

This Connections is dedicated in loving memory of Brenda Schatel Davis by her mother Lenore Golden Kessler

CELEBRATING THE LEGACY OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR

FRIDAY, JAN. 12, 6:15 pm, Shabbat Evening Service

Join us at our annual MLK Shabbat when we welcome **Thomas Dorg**, Executive Director of the Coretta & Martin Luther King Institute for Peace. Based in Norway, the work of the King Institute is inspired by the legacy of Coretta and Martin Luther King Jr. with a value base that promotes tolerance, inclusion and human rights in a non-violent way.

Thomas Dorg founded the King Institute after a discussion with Dr. Bernice King, the youngest daughter of Coretta & Martin Luther King Jr., about establishing a new institute in Oslo which could be a contributing force in creating a world where equality and human rights are achievable through dialogue and non-violent approaches. He has also taught conflict understanding and mediation at colleges and universities in Norway and abroad for more than 10 years. At our service, Mr. Dorg will speak on *The Place of Non-Violence in a Violent World*.



We will also be joined on the bimah by the **Rev. Dr. Lisa M. Goods**, Senior Pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church and the first female pastor in the historic church's 173-year history. She holds a PhD in African American Preaching and Sacred Rhetoric and serves on the Strategy Team of Greater Cleveland Congregations.

In addition, **Michael Hunter Ochs**, an accomplished singer-songwriter who was one of our guests at a previous Shabbat honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, will join Cantor Lapin in song. He is recognized as a leading composer of Jewish worship music as well as songs of unity and harmony.



Following the Service, we will offer a festive oneg with time to speak further with our guests. **In addition, watch your weekly emails for details about other opportunities to continue the conversations generated by this special service.**

Both the Shabbat Service and the post-service conversation with our guests will be offered in-person as well as live-streamed to: fairmounttemple.livecontrol.tv (link on our website), on Fairmount Temple's Facebook page, YouTube, as well as the YouTube app on smart TVs.

This Shabbat honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King is supported by the Lenore Golden Kessler Fund and the Marcia Lowenstein Sugerman Fund.

Mazel Tov to our Consecration Class of 2023!

During our Shabbat Evening Service on Friday, Dec. 8, we celebrated Chanukah with a special blessing for the Consecration Class of 5784, twenty Religious School students who are beginning their journey of Jewish learning! During the service, Consecration families and congregational families who brought in their personal chanukkiot were invited to light their candles and share the blessing together.

See page 5 for more photos from the evening.



WORSHIP SERVICES

Friday, January 5

6:15 pm Shabbat Evening Service led by Rabbi Nosanchuk and Cantor Lapin. Cantor Sager will speak at this service.

Friday, January 12

6:15 pm Shabbat Evening Service honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, led by our clergy team with special guests Thomas Dorg, Rev. Lisa Goods, and musician Michael Ochs (*see front page*).

Friday, January 19

6:15 pm Shabbat Evening Service—This service will be co-led by clergy from Fairmount Temple and The Temple-Tifereth Israel (as will the 6 pm Shabbat Service at TTTI)
Watch your emails for more details.

Friday, January 26

6:15 pm Shabbat Evening Service led by Rabbi Caruso. We will also welcoming our Religious School 2nd and 3rd grade families to this service.

Friday, February 2

6:15 pm Shabbat Evening Service co-led by Rabbi Nosanchuk and Cantor Lapin

Friday, February 9

6:15 pm Shabbat Evening Service

Friday, February 16

6:15 pm Shabbat Evening Service,

Friday, February 23

6:15 pm Shabbat Evening Service. At this service, we will welcome our new Fairmount Temple members. We will also welcome our Religious School 4th and 5th grade families to this service.

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For Shabbat Morning Torah Study details, see page 3

BUILDING CONNECTIONS TO JUDAISM



One of the things I love so much about being Jewish is the way that we can connect to Judaism at different stages of our lives through different lenses. It seems that whatever I experience, there's a way to link it to a Jewish framework. And, as a rabbi, I see my role as a connector, connecting people to that which is holy: with our traditions, with our sacred texts, and perhaps most importantly with each other.

