

Melissa Levy - Director of Congregational Engagement



Purim is in FEBRUARY this year?! Well, at least the masked costumes will fit right in. You can even dress up your vehicle for our Purim CAR-nival, complete with clergy “dunk tank” raising *tzedakah*; LBSRS, USY and even preschool families can deliver mishloach manot (Purim gift bags, courtesy of Sisterhood!) to congregant doorsteps, dressed in costume for a friendly wave hello from a safe distance; and of course we’ll have a Megillah reading with time for a festive meal and kitzitzing beforehand. I actually just finished filling out my Sisterhood Happy Purim donation, conveniently allowing me to send Purim greetings to all of you. If you’ve never participated in this wonderful initiative, THIS is the year. Check your email/snail mail for more info!

I also want to share how proud I am of our teen leaders for putting together a particularly creative Into The Day, our annual full day of Social Action/Tikkun Olam. We had 18 teenagers participate in this twelve hour day! A mix of online and outdoors, onscreen and off, in honor of MLK Day, these teens:

- Participated in a racial justice panel with Tzedek America, and watched “The Hate You Give” (award-winning YA novel recently adapted for film), discussing the film’s nuanced presentation of tensions between police and the communities they serve
- Went on a 5k walk/run near their own homes, taking care of their own bodies while raising pledges for canned food

- Discussed mental health awareness and coping skills with Mind Your Mind
- Learned about voting rights with special guest speakers from The Civic Center
- Created lawn signs with uplifting messages to bring smiles to passersby
- Visited congregant doorsteps to safely say hello and pick up canned goods for their food drive, then learned through playspent.org about the tough choices so many families have to make every day that lead to food insecurity.

Hundreds of items were collected for Foothill Unity’s Food Bank. Thank you for your support! Check out the photo with Facilities Manager Alex Beck, who had to move all the donations to the Lounge as our donation bins were full to capacity and the Amazon food donations just keep coming in!



Alex Beck and the USY food donations.



Service Schedule

Feb 5/6

Parshat: Yitro

Fri. Shabbat Service - Jonah Rose Bar
Mitzvah 7:30 PM

Shabbat Service - Jonah Rose Bar
Mitzvah 9:30 AM

Feb 12/13

Parshat: Mishpatim

Fri. Shabbat Service 7:30 PM

Shabbat Service 9:30 AM

Feb 19/20

Parshat: Terumah

Fri. Shabbat Service - Adult Bnai Mitzvah
7:30 PM

Shabbat Service - Adult Bnai Mitzvah
9:30 AM

Feb 26/27

Parshat: Tetzaveh

Fri. Shabbat Service - Reilly MacMillan
Bar Mitzvah 7:30 PM

Shabbat Service - Reilly MacMillan Bar
Mitzvah 9:30 AM



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Sisterhood Welcomes Members Throughout the Year

Each woman has a voice. Many voices – together – make a difference. Add your voice to the largest network of synagogue women in the world. Membership in PJTC Sisterhood and Women's League offers you the opportunity to be heard. Your voice does have an impact. Every PJTC woman is invited to join.

Be informed about women's issues, world communities, the arts, health, the family, Jewish traditions. Women's League publications are available on every topic from community service and world affairs to Judaic studies.

Be involved through your representation in internationally recognized organizations:

- Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations
- Jewish Council for Public Affairs
- NGO at the United Nations
- Mercaz
- Masorti Olami
- Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice

Be enriched by sharing ideas with other Sisterhood members as well as members of the Women's League international network. A wide array of programs and classes will enhance your personal, family and community life.

- Leadership Institutes to enhance Jewish knowledge and expand leadership skills.
- Women's League Institutes in conjunction with the faculty and graduates of The Jewish Theological Seminary, Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies and Machon Schechter.
- Women's League Reads: The Women's League Book Club.

Be inspired and make your personal mark on your PJTC community, the Conservative Movement and the world at-large.

- Participate in local projects to better the lives of those in need.
- Respond to Action Alerts and advocacy initiatives.
- Be motivated at regional and international conferences and conventions.

Through our Sisterhood membership program, every Jewish woman can be part of the network of women committed to sophisticated Jewish learning, joyous observance and egalitarian tradition. Every member is joined with thousands of other Conservative/Masorti Jewish women to make a difference in our communities and in our world. Contact Sisterhood Membership Vice-President Atty Rotter (626.664.4509 or atalya19@aol.com) for membership renewals or to join.

