

# *the* Judean

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## From the Board *Ron Milman*

**WHO DO YOU KNOW?** A pretty easy question, right? Come on, I know you know a lot of people, and a lot of Jewish families who live in our community. Why not help them to experience the same wonderful memories and #Jewishmoments that you are getting by being a part of the Temple Judea family? What I am saying is that I want to know the people who you know too, and I want them to get introduced to our temple.



As one of the Vice Presidents of Membership here at Temple Judea, I get to do many of the things I love. I love meeting new people, making new friends, and I love Temple Judea, so membership is a perfect fit for me. Our members are the life blood of our community. Not just from a financial perspective, but because of all of the wonderful things that each person brings. Everyone is unique, different and from varying backgrounds, as well as being from many different stages of life. From newborn babies being named on the bima, to our vibrant seniors and everyone in between, we are so diverse in who we are. But we have one common bond that makes us a community. Judaism, of course! And you don't need to be "religious" to be a member of a temple. People become involved for a variety of reasons such as our ECC, religious school, social action, brotherhood/sisterhood, youth groups and much more. There is so much to become involved in here!

So please help us out. Help us to continue to grow our amazing community by spreading the word and inviting your friends to come and check us out. I would be thrilled to talk with any prospective members personally (I promise to be completely charming)(and modest) so please reach out to me personally at [checkouttj@templejudea.com](mailto:checkouttj@templejudea.com) or call the temple office and tell them you have someone interested in membership whom you would like to be contacted. They will track me down and I will reach out. Also, don't forget to send in your membership renewal for the coming year, because every one of our members is important! Our people are our biggest asset!

*Have you included Temple Judea  
in your will or trust?*

*Let us know, so we can thank you.*

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Temple Judea exists to enrich the lives of our congregants by creating meaningful, inspiring, innovative Jewish moments that resonate with individuals and families through the generations.

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# Practice What You Preach

*Sabbatical Notes by Rabbi Cantor Alison Wissot*

Life is busy, as a working mother of three. Conversations with friends and colleagues in the same boat often begin or end with a sigh, in wonderment or exasperation or both, at the ability to somehow squeeze so much into a day. We joke that our calendars look like we are playing a game of Tetris, in which tasks and activities are lodged in between other events and goals, with bright colors and alarms and notifications. It is certainly a common complaint in our too-busy lives today that there is just no time.

As a rabbi and cantor, much of what I teach is about how to claim time, how to make holy moments, how to experience the depth of life and not simply let it all pass by unnoticed. We do this through practicing prayer and offering blessings that notice the miracles that happen every day. We do this through study, becoming aware of the interconnectedness of life and the paths our ancestors have lived before us. I do this sitting in my office guiding families through grief and mourning, or through the happier life cycle moments of baby-namings or bar and bat mitzvah journeys. I do this fairly well, I hope, with other people's families. And yet one of the major sacrifices of becoming a rabbi or cantor, one that remains unspoken except in the hallway conversations of clergy conferences and conventions, is that our own families often do not receive the same kind of time and energy.

Part of it is the reality that when a family in the community we serve is in need, we of course need to be present; and sometimes, that conflicts with our own family in need. Part of it is the race to accomplish more than will ever be done in a day. Part of it is the feeling that "I've already done this all day long, can't I rest", a feeling shared by doctors and therapists and many others in the businesses of professional giving. None of these things is a sufficient excuse.

This synagogue graces its clergy with sabbatical time, which I had the blessing to take during this past year. In my three months mostly away from Temple Judea (and I say mostly, because I was often spotted in the building in my parental role as Uber/carpool driver), I was able to practice what I preach and teach. When people asked what I was doing on my sabbatical, I joked, "not multitasking." But it was true: I did one thing at a time, gave my attention to whomever needed it in my family, and still managed in to participate in concerts, plan a cantors conference, read, write, study and travel. We went to Shabbat services all over the city, and learned once again just how special Temple Judea is (which is the subject of another article...). And, I got to help my own family work on the holiness of time through living moment to moment in gratitude.

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I will not say this time was easy. Those of us who make ourselves busy in life come to rely on being busy. Stopping, listening, experiencing the world around me moment by moment made me think about things I like so many

others attempt to shut out: existential things, the meaning of it all. I didn't love every moment; but I needed those moments. The demons we all have don't go away because we're moving too fast to notice they're there.