I'm excited to announce a few new ways we can gather together and connect with purpose and meaning:

First, I am offering a support group for people who identify as women who have experienced or are currently experiencing fertility struggles. We know that people of all gender identities have stories connecting to infertility, but this particular group will be for women only. Fertility challenges are often made taboo in modern American society, but our Jewish tradition names fertility issues as early in our people's shared story as our Genesis narratives. We'll gather together over the course of several months to share our own stories, hold space for each other, and feel supported and enriched by our community.

Next, we're starting a new program called *Bayit Circle: Establishing a Jewish Home in Community*. This circle is perfect for people who are wondering what it means to bring their Jewish identity into their home life. Have you ever wondered what kind of Jewish ritual objects are handy to have at home? Do you want to mark Jewish moments but aren't quite sure how yet? Join me and others who are examining how to set up a Jewish home with intention. We'll meet February through April in a community of practice, learning from each other, navigating different options, and finding ways to create authentic Jewish homes that fit our lifestyles and families.

I'm looking forward to finding new ways for us to connect in sacred spaces. If you know of someone who might love to connect with either of these newly launching groups, please let me know. Read below for more information about these offerings, and please be in touch with me if you have questions or want to learn more.

Fertility Support Group, begins Sunday, Feb. 4

Recognizing that infertility is a difficult journey for many, this monthly Fertility Journey Support Group is an opportunity for those experiencing fertility challenges to feel support and strength from each other. For this pilot group, we invite people who identify as women who have experienced infertility throughout their lives to join together at Fairmount Temple the first Sunday of the month from February - June. To learn more about the first gathering on Sunday, Feb. 4, reach out to me at emuhlbaum@fairmounttemple.org.

***Bayit Circle: Establishing a Jewish Home in Community*, begins Feb. 7**

Have you ever wondered what it means to create a Jewish home? Join together with other folks establishing Jewish homes to learn more about what it means to reflect your Jewish identity at home, from physical markers like a *mezuzah* to rituals marking Jewish moments and beyond. This circle is great for people who are single, moving in together, engaged or married, and is absolutely open to people who are in interfaith relationships. This special six-part series led by Rabbi Elle Muhlbaum, which is an opportunity to share and learn from others, will be offered on Wednesdays, Feb. 7 and 21, March 6 and 20, and April 3 and 19. The program will be home-hosted. To sign up or to learn more, please contact Yael Casselberry at ycasselberry@fairmounttemple.org.

- Rabbi Elle Muhlbaum, Emuhlbaum@fairmounttemple.org.

ADULT LEARNING, Virtual



NEW - Wednesday Morning Study Session, Jan. 10, 9:15 am

Since mid-November, our adult learners have been participating in a series of sessions, *An Abridged History of Zionism, and how Zionist ideas shaped the Creation of the*

Modern State of Israel.

On January 10, we welcome a special guest to close out this *Zionism* course. Relative to the present situation in Israel, **Uri Feinberg**, will join the Jan. 10 session. An Israeli educator, he was a tour guide for a number of congregational trips to Israel and will discuss the current state of affairs in Israel, as a citizen and father of two kids who are currently serving in the army.

Uri Feinberg has been a Jewish Educator for almost 30 years and a licensed tour guide since 1999. Born in the US, Uri grew up in Jerusalem. He has an MA in Contemporary Jewish Studies, and taught Jewish History for many years. Uri has spent his career working as a tour educator in Israel, has guided Jewish heritage trips in Europe and has lectured widely throughout North America on Jewish History, identity and the State of Israel. Uri and his wife Meryl have three daughters (two who are currently serving in combat units in the IDF), live in the city of Modiin, and are active members of their Reform congregation, YOZMA. Uri's experience has been driven by a clear desire to share the power of the Land and State of Israel, to strengthen Jewish identity and a connection with the Jewish People.



NEW - Wednesday Morning Study, 9:15 am, New Series Starting Jan. 17

Our member, **Rabbi Ben Sternman**, returns to leading a new four-week Wednesday Morning Learning series, *Extraordinary Talmud Tales*, from Jan. 17 - Feb. 7. After 10 years on its pulpit, Rabbi Sternman retired from Adat Chaverim in Plano, Texas, and moved back to the Cleveland area and joined Fairmount Temple.

