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YOM HASHOAH, YOM HAATZMAUT at CEEW

Holocaust survivor Howard Melton to speak at our Holocaust Remembrance observance April 28th......Page 10

Musical celebration of our synagogue's 80th ANNIVERSARY



The stage at Carroll University's Shattuck Hall was full of musical talent on Sunday, April 14th, as CEEW celebrated its 80th anniversary with a concert of Jewish music. Sharing the stage were our Temple klezmer band, A Band'n All Hope, that included congregants **Mark Levy, Mike Kotkin, Marie Loeffler** and **Jeff** and **Judy Shabman**; the Carroll choirs; and, in front from left: **Cantor Richard Newman** of Congregation Sinai, **Hazzan Jeremy Stein** of Congre-

Congregation Sinai, Hazzan Jeremy Stein of Congregation Beth El Ner Tamid, Cantor Karen Berman of Congregation Shalom, Cantor Sharon Brown-Levy of Temple Beth El in Madison, Cantor Deborah Martin of CEEW and cantorial soloist Marsha Fensin of CEEW. *More on Page 2*

Joe Dailey photo

UW-Milwaukee professor to discuss JEWISH AMERICAN FILM AND TV

Adult Education Committee (rescheduled) Program at CEEW **7 p.m. Thursday, May 9th**

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

achel Baum, a professor at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, will present a most entertaining program on Thursday, May 9th, beginning at 7 p.m. at CEEW.

. The program was postponed from February because of weather conditions.

There will be light snacks before the program. Friends and family are always welcome at Adult Education Committee programs.

The program is titled: "Oy vey! New



UWM Professor Rachel Baum Jewish-American Film & TV, and the Future of Judaism." Baum will discuss what we can tell about Jewish identity from the films and television shows created, acted in and viewed by Jewish Americans.

While Baum says earlier generations were cautious in their on-screen expressions of Jewishness, she adds that today's young people are claiming their right "to be just as messed up" as their non-Jewish peers.

Baum will show clips from current movies and television shows and analyze what they say about Jewish identity now and in the future.



CANTOR MARTIN THANKS ... Laurie Schwartz "for her incredible work on fundraising and organizing" for our 80th anniversary concert ... Mark Levy for organizing the band, for arranging audio needs and for finding a video producer to record the event ... Tom Braatz, Elaine Goldberg, Jan and Bill Lowell, Adrian Richfield and the entire "wonderful congregation."

OUR MUSICAL CELEBRATION



Joe Dailey photos

At left: **Cantor Martin** lifted us up through song as she, her cantorial colleagues, A Band'n All Hope and the Carroll University choirs took us on a journey of Jewish music and its influence on popular American music past and present. Right: From left, cantorial soloist **Marsha Fensin** of CEEW, **Cantor Richard Newman** of Congregation Sinai, **Hazzan Jeremy Stein** of Congregation Beth Israel Ner Tamid, **Cantor Sharon Brown-Levy** of Temple Beth El of Madison and **Cantor Deborah Martin** of CEEW. **Cantor Karen Berman** of Congregation Shalom also sang.

Thanks to so many for supporting concert

By LAURIE SCHWARTZ Fundraising Chair

Thank you to everyone who helped make our anniversary concert a success.

We were fortunate to have so many talented performers share their amazing gifts with us. As of April 15th, we had raised \$35,135 with additional donations of more than \$1,300 expected. **Cantor Martin** has graciously donated 100 percent of her fee for working with the Car-

roll choir to cover all costs. This means that 100 percent of your donations and ticket purchases go directly to the Temple.

We are especially thankful to Dr. Richard Scholsohn and Carroll's chaplain, Rev. Elizabeth McCord. Dr. Scholsohn, a Carroll alumnus, generously established the Ben Scholsohn Fund for Religious Awareness in memory of his father, an Orthodox Jew. Rev. McCord works to enable programs, guest speakers and travel opportunities that emphasize Judaism as Carroll seeks to meet the requirements of Dr. Scholsohn's gift. Without the support of both Dr. Scholsohn and Rev. McCord, our concert might have been impossible.

We were fortunate to have a number of vendors support us. When choosing how and where to spend your dollars, please think of them:

A Band'n All Hope Ayelet Tours LTD Bill Minett @ the Real Estate Company Biltrite Furniture Blue Moon Solutions Braatz Home Improvement and Repair Dallen Wealth Management Group Innovation Electrical Service Kelly Goodman @ Allstate Insurance Rochester Deli Thomas Press Inc. Tom Braatz @ Caldwell Banker.

(Bulletin co-editor Joe Dailey contributed to this report.)

Some reactions received by Cantor Martin

"Thank you SO much for extending the invitation to the Carroll choirs to join you on this very special occasion! It was truly a joy for us to meet you all and to make music with such talented singers. I'm looking forward to being a part of the 100th anniversary!"

PATRICK DILL Director of Carroll Choral Activities

"Grateful, beyond measure, for this opportunity and to be with every one of you! I feel so honored to have been asked to be a part of this."

CANTOR SHARON BROWN-LEVY

Temple Beth El of Madison

"It was a full day, but I left the concert with a full heart. Kudos to all."

CANTOR KAREN BERMAN

Congregation Shalom

"It was a pleasure to be a part of your special celebration! Congratulations again on your 80th anniversary."

RHONDA KWIECIEN

Carroll Collaborative Keyboard Artist

"It was such a pleasure to be part of such a great concert – and the choirs were magnificent!"

CANTOR RICHARD NEWMAN Congregation Sinai



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.

What is religious freedom, tolerance?

recently spoke with my good friend **Jane Taves** about her recent trip to Israel.