I hope this time has made me a better rabbi. Time will tell. I have tried since my return to keep more of this new pace, to multitask less, and breathe a little more. For all of us, there is a constant reminder in Jewish tradition of the importance of rest, not sleep, but refraining from the busy-ness of work: Shabbat. I gratefully thank the Creator of this universe, who built rest into the fabric of being; now if only we could stop being so darn busy, and claim it.

# Grapes, Sticks and Lizards: Curriculum Comes Alive in Our ECC

*Margie Ipp - Director of ECC*

*Lisa Whitman - Assistant Director of ECC*



It was a typical Wednesday in Room E, and children were cleaning up from lunch when someone spotted a grape on the floor. Four-year-old excitement ensued as the kids tried to figure out where the grape had come from, and why it was sitting there all alone. The teachers could have picked up the grape and tossed it in the trash, but instead, they let the drama unfold, and watched as the children gleefully quizzed each other about the mystery grape. Eventually, it was clear that the original teacher-planned curriculum for the day was not going to be nearly as interesting or meaningful to the kids as this emerging mystery, and so, they scrapped their plans and joined the fun. Ultimately, they all sat around in circle time and wrote a class story called “The Mystery of the Missing Grape” which followed their silly adventure. Each child took home a copy of the book, so they could share it with their families.

The teachers in Room 126 noticed that their children really loved searching for and picking up sticks. Every day when they went out to the yard, the kids in their class came back with handfuls of them. The teachers could have said, “Please leave those where you found them,” or “Throw those away, they don’t belong inside!” But instead, they started a collection. And when it was time to be inspired as artists, they took out their collection of sticks. They made mobiles and sculptures with them. They painted them and glued them. They found creative ways to use their sticks, and because the sticks were important to them, their art had meaning.

These are just two very small examples of emergent curriculum that’s popping up daily all over our school. Emergent curriculum is defined as “a philosophy of teaching and way of planning curriculum that focuses on being responsive to children’s interests to create meaningful learning experiences.” It means that sometimes even the best laid plans of teachers might be scrapped if a lizard wanders by the classroom door, or if the children build a school bus out of chairs. Good teachers (and Temple Judea ECC is filled with them!) know that following the lead of children can be the best way to help them become knowledge seekers and life-long learners. Sometimes as teachers we guide, and sometimes we follow. That dance is what makes up a great nursery school education, and we are dancing it every day in the ECC.



# Expanded Religious School Options

## #Jewishmoments

*Rabbi Bruce Raff - Director of Education*



In *The Wizard of Oz*, Dorothy says, “There’s no place like home!” Truer words couldn’t be spoken about how I feel to be back at Temple Judea. While many of you don’t know me, I was the Director of Education and Rabbi here for 26 years, and I am thrilled to return to this wonderful community.

**There are a number of exciting program changes for the coming school year that I want to share with you :**

- **Classes K-6 are now being offered on both Sundays and Tuesdays.** The schedules for both days will be parallel, and if for some reason you can’t make your regularly scheduled class, you can attend on the other day (just please send us an email first).
- **We are bringing back a prayer and Hebrew program starting in fourth grade,** which stresses reading, chanting, recognizing key words, prayer meaning, choreography, and the “drop them in a synagogue on Mars blindfolded” test. Our goal is to create Jews who are synagogue-and home-functioning.
- **A new emphasis on community building** with lots of programs, opportunities and Shabbat dinners for families to get to know one another.
- **Every grade level will have a Tikkun Olam overlay** and will be actively involved in projects throughout the year to support a specific mitzvah assigned to their grade (i.e. feeding the hungry, taking care of animals, loving Israel, honoring the aging).
- **Seventh and eighth graders will now have 8 days of “learning” and eight days of “doing”** to make the world a better place through Jewish values. Class meets twice a month and is offered on Tuesdays and Sundays (and any session you can’t attend, you can attend on the other day).
- **Judea Teen Journeys is completely new and different for 9th through 12th graders.** We are offering an extensive catalogue of classes, with everything from the return of Psychotherapist Richard Weintraub to an inclusive cooking class with students with autism, the Art of the Teen with Theater Dybbuk, yoga shalom worship experience with Jen Quick, a class on preparing for college with Rabbi Spector, and confirmation. And, there are trips: a love, sex and relationships weekend at camp that no teen wants to attend and every parent should make them go to, and a social justice trip to Washington DC with Rabbi Spector. Of course, there is JSTY and the Madrachim teaching program as well. All this and more awaits our teens to keep them engaged in Jewish life.

