



# TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM BULLETIN



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Rabbi Debbie Stiel

## **Scholar-in-Residence: Cantor Ellen Dreskin** **March 27-29, 2020**

Cantor Dreskin notes, “I strive in my teaching, consulting, and worship-leading to put tools in the hands of congregants, lay leaders, educators, and clergy that will enable us all to be more mindful, proactive, and creative in regard to the role of Judaism in our lives.”

Cantor Ellen Dreskin and her husband, Rabbi Billy Dreskin, live in New York. Cantor Dreskin was the coordinator of the Cantorial Certification program at HUC; she is a frequent guest educator and scholar-in-residence at congregations and Jewish leadership programs across the country. She has a Masters’ Degree in Jewish Communal Service from Brandeis University and Cantorial Ordination from HUC.

### **Cantor Dreskin’s Schedule:**

#### **Friday, March 27, 2020, 7:30 pm Shabbat Service**

Cantor Dreskin will lead the sung portion of our service using both familiar and new melodies. She will intersperse the prayers with poignant teachings. Her Sermon Topic: “What’s God Got to Do With It? Can I Pray If I Don’t Believe”

Rabbi Stiel, Warren Sickel and our 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade class will also participate in this service.



#### **Saturday, March 28, 2020**

**10:30 am - 12:00 pm – Shabbat Morning Worship with the Wires Exposed.** A bit of a service and a bit of a workshop. As we worship, learn how to lead, too. What things should a service leader consider? We will talk about the service as we go. This is perfect for you whether you want to be a leader or just want to come for the Shabbat morning experience.

**12:00 - 1:00 pm - Shabbat Kiddush Lunch** –Bagels, tuna salad, dessert, etc. Join us for a chance to chat with Cantor Dreskin. Call in your reservation. Lunch is \$5.

#### **7:30 pm - 9:00 pm - Music Speaks Louder Than Words**

We will have a charming and enjoyable time reflecting on the role of music in Judaism. This will be an interactive evening. Cantor Dreskin will share stories and sing. She will talk about the connection between singing and spiritual practice. Desserts will be served. We will begin with havdala.

#### **Sunday, March 29, 2020**

**10:30 am - 11:30 am – Religious School Morning Service and Assembly in Sanctuary.** Parents and students are invited to an interactive hour with Cantor Dreskin. This will be a time of learning, discussion and new music.

Cantor Dreskin’s visit is made possible by the Temple’s Endlich Fund and Lauren Forstein z’l Artist-in-Residence Fund.

## **Contributions**

### **General Fund**

**Einstein's**

**Bob Harms and Liz**

**Bergmann-Harms**

-In memory of Shirley Kossoy

-In memory of Peggy Black

### **Holocaust Commemoration**

**Larry and Patty Pressman**

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Scrinopskie

### **Security Fund**

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-In memory of Joseph Richter

-In memory of Scott Richter

-In memory of Tony Caruso

-In memory of Bernard Schwartz

-In memory of Shirley Richter

### **Statue Repair Fund**

**Jack and Rhoda Wisman**

-In memory of Jim Bass

### **Library Fund**

**Susan Zuber-Chall**

## **Do You Like to Write?**

We would love to start including in the bulletin a monthly "Spotlight on a Congregant or Family."

This would be a nice way to get to know each other better. So we are looking for a volunteer to oversee this short monthly bulletin article. If you are interested, please contact Rabbi Stiel at [rabbi@tbstopeka.org](mailto:rabbi@tbstopeka.org)

## **Women's Night Out**

will meet on Thursday,  
March 26 at 6:30 pm at  
Gyroville, 29<sup>th</sup> and  
Wanamaker.

Please contact Liz  
Bergmann-Harms with any  
questions.

## **Men's Dinner Club**

will meet at On the Border,  
1235 SW Wanamaker at 6:30  
pm on Thursday, March 19.  
Please contact Alan Parker  
with any questions.