When you look up the definition of 'Talmudic,' you sometimes see the following definition: "characterized by or making extremely fine distinctions; overly detailed or subtle; hairsplitting." Rabbi Sternman said, "Personally, I think they've just been reading the wrong parts. In this series, we'll only be studying the good parts: stories from the Talmud that are sometimes funny, sometimes serious, but always meaningful. Stories will include a tree that moves, why Rabbi Yirmiyah got kicked out of the House of Study, and a gay love story between two rabbis. None of them will be boring."



Shabbat Torah Study, Saturdays, 9:15 am

Each Shabbat morning, join together for an engaging study of the weekly Torah portion. In our sessions, led by Rabbi Elle Muhlbaum, we look to traditional and contemporary texts to gain understanding of how our Torah relates to life today. Learners of all levels are

welcome, and Hebrew knowledge is not required.

To register for learning opportunities, members can email AdultEd@fairmounttemple.org to receive the Zoom link.

Did you know we have an active committee who are creating new avenues of borrowing books from our Arthur J. Lelyveld Center for Jewish Learning?

Our Library Committee, chaired by Myra Stone, is still ordering new books and making them available in the Commons area. If you see a book you'd like to borrow, just grab it, fill out a small card near the shelves, and enjoy the book. You can also still stop by the Lelyveld Library for other selections.



CIVIL RIGHTS HISTORIC TRIP WITH RABBI CARUSO AND CANTOR SAGER, APRIL 16-19

Activism and Supporting Civil Rights have long been part of our Fairmount Temple History. Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld (Senior Rabbi, 1958-1986), was a social justice leader and was active in the Civil Rights movement of the 1960s. He participated in Freedom Summer, registering Black voters in the South. On one trip, he was beaten with a tire iron, an image captured by a photographer and shared world-wide.



From April 16-19, Cantor Laureate Sarah Sager and Rabbi Joshua Caruso will lead a **Civil Rights Historic Trip** in and around Montgomery, Alabama. The trip will include a visit to Selma, an opportunity to walk across the Edmund Pettus Bridge, a visit to the Rosa Parks Museum, and a tour of The Legacy Museum in Montgomery which chronicles America's history of racial injustice.



We already have a good number of congregants who have signed up for this opportunity, but some spots are still available.

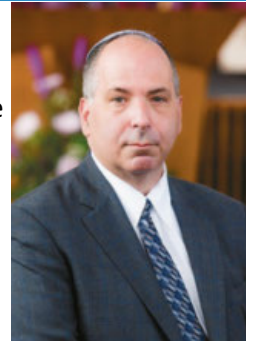
To learn more and sign up for this trip, April 16-19, email Barb Smith at Bsmith@fairmounttemple.org. A limited number of spots are available.



Photo credit National parks System-Selma to Montgomery Marches

STANDING WITH ISRAEL

Since October 7, communities such as Fairmount Temple have felt our hearts ache as we witness the violent war in the Middle East sparked by Hamas' deadly invasion into Israel. The staggering number of deaths was already a source of trauma. The huge numbers of civilians taken captive into Gaza begged of us to advocate for the release of such hostages. But details have now been verified showing that rape, mutilation and other forms of abuse and sexual assault were used by Hamas to cruelly dehumanize our people which makes it even harder to trust the safety of so many hostages remaining under duress in Gaza.



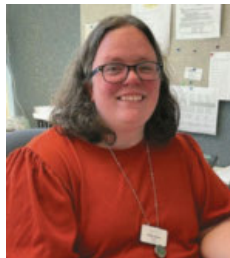
We stand with Israel in its fight against Hamas threats to repeat massacres like Oct. 7. Our concerns have grown as we've witnessed a massive spike in antisemitism. We've prayed together with interfaith partners and been appreciative to allied faith leaders sensitive to our pain and vulnerability. Also, our hearts also hurt as we learn of growing Palestinian casualties of the war between Israel and Hamas. A humanitarian crisis is drawing near in Gaza, with thousands in harm's way and Hamas leaders cruelly stealing from humanitarian aid meant for civilians. We yearn for a day when each of our peoples live freely and at peace and without the threatening, corrupt and dangerous advance of Hamas subjugating the lives of both Israelis and Palestinians.

