

TEMPLE SHOMER EMUNIM

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Tuesday–Friday, 9:30am–5:30pm Friday 10:00am - 5:00pm

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June Worship Schedule

Friday, June 2

Shabbat Service at 6pm Led by Cantor Jen Roher & Janet Rogolsky

Saturday, June 3
Bat Mitzvah of Abigail Goldstein
at 10:30am

Friday, June 9

Shabbat Service at 6pm Led by Dr. Andrew Pelletier & Dr. Ernest Brookfield

Friday, June 16

Annual Meeting at 5:30pm Shabbat Service at 6:30pm Led by Rabbi Jamie Gibson & Cantor Jen Roher Kol Zimrah will sing

Saturday, June 17

Parsha & Prayer at 10:30am Led by Rabbi Jamie Gibson

Friday, June 23

Shabbat Unplugged at 6:00pm Led by Cantor Jen Roher With our musical ensemble

Friday, June 30

Shabbat Service at 6:00pm Led by Dr. Andrew Pelletier and Becky & David Berland

Temple Annual Meeting

Temple Annual Meeting Friday, June 16 at 5:30pm

Followed by Shabbat Services at 6:30pm with Rabbi Jamie Gibson & Cantor Jen Roher Kol Zimrah will sing





Shabbat Dinner to follow,

In honor of Ivan Behrmann's 70th Birthday! RSVP is a MUST by Tuesday, June 13 at Noon to mkuehnle@templese.com or 419/885-3341

See page 4 for more information



Thank you very much

Join us on Saturday, June 17 at 6:30pm as we say Todah Rabah (many thanks) to Rabbi Jamie Gibson see page 3 for more information



DARSHA & DRAYER

Saturday, June 17 at 10:30am Kiddush luncheon to follow. RSVP by Tuesday, June 13 to mkuehnle@templese.com



Shabbat Unplugged

June 23 at 6:00pm

MESSAGE FROM RABBI JAMIE GIBSON

Growing up, my parents played albums of Broadway shows constantly. One of my favorites (although culturally inappropriate these days) is "The King and I."

I especially loved the song, "Getting To Know You," words by Oscar Hammerstein, sung by Anna as she begins to learn her young charges by name. I can still hear her from the original cast album:

Getting to know you, getting to know all about you Getting to like you, hoping that you like me

When I walked into my first gathering with the Shomer Emunim family of families, these words popped into my head. Little did I know that some of you would react immediately to my Michigan cap, some positively and others, well, not so much! It was a humorous moment that seemed to break the tension of meeting each other as strangers.

And then we began the work we set out to do together all year: Healing hurts, re-establishing trust, getting on with the daily, necessary work of the synagogue – visiting the sick, spending time with those in care homes, comforting those who experienced devastating loss, teaching kids young and old, working with Bat and Bar mitzvah students on their Torah talks, helping our Confirmation students write their service for Shavuot, challenging adults to learn and pray with me, sharing meals, conversation and laughter, lots and lots of laughter.

I think we got to know each other pretty well! And I deeply apologize to those whose names simply would not stick in my head. That all on me. I'm so very sorry about that!

Now we reach the end of our time together and another popular song enters my head. A few weeks ago there was a show on tv celebrating Carol Burnett's 90th birthday. And all I could think of was her wonderful song, written by Joe Hamilton:

I'm so glad we had this time together Just to have a laugh, or sing a song. Seems we just got started and before you know it Comes the time we have to say, 'So long.'

There's a time you put aside for dreamin',
And a time for things you have to do.
The time I love the best is in the evening (and morning & afternoon!- jg) I can spend a moment here with you.

That's why I'm glad we had this time together, 'Cause it makes me feel like I belong.

Seems we just got started and before you know it Comes the time we have to say, 'So long.'

I've loved getting to know you. I'm so glad we had this year together. I'm so happy for all of you that you get to start a new chapter in the life of Shomer Emunim with a wonderful new rabbi!

