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Cantor Martin to retire in June 2020

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Sisterhood's 10th Anniversary Shabbat to honor founders

All congregants invited
to celebration dinner
and service on Jan. 11th

By MARSHA FENSIN
Sisterhood Shabbat Chair

The January 11th Shabbat service will be different from all others. That's because the Sisterhood members will be leading the service. It's Sisterhood Shabbat, with a special twist: Sisterhood is honoring its founders as it celebrates its 10th anniversary.

The entire synagogue has benefited in some way from the good deeds of Sisterhood, and Sisterhood has benefited from the support of the synagogue — its members, its staff and its leadership. So let's all get together to provide a warm feeling inside and forget for a few hours that we are living in Wisconsin in January.

As we know, through its good works, Sisterhood is not just about eating corned beef sandwiches at the annual Deli Dinner or learning that a fine eight-year-old cheddar can sell for more than \$60 a pound.

But what's a Jewish function without food? A



Marsha Fensin photo

Alice Lambie, left, and Gail Jones were among early Sisterhood presidents.

light *pareve* meal will be provided for all congregants beginning at 6 p.m., followed by the service at 7 p.m. **Carol O'Neil**, the chair for the meal, likens the dinner to a Saturday *kiddush*.

RSVP for the dinner to Carol at caroljo@tds.net or 920-699-3682 by Jan. 7th.

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CEEW SISTERHOOD FOUNDERS

Alice Lambie
Ann Meyers
Arlene Spanier
Cindy Levy
Arlene Shelley
Mardi Smirl
Sally Pass
Barb Zacher
Anita Ward
Beth Raimond
Deb Hacker
Carol O'Neil
Beth Ann Waite
Marsha Fensin
Gail Jones
Debra Pass
Gail Adams



LET CANTOR MARTIN AND CARING COMMITTEE KNOW: Do you know a Temple member who is ill or in need of spiritual support of any kind (i.e. loss of job, divorce, difficult life transitions, etc.)? You can contact Cantor Martin at 608-698-4363 or spiritualleader@waukeshatemple.org, or contact a member of CEEW's Caring Committee.

Retirement will mean more time for family, travel and relaxation

"I have learned and grown with you in exploring new ways to improve our congregation in worship, education and programming."

This month's bulletin article has been difficult to write. After much thought and consideration, I have decided not to renew my contract after it ends on June 30th, 2020. Then it will be time for me to retire.

It has been very rewarding and fulfilling to be your spiritual leader these past five years, and I will cherish the time I have had with this very special congregation. We have laughed together at *simchas* (occasions of happiness) and cried together at sad occasions. I have learned and grown with you in exploring new ways to improve our congregation in worship, education and programming. I hope you feel you have benefitted from the things I have brought to our congregation.

However, soon it will be time for me to spend more time with my family and to be more available to them. It will be time for more travel and relaxation. I will likely continue teaching and doing lifecycle events, but I want it to be truly a part-time work schedule with more flexibility.

I know many of you will be disappointed. This was a very difficult decision for me, since I love this congregation and wish only the best for your future.

I will be here as you transition to a new Spiritual Leader, and I will help in the process as much as needed as you seek



CANTOR DEBORAH MARTIN

From the Spiritual Leader's Desk



Marsha Fensin photo

Lia Ecker, left, and **Maddie Baumann** help lead the Chanukah Shabbat service on Dec. 7th.

a great replacement. I look forward to helping that person succeed.

BIG CONCERT PLANNED FOR THIS SPRING

Of course, I will be very active with CEEW until my retirement. I am planning a big concert this spring, one that will be educational and entertaining as it teaches about Jewish music from

Here's your chance to be on stage

Purim play rehearsals to begin in mid-January

Purim is coming on Sunday, March 24th.

Please let **Cantor Martin** know if you are interested in being in the Purim play this year, and let her know if you sing or want strictly a speaking part.

Rehearsals will begin in mid-January, and a schedule will be available soon.

"Take part in the fun and merriment and be in the Purim shpiel," Cantor Martin said.

different eras and locations.

It will be a fundraiser to help boost our endowment process. I will be asking for sponsors for this event, and if you are interested in sponsoring it, please let me or Laurie Schwartz know. We also will be selling ads for the program, so if you would like to advertise your business in our program, please let us know.

All proceeds, including my \$1,300 remuneration from Carroll University for doing this concert, will be going toward the endowment. That will be my gift to CEEW as it starts its new endowment process.

I still have a year and a half with you, and I plan on making this time very fruitful and rewarding for all of us. I will savor my time with you; you will be my last congregation as a full-time clergy person.

It has been a blessing to have been your spiritual leader.

ISRAEL TRIP EARLY-BIRD SPECIAL EXTENDED:

CEEW and Temple Israel of Duluth, Minn., are teaming up for a journey to Israel next fall, led by **Cantor Martin** and **Rabbi David Steinberg**. The trip is from Oct. 27th to Nov. 7th (with an optional extension to visit Eilat and Petra in Jordan).