She was there with a small group of leaders from the Women of Reform Judaism to participate in the Women of the Wall's (WOW) 30th anniversary celebration.

They went to their monthly Rosh Chodesh service at the Kotel, the Western Wall. Here is how she described it:

"It was pre-dawn in Jerusalem — Friday, March 8th. We had been

warned. This would not be a typical Rosh Chodesh



service. Knowing that the 30th anniversary would bring women from around the country and around the world, the ultra-Orthodox (*haredi*) leadership had

Jane Taves

mounted a campaign

to undermine and ultimately disrupt this celebration."

Jane's group knew that *haredi* students had moved to the Kotel to arrive ahead of WOW's 7 a.m. service, to fill the women's section and prevent the Women of the Wall from praying there. "But nothing could have prepared us for the reality," she said.

The women's section was packed with *haredi* high school girls. A WOW supporter on the periphery said there was no room; it would be impossible to reach the service in the middle of the crowd.

"But we joined hands, made a human chain, and began pushing through the crowd," Jane said. "Haredi girls blocked our way, tried to pull us apart and did all they could to prevent us joining our group. It was one of most frightening short walks I have ever made."

Once physically at their desired location Jane couldn't even take her WOW *siddur* from her backpack. WOW women encircled their prayer leaders to try to protect them from hands reaching for their *tallitot*, their *kippot* and their *siddurim*. "Those *haredi* girls were shoving, kicking, shouting. It seemed very

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possible that someone would be pushed to the ground and trampled," Jane said.

Police were completely absent. It felt too dangerous to bring out the Torah that WOW women had smuggled in for a Torah service. The violence escalated, and WOW leaders chose to relocate to the rudimentary egalitarian worship space at Robinson's Arch. At that point dozens of police appeared and made a path to escort the WOW group out of the mob. "At Robinson's Arch, ... we were able to draw the first deep breath in over an hour," Jane said. "We finished our service with joy, singing and dancing."

Jane contemplated, "What might be the impact of our experience? Might this level of violence finally goad the Israeli government into honoring their agreement to create an appropriate egalitarian worship space, one which is not under

the jurisdiction of the ultra-Orthodox rabbinate? Traumatic as it was, some feel that this could be a turning point in this struggle," she said.

"To be clear, the struggle is not just about the Western Wall. The struggle is about who controls marriages, divorces, conversions. It is about who is considered to be a rabbi in Israel, who is considered to be a Jew. It is about being able to live an authentic, non-Orthodox life in the Holy Land, something we take for granted in North America. And someday — yes — we may be able to pray as a women's community at the Western Wall."

After pondering Jane's experience at the Kotel, I thought about tolerance and religious freedom and my unwavering

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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.

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support of the state of Israel. We often think religious freedom is a right we <u>all</u> have, yet it seems to be a matter decided by those in political control and by the numerical majority.

Of course, I have no problem respecting the rights of the Orthodox Jews to pray as they see fit. I <u>do</u> have a problem with them dictating how I must pray, be married, have a *B'nai Mitzvah* and which rabbi I must use. I especially wish that I would be seen as a legitimate female clergy person in Israel, as I am here in America.

The problem at the wall could go away if they would just allow us to have a legitimate space at the Kotel away from the main Orthodox prayer area.

Allowing high school girls to attack women physically at the Wall is shameful. What does that teach those girls? It's okay to hurt others, to attack people who don't share your beliefs?

Don't we have enough people in the world who hate Jews, without having us fight with each other? Why can't we all enjoy praying to God in our own ways without infringing on the rights of the other?

We have just celebrated Passover and our freedom from slavery in Egypt, but we still have challenges to overcome so that everyone can pray, live their lives and practice their religions in ways meaningful to them. We <u>need to work</u> toward truly free religious practice and tolerance. *Kein Yehi Ratzon* — Let this be God's will. Your Attendance and Participation Are Respectfully Requested at the 2019 Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha

ANNUAL

MEETING

WHEN: 9 a.m. Sunday, June 2nd WHERE: CEEW Social Hall

WHAT: Board-sponsored light breakfast, followed promptly at 9:30 a.m. by discussion and voting on budget, election of officers, reports by staff and volunteer committee chairs.

Recent Donations

Note from Treasurer Alan Meyers: The concert donations were listed in the concert booklet)

- ➔ From Jack and Elaine Goldberg, in memory of Jacquie Hurwitz
- (Note from Treasurer Alan → General donation from Prairie Hill Waldorf School for school visit
 - ➔ Mensch donations from Barbara Mulhern and Mark and Cindy Levy



Condolences

Members and staff of Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha were saddened to learn of the death of **Scott Nettesheim**, brother of **Sandy Villa**.

Scott passed away peacefully on March 25th at the age of 67 after a short hospice stay.

Scott worked in sales in the data processing industry for 19 years after graduating from John Carroll University. He subsequently changed careers to become a teacher. After teaching for one year at Marquette University High School, he taught Computer Science at Homestead High School for 27 years before retiring last year. Scott was passionate about equipping students with the technology skills necessary for future success. His athletic passion was coaching freshman boys basketball along with his wife Kathleen for 17 years. Scott often said he was very blessed to teach and coach great kids and work alongside great staff and administrators at Homestead.

One of Scott's college roommates wrote, "Scott was a true gentle man. In looking over the comments, notes and remembrances I see that he grew and matured iinto a life of giving back."

In lieu of flowers, the family asked that contributions be directed to Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha or the MACC Fund 10000 W Innovation Dr # 135, Milwaukee, WI 53226.



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.

A successful presidency nearing an end

ime flies when you're having fun and when you have something meaningful to do. I'll freely admit being president isn't *always* a fun job, but it is without a doubt a meaningful one.