I'm so thankful to all of you who have made my time here so rich and deeply meaningful:

Cantor Jen Roher, my partner in lifting up all of our voices in sacred song;

President (soon-to-be immediate past president) Jeanine Huttner, for your leadership and all the incredible work we did together;

Lynn Nusbaum, without whom I would still be stuck on the Ohio Turnpike, who cares so deeply about every little detail in the life of this incredible community;

Wendy Payne, whose quiet leadership in Jewish learning moves everyone in the Religious School program toward greater connection to Judaism;

Andy Pelletier, who makes singing at services a delight and a sacred joy, although I'll never be able to sing Kiddush as high as you do;

The entire Shomer Emunim staff from everyone in the office to the kitchen to those who keep the building so fresh and clean, who treated me with unfailing kindness and endless assistance;

To the leadership of this wonderful synagogue, whose wisdom and enthusiasm guide the community so well;

To all of you who hosted me in your homes and welcomed me as an old friend instead of a new guy in town;

I will miss you dearly and deeply. It has been an honor and a joy to get to know you. And, I'm so glad we had this time together.

L'Shalom,

Rabbi Jamie Gibson



Join us on Saturday, June 17 at 6:30pm as we say Todah Rabah (many thanks) to Rabbi Jamie Gibson

Cocktails, Mocktails and grazing buffets

Adults: \$18 Children 10 & under: \$9

Children under 3: No Charge

RSVP to mkuehnle@templese.com

or 419/885-3341

No later than Tuesday, June 13 by Noon



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CONGREGATION B'NAI ISRAEL, CONGREGATION ETZ CHAYIM, TEMPLE SHOMER EMUNIM cordially invite you to a Joint Synagogue Book Club Meeting

Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. Congregation B'nai Israel, 6525 W. Sylvania Avenue, Sylvania, Ohio 43560

The book being discussed is:



The Matchmaker's Gift by Lynda Cohen Loigman

A heartwarming story of two extraordinary women from two different eras who defy expectations to realize their unique gift of seeing soulmates in the most unexpected places.

Discussion Leaders: Alice Applebaum, Elsa Leveton, Carol Richman, Sharon Stein

The Toledo/Lucas County Public Library has many audiobooks, hard copies, and dvd's available.

Please R.S.V.P. to Elsa Leveton at Congregation Etz Chayim, 419-473-2401, or email: elsa@etzchayimtoledo.org by July 14, 2023.

Desserts, coffee & tea will be available.



Temple Annual Meeting Friday, June 16

5:30pm - Annual Meeting
6:00pm - Election of Board
6:30pm - Shabbat Services
with Rabbi Jamie Gibson & Cantor Jen Roher
Kol Zimrah will sing

7:30pm - Shabbat Dinner
In honor of Ivan Behrmann's 70th Birthday!
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Religious School News June

I would like to thank everyone for a great year of Religious and Hebrew school. I couldn't ask for a more supportive group of parents and students. Thank you for all you have done to get your children to the Temple and for participating in family events.

The staff of the Temple Religious School is simply amazing. They are so generous with their time and are excited to see your children on Sunday mornings and Wednesday afternoons and provide well thought-out lessons to share. A huge thank you to the following individuals: David Berland, Becky Berland, Sam Federman, Lila Goldman, Dawn Goldstein, Mark Jacobs, Alison Kripke, Rachel Paris, Erin Riley, Robin Stone, Laurie Zellman and Fagie Benstein.

A huge thank you to our madrichim. You are so vital to our program. I would like to thank: Ray Helfman, Lauren Demar, Cayden Greenblatt, Jude Lingan, Joey Kerper, Anne Rosenberg, Emily Rusgo, and Isaac Saltzman.

We are looking forward to starting the summer out with two fantastic clergy members Cantor Jen Roher and Rabbi Lisa Delson! Special thank you to Rabbi Gibson for your guidance over the past year.

Information regarding Religious & Hebrew school can be found in the July and August bulletins.



Temple Garden

On an evening late in May, many volunteers helped plant the Temple garden. The Garden Committee is chaired by Stan and Ricki Rudey. We thank all the volunteers who helped and those who will be helping with the upkeep of the Temple vegetable and flower gardens.