"I truly hope you will be able to join me on this trip," Cantor Martin said. "You cannot really experience Israel from afar by pictures alone. The experience is so hands-on, spiritually and physically. Being on the spots where our ancient ancestors travelled and where our history began is a special experience, and I hope to share it with you. We are extending our early-bird special to Jan. 10th, for those of you still thinking about this trip."

Ayelet has provided a website (<http://secure.ayelet.com/Martin2019.aspx>) where you can sign up for the trip. Contact Cantor Martin if you have any questions.



DON'T FORGET FOOD BIN: We are reminded that if each of us brings a food item for the Waukesha Food Pantry each time we come to Temple, the bin could be overflowing. Also, the tzedakah box in the upstairs lobby is dedicated to the Waukesha Food Pantry. Please help.

As Cantor Martin announces her retirement date ...

Search committee to seek replacement for 'energetic, compassionate, well-prepared' spiritual leader

As you read in Cantor Martin's column on Page 2, our spiritual leader will be retiring at the conclusion of her contract on June 30th, 2020.

We have been blessed to have in **Deborah Martin** an energetic, compassionate and well-prepared professional for the past five years.

Debby came to us in the nick of time, so to speak. The timing of **Rabbi Adams's** departure to his new position made the timeline for hiring a new Rabbi nearly impossible. We had a template for how to go about the selection process from the Central Conference of American Rabbis (the professional organization for Reform Rabbis).

Unfortunately, new graduates from Hebrew Union College and the contract year for those already working was out of sync with our needs.

We had a few months to consider the qualities we wanted in a new Rabbi, and many of you participated in the process. Fortunately, Cantor Martin fit many of those qualities and was able to come to us right away, with almost no time to transition.

This time we have many factors working in our favor.

First, we have a competent spiritual leader to continue providing spiritual, educational and pastoral services for us while we undertake our search process. Cantor Martin has told us she will assist in the transition process.

Second, our community now has enough time to carefully consider the qualities and qualifications of her replacement. Our board must tell the CCAR by the first week of December 2019, that we are seeking a rabbi for our community (assuming we wish to



ANN MEYERS

From the CEEW President's Desk



Adrian Richfield photo

From left: **Julia Christian, Jonah Sulman, Milo Patz, Henry Cornale, Laura Gacek** and **Zach Baumann** help **Cantor Martin** and teacher **Marie Loeffler** during the Chanukah Shabbat service on Dec. 7th.

hire a rabbi).

The process will allow us to examine other issues as well. For instance, if we choose to have a rabbi rather than a cantor as spiritual leader, how will we meet our cantorial needs? As we explore these questions and others, we are also describing the kind of community we wish to be in the coming years. That information will be invaluable as we make decisions about programs, budgets, etc.

If we are to be able to communicate our clergy needs clearly, we must begin the process we completed last time (focus groups, etc.) soon. To that end, the board will be assembling a

search committee that will include our personnel committee, some board members and congregants. Please let me know if you are interested in some aspect of the work, as there will be various tasks such as information-gathering, tabulation, interviewing, etc.

I am hopeful and ambitious about our future at CEEW. My attitude would be the same had Cantor Martin continued with us. But we — *all* of us as a community — will need to find a new spiritual guide to light our way.

I hope everyone, including our young ones, will partake in this sacred search.



B'NAI MITZVAH COORDINATOR SOUGHT: Cantor Martin is looking for someone to help our B'nai Mitzvah families so they have someone they can contact for the logistics of the service: 1. How to get the key; 2. Whom to call if they need to open the sanctuary wall; 3. Whom to contact about doing an oneg or doing a reception at CEEW.

All congregants invited to join students at Tu B'shevat Seder on Jan. 27th

January on the Jewish calendar is the month of shevat, which contains the holiday of Tu B'shevat, the 15th day of the month of shevat, or the celebration of the new year of the trees.

It is hard to think about planting trees or a harvest holiday in Wisconsin in January, but in Israel, it is the very beginning of the planting season and many people donate to the Jewish National Fund to plant trees in Israel.

Besides planting trees in Israel, one custom is to eat a new fruit on this day, or to eat from the Seven Species (shivat haminim) described in the Bible as being abundant in the land of Israel. Shivat Haminim are: wheat, barley, grapes (vines), figs, pomegranates, olives and dates (honey). (Deut. 8:8).

Reformjudaism.org states that in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, Tu B'shevat received renewed attention and importance. The kabbalists created a special ritual, modeled after the Passover seder, which celebrated God's presence in the natural world.

The Tu B'shevat seder, full of imagery and symbolism, is divided into four sections that represent the four seasons. As with the Passover seder, the Tu B'shevat seder evolved to include four cups of wine or grape juice, but in varying shades of red, which represent the seasons: white for the bleak time of winter, white with a bit of red to represent the earth's awakening in early spring, red with a bit of white representing the blossoming of late spring, and dark red to represent the fullness of all the growing plants and vegetation along with the heat of summer.