## **Temple Beth Sholom**

### **2020 Annual Meeting**

**Sunday, June 28**

**10:00 am**

**-Election of Officers and  
Board members**

**-Slide show of past year's  
happenings**

**-Approval of the budget and  
discussion of other Temple  
matters**

**-Potluck Brunch**

## **Yahrzeits**

**March 6** – Joy Cumonow,  
Danny Goodman, Jerry Katz,  
Jacob Stein, Sam Zlotky,  
Vivian Wallach, Harley  
Treen, Shelby James  
Edwards, Hyman Abrams,  
Bella Silk

**March 13** – Bert Marks,  
David Iselin, Estella Barnum,  
Emanuel Verbin, Herbert  
Levy, June Shapiro, Jacob  
Cohen, Doris Thayer, Carroll  
Stein, Ila Lempka, Betty  
Nightingale

**March 20** – Heiman Shapiro,  
David Bristol, Blanche  
Samuels, Isador Katz, Pauline  
Hunter, Esther King, Ronald  
Weinsaft, Berniece Sessel,  
Sally Gartner, Ronald Cohen,  
Estelle Mildred Dolgoff,  
Chaye Sarah Hurwitz, Phyllis  
Stein

**March 27** – Herbert Stein,  
Leah Kartman, William  
Garfield, Kathryn Nowick,  
Dorothy Bittinger, Al Finston,  
Henry Gartner, Bernard  
Steindler, Alice Trainor, Ann  
Marshall-Levine, Frances  
Marshall

## **Church Using Temple**

The Apostolic Assembly  
Church is renting space at  
the Temple. They are in the  
building on Wednesday  
evenings from 7:00 – 8:30  
pm and on Sunday  
afternoons from 1:00 – 4:30  
pm. Please greet them when  
you see them. They use the  
Social Hall and, for a short  
time on Sunday, a children's  
class meets downstairs.

# ***Purim Joy! Purim Joy! Purim Joy!***

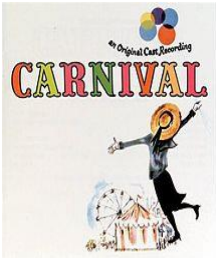
## **Sunday, March 1**

- **Family Education and Activities – 10:30 am - 12:00 pm**

Parents and children from the Lawrence Jewish Community Congregation, Manhattan Jewish Congregation and Temple Beth Sholom will join together for Purim day learning and activities.

We will share a short Purim shpiel at the 11:30 am assembly.

**Don't forget to dress up!!**



- **Carnival 12:00 – 1:30 pm**

Face painting, cake walk, bean bag toss, piñata, lollipop tree, Haman sponge toss, duck pond and more!! Some games require more than one ticket. Lunch will be available for purchase.

The carnival is a fundraiser for ToMaTY. Invite friends to the carnival!

**Religious School families please bring cake for the cake walk.**

## **Friday, March 13**

- **7:00 pm Purim Simchat Shabbat Service**

We will embrace the full joy and silliness of Purim. Come celebrate with us. Sophie Thayer will chant selections from Megillat (Scroll of) Esther.

Our 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade will share a Purim Shpiel with us.

Dress up and join us for hamentashen, graggars, singing, and the important story of Esther.

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## **Social Action Shabbat: Friday, March 6 at 7:30 pm**

- Madison Sorsen, staff with Topeka JUMP, and our own Dennis Dobson will tell us about the important work that Topeka JUMP is doing. Topeka JUMP stands for Topeka Justice Unity Ministry Project. This organization, made up of over 20 local houses of worship, has 4 important initiatives going on right now. It is seeking to make Topeka a more livable and equitable city for its residents. Last year, Temple Beth Sholom became part of Topeka JUMP. We need your help to further their mission of helping the most vulnerable in our city. Come to this Shabbat service to learn what JUMP is doing and how you can help to make a difference.
- Our Social Action Committee will help lead the service.

## **Important Upcoming Shabbat and Holiday Services – Mark Your Calendar**

April 24 – Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance) Shabbat Service. Cantorial Soloist Rachel Black will participate.

May 1 – Yom Ha'Atzmaut (Israel Independence Day) Shabbat Service. Mayor Michele De La Isla will talk about her trip last year to Israel which was sponsored by the Jewish Community Relations Bureau.

May 29 – Shavuot – We will hear the 10 Commandments read from the Torah.

