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TORAH PORTIONS

DECEMBER

December 7 | 9 Kislev

Torah Study - 9:00 am

Parashat Vayetzei

Genesis 28:10 - 32:3

Haftarah: Hosea 12:13 - 14:10

December 12 | 14 Kislev

Torah Study - 4:00 pm

December 14 | 16 Kislev

Torah Study - 9:00 am

Parashat Vayishlach

Genesis 32:4 - 36:43

Haftarah: Obadiah 1:1 - 1:21

December 19 | 21 Kislev

Torah Study - 4:00 pm

December 21 | 23 Kislev

Torah Study - 9:00 am

Parashat Vayeshev

Genesis 37:1 - 40:23

Haftarah: Amos 2:6 - 3:8

December 23 | 25 Kislev

Parashat Chanukah (Day 1)

Numbers 7:1 - 7:17

December 24 | 26 Kislev

Parashat Chanukah (Day 2)

Numbers 7:18 - 7:29

December 25 | 27 Kislev

Parashat Chanukah (Day 3)

Numbers 7:24 - 7:35

December 26 | 28 Kislev

Torah Study - 4:00 pm

Parashat Chanukah (Day 4)

Numbers 7:30 - 7:41

December 27 | 29 Kislev

Parashat Chanukah (Day 5)

Numbers 7:36 - 7:47

December 28 | 30 Kislev

Shabbat Rosh Chodesh Chanukah

Torah Study - 9:00 am

Parashat Miketz (Chanukah Day 6)

Genesis 41:1 - 44:17, Numbers 28:9 - 28:15

maf: Numbers 7:42 - 7:47

Haftarah: Zechariah 2:14 - 4:7

December 29 | 1 Tevet

Rosh Chodesh

Parashat Chanukah (Day 7)

Numbers 28:1 - 28:15

maf: Numbers 7:48 - 7:53

December 30 | 2 Tevet

Parashat Chanukah (Day 8)

Numbers 7:54 - 8:4



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THE TEMPLE POST

Chanukah LIVE!

DECEMBER 22-29
6:30 PM

Each night of Chanukah we will stream the lighting of the menorah live on our Facebook page from a different location. Who knows? We may even be coming to you live from across the country!

 LIKE US ON FACEBOOK
(ohefsholom.org) and light the candles with us!

**All dates with an asterisk (*) are open for public participation. Check our website for sign-up information!*



Lighting Schedule:

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22
Beth Sholom Village with Better Together

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23*
Paint Night at Board & Brush

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24
Book Reading with the Graves Family

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25*
Peter Chang Chinese Restaurant
(Virginia Beach Town Center)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26
Celebrating with the Goldstein Family

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27*
Chanukah Shabbat Services

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28*
Grain (Norfolk)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29*
Jewish Museum (Portsmouth)

shabbat *for* everyone

 Ohef Sholom
TEMPLE

Pre-neg
5:30

Multi-generational
Shabbat Service

6:00

Sisterhood  sponsored

Chanukah Dinner

6:45

Friday,
December
20

The menu will include:

DINNER
Beef Brisket
Roasted Carrots
Fresh Green Salad
Potato Latkes & Fixings
Challah
Vegetarian "Meatloaf"

CHILDREN
Chicken Nuggets

DESSERT
Brownies
Donut Holes

Early reservations made by December 13:
Adults - \$15, Children 12 & Under - \$6

Reservations made after December 13:
Adults - \$20, Children 12 & Under - \$10

NO RESERVATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER DECEMBER 17

To make your reservation:

- Return this form with your check to:
Sisterhood, Ohef Sholom Temple, 530 Raleigh Avenue, Norfolk, VA 23507
- Pay online by clicking on **Chanukah Dinner Quicklink** at ohefsholom.org.

Your reservation is confirmed when payment is received.





CLERGY CORNER WITH RABBI ROZ



Reach Rabbi Roz
Rabbi Rosalin Mandelberg
rabbi@ohefsholom.org

Be the Light

The Hebrew word *Menorah* means "lamp of God." We light one additional candle each day during Chanukah, not only to commemorate the little pitcher of oil which miraculously lasted eight days, but also to bring light to the darkest, coldest days of

the year. Other cultures had the same idea. In the first century, the Pagan Roman Emperor Aurelian selected December 25th as the day to celebrate the Winter Solstice (the shortest day of the year). In 275, Christians adapted it as the day on which to proclaim the birth of Jesus, their light unto the world. It shouldn't surprise you that Jews also selected this time period to observe our Festival of Lights, Chanukah.

Of course, Chanukah doesn't always fall on December 25th because the Jewish lunar calendar doesn't match up exactly to the Gregorian one. But this year, both holidays fall on December 25th, which makes it a perfect time to reflect on how challenging it can be to keep Jewish festivals in our largely secular, majority-Christian world. What makes it even more of a dilemma is that many people, Jews included, celebrate Christmas as a secular holiday -- the way it was originally intended by the Pagans -- as an homage to spring with the hope that the cold and snow will be soon behind. This is particularly true of Southern Jews, many of whom are of Germany ancestry, where it was and is very common to mark the winter months in this way.

Additionally, since many of us are a part of interfaith families, we may find ourselves celebrating Christmas with relatives or in our own homes. This can cause some confusion, particularly for children, who struggle with questions of identity anyway. They also can get bad cases of FOMO (Fear of Missing Out) of the fun (and presents) when so many other children are enjoying Christmas festivities. To counter this, many parents have ramped up their family observance of Chanukah to include 8 nights of gift giving, which is truly not the meaning or purpose of our holiday.

