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SISTERHOOD'S **HERITAGE DINNER AND WINE PULL** 5 p.m. on March 31 RESERVATION FORM ON PAGE 11





Among those performing are,

Cantor Deborah Martin,

Cantor Sharon Brown-

Cantor Richard Newman,

Levy, Hassan Jeremy Stein

and Cantor Karen Berman.

Also: cantorial soloist Marsha

Fensin, the Carroll University

choir and the Temple band.

clockwise from top left:



A JOURNEY OF JEWISH MUSIC

to be held April 14th at Carroll to celebrate our 80th anniversary

By LAURIE SCHWARTZ / Fundraising Chair

Save the date for an amazing afternoon celebrating CEEW's 80th anniversary April 14th at Carroll University. You will be taken on a journey of Jewish Music and its



influence on popular American music past and present.

Learn the influence on music such as West Side Story, Wicked, Fiddler on the Roof and Irving Berlin's White Christmas. Enjoy an unforgettable afternoon of music narrated by Cantor Deborah Martin with performances by Cantor Martin and other cantors, the Carroll University choir and A Band'n All Hope, a klezmer band that includes several congregants.

At the conclusion of the concert, attendees will have the opportunity to take part in a question and answer period.

Prepare to enjoy a once-in-a-lifetime educational music journey. Contact Laurie Schwartz at L.Schwartz@waukeshatemple.org for more information.

Tickets available at: https://jewish-music-journey.eventbrite.com/

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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.

Marching in to Purim

his month we have one of the most enjoyable Jewish holidays, Purim.

Although we have no proof of the events that we tell at this holiday, and it is considered one of our "minor" holidays, there are many lessons we can learn from it.

Some of them are: speaking up when someone threatens you; fighting against *lashon harah* (literally, an evil tongue; also gossiping or speaking evil about someone else); remembering the past, and rejoicing when we conquer evil.

Here, I'll focus on lashon harah.

In the Purim story, we see how the pompous Haman is furious because Mordechai will not bow down to him. Haman spreads untruths to the king about all of the Jewish people, and manipulates the king into signing an order to exterminate all the Jews.

REFRAIN FROM LASHON HARAH

In Jewish law, *lashon harah* is probably the sin that's hardest to refrain from. The Talmud tells us that the tongue is an instrument so dangerous that it must be kept hidden from view, behind the two protective walls of the mouth and teeth to prevent its misuse. The Talmud says it's worse than stealing or cheating someone financially, because money can be repaid, but the harm done by speech can never be repaired.

In the Torah, Leviticus 25:17, we read, "You shall not wrong one another." The Holiness code in Leviticus 19, states, "You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against your countrymen. Love your fellow as yourself: I am the Lord. You shall observe My laws." The ninth commandment states, "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor."

Israel Meir Kagan, who lived three decades into the 20th Century, wrote a whole book (*Chofetz Chayyim*) about the evils of slander and malicious gossip. These are some of the ideas he offered to help us to avoid *lashon harah*:

1. It's forbidden to speak negatively

CANTOR DEBORAH MARTIN

From the Spiritual Leader's Desk



Adrian Richfield photo

Cantor Martin leads the singing with teacher **Mari-Claire Zimmerman** and members of the fifth– and sixth-grade class at a Friday night service on Feb. 1st. Among the students are **Lia Ecker, Molly Schmidt** and **Torin Ecker**.

about someone else, even if it's the truth

2. It's forbidden to repeat what you've been told about another, even if it is not a negative thing.

3. It's forbidden to listen to *lashon hara*. "One should either reprimand the speaker, or, if that is not possible, one should extricate oneself from that situation."

4. If one has already heard the *lashon hara*, it's forbidden to believe it. One "should always judge one's fellow favorably."

5. One may "suspect that the *lashon hara* is true, and take the necessary precautions to protect oneself."

6. It is forbidden to even make a derogatory motion toward someone.

7. If the listeners might be able to figure out who is being spoken of, "One may not even retell a negative event without using names."

8. To protect someone from harm, "it is permissible, or even obligatory, to share negative information." (Because this law is detailed, one should consult a competent rabbi to learn what may be shared in any particular situation.)

A famous Chasidic tale illustrates the dangers of improper speech. Judaism 101 (from www.jewfaq.org) provides this version. "A man went about the community telling malicious lies about the rabbi. Later, he realized the wrong he had done, and began to feel remorse. He went to the rabbi and begged his forgiveness, saying he would do anything he could to make amends. The rabbi told the man, 'Take a feather pillow, cut it open, and scatter the feathers to the winds.'

GATHERING FEATHERS DIFFICULT

The man thought this was a strange request, but it was a simple enough task, and he did it gladly. When he returned to tell the rabbi that he had done it, the rabbi said, 'Now, go and gather the feathers. Because you can no more make amends for the damage your words have done than you can re-collect the feathers'."

This story reminds us that once we say something out loud, we can never take it back. The damage may be irreparable, or at least it may make someone wary about trusting you. The old adage, "Think before you speak," could not be truer.

Conversely, we know that *Gemilut Chassadim* (acts of loving-kindness) issue positive reactions between people. Sometimes it is hard to

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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.