## **"As Numerous as the Stars of Heaven"**

### **Abbreviated remarks from URJ Biennial 2019 Address by Rabbi Rick Jacobs, URJ President**

....We need to do what Jews have been doing for thousands of years – look to Torah. The key to our future isn't demography; it's theology. Back in Genesis, our ancestors were told over and over that Jewish life was meant to expand and grow, not contract.

God makes this promise to Abraham and Sarah, "I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars of heaven and the sands on the seashore..." (Genesis 22:17)

The Holy One wanted us to have more than a bit part in the unfolding saga of human life. We need to be everywhere, and there needs to be a lot of us, like the stars and sands.

But why Judaism? What does Judaism offer?

In a world starved for meaning and steeped in fear and pain, our tradition is overflowing with spiritual riches. Judaism can help us live lives anchored in wisdom and moral clarity. Judaism gives us rituals, texts and holy days so that we can live joyfully in the rhythm of sacred time. Judaism gives us hope.

I don't need to tell you that there is brokenness and injustice all around us. To live in this moment, if we want to do the sacred work of being God's partners, we need more hands and hearts on deck....

The 54th chapter of Isaiah tells us, "Enlarge the site of your tent." (Isaiah 54:2)...

We need to open more doors – real and virtual – for hungry and curious souls to come in and explore Judaism. Will they all formally join our congregations or even join the Jewish community? Many will; some won't. But if we extend our tent, every part of our Jewish community will benefit. We'll be able to bolster our synagogues and start new ventures that will help revitalize all that we do and all that we are....

... we need to make space across our communities and within our leadership for new people and new ideas. That means building institutions *with* them, instead of asking them to do it the way we have always done it. It requires each of us to step back a little and let new folks lead so they can leave their imprint on our traditions and culture.

Younger members of our community are more diverse than their parents, more multi-racial, more proudly and openly LGBTQ. In North America, among non-Orthodox Jews, 72 percent of the weddings in the past 20 years have been between a Jewish person and someone who was brought up in a different faith tradition. Our educators already know they can't do the old family tree activity in the same way anymore, expecting everyone to draw lines from Europe to the Statue of Liberty....

Some of our congregations are so polarized that big issues are not discussed for fear of further splintering our already divided communities. I'm certain we can do better. Our congregations must be oases from the venom that is poisoning our public spaces. There are so few places where people who don't vote or think alike, earn, pray, or believe alike, gather on a regular basis. And our Jewish tradition has a deep practice when it comes to diversity of opinion.

Our congregations would be well-served to learn and practice the Talmudic way of having sacred arguments. The Babylonian Talmud is, after all, just a huge collection of arguments between sages who often vehemently disagreed but rarely disrespected their intellectual adversaries.

Our sages didn't avoid tough issues or give up if they couldn't reach consensus. The debate was always civil, as in the case of the great debates between Hillel and Shammai: *eilu v'eilu divre Elohim hayim*, "these *and these* are words of the living God." And the Talmud in Mishnah Eduyot 1:5 teaches a minority opinion must be preserved, to learn from in the future. Too often, that is not what happens in our communities or our society.

So make no mistake: Today, on the one hand, we must say out loud that *not* all positions are legitimate. On the other, while there are *not* good people on all sides of every issue, there *are* more legitimate sides than we regularly acknowledge. Intense, serious debates should only be exceeded by the depth of our respect for one another.

Yes, authentic Jewish leaders must still raise their prophetic voices on the great moral issues of the day, but before we do, we need to consider the many sides of any issue. That's what our Civic Engagement Campaign is all about.

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It's worth remembering that the founder of our Reform Movement, Isaac Mayer Wise, deliberately chose the word "Union" for the names of our Movement and our seminary, Union of American Hebrew Congregations and Hebrew Union College. Founded right after the Civil War, there was anything but unity in the United States and in our congregations, stretching across the north/south divide. Unity does not require unanimity – but it does require respect, something sorely missing in our wider culture. Our congregations and communities can show others how this is done....

Our commitment to embracing our Jewish diversity and combatting hate is one of the most urgent moral imperatives of our time. That's why, during this Biennial we are asking each of you to commit to our sacred diversity, equity, and inclusion work. It will change our Movement, and it will change each of us for the better.