Indeed, Chanukah means re-dedication and is about committing ourselves even more fully to our Judaism and Jewish way of life. This includes being lamps of God and doing activities that bring light into the world. In previous December bulletin columns, I have written about different kinds of hands-on mitzvah projects you can do with your families to make Chanukah meaningful in its own right (a quick Google search will yield many results). But the best way to make the holiday festive is to make it fun; invite family and friends over for latkes, chocolate gelt, games of dreidel, and lighting the Chanukiah. We have a wonderful Chanukah service and dinner at OST, this year on December 20th (sign up online at ohefsholom.org or mail in the form found in this Bulletin) and we will once again be doing Facebook Live candle lightings from different locations each night of Chanukah at 6:30 pm.

Whether your winter tradition includes a tree, a menorah, or both, be sure to celebrate the uniqueness of Chanukah and, by all means, be the light in the world you wish to see! ☆

Rabbi Rosalin Mandelberg



Sunday, December 8 @ 9:00 am

OST Walking Group @ The Virginia Beach Boardwalk
Virginia Beach, Virginia (Meet on the Boardwalk at Waterman's Surfside Grille, between 4th and 5th Streets)

Park in the flat lot across Atlantic Ave or in the 9th Street Garage.

Please join the OST Walking Group in December for a walk on the Virginia Beach Boardwalk. RSVP to Sharon Nusbaum (or to carpool) by emailing sharonuz@aol.com or calling/texting her at 757-515-4226. Carpooling from Norfolk can be arranged upon request.



PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

Celebrating Chanukah and the New Year with Gratitude

Heading into Chanukah and the New Year, We of Ohef Sholom continue to have much to celebrate and be grateful for.

Consider these pieces of news:

- Ohef Sholom Temple's 175th Gala: A resounding success! Nearly 300 people arrived dressed up or dressy to the event of "our quarter century." The evening was beyond expectations, and really had something for everyone. As one congregant said a few days later, "I got there at 6:30 with plans to be gone by 8, but stayed until 11!"



14 of our Presidents were present at the 175th Anniversary Gala. Photo courtesy of Steve Budman

In addition to the Gala being such a marvelous and momentous event, seeing so many of our congregants offer their talents and time to create such an incredible night (and under budget!) was inspiring and another reminder that we really are a Temple family. The love for Ohef Sholom and each other was in the air all night long! Please check out Linda Peck's article on page 14. She's written a great recap of the evening. Thank you, Thank you to EVERYONE who made it happen and to EVERYONE who attended!

- Membership is growing. We're now a congregation of more than 700 members! Our newest congregants are all ages and are joining with myriad backgrounds. We welcome every member and look forward to many years. . . and generations together.
- OST's 175th Anniversary Campaign is going strong with more than \$1.5 million raised. We still have

work to do to reach the goal of \$1.75 million, but we can do it. And, hopefully, raise beyond the goal. Want to help get us to the finish line? Please contact a member of the Campaign committee or go to our website.



Talk with Terri

Terri Denison Budman
President

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- Religious School's enrollment is up from last year and attendance is robust. For example, the Sunday we celebrated Simchat Torah and Consecration, Sinai Chapel was packed with students, parents, and teachers. It was a gloomy and rainy day outside, but inside, the Temple was filled with excitement and energy as the Torah was unrolled around the chapel's perimeter and Rabbi Roz and Cantor Jen read from various portions. Of course, there were also songs, followed by an indoor picnic (remember, it was raining).
- Friday Night Live, in fact Shabbat services each week, are well attended with congregants enthusiastically singing and participating and then schmoozing after at the Onegs.

Rarely does a day go by at Temple that there's not a meeting or an event of some kind taking place. Just ask our wonderful staff who always manage to greet us with smiles and whatever we need (from materials for a meeting to tables set for a brunch) prepared and ready.

Let's keep celebrating!

I hope your family's Chanukah is filled with light and happiness and that 2020 brings you – and our congregation – a year of peace, health, and joy.

L'Shalom,

Terri Denison Budman





MAZEL TOV!

Congratulations to Sonya Adler on her upcoming Bat Mitzvah on December 7!

Sonya Reese Adler is the daughter of Ashley & Josh Adler, the sister of Eleanor, Abraham and Minnie Adler, and is the granddaughter of Alma Cassidy and Ronna & Larry Adler. ☆



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mazel Tov to **Lisa Bertini** for being honored with *Inside Business'* Women in Business Achievement Award. These awards honor and celebrate women who have been successful in their business and careers, have made a significant impact on the business community and local economy and have served as mentors and examples to others. The ceremony will take place on December 10.

Mazel Tov to proud grandparents **Suzanne and Dennis Gruelle** who welcomed into their family twin grandsons **Jack Stanley and Nate Evan Jacobson**, born October 18. Proud parents are Jill and Lowell Jacobson of Potomac, MD, along with proud big brother Elliott Jacobson. Great grandparents of blessed memory are **Carol and Stanley Waranch**. ☆

CONDOLENCES

Ohel Sholom offers heartfelt condolences to the following members & friends:

Miriam Seeherman on the loss of her husband, **Robert Seeherman**.

Isobel Bartel on the loss of her mother, **Jane Stern**.

Jerry Minskoff (Judy Rosenberg) on the loss of his sister, **Robin Minskoff-Pollock**.