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rewire our brains to react to someone's harsh speech with kindness, but it could make all the difference in the world on the outcome.

Esther, instead of speaking out harshly to the King and asking how he could have possibly ordered all the Jews to be killed, is kind and respectful. She begs him to save her and her people.

Her kindness and love toward him results in the immediate response she wants and needs.

An important part of being a kind person is knowing how to control your anger and frustration. If you would like to learn more about rewiring your brain to react with kindness, you can look at this article: <u>https://</u>

www.theemotionmachine.com/how-torewire-your-brain-to-be-more-kindtoward-others/.

We're a small congregation, and we sometimes get into disagreements or hurtful situations, just as a family does.



Let's all take a lesson from this Purim, a lesson about the importance of resolving our disputes directly with each other. Let's avoid talking behind another's back. Let's talk honestly but kindly with each other to help repair misunderstandings, hurt or anger. If you are ever in a situation that you feel you cannot resolve yourself, I am always here to help you discuss it with me and the person you are upset with, face to face.

May you all have a joyous and fun Purim; please join us for all of the fun on Sunday, March 24th to celebrate Purim together. Come in costumes, bring Hamantaschen and enjoy the Megillah reading and play.

Chag Sameach! Happy Holiday!

Students keep busy — at Temple and at OSRUI



Marie Loeffler photos Above and at right: Students, teachers and parents work on projects during the Tu B'Shevat Seder on Jan. 27th.





Lia Ecker joined 24 other kids from other small congregations at the fifth- and sixth-grade retreat at Olin Sang Ruby Union Institute in Oconomowoc on Feb. 8th and 9th.

Cantor Martin photos





MIDRASH CLASS OFFERED: All adults are welcome to join in the weekly Midrash classes. They run from 10:30 a.m. to noon most Wednesdays, October through June. **Contact Cantor Martin for more information.**

SALUTING our veteran teachers

Ann Meyers, Joe Dailey, Mari-Claire Zimmerman to be honored at educators event at JCC on March 3rd

By LEE FENSIN Bulletin Contributor

ur Religious School has been blessed with some veteran teachers, dedicated for many years to educating our children

in Judaism — some after long careers in the secular teaching world.

Three of those teachers — Ann Meyers, Joe Dailey and Mari -Claire Zimmerman — will be honored on March 3rd at the Coalition for Jewish Learning's annual Salute to Educators.

Ann, our Temple president, will receive a Teacher Impact Award. Joe will receive a School Support Award. Mari-Claire

will be recognized with a Chai Award for 18 years of teaching in Religious School -15 at CEEW and three at Beth El Ner Tamid.

The event will take place Sunday, March 3rd from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Harry & Rose Samson Family JCC, 6255 N. Santa Monica Blvd. in Whitefish Bay.

Appetizers and desserts (dietary laws observed) will be offered, and our Temple band - A Band'n All Hope - will provide music.

The event is free, but attendees are asked to RSVP at the CJL 2019 Salute to Jewish Educators website.

CEEW Education Director Carrie Barbakoff said, "Ann has put a lot of effort toward confirmation class by utilizing new curriculum materials: Hot Topics textbook to choose which topics would facilitate thought-provoking and engaging lessons for our teens for the first semester, and developing a comparative religion course for the second semester of the school year."

Carrie said Joe "wrote a whole unit for the confirmation class based on Pirkei Avot, and has been a

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guest teacher for several classes throughout the school year." Added Cantor Martin, "Not to mention they are volunteering

their services as our teachers. What a mitzvah."

Ann has taught approximately a combined 26 years in religious and secular schools. She began teaching in the Religious School at Beth Hillel Temple in Kenosha around 1978, filling in for a teacher to complete her second-grade class's year. After that, she taught each year for about five years with students in grades 8, 9 and 10.

"I enjoy teaching adolescents and watching their beliefs about their Jewish values and heritage develop and evolve,"



Ann said. "As my professional life included knowledge of public school curricula, it was valuable to be able to connect their

weekday studies with what they were learning and

living in their Jewish lives." After Ann and Alan mar-

ried in 1992, the couple joined CEEW and she began teaching Religious School classes about a year later. She always taught older students, grades 6 through confirmation.

Her professional teaching career included teaching physically handicapped children through 11th grade in the Kenosha Unified School District. She provided instruction, both regular and adapted, to students with physical



Mari-Claire Zimmerman

and cognitive disabilities. She assisted regular classroom teachers to meet the

students' need within regular classrooms by providing support for adaptations as needed. And she assisted students in developing independence in life skills.

She later worked at the Regional Staff Development Center at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside in Kenosha and as a junior high school reading specialist for grades 7 through 9 in the Kenosha School District. She went on to work as a high school and middle school reading specialist in the Hamilton School District in Sussex. She received a masters degree in Education — Reading Specialist in 1993.

Joe's 2018-19 confirmation class teaching at CEEW has had him doing 11 sessions "plus a few other things." "We have created a three-year cycle in which students learn about and try to use various guiding principles of Jewish ethics," Joe said.

