

## Save the Date: “Fiddler” Night at CEEW

**J**oin us for a dinner and program on “The Fiddler on the Roof” on Saturday, November 11, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the temple.

After dinner featuring a special menu of Russian food (no caviar, but there will be vodka!), we’ll watch a documentary on the making of “Fiddler.”

We’ll also enjoy the performances of fiddler Marie Loeffler on her violin, and Cantor Levson singing songs from the musical.

The cost of the dinner will be \$18 per person.

More information, as well as a registration form, will be in the November issue of the Bulletin. ✨



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There will be no Shabbat service on Friday, November 24, the day after Thanksgiving.

# TASH LICH

following the Rosh Hashanah morning service and lunch this year was well-attended, with



parents and children participating between rain showers. Cantor Levson led the brief service, which culminated with each person taking a few minutes of contemplation while tossing bird seed (symbolizing sins and unwanted habits) into the Fox River at Frame Park in Waukesha. Text and photos by Ann Meyers. More photos from Tashlich appear on page 5.







**"If you are not a better person tomorrow than you are today, what need have you for a tomorrow?"**  
— Rebbe Nachman of Breslov

## CEEW News Briefs

### **Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha Represented at Carroll College Involvement Faire**

CEEW President Laurie Schwartz and Past President Ann Meyers represented our congregation at the recent Student Involvement Faire at Carroll College. Our team identified several students who were interested in becoming involved with the temple.



### **Yom Kippur Food Drive Yields 728 Pounds!**

Once again, our community provided the Waukesha Food Pantry with a pallet of food for our annual Yom Kippur food drive.

Sandy Villa helped coordinate, deliver, and make sure that the many donations arrived to help satisfy the needs of the community in regards to issue of food insecurity among us.

Thank you to everyone for their generous contributions that totaled \$850.





Remember to send in your reservation for the “Fiddler on the Roof” program on Saturday, November 11. Which friend will you bring to the temple?

## Shirt Got Real

**N**ote: In the TV show *The Good Place* (which is absolutely brilliant, and if you haven’t watched it, I highly recommend that you do), Eleanor Shellstrop, played by the delightful Kristen Bell, discovers that she has died and is now in “The Good Place.” Confused by this turn of events, Eleanor (who has quite the potty mouth) asks “What the fork is going on here? What the Fork? Wait... Why can’t I say ‘fork’?” Michael, the angel in charge (played to absolute perfection by Ted Danson) explains that this is “The Good Place,” and because some people are upset by coarse language, there are filters that automatically change some offensive words. It was a clever way of allowing Eleanor to swear like a sailor without upsetting the network censors.

As I write this bulletin article, I am still “recovering” from Yom Kippur. (I’m fine, just extremely tired.) In reflecting back on the High Holidays, I am generally pleased with how they went. Yes, Rosh Hashana evening was too long.

## Cantor’s Column

By Cantor Martin Levson, CEEW Sole/Soul Spiritual Leader



That was my fault, and I’ll do better next year, I promise. But overall, I thought that our Yontif services went well.

Because of the complexity of the High Holiday services and the many “moving parts” involved, Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur services can sometimes feel overly scripted. In some congregations I have served, I have felt more like a stage manager than a prayer leader. (Cue #36, *Unetaneh Tokef*, ready... Cue #36 go.) Thankfully this is not the case here at CEEW, and I make every ef-

fort to avoid having our Yontif services feel too formal or stilted. But let’s face it, the High Holidays can sometimes feel too carefully choreographed. But every once and a while, something surprising can happen...

A surprise occurred this year during Yizkor on Yom Kippur. By this point in the day, many of us are feeling hungry, cranky, tired, and in a slightly altered state of consciousness. Loren Schmidt had been assigned a reading that introduced the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm. She came up to the bima, began to read, and quickly started to lose her composure. The Schmidt family has suffered some significant losses in the past few months, and those losses were clearly hitting Loren hard. Her pain in that moment was palpable. I felt deeply for her, as did many of the congregants who were reaching for







**"The New Year is a great door that stands across the evening and Yom Kippur is the second door. Between them are song and silence, stone and clay pot to be filled from within myself."**  
— Marge Piercy

tissues. I felt much the same way eight years ago when I delivered, with enormous difficulty, the eulogy at my mother's funeral. I grabbed some tissues from behind my pulpit, I walked over to Loren and handed them to her, and I put my hand gently on her back to anchor her physically and spiritually in the moment. She finished her reading, and I chanted and sang the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm.