It is also custom to eat fruits of three types: fruits with tough outer shells and edible interiors (melons, peanuts, pome-



CARRIE BARBAKOFF

From the Education Director's Desk



Left: Education Director **Carrie Barbakoff**, **Ava Koszarek** and **Esme Patz** get happy during the Chanukah Shabbat service on Dec. 7th. Above: **Milo Patz** dresses as a dreidel.

Adrian Richfield photos

granates, coconuts, citrus, etc.), fruits with edible exteriors and inedible pits (dates, olives, plums, peaches, apples, etc.) and fruits that are entirely edible (berries, figs, grapes, etc.).

Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha's Religious School will host an intergenerational Tu B'shevat seder at 10 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 27th.

TIME TO BEGIN THINKING ABOUT SUMMER CAMPS

Although it is winter, for many families January is also time to start thinking about summer plans. If you are considering overnight or day camp for

your child, there are many options with Jewish components in the greater Milwaukee area to consider.

Jewish camping is a unique opportunity for our students to interact with other Jewish kids their age in a fun and exciting non-school environment.

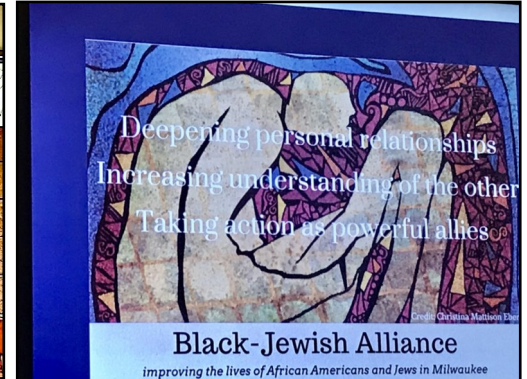
Please contact me for suggestions via email: eddirector@waukeshatemple.org

WELCOME BACK BREAKFAST SET FOR JAN. 6th

Jan. 6th will be a welcome back to Religious School breakfast for all students and parents following the winter break from school.



CONTACT ADMINISTRATOR ON RECENT DEATHS: Contact Administrator Marie Loeffler prior to a service to add a name of a relative or friend to the recent list of those who have died.



Adrian Richfield photos

Molly Dubin, curator at the Jewish Museum Milwaukee, spoke at CEEW on Nov. 28th during an Adult Education Committee program entitled *Allied in the Fight: Jews, Blacks and the Struggle for Civil Rights*.

SLOPPY JOE and a MOVIE

Saturday, Jan. 19th

5:30 p.m. (program begins with Havdalah)

\$12 per person

RSVP to **Alice Lambie** with names and check made out to CEEW by **Thursday, Jan. 17th**

Alice Lambie, PO Box 764, Pewaukee, WI 53072

Questions? Contact Alice Lambie (alambie@wi.rr.com)

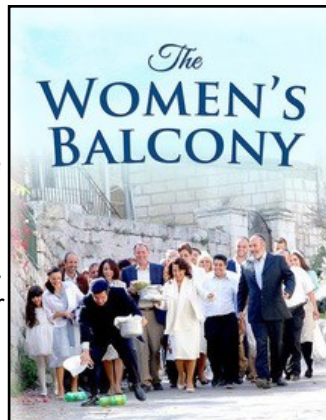
MOVIE SYNOPSIS (by **Adrian Richfield**, Adult Ed co-chair and Bulletin co-editor, from various reviews): The small Jewish community in this film is tight knit and they are truly a "we" congregation.

The film takes place in Jerusalem and the movie was a big box office hit throughout Israel.

During a bar mitzvah, a most unfortunate accident occurs when the women's balcony collapses. This severely injures the Rabbi's wife, sending her to the hospital and putting the Rabbi into tailspin that leaves him unable to function.

Into the chaos that ensues comes a more orthodox rabbi from the neighborhood who decides this congregation may need to become more observant and more orthodox from his perspective. How this plays out among the women of the congregation as well as the men becomes the core of the film. Without their beloved Rabbi as their leader, the congregation has pressing issues to address including the rebuilding, a new Torah scroll and of course, the "problem" with the women.

Come enjoy an interesting yet humorous film and wonderful dinner with our congregation. Family and friends are always welcome at Adult Education programs.



On Saturday, June 8th, at 5:30 p.m., the CEEW Adult Education Committee will hold its annual year-end event, this year titled: ***You Must Have Been a Beautiful Baby!***

One fun feature will be our poster board of ba-



by and youth pictures of our CEEW members, and a contest to guess who is who. There will be hints for each picture, and each month the bulletin will feature a few baby pictures for you to ponder and guess the identity of the baby.

GUESS WHO THIS IS

(If you know, SHHHHHH! (until June 8th))

She is a long-time member of CEEW, has held board positions over the years, and is a proud supporter and helper around our synagogue.





WEATHER CLOSINGS: Weather related (and other) closings at the synagogue will be posted on WTMJ TV4 (Channel 4) and WISN-TV (Channel 12).