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Social Justice Committee

By Carl Selkin, Committee Member

The Social Justice Committee is forming a sub-committee to formulate action as we resist the rising wave of white nationalism at the heart of the insurrections in Washington and at state capitals around the country. The committee will combine the tools at our disposal—education, communication, and advocacy—to counter the racism and anti-Semitism fueling the attack on our democratic institutions.

Our celebration of the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at the inspiring Social Justice Shabbat centered on the continuing commitment to the shared legacy of advancing civil rights that unites the Jewish and African-American communities. Our guest speaker Gina Belafonte responded to questions and comments from those in virtual attendance as we used the medium of Zoom to bring us closer together in community and purpose.

At the Shabbat, the daughter of Rabbi Marvin Gross z”l, Tara Rangarajan, presented the first annual Marvin Gross Social Justice award to five PJTC members with a history of action and commitment to addressing the challenges faced by refugees and immigrants. Sherri Hauer accepted the award as a member of the group that also comprised Susan Auerbach, Karen Gross, Martha Ruffman, and Bill Sparks. A donation was made in their honor to the nonprofit Al Otro Lado. Their names will be the first attached to the Brian Mark sculpture that honors Marvin Gross award recipients.

Our clergy has signed onto a HIAS-sponsored letter to the new administration and congress seeking a change to the restrictive policies affecting immigration and the status of refugees. PJTC members are being asked to sign postcards to add their names to this initiative in order to bring policy back in line with longstanding American values. SJC very much appreciates the support of the PJTC clergy, administration and board in this effort. Please join us on Sunday, March 7 at 10:00 a.m. for a virtual bagel breakfast in conjunction with the HIAS Refugee Shabbat on March 6.

With 2020 achieving the dubious honor of tying with 2016 for the hottest year in the past couple of hundred thousand years, young people have become the drivers of ideas and action to reset the climate balance to make possible the livable future they demand. Young leaders from conservative and progressive climate organizations present the responses to this crisis and offer feasible solutions that are supported by research in science and economics. Join us on Sunday, February 21 at 10:00 a.m. for an SJC webinar, “Climate Change: The Future is Now.”

For information about joining or participating in the Social Justice Committee, please contact Hedy Fintescu at hedyfintescu@gmail.com.

Bar Mitzvah

Jonah Rose Bar Mitzvah



Jonah Selig Rose will be called to the Torah to become Bar Mitzvah on February 6, 2021. He is the son of Diana Selig and Meredith Rose and the younger brother of Anya Rose. Jonah is in 7th grade at Flintridge Preparatory School, where he has learned a lot about how to use Zoom.

He has enjoyed playing soccer since age 4 and has been studying classical guitar since age 6. Lately, he has devoted some of his free time to mastering the elements of video editing. Jonah is compassionate and empathetic, has a keen sense of fairness and a wicked sense of humor, and is a caring brother and friend. He has attended LBSRS since kindergarten and has participated in Jewish Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Los Angeles. For his mitzvah project, he has been collecting gently-used and new shoes to donate to Souls4Soles, an organization that distributes these items around the world. Already Jonah has collected over a hundred pairs of shoes.

Jonah has exhibited great tenacity and good spirits as he has studied Torah remotely with our wonderful PJTC clergy and staff. He looks forward to celebrating his bar mitzvah with the PJTC community and with friends and family across the country (on-line, of course!).

Donate Clothing to Support Friends in Deed Clients

By Nancy Carlton, Sisterhood President

Friends In Deed has been a fixture of the Pasadena community for more than 120 years – nearly as long as the Rose Parade has been celebrated! Through the support of neighbors, churches and businesses, FID turns resources into lives changed and a community strengthened.

Friends In Deed is dedicated not to simply alleviating the effects of homelessness, but to transforming lives and providing avenues for clients to move forward with dignity. Its innovative programs provide support to our neighbors in the most difficult and vulnerable times in their lives, allowing them space and security to change their circumstances and move forward.

Inviting a woman experiencing homelessness into the day shelter to wash her clothing and take a shower before a job interview or helping a family maintain their housing after a disaster; the organization's services allow individuals and families to change their lives with dignity.