I spoke with Loren a few days later, and she said she felt embarrassed by the situation. I told her not to be, and I thanked her for her incredible emotional honesty in that moment. I was grateful for the fact that the con-

## Cantor's Column continued

gregation had created a safe space where she felt she could openly and honestly express her grief. Or, to use the terminology of *The Good Place*, during a Reform Yom Kippur service, Shirt. Got. Real!

Jewish worship is a heavily liturgical tradition. There are a set of prayers we are supposed to go through at every service. Sometimes it can feel like this leaves little room for authentic emotional expression. But one of

the beautiful things about a faith community is that we can share both the highs and the lows of life's experiences together, even during the High Holidays. As your Spiritual Leader, I hope that everyone feels that CEEW is a space where people can be emotionally and spiritually honest and real.

Now... let's move forward and celebrate Sukkot and Simchat Torah!



Tashlich photos submitted by Ann Meyers.



**"A good book is like a beautiful garden which you can carry in your hand."  
— Chananya Reichman**

## CEEW Book Fair: Online and In Person!

Our annual book fair will be held virtually over a two-week period from November 6 through November 20 with pick-up delivery from Books & Company or the Temple (or mailing) right before Hanukkah!

Our annual book fair will be held In-Person on November 12 at the CEEW.

Details on how the CEEW Virtual/In-Person Book Fair will be available in the November bulletin and on the [CEEW Website](#). But there are some things you can do now.

Visit the [Books & Company](#) website and create an account at any time.

Start your Wish List of books through your Books & Company account at any time.

Feel free to send book suggestions or questions to [communications@waukeshatemple.org](mailto:communications@waukeshatemple.org) or Lisa at Books & Company in Oconomowoc using the email address [lisabbksco@gmail.com](mailto:lisabbksco@gmail.com) with a subject line of "CEEW Book Fair."

On November 6 you will be sent a link to the CEEW Virtual Book Fair. Books of Jewish content will be displayed just as if you were at the Synagogue! However, do not fear, you will be able to order books from anywhere on the Books & Company website.

Because the book fair supports our CEEW library and other synagogue programs, it is our hope that everyone will buy at least one book for themselves and another one for a friend, family member, or child. What better gift to yourself and others than

the gift of a good book? And, just in time for Hanukkah, the holidays or a birthday present!

Need suggestions?

*The 12th Commandment* by Daniel Torday (2023), Crime, Literary Fiction, Mystery

When journalist Zeke returns to Ohio for the funeral of a college friend, he is confronted with whispers surrounding the leader of an unusual religious cult. And, even stranger, a cult that blurs the line between Judaism and Islamic practice, known as the Dönme? What follows is an exploration of illicit substances, Halakha, the Zohar, and what it means to have faith.

*Ring of Solomon* by Aden Polydoros (2023), YA/Middle Grade, Fantasy, Adventure (Ages: 9+)

When Zach buys a ring for his mother's birthday at a flea market, he never expects to find the *actual* ring of King Solomon. With the help of his friend Sandra and the interference of his younger sister Naomi, Zach must battle antisemitism, bullying, and the forces of evil to protect his new friend, a sheyd (or spirit) from Jewish folklore that came with the ring - who happens to be Ashmodai, King of Demons. This is the Percy Jackson of Jewish tween books!







CEEWC's online Book Fair begins November 6, and the in-person event will be held on November 12. Go to page 5 for more information.

# First Day of School!

## School News

By Carrie Barbakoff, Education Director





**"If the sacred calendar traces the path of the soul, then the Torah is the path of the heart."**  
— Alan Lew

# CEEW Board Meeting: September 2023

By Pati Allen Brickman

**I. D'var Torah and Spiritual Leader's Report** by Cantor Levson: Twenty-two years ago I was serving a congregation near New York City and after dropping my daughter off at preschool on a stunningly beautiful autumn day, I heard the report of a plane crashing into a World Trade Center Tower. Thus began a strange day with strange weeks, and months to come. A very hasty service was held that evening. One of our members never came home that day. It was months later that we were able to hold a funeral service for his remains. It's strange to think that for a number of people, this is a piece of history that they learn about at school or on TV. But for those of us who went through it, this is a strange and meaningful day of remembrance.