At Fairmount Temple, we continue to share healing prayers, programs, and study opportunities to help you reflect on the what differentiates the world after Hamas invaded Israel on Oct. 7 from the world before that day. We pledge to continue to identify resources and projects to help you in advocacy to leaders, such as the newly launched 10/7 Project (www.the10-7project.com) to fight against hostile accusations being unleashed at the State of Israel and fast-rising antisemitism on multiple fronts.

Visit Fairmount Temple during business hours to obtain one of a limited number of lawn signs we've received from Jewish Federation of Cleveland. The sign message says of the hostages: "Bring Them Home." Also, join us at Fairmount Temple on Friday, Jan. 12, when we honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with special guests addressing *The Place of Non-Violence in a Violent World*.

Am Yisrael Chai,
Robert Nosanchuk, Senior Rabbi

Exciting News From Our EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM



In our last Connections, we shared that our Early Childhood Program (ECP), under the direction of Holly Green, learned that Fairmount Temple is one of the first 50 preschools in the state of Ohio whose staff will receive training to earn inclusion certification, enabling to better welcome children with special

needs to our program!

Now, we're announcing that beginning January 8, Fairmount Temple's ECP has a new Infant Care Program available for families seeking full-time childcare for their infants from 8 weeks-12 months. Spots are limited and available for full-time care. If a spot is open, those on the waiting list seeking part-time care will be contacted.

Interested in learning more about our Early Childhood Program, reach out to Holly Green at Hgreen@fairmounttemple.org or 216-464-1330.

SIMCHAT SHABBAT Jan. 20 and Feb. 10

Families with kids ages 0-5+, come sing, dance and play in celebration of Shabbat every month with us! Feel free to bring siblings and grandparents to be part of the joyful Shabbat morning gathering. **Join us on Saturdays, Jan. 20, and Feb. 10 at 11 am.**

To be sure we have enough challah, RSVP requested to Ekleckner@fairmounttemple.org.



Mazel Tov! Our Consecration Class of 5784 received a special blessing from our clergy under the chuppah at our December 8 Shabbat Evening Service celebrating Chanukah. Families, like Jeremy Umansky with his two daughters (upper right), lit their own chanukkiot and Rabbi Nosanchuk (sporting a Chanukah onesie) led the singing of the Dreidel song. Pictured on front cover are the Taryn & Andy Isaacs family next to Gemma Anderson. Following the festive service, everyone enjoyed a special Chanukah Oneg as well as family activities. *Thanks to all who made this Service so special!*

CARING COMMUNITY

Would you like to help us throughout the year by building caring connections within our community?

Collecting New Socks and Underwear for Those in Need, Beginning the Shabbat Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. (Jan. 12)

Our annual collection for the Homeless Stand Down, a one-day event in Cleveland providing essential goods and services to those in need, will begin Friday, Jan. 12, the Shabbat honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, through Sunday, January 28. This year, we've been asked to collect new underwear and socks, for men and women. Collection bins will be outside our entrance or you can order online in the link found in our weekly eblasts.

Community Kitchen, Baking, Mondays, Jan. 8 and Feb. 5, 2 pm

Join us on January 8 as we bake sweet treats that will be delivered during shiva to temple members who have lost loved one. The gift of these homemade treats is always appreciated. On February 5, volunteers will be baking hamantaschen. These delicious cookies will be delivered to many of our older members with best wishes for a joyful Purim. We are also always looking for "delivery people."

If you can help by baking or helping on occasion by picking up and dropping off a shiva tray or hamantaschen treat bag, contact Wendy Jacobson, Caring Community Coordinator, at wjacobson@fairmounttemple.org or 216-464-1330.

TEXAS HOLD'EM FUNDRAISER MARCH 7



Thursday, March 7, 7 pm

Try your luck, have some fun, maybe walk away as a winner at our sixth

Texas Hold'em Tournament!