Because of serving as CEEW president I am grateful for...

...getting to meet more members than I was acquainted with before, and getting to know better those I already knew.

... learning how to be patient with people, and how to listen more carefully.

... the chance to see that our members are engaged in our community in numbers as proportionally large as those of the large congregations.

...having the opportunity to learn more about the wealth of services available to our community and to our members by virtue of our membership in the Union for Reform Judaism.

...our small size, which enables more members to demonstrate their love of Judaism, CEEW and the Jewish people as they fill roles staff would fill in larger synagogues.

... our educators and our parents, who do so much to light and tend the flame of Jewish learning in our children at school and in their homes.

... our members, who contribute money, time and so many other resources to assure that our presence as the center for progressive Judaism in Waukesha County survives and thrives.

At the start of my presidency, I set as my goals the establishment of an endowment to stabilize our long-term financial well-being; increasing our sense of community; building external visibility; and compiling our policies.

The endowment is ready to go, awaiting final approval by the membership at the annual meeting on June 2nd.

Our external visibility is increasing thanks to **Mark Levy's** work on our new

ANN MEYERS

From the CEEW President's Desk



website, and his and **Marie Loeffler's** work to enhance our presence on Facebook; soon we'll be on other platforms.

Our press releases by **Lee Fensin** appear regularly in Waukesha and Jewish press outlets.

We participate in interfaith organizations in the city and county, which makes us widely known in the faith communities.

Our policies have been corralled into shape, thanks to the skill and persistence of **Marcy Hotz**.

Increasing our sense of community is a concept that's a bit harder to define and to measure. Judging by the 2018 URJ Benchmarking and Assessment survey, we're coming along in this area as well. Our members express strong, positive feelings about being part of CEEW.

Still, more members than I'd like don't attend services or programming. They remain committed to the need for a temple in Waukesha County, but our leadership is not sure how to meet their needs for a more fulfilling Jewish life yet. That's a work in progress.

I will end this column with a thank you to all members for your encouragement and appreciation for my work these past four years.

I will continue working as past president to nurture the success of CEEW in all its endeavors.



BABY PICTURES NEEDED: The Adult Education Committee's end-of-the-year program, You Must Have Been a Beautiful Baby! on June 15th will include a baby pictures display. Please send your baby picture to Adrian Richfield (<u>susu78@aol.com</u>) ASAP. More on Page 8

School year to end with holidays

is hard to believe that the 2018 -2019 school year is almost over.

At the beginning of the year, some of our students did not really know the aleph-bet, and now many of our students not only know the aleph-bet but can read words.

Our beginning midweek Hebrew students can read the four questions from the Passover Haggadah. Our advanced midweek Hebrew students can lead the congregation in several of our prayers that are part of the Friday night service, such as the Amidah (the tefillah) and the V'ahavta.

I want to take this opportunity to thank our religious school teachers, **Mari-Claire Zimmerman, Marie Loeffler** and **Ilene Jauquet** for their hard work and dedication to our students throughout the school year. Thank you to **Ann Meyers** and **Joe Dailey** for teaching our Confirmation students. Thank you to **Cantor Deborah Martin** for her musical and spiritual contributions to our school. Our students now have a new appreciation for Jewish history, Israel, the aleph-bet and characters from the Torah stories they have learned.

Our Temple donated more than 15 pounds of matzah and many other necessities to the Jewish Community Food Pantry Passover drive so that those less fortunate could celebrate the holiday of Passover.

As we end the school year we will be celebrating two holidays, Yom HaAtzmaut and Mother's Day. Our last day of Religious School is May 12th, Mother's Day.

On Sunday, May 5th, we are celebrating Yom HaAtzmaut in our Religious School. Yom HaAtzmaut, Israeli Independence Day, marks the establishment of the modern state of Israel in 1948. It is observed on or near the 5th of Iyar in the Hebrew calendar, which usually falls in April. This year it is May 9th.

The Israeli Knesset established the day before Yom HaAtzmaut as Yom HaZikaron, a Memorial Day for soldiers who died fighting in the War of Independence and in other subsequent battles.

CARRIE BARBAKOFF

From the Education Director's Desk



Marsha Fensin photo

Danyelle Kukuk does a reading while her daughter, **Avery**, follows along and Education Director **Carrie Barbakoff** looks on during the model seder at Temple on April 7th.

Since the establishment of the State of Israel, four new holidays have been added to the Jewish calendar — Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day), Yom HaZikaron (Memorial Day), Yom HaAtzmaut (Independence Day), and Yom Yerushalayim (Jerusalem Day). In Israel, they are observed as national holidays.

There are two Dr. Seuss quotes that I want to share:

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose."

"You're on your own. And you know what you know. And you are the one who'll decide where to go." — both from **Oh, The Places You Will Go!**

Some of our students will be attending Jewish overnight camp this summer and I look forward to seeing them in the fall and hearing about their experiences.



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.



There's nothing under the sun like **PURIM FUN**

Natalie Hirsch

Photos by Joe Dailey





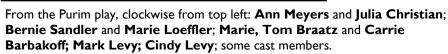














The Lewis family, from left: Carter, Steve, Brynn, Jenn.



Ava Koszarek plays a carnival game while her father Pete watches and Jonah Sulman waits his turn.



At left: Laura Gacek got all dressed up for Purim; At right: Cantor Martin leads kids in song.



ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE PRESENTS ITS 2018-19 END-OF-THE-YEAR PROGRAM

<u>SATURDAY NIGHT, JUNE 15TH</u> YOU MUST HAVE BEEN A BEAUTIFUL BABY!