Our ancient sages created the following blessing for diversity that I want us to say together now. When we are in the presence of many Jews, like we are tonight, we say:

*Baruch chacham ha'razeem she'ein da'atam domah zeh l'zeh v'ein partzufayhen domeem zeh l'zeh.* Blessed are You, the Sage of all secret things for their minds are not similar to each other and their faces are all unique." (Babylonian Talmud, tractate Berachot 58a)

Embracing our diversity will change who we are, and that change will make us better. It will make our communities and congregations beacons of possibility in our divisive and increasingly hate-filled world.

This isn't easy work. We will have to develop new spiritual muscles to recognize the truly diverse Jewish people God created us to be. But once we do, we can use our strength to take on the issues in our world that are ripping us apart.

## February 5, 2020 Board Meeting Highlights

The Board of Directors conducted an online Zoom meeting with Maxie Kalish, Analyst with the URJ. Recently, Temple Beth Sholom, spearheaded by Lorne Ruby, participated in the URJ Benchmarking and Assessment program for examining financial situations of Reform Temples across the United States. The results help congregations compare how they are doing to ones of varying sizes and locations. Our Board is learning valuable and helpful information from this process.

Your Board has committed to writing a monthly article for the Bulletin to help convey important Temple matters to the congregation. The first article will be written by Alan Wisman.

A Grant Committee is being formed. This is very important to our Temple congregation, because funding is available from various sources that will greatly benefit the continued success of Temple Beth Sholom. If you have experience in researching and/or writing grants, or if you have a strong desire to assist in this worthy endeavor, please contact the office. Your help is needed.

## March, April, May Tzedakah - Topeka Zoo

The K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade class has chosen the Topeka Zoo for March, April and May Tzedakah.

Topeka Zoo's number one priority is animal care. From the moment animals are born to the specialized geriatric care, they seek to provide the best life possible for the animals that we care for.



## Monthly Meditation Practice

Wednesday, March 18

7:00 – 8:00 pm

In the Temple's Pusitz Library  
Led by Stephanie Schuttera

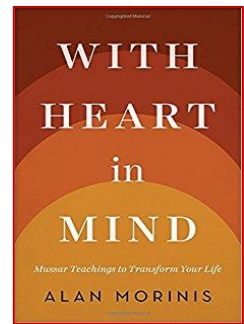
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Next Meditation Practice:

April 15

Led by Hadi Green

**Middot Va'ad: Gaining Jewish Wisdom and Understanding**  
**Next Meeting: March 18, Noon – 1:00 pm**

Bring a bag lunch and join us in the Temple Pusitz Library. We are reading Alan Morinis' *With Heart in Mind ~ Mussar Teachings to Transform Your Life*. We study the character traits (*middot*) and work on bringing them into our lives in the right amount. Please bring the book to the *Va'ad* meetings. We will review Chapter 26 and read Chapter 27. Newcomers are always welcome



**Monthly Shabbat Morning Opportunities**

**Talmud Study – 9:00 – 10:30 am, Saturday, March 7 and 21.**

*Pirkei Avot* consists of the wisdom of our sages concerning the values and ethics of Judaism as reflected in the Oral Law. While I am paraphrasing here, perhaps one of the most famous is Rabbi Tarphon's dictum: "It is not for you to finish.....but neither are you free to desist from it." We shall read *Pirkei Avot* in small segments, simultaneously looking at and discussing different commentaries that have been written about each portion of it.

We invite and welcome you to join us in what we anticipate will be a very rewarding study. It is not necessary to commit to attending every session. Come as you are interested and able.

**Kabbalah Study - 9:00 - 10:30 am, Saturday, March 14 and 28**

***Introduction to the Zohar*, by Arthur Green.**

Our group is reading Art Green's excellent and thorough introduction to the Pritzker edition of the *Zohar*. If you want to get an inside look at the *Zohar*, please join us for this fascinating read! We will hand out copies in class.



**TaNaKh Study – 10:30 am – 12:00 pm, Saturday, March 14**

In this group, we are reading the Bible all the way through. Each time we meet we read a few verses or a chapter out loud and then stop to discuss it before going on. We enjoy a free-ranging discussion of what was read and its implications. Currently, we are reading the *Psalms* and would love your input.