**II. Education Director Report** by Carrie Barbakoff: Religious School opened on 9/10 with a new teacher: a Marquette education major from New York. There are now 11 students in second to seventh grade. The new Milwaukee Shin Shins, Eitan and Tom, came to visit. Five students met with Ann Meyers for their *siyyum* (culmination) of Jewish Adulthood.

**III. President's Report** by Laurie Schwartz:

**a. HundredX fundraising program** – This will be a great opportunity to generate funds for the temple. Watch for more information.

**b. High Holidays:** Thanks to Mari-Claire for organizing the participants. Cantor held a Zoom session about the High Holidays for non-Jewish partners or people who are interested in conversion.

**c. Carroll Involvement Faire** –

Our participation was very successful and identified several interested students. On September 29th Cantor Levson and Laurie Schwartz will be doing a Shabbat dinner at Carroll University and the chaplain will be posting flyers for this.

**IV. Treasurer/Financial Report** by Alan Meyers: See report for details. Our membership now includes 23 families, 32 singles, and 3 friends. With the 3 free memberships, we have a total of 61. There is some interest from 2 others. The MJF security guard grant has been renewed.

**V. Sisterhood Report** by Denise Stodola: See report. Welcomed Nancy Cummins to the board. The period and incontinence products were delivered to the food pantry. Deb Hacker will schedule a meet and greet in coordination with the book fair.

**VI. Committees**

**a. Facilities** by Bernie Sandler: Thanks to Rick Steinberg, Phil Schuman, Mike Kotkin and Mark Levy for spending 2 hours on July 27 trimming bushes on the site. We still need to plan one day of service to complete site improvement including weed pulling, buying and spreading mulch. He will be reaching out soon.







The Shabbat service on Friday, November 3 will be a Leonard Cohen tribute led by Cantor Levson.

## CEEW September Board Meeting, continued

**b. Security** by Mark Levy: Work on the new security system is progressing. There will be extensive training on the system in good time.

**c. Ritual Committee** by Mari-Claire Zimmerman: Mari-Claire handed out parts for Rosh Hashanah and for Yom Kippur. Thanks to everyone who participated. She also supplied the beautiful flowers for the service.

### VII. New Business - Laurie Schwartz:

**a. New Member Dinner:** We are planning spaghetti dinner in November and December. It will be a chance for the congregation to meet new members and perhaps potential members. Watch for a date and more information.

**b. Archival Work:** Sharon Levy is working on the synagogue archives. She is determining what should be kept and stored and setting up a policy for what to keep. She is finding art and prints and will be sorting what is valuable and what can be let go.

### VIII. Old Business - Laurie Schwartz:

**Ann Meyers MCRC:** Ann Meyers and Mark Levy attended the MCRC meeting on August 17 discussing how congregations can invigorate themselves and find people who are searching for a spiritual home. The next MCRC Shabbat will be on June 7, 2024 at Congregation Shalom.



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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023  
1 PM CT / 2 PM ET

**WILL IT LIVE ON:  
GROWING UP IN A SMALL  
TOWN JEWISH COMMUNITY**

a film by Jonathon Levin  
co producer Keith Oppenheim

A STORY OF UNCERTAINTY AND HOPE. SHOT IN MICHIGAN AND HAIFA, THE FILM IS TOLD FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF JONATHAN LEVIN, WHO GREW UP IN BENTON HARBOR, MICHIGAN, AND RELOCATED TO ISRAEL. THE DOCUMENTARY FOCUSES ON TWO FAMILIES AND ONE LIFE-LONG FRIENDSHIP TO TELL THE BACKSTORY OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY THAT ONCE ROASTED THREE SYNAGOGUES BUT NOW HAS ONE.

Watch the film on your own on YouTube...

Then join us on Zoom for a discussion. Registration required.