The Big Band Era

Time: 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Cost: \$23 per person

RSVP: Checks made out to CEEW with name(s) and menu choice (beef or chicken) must be mailed and received by **Wednesday, June 5th.** Send to: Adrian Richfield, 1334 Bluebird Terrace, Waukesha 53188. Or, hand the check and info to Adrian or Elaine Goldberg. Also, **please send a jpeg formatted baby/youth picture** to <u>susu78@aol.com</u> or give Adrian a picture to copy for the baby picture display.

MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT

GARRETT WAITE TRIO Program of Big Band era songs



Dinner Menu (Catered by Home Bistro)

(Choose 1) **Beef Bourgignon** (tender beef in red wine sauce with carrots & onions served over red mashed potatoes) Or **Chicken Provencal** (chicken thighs roasted with shallots, garlic, lemon served with red mashed potatoes) Included with dinners: salad, bread, beverages (BYO WINE/ALCOHOL), dessert (choice of mini strawberry shortcakes or brownie cheesecakes drizzled with chocolate)

Features

- Baby Pictures Display
- Raffle Baskets
- Era of Big Band
- facts & news game



GUESS WHO THIS IS

A long-time and active member of our Temple: teacher, committee member, service leader and so much more!

KAREN LEVY& PETER LEE



Musical set of songs from the period

"THE ANDREWS SISTERS"

(Marsha Fensin, Karen Levy, Marie Loeffler) Singing *Bei Mir Bist Du Schon,* plus other songs of the era





PARTICIPATE IN SCRIP PROGRAM: Purchasing gift cards and electronic Scrip with access to more than 750 retailers will earn CEEW anywhere from 2.5 percent to 16 percent. It's easy and costs you nothing. Check it out at shopwithscrip.com. To learn more or to start purchasing Scrip, contact Laurie Schwartz at (303) 888-5137 or at Iss303@aol.com.

Speaker lived tough childhood

Howard Melton was 10 years old living in Lithuania when the war began and he was immediately forced into a ghetto.

Howard, his mother and his two sisters were then sent from the ghetto to a labor camp in Latvia, where he volunteered to work on a farm.

In 1943, Howard's younger sister was sent to Auschwitz, where she was killed in January of 1945. His mother and older sister were both killed in Stutthof.

Howard, now 88 years old, was sent to the Dachau concentration camp where the conditions were very harsh and people suffered from hunger and exhaustion. In 1945 he was forced to march for 10 days. At the end of the march, Howard was rescued by the American troops. At age 14, Howard weighed only 55 pounds.

Both Howard and his father survived the war. He moved to New York City in 1949, but later moved to Milwaukee to be near his friend, Albert Beder. He joined the Air Force in 1950 and was married in 1951.

Melton has been a long-time member of the Nathan and Esther Pelz Holocaust Education Resource Center Speakers Bureau. Inter-Generational Program for YON HaShOah





Marie Loeffler, Violinist, will play Theme Song to the Movie Schindler's List

CONGREGATION EMANU-EL OF WAUKESHA SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2019 10:30-11:30AM

> 830 WEST MORELAND BLVD. WAUKESHA, WI

YOM HAATZMAUT



ISRAEL'S INDEPENDENCE DAY

Intergenerational Yom Haatzmaut Celebration

10 a.m. Sunday, May 5th at Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha

Israeli food, music and dancing

A-Band-in-all-Hope, made up of local musicians, will play.

Learn what the Israeli cities of Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa and Safed are like, and the Negev region. Family and Friends WELCOME



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).

Many to thank for successful Heritage Dinner

any thanks to our Sisterhood members, including all who joined us and contributed the savory recipes that made our 2019 Heritage Dinner a great success.

The Sisterhood Heritage Dinner team, led by Carol O'Neil, included Barb Dailey, Sara Anson, Cindy Levy, Judy Shabman, Denise Stodola and Sandra Small. The wonderful dishes were prepared by the committee as well as Mari-Claire Zimmerman, Deb Hacker, Marsha Fensin, Sandy Villa, Ann |Meyers, June Kulakow, Jennifer Ecker, Barb Zacher, Lori Fisher and Laurie Schwartz.

Thank you also to those who donated bottles of wine for the wine pull, which was also a grand success. We greatly appreciate the strong support of our Sisterhood board, congregation members and friends.

The Heritage Dinner theme, "Going Back to Our Roots," may be more appropriate than originally thought. There may be a few who recall that a Milwaukee settlement house established in 1909



was funded by a Sisterhood fundraiser. Milwaukee's Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun Sisterhood compiled the first housekeeping manual with recipes.

This housekeeping manual became the immediately successful *Settlement Cookbook*. It could be possible that Barb Dailey's kugel recipe, or perhaps Cindy Levy's couscous recipe recently served at the Heritage Dinner were originally published in the Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun Sisterhood *Settlement Cookbook*.

Sisterhoods nationally have had many years of history and accomplishments. CEEW Sisterhood's year of remembering and celebrating our own Sisterhood's history will soon come to an end. As we look forward to the years ahead, our



SISTERHOOD ANNUAL MEETING I I :30 a.m. Sunday, June 9th At the synagogue A light lunch will be served and there will be a program by Joanne Wagner.

memories will include a year of recognition and appreciation of those who made our 2009 Sisterhood a possibility.

Again, many thanks to all those who have helped Sisterhood support and fund the many projects and programs of Congregation Emanu-El, and its Sisterhood.



Joe Dailey photo

The Heritage Dinner contributors, from left: June Kulakow, Barb Dailey, Deb Hacker, Sisterhood Co-President Sandra Small, Lori Fisher (front), Judy Shabman, Barb Zacher, Marsha Fensin, Cindy Levy, Ann Meyers, Carol O'Neil, Sisterhood Co-President Denise Stodola, Sandy Villa and Sara Anson (holding daughter Evelyn).

