



TEMPLE EL EMETH BULLETIN

February 2025

Shevat, 5785



FROM MY DESK.... *Warming up the world*

This year, February and the Hebrew month of Shvat coincide. We look forward to the holiday of Tu B'Shvat, the 15th day of the month of Shvat, which this year will fall on Thursday, February 13th. Tu-B'shvat signals the first day of spring in Israel, usually marked by the opening of almond tree blossoms throughout Israel. I recall one particular bus ride from Ben Gurion airport in Tel Aviv up the mountain to Jerusalem on Tu B'shvat, about 20 years ago. I remember the beautiful blossoms that decorated the almond trees that grow along the roadway. They're a signal that the days are getting longer, and that Israel is welcoming spring.

And, there's an earlier date that we might take note of, as well. That is the 4th of Shvat, which falls on February 2nd of this year. It is the *yahrzeit* of Rabbi Moshe Leib of Sasov, who passed away in 1808. Among this eminent rabbi's credits was his love for the Jewish people. Rabbi Moshe had a wonderful way of showing this love. He was known for always initiating a greeting to another. When he saw a fellow Jew, he would rush to greet him with a hearty "Shalom Aleichem". Elie Wiesel tells the story that one day, a fellow decided to see if he could beat Rabbi Moshe Leib to the punch. He walked up behind him, and as he was about to get in front of the rabbi to greet him, a woman, standing nearby, intending to call her son, called out "Moshe!" Thinking that his name was being called, Rabbi Moshe Leib turned around, and, upon seeing the man, immediately greeted him with "Shalom Aleichem!"

Whether or not this story is true, the lesson is clear. When we see someone we know, wouldn't it be a great idea if we lost no time in greeting him? These two vignettes—the first buds of spring in Israel and Rabbi Moshe Leib's alacrity to greet someone might seem unrelated. But, I'd like to suggest otherwise.

The opening buds are the earliest "greeting" for spring and its warmer weather. Rabbi Moshe Leib's eager and enthusiastic greetings are heart-warming and worthy of emulation. When we think warm thoughts, and extend our hearty welcome to all around us, we've warmed up what can sometimes be a cold world; and doing so is a part of our beautiful Jewish culture.

Rabbi Seth Sternstein

Friday Evening (5:45 PM) and
Saturday Morning (10:00 AM)
Services are *HYBRID*.

Monday and Thursday Evening
(5:45 PM) Services are *VIRTUAL*.

SHABBAT

CANDLE LIGHTING TIMES

Friday, February 7	5:29 pm
Friday, February 14	5:37 pm
Friday, February 21	5:46 pm
Friday, February 28	5:54 pm

HAVDALAH

Saturday, February 1	6:20 pm
Saturday, February 8	6:28 pm
Saturday, February 15	6:37 pm
Saturday, February 22	6:46 pm

Baruch Dayan Ha-Emet

We note with sorrow the passing of

Howard Rome

(Member)

We extend our deepest condolences to all his family members. May G-d help them with strength, comfort and healing.

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

Hybrid BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Tuesday, March 4th
7:30 p.m.

RABBI STERNSTEIN OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday: 10:00 AM—7:00 PM
Wednesday: 9:00 AM—5:00 PM

Temple Office Hours

Monday – Thursday Friday
9:00 AM—4:00 PM 9 am—Noon
(Afternoons by
appointment)

PROGRAMMING

Shabbat Service and Soup & Sandwich Lunch



Saturday, February 1, 2025
Services at 10 am followed by
lunch

Claudia Moss will speak on her recent trip to Israel

P.J. LIBRARY TU B'SHEVAT CELEBRATION AT TEMPLE EL EMETH

Tuesday, February 11, 4:00-5:30 pm



Jewish children up to the age of 12 and
their families are invited to attend.
We will have a Tu B'Shevat Ice Cream
Seder and fruits associated with the
holiday.

Please **RSVP** to Barb Wilson at the J
330-746-3570



The Youngstown Area Jewish Community is cordially invited to our

PURIM CELEBRATION

at Temple El Emeth

Thursday, March 13, 2025

See Flyer in this months' bulletin



PROGRAMMING

LIBERTY COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY
Churchill United Methodist Church 189 Churchill Hubbard Road
February Food Distributions are DRIVE-THRU ONLY.
NO Volunteers are needed for February.