CASH PRIZES * 50/50 SPLIT

- 6 p.m.** Registration Opens, Dinner/Snacks/Beverages served.
Open to Fairmount Temple members and guests
- 7 p.m.** Tournament begins!
\$100 per person buy-in, with \$50 rebuy-in
Minimum age for all players is 21 years old
- **RSVP and Pay online** with credit card: www.fairmounttemple.org, under "Give"
- **Call in or email** your reservation to Barb Smith. 216-464-1330 or Bsmith@fairmounttemple.org

RSVP DEADLINE is Thursday, Feb. 29, 2024. Chaired by Adam Young



The Greater Cleveland Congregations (GCC), of which Fairmount Temple is proud to be one of the co-founders, recently shared their efforts to advance justice for all in our community.

Here are just a few highlights:

- Working to ensure children in our juvenile justice system get the highest quality representation possible by pushing Cuyahoga County Council to allocate more funds for the Juvenile Public Defender's Office.
- Expanding their successful neighborhood captain model to increase participation in our democracy in the critical 2024 election by expanding GCC's outreach to an even greater number of low-propensity-voting neighborhoods.
- Training a pool of youth from Cleveland and its suburbs in the tenets of effective organizing and sending them out with adult counterparts to build relationships within their communities.
- Employing our organizing power in partnership with quality healthcare providers to launch an initiative to provide locally based, accessible primary care to residents in the Lee-Harvard neighborhood of Cleveland.

GCC is recognized in Northeastern Ohio as an organization that brings together people across race, religion and geography to take on tough issues and get results that make a real difference.

To learn more about GCC's plans for 2024, and to get involved, reach out to our GCC Chair, David Biegel, at david.biegel@case.edu.

IN MEMORIAM

BARBARA BERNIS

Wife of **Sheldon Bernis**, mother of **Justin Bernis (Lisa)**, Jamie Bernis, Jonathan Bernis (Patti), and Jordan Bernis (Amy)

GLORIA FRISCH

Mother of Douglas Frisch (Diane), Terri Garfinkel (Howard) and Barbara Frisch-Klopper (Paul)

IRMA KAHN

Mother of Andrea Kahn (Jimi Kinkaid), Julie Slater (Mark) and Deborah Kahn, z'l

HILDEGARD KERMAN

Keith Kerman (Debra Leizman), Mark Kerman (Marsha Moseley), Karen Kerman (John Donoghue), and Simmie Kerman (Steven Aarons)

TANYA KRILL

Mother of Elisa Jackson (Richard) and Daniel Krill (Fannie)

GRACE ORDIN

Mother of Laurie (Howard) Rose and Dr. Dede Ordin (James Seaton)

SHEILAH ORKIN

Mother of Marilyn Weinberg and sister of **Nedra Rotsky**

SHELDON PICKUS

Father of Randy Pickus (Lauren), Melody Hughes (Dan), and Heather Allen (Randy)

DR. ROBERT SCHWARTZ

Husband of **Sandra Schwartz**, father of **Steven Schwartz (Lori)**, Lora Lewis (David), Karen Lippmann, and Lisa Goldman (Neil)

ELAYNE SIMKOFF

Mother of Martha Barone (Richard) and Dr. William Simkoff (Mary Nell) and sister-in-law of **Ronald Simkoff (Loramae)**

Our condolences to:

Jeff Bilsky (Marilyn) on the loss of his brother, Steven Bilsky.

Diane Collier on the loss of her mother, Armine Diamond.

Celia Hollander Lewis on the loss of her husband, and **Iris Hollander November** on the loss of her son-in-law, Charlie Lewis.

Aaron Weisenberg (Whitney) on the loss of his father Dennis Weisenberg.

BIMAH FLOWERS

Week Ending Jan. 12-13: Karen Borstein and Debra Jan Borstein in loving memory of father, Jerome Borstein.

Week Ending Jan. 19-20: Roger Yedid in loving memory of wife, Marcella Yedid, mother and father, Dr. Lilly S. Molho & Saul Mohlo.

Week Ending Jan. 26-27: Karen Borstein and Debra Jan Borstein in loving memory of mother, Loretta Borstein.