TEMPLE CLEANUP DAY: A major building cleanup day is being planned. Please help if you can.



AROUND THE SISTERHOOD

Purim Crib Project brings in 54 pairs of pajamas

By SANDY VILLA Tikkun Olam Chair

Once again, the generosity of our congregation was evident in the response to this year's Sisterhood Purim Pajama Project.

We collected 54 pairs of pajamas, many with two pairs of bottoms. The response from people at the Hope Center was that they are always amazed at what Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha donates. It is always something that is greatly needed.

The Hope Center will distribute them in the Waukesha School District to students, who will now be attired for Pajama Day at school.

Thanks to **Barb Dailey** for the suggestion of this project.

Sisterhood grant request period open

By SANDRA SMALL Co-President

The purpose of the Sisterhood grant project is to foster Jewish education and family life for children and adults, to further religious and inter-religious activities, to raise spiritual awareness, to encourage social advocacy projects and to promote fellowship among CEEW members.

The CEEW Sisterhood will consider all grant applications, and make the final decision(s) as to the grant recipient(s) after July 1st. The amount of the grant award will be determined according to the number of applications, the benefit of the project and the 2018-19 Sisterhood budget.

A printable online version of the grant application is available from **Cindy Levy** at ceew_sisterhood@yahoo.com.

Completed application forms must be submitted between April 1st and July 1st. Completed forms may be deposited in the Sisterhood mailbox located in the administration office — or mailed to:



Joe Dailey photo

The Heritage Dinner food line looked more like a chat line: From left — Nancy Cummens, Mary Schuman, Mike Cummens, Laurie Schwartz, Cindy Levy, Loren Schmidt and Alan Meyers.



to the Sisterhood co-presidents. For additional information, please contact co-president **Sandra Small** at <u>sandmarv@wi.rr.com</u> or Communications Chair **Cindy Levy** at <u>ceew_sisterhood@yahoo.com</u>.

Sisterhood camp scholarships awarded

By CINDY LEVY Communications Chair

The CEEW Sisterhood Board voted to award camp scholarships to **Lia** and **Torin Ecker**, children of Jennifer and Wes Ecker, to help defer the cost of them attending a Jewish camp this summer.

Lia and Torin will be attending the overnight camp at OSRUI for two weeks this summer.

In addition to these camp scholarships, the CEEW Sisterhood paid for the confirmation retreat at OSRUI this winter.

The members of the Sisterhood believe the experiences at the Jewish camp will strengthen our children's connections to Judaism and plant the seeds for their Jewish identity in the future.

For this reason, the Sisterhood has made a commitment to supporting the Jewish camping of our youth.

Joe Dailey photo

Carol O'Neil organized the food and baked six desserts for the Sisterhood's Heritage Dinner. She and **Denise Stodola** co-chaired the event.

CEEW Sisterhood; Box 332; Waukesha, WI 53187 — or emailed to ceew sisterhood@yahoo.com.

Funds will be awarded after July 1st. The Sisterhood treasurer will submit checks for merchandise directly to the vendor. Within 60 days of the completion of the project, applicants must submit a written report regarding the grant project



SUPPORT B'NAI MITZVAH STUDENTS: All members of Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha are invited to support our b'nai mitzvah students and families by attending their services on Shabbat. Check Temple calendar for dates and times.

RECIPE CORNER

A Heritage recipe to share

By CINDY LEVY Communications Chair

Everyone seemed so excited with the Heritage Dinner food that we decided to share the recipes.

Just like the monthly installment of a novel chapter, the CEEW Sisterhood will share a recipe. If you would like your Heritage recipe shared, please send it to Cindy Levy at

ceew_sisterhood@yahoo.com.

Moroccan Sweet Couscous with Mixed Dried Fruits

(Serves 10 or more as part of a buffet) From the recipe file of Cindy Levy (by Tina Wasserman)

1 cup Israeli couscous 2 tablespoons unsalted butter or margarine

¼ cup sugar

- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups assorted dried fruits

1/3 cup almonds, roasted and chopped 2 tablespoons pine nuts, roasted 1/3 cup milk with 3 drops of almond extract Cinnamon, pitted Medjool dates, pomegranate seeds and/or apricot slivers for garnish

1 - Cook the couscous in a large pot of boiling salted water for 7 to 10 minutes, until tender but still firm. Drain, but do not rinse, and place in a large mixing bowl. 2 – Melt the butter or margarine in a 1-cup bowl in the microwave for 35 seconds. Add the sugar and cinnamon and stir to combine. Pour the mixture over the couscous to coat thoroughly. 3 - Add the dried fruit and nuts. 4 – Mix the 3 drops of almond extract into the milk. Add just enough of the milk to the couscous to moisten it. Do not add too much or the mixture will be runny. Reserve excess milk in case the couscous is dry. Remoisten before your garnish. 5 - Pile the couscous into a mound or pyramid shape on a serving platter. Sprinkle with additional cinnamon and garnish with Medjool date halves, pomegranate seeds and/or apricot slivers.





Joe Dailey photos At left: **Sandy Villa** and **Peter Shelley** were among the congregants who feasted at the Sisterhood's Heritage Dinner on March 31st. Above, a table was set up nicely.

CHOCOLATE SEDER

Photos by Adrian Richfield



Enjoying the Chocolate Seder at CEEW on April 6th were, from left: **Briar Rahmes, Lydia Rahmes, Sandy Villa, Cindy Levy, Mark Levy, Cantor Martin, Jennifer Ecker, Rylan Ecker, Lia Ecker, Torin Ecker** and **Elaine Goldberg**.