SISTERHOOD

EL EMETH SISTERHOOD PASSOVER COOKING PROGRAM

Sunday, February 23, 2025
10:00 AM in the Temple Kitchen

*We will be making "small bite" Passover treats,
then enjoy eating them!*

**Cost \$10 per person Please RSVP to the office by
February 19th**

TORAH FUND
WOMEN'S LEAGUE FOR CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM
CELEBRATING 80 YEARS

Dear Friends,

February we celebrate Tu B'Shvat. The trees in Israel begin to transition from the dormant period of winter. The trees that bear fruit are now beginning to prepare to yield their fruit. In analogy, may we put our roots firmly in the words of the Torah so we too manifest the teachings of the Torah in our everyday lives.

Louise Kline

Torah Fund Chairman

NEWS AND NOTES

MAZEL TOV!

- ♦ To **Claudia and Mel Moss** on the marriage of their granddaughter, **Brooke Samuelson**, to **Benjamin Simcha Erlbaum** on December 30, 2024 in Israel. The couple lives in Israel where the groom is serving in the IDF. Brooke is the daughter of **Pammy Moss Samuelson** and **Scott Samuelson**.

MAZAL TOV

to those celebrating a Birthday in February

1	Mary Kazimir	15	Sophie Alper
4	Warren Rogers		Bobbie Berkowitz
6	Lexi Burdman	17	Harriet Schor
	Diane Finesilver		Tyler Spey
	Jacob Wilschek	19	Geri Newman
8	Jeffrey Marlin	21	Jerry Kinast
9	Marcia Levy	22	Jack Anderson
10	Rabbi Seth Sternstein		Claudia Moss
13	Sam H. Miller	26	Wendy Aron
14	Marty Solomon		Paula Muir
		28	Terri Anderson

MAZAL TOV

to those celebrating an Anniversary in February

19 Harry and Elyse Silverman 48th



Our Temple Morning Greeters—loving the snow and checking to be sure we are watching them, too!



We never know what weather is on tap at this time of year! During the Winter Season, be sure to call the Temple *prior* to coming over—in case weather forces closure of the

The deadline for the
March Bulletin
is February 17th

Yahrzeits

February 1—February 7 3 Shevat—9 Shevat

Eli Agrenovitz*
 Franz Bibo*
 Kenneth Burdman*
 Gita Rachel Chaimovitz*
 Al Clebone
 Ann Cohen*
 Phil Cohen*
 Morris Davis*
 Bertha Feuer*
 Helen Ida Freed*
 Eleizer Fried*
 Hanny Klafter Fried*
 Bella Froomkin*
 Judy Goldberger*
 Jenny Gossoff*
 Joseph Greenblatt*
 Sarah Greenblatt*
 Eva Jacob*
 Charles Kanfer*
 Helen Katz*
 Samuel Kaufman*
 Charles Landau*
 Irvin Lapidus*
 Sarah Levitin*
 Rose Liebowitz*
 Sara N. Malkin*
 Chaya Malkoff*
 Abraham Nadler*
 Helen Newman
 Joseph L. Oblonsky*
 Lillian Ostroff*
 Morris Panner*
 Ida Passell*
 Isadore H. Pearlstein*
 Leonard Pianin
 Samuel Podolny*
 Bernard Rose
 Morris Seif*
 Sarah Shulman*
 Max Siegel*
 Edward William Silver*
 Sophie Rose Silver*
 Bertha Levin Simon*
 Dobeh Simon*
 Nancy Slate*
 Sidney Sniderman*

February 1—February 7 3 Shevat—9 Shevat

Bernie Solomon*
 Howard Solomon*
 Marvin R. Solomon*
 Ruth Solomon*
 Morris Jacob Suskind
 Harry Wisman*

February 8—February 14 10 Shevat—16 Shevat

Alvin Ackerman
 Myron Agrenovitz*
 Remelda Allen*
 Pearl Altshuler*
 Jean B. Apple*
 Sandra U. Fein*
 Emanuel Fried*
 Tillie Friedberg*
 David Froomkin*
 Harry Ginsburg*
 Harold Heyman*
 Nathan Labow*
 Morris Lapidus*
 Morris Lerner*
 Esther Levine*
 Morris Levy*
 Bernard L. Linder*
 Toibe Lockshin*
 Rena A. Lombardo*
 Sophie Bradlyn Margolis*
 Irwin Meader*
 Florence Mirkin*
 Hilda Mirkin*
 Norma Moldowsky*
 David Padvo*
 Frank Prigosin*
 Asher Randell*
 Freda Redford*
 Rachel Rinkevich*
 Jacob Rosky*
 Philip Rossman*
 Joseph M. Rubenson*
 Hyman J. Rubin*
 Rudolph Schor
 Sylvia Schwartz
 Joseph Schwebel*
 Gizella Sherman*