We are very excited about this coming year and I would love to get to know you. The car pool line isn’t a great place to make a connection and build a relationship, so give me a call or send me an email so we can get acquainted over an iced tea (if it’s too hot to drink coffee). I look forward to meeting with you, getting to know your family and reconnecting with the temple friends I haven’t seen in a few years.





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# A PEEK AT ADULT LEARNING FOR 2017-2018



## The Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning

Thursdays, 9:30am – 12pm

### A Taste of Melton

Thursday, September 7, 9:30am

Temple Judea will become a site for the Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning. The Melton School is without question the Jewish world's premier adult learning program (literally—it's offered all over the world). Students who complete the two-year cycle will become among the most select adult learners in the Jewish world.

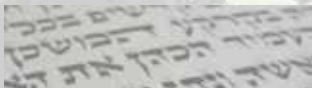
Temple Judea will be offering Melton's signature two-year program of study beginning October, 2017. This program will be offered on Thursdays, 9:30 to Noon for 25 sessions from October 2017 to May 2018 and again on Thursday mornings following a similar schedule from October 2018 to May 2019. Students who complete this two-year cycle of learning will celebrate a marvelous celebration of their achievement in May or June of 2019.

This world-class two-year curriculum includes four courses on Jewish history, ritual, festivals, ethics and much more, taught by highly trained teachers. Rabbi Aaronson has taught in this program for several years and he believes this is among the finest adult education curricula available.

If you are interested in substantive, meaningful and inspirational Jewish learning, then we strongly suggest you consider participating in the Melton Adult Learning program at Temple Judea. We have scheduled "a Taste of Melton" on Thursday, September 7, 2017, 9:30am; the perfect opportunity for you to experience a class and whet your appetite. If you have any questions, please contact Rabbi Aaronson. If there is only one adult education program you can commit to, please make it Melton. Visit templejudea.com for more information and to register.

## BaBayit – At Home

The Temple Judea Clergy will be teaching a series of four or five mini - courses consisting of three to four classes each in the homes of fellow congregants. Throughout the Valley, our congregants have offered to open their homes and invite our community to attend these learning sessions in a comfortable and relaxed setting. Classes will begin following the Holy Days, with additional sessions starting in Winter and Spring of 2018. More details to come!



### Torah Study

Wednesdays, 12pm

Our Clergy will teach about the weekly Parsha. No experience or sign up necessary, just come!



### People of the Book-Book Club

First Wednesday of the Month, 6pm

Join us for a wonderful discussion of Jewish books.



The days of awe (Yamim Noraim) give us a chance to come together as a community, reflect on the year that has just ended, bring hope for the year that's beginning, and express our gratitude for the goodness in our lives. It is also a time of enjoying family and your temple community. Please join us at the many ways we at Temple Judea celebrate the holy days.

## **Selichot: Seeking Forgiveness: A son's story** Saturday, September 16 at 8pm

Zac Ebrahim's father, El Sayyid Nosair, assassinated Rabbi Meir Kahane and was later convicted of planning the 1993 World Trade Center bombing. Ebrahim has devoted his life to forging peace. In his TED presentation, Ebrahim reflects upon his struggle to find meaning in life as he emerges from his background.

After viewing the TED speech, Rabbi Joshua Aaronson and Soraya Deen, the founder of the Muslim Women Speakers Movement, and Co-founder of Peacemoms, will dialogue about the themes raised by Ebrahim and explore their relevance to **Selichot**.

This will also mark the debut of a new Service of Selichot, generously underwritten by the Women of Temple Judea and the Brotherhood of Temple Judea.



	Downstairs Sanctuary		Goor Sanctuary	
	EARLY	LATE	EARLY	LATE
Selichot Saturday, September 16, 2017	Details to come			
Erev Rosh Hashanah Wednesday, September 20, 2017	7:30pm		6pm	8:30pm
Rosh Hashanah Day Thursday, September 21, 2017	9am or 12:15pm	12:15pm	9:30am	12:45pm
Rosh Hashanah Young Family Experience Thursday, September 21, 2017	4:15pm Family Service, Picnic and Tashlich; location tba. Geared for families with children 2 - 8			
Rosh Hashanah Second Day Friday, September 22, 2017	10am <b>Goor Sanctuary</b> , followed by <b>Taschlich Service</b> at <b>Lake Balboa</b>			
Kol Nidrei Friday, September 29, 2017	7:30pm		6pm	8:45pm
Yom Kippur Day Saturday, September 30, 2017	9am or 12:15pm		9:30am	12:45pm
Yom Kippur Afternoon	3:30pm <b>Tot Yom Kippur Service</b>		3:30pm Afternoon Program	
	4:45pm Afternoon Service		Downstairs only	
Yom Kippur Concluding Services Yizkor/Neilah	5:30pm - 6:45pm For all ticket holders			