Heather Umberger on the loss of her husband, **Troy Umberger**. ☆

MILITARY OUTREACH:

Veterans to Receive Access to Commissary/PX

Article originally authored by and appeared on VAntage Point (Official Blog of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs) on Thursday, November 14, 2019 and passed along by Don Friedman. (<https://www.blogs.va.gov/VAntage/67974/commissary-military-service-exchange-mwr-access-extended-veterans-beginning-january/>)

According to the Department of Defense, starting Jan. 1, 2020, all service-connected Veterans, Purple Heart recipients, former prisoners of war (POW), and individuals approved and designated as the primary family caregivers of eligible Veterans under the Department of Veterans Affairs Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers (PCAFC) can use commissaries, exchanges, and morale, welfare and recreation (MWR) retail facilities, in-person and online.

For more information regarding these privileges and access to military installations, visit <http://www.militaryonesource.mil/expanding-access>



your
**Caring
Community**

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N.E.S.T. Sign-ups

December 11-18, 2019

Sign up online today at ohfsholom.org to choose a volunteer shift.



We love donations of food and clothing. Needed items are winter gloves, lip balm, hair combs, undershirts, fruit, snack items, bread, milk, OJ. Monetary donations are always appreciated and can be sent to Temple with the designation of OST Caring Committee/NEST.

Ohf Sholom is once again hosting NEST (Norfolk Emergency Shelter Team). The NEST program is a network of over 30 churches and synagogues that house the homeless for one week each during the chilly winter months. Our guests arrive in the evening and mats are provided for them to sleep on. We provide 3 meals a day – a hot dinner, a hot breakfast, and a brown bag lunch. Families are encouraged to volunteer! We welcome children over the age of 5; anyone under the age of 14 needs to be accompanied by an adult. Seasoned volunteers and Norfolk Police officers are present at all times.

Any questions, please contact Andy Fox at 757-574-7177 or andrew.fox@norfolk.gov or Carol Laibstain at parparim@me.com

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Who is eligible Jan. 1, 2020?

- **Veterans:**
 - Purple Heart recipients
 - Former prisoners of war
 - Veterans with 0-90% service-connected disability ratings

(For former service members who have not yet sought disability compensation from VA, visit <https://www.va.gov/disability/eligibility>)

- **Medal of Honor recipients and Veterans with 100% service-connected disability ratings** are already eligible under existing DOD policy.
- **Caregivers:**
 - On Jan. 1, individuals approved and designated as the primary family caregiver of an eligible veteran under the PCAFC will be eligible for these privileges.
 - For information about primary family caregivers in the PCAFC, visit <https://www.caregiver.va.gov>

Required credentials.

- **Veterans:**
 - On Jan. 1, Veterans eligible solely under this act who are eligible to obtain a Veteran Health Identification Card must use this credential for in-person installation and privilege access. The card must display the Veteran's eligibility status (i.e., PURPLE HEART, FORMER POW or SERVICE CONNECTED). Apply here: <https://www.va.gov/healthbenefits/vhic/index.asp>.
 - Veterans eligible solely under this act who are not enrolled in or are not eligible to enroll in VA health care, or who are enrolled in VA health care, but do not possess a Veteran

Health Identification Card will not have access to DoD and Coast Guard installations for in-person commissary, exchange, and MWR retail privileges, but will have full access to online exchanges and American Forces Travel.

-Medal of Honor recipients and Veterans with 100% service-connected disability ratings are eligible for DoD credentials under DoD policy.

- **Caregivers:**
 - Eligible caregivers will receive an eligibility letter from VA's Office of Community Care.
 - If you are a primary family caregiver under the PCAFC and lose your eligibility letter, please call 1-877-733-7927 to request a replacement. Please allow two weeks for processing. ☆

Find out more about military resale privileges.

Army and Air Force Exchange Service (<https://www.shopmyexchange.com/vets>)
 Coast Guard Exchange (<https://shopCGX.com>)
 Defense Commissary Agency (<https://www.commissaries.com>)
 Navy Exchange (<https://www.mynavyexchange.com>)
 Marine Corps Exchange (<http://www.mymcx.com>)
 MILITARY STAR Card (<https://www.myecp.com>)
 American Forces Travel (<https://www.americanforcetravel.com>)





CHANUKAH, NEST, AND SISTERHOOD

December is a busy month for most of us and definitely for Sisterhood. Our amazing Judaica Shop, managed by Amy Metzger and Karen Plotnick, will be open at its regular times, Wednesdays and Sundays. But, there will also be our remarkable Chanukah Shop, which will open on December 8. Be sure to visit both of these for your shopping pleasure! Tell your friends, too! It's a great way to support Sisterhood and our Temple.

We will be cooking dinner for NEST and many of us take volunteer shifts for NEST, too. The Congregation's traditional Chanukah Dinner will be our pleasure to prepare and serve on Friday, December 20. Thank you to Jeanne Miller for her leadership with these special cooking events. Check throughout this bulletin for more information about these December activities. How can you help or participate?

As I introduce our groups of wonderful Committee Chairs each month, please think about how you might want to get involved. This month I am introducing the Sisterhood Programs and Education Committee Chairs:

Book Club:
Gabrielle Jiannas (October)
and Debi Stadlin (February)

The Sisterhood Judaica Shop Will Be Set Up for Chanukah on December 8!

Shop Hours: **Wednesdays 10 am - 2 pm**
Sundays 10 am - 12:30 pm

We will be open for Chanukah Happening so the whole family can visit!

Dec. 8: Chanukah Happening - Chanukah shopping raffle day! Every \$20 spent gets you in the raffle for our great big Chanukah Prize that will be given away at the Chanukah dinner Dec. 20 (need not be present to win)!