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*Will It Live On: Growing Up in a Small Jewish Community*, a film by Jonathon Levin, should be of interest to any small and isolated Jewish congregation. This is a story of a town that once boasted 3 synagogues but now has only one. Watch the documentary on YouTube on your own, then join a Zoom discussion led by Jonathon Levin on October 15 at 1pm CT / 2pm ET. YouTube link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aCULM8YOaqY>

Registration is required to join the Zoom film discussion. Register using this link:

[Will it Live On registration.](#)



**"Hope is an embrace of the unknown and the unknowable." — Rebecca Solnit**

## New Member: Debi Schwid

By Sxdni Small

Congregant Debi Schwid proclaims engagement in our shul was "*bashert*," as her values align with those of CEEW. During Debi's spiritual seeking, Karen Levy provided an introduction to Cantor Levson and encouraged her to attend one of the Shabbes potlucks. Like so many of us upon our initial visit to CEEW, Debi found our congregation to be a welcoming place, and so she chose to stay. The Los Angeles-born new member lived in various California locations in childhood. Her family was one of two Jewish families in Granada Hills, California, where she lived until age 13.

They subsequently moved to Santa Monica. She was able to spend time in the summer with her Coney-Island-based, Yiddish-speaking grandparents, whose Conservative NYC home brought exposure to a fully-Hebrew shul, as well as the delights of mandel bread and rugelach. Debi also experienced Jewish camp life, which was her "first introduction to making friends with other Jewish kids." She attended Camp Edalia/Leah in Lake Tiorati, New York, as did her mother and her maternal Bubbe (grandmother) years before her.

The family's Polish and Russian roots meant that — as for many other Jews in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century — Ellis Island was the first stop on the way to "Americanization." While Debi did not have a formal Jewish education, her parents celebrated Hanukkah as well as observed the High Holy Days; their home also hosted a Christmas tree-turned Ha-



nukkah bush, as well as Easter baskets — a common experience among Jews trying to retain their traditions while also participating in "American" culture. The Christmas tree was actually "cleverly disguised..." alight with blue ornaments and made from aluminum.

Debi's grandparents rejoiced at her large Jewish wedding, after her marriage to a "nice Jewish boy." Her daughter was con-

firmed and both of her children have become B'nai Mitzvah. Her grown children now live in Oakland and in the Madison area. Debi likes to read about many Jewish topics and learn from a range of Jewish authors. She enjoys participation in two book clubs, the second being CEEW's own reading group.

Retired from her 40-year career in education, Debi keeps busy with various craft projects too, such as quilting and hand-made stuffed animals and bags. Further arts-related hobbies include attendance at live music events, particularly folk music.

Debi states that, "for the first time in my life, I have really felt part of a local Jewish community." We are glad of this high praise, for it embodies what CEEW wishes to offer — a community in which people can thrive and feel involved. Jewish life in Waukesha can only carry on if all of us believe we have a place as Jews here. The Jewish People have lived in many locations but it takes a special place to be called home. We welcome new friends Debi and Ray both home. ✨





**Volunteers are needed for the member-led Friday night Shabbat services. Contact Mari-Claire Zimmerman (wzimmerman1@wi.rr.com) for more information.**

## Help Us Repair the World: Donate Used or New Medical Items

Do you have some old medical items laying around, waiting for a good new home — a wheelchair? ... a walker? crutches? a grabber that would let you reach things that are too high or too low? ...etc?

Perhaps relatives or friends have such things just taking up space. You can help to repair the world by putting such objects to use and helping people in need.

Our newest organization, the CEEW Brotherhood, will launch its first *tikkun olam* effort in October. Brotherhood members are set to collect durable items that will help people with medical needs, clean those items if needed, and deliver them to Waukesha's Katy's Kloset.

### Brotherhood News

By Joe Dailey

The first CEEW medical equipment and supply drive will accept items at Temple for three hours — from noon until 3 p.m. — on Sunday, October 22.

Katy's Kloset loans out, to people in need and at no cost, a large number of things including: Ace bandages, adaptive utensils, adult bibs, bath chairs, bed pans, blood pressure machines, canes and crutches, compression stockings, diabetes supplies, grabber/reachers, hospital beds and hospital bed rails, knee scooters, sitz baths,

trapezes (free-standing and hospital-bed-mount), walkers (of all kinds), and wheelchairs (of all kinds).

"The average piece of durable medical equipment has a lifespan of over five years but is used for only four months," the Katy's Kloset website said. "We work hard ... to put this medical equipment into the homes of people who need it."

For a list of supplies that will be accepted by Katy's Kloset, visit their website at [this link](#).