Chanukah Fun Day in school on Dec. 2nd

Marie Loeffler photos





GIFT SHOP HOURS: Fridays from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., and some Sunday mornings. To arrange additional times, contact Judy Shabman (jshabman@att.net).

Sisterhood examines its history and thanks its founders

As 2019 begins, it's time to look back on the past 10 years of our Sisterhood's history: our hopes, commitments and accomplishments.

Our Sisterhood priorities of 2009 hold true as we begin 2019. The "checklist of priorities" expressed at our Feb. 4th, 2009, steering committee meeting could apply today.

In 2010, our Sisterhood founders listed the following priorities:

- To provide women in the congregation with a sense of identity and belonging;
- To provide worship and other spiritual opportunities for women;
- To promote Jewish living and strengthen Jewish family life;
- To serve the general Waukesha County community (Jefferson and Walworth counties included);
- To provide educational and intellectually stimulating programming for women;
- To provide opportunities for women to help others: *g'milut chasidim* (good deeds);
- To ensure the congregation is warm and welcoming;
- To provide programming for the congregation;
- To provide women with opportunities for Jewish study and learning.

The Sisterhood founders were well aware of women's issues in 2009, and emphasized those concerns by placing them first and foremost on their original list of priorities.

Founders recommended higher optional membership rates emphasizing the names of important Jewish women leaders. Therefore, Sisterhood founders adopted the following dues structure/categories: Rachael \$36; Leah \$54; Rebecca \$108; and Sara \$180. It's important to note that Sisterhood membership dues are the same today as adopted in 2009-10, with the same recognition of women in leadership roles.

Programming in 2010-11 included



Jewish genealogy, Talmud and women's history. The Marge Eiseman program on Jewish culture was presented on June 5th, 2010.

Moving forward in 2019, Sisterhood anticipates expanding Jewish programming with a focus on new and innovative programs of interest to all congregants. We echo the same request as documented in our Feb. 2009 minutes stating: "We would welcome a program chair on our Board of Directors willing to submit ideas and arrange future Sisterhood programs." This position was filled in 2010, and we hope to fill the position in 2019.

Additional projects discussed and implemented in 2010 by our founders included applying to Women's Reform Judaism (WRJ and WRJ Midwest) our national and Midwest organizations. Additionally, founders adopted our CEEW Sisterhood bylaws, elected our first officers, implemented new fundraising ideas, and more.

This year, we recognize our energetic Sisterhood founders with admiration and thanks as we examine our progress and look to our future.

Sisterhood is moving forward in 2019 with progressive members who actively support our congregation and our Hebrew/Religious School.

Sisterhood donated almost \$16,000 in the past 10 years to our congregation and Hebrew/religious school. CEEW Sisterhood provided funding for *B'nai Mitzvah* and confirmation gifts, teacher recognition gifts and camp scholarships. Additionally, Sisterhood has contributed to prayer books, a CEEW computer and software, "Adopt a Bill," the Knox Box, new security doors, High Holiday security guards, facilities and more.

Many helped sending Chanukah cards

By **SANDRA SMALL**
Sisterhood Co-President

We hope the members of our congregation enjoyed receiving our Sisterhood's beautifully designed Chanukah card.

Sisterhood members enjoyed sending our Chanukah greetings to all our CEEW families, and expect to continue this successful Sisterhood event in the future.

Many thanks from co-presidents **Denise Stodola** and **Sandra Small** to the following Sisterhood Board members for their help and their time involved in the design selection, message and mailing our Sisterhood Chanukah greetings: **Alice Lambie, Judy Shabman, Cindy Levy, Barb Dailey, Sara Anson, Sandy Villa** and **Beth Ann Waite**.

Our many Tikkun Olam projects included donations of toiletries, socks and more. We're actively involved in WRJ Midwest, leading and participating in projects such as woman's social action, *Tikkun Olam*; a *Chai Mitzvah* biblical text study, plus other programs.

Sisterhood has won a number of WRJ Midwest awards, including two this past year: the Purim Crib Project and our Religious School grant to support the Jewish Identity Project.

Since 2015, a CEEW Sisterhood member has been awarded a WRJ Midwest "Woman of Valor" award every year. Sandy Villa was this past year's "Woman of Valor" honoree for her leadership in *Tikkun Olam*, and women's social action projects.

Many thanks to our founders who began CEEW Sisterhood's path forward with their leadership and insight. We will recognize them at our Sisterhood Shabbat, which will be held on Friday night, Jan. 11th. Please join us.



CHECK YOUR EMAIL: Weekly emails contain valuable information about our synagogue and what's going on. If you would like to include something that is of interest to other congregants, please contact Mark Levy at communications@waukeshatemple.org.

Sisterhood Shabbat speaker has held many leadership positions

By **MARSHA FENSIN**
Sisterhood Shabbat Chair

Michelle Scheinkopf, the guest speaker at the Jan. 11th Sisterhood Shabbat, will talk about Women in History.

Michelle is president of the Midwest District of the Women of Reform Judaism. She has been on WRJ's North American Board of Directors since 2013.