Dec. 13: Open before and after Shabbat services.

Dec. 15: Last day to shop on Sunday before Chanukah.

Dec. 18: Last official day to shop before Chanukah!



Gail W. Bachman
Sisterhood President
sisterhood@ohefsholom.org

Shabbaton (or Un-Shabbaton) 2019:
Marsha Moody
and Abbey Pachter

Women's Seder:
Amy Metzger
and Alyssa Muhendorf

Sisterhood Shabbat:
Barbara Dudley
and Blair Belkin

Please join us and feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. ☆

Yours in Sisterhood,
Gail

Our mission, as stated on the website:
"OST Sisterhood is a community of welcoming women from all walks of life who meet for spiritual, educational, and social growth through Judaism. Our diverse members are all ages and come from varying backgrounds, allowing us to join together to serve the needs of our congregation and community, while cultivating life-long friendships." ☆



OST's Judaica Shop Presents the

Chanukah Shop



MEN'S CLUB IN THE SPOTLIGHT:

Eric Shoulta on "Why Men's Club?"

When I recently asked one of our younger members, Eric, why he came to our gathering, his response was:

"Alicia found OST when we decided to formally convert to Judaism. I wanted to be in the Men's Club because I don't really have a lot of friends outside of work due to deployments and hectic Navy demands."

So, this was Eric's reason. What will it take to bring you to one of our gatherings? While I definitely appreciate our regular attendees, I want the Men's Club to grow. To this end, we want to try new things but we need everyone's input. What programming do you want to have? What social events do you want to see? What will be your reason to attend one of our gatherings? Bring your answers to the next gathering or even call me; my number is below.

If you haven't attended one of our gatherings, please come, eat dinner and have some fun with the rest of the gang.

Next Men's Club Gathering – Monday, December 2 at Ted Kaufman's house (see ad to the right -->). ☆



Tom Bachman
Men's Club President
mensclub@ohelsholom.org



Spend a few hours helping to feed and provide basic clothing and toiletry items to 75-80 very appreciative folks in need.

Please contact Dorianne Villani at (757) 617-8624 or dvillani@cox.net.

December 30 , 2019
9:30 am - 2 pm

NEXT MEN'S CLUB MEETING



December 2, 2019
at Ted Kaufman's House
1605 Travis Parkway, Virginia Beach



Attention Football Lovers!!!

Not to mention lovers of great food and drink, excellent conversation, music, art, history, political discourse, conviviality and life as we know it.....

The Men's Club will be holding its second, and possibly final, Monday Night Football event/meeting on December 2. It will feature the Vikings vs. the Seahawks.

Two very good teams this year. Doors open at 7:00pm. Ted Kaufman will host (address above).

All adult male congregants are invited!

There is no charge, but please RSVP to the Temple office at 757-625-4295 or email reservations@ohelsholom.org.

6:30 pm - Food

7:00 pm - Meeting

8:00 pm - Football Game
(Vikings vs. Seahawks)





WHO we are

one HERITAGE



one COMMUNITY



one FUTURE

175TH ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN

There Are So Many Ways to Give

Have you considered making a gift to our 175th Anniversary Campaign but you're not sure how? It's easier than you think. Whether this is your first gift to Ohef Sholom or one among many over the years, our team is here to help you find ways to give that fit you best.

Make your gift online

It's quick and easy to give online. Just complete our simple form at www.ohefsholom.org/campaign

Mail a check

Send your check payable to: Ohef Sholom Temple, 530 Raleigh Avenue, Norfolk VA 23507

Call us and give over the phone

Call us at 757-625-4295. We are happy to talk with you if you have questions or need help with your campaign gift. Please have your credit card ready if you would like to make a gift today or we can arrange to bill you as part of your annual member dues.

Make a gift of securities

It's easy to give to Ohef Sholom by donating securities. Gifts of stocks, bonds, or mutual funds are tax-deductible to the full extent of the Internal Revenue Code. Ask your tax advisor for details. You can initiate this transfer through your financial advisor or call Executive Director Linda Peck at 757-625-4295.

Give a distribution through your Donor Advised Fund

Giving through your Donor Advised Fund (DAF) is a convenient way to support Ohef Sholom. Ask your fund manager to direct a distribution to Ohef Sholom Temple or the Ohef Sholom Temple Foundation.

Leave a will, bequest, trust, or estate gift

Leaving a legacy gift is easy and anyone can participate, regardless of age, wealth or affiliation.

Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from IRA

Another way to give if you're over 70 1/2 years old is using your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your IRA. Doing so allows you to avoid income tax on your required withdrawal by donating your

money directly to a qualifying charity.

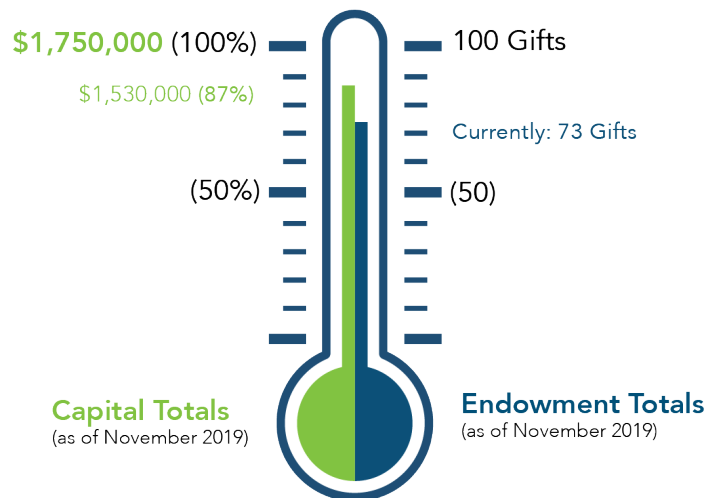
Your commitment today will ensure our Jewish community a vibrant tomorrow.