### Medical Item Donation at CEEW

**WHAT:** Collection of medical supplies and equipment.  
**WHEN:** Oct. 22, noon until 3 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Temple Emanu-El of Waukesha  
**WHO:** Sponsored by the CEEW Brotherhood

**WHY:** For some, *tikkun olam* is the most important element of Judaism. As Maimonides said, "When you gain wisdom by studying Torah, develop character by doing acts of kindness, and when you observe the *mitzvot*, you bring *tikkun olam*."





See you at OSRUI for the Fall Retreat on Saturday, October 14!

# A Brief History of the Four Species

by Deb Hacker

Chag Sameach. As Sukkot is already underway, I hope you are celebrating in your own sukkah, the one at the synagogue or perhaps at the homes of friends or families. The highlight of the holiday must surely be the Lulav and beautifully scented Etrog. The Four Species – “Arba minim” – the four forms of vegetation that comprise the Lulav are the palm fronds, willow, and myrtle and the etrog (citron).

I wish to share a fascinating bit of history and archeology related to this pilgrimage as well as Biblical holiday.

In the Judean desert (which is east of Jerusalem and descends to the Dead Sea), a cave was discovered in the 1960s. The cave, now known as the Cave of Letters, was near the Hever Stream (aka Nahal Hever) and contained Biblical texts but also ancient manuscripts attributed to Shimon Bar Koseva (also known as Simon Bar Kochba).

Bar Kochba led his Jewish rebels against the Romans in the disastrous 3rd Jewish War from 132-136 CE. Roman troops besieged him by sta-

tioning themselves above the desert caves in which the rebels hid. Knowing all was lost, the Jewish rebels eventually burned their personal belongings but stored texts and biblical scrolls in leather and then buried them.

In a note written in Aramaic called “Epistle of the Four Species,” Bar Kochba requests, not men and weapons, but the lulav and etrog from Yehuda Bar Menashe from Kiryat Arabiya north of Nahal Hever.

“I have sent you two donkeys with which you are to send two people to Jonathan Ben Baaya ... they can load and send to your camp lulavim and etrogim. You will send others from your camp and they will bring myrtle and willow and put them together and send them to the camp because the army is large.”

Despite the Roman army pursuing Bar Kochba into the desert and besieging him there, he thought that cele-

brating Sukkot was important for his troops and did not give up on the mitzvah (the commandment) of the coming holiday.

The how-to and meanings of the Four Species and the special prayers for this Mitzvah in the sukkah is a discussion for another article. However, one can see that Jewish continuity as well as the unity of the Four Species is a very inspiring, historic and meaningful mitzvot celebrated for thousands of years even under the most dire circumstances.

Please consider joining the CEEW Sisterhood. Even if you have no time for the meetings, programs or special Sisterhood service, you can unite with us in supporting our Temple projects, tikkun olam, and camp scholarships by paying your dues.



## Sisterhood News

By Co-President Deb Hacker

Sisterhood News continues





**Yiddish of the month: *Biz hinder in tvantsik*, a wish for a long life, literally “until 120.”**

**— contributed by Marsha Fensin**

## **CEEW Sisterhood Tikkun Olam Needs You!**

**By Ann Meyers**

One of the main tenets of the CEEW Sisterhood has been to engage in acts of Tikkun Olam, repairing the world. Our Sisterhood has had special drives, such as those to collect baby items and pajamas for school-age children at Purim and most recently the Period Project to collect incontinence and menstrual products. Additionally, the CEEW Sisterhood sponsors the annual food drive at Yom Kippur, which the Waukesha Food Pantry accepts with much gratitude.

The congregation has responded to all of these efforts with generosity over the years. However, all of this would not be possible without the incredible leadership of our Tikkun Olam chair Sandy Villa. Her able leadership has made a Tikkun Olam projects a natural part of our community's life. Now Sandy has asked to step back from leading the charge, and so we are seeking someone to whom Sandy can explain how to coordinate the maintenance of our current Tikkun Olam efforts. The procedures and contacts are in place already.

This is a task which can be done with low time and energy commitment, although there may be short bursts of activity periodically. Sandy reports it's usually less than one hour per month. If you have an interest in performing this sacred work or have questions about it, please contact Ann Meyers at [annsmeyers@gmail.com](mailto:annsmeyers@gmail.com) or 414-793-7002. This could be “just right” for you!