**Course in Modern Jewish Intellectual History**

There are contemporary denominational schisms within the Jewish community particularly between Orthodox and non-Orthodox communities. There have also been a number of such schisms in the past. Professor of Modern Jewish History, David B. Ruderman of the University of Pennsylvania, has put together a course, "Jewish Intellectual History: 16th to 20th Century" which illuminates such divisions and forms the backdrop of today's denominational splits. The course consists of 24 thirty-minute presentations that are on DVDs.

Join us for Temple's study and discussion group that meets twice a month on Sundays from 10:30 - 11:30 am to watch the lectures and talk about them. This month the classes will be on March 22 and 29 in the Social Hall.



# BLINTZE BRUNCH



Temple Beth Sholom  
55th Annual Jewish Food and Cultural Fair  
Sunday, April 26, 2020

## SIGN UP FOR BLINTZE BRUNCH DUTIES IN TEMPLE SOCIAL HALL

Cooking date: **March 8, 9:00 am, Blintzes**

### Brunch Buffet Tickets

13 Years and Over—\$13 in Advance; \$15 at the door  
5-12 years of age \$6; 4 years of age and under free  
Sorry NO Take-outs!

### Items for the Blintze Brunch Silent Auction

The Temple Blintze Brunch Committee is looking for silent auction prizes – in particular, tickets to the Royals and Chiefs games. Also popular are football and basketball tickets to KU, K-State and Washburn games. Do you have season tickets or individual game tickets that you could donate? Sports game tickets are always good sellers at the Brunch. Please help if you can. The Brunch is April 26, so the tickets would need to be available after that day. For more information, call Jack Wisman.

### Bake Sale

Last year, we sold out of baked goods. More donations for this year would be appreciated. If you have a special food item you like to prepare (or buy!), we'd love to have it. **Sugar free items and Monkey Bread are big sellers.** Other popular items are mandelbread, small coffee cakes, home-made challah, Hamentaschen, rugelach, small raisin kugels, banana bread and homemade cookies. If you have questions or need a recipe, please contact Jack Wisman. Thank you all in advance.

### Blintze Brunch T-Shirts! Now Available!

Cost \$12 now thru 4/24;  
\$15 at the Brunch

They are available in the Temple office.  
Get yours before they run out!

Wear them at the Blintze Brunch.  
Let's show our Temple spirit!

Available in sizes Youth L - 2XL



### Blintze Brunch Singers:

Anyone interested in singing with the choir need to contact Warren Sickel or Rhoda Wisman by March 1. Required are at least high school choir experience and attending the rehearsal on Sunday, April 12 at 6:30 pm.

### LEGACY SOCIETY

The Legacy Society is a group of individuals who have left property, funds or a percentage of funds to Temple Beth Sholom endowment in their wills. This Society is open to everyone, and the only requirement is to fill out a form and let Jack Wisman know that you have mentioned Topeka Beth Sholom in your will. Exact details of what is allocated are not required, but the will must be properly executed. The Legacy Society will be mentioned periodically in hope that more and more members will join.

Please let us know if we can add your name to this list of individuals who have put Temple in their wills.



## CAMP RAINBOW DINNER

On February 8, ToMaTY had their annual Camp Rainbow Fundraiser. They raised \$1,690 for this wonderful endeavor. Thank you to Alan and Anita Haimowitz for cooking a great dinner! Thank you to our ToMaTY youth advisors, April Neff and Deborah Edelman-Dolan and ToMaTY teens!



**Dillion's on Urish and 29<sup>th</sup> Street will have Passover foods available this year.**



## Join with your Temple Family for our PASSOVER 2<sup>nd</sup> SEDER

The community seder is like one large, extended-family event.

Spend time with friends and enjoy a fun and meaningful seder and a tasty meal!

**Thursday, April 9--6:00 pm--Temple Social Hall**

**Cost for Seder/Dinner:**

**Adults \$15.00**

**Children 12 and under \$8.00**

**Children under 4 no charge --Please bring your own booster seat or high chair if needed.**

**If so desired, please bring your own wine.**

**Main foods being served: matza ball soup, charoset, hard boiled eggs, chopped liver, roast chicken, potatoes, salad, homemade macaroons with berries. A vegetarian main dish will also be available.**

**Reservations are required and limited to seating capacity. Your check is your reservation.**

Mail your check with the form below to: Temple Beth Sholom, 4200 SW Munson, Topeka, Kansas 66604-1879. No money will be taken at the door.