Although Friends in Deed is not currently accepting used clothing donations, if you have clothing you would like to donate, consider doing so to ACTS Thrift Store and Friends in Deed gets store credit. With store credit, FID is able to send clients with vouchers to purchase necessary items without a cost to them. ACTS Thrift Store is located in Pasadena on the corner of Altadena Drive and Washington Boulevard.

Join us in “doing together what we cannot do alone” at Friends In Deed.

Men's Club -Doing What We Do Best!

By Fred Rotenberg, President



Hello PJTC,
2020 ended on a sad note for Men's Club and the PJTC community when we learned of the passing of MC Board member, Gideon Schein. In addition to being a personal financial consultant, he was also a producer, director and writer for theater, opera, film and television for over 30 years. A donation has been made to USY in his

honor. May his memory be for a blessing

With 2020 in the rear view mirror we look forward to ramping up programming once again. The first, on January 31, 2021 will be a co-hosted program (Men's Club, Sisterhood and Ohr Tamid Society) for the PJTC Legacy program, featuring Sona Tatiyants, an Estate Planning Attorney, and a discussion on ethical wills led by Marcia Alper. On February

9, 2021, the PJTC Social Hall will be hosted by Men's Club and will feature Don Diamond, Ph.D who will be discussing everything you need to know (that is currently known) about the COVID-19 vaccines.

March means NCAA Madness is upon us and Men's Club will be running it's first-ever pool for the 68 team tournament. Details to follow. Unlike the up and down football season (where the uncertainty of the season prevented us from our annual pool) this is a GO since the NCAA has announced the teams will all be playing in a "bubble" in Indianapolis. The pool will be open to all.

Mark your calendars now for the evening of May 2, 2021 when Men's Club presents it's Service to Community Awards to two deserving recipients. We're working on an interactive and delicious zoom evening event like no other. Stay tuned.

Ohr Tamid Society - List of Confirmed Members

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The Sisterhood Scoop

By Nancy Carlton, Sisterhood President



Sisterhood's on-line Artisan Fair will continue to provide an opportunity for shopping safely from the comfort of your home and support some of Sisterhood's favorite local artisans. New artists will be added on an on-going basis in an effort to continue building our new gift shop.

Although on hiatus for the last many months, Sisterhood is gearing up its Caring Community Outreach program, a way to support and connect with congregants in need of some tender care and attention (i.e. home from a stay in the hospital, a new baby, dealing with an illness). Typically, we will deliver chicken soup, challah and a sweet. If you are aware of someone who could use some comfort, cheer and connection, please let me know.

Given the current pandemic situation and our inability to gather together in person, this year's Sisterhood Hamentashen Bake has been cancelled. Typically, we gather to bake hamentashen for the Megillah reading, LBSRS students and the carnival, none of which will be in-person activities this year.

With the downsizing of the Women's Room programming, activities and services and, in particular, our inability to prepare home-made lunches at this time, Sisterhood board members voted to donate \$1,000.00 in support of hot lunch service to the homeless women served by the Women's Room. This donation is being made in memory of Harold Grater, father of Rabbi Joshua Levine-Grater.

Sisterhood board members also voted to donate up to \$500.00 in products (i.e. bottled water, snacks, lotion) that will be placed in 27 home-made quilted baskets created and donated by long-time Sisterhood friend Carol Mills. These baskets will be gifted to covid night nursing staff at the Huntington Hospital as a small way of showing our appreciation for their continued efforts, long hours and hard work.

Open to all Sisterhood members, join us for our upcoming Sisterhood Board Meeting on Monday, February 1 at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom in the comfort of your own home. I hope to welcome you as a continuing or new member of Sisterhood this year. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at (626) 798-5920 or iamy082@aol.com.



Annual Congregational Meeting

Monday, February 22 7:00 PM

<https://tinyurl.com/yxekswkz>

Sisterhood's Virtual Artisan Fair

During this past November, leveraging resilience, flexibility and willingness to learn a new technology, the first ever PJTC Sisterhood Virtual Artisan Fair website was launched. Given the challenges of the pandemic and restrictions put on public gatherings, the PJTC Sisterhood sought out a way they could still support the art community and provide a safe shopping experience through the holiday season.

Starting with just over a dozen artists, the elegant website began offering the public an eclectic assortment of items such as handmade mosaic pendants, expressive metal wall signs, custom silk scarves, assorted Judaica and more. As the sales started to come in, and items sold out, more products and artists were added to the site. Sales were strong throughout the holiday season and far and away exceeded the Sisterhood Artisan Fair Committee members' expectations.