**NEW THIS YEAR.** For Rosh Hashanah afternoon, join the community for a family service, tashlich, and picnic at a local park. Designed especially for families with children 2 to 8, the service will be short, fun, and authentic. Bring your picnic dinner or just nosh before going to dinner with family. We will celebrate Rosh Hashanah in our own unique way, together. More info will be available soon; watch your emails.

# BACK TO SHUL SHABBAT SERVICE AND DINNER

Join us as we celebrate the start of the New Year

**September 8, 2017**

**5pm Open House**

**6:15pm Erev Shabbat Service**

**Complimentary dinner and dessert following services**

**RSVP (for open house and/or dinner) by September 1  
at [www.templejudea.com](http://www.templejudea.com)**

Join us for a summer concert at a beautiful outdoor venue in Moorpark on Sunday, August 27, from 5pm to 7pm. This is Temple Judea's version of the Hollywood Bowl – you bring a picnic dinner, blankets and lounge chairs, and we will provide dessert, non-alcoholic beverages and a beautiful setting with your temple friends. We will also have a limited number of chairs for those who require them. Rabbi Cantor Wissot and Cantor Kliger have invited two extraordinary cantorial colleagues, Ilan Davidson and Lisa Peicott, to entertain us with musical theater favorites and some familiar standards. Location info will be provided when you RSVP.

Note, this is not a fundraiser, it's a "friendraiser"  
so we are ticket prices are only \$18. Invite your friends!

J U D E A  
**BOWL**

Sunday, August 27, 2017  
5pm - 7pm



# TEMPLE JUDEA MUSIC PROGRAM WANTS YOU!

It is no secret that Judea has the most vibrant Jewish musical offerings in the San Fernando Valley and beyond, and those offerings are EXPANDING for adults, teens, and kids! If you or someone you know loves music, make sure they act now to join in these meaningful experiences. Contact Rabbi Cantor Wissot ([rabbicantorw@templejudea.com](mailto:rabbicantorw@templejudea.com)) or Cantor Kliger ([cantorkliger@templejudea.com](mailto:cantorkliger@templejudea.com)) for more information and to sign up.

## ADULTS

**Calling all adults who SING!**

Are you someone who used to sing in high school or college? Do you remember that great sound, the power of the whole group creating harmonies together? Do you miss it? Join the Temple Judea choir, for the High Holy days (5 rehearsals beginning August 29) or throughout the year (once a month on Tuesdays). Learn the prayers and songs to feel more connected and to deepen your experience. Be a part of our choir family. Bring your teenage kids who sing too! Reading music is helpful especially for the High Holy Days, but not required.

**Opportunity to Chant Torah on the High Holy Days!**

Any Jewish adult who reads Hebrew can join us to chant Torah for the High Holy Days. We would love to teach you how, or welcome you back if it has been a while.

## TEENS AND KIDS

**CIT PROGRAM EXPANDED!**

Post Bar/Bat Mitzvah teens who sing: Our Cantors In Training program is taking off. Share your musical talent and vocal skill with the Temple Judea community for the High Holy Days and throughout the year. Be a part of JTJ while doing what you love to do. Coaching on Jewish repertoire by the Cantors will enhance your performance abilities and deepen your Jewish connection. Audition to be a part of this core of our Temple Judea community, which meets once a month (TBD based on participants' schedules) and performs at select opportunities (also TBD based on participation and schedules).

## NEW JUNIOR CANTORS IN TRAINING PROGRAM

For any students in 4th through 7th grades who love to sing! Once a month DURING Tuesday religious school, the JCITS will meet with Rabbi Cantor Wissot to learn musical versions of prayers to help lead both Religious School and Shabbat worship services. While it is easiest to participate if you're enrolled in Tuesday Religious School, those who are signed up for Sunday religious school may attend the monthly Tuesday rehearsals to join in the singing. We'll tackle old school versions of our prayers as well as updated fun ones (think Adon Olam to the music of Hamilton).