### PASSOVER SEDER RESERVATION FORM

NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_



	Totals
_____ Adults @ \$15.00	\$ _____
_____ Children @ \$8.00	\$ _____
	\$ _____ Total Amount Enclosed

Number of children under 4 attending (for seating space) \_\_\_\_\_

A check payable to **Temple Beth Sholom** must accompany this form.

**THIS FORM MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE TEMPLE OFFICE WITH PAYMENT BY Friday, April 3.**

We cannot guarantee a seat at the Seder if your payment or reservation is late.



# State of Kansas Holocaust Commemoration Service

Monday, April 20, 2020

1:00 pm

Downtown Ramada Inn  
420 SE 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Topeka

## Keynote Address:

Megan Felt, Program Director of the  
Kansas-based Life in a Jar: The Irena  
Sendler Project



Holocaust proclamation presented.

Participation by Kansas clergy, political leaders, Kansas choirs, and students.  
We will recognize Holocaust survivors, WWII veterans and children of survivors.

**FREE & OPEN to the PUBLIC**

Reception Sponsored by the Kansas State Holocaust Commission to follow.

Please call 785-272-6040 for more information.

### **Requesting Holocaust Victims' Names**

Do you have members of your family who perished in the Holocaust? Each year, Alan Haimowitz reads names of victims at the State of Kansas Holocaust Commemoration. If you have names you would like to have recited, please e-mail them to Rabbi Stiel at [rabbi@tbstopeka.org](mailto:rabbi@tbstopeka.org).

### **Kansas City Yom HaShoah Service, Sunday, April 19, 2020 at 1:30 pm**

Location: Jewish Community Campus, Lewis and Shirley White Theatre, 5801 West 115th Street, Overland Park, KS

The community is invited to attend this year's Yom HaShoah service, commemorating the 77th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising and the 57th anniversary of the dedication of Kansas City's Memorial to the Six Million.

Mary Covitz will chair the program, which will include the traditional lighting of six candles in memory of the six million Jewish victims.

The program is organized by the Jewish Community Center, Jewish Community Relations Bureau/AJC and the Midwest Center for Holocaust Education. It is co-sponsored by Jewish agencies and congregations throughout Greater Kansas City. No reservations are necessary. Seating will begin at 1:00 pm.

## ONEG SPONSORS NEEDED

We are looking for a host for the following Shabbat onegs in 2020: **July 17 and 31; August 7, 14, 21 and 28.** Please check times of services in the monthly bulletin and weekly email.

**June Onegs will be Potluck. There will also be once a month Potluck Onegs which are the following dates: March 20, April 17 and May 22. We will need help setting up and cleaning up.**

Please remember, for those of you who cannot host an oneg, you may donate any amount to our Oneg Fund. Contact Molly Wisman if you have questions.



# VOTE REFORM

## #VoteReformWZC

**Did you know that only 20% of Jews in Israel are Orthodox, yet...**

- The Israeli government pays the salaries of hundreds of rabbis. Only nine are Reform.
- The Israeli government does not recognize non-orthodox weddings performed in Israel.
- Plans for an expanded egalitarian section of the Western Wall have been thwarted by ultra-orthodox cabinet members

The World Zionist Congress makes decisions regarding key institutions which allocate nearly \$1 Billion annually to support Israel and World Jewry.  
As Reform Jews living in America, we can make a difference by voting in the World Zionist Congress Election.



For step-by-step instructions on how to vote, visit [www.ARZA.org/Election](http://www.ARZA.org/Election)  
Voting ends March 11.

## Temple Beth Sholom Recognition Award: Miriam's Award Submit your Temple unsung hero today!

In the last few years, the Temple has recognized a few outstanding volunteers at each annual meeting and presented them with an award. This award is given for outstanding support for the Temple Beth Sholom community through acts of deed and love. These qualities are much like those demonstrated by the strong and courageous Miriam, often the unsung hero.

Each year the Miriam's Award recipients (who can be male or female) will be selected from submissions from the congregation. This award is for a person who makes a continuous and significant contribution (perhaps behind-the-scenes) without whose efforts many activities and events in the Temple would not enjoy as much success. Please fill out the form below and send it in (or e-mail it) to the Temple office by March 20.