She is a long-time member of North Shore Congregation Israel in Glencoe, Ill., where she currently co-chairs the YES Fund event and is a WRJ representative.

She has held a variety of leadership positions on her Sisterhood board, including Sisterhood co-president, vice president of programming and vice president of religious activities.

She has been on her synagogue's Religious Education Board and Board of Directors.

For free time, Michelle takes knitting and photography classes and just completed a long-term subbing position in Health Education at Glenbrook South High School.

She has been retired for more than four years after having taught at Glenbrook South since 1979.

Michelle has been married for 30 years and has two adult children who, Michelle says, grew up at Olin Sang Ruby Institute. Both currently work with Jewish youth and song lead at retreats and services.



Michelle Scheinkopf

"The CEEW Sisterhood a strong and dynamic group that supports the women of the congregation and the congregation as a whole."

— Sisterhood past president Carol O'Neil

SISTERHOOD

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Cantor Martin, our spiritual leader, will open the service with a greeting, and Cindy Levy, a past Sisterhood president and a founder, will lead the service with musical help from several talented Sisterhood members. **Marie Loeffler** will lead the singing with help from **Mari-Claire Zimmerman** on piano, **Karen Levy** on guitar and **Judy Shabman** on clarinet. Sisterhood members will be doing readings throughout the service.

CEEW Sisterhood is a member of Women of Reform Judaism, which believes in strengthening the voice of women worldwide and empowering them to create caring communities, nurture congregations, cultivate personal and spiritual growth and advocate for and promote progressive Jewish values.

So Sisterhood is delighted that WRJ Midwest District President **Michelle Scheinkopf** will be the guest speaker on Jan. 11th. CEEW Sisterhood's theme for 2018-19 is "Sisterhood: The Women of our Congregation Moving Forward." Michelle's topic will be "Women in History."

Alice Lambie came up with the idea of re-starting the CEEW Sisterhood 10 years ago, and it clicked with many other women who will be recognized as founders along with Alice on Jan. 11th.

"The women of our congregation and the leadership of women are a significant force in our congregation, our homes and in our community. Many thanks to all members of our congregation for the support we need to move Sisterhood forward."

— Sisterhood co-president Sandra Small

RSVP by Jan. 7th for light dinner provided by Sisterhood before Jan. 11th service

The Jan. 11th Sisterhood Shabbat will be preceeded by a light dinner, provided by Sisterhood at no cost to all congregants.

The dinner will begin at 6 p.m., followed by a Shabbat service led by Sisterhood members.

Carol O'Neil, the chair for the meal, likens the dinner to a Saturday *kiddush*.

RSVP for the dinner to Carol at caroljo@tds.net or 920-699-3682 by Jan. 7th.

COMING UP

Sisterhood member **Joanne Wagner** will talk about the "universal impediment to speaking," at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 3rd, at CEEW.

The title of the program is *Listening is Love*. "Most people do not listen to understand. They listen with the intent to reply," Joanne said.



HOST AN ONEG: If you would like to host an Oneg Shabbat to celebrate a simcha in your family, there are signup sheets on the social hall door, or call the Temple office, 262-547-7180.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOTES

Dec. 13th Meeting

By JOE DAILEY

- **Cantor Martin** reported on a number of matters, including the success of the Nov. 14th Brookfield-Elm Grove Interfaith Network (BEGIN) service that attracted the participation of about 200 people and raised \$548 for the Waukesha Food Pantry. She also reported on the Nov. 16th Veterans Shabbat, the Nov. 30th New Members Shabbat, the Dec. 2nd Chanukah Fun Day.
- Cantor Martin is looking into the possibility of a class trip to New York City for the students who will be confirmed in June of 2019.
- Cantor Martin reported on her work, in collaboration with **Laurie Schwartz** and Carroll University Chaplain Rev. Elizabeth McCord, on the fundraising concert scheduled for April 14th.
- In the process of writing its three-year plan, the Board produced a preliminary prioritization of 18 action items. The four items with the highest priority were:
 1. A commitment to establishing, before May 1st of 2019, a date by which CEEW will have in place as many of the components of a newly established endowment as possible.
 2. A commitment to reducing CEEW's debt to zero by staying on track to pay off our mortgage by early 2025 or sooner, and a commitment to keeping our debt at zero thereafter.
 3. A commitment to continuing our long-standing commitment to participation in the Brookfield-Elm Grove Interfaith Network (BEGIN), and a commitment to expanding our interfaith efforts when and where appropriate.
 4. A commitment to establishing a program for leadership development which takes advantage of the URJ's "Jew V' National Fellowship" project.
- **Joe Dailey** has resigned from his position as chair of the Facilities Committee, but he will continue as an active member of the committee.



Adrian Richfield photo

Peter Lee watches as wife **Karen Levy** lights Chanukah candles during the Latke Pot-luck Dinner on Dec. 7th.

CEEW no longer using post office box

Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha Treasurer **Alan Meyers** asks that we please not use the Temple's PO Box anymore when sending mail to the synagogue.