Camp Kayitz

June 12-16

SUMMER 2023 Temple Shomer Emunim





Kayitz means Summer!

Camp Kayitz is open to children:

2-3 years old 9:30AM-12:30PM *

PreK-4 9:30AM - 3:00PM * (includes lunch)

We must have a minimum of 15 campers, so register ASAP!

There will be learning, sports, games, visitors, field trips and more! Kayitz means summer in Hebrew, so we plan to take advantage of our opportunity to be outside, to have fun and to form special friendships and memories at the Temple.

Camp Kayitz exists to provide the youth of Temple Shomer Emunim with a fun, rewarding, and safe summer camping experience through diverse activities and programs in a Jewish environment.

Campers will form meaningful and lasting bonds of friendship and develop a stronger connection to Judaism.

Daily Schedule

Parent Drop-off 9:30AM
T'filah & Music & Jewish
Learning Activity
Program: special guest or visitor
Chugim (Hebrew word for
Electives)
Lunch
Afternoon Activity

Parent Pick-up 3PM

Cost of Camp

\$180 for the week for members and \$260 for non-members, due at the time of registration. Please make checks payable to The Temple Shomer Emunim, or we can take a credit card over the phone.

The cost of the 2&3 year old program is \$90 for the week for members and \$180 for non members.

Our Staff

Our staff this summer includes adults and teenagers that your kids will recognize and love. This includes Religious School staff members. Our senior counselors are over age 18, and energetic teen aides will help us have fun and stay safe.

X	Camp Kayitz Registration Please return completed form with payment
1	Child(ren)'s name(s) and ages
1	
	Parent cell:
	Parent email:
1	Non Parent Local Emergency Contact:
 	Special restrictions or allergies (dietary, activity, etc.)
<u>`</u>	Doctor:
	Dentist:
1	I give permission for my child's photo to be published on social media or Temple's website
	signature
 	Field Trip Consent Form The child(ren) listed on this form

The child(ren) listed on this form have my permission to participate in camp field trips (walking or driving) and camp activities that are part of Camp Kayitz during the week of June 12-16. I give my permission for my child(ren) to be- transported by bus or car or on foot.

signature



Volunteers Needed for Habitat for Humanity Faith Build

On Wednesday, June 7 and Wednesday, June 28, we will be partnering with the Baha'i community on this important initiative. We will be looking for 4-6 volunteers for each build date. (You may be familiar with the Baha'i Faith given their beautiful gardens in Haifa, Israel, one of their holiest sites.)

June 7 is part of Phase I – ROUGH FRAMING: framing walls, floors, trusses, and sheeting the roof; installing windows & doors; siding; and insulating – so it's a bit more advanced than the other dates but nevertheless does not require ANY prior experience with home construction or using tools.



June 28 is part of Phase II – INTERIOR FINISH: painting walls & trim, vinyl plank flooring, interior doors, trim, insulating attic and crawl space, bathroom accessories, and wire shelving – so it'll be a pretty easy day.

Here is the link for volunteers to sign up for these dates under the Jewish Community https://mvhabitat.volunteerhub.com/vv2/lp/toljewish. The Baha'i community has generously offered to provide lunch on both dates for all volunteers!

On Thursday, July 6, we will have our Jewish Community Build Day, which can have up to 8 volunteers.

This date is part of **Phase III – FINAL FINISHES**: landscaping (flower bed install), punch list, paint touch ups, site clean-up interior and exterior – meaning it will be the easiest day for volunteers. Volunteers sign up for the Jewish Community Build Day at the same link as above.

If you would like to volunteer, but cannot participate on any of the above dates, you are welcome to sign up for any date that is not already filled or reserved by another group at this link (different link from above): https://mvhabitat.volunteerhub.com/vv2/lp/faithbuild

Please note that all volunteers will need to register for an account AND sign up for their volunteer date. Habitat is asking for all volunteers to sign up at least two weeks ahead of their scheduled day.

Volunteers should prepare for a variety of possible conditions on the worksite by dressing in layers, wearing clothes they are OK with destroying, and wearing close-toed shoes. Keep in mind that the site may be extremely muddy.

