & David Abt

Eric J. Barr Mitzvah Fund

in honor of
Sadie Barr's Bat Mitzvah by Ron & Katie Fierstein

Sylvia & Ralph Borod Confirmation Fund

in memory of
Sylvia Borod Wise by Melissa Henkin, Elizabeth Ben Yitzhak & Joan Borod

Betty & Harvey Krantz Religious School Tuition Fund

in appreciation of
Temple Emanu El by Marcia & Marc Bakst

Dr. Martin & Rita Krasny Scholarship Fund

in honor of
Sherri Rosichan & Steve Brofman's Wedding by Hermine & David Ostro

Elaine Katz Rembrandt Drama Fund

in memory of
Steven Werber by Rabbi Daniel Roberts
Dennis Cott by Jane Rothstein

Siegel-Scholer GUCI Camp Scholarship Fund

in memory of
Marvin Schwartz by Judith Miller

WORSHIP

Dr. Jack & Carol Landau Music Fund

in appreciation of
Renee Delafranconi by Ruth Landau

Online Donations

Donations can be made online through our website home page. Click on the link to make a donation in honor or in memory of a loved one. (Do Not try to Log In) Please note that in order to complete your online donation, you will need the recipient's email address. If you do not have an email address, you can still make a donation by contacting Louis Innenberg, 216.454.1217 or linnenberg@teecleve.org.

Thank You!

We are so grateful to all of you who make donations to our funds. Your donations support TEE programming throughout the year, help provide for local and national causes that are dear to our Jewish values, and assist members of our congregation who might require extra support. It is your continued care that sustains our missions and makes all the difference.





TEE is so excited to introduce our new members!

As of 10/1/2026

Danielle Cutler (Xavier)

Welcome to Danielle Cutler and her son, Xavier Beverly-Cutler (pre-K). Dani is a cook at First Watch Daytime Café, and she enjoys reading, video games, baking, and live music. She is the daughter of Ethan & Carolyn Cutler and niece of Seth & Kathy Cutler.
Danielle: 18dacutler@gmail.com

Zoe Zeid & Josh Tolle

Welcome to Zoe Zeid & Josh Tolle. Zoe, a graduate of TEE Religious School, works in human resources as the Senior Total Rewards Specialist for Engine, Inc. She enjoys reading, baking, and gymnastics. Josh works in Jewish non-profit education as the Associate Director of College Programs for Tikvah. He is interested in literature. Zoe is the daughter of Randi & Todd Zeid and granddaughter of Maury Rose.
Zoe: zoezeid13@gmail.com
Josh: yeshuatolle@gmai.com

Sandra & Christopher Radzinski (Michael)

Welcome to Sandra & Christopher Radzinski and their son, Michael (Mikey – 3rd grade). Sandy is the Financial Aid Coordinator for Auburn Career Center. She enjoys listening to books, swimming, and hanging out with family. Chris is Head of Platforms for Stratos Wealth Partners. He enjoys listening to podcasts, planning family vacations, and going to restaurants.
Sandy: sandragreenwald@gmail.com
Chris: crizco23@gmail.com

Chad Weisman

Welcome to Chad Weisman, a self-employed attorney for Weisman Legal and Of Counsel for Mulhall Business Law. Chad enjoys live music, podcasts, and spending time with friends.
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Temple Emanu El

Mussar Lunch n' Learn: Patience

In Memory of Larry Mattes

October 15th | 12 - 1pm

"Mussar is a Jewish spiritual study and practice that gives us the tools to live more meaningful and holy lives. These monthly gatherings will examine foundational Mussar middot (values) through text study, group discussion and daily practice."

Monthly discussions will be organized by Middot (values) from Alan Morinis' book "Everyday Holiness"
This month's will be Patience (Chapter 8)
Rabbi Matt suggests reading the chapter prior to the lunch n'learn but it is not required to be a part of the discussion.

- Taught by Rabbi Matt Cohen
- Bring your own lunch
- Beverages provided by TEE Brotherhood
- Open to All TEE Members
- RSVP to Ashley Walker, awalker@teecleve.org



TRAVEL MORE, PAY LESS!