The Board of Trustees agreed to drop the use of the box at the end of 2018 to save time and money. At this point we are only getting junk mail. (This does not change the address for the Sisterhood, as it has its own PO box.)

The Temple address is:
830 W. Moreland Blvd., Waukesha, WI 53188.

Flu season is upon us, so stay healthy or stay home

By **MARCY HOTZ**
Bulletin Contributor

It is flu season. The flu is of great risk to people 65 and older, young children and infants.

Older people are at greater risk of serious complications compared with young, healthy adults because immune system defenses become weaker with age. Many of our congregants are seniors, and several of our congregants are

going through chemotherapy and other treatments that necessitate their staying away from folks with communicable diseases. Some people may have weakened immune systems.

The Center for U.S. Disease Control and Prevention has some tips that help organizations such as ours to do what we can to keep each other healthy:

- Do not come to Temple if you have a fever or are sneezing and/or coughing. You may not know if your disease

is contagious or not, and you may still pass on your disease.

- Wash your hands with soap frequently.
- Do not prepare or set out food if you think you may be ill or may be becoming ill. Use anti-bacterial hand wipes, gels and creams.
- Consult with your healthcare specialist about flu shots or other precautions that are right for you to keep you healthy.



WHAT'S GOING ON AROUND TEMPLE: A copy of the Temple calendar that is kept on the Temple website is as up-to-date as possible so members and prospective members can see what's going on. If you are interested in scheduling a Temple event or meeting, please contact Lee Fensin at Lee.Fensin@waukeshatemple.org.

MAZEL TOV to ...



Marsha Fensin photo



Alan Meyers photo

Ed Weiss, former CEEW president and a current Board member, who married **NolaJoy Kramer** on Dec. 1st in Madison. Ed sang (*Steal Away*) to his new bride and remarked, "I am elderly and blind. I never thought I would find love again."

LIFECYCLE

- **Marcy (Jim) Hotz**, whose nephew, Colin Eric Rudoy (Zalmon Avrom), became a Bar Mitzvah on Dec. 1st.

WORKPLACE

- **Bill (Mari-Claire) Zimmerman**, who has retired from Plasma Physics at UW-Madison.

ATHLETICS

- **Marsha and Lee Fensin**, whose grandson, Alex Fisher, won the all-Waukesha high school diving championship on Nov. 29th. Alex, the son for former CEEW teacher Lori Fisher, is a senior at Kettle Moraine High School, which co-ops with Waukesha North for boys swimming and diving.



Colin Rudoy

תודה רבה Todah Rabbah Many Thanks to . . .

- **Marcy Hotz**, who volunteered to help Cantor Martin with the organizing of her files.
- The **Adult Education Committee**, for bringing Jewish Museum curator Molly Dubin to the synagogue to speak Nov. 28th on Jews and Blacks vs. Injustice. The committee also presented a Jewish travel program on Dec. 13th.
- **Ann Meyers** and **Mike Cummins**, for leading the Shabbat service on Nov. 30th.
- Chair **Nancy Cummins** and the Membership Committee for the New Member Spaghetti Shabbat on Nov. 30th.
- **Carol O'Neil**, for spearheading the latke pot-luck dinner on Dec. 7th. And to teacher **Ilene Jauquet's** third/fourth-grade class and teacher **Marie Loeffler's** kindergarten through second-grade class for helping Cantor Martin with the Chanukah service after dinner. Participating from Marie's class were **Laura Gacek**, **Jonah Sulman**, **Rylan Ecker**, **Julia Christian** and **Ava Koszarek**. Participating from Ilene's class were **Esme Patz**, **Henry Comale**, **Emerson Kukuk**, **Torin Ecker** and **Zach Baumann** (who filled in for Carter Lewis). **Milo Patz** was a dreidel. And thanks to all who helped **Carol** and **Marsha Fensin** make latkes, and everyone else who brought food. Special thanks to **Dan Baumann** and **Norm Kukuk** for washing the dinner dishes.
- **Carol O'Neil**, for representing Sisterhood and working in conjunction with Education Director **Carrie Barbakoff**, on the mezuzah making project during Religious School on Dec. 9th. "Kids who were there enjoyed the activity as well as the moms and teachers," Carol said. "Lots of compliments. 'What a wonderful project' was repeated numerous times."
- Team Torah members **Mike Cummins**, **Mari-Claire Zimmerman** and **Deb Hacker**, for chanting from the Torah at the Dec. 14th Shabbat service.



JANUARY'S SHABBAT SERVICES

JANUARY 4
6 p.m.: Soup-er Shabbat
7 p.m.: Cantor-led service

JANUARY 11
6 p.m.: Light Sisterhood
dinner for all congregants
(RSVP required)

**7 p.m.: Sisterhood Shabbat
service**

JANUARY 18
7 p.m.: Cantor-led service

JANUARY 25
7 p.m.: Member-led service



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Yahrzeits

Shevat (January)



PLEASE NOTE: Some of the listings don't have a Hebrew date; that is because we have been changing the database and offering English / Gregorian dates to those who prefer them. In such cases, only the English / Gregorian dates will be listed.