THOSE WE REMEMBER

June 2

Herman J. Arenson Bernard Bellman Dorothy Berman Pearl Buntman Gladys Busky Sue Coughlin Sylvia B. Eppstein Nathan Fagin Jack Feldstein Shirley Fishler Dorothy G. Fox Kathryn Frankel Joseph Gross Robert Himler Dr. Albert Jacobs Jack Kahn Edythe Katz George Klumb Ryan Margolies Martin A. Pollock Harold L. Pollock Fred Stauber Celia Stockstiel Mildred F. Strasburger Louis Webne Miriam Webne Ruth Jean Zanville Alvin Zohn

June 9

Israel Applebaum Naomi Baron Leah Britz Lisa Doran Chester Milton Ciralsky Meyer M. Eppstein Harvey L. Fain Dr. Burril Fine Ervine Frankel Ruth Levitt Friedman Dena W. Friedman

Richard Green Mollie Schall Green Robert Greenwald Lillien L. Helburn Joseph Jacobs Martha Jacoby Bernard Kalniz Ben R. Leiken Esther Levi Art Milstein Naomi G. Rapport Marilyn Reinstein Sam L. Segal Gary Sloan Joanne Stockstiel **Ruth Stoller** Favette Tolson Blossom Romanoff Treuhaft Anna Van Baalen Robert Weinman

June 16

Marlene Weisman

Suzanne Cohn Robert Cooper Stanley Dolgin Joseph Featherman Gerald Feldstein Shirley Fox Howard James Franklin Max L. Harper Leora D. Harris Mary Horwitz Celia Kahn Julian M. Kaplin Louis Leiderman Dorothy L. Levinson Ann M. Maza Harold Miller Henrietta Nudelman **Ethel Romanoff** Jack Romanoff Jr. **Edward Rosenberg**

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Walter S. Treuhaft
Sadie S. Wapner
Henry Weinman
Phyllis Weinstein

Arlene Widerschein

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June 23

Herman S. Binzer Lillian Ciralsky Allan F. Cohn Banny Eckber Dr. J. Bertram Hirsch Lillian King David Jeffrey Kirsner Sol Klein Joseph Kornfeld Delphine Kosek Max S. Leitner Phyllis Levey Max Levison Howard Levitan Aaron R. Liebenthal Hortense Myers Lowenstern Helen Topper May Eleanor B. Mindel Zachary Morse Florence R. Podlish Tillve Kest Ralph Elizabeth Redlich Milford Romanoff Gloria Rosenberg Hortense Y. Rosenbush Barry Sells

Marilyn Soble Lawrence Starsky Milton Starsky Doris Hahn Treuhaft Charlotte Weiss Mary H. Wile Oscar M. Wile

June 30

Peggy Adelstein Marvin Adler Ted Balbus Frank Bender Miriam Meisner Cohen Bernard A. Davis Suzanne D. Dolgin Eugene Fohlen Hazel W. Ginsburg Norman Gudelman Henry G. Himelhoch Helen D. Klaus Jerome M. Kobacker Leo Levitt Alvin Lobert Nanette Mainwold Benjamin Margelefsky Dean Markwood Esther Miller Frederick Mindel Rachel R. Rappaport Judy R. Roth Sandra Schafer Ann Steinberg Schwartz Anna F. Segal Carolyn Shore Toby F. Sigman Maye Q. Smith Harry K. Trattner Mark J. Wattenmaker



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\$13 (Mitzvah) \$18 (Chai) \$26 (Double Mitzvah) \$36 (Double Chai)

All Temple Program Sponsors will appear in the next month's Temple Bulletin.

In Loving Memory

Our deepest sympathy to members of our Temple family who have recently lost loved ones.

Richard Adler

Brother of Dr. Ken Adler

Fred Berson

Father of Allison (Dan) Berns Grandfather of Rafi & Estie Berns

Priscilla Kreutzer Casev

Sister-in-law of Glenda (Larry)Schwartz Aunt of Aaron (Sarah) & Seth (Megan) Schwartz

Kathi Anne Shiff

Sister of Larry (Janet) Shiff and Stuart (Barbara) Shiff

Information When a Family Member Has Died

We have the ability to list members of our Temple family who have recently lost loved ones. We will be happy to list additional immediate family members (parents, brothers/sisters, children, siblings and grandchildren) who are not Temple members. However, all non-member information must be received in writing or email by the Temple Office prior to the 10th of each month. Please address email to: lnusbaum@templese.com. Thank you.