At left, from left: **Rylan, Torin** and **Lia Ecker**. Above: a chocolate lover's delight.



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

ABRAHAM'S TENT

Photos by Marie Loeffler

Marie Loeffler, our kindergarten through second-grade teacher, did a "tent of meeting" program with her class in which Mark Levy (Abraham), Mike Kotkin (Moses), Cantor Martin (Miriam) and Carrie Barbakoff (Rebecca) dressed up as biblical characters. Each took turns coming to the class to meet the students and have the students review what they have learned about each of these people. Tzipi Altman-Shafer from the Milwaukee Jewish Federation observed the class as part of Marie's participation in the BINAH professional development program. The students were learning how to greet and be kind to guests. The students ate food that existed in Israel during the time of the Torah. "We discussed, we danced and sang songs," Marie said.



Julia Christian photo Marie Loeffler dressed up as a camel.



Above: Mark Levy came to the class as Abraham and Mike Kotkin came as Moses. Below: Tzipi Altman-Schafer of the Milwaukee Jewish Federation sat with students Julia Christian, Laura Gacek, Rylan Ecker, Ava Koszarek and Jonah Sulman and aide Natalie Hirsch; and Cantor Martin came as Miriam. (Tom Braatz, to left of Cantor Martin, helped.)



Edna Walls, now 93 of Menomonee Falls, recently mailed the below letter to CEEW.

Dear Congreation Emeru - El I was delighted to see your 80 # anniversary being celebrated. It. brought memories back to that time when my grandfather, Sottint Wallesberstein, Dold that property to the Jearich Community of trankedia. Prior to that time, I believe they mit in a private home on arcadian ave. Sam Friedman, who had a mer's clothing store on Main St in Waukestra, wae a good friend of my Deandfather bottlieb. Om now 43 yrs. old and could give you some history lusaresbut enough far how. Congestulations to the people of albiaham, base and Speak. Edra Waleabenetica Walle



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>.

BREWERS GAME

Please join us at the Milwaukee Brewers game on Tuesday, June 25th for a night of entertainment and fun. The Brewers will be hosting the Seattle Mariners, and the time is 7 p.m. We will be sitting together in the club-level outfield section.

Any questions, please call Elly Kraines at: (262) 785-1674.

Tickets are \$42 per person and include a club outfield seat and voucher good for \$10 of food / drinks. Elly has secured 20 tickets at

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that price, and she said, "Tickets are going fast because of what was accomplished (by the Brewers) last year. After the 20 are sold, the price will go up."

Please send this reservation form, along with your check made out to CEEW, so that Elly receives it no later than June 4° , to:

Elly Kraines, 17110 Lake Road, Brookfield, WI 53005.

Name:		

Address:

E-mail and/or phone #: _____

Quantity		Total Dollars
	Number of Event Tickets @ \$42 each (Tickets will be mailed to you at the address you provide or can be picked up at call window at the main entrance to Miller Park, if you let us know to leave them for you.)	
	Number of Parking Passes – General and handicapped parking in Miller lot is \$13, and Parking in the Preferred lot is \$19.	
	Total Enclosed	



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 . . .

- To everyone who made our 80th anniversary concert on April 14th a success – from **Cantor Martin**, **Laurie Schwartz** and **Tom Braatz** to **Jan** and **Bill Lowell**, to **Mark Levy** and to all the advertisers, sponsors, performers, Carroll University, program helpers, etc.
- Ann Meyers, who led the Shabbat service on March 22nd.
- Mari-Claire Zimmerman and Mike Cummens, who led the Shabbat service on April 12th.
- The cast of our March 24th Purim play, The Little Mermaideleh. Actors were: Esther, Marie Loeffler; King, Bernie Sandler; Mordechai, Tom Braatz; Vashti and Carlotta, Julia Christian; Hamana, Cantor Martin; Grimsby, Mark Levy; Francois, Jetsum and Girl 2, Ann Meyers; Chef Louis and the guard, Spencer Braatz; Flounder, Carrie Barbakoff; Scuttle and Flotsam, Cindy Levy; Girl 1 and Sebastian, Ava Koszarek; Crab, Rylan Ecker. The pianist was Phil Smith.
- Loren Schmidt, Andi Patz and Jennifer Lewis for helping to plan this year's Purim carnival. Thank you to Mark Schmidt for bringing the skee-ball game and set -up; to Molly Schmidt for helping to prepare the prize bags; to Ardis Gacek and Elaine Goldberg for picking up the sandwiches for the Purim lunch: to Ilene and Zack Jauquet. Marie Loeffler, Mari-Claire Zimmerman and Natalie Hirsch for running games during the carnival; to Jennifer Ecker for helping decorate the social hall and for collecting money; to everyone who helped rearrange the room and set

up lunch; and to everyone who attended the Purim carnival, Purim shpiel and the Purim lunch – Education Director **Carrie Barbakoff** said, "Your presence made the event a success."

- Sisterhood, for helping us Return to Our Roots by putting on a wonderful Heritage Dinner on March 31st. Special thanks to **Carol O'Neil** for taking charge of the food; to Carol and everyone else who brought food, helped with setup and cleanup, the wine pull and the 50-50 raffle; and to **Barb Dailey** who handled the RSVPs.
- Cindy and Mark Levy and Denise and Dennis Stodola for making the soup for the April 5th Soup-er Shabbat. Thanks to Mari-Claire Zimmerman for organizing the dinner, to all those who brought other food to share and who helped with cleanup.
- Mari-Claire Zimmerman, for organizing the intergenerational model seder in Religious School on April 7th. And thanks to all her helpers – notably Cantor Martin, Education Director Carrie Barbakoff, Youth Education co-chairs Loren Schmidt and Andi Patz, Marie Loeffler, David Cornale, Aaron and Cecile Sulman, Marsha Fensin, Ilene Jauquet and Joe Dailey.
- Mary Schuman and Elly Kraines, for organizing our community Passover Seder. And to Elly for continuing to organize our dining group and our annual trip to watch the Milwaukee Brewers.