Let our team help you with smart plans to sustain your personal financial goals and to fulfill your hopes for the people and programs you care about at Ohef Sholom. To arrange a confidential, no-obligation discussion, please reach out to our **LIFE & LEGACY Chair, Matthew Fine** at lifeandlegacy@ohefsholom.org or call the Temple office at 757-625-4295. ☆



Karen Fine
175th Campaign Co-Chair
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175th Anniversary Campaign Progress



Let's Go For More!
Help us exceed our goal to reach \$2 million!



WHY OUR ACTIONS MEAN SO MUCH

Jane Goldman



I experience such satisfaction at this stage of life in being able to give part of what I have saved over the years to causes I really care about. They depend on donations, big or small, from ordinary people like me to keep doing good work. An obvious choice is giving as much as I can to Ohef Sholom Temple on its 175th anniversary! After all, OST is my treasured congregation! Being part of it has enhanced every aspect of my life for so many years. Now it is time for me to give back!

I chose to support OST's 175th campaign with a gift from my retirement account. The stock market has been doing well for a long time, and my savings have grown. By donating appreciated stock, I was able to give more....20 percent more! Since I donated stock I had held for more than a year, I will not have to pay the 20 percent long-term capital gains tax, which I would have paid had I sold the stock and donated the cash. In this way, OST receives more of what it needs and I can avoid that 20% long-term capital gain tax. (And, if I itemize, I can also take a tax deduction on the gift!) Win-Win!. ☆

Karen Gershman



In addition to making an outright gift to the 175th Anniversary Campaign, I am pleased to have made a designation in my Trust for Ohef Sholom. Working as a fundraising professional my entire career, I have seen first-hand the significant impact that legacy gifts make in supporting community organizations. It gives me great satisfaction knowing I am doing something that demonstrates both in my lifetime and as part of my legacy, the Jewish values that are important to me. ☆

The Friedman Family



How ironic is it that we save for retirement through an IRA then at 70 ½ we're required to take a Required Minimum Distribution, RMD. This mandatory distribution is then taxed and the amount you receive is added to your yearly income. After discussing our options with our tax accountant, it became obvious the best way to resolve this dilemma of our current annual charity giving and the RMD was to combine them into a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). This will allow us to increase our current charitable commitment through the PILLAR program and reduce the impact on our annual taxes.

If you're considering donating this is a great solution for blending your current charitable contributions, meeting the RMD requirements and helping OST with a QCD. For more information contact your accountant, tax or financial advisor. ☆
-Jeanette, Sarah & Don Friedman

Won't YOU be part of our **FUTURE** too?



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EDUCATION & ENGAGEMENT

Chanukah Happening: Sunday, December 8, 2019

Join the Religious School for our annual Chanukah Happening on Sunday, December 8, 2019.

Come for our special Chanukah T'filah at 11:00 am and stay for the Happening at 11:30 am.

Fun, crafts, games and latkes prepared by the Men's Club for the whole family!

And while you're here, visit our gift shop for fabulous gifts and everything you need for your own Chanukah celebration. The gift shop is having a special raffle that day as well! All are welcome to celebrate with us! ☆



December 8 @ 11:00 am

For more information, contact Kitty Wolf at kitty@ohefsholom.org or 757-625-4295

Specifically for young families and their children, birth through four years, **Wiggles & Giggles** introduces young children to their Jewish World.

OSTY

OSTY has been pretty busy this past month with all our fun events! We celebrated Havdallahween in October. During this event, OSTY had dinner and havdalah and then went over to the Haunted Hunt Club. The event was a success, with everyone having a fun time in the Halloween spirit.



We also hosted Pizza in the Hut, where we invited the Muslim youth group and talked about Sukkot, shook the lulav, and ate plenty of pizza. Our next upcoming event is our annual Chanukah party on December 14.



We're hoping to have a great time and we're looking forward to seeing everyone there! ☆

UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC. 1

12:30 pm
OSTY Board Meeting

DEC. 13

5:30 - 7:30 pm
Judaica Shop Open

DEC. 7

9:00 am
Intro to Judaism Class

DEC. 14

6:00 pm
OSTY Chanukah Party (offsite)

DEC. 8

8:45 am
Hebrew School
9:00 am
American Red Cross Blood Drive

DEC. 15

8:45 am
Hebrew School
10:00 am
Religious School
Judaica Shop Open

10:00 am
Religious School
Judaica Shop Open

11:00 am
Wiggles & Giggles
Chanukah T'filah

11:30 am
Chanukah Happening

DEC. 20

5:30 pm
Shabbat For Everyone & Chanukah Dinner

DEC. 11 - 18

NEST

DEC. 22 - 29
Chanukah Live!

?:00 pm
Facebook Live
Candle Lightings

IN THE ARCHIVES WITH ALICE

A Look Back at Our History, Part VII: Ohef Sholom's Seventh Twenty-Five Years (1994 - 2019)

It has been said that “those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future.” The past 25 years have demonstrated that this congregation has taken that caveat to heart. Changes in our clergy, our synagogue, and our congregation have been met with an indomitable will to see change as challenge rather than obstacle.