Joe, a retired professor at Carroll University, added, "CEEW has blessed me with the chance to enjoy working with Jewish teens. It's been a great time for me since I started in 2010, and I hope it's been good for my students. There's an indefinable reward you feel as a teacher when any student goes forward with genuine self-created motivation. Over those years, I've had lots and lots of rewarding experiences.

Also on Joe's busy schedule has been occasionally acting as a voice of CEEW when local congregations want someone to speak about Judaism.

"A big smile crossed my face last year when I learned that the St. Luke's Lutheran men's group identified their meetings as 'Theology On Tap.' They meet in a train car at La Estacion.

Joe taught at Carroll for 38 years, and three years before that at Danville (III.) Community College.

All of Joe's years of secular teaching included lots of communication courses. He also taught non-communication courses in the General Education program at Carroll.

Ann Meyers



loe Dailey



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

While having fun, we can fulfill many mitzvot on Purim

he holiday of Purim will be celebrated at CEEW on Sunday, March 24th, beginning with a carnival from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Every child will get a passport and be able to travel from game to game to collect all of the stamps needed to win a prize bag at the carnival.

There will be a parade of all in costume at 11:30 a.m. Adults and children are asked to come dressed up. Next, we will fulfill one of the mitzvot (commandments) of Purim by hearing the Megillah (book of Esther) read. Then, this year's Purim shpiel (The Little Mermaideleh) will be performed . We will end the morning with another mitzvah (commandment) of Purim, having a seudah (a festive meal). The meal served will be sub sandwiches, chips and a drink.

We also will have our annual hamentaschen (three-cornered pastries filled



CARRIE BARBAKOFF

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Adrian Richfield photo Carrie Barbakoff helps Molly Schmidt during a Shabbat service that featured fifth– and sixth-graders.

with fruit or chocolate or other sweet or

savory fillings) bake-off. Please make enough Hamentaschen for anyone who wants to taste yours so everyone can vote on their favorite! The triangular shape of hamentaschen is thought to be reminiscent of Haman's hat or ears.

In addition to the Purim meal and the hearing of the reading of the Megillah, the other two mitzvot (commandments) of Purim are Mishloach manot (gifts of food that friends exchange) and Matanot l'evyonim (gifts to the poor).

Our students will make hamentaschen in Religious School and put them in their Mishloach manot, which they will bring home on March 17th. Each week in Religious School we collect money (tzedakah) and the week of Purim will not be any different. Therefore this will be our matanot l'evyonim.

CARRIE BARBAKOFF

From the Education Director's Desk

The main reason we continue to celebrate the holiday of Purim is because it is a festival of commemoration of an important chapter of Jewish history— when Mordecai and Esther prevented all of the Jews of the old Persian Empire from being killed. Under the rule of King Ahashverosh, Haman, the king's prime minister, plots to exterminate all of the Jews of Persia (current day Iran). His plan is foiled by Queen Esther and her cousin Mordechai, who ultimately save the Jews of Persia from destruction.

Please come to the Temple on Sunday, March 24th to hear the reading of the megillah, which is very different in the reading of the Torah because booing and noise-making are heard when Haman's name is read aloud. It's always an entertaining part of our Purim celebration.

Purim is definitely an unusual holiday. First, Esther is the only biblical book in which God is not mentioned. Second, Purim is a minor festival that we have elevated to a major holiday because of the Jewish historical experiences and the fun of the holiday.

The significance of Purim lies in what is has become, a holiday to be thankful and a joyous affirmation of Jewish survival against all odds.

This year when unfortunately antisemitism is on the rise, it is especially important to be reminded of how we as Jews must stand up for ourselves and those who are being oppressed.



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.



CONGREGATION EMANU-EL OF WAUKESHA INTER-GENERATIONAL PURIM CELEBRATION Sunday, March 24, 2019

10:30-11:30am: Carnival Games (Open for all children)

11:30am-12:30pm Costume Parade for kids (Adults please come in costume too) Megillah Reading Purim Shpiel - The Little Mermaideleh

12:30pm Hamentashchen Bake Off Lunch: Sub sandwich (turkey, veggie with or without cheese, tuna salad), chips, drink and dessert

RSVP by March 18 to Carrie Barbakoff, Education Director eddirector@waukeshatemple.org with choice of sub Cost*: \$8.00 per person, members \$10.00 per person, non-members (*includes carnival games and lunch)



SOUP-ER SHABBAT SET FOR MARCH 1st: The next Soup-er Shabbat will take place Friday, March 1st, starting at 6 p.m., followed by a 7 p.m. cleanup and a 7:15 p.m. service. Cantor Martin and our 1st- through 4th-grade students will lead the service. RSVP to Mari-Claire Zimmerman and let her know what you are bringing to share – two soups are needed.



Shin Shinim Yogev Toby and May Ben-Shabat worked with students Esme Patz and Torin Ecker during thei visit to Religious School on Feb. 3rd.

Adrian Richfield photo



Adrian Richfield photos

Above left: May and Yogev played "find the letter" in teacher **Marie Loeffler's** class. Students, from left, are: **Ava Koszarek**, **Jonah Sulman, Rylan Ecker** and **Laura Gacek. Natalie Hirsch** (right) is Marie's aide. Above right: The shin shinim with teacher **Mari-Claire Zimmerman's** class. Students, from left, are: **Molly Schmidt, Lia Ecker, Milo P**atz and **Noah Sulman**.