Please send your Todah Rabbah items to: temple-news@hotmail.com.

SPECIAL CONCERT THANK YOU From congregant Adrian Richfield



"This was the most successful fundraiser for CEEW in a number of years, and we all need to give Laurie Schwartz a big thanks for not only this fundraising effort but the others she has

Laurie Schwartz

implemented this year as well.

"We also owe **Cantor Martin** kudos for her idea of this fundraising concert and putting together a wonderful musical show for all. We were all treated to some wonderful voices, music and Jewish musical history."

MAZEL TOV to ...

ANNIVERSARIES

• Jeff and Judy Shabman, who celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary on May 26th.

BIRTHDAYS

- Macy Bornstein, who celebrates her 17th birthday on May 28th.
- Ann Klein, who celebrates a birthday on May 5th.
- David and Gabe Merkow, each of whom celebrate birthdays on May 5th.
- Carol O'Neil, who will celebrate a birthday May 10th.
- Andi Patz, who celebrated a birthday on March 24th.
- Sandy Small, who will celebrate a birthday on May 17th.
- Rick Steinberg, who celebrates a birthday on May 8th.

EDUCATION

• Sharon Levy, the daughter of Mark and Cindy Levy, is published again, this time in the New Horror Anthology. Sharon, a senior at Coe College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, previously was published in the original Emerging Writers Iowa anthology.



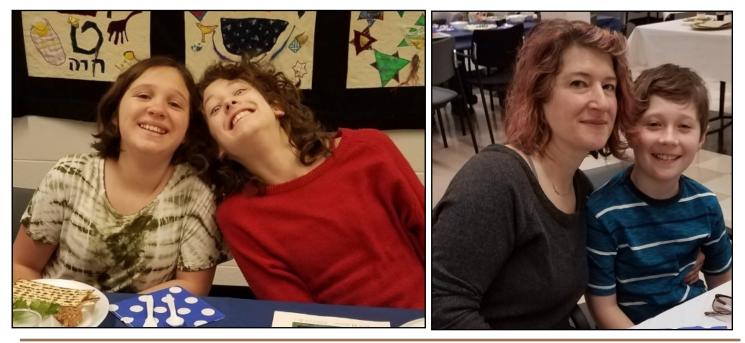
SOUP-ER SHABBAT SET FOR MAY 3rd: The next Soup-er Shabbat will take place Friday, May 3rd starting at 5:45 p.m., followed by a 6:45 p.m. cleanup and a 7 p.m. service. Cantor Martin will lead the service. RSVP to Mari-Claire Zimmerman and let her know what you are bringing to share – two soups are needed.

Intergenerational Model Seder

Photos by Marsha Fensin



Above: Left, **The Patz family** — Tabb, Andi, Milo and Esme; Right, **Mari-Claire Zimmerman** organized the model seder. Below: Left, **Molly Schmidt** and **Lia Ecker**; Right, **Lisa Mandel** and her son, **Henry Cornale**.





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

Model Seder

Photos by Marie Loeffler



Clockwise from above left: Ava Koszarek and Laura Gacek put their cuteness on display; the matzah ball soup made by Marie Loeffler was described by one congregant as "absolutely delicious."



From Midwest to Mideast: Our trip to Israel

The trip is ON. CEEW is taking a journey to Israel this year.

The trip, led by **Cantor Martin**, will take place Oct. 27th through Nov. 7th, 2019.

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, 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.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOTES April 8th Meeting By JOE DAILEY

- Education Director **Carrie Barbakoff** reported that the school collected lots of food for the community-wide Passover food drive on behalf of those who might not be able to afford Passover food for their families. Carrie was seeking funding to allow her to attend the Coalition for the Advancement of Jewish Education conference in Portland, Ore., in July. CEEJ had committed some funds, \$650 was pledged from the Milwaukee Coalition for Jewish Learning, and there was some hope for funding directly from CAJE.
- Treasurer **Alan Meyers** reported on a number of things. He explained that our mortgage, which is a business loan that comes due periodically, is scheduled to come due in July. The current balance is \$96,551. He said our membership was 78 member units: 39 family units, 35 individual units, and 4 individual associate units.
- The Board discussed options for the 2019-20 budget.
- The Board anticipates that, in May, **Marcy Hotz** will return to the job of CEEW's administrative assistant.
- The congregation's annual meeting is scheduled for June 2nd. All materials for the annual meeting should be sent to President **Ann Meyers** by May 10th.
- Sisterhood reported that the Heritage Dinner and the Purim Project were big successes, and that Sisterhood provided \$500 camp scholarships to Lia and Torin Ecker.
- Mike Kotkin presented a closed session report from the Personnel Committee.
- The board discussed how CEEW might function as a Reform Jewish asset for people attending the Democratic National Convention in Milwaukee, July 13-16, 2020.



MAY SHABBAT SERVICES MAY 3 5:45 p.m.: Soup-er Shabbat 6:45 p.m.: Cleanup 7 p.m.: Cantor-led service

MAY 10 7 p.m.: Cantor-led service MAY 17 7 p.m.: Cantor-led service

MAY 24

7 p.m.: Member-led service

MAY 31 7 p.m.: Member-led service



ATTENTION GRADUATES (and their Moms and Dads): We would like wish a Mazel Tov in the June Bulletin to our high school and college graduates. Please include the name of the school from which you are graduating, any honors bestowed and future plans. Please email information to temple-news@hotmail.com by May 10th.