In 1994 and 1995, congregants celebrated the past with a 100-Year Retrospective Service, the present with a special birthday party oneg, and the future with the commissioning of a new choral work by world-renowned composer Richard Danielpour. Rabbi Lawrence Forman was approaching his 25th year as senior rabbi. Sisterhood sponsored a No Frills Ball, and Men’s Club sponsored its first annual golf tournament. There was a Purim Food Drive, and there were interfaith activities to benefit the homeless. In the years that followed there were many firsts, among them the first congregational Seder, the first Purimspiel, and the arrival of the congregation’s first full-time cantor, Jennifer Bern-Vogel.

The new millennium was celebrated with the installation of Rabbi Michael Joseph as the congregation’s new senior rabbi. A Tekiah Campaign was inaugurated to provide for modernization of the building and meeting the congregation’s long-term needs. However, disaster struck in August of 2004, when the ceiling in the Archives loft and then a large section of the sanctuary roof collapsed. Thankfully, no one was hurt; however, the congregation held meetings and services in neighboring Ghent United Methodist Church until repairs were complete, just in time for the installation of Rabbi Rosalin Mandelberg as the congregation’s new senior rabbi. Congregants celebrated with a weekend of religious services, a gala, and an open house with tours of the new facility.



Rabbi Roz

Although there were new events, like the first Mitzvah Day and the first Sisterhood Shabbaton,

traditions like the interfaith Thanksgiving service with Freemason Street Baptist Church and recognition of the considerable contributions of members through awards like the Henry B. Kaufmann and Kurt Rosenberg Awards were still very much a part of Temple life.

In the second decade of the second millennium, congregants bade a sad farewell to Cantor Jennifer Bern-Vogel but were heartened by the arrival of Cantor Wally Schachet-Briskin. Two years later, in 2012, Ohef Sholom welcomed the members of Temple Sinai of Portsmouth and their beloved rabbi, Rabbi Arthur Z. Steinberg (of blessed memory) in a merger in which the two congregations became one. The installation of Temple Sinai’s inspirational stained-glass window panels the following year in what is now known as the Sinai Chapel is a tangible reminder of the way in which that merger continues to enrich the life of this temple community.

In the following years, the congregation renewed its commitment to community service by adding its very own monthly Soup Kitchen to its traditional outreach efforts. Congregants welcomed the arrival of Cantor Jennifer Rueben, who along with our own Rabbi Roz, continues to invigorate and inspire this congregation. The congregation adopted the Reform prayer book *Mishkan T’filah*, and more recently, new prayer books for the High Holy Days. Innovations like occasional Friday Night Live services and involvement in an Immigration Task Force stand as testament to OST’s enthusiasm in meeting the challenges of the 21st century. This year, the congregation celebrates 175 years of history. It is a history enlivened by the passion of generations of members, the service of dedicated congregational leaders, the inspirational guidance of gifted clergy, and by dedication to the words engraved above the portico, “My House Shall be a House of Prayer for all Peoples.” ✨



Cantor Jen

Continued from the October issue
of the *Temple pOST Bulletin*.



INSIDE OST

A CLOSER LOOK

Celebrating 175 Years of Ohef Sholom

November 16, 2019, we gathered for a momentous celebration - Ohef Sholom Temple's 175th Anniversary. The Gala was the culmination of a year of celebrations beginning with the Rededication of our Sanctuary on October 13, 2018, in honor of its 100th Anniversary.

During the cocktail hour in the Simon Grand Hall, guests admired the 7-foot long cake that recreated our sanctuary and displayed a timeline topped with pictures of 54 of our presidents. Also, all appreciated the spectacular ice sculpture of our 175th logo! In the library, archival pictures and videos offered a fun retrospective of our past while an interactive display of the *We of Ohef Sholom* WOOSH videos presented members' reflections on Temple. Just outside the library doors, one could view proclamations and accolades from the US House of Representatives, the Governor of Virginia, the Commonwealth of Virginia's General Assembly, and the Mayor of Norfolk. Simultaneously, a jazz quartet entertained in the Chapel.

The blast of the Shofar welcomed everyone into Kaufman Hall, which had been transformed into a most elegant venue. A moving program emceed by Alex Pincus, who co-chaired the Gala Committee along with his wife Suzy, reflected on our history. Representative Elaine Luria read from the Congressional Record, in which she recognized Ohef Sholom for its milestone anniversary. Karen Fine, co-chair of the 175th Campaign along with her husband Matt, spoke about the Campaign which is raising vital capital and endowment funds in honor of this milestone. Rabbi Roz's 15th year with Temple was honored, and Rabbi along with Rabbi Emeritus Larry Forman, Cantor Jen, and surprise guest Cantor Jennifer Bern-Vogel led us in the *Shehechyanu*. A delicious dinner, dancing to a live band, and a raffle spiced up the dinner hour. Afterward, the chapel became a piano lounge with a pianist playing standards and showtunes to which members sang along. It was a festive and fun evening illuminating the best of *We of Ohef Sholom* Temple!

The vision for this celebration came from our 175th co-chairs Past-President Kim Simon Fink and current President Terri Budman, for whom the planning began over five years ago. Multi-generation congregants and legacies of past

Temple leadership (Kim's father Marvin Simon served as president), they brought their sense of history and community to the process. Appointing the masterful team of Alex and Susan Pincus as Gala co-chairs and assembling a large committee of volunteers old and new to OST, they rolled up their sleeves and tirelessly attended to every single detail making this an event *par excellence* that will long be remembered as a highlight in our history.