Shin Shinim visit Religious School classes

By CARRIE BARBAKOFF Education Director

On Sunday, Feb. 3rd, the Religious School was privileged to have a special opportunity for the students in the form of visiting guests.

As a school we got to have the two 18- year-olds from the Sovev Kinneret region of Israel who are in Milwaukee to spend a pre-army year doing volunteer service abroad visit CEEW.

This program is a "Sh'nat Sherut" (Shin Shin) organized in cooperation with the Jewish Agency for Israel.

The Shin Shinim, who are May Ben-Shabat and Yogev Toby, have grown up in different communities.

May is from Tiberias, and Yogev is from a moshav called Moshav Arbel. May is studying psychology and sociology and loves hip hop dancing. Yogev is studying cinema and theater and enjoys traveling, photography and writing stories. We are excited to have May and Yogev join our Milwaukee Jewish community and spend a year in Milwaukee.

Each of our CEEW classes got to engage in different activities throughout the morning with May and Yogev. The activities were age appropriate, and the students participated in hands-on learning about Israel facts, some Hebrew and about the Shin Shins themselves.

- The first- and second-graders played a "find the letter" game and they made their English names with Hebrew letters.
- The third- and fourth-graders played bingo with Israeli facts.
- The fifth- and sixth- graders, and the Confirmation students, each had a turn as a class playing life-size Israeli Monopoly. All of those in attendance really enjoyed their time with May and Yogev. The Shin Shins made Israel, its history, cities and Hebrew language really come alive.

This indeed was a special Sunday.



FREE GUITAR LESSONS FOR KIDS: A congregant has generously offered to teach our Religious School children how to play guitar for free. Please contact Cantor Martin if your child would like to learn how to play guitar.

TOM BRAATZ: NEW MEMBER PROFILE

New journey began when he rang the Temple doorbell



By Adrian Richfield / Bulletin Co-Editor

Search for more meaning in his life led him to us

om Braatz has been around CEEW for about a vear.

He regularly comes to services and activities, and is taking Cantor Martin's adult Hebrew class. If work allows he comes to Midrash class.

Tom is sometimes seen around the synagogue along with his son, Spencer who likes to help out around CEEW and sometimes attends services as well.

Tom was born and raised in the Oconomowoc area. He was raised by his grandparents, who were immigrants from Denmark — arriving here via Toronto in the 1920s.

His grandfather was Jewish, and Tom remembers a lot from being around him as a child and a young man, including going to synagogue and Jewish activities School at age16 (not something he in Milwaukee.

Those feelings and religious lessons were profound for him as a child as well as a young adult, and they have continued into adulthood. But, his grandfather was his only Jewish family member.

His real first name is not Tom. We might sometime find out his real first name, but until then, he will be Tom to us.

performer most of his life. He plays both the piano and quitar.

HIs work

He used to drive by CEEW all the time and, remembering his roots, decided to stop by one day and ring the doorbell of the synagogue.

As luck or fate would have it. Cantor Martin answered the door and thus began a new journey for Tom.

That day that he "just arrived on the doorstep" was one in which he had long decided to search for more meaning and purpose in his life. And, to Tom this meant being part of the Jewish community and feeling like someone was giving him another chance in his life.

Tom graduated from University Lake recommends) and has a degree from the French, Chinese, German and some University of Wisconsin-Madison in chemistry along with a degree from the Wisconsin Conservatory of Music in theory and performance. Tom has been an avid musician and professional

career was as a research chemist out east, working for the government, and he was also in the military where he did Ranger work.

He had a FEMA search and rescue dog (Lars, who passed away two years ago).

Tom now is a real estate developer and broker in the Waukesha County area. He used to have a pilot's license until health issues put that on hold, and loves to fly.

He enjoys scuba diving and traveling, and confesses to being a music addict whenever he has time. He can speak Spanish, Danish, Japanese, some American sign language.

Oh, and let's not forget he is learning Hebrew as well.

We welcome Tom and son Spencer to our CEEW community.



CONFIRMATION TRIP: Cantor Martin is working on the confirmation trip to New York City on Memorial Day weekend. She said flights and hotel rooms are booked.

Please join us for this annual celebration of Passover Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha

COMMUNITY SEDER

Saturday, April 20, 2019 at 6 p.m.

at Chenequa Country Club

Menu:

Seder foods include: Gefilte Fish, Charoset, Eggs, Matzo Ball Soup, Chicken, Potatoes and Vegetables

Pot Luck Dessert Table** Coffee and Tea

Cost: \$40 for adults; \$20 for kids under the age of 12 (Temple members) *\$45 for adults; \$25 for kids under the age of 12 (*non members of Temple)

**Please bring a Kosher-for-Passover dessert to share.

In lieu of a dessert, a donation of \$12 to cover the cost of matzo and wine can be substituted.

Your check is your reservation. No reservations will be accepted without payment.