Week Ending Feb. 9-10: In memory of Morton Rousuck on the anniversary of his yahrzeit.

Week Ending Feb. 16-17: Lois Gaynor, Debbie and Lisa, in loving memory of husband, father and grandfather, Donald Gaynor, and daughter and sister, Amy Gaynor.

MAZEL TOV TO:

Stephanie & Todd Bluffestone on the marriage of their son, Cory Bluffestone, to Zoe Felber.

Melinda & Martin Davidson on the marriage of their daughter, and **Evie & Gordon Safran**, on the marriage of their granddaughter, Jessica Davidson, to Collin Fernandes.

Sarah Foster & Rabbi Chase Foster on the birth of their daughter, Pearl Avery Foster.

Kathryn & David Hexter on the birth of their granddaughter, and **Sally & Stanley Wertheim** on the birth of their great granddaughter, Sally Bess Jacobs, daughter of Abby & Mike Jacobs.

Julie & Steven Manning on the engagement of their daughter, Molly Manning, to Alex Polishuk.

Emma & Emily Maszi on the birth of their daughter, Ruth Shiloh Maszi.

Joan & Mort Rogoff on the marriage of their granddaughter, Kelsi Moses, to Alec Nyman.

Leah Ratner & Paul Sobel on the marriage of their son, and **Louise Chesler** on the marriage of her grandson, Jeremy Chesler, to Taylor Mullin.

Sandy & Terry Silver on the engagement of their son, Kevin Silver, to Kasey Walther, and the birth of their granddaughter, Lila Sadie Silver, daughter of Natalie & Gregg Silver.

Loramae & Ronald Simkoff on the marriage of their granddaughter Shaina Harrison to Aidan Simenc and the birth of their great-grand daughter, Mirah Simkoff-Iqbal, daughter of Jodie Simkoff & Rehan Iqbal.

Leah Ratner and Paul Sobel on the marriage of their son, and **Louise Chesler** on the marriage of her grandson, Jeremy Chesler, to Taylor Mullin.

Marci Zabell on the birth of her granddaughter, Inara Bone, daughter of Ryan & Heather Bone.



THE MEZUZAH PROJECT

If you or a loved one have relocated recently or are planning to move in the year ahead, the Tamid Initiative at Fairmount Temple wants to send a mezuzah from Fairmount Temple, and a kit with everything you need to bless your new home. The Mezuzah Project is perfect for college students, recent graduates, newlyweds, and anyone else relocating. If you're living in a new place, we'd love to help you mark it with blessings!

Our Tamid Initiative, supported by the Tamid Fund begun in the summer of 2019 in honor of Rabbi Nosanchuk, strives in particular to create meaningful ongoing connection with Jewish life for emerging adults, and with this project we aim to connect with folks of any age. To request a kit for yourself or a loved one, please visit: www.tinyurl.com/ACFTmezuzah.

JANUARY MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES

2	Norman & Cheryl Gutmacher	52	16	Charles & Frances Debordeau	64
2	Gerald & Ruth Dombcik	64	16	Norman & Patricia Singer	65
10	Michael & Diane Waldman	53	29	Joseph & Phyllis Kalk	68
14	James & Terry Marcus	35	30	Morris & Doris Sugerman	69
16	David & Jill Katz	25			

FEBRUARY MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES

1	Karen Brooker & Collette Johns	20	14	Barbara & Sidney Bostic	20
4	Stuart & Lora Berkowitz	40	17	Burt & Carole Laderman	61
5	Steve & Carolyn Shakno	30	18	Russell & Joan Horwich	40



Thank You to our Men of FT for their gift of a chanukkiot to each of our Religious School first graders, and **to our Women of FT** who gifted all our Religious School students a box of chanukkiot candles!