Bolstered by the successful shopping season, Sisterhood is shifting their initial thought that this would be a temporary business outlet, into a year-round artisan website. They are looking to expand with more artists including those with a focus on unique Judaica products. The Sisterhood Artisan Fair committee's goal is to be known as the key resource for congregants and the surrounding Jewish communities. The site will cater to people searching for unique Judaica items

from menorahs to Bar and Bat Mitzvah yarmulkes, tallit, and even ketubahs.

Sisterhood started 2021 with continued resilience, adaptability and vision of what the site can become. Your new favorite artist or favorite pair of earrings are awaiting your arrival. Please come visit the shop, and be sure to check back often, as the product offerings continue to expand. Sisterhood thanks you for your support: <https://www.pjtc-sisterhoodartisanfair.com/>

Please contact jillspector@gmail.com with any questions of how you can become a featured artisan on the site.



February Birthdays

Karen Gross
James Younessi
Anne Sigoloff
Barbara Bergman
John Tyberg
Joshua Garroway
Samuel Dickter
Elliot Blundell
Peter Braun
Jadon Spiker
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Betsy Kahn
Jason Manacker
Franci Levine Grater
Marcia Sainer
Adam Larson
Ellen Landau
Omer Tamuz
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February Anniversaries

Jason & Erin Manacker
David & Bobbi Sloan
Neil Weinberger & Kathleen Copus



Pirkei Avot

Wednesday Nights 8:00 PM on Zoom

Jewish Mindfulness Meditation on Zoom

Tuesdays 8:45 AM
Wednesdays 8:00 AM
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20 Shevat	2/2/2021 Samuel Rosenzweig Eva Schaffer Carmela Mascoli	29 Shevat	2/11/2021 John Beskin Mannes N. Glickman Mary Sloan Carole Gold Calo Abe Sonies Zelda Werner Bernice Gutoff Zelda Werner Ilya Eizenberg Rebecca Silverstein	4 Adar	2/16/2021 Pearl Kirschen Estelle Goldby Al L. Socher Leah Bat Kalman Israel Greenfield Irving Gruman Natasha Feuer	12 Adar	2/24/2021 Virginia Burr Albert Reichenbach Marshall Jaffe Lena Hess
21 Shevat	2/3/2021 Max Farbman Isidor Alper James O'Dell James Meng Selma Kruger	30 Shevat	2/12/2021 Anna Bowman Samuel Ober Kenneth Gerst Bertha Zelinka Jack Broudy Lena Bayer Jeanette Rotter Paula Dorflier	5 Adar	2/17/2021 Adele Borrus Morris Weinstein Fannie Chesler Anna Miller Bettyanne Bradley Edith Arnov Bertha Steinholz	13 Adar	2/25/2021 Samuel Kramer Jeanne Mallet Charles Weinstein Rosa Aladjem Miklos Kohn Ann White Solomon Landsman
22 Shevat	2/4/2021 Milton Grushkin Esther Sarah Felsinger Theodore Fox Sterrett Burges Sylvia Rothenberg Frances Kelley Ruth Carin Gulkis	1 Adar	2/13/2021 Samuel S. Groman Albert G. Priester Shirley Rothke Annelise Schein Marianne Wolman Marshall Katz Fred Mendelson Clara Sobin	6 Adar	2/18/2021 Morton Fuchs Leo Litt Ada Moss Simone Fontaine J. Paul Rosenbaum Seymour Bernard Kokis Henrietta Miller	14 Adar	2/26/2021 Binya Chanka Gruman Joseph Handin Lewis Eckstein Beatrice Barg Shanna Blackett-Vogel Julius Raphael Samuels William Ingall Mousa Younessi Erno Keryni Sam Cohen Sophie Greenspan Abram Miller Max Miller David Epstein
23 Shevat	2/5/2021 Seymour Bienenfeld Natan Gierowitz Fred Weinberger Max Rosenberg Ira Lurvey Israel Scharf	2 Adar	2/14/2021 Bonnie Winter Lita Scharf Anna Rubin Bruno Loeb Barry Segal Sarah Sokal Mary Herczog Anna Grenadier Spielberg Joseph Gertz Barry Segal Margie Fremen Seymour Gottlieb Irvin Ryder	7 Adar	2/19/2021 Irene Entner Allen Hartford Herman Harry Siegel Isadore Jackson Paul Mandel Harry Steingold Hyman Lampert Max Isadore Taus Stuart Chason	15 Adar	2/27/2021 Deborah Schram Sol Mannes Ruth Larner Rose Elbaum Walter Pemstein Freda Chemel Henry Heller Sanford Sigoloff Naum Minskovsky
24 Shevat	2/6/2021 Eve Teitelbaum Jeanette Wolfe Mina Schleimer Bessie Miller Mildred Kasdin Ina Breslyn	3 Adar	2/15/2021 Miriam Dajes Burton Green Bertha Michaels Philip Vego Laszlo Lengyel Sam Lash Harris Ziff George Joseph Blacher	8 Adar	2/20/2021 David Splaver Hyman Dreitzer Max Schneider Joseph Blitz Rebecca Burston Percy Simmons Jean A. Orloff	16 Adar	2/28/2021 Samuel Braiker Rose Golbin Harold Kaplan Elsie Sussman Green Moses Weissfeld Leonard Klemer Julius Strauss Jules Larner Boris Tansky
25 Shevat	2/7/2021 Milton Weiss Max Stone Edward Fentin Ethel Sherman			9 Adar	2/21/2021 Norman Shrifter Leonard Rotter Rose Sackeroff		
26 Shevat	2/8/2021 Haley Villatoro Arthur Drelich			10 Adar	2/22/2021 Jennings Braun Ray Lapuck Arthur Bunin Joseph Vicker		
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An Invitation to all PJTC Women