RESERVATION DEADLINE: April 5, 2019

2019 Community Seder Reservation Form

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Name:	Total number attending:			
Phone:	E-mail			
Adult meals (member): Kids meals (member): Adult meals (non-member): Kids meals (non-member): Donations: For Matzo / Wine in lieu of dessert:	 @ \$40 each = @ \$20 each = @ \$45 each = @ \$25 each = Mensch fund \$12 Total enclosed: 	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$		

Send your check, (payable to CEEW) with this reservation form to: Elly Kraines, 17110 Lake Road, Brookfield, WI 53005

Deadline for reservations is April 5th. Your check is your reservation. Payment is non-refundable. Questions? / Directions? Contact Mary Schuman at 262-367-6719 or mschuman@prodigy.net



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

On the move with savory Heritage Dinner

isterhood's busy 10th anniversary year continues with new and old ideas for our Sisterhood's Heritage Dinner on Sunday March 31st, at 5 p.m.

Carol O'Neil is coordinating a tasty Heritage Dinner menu with main entrees from our heritage — chicken and brisket. The Sisterhood board will be providing side dishes and desserts from our heritage, including potato kugel, noodle kugel, Israeli couscous, tzimmes, chopped liver, herring, Israeli salad and fresh fruit.

"I'm getting hungry just listening to this menu," board member **June Kulakow** said.

Be sure to send your reservations and checks to Treasurer **Barb Dailey**, Sisterhood, P.O. Box 332, Waukesha WI. 53187-0332 by March 18th. The cost is \$20 per adult, and \$10 for children ages 5 to 13 years. For information on reservations, contact Barb at blndailey@sbcglobal.net.

Friends and neighbors are welcome to register for the event.

"This Heritage Dinner will be the best one yet," Sisterhood co-president **Denise Stodola** predicted,

Our Heritage Dinner, this year in honor of the 10th anniversary of the new Sisterhood, isn't all about food. The gift shop will hold an End of Season Sale.



Help us clean house as we make room for new items. Please see **Sara Anson** or **Judy Shabman** if you have questions.

These new reductions, confined to gift shop items only, will please the most skillful, and ardent bargain hunters. "It's always a good feeling to find a bargain," Barb Dailey said,

There will be a Wine Pull chaired by Denise Stodola. Sara Anson will be on hand with your tickets for the 50-50 raffle. The raffle will be a key feature during the event.

The money raised from these fundraisers go directly back to the synagogue in the form of grants and donations made by the Sisterhood. So, your support is greatly appreciated.

Questions? We always have them. Contact Carol O'Neil caroljo@tds.net regarding the menu.

For additional information on the event, contact Denise Stodola, dlstodola@gmail.com; **Sandra Small**, sandmarv@wi.rr.com, or **Cindy Levy** at ceew_sisterhood@yahoo.com.

Purim Crib Project planning begins

By SANDY VILLA Tikkun Olam Chair

Sisterhood's Tikkun Olam Committee is busy planning the annual Purim Project.

Each year we look to make our congregation aware of those in need. This year's project is focused on giving children a little more joy.

Thanks to **Barb Dailey**, we learned that many children in the Waukesha schools may not have presentable pajamas to wear to school on Pajama Day, an annual event that happens at almost every public school.

This is not difficult to believe when 39 percent of students qualify for free lunch.

A collection crib will be placed outside the Gift Shop well in advance of Purim on March 21st. This notification is being sent now in hopes that our forever generous congregants can take advantage of end-of-winter sales. We will be collecting for students in grades K-8.

If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Villa at 262-424-2263.

Donate a few good bottles of wine to support Wine Pull

By DENISE STODOLA Sisterhood Co-President

The CEEW Sisterhood could use your help.

For the past few years, the Sisterhood dinners have been running a Wine Pull as a fundraising part of the event.

The idea is to provide people an opportunity to try wines they have never tasted.

It has been so successful we would

like to repeat the event and make it better. The wine bottles will be wrapped and numbers will be selected at random so that everyone is surprised in the end.

If you are inclined to share your favorite wine selection, please donate a bottle or two to this event (minimum cost per bottle should be greater than \$10).

Please contact Denise Stodola at 262-271-5653 or distodola@gmail.com to aarrange to drop off your donations.





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 <u>communications@waukeshatemple.org</u>.



(in honor of the 10th anniversary of the new Sisterhood) SUNDAY, MARCH 31st





RETURNING to our ROOTS

OPEN TO Members and Guests

COST

\$20 adults \$10 Children ages 5 through 13

QUESTIONS

Contact Carol O'Neil at 920-699-3682, or caroljo@tds.net



Checks made out to **CEEW SISTERHOOD** should be received, along with this RSVP form, by Barb Dailey no later than **MARCH 18TH**.

Mail to: CEEW Sisterhood, c/o Barb Dailey, PO Box 332, Waukesha, WI, 53187-0332
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- Put in Sisterhood mailbox in Temple administrative office
- Hand to Barb

NAME(S)	_EMAIL OR PHONE		
ADULT MEALS @ \$20	\$		
CHILDREN'S MEALS (ages 5-13) @ \$	\$10 \$		
SISTERHOOD'S JEWISH CAMP DONATION	ON \$		
TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$		

JOIN US FOR SISTERHOOD'S BIGGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR (including Wine Pull and 50-50 Raffle)

MENU

Brisket Roasted Chicken Tzimmes Potato Kugel Noodle Kugel Couscous Green Salad Fresh Fruit Chopped Liver Herring Assorted Rolls Beverages Dessert Buffet



NEW WEBSITE GOES LIVE: Check out our creative new website developed by Mark Levy at www.waukeshatemple.org.