Marshall Astrin: Thursday, January 10, Shevat 4
Observed by the Congregation

Samuel R. Fensin: Monday, January 21
Father of Lee (Marsha) Fensin

Kaye Figatner: Friday, January 18, Shevat 12
Grandmother of Ardis (David) Gacek

Clara Heuman: Friday, January 18
Aunt of Marcy (James) Hotz

Howard Hurwitz: Sunday, January 20, Shevat 14
Uncle of Elaine (Jack) Goldberg

Emanuel Jacobs: Tuesday, January 22
Observed by congregation

Ruth Kalstein: Friday, January 4
Aunt of Elaine (Jack) Goldberg

Tillie Kulakow: Saturday, January 12, Shevat 6
Mother of Milton (June) Kulakow

Michelle Lotz: Tuesday, January 22
Mother of Doug (Sara) Anson

Gary Lustig: Friday, January 11, Shevat 5
Grandfather of Jan (Bill) Lowell

Bernard Mack: Friday January 25, Shevat 19
Observed by the congregation

Olga Martin: Tuesday, January 1
Aunt of Paula Duval

Etta Mazursky-Daitch: Tuesday, January 15, Shevat 9
Grandmother of Steve (Ann) Merkow

Rosetta Moskowitz: Monday, January 28, Shevat 22
Mother of Ann (Alan) Meyers

Jeanne Pokorny: Thursday, January 10
Aunt of Lee (Marsha) Fensin

Bernard Raskin: Wednesday, January 23
Father of Mari-Claire (Bill) Zimmerman

Dr. Richard Reinherz: Thursday, Jan. 24, Shevat 18
Observed by the congregation

Florence Rothman: Thursday, January 10, Shevat 4
Observed by the congregation

Charlotte Rudoy: Friday, January 11
Mother of Marcy (James) Hotz

Itzhak Rudoy: Tuesday, January 15
Grandfather of Marcy (James) Hotz

Patrick Sprosty: Thursday, January 24, Shevat 18
Fiancé of Jennifer Ecker

Adelaide Starr: Tuesday, January 29
Grandmother of Mari-Claire (Bill) Zimmerman

Richard J. Steinberg: Monday, January 7, Shevat 1
Father of Rick (Mary) Steinberg

Esther A. Waxman: Wednesday, Jan. 16, Shevat 10
Grandmother of Michael Goldstone (Susan Vetrovsky)

Yahrzeits compiled by CEEW Administrator Marie Loeffler.

AROUND the SYNAGOGUE

FUNDRAISING: A fundraising concert is being planned on April 14th at Carroll University as the synagogue celebrates its 80th anniversary. ... Fundraising chair **Laurie Schwartz** reports CEEW had earned about \$300 from the scrip program as of Dec. 10th. ... The first box of electronics has been sent to Planet Green Recycle, which sent us a check for \$73.50.

MAH JONGG: Marsha Fensin and Marcy Hotz have started a Mah Jongg program for CEEW members. The games are held at 1 p.m. the first Monday of each month, and at 6 p.m. the third Monday of the month. Marsha and Marcy are happy to teach beginners. Contact one of them for more information.



SOUP-ER SHABBAT SET FOR JAN. 4th: The next Soup-er Shabbat will take place Friday, Jan. 4th, starting at 6 p.m. A Cantor Martin-led service will follow at 7 p.m. RSVP for the pot-luck dinner to Mari-Claire Zimmerman and let her know what you are bringing to share = two soups are needed.

IN APPRECIATION: We thank the following people for their generous contributions to Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha.

Donations submitted by CEEW Treasurer **Alan Meyers**

IN MEMORY OF

Ben Martin (Cantor Martin's father): Donation from Cantor Deborah Martin
David Rubenstein: Donation from Emily Rubenstein
Grete and Julius Hahn (Elly Kraines's parents) and **Celia and Morris Kraines** (Nate Kraines's parents): Donation from Nate and Elly Kraines
Mollie Mackman (June Kulakow's mother): Donation from Milt and June Kulakow
Clara Levy (Karen Levy's mother): Donation from Karen Levy and Peter Lee
Lee Gottlieb (Nancy Cummings's mother): Donation from Mike and Nancy Cummings

IN HONOR OF

The birth of **Harrison Semrow** (Cantor Martin's grandson): Donation to Cantor's Discretionary Fund from Dan and Bettine Lipman
The wedding of **Ed Weiss** and **NolaJoy Kramer**: Donation from Nate and Elly Kraines

Recent donations are listed in the CEEW bulletin every month. If you do not want your name to appear, please indicate that with your contribution.

BOOK CLUB REPORT / Barb Zacher Reviews: *The Women in the Castle*

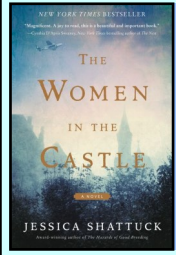
How did good people become Nazis?