February 8—February 14 10 Shevat—16 Shevat

Samuel Smith*
 Tillie Glass Sniderman*
 Jaimy Spey*
 Louis Spitzer*
 Leah S. Weber*
 Harold Weinblatt*
 Leo Zusman*

February 15—February 21 17 Shevat—23 Shevat

Jennie L. Bender*
 Grace Meier Benedikt
 Joseph Bloom*
 Reuben D. Bradlyn*
 Dorothy Brown*
 Samuel Copperman*
 Rose Elinsky*
 Jack Falk
 Evelyn Farbman*
 Ethel Fish*
 Rose Fleshin Friedman*
 Leon Gelbman*
 Joseph Goldstein*
 Ruth Herman
 Tillie Heyman*
 Harry B. Hoffman*
 Max Jacobson*
 Max Katzman*
 Leonard Kesselman*
 Dora Kirkorsky*
 Nathan Loden*
 Isadore Malkoff*
 Irving Manson*
 Daniel Meritz*
 Morris Mirkin*
 Richard Mirman
 Frank Monus*
 Esther Pianin
 Harry Aaron Reisner*
 Maurice D. Reuben*
 Bessie Rome*
 Sally Rosen*
 Samuel Simon*
 Vitta Sisman*
 Myer Snyder*
 Madeline Soule*

* denotes those
 who have
 Memorial
 Plaques

Yahrzeits

February 15—February 21 17 Shevat—23 Shevat

Morris Aaron Stein*
Blanche Stern*
Saul Weber*
Charlotte Wittman*
Helen Zoss*

February 22—February 28 24 Shevat—30 Shevat

Ethel Elinsky Allen*
Sadie Axelrod*
Zachary Berlin
Maer Bradlyn*
Pearl Bunshaft*
Bernard A. Chawenson*
Elsie Cohen*
Max Cohen*
Nancy Darsky*
Annabelle Davidow*
Margaret Davis*
Solomon Draijnsky*
Edith Fish

February 22—February 28 24 Shevat—30 Shevat

Morris Furedi*
George Goldberg*
Rebecca Golden*
Morris Goodman*
Max Greenfield*
Anna Guterman
Sam Harshman*
Bertha Heselov*
Ralph Kanfer*
Amelia Klekner*
Betty Kramer
Ann B. Lazar*
Gregory Lerman
Anna Lockshin*
Samuel Luntz*
Harry Magid*
Anna Malkoff*
Joseph Malkoff*
Solomon (Sol) Malkoff*
Fay Freed Margolis*
John "Jack" McGilvrey*

February 22—February 28 24 Shevat—30 Shevat

Alfred Miller*
Esther Leah Mirkin*
Marvin Moranz*
Nathan Nichol*
Harry E. Prigosin*
Abe Revzin
Adolph Rock*
David Arthur Roth*
Rhea Schwartz*
David Sidney Schwebel*
Stanley Bruce Segall
Florence Sepanik
Etta Sniderman*
Rose Sobkowski*
Lillian Schan Solomon*
Chona Spector*
Alice Taub*
Bertram Ungar*
Philip Wagman*
Celia Waldman*

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DONATIONS

Yahrzeits

In Loving Memory of:

Eli Agrenovitz
Zachary Berlin
Sylvia Schwartz
By The Finesilver Family

Bonnie Apple
Sheldon Apple
Sally Chudakoff
By The Apple Family

Annette Bassin
Harry Bassin
By Diane Marcus
Elliot Chandler

Dorothy Brown
By Howard & Linda Sniderman

Donald Farquhar
David Schneider
By Martin & Sue Solomon

Yahrzeits

In Loving Memory of:

Mother & Grandmother, Ida Finesilver
By Joy Malkoff

Edith Fish
Louis Fish
By Don & Diane DiPiero

Philip Terry Garfield
By Sharon Garfield

William Gordon
By Carol Gordon

Stanley A. Kornspan
By Dr. Len & Charlene (Kornspan)
Winer

Ann Kugelman
Louis Kugelman
By Gloria Venger

Yahrzeits

In Loving Memory of:

Ann B. Lazar
By Maxine Frankel

Solomon (Sol) Malkoff
By Wendy & Charles Blume

Irving Manson
By Sherri & Gary Clayman

Irwin Meader
By Stan Meader

Daniel Meritz
Michael Stein
By Lisa Stein & Family

Marvin Moranz
By Janice & Marshall Moranz

Rose Gross Moranz
By Joel & Marsha Moranz

DONATIONS

Yahrzeits

In Loving Memory of:

Helen Newman

By Geri & Nigel Newman

Nathan Nichol

By Dr. Allen Nichol &
Barbara Lebovitz-Nichol

Sally Rosen

By Terry & Roger Karp & Family

Vicki Schermer

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Mother, Frieda Lilienstern Schulman

By Sonya Schulman Schwartz &
Family

Charlotte J. Stein Schwartz

By Robert I. Schwartz & Family

Nancy Slate

By Dick Slate & Family

Michael Stein

By Brad & Judy Levy

Leo Zusman

By Bert Zusman

TEMPLE FUND

In Honor of

50th Anniversary of

Rick & Ronna Marlin

By Lenore Ackerman

Sherri Clayman, Birthday

Jeannie Peskin, Birthday

By Phyllis Friedman

TEMPLE FUND

In Memory of

Howard Rome

By Lenore Ackerman

Jere & Holly Small

Carl & Tina Culp

Don & Phyllis Goldberg

Terry & Sam D. Roth

Howard Rome

Irv Lev

By Carol Gordon

KIDDUSH LUNCH FUND

In Memory of

**Beloved Father, David Sidney
Schwebel**

By Bruce & Suzyn Schwebel Epstein



חיי Club

In Honor of

Sherri Clayman on her

Special Birthday

Jeannie Peskin on her

Special Birthday

By Rick & Ronna Marlin

Howard & Linda Sniderman

CHAI CLUB DONORS contribute a minimum of \$18.00 to Temple's Kiddush Luncheon Fund. The Gelbman Memorial Fund helps in subsidizing the Luncheon Fund.



חיי Club

In Memory of

**Beloved Husband, Jack Rusnak &
Beloved Father, Morris Friedman**

By Elayne Rusnak

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PURIM CELEBRATION

at Temple El Emeth

Thursday, March 13, 2025



6:00 pm Complimentary
Hot Dog and Salad Bar dinner
7:00 pm Megillah Reading

- Everyone is invited to come in costume !
- Prizes for all children!
- Creations by Balloon Artist Joe Sullivan
- Music by Danny Shapira
- El Emeth Sisterhood's delicious Hamantashen



No charge for dinner but reservations are
requested by March 11. Security will be checking names
on RSVP list at the front entrance.
Please RSVP to 330-759-1429

Temple El Emeth
3970 Logan Way
Youngstown Ohio 44505

DATED MATERIAL
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ELECTRONIC SERVICE REQUESTED

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Rabbi Sternstein wishes to be in contact with anyone in our congregation who (G-d forbid) is ill. Please call the Rabbi directly, **914-960-4653**, and/or the Temple El Emeth office, **330-759-1429**, as soon as possible, if you know of someone ill. Please do *not* assume that someone else has informed the Rabbi or office. Even if we receive multiple calls, it is much preferable to our missing vital information.

We thank you for your help.



You can help **Altshuler Akiva Academy** in raising awareness and scholarship dollars, through the **Ohio Scholarship Fund Db a Every Child Every Family Scholarship Granting Organization**.

Make a difference today by copying the link below and contribute by selecting Altshuler Akiva Academy. Every Child Every Family has distributed \$1.6 million in scholarship funds for the 2024-2025 school year to thirty-six schools. There are still a few enrolled schools with funds available for the 2024-2025 school year. The scholarship payment request window will open again **January 1, 2025, through March 1, 2025**, for the 2024-2025 school year. **Donations received through April 15, 2025, can be used as a tax credit for 2024 on their Ohio tax liability.** Scholarship dollars earmarked for Altshuler Akiva Academy donated between April 16, 2024, through April 15, 2025, will be available for the 2025-2026 school year. For additional questions, please contact your Financial Advisor or Tax Preparer.



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