BOOK CLUB REPORT / Barb Zacher Reviews: The Immortalists Probing the line between destiny, choice



The Immortalists, a sweeping novel of remarkable ambition and depth, probes the line between destiny and choice, reality and illusion, this world and next.

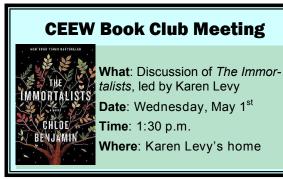
Chloe BENJAMIN

If you knew the day you were going to die,

how would you choose to live?

The Immortalists, a story about the four Gold children, starts in New York City in 1969. They meet a fortune teller on Hester Street; she can predict the future.

We see Simon, who escapes to the West Coast to search for love in San Francisco in the 1980s. Klara



becomes a magician in Las Vegas and becomes obsessed with blurring reality and fantasy.

The eldest, Daniel, seeks security as an Army Doctor after 9/11. Varya gets her doctorate and lives bookishly, spending her life doing longevity research. *The Immortalists*, Chloe Benjamin's second novel, follows her *The Anatomy of Dreams*. She was awarded the Edna Ferber Fiction Book award for this book.

Benjamin graduated from Vassar College and finished her Master of

Fine Arts in fiction at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She currently resides in Madison. * * *

Interested in joining Book Club? Please contact Barb Zacher at zacherhc@wi.rr.com.

May Their Memories Be for a Blessing



Nisan / Iyar (May)

Sara Hafner: Wednesday, May 15 Mother of Sandra (Marvin) Small Grandmother of Sydney Small

Robert Jauquet: Friday, May 31; Iyar 26 Brother of Patrick (Ilene) Jauquet

Sidney Kalstein: Thursday, May 30 Father of Elaine (Jack) Goldberg

David Parr: Wednesday, May 22; Iyar 17 *Observed by congregation*

Howard Reinherz: Sunday, May 20; Sivan 6 Observed by congregation



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

Harry Mackman: Tuesday, May 14; Iyar 9 Father of June (Milton) Kulakow

Lida Merkow: Tuesday, May 7; Iyar 2 Mother of Bill (Riva) Merkow Grandmother of Steve (Ann) Merkow

George Weisenfel: Friday, May 31 Father of Natalie (Noah) Bledstein

Pauline Rodin: Saturday, May 19; Sivan 5 *Observed by congregation*

Anne Weiss: Thursday, May 3 Wife of Ed Weiss

Yahrzeit list compiled by CEEW Treasurer Alan Meyers.



2019 Maddie Baumann-Avery Kukuk, July 20, 2:30 p.m. 2020 Lia Ecker, April 4, 10:30 a.m. Noah Sulman, Nov. 14, 10:30 a.m.

2021 Molly Schmidt, May 8, 10:30 a.m.



DINING GROUP: The group goes to Jake's Restaurant on Gumina Road in Brookfield on May 18th, beginning at 5 p.m. For more info or to RSVP, contact Elly Kraines (ellyanna340@gmail.com). One review read: "Steaks were done as ordered and the salmon was amazing!"

5779 2018	MAY			NISAN IYAR		
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 26 Nisan	2 27 Nisan	3 28 Nisan	4 29 Nisan
			Midrash Class, 10:30 a.m. at Temple Book Club, 1:30 p.m. at Karen Levy's home Hebrew School, 6:30 p.m. at Temple		Soup-er Shabbat, 5:45 p.m. at Temple, followed by 6:45 p.m. cleanup and 7 p.m. Cantor- led service	Adult Hebrew Class,10 a.m. at Temple Achrei Mot
5 30 Nisan	6 1 Iyar	7 2 Iyar	8 3 Iyar	9 4 Iyar	10 5 Iyar	11 6 Iyar
Religious School, 9 a.m. at Temple Intergenerational Yom Ha'Atzmaut celebration, 10 a.m. at Temple	Exploring Judaism class, 6:30 p.m. at Temple	Hebrew School, 6:30 p.m. at Temple Sisterhood Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Temple	Midrash Class, 10:30 a.m. at Temple Hebrew School, 6:30 p.m. at Temple	Adult Education Committee program, featuring UWM professor Rachel Baum discussing Jewish American film and TV, 6:30 p.m. at Temple	Cantor Martin-led service, 7 p.m. at Temple	Adult Hebrew Class,10 a.m. at Temple Kedoshim
12 7 Iyar	13 8 Iyar	14 9 Iyar	15 10 Iyar	16 11 lyar	17 12 Iyar	18 13 iyar
Religious School (last day), 9 a.m. at Temple	Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Temple		Midrash Class, 10:30 a.m. at Temple		Cantor-led service, 7 p.m. at Temple	Adult Hebrew Class, 10 a.m. at Temple Dining Group, 5 p.m. at Jake's on Gumina in Brookfield
19 14 Iyar	20 15 Iyar	21 16 Iyar	22 17 Iyar	23 18 Iyar	24 19 Iyar	25 20 Iyar
			Midrash Class, 10:30 a.m. at Temple		Member-led service, 7 p.m. at Temple	Adult Hebrew Class, 10 a.m. at Temple Behar
26 21 Iyar	27 22 Iyar	28 23 Iyar	29 24 Iyar	30 25 Iyar	31 26 Iyar	
			Midrash Class, 10:30 a.m. at Temple		Member-led service, 7 p.m. at Temple	