Journalist **Jessica Shattuck**, author of two previous novels, said that a deep sense of shame regarding her German heritage compelled her to write *The Women in the Castle*.



Jessica **SHATTUCK**

Her gripping, incisive novel — set in Germany before, during and after World War II — is often told in flashbacks from the lives of three women and their three children. The story begins in 1938 at the site of a Bavarian castle (Burg Lingenfels). We learn about the pre-war lives and sweeping opulence of the landed



CEEW Book Club

What: Discussion of *The Women in the Castle*, led by Adrian Richfield

Date: Wednesday, Jan. 2nd

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Where: Adrian Richfield's home

aristocrats. A small group of men are plotting armed resistance against the nation's leader, whom they consider a thug and mad man.

In 1945 the conspirators were executed after their failed attempt to assassinate Hitler. Their families create a bond as they return to the

castle and create a "family" with a hope of recovering from suffering and loss.

At its core, the book raises old and new questions as to how good people became Nazis.

Shattuck's many awards include *New York Times* Bestseller, New England

Book Award 2017, Amazon Editors' Pick and *Skimm Reads* Pick.

Shattuck's earlier novels were *Perfect Life* and *Hazards of Good Breeding*.

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If you are interested in joining the CEEW Book Club, please email **Barb Zacher** at zacherhc@wi.rr.com.

Dining Group celebrates 13th year





By **LEE FENSIN**
Bulletin Contributor
Salmon at Union House.
Pecan encrusted whitefish at Mitchell's.
Meatloaf at Parkside23.
GungPau Chicken at Meiji.

Chicken marsala at Bravo.
Those are just a few of my favorite meals since joining the CEEW Dining Group's monthly get-togethers at local restaurants. The group, under the leadership of Elly Kraines, has been together for 13 years, and Elly

estimates the group has visited at least 55 different restaurants during that time. If you are interested in joining the group, contact Elly at ellyanna340@gmail.com. And Elly is always open to restaurant suggestions.



DINING GROUP: The group goes to Mitchell's in Brookfield Square on Jan. 26th, beginning at 5:30 p.m. For more info or to RSVP, contact Elly Kraine (ellyanna340@gmail.com). One reviewer wrote: "I am never disappointed with the food or the service."

5779 2018		JANUARY		TEVET SHEVAT		
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
.		1 24 Tevet No Hebrew School NEW YEARS DAY	2 25 Tevet Midrash Class, 10:30 a.m. at Temple Book Club, 1:30 p.m. at Temple No Hebrew School	3 26 Tevet	4 27 Tevet Soup-er Shabbat, 6 p.m. at Temple Cantor-led service, 7 p.m. at Temple	5 28 Tevet Adult Hebrew Class, 10 a.m. at Temple  Va'era
6 29 Tevet Religious School, 9 a.m. at Temple Sisterhood Board Meeting, 12 p.m. at Temple	7 1 Shevat Mah Jongg, 1 p.m. at Temple	8 2 Shevat Hebrew School, 6:30 p.m. at Temple	9 3 Shevat Midrash Class, 10:30 a.m. at Temple Hebrew School, 6:30 p.m. at Temple	10 4 Shevat	11 5 Shevat Sisterhood light dinner for all congregants (RSVP required), 6 p.m. at Temple Sisterhood Shabbat service, 7 p.m. at Temple	12 6 Shevat Adult Hebrew Class, 10 a.m. at Temple  Bo
13 7 Shevat Religious School, 9 a.m. at Temple	14 8 Shevat Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Temple	15 9 Shevat Hebrew School, 6:30 p.m. at Temple	16 10 Shevat Midrash Class, 10:30 a.m. at Temple Hebrew School, 6:30 p.m. at Temple	17 11 Shevat	18 12 Shevat Cantor-led service, 7 p.m. at Temple	19 13 Shevat Adult Hebrew Class, 10 a.m. at Temple Adult Ed Comm. havdalah, dinner and a movie (RSVP required), 5:30 p.m. at Temple  Beshalach
20 14 Shevat Religious School, 9 a.m. at Temple	21 15 Shevat Temple Mah Jongg Group, 6 p.m. at Temple TU B'SHEVAT	22 16 Shevat Hebrew School, 6:30 p.m. at Temple	23 17 Shevat Midrash Class, 10:30 a.m. at Temple Hebrew School, 6:30 p.m. at Temple	24 18 Shevat	25 19 Shevat Member-led service, 7 p.m. at Temple	26 20 Shevat Adult Hebrew Class, 10 a.m. at Temple Dining Group, 5:30 p.m. at Mitchell's  Vitro
27 21 Shevat Religious School, 9 a.m. at Temple Tu B'Shevat Seder (intergenerational) 10 a.m. at Temple	28 22 Shevat	29 23 Shevat Hebrew School, 6:30 p.m. at Temple	30 24 Shevat Midrash Class, 10:30 a.m. at Temple Hebrew School, 6:30 p.m. at Temple	31 25 Shevat		
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