## **CEEW Programming Needs You!**

**by Cindy Levy**

The CEEW Sisterhood is pairing with the Synagogue and the WRJ Heartland Western Region to offer some wonderful programming this Fall.

CEEW Sisterhood is co-sponsoring the October 14<sup>th</sup> Shabbat Retreat at OSRUI as well as the WRJ Heartland District Regional Meeting November 18-19 at OSRUI.

We continue to hear that CEEW Sisterhood members would like to see a variety of programs – hands-on, academic and social, and when possible, multi-platform (on-line for those who cannot travel). In order to run these programs, we need volunteers to help coordinate one or more programs. A

## **Sisterhood News**

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special thanks goes to Barb Zacher, who is helping us to develop a hands-on program for the spring. If you have an idea or are willing to help please contact Cindy Levy at [ceew\\_sisterhood@yahoo.com](mailto:ceew_sisterhood@yahoo.com).

## **CEEW Sisterhood Shabbat Needs You!**

**by Cindy Levy**

The CEEW Sisterhood board is in the process of planning the CEEW Sisterhood Shabbat for February 2023. This has been a well-attended annual event which the Sisterhood board would like to continue. We are looking for one or more people who are willing to coordinate the CEEW Sisterhood Shabbat. Services from past years are already in existence, so there is no need to create a new service. However, we need volunteers to coordinate reading parts, coordinate the music, and help with the food surrounding the service. If you are interested please contact Cindy Levy at [ceew\\_sisterhood@yahoo.com](mailto:ceew_sisterhood@yahoo.com).

**Sisterhood News continues**



Share with the congregation all the wonderful things happening in your family! Send birthday and anniversary information to: [bulletin@waukeshatemple.org](mailto:bulletin@waukeshatemple.org).

## WRJ Heartland District Regional Meeting

by Cindy Levy

As most of you know by now the WRJ Midwest District to which CEEW Sisterhood belongs has merged with another district to become the WRJ Heartland District. The WRJ Heartland District now serves 12 States and is creating regional meetings to ensure that Sisterhood members have the opportunity to build connections. The first WRJ Heartland District West Regional Event will be held November 18-19 from noon Saturday to noon Sunday in our own backyard - OSRUI. The Western part of the district includes Sisterhoods in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

If you have never attended a WRJ District retreat, please consider participating. It is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate a unique and spiritual Shabbat. Additionally there are lots of fun activities and workshops on effective leadership, engaging members, programming, and other terrific topics to help make our CEEW Sisterhood successful. For more information contact Cindy Levy at [ceew\\_sisterhood@yahoo.com](mailto:ceew_sisterhood@yahoo.com).

## CEEW Sisterhood Fund-raiser: Hanukkah Card

by Carol O'Neil

As the High Holidays are now complete, the CEEW Sisterhood has moved on to the next opportunity for the Temple members to share their heartwarming greetings.

By now you should have received the mailing from the CEEW Sisterhood looking for your participation in what has become the CEEW Sisterhood annual Hanukkah Card. If not, please contact Carol O'Neil at 920-342-7302 or email at [caroljo@tds.net](mailto:caroljo@tds.net).

The Hanukkah card not only provides members with a way to send your well-wishes, but it also serves as a major fundraiser for Sisterhood.



## Sisterhood News

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To include your family in this annual tradition Carol must receive your input by Oct 16. We hope to have 100% participation of the membership!

We thank you in advance for your support of the CEEW Sisterhood.

### SISTERHOOD MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

- Rachel - Temple Member - \$36
- Leah - \$54
- Rebecca - \$108
- Sarah - \$180
- Non-Temple Member - \$54
- Unable to join but would like to support Sisterhood.