JANUARY MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS

James Aronoff
Jill Azok
Joseph Azok
Beatrice Gloria Blumenthal
Richard Bogomolny
James Brickenden
Heidi Chylla
Richard Cohen
Melvin Cohn
Dale Cowan
Paula Dreyfuss
Iris Edelman
Ayal Epstein
Erika Eskenazi
Dan Feinstein
Maureen Feinstein
Gerald Glassberg
Joan Glassberg
John Goldblum
Shirley Gordon
Howard Greene
Craig Kamen
Nancy Katz
Judith B. Kaufman
Burt Laderman
Donna Levine
Lorelle Magid
David Mandel
Bruce Mittleman
Marilyn C. Nudelman
Edith Paller
Judith Rosenthal
Judith L. Rubin
Nathan Schneider
Chad Schreibman
Robert Seidemann
Akeesha Shah
Sanford Meyer Shore
Amy Southard
Gerald Spott
Tony Venezia
Whitney Weisenberg
Merna Wolfe
Amy Zlotnik

Milestones listed recognize birthdays celebrated every five years after age 40, and every year after age 85; and anniversaries celebrated the first year, every five years, and every year after 50. If you don't wish to have your milestone printed, reach out to Laura Munson at Lmunson@fairmounttemple.org.

B'NAI MITVAH

Saturday, January 13 -
JADE DAVID MEYER
Child of Kat & Eric Meyer



Saturday,
January 13 -
ELIANNA KLEIN
Child of Erica & Neil
Klein and
Jennifer Finney

FEBRUARY MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS

Ken Adler
Lawrence Axelrod
Shanna Berlas
Saul Bialostosky
Harold Leslie Blumenthal
Louise Chesler
Lynne Marcus Cohen
Georgiana Duber
Mary Freeman
Margaret Friedman
Steven Goldberg
Phyllis Kalk
Amy Kinstlinger
Dolores Kleinman
Esther Lander
Ruth Lester
Allison Levine
Barbara Lurie
Robert Lurie
Jeffrey Pearl
Debby Rapoport
Charles Rich
Deborah Rosenthal
Philip Schenk
Harriet Udelson
Robert Ulmer
Suzanne Ruth Wolf
Robert Young



WOMEN OF FAIRMOUNT TEMPLE

Tuesdays, January 9 and March 12, 11 am

Virtual Torah learning sessions, *The Prophets: Inspiration, Vision and Their Voice for Today*, with Diane Lavin, Education Consultant. To participate via Zoom, reach out to Diane at Dianelavin60@gmail.com.

Tuesday, January 9, 1 pm

Virtual presentation by Mohammad Darawshe, Director of Strategy, Center of Shared Society - *Givat Chaviva: Combating Polarization, Building a Shared Society for Jewish and Arab Citizens of Israel*. He will discuss the evolution of Jewish-Arab relations since the creation of the State of Israel through today. He holds a master's degree in Peace and Conflict Management from Haifa University and is a Robert Bosch Academy Fellow and faculty member at the Hartman Institute.

Monday, January 22, 7 pm

Virtual presentation by Dr. Leslie Cho, director of the Cleveland Clinic's Women's Cardiovascular Center: *Women's Heart Health: With a Healthy Heart... the Beat Goes On*. Heart disease isn't just a man's disease... it's the No. 1 killer of women in the U.S. each year.

Tuesday, February 13, 7 pm

Jewish Changemakers in 2024: What is a Jewish activist? What kind of feminist-based activism work are teens involved with in 2024? What activism work have you been involved in? Participants will have the opportunity to tell their own story, contribute to the timeline of feminism and more. Join this panel discussion and explore these questions with Paige GoldMarche, Director of the Meyer-Gottesman *Kol Koleinu* Teen Feminist Fellowship; Rachel Penzner, a *Kol Koleinu* Teen Leader; Michele Scher, mentor; and Rachel's mom Julie Penzner.

Tuesday, February 27, 1 pm

Virtual presentation from Oasis of Peace to discuss *Neve Shalom/What al-SALAM* is Hebrew and Arabic for *Oasis of Peace*: is a village of Palestinian and Jewish citizens of Israel dedicated to building justice, peace and equality in the country and the region.