## POP UP CHOIR

The first stop on your Judea musical journey! This group is for students in Kindergarten through 3rd grade. The Pop Up Choir will meet once a month right after Religious School on Sunday mornings with Cantor Kliger. We'll learn joyous songs and prayers that will be performed during services throughout the year. While it's easiest to participate if you are enrolled in Sunday Religious School, those who come to Tuesday Religious School are certainly welcome to join us on Sundays for Pop Up Choir. (\*Some kindergarten students may require at least one parent to remain present during the rehearsal)

**The AOK (Acts Of Kindness) Mitzvah Concert is BACK!**

Friday, November 17, following the Shabbat Service

Learn from our talented teens and kids as they share with us their "truth": the wisdom they have gleaned from the music they love. Proceeds from this Bar Mitzvah Project (by Jacob Wissot) will go to support scholarships for Judea kids to attend Jewish camp.



## B'nei Mitzvah - August



**BENNY EISNER**  
Son of Kym & Steve Eisner  
8/5/2017, 10:30am  
Project: Delivered 18 home-cooked meals to homeless people and then, via social media, challenged friend and family to do the same.



**LOGAN ABADEE**  
Son of Kay & Geoff  
8/12/2017, 10:30am  
Project: Collected baseball equipment and donations for Pitch in for Baseball, which helps promote Israeli and Arab kids playing peacefully together on baseball fields.



**RILEY GOLDMAN**  
Son of Wendy & Heath Goldman  
8/12/2017, 5pm  
Project: As the youngest black belt currently at his studio, Riley assists in teaching karate classes for young children.



**NICOLETTE ALLEN**  
Daughter of Valerie & Edwin  
8/19/2017, 10:30am  
Project: Volunteered with Food Forward in their Farmers Market Recovery Program collecting leftover produce that is donated to local hunger relief agencies; Project Angel Food; and served meals to the homeless at the Midnight Mission.



**ZOE PESSIN**  
Daughter of Bree & Adam  
8/19/2017, 5pm  
Project: Volunteered with a non-profit organization dedicated to providing free copies of the book The Jester Has Lost His Jingle to as many children coping with illness as possible.



**JONAH MARKS**  
Son of Lori & Anthony Marks  
8/26/2017, 10:30am  
Project: For the past 7 years, has been participating in & raising money for the JDRF One Walk to help treat, prevent and cure Type 1 Diabetes.



**LUCAS ROBIN**  
Son of Stacey & Terry  
8/26/2017, 10:30am  
Project: Organized a group of friends to pick up trash on the shore of Castaic Lake, to help keep a clean and healthy environment for people and wildlife.



**ZACHARY KARPEL**  
Son of Caryn & Darin Karpel  
8/26/2017, 5pm  
Project: Volunteered at the 2017 Special Olympics in Long Beach; raised money for Chime which is an all-inclusive charter school for kids with and without special needs; and donated and hand delivered groceries and supplies to 2 units of soldiers in the Israeli Army who were protecting the border with Lebanon while visiting Israel this summer.



## B'nei Mitzvah - September



**SARAH JACOBY**  
Daughter of Deb Kaplan Jacoby  
9/2/2017, 10:30am  
Project: Volunteered at Rock N Rescue Animal shelter in Woodland Hills.



**ZOE RIES**  
Daughter of Tami Harris & Ted Ries  
9/2/2017, 3pm  
Project: Served as a social skills mentor to three special needs children in a 2nd grade classroom & encouraged other classmates to become mentors as well.



**SAMANTHA MILLER**  
Daughter of Julie Ries & Ken Miller  
9/2/2017, 3pm  
Project: Raised money to support child victims of Syrian Civil War suffering from PTSD.



**ELLIANA (ELLIE) KUGLER**  
Daughter of Jennnifer & Andrew Kugler  
9/2/2017, 5pm  
Project: Volunteered weekly as a "buddy" during West Hills Champions' 2017 spring season, a baseball league for young people with special needs.



**DYLAN FISCHBACH**  
Son of Natasha Wadiaeff & Ryan Fischbach  
9/9/2017, 10:30am  
Project: Collected used sporting supplies to donate to low-income youth, and raised money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and the Heart of 29.



**RYAN MARKS**  
Son of Denise & Doug Huberman  
9/9/2017, 5pm  
Project: Volunteered with a pet rescue and performed music at charitable events.