Learn more from Linda

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There was much behind the scenes work - meetings, calls, errands, emails, schlepping, setting up - from so many. A big thank you to the Gala Committee - Steve Budman & Andrew Fink, Betsy & Erik Cooper, Barbara Dudley, Andrew Fink, Andy Fox, Mike Jaffe, Linda Fox-Jarvis & David Jarvis, Anne & Ed Kramer, Jeanne Miller, Erin Pincus, Andy Stein & Robyn Weiner - and to our Volunteers - Mara Bates, Bryan & Stephanie Fine, Ingeresa Friedman, Carra Kramer, Marsha Moody, Alyson Morrissey, Kari Pincus, Paula Russel, Lorin Schwartz, Hillary Stansfield, Matt Vincent, Paul Weiner & Mason Whitehurst. I'd also like to thank our dedicated staff who work behind the scenes. To Terrell, Gill, & Jim, Shelley, Liz, Alicia, Nina, Anna, Alice, Kitty and Linette, we literally couldn't have done it without you.

Happy 175th Ohef Sholom! I wish you many more years of passion, pride, service and love. ✨





LIFE & LEGACY

Thank you to all who have already committed to our future by contributing to the 175th Anniversary Campaign. You are truly sacred partners.

"As others planted for me, so I am planting for the generations who come after me."



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TESHUVAH STORIES

SERIES (3 OF 3)

JOURNEYS TO JUDAISM: Giselle Weinstein



This is the abridged version of Giselle's original speech. To read Giselle's full Teshuvah Story speech, please go online to ohefsholom.org.

I was born in Santiago de Cuba in 1957 into a Catholic family. In 1959 Fidel Castro's Communist revolution and dictatorship confiscated personal property, seized private bank accounts, changed Cuba's currency, closed churches, and blared communist propaganda. We were not allowed to speak publicly about God or any ideas that challenged the Communist Regime.

In 1961 my sister and three brothers escaped to the U.S., and were alienated from us and each other, at the ages of 14, 13, 9 and 6. My parents, meanwhile, had to stay behind without any guarantee that they would ever see their children again. My little sister and I, ages 2 and 3 respectively, stayed with them.

My faith journey began then. Our family had been torn apart, and God became the grounding and the cornerstone of my life. I recited the daily prayers, and I completed sacraments intended for older children, in case we were killed during the political turmoil. In May 1964 we finally escaped, and my mom, my sister, and I travelled through Spain, where we lived for several months. In Madrid, we took shelter with an order of nuns, and they taught us the Old Testament. They described Moses' confrontation with Pharaoh, the Ten Plagues, Passover, Exodus of Israel, wandering through the desert, and Covenant with God:

You are a people set apart, a Light to the Nations. You shall be My People, And I Shall be Your God!

I was enthralled. I was wandering in the desert, desperate for the Promised Land. I discovered

then that I was Jewish first and foremost.

Reunited in the U.S., we couldn't escape violence in our world. We witnessed the daily effects of the Vietnam War, the Civil Rights Movement, Kent State University protests and fatalities, Mohammed Ali and other conscientious objectors, Nelson Mandela and the struggle to end Apartheid. My father labelled protesters and activists as "Communists" and vilified people with liberal views that demanded their government provide equality for all. Even as we struggled to reunify with peace and love in our family, we couldn't escape the scars of Cuba, and I learned not to disagree with my parents.

The Talmud reminds us:

Do not be daunted by the enormity of the world's grief. You are not obligated to complete the work, but neither are you free to abandon it.

The truth of nonviolence is dangerous to the hypocrisy of our society, and we see the evidence of that in the vilification and assassination of nonviolent activists throughout history. But now I want to live my life centered by nonviolence and the Covenant that we are all God's children.

So here is my truth. I believe that all institutions exist to serve others and not to retain power in the hands of the few. I believe in the basic rights of people to have dignity, body autonomy, healthcare, and safety. I believe in PEACE in all its forms, including laying down of nuclear weapons, halting foreign arms trade, restricting personal access to firearms, sheltering refugees, reforming prisons, and depolluting our earth.

I believe that my beliefs must be followed up with actions. Matthew and I succeeded in a project dubbed De-ICE Norfolk City Jail. We met with Sheriff Baron to end the contract with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency to stop holding alleged undocumented citizens without due process.

Journeys to Judaism



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You delight in our works of justice and righteousness, Oh Lord. And when we give of ourselves in full measure, YOU abide in us. ☆



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Dec. 5 - Quilt Delivery to JFS @ 12 noon (offsite lunch afterwards at PF Chang's)

**December 12 - 10:00 am
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December 15 - 21

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 Jeffrey Chanin*
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CALENDAR & BIRTHDAYS