**Suggested Award Recipient:** \_\_\_\_\_

**What has congregant done over that last few years that has contributed to the success of our temple?**

**As a result, how has this congregation benefitted from this person's contributions?**

**Why do you feel this congregant is an "unsung hero?"**

**Submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_

# March 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> NO Adult Hebrew Classes RS Hebrew classes 9:30 am Purim Day Activities 10:30 am Purim Carnival 12:00 pm	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Topeka JUMP Team Assembly Meeting 7:00 pm	<b>4</b> Board Meeting 7:00 pm	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Social Action Shabbat Service 7:30 pm Rabbi Stiel/Rhoda Wisman	<b>7</b> Talmud Study Group 9:00 am  Shabbat Morning Service 10:30 am
<b>8</b> Blintze Cooking 9:00 am NO RS or Adult Hebrew classes NO Religious School classes	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Purim/Simchat Shabbat Service 7:00 pm Rabbi Stiel/Rhoda Wisman/Hurst Coffman	<b>14</b> Kabbalah Study Group 9:00 am  TaNaKh Study Group 10:30 am
<b>15</b> NO RS Hebrew & Adult Hebrew classes NO Religious School classes	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Middot Va'ad 12:00 pm Meditation led by Stephanie Schuttera 7:00 pm	<b>19</b> Men's Dinner Group at On the Border 6:30 pm	<b>20</b> Shabbat Service 7:30pm Rabbi Stiel/Warren Sickel/Hurst Coffman Potluck Oneg	<b>21</b> Talmud Study Group 9:00 am
<b>22</b> RS Hebrew & Adult Beg Hebrew classes 9:30 am RS Classes & Jewish History Intellectual class 10:30 am Adult Adv Hebrew Class 11:30 am	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>  Women's Night Out will meet at Gyroville 6:30 pm	<b>27</b> Shabbat Service 7:30 pm Rabbi Stiel/Warren Sickel/Cantor Dreskin	<b>28</b> Kabbalah Group 9:00 am Dreskin/Shabbat Worship/Training 10:30 am Lunch 12:00 pm Music Program 7:30 pm
<b>29</b> RS Hebrew & Adult Beg Hebrew classes 9:30 am RS classes & Jewish History Intellectual class 10:30 am (in Temple library) Adult Adv Hebrew Class 11:30 am	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Scholar-In-Residence:</b> <b>Cantor Ellen Dreskin</b> March 27 – 29, 2020 Complete Schedule on Front Page  Rabbi Stiel is out of office at a conference March 21-25			Want to keep up with Temple EVENTS?!! Access Temple's Calendar with the following link: <a href="https://www.mychurchevents.com/calendar/73982531">https://www.mychurchevents.com/calendar/73982531</a>

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## Worship Services



### **Friday, March 6 Social Action Shabbat Service - 7:30 pm**

Service led by Rabbi Stiel and Rhoda Wisman. Guest Speaker Madison Sorsen of Topeka JUMP. Oneg sponsored by Rabbi Debbie and Steve Stiel.

### **Saturday, March 7 Shabbat Morning Service - 10:30 am**

Service led by Rabbi Stiel and Warren Sickel. Torah will be read by Rabbi Stiel.

**Office Hours – Monday to Friday  
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### **Friday, March 13**

#### **Purim/Simchat Shabbat Service - 7:00 pm**

Service led by Rabbi Stiel and Rhoda Wisman. Hurst Coffman will accompany. March birthday and anniversary blessings. Oneg by Harsin family.

### **Friday, March 20**

#### **Shabbat Service - 7:30 pm**

Service led by Rabbi Stiel and Warren Sickel. Hurst Coffman will accompany. Torah will be read by Ellie Gassman. **Oneg will be potluck.**

### **Friday, March 27**

#### **Shabbat Service - 7:30 pm**

Service led by Rabbi Stiel and Cantor Dreskin. Our 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade class will participate. Oneg sponsored by parents of 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade class.

### **Saturday, March 28**

#### **Shabbat Morning Service - 10:30 am**

Cantor Dreskin will teach about worship leading, and she will lead music.