Virtual Book/Movie Discussions

Tuesday, Jan. 2, 4 pm - *Black Cake* by Charmaine Wilkerson

Thursday, Jan. 4, 4 pm - Film discussion of *Frybread Face and Me* (Netflix)

Monday, Jan. 8, 7 pm - *Midnight Library* by Matt Haig

Tuesday, Feb. 6, 4 pm - *Strength in What Remains* by Tracy Kidder

Monday, Feb. 12, 7 pm - *Killers of the Flower Moon* by David Grann

All the above programs are virtual via Zoom. To register for these programs, email Janice Hirshon at Jchirshon@gmail.com



Our Women of FT enjoyed a wonderful Chanukah party together!

PERPETUAL YAHRZEITS

Week Ending January 5-6, 2024

Estelle Abrams
Sol Babbush
Martha Bauer
Susan J. Beigh
James L. Bell
Edward Blaugrund
William Borstein
William W. Bruml
Fred Bukstein
Mildred Cohen
Albert D. Cole
Ben F. Corday
Jacob Davidson
Shirley G. Dobrin
Karl Dworkin
Herman Federman
Frances H. Feiner
Arthur L. Feldman
Esther G. Feldman
Birdie Frankel
Howard A. Freed
Nathan K. Freeman
Benjamin Freyer
Sarah G. Friedl
Lois Gage
Author H. Ganger
Edward Ginsberg
Kennard Everett Goodman
Lillian G. Grodin
George B. Gross
Elsie Grossberger
Marie Grossman
Morris M. Grossman
Isidor Gutman
Isidor J. Hays
Irving Herlands
Marie Rosenberg Herman
Garson Holdstein
Benjamin Hopfman
Elizabeth Karp
Edward Katovsky
Emilie Keller
Flora Lax
Rose Miller Levy
Alice Friedman Lissauer
Rose Loeb
Dr. Moses I. Marks
Madyline Marmaros
Penny Marmaros
Henrietta Brust Mize
Rita Klein Moses
Samuel A. Moss
Elaine Newman
Joseph Newman
Hannah Newmarker
Edmund C. Paller
Frieda Pantzer
Abraham Paris
Edward L. Pavell
Joseph Polster

Lulu K. Printz
Fannie Reich
Henry Reiss
Scott David Relman
Harry M. Rhodes
Howard F. Robbins
Margaret Rose
Lila Kahn Rosen
Carolyn Roush
Abe Rubin
Minnie B. Schultz
Edith M. Schwartz
Charles Shane, Sr.
Bertha Shapet
Louis N. Slavin
Phil Sobel
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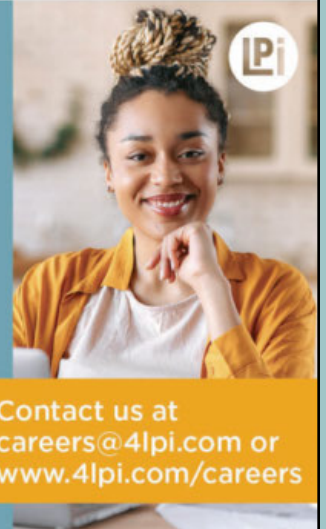
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STAYING UPDATED ABOUT POSSIBLE TEMPLE UNIFICATION

As Fairmount Temple continues conversations about unification with The Temple-Tifereth Israel, we offer many ways to keep our Fairmount Temple membership informed of the process. As this issue went to press, a Memorandum of Understanding had been approved by both the Executive Board on Nov. 7 and the full Board on Nov. 27. How to stay updated:

Website

On website's homepage, fairmounttemple.org, you'll find a box titled **Unification Updates** with the newest stories/email links/updates.

Weekly Eblasts

Every week, usually Wednesdays around 4 pm, Fairmount Temple generates a temple-wide eblast, called *E-Connections*. These weekly updates includes current updates about the Unification process, the yahrzeit list to be read at that week's service, member news and more.

If you're not receiving the weekly communication to your email, reach out to Lmunson@fairmounttemple.org

Connections Printed Newsletter

The bi-monthly *Connections* printed newsletter is mailed to members homes, and virtual copy available on our website under "What's New."



Conversations with Clergy

If you missed the Dec. 3 clergy program, you will find the video link on our website under **Unification Updates**. **Save the date for the Friday, Jan. 19 Shabbat Service** when each temple welcomes some clergy from the other temple at services.