Kiddush & Flowers on the Bima



June 23 Flowers on the Bima
In Loving Memory Of Elizabeth Redlich
From Jon & Arleen Levine & Family

LIBRARY NEWS

After a mild winter and a cool spring, summer is finally here! School is out for three months! There will be lots of time to spend with your children and grandchildren.

Help them keep up with their reading skills and their Judaism by picking up some of our children's books from our Temple Library. They will be on the table in front of the Temple office. Please remember to sign them out and leave the card with the person at the first desk in the office. Thank you so much.

Here are some suggestions:

- 1) **OH NO, JONAH** by Tilda Balsey and illustrated by Jago. The Prophet Jonah refuses to prophesy to Nineveh and is swallowed by a whale.
- 2) **SARAH LAUGHS** by Jacqueline Jules, illustrated by Natascia Ugliano. God informs our Mother Sarah that she will bear a son in her old age.



3) **DINOSAUR GOES TO ISRAEL** by Diane Rauchwerger, pictures by Jason Wolf.

A young boy and his pet travel to Israel, eat falafel, visit the Western Wall, and snorkel in Eilat. Written in rhyme.

4) **SAMMY SPIDER'S FIRST TRIP TO ISRAEL** by Sylvia Rouss, illustrated by Katherine Janus Kahn. Our favorite spider hitches a ride in Josh Shapiro's toy airplane on a trip to Israel.

SAVE THE DATE! We will have our **JOINT BOOK CLUB MEETING** at B'nai Israel on Thursday, July 20, at 1:30
PM. Afternoon tea will be provided. We will discuss **THE MATCHMAKER'S GIFT** by Lynda Cohen Loigman. Two Jewish women have a gift for matchmaking.

There will be no Book Club meetings until October. Have a great summer.



Abigail Bella Goldstein, daughter of Benjamin and Dawn Goldstein, granddaughter of Bill (z"l) and Marge Goldstein and Richard (z"l) and Gail Manning, will be called to the Torah on June 3, 2023. Abi is a seventh grade student at Toledo School for the Arts who is studying visual arts. She enjoys all sorts of art & crafting, especially jewelry making, using a variety of media. She enjoys camping with her family but especially looks forward to Camp Guci every year with her little brother, Noah. Abi loves animals and is working locally to aid in food banks for dogs and cats.





The 34TH ANNUAL INTERFAITH BLOOD DRIVE will take place on Saturday, June 24, from 8:30am to 2:30pm at Grace Lutheran Church, 4441 Monroe Street. We are hoping to fill all 67 slots. This blood drive covers the July 4th holiday for all of Northwest Ohio. Accidents, weather-related crises, and acute or sudden illnesses don't take vacations. Come and represent Temple Shomer Emunim and be part of the Interfaith family. Please help us achieve this important goal.

IN UNITY AND FRIENDSHIP.

Please call Alice Applebaum at 419-480-7897 to make an appointment to donate. We will need a specific time for each appointment. Thank you for your attention.



DIRECTORY UPDATE

Currently, there are many Temple volunteers working hard to make phone calls and send emails in the hope of gathering the most up-to-date information of our members. Thank you to everyone who received a phone call or email from one of these volunteers, and updated or confirmed your correct information! However, the volunteers have not been able to reach some of the names on their lists because of non-working numbers, incorrect email addresses, or not having phone numbers and/or email addresses in our current records. If you have not yet replied to a volunteer, WE NEED YOUR HELP! Please take the time to call Grace in the Temple office. She will be happy to get this information from you, which will help to make our new directory as accurate as possible.



Men's Chavurah

Wednesday, June 28 at 7pm

Schedule for 2023

July 26 October 25 August 23 November 22 September 27 December 27

We will meet the 4th Wednesday of every month at 7pm at The Temple. Come share fellowship, fun and definitely many laughs.