For the October 2020 Rosh Chodesh program, PJTC Sisterhood partnered with the Social Justice Committee's Women's Sub-Committee which resulted in a very successful collaboration between our two organizations. The event was well-attended by members of both organizations. Those who zoomed in had the unique opportunity to visit with long-time friends, meet PJTC community members they had not known previously, and together express our concerns and share values we face as Jewish women.

The success of this event led to discussing plans for future events and activities where we can continue to work together. One upcoming program which you will hear more about soon is Sisterhood's Annual Women's Seder, which this year will also involve leadership from the SJC's Women's Sub-Committee.

As Jewish women who care about other Jewish women, our Judaism, Tzedakah, Mitzvot and Social Justice, it is essential that our two organizations come together and support one another during this unique moment in time. We invite you to consider a membership to both of these organizations, a great opportunity to build community and strengthen our relationships at PJTC! Membership information for PJTC Sisterhood and PJTC's Social Justice Committee can be seen below.

We look forward to many collaborations between the two organizations. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact either Nancy Carlton, Sisterhood President or Jill Spector, SJC Women's Sub-Committee Chair.

Join PJTC Sisterhood. Participation in Sisterhood offers opportunities for personal growth and strengthens ties to other women in our Jewish community. Your financial support is vital to the ongoing services which Sisterhood provides within our Jewish

community. Membership dues support youth activities, adult education programming, the Louis B. Silver Religious School, kitchen equipment and maintenance, PJTC general operating costs, our Jewish Federation, Friday evening Oneg Shabbats, Friends in Deed and B'nai Simcha. And, you need not be a member of PJTC to join Sisterhood. There are two membership options:

1. Standard annual membership at \$36.00
2. Woman of Valor membership at \$500.00

Should you have any questions or wish to join Sisterhood, contact Sisterhood Membership Vice-President Atty Rotter at (626) 664-4509 or atalya19@aol.com.

Join the Social Justice Committee Women's Sub-Committee at PJTC. In accordance with the Social Justice Committee's mission, the SJC Women's Sub-Committee works to engage synagogue members to respond to societal conditions and contemporary issues with a direct focus on those social justice issues affecting the lives of women at PJTC and our greater community- advocating for ourselves and others - we educate, make aware, and take action based on Jewish tradition and values and the prophetic admonition: "Tzedek, tzedek tirdofe - Justice, justice shall you pursue!". To become a member of the Social Justice Committee contact Jill Spector and your name will be added to the email list to receive information about the Women's Sub-Committee, education events, guest speakers, meeting information, and other calls to action.