Please make checks payable to CEEW Sisterhood and mail to:

**CEEW Sisterhood**  
**Attn: Treasurer**  
**830 W. Moreland Blvd**  
**Waukesha WI 53188**





**"Forgiveness is a favor we do for ourselves, not a favor we do to the other party."  
— Rabbi Harold Kushner**

## **IN APPRECIATION**

**of generous contributions to  
Congregation Emanu-El of Waukesha**

August donations, submitted by  
CEEW Treasurer **Alan Meyers**

### **In Honor of...**

- **Adrian Richfield**  
*Donations from Marcy and James Hotz, Alice Lambie*
- **Denise Stodola**  
*Donation from Carol O'Neil*
- **Mari-Claire Zimmerman**  
*Donation from Marcy and James Hotz*

### **Memorials**

- **Anna Ruthenberg**  
*Donation from Debi Schwid*

- **Adele, Charlotte, David, and Mary Schuman**  
*Donation from Philip Schuman*
- **Rosetta Sweed**  
*Donation from Laurie Schwartz*

### **Security**

- *Donation from Marcy and James Hotz*

### **Yizkor**

- *Donations from Marcy and James Hotz, Adrian Richfield*



## **ANNIVERSARIES**

**Sandy and Marvin Small** celebrate their wedding anniversary on October 8.

## **BIRTHDAYS**

**Laura Gacek**, daughter of **Ardis Horwich**, celebrates her birthday on October 6.

**Elyse Ogden**, daughter of **Jonathan and Nicole Ogden**, celebrates her birthday on October 12.

**Freesia Bornstein** celebrates her birthday on October 16.

**Judy Shabman** celebrates her birthday on October 24.

**Joe Dailey** celebrates his birthday on October 26.

**Arlene Shelley** celebrates her birthday on October 30.



Contact temple administrator Brigette Alexander prior to a service, to add a name of a relative or friend to the recent list of those who have died.

## May Their Memories Be for a Blessing

### **Yahrzeiten** **Tishrei / Cheshvan (October)**



**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.

**Mark Bergman:** October 31, Cheshvan 16  
*Uncle of Cindy (Mark) Levy*

**Bertha Cohen:** October 29  
*Grandmother of Marcy (James) Hotz*

**Samuel S. Cohen:** October 13  
*Grandfather of Marcy (James) Hotz*

**Lucille H. Fensin:** October 3  
*Mother-in-law of Marsha Fensin*

**Edna Kalstein:** October 15  
*Mother of Elaine (Jack) Goldberg*

**Morris Kraines:** October 24, Cheshvan 9  
*Father-in-law of Elly Kraines*

**Arthur Kulakow:** October 22, Cheshvan 7  
*Father-in-law of June Kulakow*

**Emanuel Kupperman:** October 17, Cheshvan 2  
*Father of Gerard (Laurel) Kupperman*

**James Lamb:** October 23  
*Father of Elizabeth Lamb*

**Dr. Roland Levy:** October 10, Tishrei 25  
*Father of Mark (Cindy) Levy*

**Dr. Robert L. Merkow:** October 31, Cheshvan 16  
*Brother of Steve (Ann) Merkow*

**Dora Moskowitz:** October 28, Cheshvan 13  
*Grandmother of Ann (Alan) Meyers*

**Samuel Orshansky:** October 9  
*Uncle of Elaine (Jack) Goldberg*

**Arthur Pass:** October 21, Cheshvan 6  
*Observed by the Congregation*

**Eric Karl Richfield:** October 14  
*Brother of Adrian Richfield*

**Isabelle Richfield:** October 11  
*Mother of Adrian Richfield*

**Harry Rodin:** October 6, Tishrei 21  
*Father of Marlis Lippow*

**Dr. Aaron Sweed:** October 30  
*Father of Laurie Schwartz*

May G-d comfort you  
among all the mourners  
of Zion and Jerusalem.







“People are so busy chasing happiness — if they would slow down and turn around, they would give it a chance to catch up with them.”

— Rabbi Harold Kushner

# Poetry Corner

For our next issue we invite you to suggest a favorite poem, or submit your own work to Adrian Richfield ([susu78@aol.com](mailto:susu78@aol.com)) or Sxdni Small ([rottiesrock@wi.rr.com](mailto:rottiesrock@wi.rr.com)).

## The Season of Building

By Alden Solovy

This is the season of building:  
Of building tents of holiness,  
Shelters of peace  
In our land and in our hearts.

This is the season of rejoicing:  
Of rejoicing in God's bounty and grace,  
In the radiance and splendor  
In heaven and on earth.

This is the season of thanksgiving:  
Of giving thanks for the gifts of the land,  
For gifts yet to come  
As we delight in the wonders of creation.