ADULT **EDUCATION** COMMITTEE PRESENTS

Don't miss this engaging speaker talk about ...

ISRAEL: Past and Present

Israeli emissary Keren Weisshaus returns to CEEW on Thursday night, March 7th

By ADRIAN RICHFIELD Bulletin co-Editor/Adult Ed Co-Chair

Our Milwaukee Israeli emissary or Shlichah, Keren Weisshaus, returns this year to present a wonderful program about Israel.

Every three years, the Milwaukee Jewish Federation brings a new cultural emissary to live and work in our community. The goal of Shlichut is to make meaningful connections with Milwaukeeans.

Last year's program, at which she talked about her family's roots and presence in Israel, was one of the highlights of the year.

This year her topic is the State of Israel, Past and Present, with information and discussion about current issues and how they relate to Israel's history.

There will be time for questions and answers on topics concerning Israel that the audience might want to address. We undoubtedly give us valuable information all need to be aware and cognizant of what is going on in Israel, and Keren will



Keren was born in November of 1973 in lerusalem, a baby sister in a family of four children. She served in the Israel Defense Force as the education officer of the military prison in Tzrifin and was honorably discharged in 1995 as a lieutenant. Keren graduated from Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design in Jerusalem as an industrial designer; with a semester as an exchange student in Italy.

and keep us up to date.

AT A GLANCE

WHO: Israeli emissary Keren Weisshaus WHAT: To speak on the State of Israel, past and present WHERE: CEEW WHEN: 7 p.m. Thursday, March 7th

FYI: Free and open to the public

Don't miss this engaging and delightful speaker at CEEW, and be sure to bring your questions for her to address at the program.

Family and friends are always welcome at Adult Education Committee events. We hope to have a nice turnout for this special program, so please put it on your calendar.

You are promised a special and engaging evening with a wonderful speaker and person.

The program is free, with light snacks beforehand.

A chance to see Israel for yourself

The trip is ON. CEEW and Temple Israel of Duluth, Minn., are teaming up for a journey to Israel this year.

The trip will take place Oct. 27th through Nov. 7th, 2019 trip, led by Cantor Martin and Rabbi David Steinberg.

Avelet 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, or use Jeff Rubtchinsky's contact information from Ayelet about any specific tour questions:

Jeff Rubtchinsky, Ayelet Tours 19 Aviation Road, Albany, NY 12205 800-237-1517 www.ayelet.com; jeff@ayelet.com.



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.

COMING IN JUNE FROM ADULT ED COMMITTEE



You Must Have Been a Beautiful Baby!

BUT, WHO ARE YOU?

By ADRIAN RICHFIELD

Adult Ed Co-Chair and Bulletin Co-Editor

The CEEW Adult Education Committee has our annual end-of-the-year event planned for Saturday, June 15th.

The program is called **'You Must Have Been a Beautiful Baby.''** It will include a wonderful catered meal, some big band music, songs, musical performances and other entertainment as well. SAVE the DATE!



Can You Guess Who These Two Are?

Friends since childhood, these two girls were actually at an art class being taught by late long-time member and artist Kay Kurz. And Who Is This Handsome Guy? He is an all around nice guy and an always helpful person at CEEW. Hint: Always a twinkle in his eyes!



One fun feature will be our poster board of baby 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 couple of baby pictures for you to ponder and guess about.

Please send your jpeg baby/youth pictures (with name) to Adrian Richfield (<u>susu78@aol.com</u>) for upcoming bulletins and for the event.

YOURS MIGHT BE DECLARED BEST BABY PICTURE OF THE GROUP!



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.

תודה רבה Todah Rabbah Many Thanks to . .

- Mari-Claire Zimmerman, our Ritual Committee Chair, for organizing the Feb. 1st Soup-er Shabbat and for leading the Shabbat service on Feb. 8th and on Feb. 15th.
- Joe Dailey, for serving as host for a group of about 20 people from Brookfield Academy who visited CEEW.
- **Congregants** who have shoveled and put salt out in our parking lot before plows came to keep our members and guests safe.
- Laurie Schwartz, for all the work she is putting in to make out April 14th 80th anniversary concert at Carroll University a success.
- Several parents who came early the day of the Tu B'shevat seder in school to help set up and pour grape juice.