Torah Fund

By Bobbi Sloan, VP Torah Fund



Good news! The Torah Fund pins have arrived. They showed up on my doorstep the first week of January. Now I can begin the process of distributing them as gifts to those who have donated \$180.00 and above. I want to distribute the pins as safely as possible. If you have donated \$180.00 or above, please email me with your preference of how you wish to receive your pin. Here are some options:

1. I can mail the pins to your home.
2. I can do a "no contact" delivery to your home.

If you have any other ideas, please let me know. I can be reached at the following address: dblsloan@sbcglobal.net Thank you, again, for your generous contributions to Torah Fund and for your patience as Women's League navigates logistics during this pandemic.

Education is one of the most important means of transferring the wealth of tradition from one generation to the next. When it comes to Torah Fund, you are investing in the future of our children – an investment in knowledge pays the best interest. Torah Fund supports the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies in Los Angeles, the Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies in Israel, the Seminario Rabinico Latinoamericano in Buenos Aires, and the Zacharias Frankel College in Potsdam, Germany.



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Sisterhood Tributes

To Louise Wannier, thank you for your support of the meditation group and for the Rosh Chodesh meetings, from Bonnie Buratti.

To Rabbi Jason Mann, thanks for teaching Exploring Your Life Through Torah for free, from Bonnie Buratti.

To Lori & Fred Rotenberg, congratulations on the birth of your grandson Adam, from Aty Rotter, Edie Taylor, Karen & Neil Brown, Marcia Alper and Ruth Kaye.

To Edie Taylor on her 94th birthday, from Nancy & John Carlton.

To Joe Widman, congrats on your appointment as Judge in the Superior Court of California, from Bonnie Buratti.

To Adrienne Bass, congrats on your appointment to the Pasadena Library Commission, from Sue Hogan.

To Larry Scherr Happy Birthday, from Carolyn Kunin and Marilyn Kirschen.

To Ruth Saffman, I wish you a r'fuah sh'lemah, from Bonnie Buratti.

To Melvin Cohen, condolences on the death of his wife Barbara, from Edie Taylor, Sue Hogan, Susie Kustner, Marcia Spiro and Ruth Kaye.

To Jeffrey Cohen & family on the loss of his mother Barbara, from Karen & Clark Linstone.

To Joshua Levine Grater on the loss of his father, Harold Grater, from Sue Hogan, Kathy Kobayashi & Hal Barron, Stacy & Stu Miller, Nancy & John Carlton, Edie Taylor, Susie Kustner, Liz Green, Marcia Alper, Marcia Spira, Valerie & Aaron Weiss, Bonnie Buratti & Kai Lam, Karen & Clark Linstone, Karen & Neil Brown, the Dreier/Meng Family, and Ruth Kaye.

To Shannon Phillips on the loss of her mother, Zina Phillips, from Susie Kustner.

To David Blacher on the loss of his wife, Paula, from Susie Kustner.

To Ruth Kaye on the loss of her sister-in-law Ruth, wife of Michael Kaye, from Marcia Alper, Sue Hogan, Stacy & Stu Miller, Nancy & John Carlton, Kathy Kobayashi & Hal Barron, Aty Rotter, Marilyn Kirschen, Vicky Balmot, Edie Taylor, Debbie & John Guest, Carolyn Kunin and Ellen & Harvey Knell.

To Karen Linstone on the loss of her father Louis Brief, from Stacy & Stu Miller, Sue Hogan, Ruth Kaye, Edie Taylor, Marcia Alper, Aty Rotter, Ellen & Harvey Knell, Marian Rosen, Karen & Neil Brown and Valerie & Aaron Weiss.

To Elliott & Linda Mazur on the death of Elliott's mother, Edythe, from Bonnie Buratti, Nancy & John Carlton, Sue Hogan, Debbie & John Guest, Pearl & Vance Tyree, Ruth Kaye and Edie Taylor.

Board Report

The PJTC Board of Directors met on January 13. The Nominating Committee presented the proposed slate for the 2021-2023 Board of Directors that will be voted on at the February 22 Congregational Meeting.

The board also discussed plans for the hiring of a firm to create architectural and engineering plans for the main kitchen remodel and will vote on the contract at a future meeting. In addition, the board heard updates about the End-of-Year Giving Fundraiser, which generated \$67,000 from donations and included matching funds from four families that either doubled or tripled congregant donations – and the progress of the planned giving Ohr Tamid Society.