**CARLIE WEISS**  
Daughter of Monique & Corey Weiss  
9/16/2017, 5pm – (Off-Site)  
Project: Worked with Hustle Kindness to raise money for this amazing cause.

# Taking a Look at Our Governance: iPhone v. Rotary

Ellen Fink Israel - President



As President of the Board of Trustees, I am dedicated to uncovering best practices for lay leadership work. I have instituted many new ways of operating including streamlining board meetings so that no one has to bring a sleeping bag to meetings! I encourage board members and senior staff to bring new ideas and templates for our work to my attention. I believe trying new things is a good way to get the creative juices flowing and forces us to be state of the art in everything we do.

As part of that exploration, I have formed a task force to look into our governance procedures to determine if we are operating in the most current and meaningful manner. Under the leadership of Past Presidents Rick Goor and Andy Keimach, we will be researching how other temples run their boards, who is on their boards, how they develop lay leadership, and what their bylaws dictate. While always ensuring traditional fiduciary responsibilities, including oversight, we are looking to emulate best practices, seeking a board that can be more strategic in its thinking, developing leadership roles that are more meaningful, and pursuing a governance structure that will help us move nimbly into the future. We are using the URJ, governance webinars, other Reform Congregations' experiences and direct readings as our resources. We may determine that Temple Judea is currently a state of the art governance model, or we may find that we are a rotary phone; time will tell.

I will keep you updated on our progress.

## Where Do Your Dues Go?

Temple Judea depends upon your continued dedication and investment in our community. In all the ways you choose to take part in our community – participating in prayer and study, volunteering on committees, attending worship services, celebrating simchas – your generous financial support is key to our ability to do the important work we do. And beyond our doors, synagogue life is essential to keeping the future of Judaism strong and vibrant.

### HERE ARE THE BASIC FINANCIAL FACTS:

It costs the temple approximately \$4300 per household to sustain each family's membership. This includes membership and fees but not school tuition. Our basic membership commitment with fees is \$3640. So, how do we fill this gap? We rely on the Pillars of the Community, the High Holy Day appeal, and other fundraising efforts to make up the difference.

Why does it cost so much to be a temple member? Like most synagogues, more than three-quarters (77%) of our expense are for people – the many people who work at Temple Judea and are dedicated to providing a meaningful experience for you and your family. Some you see, and many you don't. From the clergy to the administration, finance, and support staff, the education team, administrators, the teachers and specialists, and the maintenance staff, it takes many people to make Temple Judea operate each day.



How can you help? Most important is that we ask you to pledge as much as you can to help us cover expenses. Another important way of helping sustain Jewish life in the future is to bring in new members. Invite your friends to one of our Shabbat services, tell them about our schools, share how Temple Judea is bringing Jewish moments to your family's life.

As we celebrate our 65th year, we have a great story to tell. Temple finances are just one part of the story. As always, if you have questions, we are here to answer them.



# Theatre Dybbuk: Our On-Site Theater Company

*By: Barri Worth Girvan, Board of Trustees*

Have you found your way to the Lewis Building on our campus? You might be surprised to learn that Theatre Dybbuk, an innovative Jewish performing arts group, calls Temple Judea home and is making good use of this space. Since 2016, they have been our “theater company in residence,” creating Jewish theater experiential and educational events for our participation, learning and enjoyment.

Theatre Dybbuk offers artistic performances for a general audience, told from a Jewish perspective. In other words, they create theatrical pieces based on Jewish folklore and history with dance and expressive movement. They operate with a three-pronged approach providing: (1) theater productions and shows, (2) educational programs that incorporate storytelling, and (3) launching community and synagogue collaboration, with local partners like Temple Judea, Valley Beth Shalom and Hillel 818. Partnerships like this are a win-win, because Theatre Dybbuk utilizes office and meeting space and rehearses on-site when schedules permit, while Temple Judea benefits from their educational programs for kids and a couple of events and programs they produce each year in collaboration with our synagogue. You might even remember the S’lichot event they did last year.

They develop all shows in-house, spending anywhere from six months to two years on the creative process. While they are busy developing shows, they find educational ways to bring artistic expression into Jewish life. It’s a relatively small theater company, with a staff of four, and 10 associate artists and seven educational facilitators.