(Are there people you would like to thank via the Temple bulletin for doing something nice, special, etc? Please send your Todah Rabbah items to: temple-news@hotmail.com

BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOTES Feb. 11th Meeting By JOE DAILEY

- CEEW Immediate Past President **Phil Schuman** reported on the status of our current Spiritual Leader Search Committee (*Story on Page 15*).
- **Cantor Martin** reported on the anticipated confirmation trip to New York City on Memorial Day weekend, and on the April 14th concert at Carroll University. *(Story on Page 1).*
- The Board approved a three-year plan that included 15 prioritized action items. In summary, the top four items were: 1) to hire our next spiritual leader, who will begin approximately during the summer of 2020; 2) to have in place by May 1st "as many components of a newly established endowment as possible;" 3) to have a CEEW security plan finished by May 1st; and 4) to reduce our debt to zero and keep it there by staying "on track to pay off our mortgage by early 2025 or sooner."
- Treasurer **Alan Meyers** said we have 77 member units. He also reported that the time has come for committees to prepare statements of their budgetary needs for 2019-20.
- The Nominating Committee reported on progress toward a slate of nominees for the annual meeting.
- The Youth Education Committee reported that it had worked with Education Director **Carrie Barbakoff** on the Jan. 27th Tu B'Shevat Seder and on preparation for the Purim Carnival and lunch, scheduled for March 24th.

MAZEL TOV to ...

BIRTHDAYS

- Sara Anson, who will celebrate a birthday on March 17th.
- Nate Kraines, who will celebrate a birthday on March 22nd.
- Ellyn Lem, who will celebrate a birthday on March 17th.
- Nancy Cummens, who celebrates a birthday on March 7th.
- \bullet $Molly \ensuremath{\textit{O'Neil}}\xspace$, the granddaughter

of **Carol O'Neil**, who will turn 7 on March 2nd.

- Briar Rahmes, who will celebrate her 16th birthday on March 26th, and to her brother, **Henry Rahmes**, who will celebrate his 20th birthday on March 16th.
- Joanne Wagner, who will celebrate a birthday on March 27th.

EDUCATION

• Ann Meyers, Joe Dailey and Mari-Claire Zimmerman, who will be recognized at the Coalition for Jewish Learning's Salute to Jewish Educators on March 3rd at the JCC. Ann will receive a Teacher Impact Award, Joe will receive a School Support Award and Mari-Claire will receive a Chai Award.

MARCH SHABBAT SERVICES MARCH 1 6 p.m.: Soup-er Shabbat 7 p.m.: Cleanup 7:15 p.m.: Cantor-led service (with grades 1 through 4) MARCH 8 7 p.m.: Cantor-led service MARCH 15 NO SERVICE AT CEEW 7:30 p.m.: MCRC service at Sinai MARCH 22 7 p.m.: Member-led service MARCH 29 7 p.m.: Cantor-led service



TEMPLE OUTING TO BREWERS GAME SET: The annual Temple outing to Miller Park to watch the Milwaukee Brewers is set for June 25th. The Brewers will face the Seattle Mariners, beginning at 7:10 p.m. Contact Elly Kraines for more information.

Spiritual Leader Search Committee gets busy

Bv JOE DAILEY Bulletin Co-Editor

The Spiritual Leader Search Committee, put in place after Cantor Martin announced she will be retiring in June 2020, has made contact with the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

Phil Schuman, the committee chair, said CCAR has a long history of providing placement and employment services for both rabbis and congregations.

CCAR provides resources and training

designed to ensure smooth placement and transition. In effect, Phil said, CCAR functions as an employment agency and clearing house for sabbis seeking employment. (More about CCAR placement services is available at https://www.ccarnet.org/ placement-and-transition/why-use-ccarplacement-services/.)

By Feb. 11th, the search committee was on its way to including Marsha Fensin, Mike Kotkin, Mark Levy, Jen Lewis, Ann Meyers, Laurie Schwartz and Mari-Claire Zimmerman.

APPROXIMATE TIMELINE

Jan. 2019 — Search Committee formed. Jan. to Aug. 2019 — Self-study conducted and rabbinic profile created.

Aug. to Nov. 2019 — Resumes received, first round of telephone/Skype interviews conducted.

Nov. to Dec. 2019 — On-site visits by final candidates.

Jan. to Feb. 2020 - Recommendations made, brit clearly articulated, negotiations occur, contract signed.

July 2020 — First day for new rabbi.

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

Patrick Sprosty Donation from Jennifer Ecker

Ruth Kalstein (Elaine Goldberg's aunt) Donation from Jack and Elaine Goldberg

Howard Hurwitz (Elaine Goldberg's uncle) Donation from Jack and Elaine Goldberg

MISCELLANEOUS DONATIONS From Mark and Loren Schmidt From Laurie Schwartz (for concert fundraiser) From Sisterhood (to cover security at Sisterhood Shabbat)

From Jack and Elaine Goldberg

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: City of Falling Angels Destruction, rebuilding of opera house



John

BERENDT

Venice has so far survived almost everything including wars, earthquakes, plagues and fires. It also has survived occupations by Napoleon, the Austrians and the Nazis. This story is the

destruction and rebuilding of Teatro La Fenice, a famed opera house.

Berendt tells the story of modern life in Venice. He moves to Venice in 1997, only three days after the city's famed opera house burns down during a restoration.

The infamous Italian bureaucracy



drags out the investigation. A master glass blower recreates the fire in vases.

We discuss throughout the book: Was this an accident or arson?

Berendt meets the various characters of Venice, the city that sets the stage for its colorful people. Berendt grew up in Syracuse, N.Y. He graduated from Harvard in 1961 and was a member of the Harvard Lampoon.