The board brainstormed potential Capital Campaign projects in addition to the main kitchen remodel. The brainstorming session also included potential opportunities for the former Weizmann Day School building. The Capital Campaign will be tied to the Centennial celebrations and is projected to raise \$2 to \$3 million.

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February Calendar

19 Shevat- 16 Adar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 7:30p Men's Club Meeting 7:30p Sisterhood Meeting	19 Shevat 8:45a Meditation 4:00p Religious School 7:30p Social Hall with Rabbi Carrier	20 Shevat 8:00a Meditation 8:00p Pirkei Avot Discussion Group	21 Shevat 10:00a Thursdays with Torah and Rabbi Jason Mann 4:00p Jonah Rose Minyan 7:30p Melton Class "OMG"	22 Shevat 7:30p Shabbat Service - Jonah Rose Bar Mitzvah 12:45a Shabbat Meditation with Rabbi Lisa Goldstein	23 Shevat 9:30a Shabbat Service - Adult Bnai Mitzvah 12:45a Shabbat Meditation with Rabbi Lisa Goldstein	24 Shevat Parashat: Yitro
7 9:30a Religious School 10:00a Social Justice Meeting 10:30a Kadima Book Club 5:00p USY Book Club	26 Shevat 7:30p Ritual Committee Meeting	27 Shevat 8:45a Meditation 4:00p Religious School 7:30p Social Hall with Don Diamond	28 Shevat 8:00a Meditation 8:00p Pirkei Avot Discussion Group	29 Shevat 10:00a Thursdays with Torah and Rabbi Jason Mann 7:30p Melton Class "OMG"	30 Shevat 7:30p Shabbat Service 12:45a Shabbat Meditation with Rabbi Lisa Goldstein	1 Adar Parashat: Mishpatim
14 No Religious School 10:30a Kadima Book Club 5:00p USY Book Club 5:00p Interfaith Study Group	15 3 Adar	16 4 Adar 8:45a Meditation 4:00p Religious School 7:30p Social Hall with Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class	17 5 Adar 8:00a Meditation 8:00p Pirkei Avot Discussion Group	18 6 Adar 10:00a Thursdays with Torah and Rabbi Jason Mann 7:30p Melton Class "Soul Cycle"	19 7 Adar 7:30p Shabbat Service - Adult Bnai Mitzvah 12:45a Shabbat Meditation with Rabbi Lisa Goldstein	20 8 Adar Parashat: Terumah
21 9:00a Religious School 10:00a Social Justice Climate Event 10:30a Kadima Book Club 5:00p USY Book Club	22 10 Adar 7:00p Congregational Meeting 8:00p Temple Board Meeting	23 11 Adar 8:45a Meditation 4:00p Religious School 7:30p Social Hall with Phillip Callahan	24 12 Adar 7:30p Sisterhood's Rosh Chodesh Event 8:00p Pirkei Avot Discussion Group	25 13 Adar 10:00a Thursdays with Torah and Rabbi Jason Mann 7:00p Purim Megillah Reading 7:30p Melton Class "Soul Cycle"	26 14 Adar 7:30p Shabbat Service - Reilly MacMillan Bar Mitzvah 12:45a Shabbat Meditation with Rabbi Lisa Goldstein	27 15 Adar Parashat: Tetzaveh
28 9:30a Ayden Hartford Minyan 9:30a Religious School 10:30a Kadima Book Club 11:00a Purim Caravan 5:00p USY Book Club	16 Adar					



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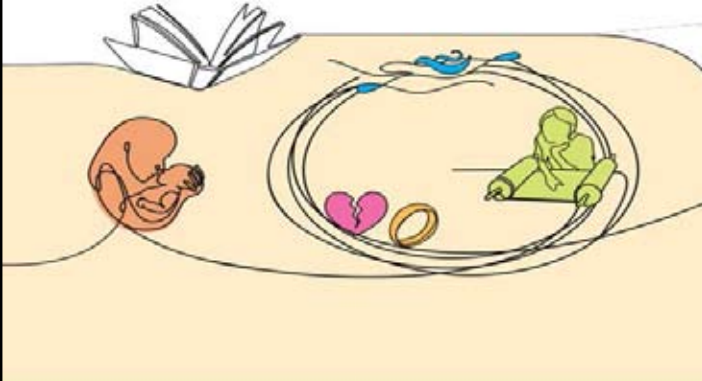
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