A Free 60-Minute Masterclass to Supercharge Your Travel ROI

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Travel Consultant & Strategy Expert

DATE: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18th
Time: 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Are You Overpaying for Travel?

Learn Insider Secrets to Save Big!

- Top Booking Hacks & Hidden Deals
- Maximize Your Travel Points
- Avoid Costly Credit Card Traps
- Elite Status & Upgrade Strategies
- Unlock Airport Lounge Access
- Score the Southwest Companion Pass!



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Marc Bakst Travel Expert & Instructor

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The Youngest Holocaust Survivors: Stories of Survival and Resilience

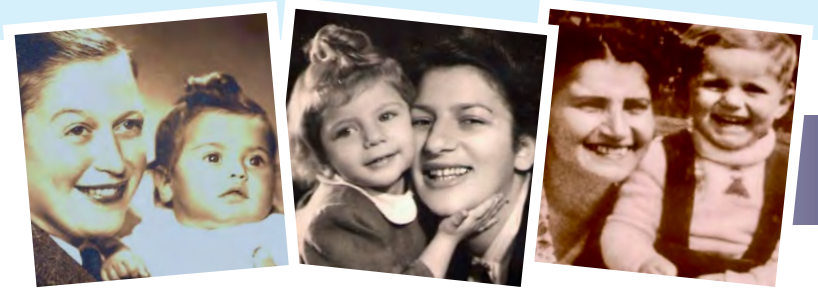
Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 7 PM

$18 per ticket | Maltz Performing Arts Center

Meet Eva Clarke, Hana Berger Moran and Mark Olsky, who were among the youngest Holocaust survivors. They were born in April 1945 to Jewish mothers who hid their pregnancies in Nazi camps and gave birth just before Germany's surrender.

The Youngest Holocaust Survivors: Stories of Survival and Resilience is a powerful community program presented by the Cuyahoga County Public Library Foundation. Hear firsthand stories of courage, perseverance, and hope from Holocaust survivors.

Each ticket includes a copy of *Born Survivors* by Wendy Holden, so every attendee can take these inspiring stories of resilience and hope home. Find more information at **cuyahogalibrary.org**.



SCAN HERE TO BUY TICKETS

THE GREAT PIZZA CHASE

TEE Grades 3-6

Sunday, October 25

12:00 - 2:00 pm @ TEE

Calling all TwEEns for an afternoon of cheesy creations & clever clue-solving! Grades 3-6 are invited to join us to make your own delicious pizza, uncover some hidden history in the temple scavenger hunt, & hang out with friends.

$15/student • RSVP by 10/18

Pam's PORCH

Join our 40th TEE President, Pam Richards, for a special connection and an informal gathering and open house.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25
10:00 AM

TEMPLE EMANU EL
ENJOY LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

This is an opportunity for Pam to get to know you and build relationships while sharing hopes for our synagogue and community.

Whether you're a long-time member or new to the congregation, Pam is excited to meet with you!

TEEN LEADERSHIP RETREAT

DREAM LOUDER

TEENS
TEMPLE EMANU EL



Register:

https://forms.gle/NLpVcsE0thF2uaXk7

This event is open to 8 - 12 graders from Temple Emanu El and Miskan Cr.

Transportation provided from Temple Emanu El

NOVEMBER 20-21

BELLWETHER FARMS

Bring your vision. Lead with purpose.

This event is being planned by TEE, Mishkan Or and the Retreat Institute.

TEE BROTHERHOOD'S BROWNS WATCH PARTY RETURNS!

Sunday, November 1st @ 1:00pm

vs. Pittsburgh Steelers

$21/person Burgers 2 Beer

33003 Aurora Road, Solon

Cost includes menu item, soft drink, tax + gratuity
Menu Selection from Lunch Duo Menu only after RSVP
Items not on menu + any other drinks are at your own expense

RSVP required by 10/25 to Len Gold
crete2us@gmail.com
Cost payable at the door by check to TEE Brotherhood
or Venmo @Len-Gold (1156)