This is the season of building:  
The season of building tabernacles of  
joy and gladness,  
In our moments and in our days,  
In our homes and in our lives.  
This is the season that summons jubilation and exultation  
As we yearn for the great promise to be fulfilled:  
A world of harmony and love  
Under one great Sukkah,  
A sanctuary of wonder and awe  
For all nations and all peoples,  
Men and women arrayed in the light of  
God's glory,  
Until the end of days.

## For Autumn

By Alden Solovy

The rains have come,  
Windy days and crisp nights.  
Days are shorter now  
And the land prepares to sleep.  
Bless this day, God of seasons.  
Bless the autumn with the hope of comfort  
and rest.

Be present with us as we gather with family  
and friends  
So that we enliven our moments with love  
and joy.

God of time and space,  
May this season be a blessing and a teacher.

Make me like the coming rain, nourishing  
all that I touch.

Make me like a gentle wind, quietly clearing  
old habits

And the debris of mistakes.

Make me like the crisp air,  
Present, refreshing and free.

Bless my days with service and my nights  
with prayer.

Make me like the land, seeking solace and  
rest.



**About the Poet:** In 2019, Solovy was named the first Liturgist in Residence at the Pardes Institute of Jewish Studies in Jerusalem.



Watch your emails for the details of CEEW's Simchat Torah celebration!

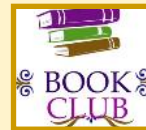
## The October Read: *The Oracle of Stamboul* by Michal David Lukas

*The Oracle of Stamboul* is a historical novel about an eight-year-old girl, set in the time period of 1877 in the Ottoman Empire. The young girl, Eleonora, is raised by her father and stepmother and is from the beginning a very clever and engaging child. When she steals away in her father's trunk as he travels to Stamboul on business as a Jewish carpet dealer, her life is upended and changed remarkably.

The author captures the mood, place, and magic of Stamboul (early Istanbul) as his heroine has the course of her life redirected by fate and time. Her story is like that of a fairy tale in some ways, as a gifted child runs up against many fortunes of fate. Along with several other main characters in

### Book Club News

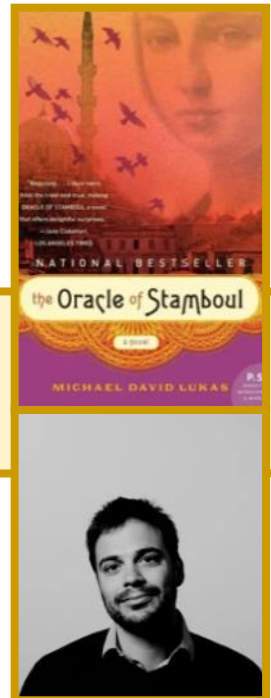
By Adrian Richfield



the book, the novel and plot lines are brought together as Eleonora becomes "the titular oracle of Stamboul."

*The Oracle of Stamboul* was a finalist for several awards after its 2011 release and was translated into more than a dozen languages. Lukas's second novel, *The Last Watchman of Old Cairo*, a winner of the National Jewish Book Award, was published in 2018.

Lukas, who graduated from Brown University and the University of Maryland, now lives in Oakland, California, and teaches at San Francisco State University. ★



### CEEW Book Club

**When:** Wednesday,  
October 4

**Time:** 1:30 p.m.

**Where:** Elaine Goldberg's  
house

To participate in the book club,  
contact Diana Stroshine at  
DStroshine@hotmail.com

...from the *Library Journal* review:

"This first novel by a promising young writer is both vivid historical fiction and a haunting fable."



The deadline for articles for the November Bulletin will be **Wednesday, October 18**. Please send materials to Adrian Richfield at [susu78@aol.com](mailto:susu78@aol.com).



# Shabbat Shalom!



<b>OCTOBER 6</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Simchat Torah Cantor-led service</b>
<b>OCTOBER 13</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>	<b>Member-led service</b>
<b>OCTOBER 20</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>	<b>Cantor-led service</b>
<b>OCTOBER 27</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>	<b>Cantor-led service</b>

These services may be available online, in person, or both.  
Watch your email for updates on the mode of any temple event.

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Oct. 6, 6:07 pm; Oct. 13, 5:55 pm;  
Oct. 20, 5:44 pm; Oct. 27, 5:34 pm

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Calendar dates, holidays, and candle lighting times are from [hebc.com](http://hebc.com).  
Check the CEEW calendar for the most current information.