Through a partnership with the Jewish Federation, they received a Cutting Edge Grant two years ago and have continued to expand their programming. Over the last year they have performed for large audiences of 500 or more at iconic spaces in L.A. like Grand Park and UCLA, and they have been the “Pick of the Week” in the Los Angeles Times.

Why are they called “Theatre Dybbuk?” Artistic Director Aaron Henne describes it as folkloric and mythic with a mysterious quality that honors our Jewish history, while still appealing to wider audience across cultural boundaries.

They are currently getting ready to premier in the winter of 2017/18 with their newest piece, “Lost Tribes,” a show about race, identity and community belonging, which will debut at different locations throughout the community. Keep an eye out – you might see them rehearsing on campus. Make sure to stop by and visit them, and stay tuned for their performance dates so you can catch them in action.



**SHA-BBO**  
**SUMMER SHABBAT BARBEQUE**  
**AUGUST 11, 2017**



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## HOW DO YOU CELEBRATE 65 YEARS? WITH A FABULOUS GALA AND 11 WONDERFUL LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD HONOREES!

We kicked off our amazing weekend at the gorgeous home of our Benefactor Event Chairs, Allison and Mark Kanter, with 60 attendees as we enjoyed a delicious meal and a beautiful sunset. Later, everyone swayed under the stars as Rabbi Cantor Alison Wissot and Cantor Yonah Kliger took us down memory lane with the songs and music from six decades. Acknowledgments were shared, gifts of appreciation were given and a promise of a gala extraordinaire filled the air.







## OH WHAT A NIGHT!

A few days later, we celebrated 65 years of joy, laughter and memories as 350 guests came to pay tribute to our Lifetime Achievement Award Recipients and to our synagogue.

We enjoyed cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, Havdalah and a live auction in the early part of the evening. We entered the Social Hall for dinner, which had been turned into a supper club, complete with glam centerpieces and a special gift of our temple's history in a Keepsake Sefer. The house lights lowered and to our surprise on stage were the Judean Boys, aka the Jersey Boys, replete with red jackets and sequined kippot. They sang their greatest hits with a twist; the words had been changed to tell the story of our synagogue and our honorees. We sang along, enjoyed the stories and pictures of each of our honoree's journey and heard reflections from those individuals who know them well and that love them even more.

It was a memorable evening for a milestone occasion that has been 65 years in the making.

## Mazal Tov to

Zachary and Arielle Chesler on the birth of daughter, Ayla Honey. Big brothers Liron and Elan are students in our Nursery School.

Pejman & Sharen Zadeh on the birth of son Aiden. Big brother Levi is a student in our Nursery School.

Karen and Steve Twersky, on becoming grandparents. Joshua Liam was born to Sean and Laura Twersky.

Nicolas and Erica Berard on the birth of daughter, Willow Amelia. Big sister Sage is a student in our Nursery School.

Annie & Scott Austin on the birth of daughter Layla, joining brothers Caleb and Brayden. Brayden is a student in our Nursery School.

Beth and Alan Goodstein on becoming grandparents. Jaxon Rose Laub, was born to Gabrielle Richmond Laub and Jeffrey Mark Laub.

## New Members

We welcome you!

Jennifer & Shaun Bell

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Traci & Adam Myman

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*As of 7/1/17*

## Adult Confirmation 2017



We are so proud of our 2017 Adult Confirmands.  
It was a beautiful evening.

**We offer our SPECIAL THANKS to these dedicated volunteers who have served as a member of the Board of Trustees and are rotating off for the 2017-18 year:**

Josh Rubenstein

Jill Shear

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Julie Fuld

Joanne Kramar

Steve Levitt

Dean Piller



## Brotherhood *David Daniel and Anthony Gluck, Co-Presidents*



Brotherhood gives back! Our spring and early summer included bartending at the Women of Temple Judea's marvelous "Bingo Go Bragh" night, and providing the food for the Early Childhood Center's "Breakfast for Dinner." We're currently planning the menu for this year's "Back To Shul" Shabbat Dinner in September, the next installment in the Brotherhood Tasting Series (Rum Night! on August 20), and our annual trip to Dodger Stadium -- all events open to the entire Temple Judea community.

For the last four years, we've had a tremendous role model in giving back: Dean Piller (the only man in both photos), who's ending his four-year term as co-president. Thanks for everything, Dean! He's succeeded by Brotherhood's answer to James Bond, Antony Gluck, who's been deeply involved in Brotherhood for years. Let's get you involved too! Our fun-filled meetings are the second Tuesday of each month, 7:30pm at the Temple -- join us!