DECEMBER EVENTS

- 1 SUNDAY 12:30 pm**
OSTY Board Meeting
- 2 MONDAY Office Closed: Staff In-Service Day 7:00 pm**
Men's Club Meeting (offsite)
- 3 TUESDAY 4:00 pm**
House Committee Meeting
- 4 WEDNESDAY 6:00 pm**
Sisterhood Meeting
- 5 THURSDAY 4:00 pm**
Torah Study
5:00 pm
Executive Committee Meetings
- 6 FRIDAY 6:30 pm**
Shabbat Services
- 7 SATURDAY 9:00 am**
Torah Study
Intro Class: What is Judaism?
10:30 am
Shabbat Services & Bat Mitzvah of Sonya Adler
6:30 pm
New Member Get-Together (offsite)
- 8 SUNDAY Chanukah Happening 8:00 am**
Red Cross Blood Drive
8:45 am
Hebrew School
9:00 am
Walking Group (offsite)
10:00 am
Religious School
10:00 am
Judaica Shop Open House
11:00 am
Wiggles & Giggles
- 11 WEDNESDAY NEST (Dec. 11-18)**
- 12 THURSDAY NEST (Dec. 11-18) 10:00 am**
Quilting Group
4:00 pm
Torah Study
- 13 FRIDAY NEST (Dec. 11-18) 5:30 pm**
Judaica Shop Open
6:30 pm
Shabbat Services
- 14 SATURDAY NEST (Dec. 11-18) 9:00 am**
Torah Study
Intro Class: What is Judaism?
10:30 am
Shabbat Services
11:30 am
Kiddush Lunch
6:00 pm
OSTY Chanukah Party (offsite)
- 15 SUNDAY NEST (Dec. 11-18) 8:45 am**
Hebrew School
10:00 am
Religious School
10:00 am
Judaica Shop Open
- 17 TUESDAY NEST (Dec. 11-18) 11:00 am**
Quilting Group
5:00 pm
Finance & Development Meeting (offsite)
- 18 WEDNESDAY NEST (Dec. 11-18)**
- 19 THURSDAY 4:00 pm**
Torah Study
7:00 pm
Board Meeting
- 20 FRIDAY Shabbat For Everyone: Chanukah Edition 5:30 pm**
S4E Pre-Neg
6:00 pm
Shabbat Services
6:45 pm
Chanukah Dinner
- 21 SATURDAY 9:00 am**
Torah Study
10:30 am
Shabbat Services
- 22 SUNDAY Erev Chanukah (1st Candle) 6:30 pm**
Facebook Live
Chanukah Lighting
- 23 MONDAY Chanukah (2nd Candle) 6:30 pm**
Facebook Live
Chanukah Lighting
- 24 TUESDAY Office Closes @ 12 (Christmas Eve) Chanukah (3rd Candle) 6:30 pm**
Facebook Live
Chanukah Lighting
- 25 WEDNESDAY Office Closed (Christmas Day) Chanukah (4th Candle) 6:30 pm**
Facebook Live
Chanukah Lighting
- 26 THURSDAY Chanukah (5th Candle) 10:00 am**
Quilting Group
4:00 pm
Torah Study
6:30 pm
Facebook Live
Chanukah Lighting
- 27 FRIDAY Chanukah (6th Candle) 6:30 pm**
Shabbat Services
Facebook Live
Chanukah Lighting
- 28 SATURDAY Chanukah (7th Candle) 9:00 am**
Torah Study
10:30 am
Shabbat Services
6:30 pm
Facebook Live
Chanukah Lighting
- 29 SUNDAY Chanukah (8th Candle) 6:30 pm**
Facebook Live
Chanukah Lighting
- 30 MONDAY 9:30 am**
Soup Kitchen
- 31 TUESDAY Office Closes @ 12 (New Year's Eve)**

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- December 1**
Lawrence J. Goldrich
Margaret Zimmerman
- December 3**
Barbara Glasser
Fred Pugh
- December 4**
Andrew Casson
Bruce R. Frieden
David P. Kerpelman
- December 5**
Bruce D. Waldholtz
- December 6**
Louis Brenner
Sheldon L. Cohn
Steven Goldberg
- December 7**
Linda Cole
Monica Douglass
Mildred Dreyfus
Andrew S. Fine
Ronni M. Foster
Donald Friedman
Scott Galbraith
Brad Nadelstein
Alan L. Troy
- December 8**
Vivian Fish Forman
- December 9**
Terri Budman
Ed Fraim
Nathan Rubin
Betsy Mann
Sanders
- December 10**
Bradley J. Waitzer
- December 11**
Alfred Dreyfus
Linda Peck
Andrew D. Stein
- December 12**
Martha J. Goodman
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Yvonne Lerner
- December 13**
Terri Smith Belkov
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Murray Walter D. Rosenberg, Jr.
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Donna R. Brownstein
Paul Terkeltaub
- December 15**
Barbara Lifland
Ina "Sandy" Sroka
- December 16**
Brad Embree
Mandi Firoved
Arthur Schoner
- December 17**
Barbara Johnson
Andrea Rocchio
Michael M. Romash
Paula Russel
- December 18**
Robert Brotman
Frank Campion
Stephen Miller
Andrew S. Nusbaum
- December 19**
Howard R. Feldman
Burke Margulies
- December 20**
Sally Kocen
Jack Kress
Fanya Seagull
Barbara Spigel
Marsha Wilks
- December 21**
Betty Moritz
Rochelle Rosenberg
Amy Wolfson
- December 22**
Laura R. Forman
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Bryan Mesh
Gretchen M. Ostroff
Matthew Weinstein
- December 23**
Minette Cooper
Chad Dorsk
B. Danny Jason
Ryan Kletz
Sara Mendelson
Matthew Nusbaum
Stephen D. Wohlgemuth
- December 24**
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Armon Pollack, Jr.
- December 25**
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Elayne Lavenstein
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- December 27**
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Heidi Raymond
Linda C. Troy
- December 28**
Rhonda Dreggors- Newport
Stephanie Fine
Pam Hirsch
Ronald F. Spindel
- December 29**
Susan Kletz
Julius Miller
Nathan Strelitz
- December 30**
David Balaban
Larry Blum
Selma Snyder
Brenda C. Stein
- December 31**
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Happy Chanukah! 
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