Kol Zimrah Rehearsals

Tuesdays, June 6 & 13 at 7:30pm

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For 50 years, Shomer Emunim has been guardian of one of nearly 1,800 Czech Torahs and Haftorahs that survived both the Holocaust and the Communist era.

On Sunday, April 23 there was an Ohio reunion and service with 19 of those scrolls in Beachwood, Ohio. Janet Rogolsky and Beverly Karp represented our congregation and led 2 processions of the scrolls, carrying our Czech Torah.

Our 2023 B'nai Mitzvah students study the importance of us being guardians of a Torah Holocaust survivor. For this special scrolls' reunion, our students created a large, colorful poster about the scroll and its importance to us. They designed a colorful mural for the reverse side, too, and it attracted many comments of admiration for being so distinctive and beautiful.

Leaders of Westminster Synagogue learned in autumn of 1963 that 1,564 of nearly 1,800 scrolls were stored in a decrepit suburban Prague synagogue. The Communists considered them worthless religious objects and the government needed money. Thus, the scrolls were for sale.

The Brits put together funding, ancient manuscript experts and a logistical team to safely transport the scrolls to the quickly established Memorial Scrolls Trust housed in their synagogue. It was an unforgettable moment when one by one those 1,564 scrolls were carried into Westminster Synagogue in February 1974. (Scrolls that were stored elsewhere in Prague remain today in the Czech Republic or in Israel.)

Our scroll has a brass plate on the end of one roller noting that it is Czech Memorial Trust scroll #186. Literally, it was the 186th scroll unwrapped that February day when the scrolls were liberated and living again with a vibrant Jewish community.

To this day, new records still emerge about the Holocaust. Our Czech Scroll #186 is an example. For 50 years, we and the Memorial Scrolls Trust staff identified it as being from the community that lived in Austerlitz (which now has abandoned its German name and returned to its original Czech village name of Slavkov).

But another box of records was discovered in recent months by the staff of the Jewish Museum of Prague. It turns out our scroll is native to the neighboring Moravian town, Bucovice (pronounced boo-co—vee—chay).

The previous mistaken identity happened because Austerlitz/ Slavkov became the regional ghetto that Nazis forced all nearby communities of Jews to move into until eventual deportation. Thus, the names of all Slavkov and neighboring Jews appeared in the Nazi deportation list of all those individuals who were deported to the Nazi camps in April 1942.

We will share more information about Czech Scroll #186 and Bucovice Jews in the months ahead. Meanwhile, Jeffrey Ohrenstein (director of the Memorial Scrolls Trust in London) has decided that our congregation will remain part of the Slavkov scroll circle, as well as the new Bucovice scroll circle. The two communities lie 6 miles apart, and were intertwined in their lives over the centuries.

Birth Announcement



Erica Morgan, Andy Stein and big brother Leo are happy to announce the arrival of Sloane Morgan Stein (הבח) on April 4th, 2023, named for her Great Granny Lyn (z"l).



Coffee with the Clergy
April 28
Judge George & Maurine
Glasser
Double Chai
JoAnn Day
Silver



Lunch & Learn April 30 Stan & Ricki Rudey Double Chai JoAnn Day Silver

Celebrate

Happy Anniversary

Ron & Peggy Lowden	June 6	60 Years
Steve & Stacy Cochran	June 14	15 Years
Chris & Sarah Bohland	June 15	10 Years
Ted & Emily Fischer	June 19	30 Years
Rollie & Albie Romanoff	June 22	65 Years
Mike & Judy Kadens	June 23	60 Years
Barry & Debbi Gudelman	June 28	25 Years
David & Barb Saltzman	June 28	25 Years
Chad & Alison Kripke	June 28	15 Years
Barry & Cheryl Himmel	June 30	60 Years

Happy Birthday

Joe Decker	June 1
Alan Kirshner	June 3
Hallie Freed	June 11
Betty Benjamin	June 21
Mike Berebitsky	June 26
Denise Horwitz	June 28

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