[brotherhood@templejudea.com](mailto:brotherhood@templejudea.com)



## Women of Temple Judea

*Tracey Pomerance-Poirier, Outgoing President*

*Aime Friedman, Incoming President*

For my last Judean article as president of Women of Temple Judea, I would like to give a special thank you to the WTJ board for all of their hard work, as well as all of the women and men who supported our efforts throughout the last two years. I am pleased that we were able to bring you such diverse and interesting programs, and support Temple Judea in the process. Getting involved is what it's all about, as it makes our Temple Judea experience that much more meaningful. For anyone who is looking to give back, make new friends, and create meaningful Jewish moments, please join us. Going forward, we have some great events planned, which will be under the leadership of WTJ's new president, Aime Friedman. Please join me in welcoming her. This is her message to all of you:

"To those of you who don't know me, my name is Aime Friedman and I am thrilled to be involved with such a wonderful group of ladies who do great things for our Temple. I invite each and every woman of Temple Judea to come help us help Temple Judea. This year we have more great events scheduled, and we would love to have you join us."

## Judeans for Justice *Harry Sherman - Co-Chair*

*“Social Justice and Advocacy are among the central tenets of Reform Judaism.”*

*– ReformJudaism.org*

Now is the best time to become a social activist at Temple Judea. Judeans For Justice has recharged our efforts to bring about positive change in our community. Along with our partners, OneLA and Reform CA, we have some important and exciting actions to report.

We have agreed to organize and teach citizenship classes to immigrants in the San Fernando Valley and beyond, and are looking for a large congregational participation in this action. You can take an immediate, active role in helping the more than 359,000 green card holders in L.A. to obtain their citizenship and avoid deportation. This action began at the request of Mayor Garcetti after he met with some of our group members.

Judeans for Justice is helping to organize the first San Fernando Valley Interfaith March from select houses of worship in our area to show solidarity and unity in our neighborhood. The march is scheduled for Sunday, September 10 from 2pm to 5 pm.

We are advocating for several state legislative bills to improve civil rights, the environment, women's rights and healthcare. Among those bills are SB54 - Stop Requiring Law Enforcement to Share Data with ICE; SB49 -The California Environment Defense Act; SB180 - Lesser sentences due to prior convictions ;and AB42 - Affordable Bail Act. We are working with the Religious Action Center to reach their goal of meeting with 50 state legislators to build relationships and advocate for the bills.

Judeans For Justice gets it's strength through our partnerships with OneLA and Reform CA. OneLA is the largest and most diverse broad-based organizing network in Los Angeles County, with more than 65 member congregations and nonprofits. It is affiliated with the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF), the oldest and largest national organizing and leadership development network in the United States. Reform CA is a project of the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism. They organize across lines of race, class, and faith for a more just and compassionate California.

Think about what issues inspire you and join us in the process of bringing tangible change to your community. Our meetings are the second Monday of every month at 7pm at Temple Judea.

## TEMPLE JUDEA'S YOUNG PROFESSIONALS GROUP

We have some great activities planned specifically for Young Professionals, adults between the ages of 21 and 39.

Please contact Rabbi Sam Spector at [Sspector@templejudea.com](mailto:Sspector@templejudea.com) or visit [www.Templejudea.com](http://www.Templejudea.com) to find out more.



# Social Action Wants to Hear From You! *Jennifer Lutzky - Chair*

As the Social Action committee begins to plan for the upcoming year, we are committed to providing opportunities for meaningful community involvement to our congregation. That can mean different things to different people. So we want to know: what resonates with you?



Do you have a great personal story to share about an interaction you had? Do you already work with a great organization that could use an extra hand? Do you have a particular passion for a cause that hasn't been addressed recently?

We want to hear about it! Social Action committee members will be meeting with formal and informal temple groups to solicit feedback and make our program even better. Are you part of a havurah? Do you run a parents' group? We would love to meet with your members.

Please reach out to Jennifer Lutzky, Social Action chair, at [jenlutzky@yahoo.com](mailto:jenlutzky@yahoo.com) to schedule a meeting or discuss in greater detail. We are looking forward to speaking with you!

**COMING UP:** travel-size toiletry collection at High Holy Day services. Start saving those tiny shampoo and lotion bottles now!

More information on our website: <http://www.templejudea.com/about/community/social-action/>



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