He worked many years for Esquire Magazine and New York Magazine. His first book, The Garden of Good and Evil. was

published in 1997. City of Falling Angels was published in 2005. *

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



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May Their Memories Be for a Blessing



Joe Beringer: Wednesday, March 20th Uncle of Paula Duval

Jerome Cohen: Monday, March 4th, Adar-I 27 Father of Ed (Carol Vandenberg) Cohen

Sarra Fainshtein: Wednesday, March 27th, Adar-II 20 *Aunt of Irene (Robert) Elkin*

Abraham Gottlieb: Tuesday, March 12th *Father of Nancy (Mike) Cummens*

Lena Gottlieb: Sunday, March 31st Mother of Nancy (Mike) Cummens

Arlene Gruenberg: Thursday, March 14th Sister of Marvin (Sandra) Small Aunt of Sydney Small

Jacquie Hurwitz: Sunday, March 17th Aunt of Elaine (Jack) Goldberg

Jeanette Jacobs: Thursday, March 14th Observed by the congregation

Abraham Kotkin: Wednesday, March 13th, Adar-II 6 *Father of Mike (Peggy) Kotkin*



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.

Lillian Kupperman: Saturday, March 9th, Adar-II 2 *Observed by the congregation*

Andria Loeffler: Sunday, March 17th Sister of Marie Loeffler

Aaron Lorber: Sunday, March 10th *Observed by the congregation*

Ben Lowell: Monday, March 18th *Father of Bill (Jan) Lowell*

Beatrice Moore: Monday, March 18th *Mother of Alice Lambie*

Donald Musickant: Monday, March 25th Observed by the congregation

Joseph Richfield: Sunday, March 31st *Father of Adrian Richfield*

Richard Louis Rocamora: Tuesday, March 19th Observed by the congregation

Dr. Ruth Neufeld Shelley: Sunday, March 3rd *Mother of Peter (Arlene) Shelley*

Solomon Starr: Friday, March 15th *Grandfather of Mari-Claire (Bill) Zimmerman*

Yahrzeit list compiled by CEEW Administrator Marie Loeffler.

East Troy play about three Jewish widows

By DEB HACKER Bulletin Contributor In the play called *Cemetery Club*, three Jewish widows meet once a month for tea before going to visit their husbands' graves.

Ida is sweet tempered and ready to begin a new life. Lucille is a feisty embodiment of the girl who just wants to have fun. Doris is priggish and judgmental, particularly when Sam the butcher enters the scene.

Sam meets the widows while visiting his wife's grave. Doris and Lucille squash the budding

romance between Sam and Ida. They are guiltstricken when this nearly breaks Ida's heart.

The Off the Square Players perform at Ivan's Backstage in East Troy. Shows are at 7:30 p.m. on April 5th, 6th, 12th and 13th. There is also a 2 p.m. show on April 14th.

Tickets at \$15 apiece are available at the door, and in advance at Ivan's Restaurant next door. Seats are general admission. Doors open 45 minutes before the play.



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.

We can do better with ordinary things

By JOE DAILEY **Bulletin Co-Editor**

We have opportunities to excel.

We have ways that we as a community can do better — better with some ordinary, day-today things.

When an event in our social hall ends, we can walk up to someone in the know and ask that wonderful question, "How can I help?" A friend found herself repeatedly left alone to clean up the kitchen. She had repeatedly let people know that she wanted help, but the help seemed always to come from the same one or two people. We can do better than that.

Solve a problem

5th/6th-Grade Shabbat

Photos by Adrian Richfield



Clockwise from above: Lia Ecker (left) and Molly Schmidt; Education Director Carrie Barbakoff and Milo Patz; Carrie and Noah Sulman.



Ask that wonderful question, "How can I help?"

efficiently. We have plenty of little things that can be made better with just a little effort. Just pitch in when you see one of those problems, but - please - don't solve problem #1 by creating problem #2.

In Pierke Avot (Ethics of the Fathers, 2:21) we find this: "It is not incumbent on you to finish the task, but neither are you free to absolve yourself from it." If I remind myself of that from time to time, I know I'll be able to do better.

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From the Facility Committee

Help salt parking lot, sidewalks if you can

By Joe Dailey / Bulletin Co-Editor

It's now easier for people who want to help with a bit of

salting when slippery conditions call for it.

When icy conditions call for salt, your help would be greatly appreciated. A round of salting - big or small - should be a bit easier now that we have a galvanized can of salt outside, near the main doors. You can find a big red scoop in or near the can.

If you are able, just grab the red scoop and dig in and fling some salt where needed.

You could also look near the salt bags in the cloak room where you should find a green hand-held spreader. That would allow you to carry more salt and spread it a lot quicker.

You might also pitch in and transfer salt from a bag into the outdoor galvanized can when the salt level there warrants it. In the kitchen, you can locate a sharp knife for cutting the bag open. Look for a drawer marked "sharp knives."

For those of you who do pitch in with salting, the Facility Committee wishes you a gigantic THANK YOU ---TODAH!



DINING GROUP: The group goes to Pacific Bistro on March 30th, beginning at 5:30 p.m. For more info or to RSVP, contact Elly Kraine (ellyanna340@gmail.com). Elly writes, "The crispy duck is fabulous and enough for three meals."

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