

A CENTURY OF BETTY STEIN

The amazing Betty Stein turns 100 years old on Saturday, December 10!

Betty's family invites you to two receptions in honor of her very special milestone:

- **Friday, December 9** – Betty will be recognized during the Temple's Sabbath service at 7:30 p.m., followed by a festive Oneg Shabbat hosted by the Stein family.
- **Saturday, December 10** – Celebrate Betty during an informal community reception hosted by her family from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Temple. Please bring a favorite memory to share.

Gifts aren't necessary, but just in case you'd like to honor Betty, her family has two suggestions:

- **Betty's 100 Books** - With Betty's help and approval, the Temple created a list of Betty's 100 Books that we'd like to add to our Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library in time for Betty's birthday. We're at 73 books toward our goal and would welcome your donations as we prepare to move into the new Madge Rothschild Resource Center.
- **A donation to the Temple's Holocaust Education Fund** - Betty chaired the Holocaust Education Committee for many years at Achduth Vesholom. A donation to this fund would help continue this legacy to ensure we never forget. ■



CONGREGATION B'NAI JACOB

SHOP NOW FOR HANUKKAH The first night of Hanukkah is December 24; shop in our Gift Shop for the best selection of sun catchers; snow globes; rulers; erasers; chocolate gelt; dreidels; games; toys; paper goods; greeting cards; decorations; serving dishes; menorahs and candles; plush animals; and lots and lots of wrapping paper! Proceeds from Gift Shop sales assist with Kiddushim. Gift Shop hours are Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Telephone: 260-672-8459

ETHICS CLASS Our class is studying Rabbi Joseph Telushkin's book: *A Code of Jewish Ethics*. The next session meets Sunday, December 4, at 10:30 a.m. Our topics will be Good Manners and the ethics and value of Common Sense. Each class is preceded by Tallit and Tefillin at 9:30 a.m. and a light brunch.

SHABBAT SERVICES Shabbat morning services are held every Saturday at 9:15 a.m. After our services, congregants and guests have an opportunity to enjoy the Shabbat and the camaraderie at our Kiddush.

TORAH CLASSES Torah class meets on Shabbat at 12:45 p.m. We are continuing our studies of Vayikra, the Book of Leviticus. We are currently studying the inauguration of the Priesthood and the tragedy of Aaron's sons' deaths.

Mishneh Torah class meets at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. We are studying the laws of the covenant of circumcision.

Winter break for both Torah classes begins on Wednesday, December 21; classes resume on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 and Saturday, January 7, 2017.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL Hebrew School meets on Wednesdays at 4:00 p.m. Shabbat School and Havurat No'ar meet on Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. Winter break begins on Wednesday, December 21 and classes resume on Wednesday, January 4, 2017. ■



November gathering at Jan Finkel's home.



The Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne has started a Rosh Chodesh group for Jewish Women on the first of the month. The club will involve Jewish education through speakers and discussion, movies, tzedakah projects, baking, crafts, dinners, services and more.

Please call the Federation office at 456-0400 with your RSVP

- **December 1, 2016** - Meeting at the home of Bonnie Pomerantz – Destiny Rescue Lecture & Bazaar (will include some Judaica type items)

Upcoming Programs

- **January 2, 2017** - Meeting location (TBD) - Mah Jongg lessons/tournament
- **February 1, 2017** - B'nai Jacob - Yavin Bomnolkar will come to discuss Ancient Jewish communities in India.



This original premiere by local playwright Gregory Stieber goes beyond the famous diary. We meet the classmates and peers of Anne Frank. Look through the eyes of the children from both sides of this important time in history. Featuring musicians from the Philharmonic Youth Symphony.

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE JEWISH FEDERATION



Auditions at Arts United Center:

January 3 & 4: 4-6 PM

Performances at Black Box Theatre

February 3: 7 PM

February 4: 2 PM & 4 PM

February 5: 2 PM

Special School Shows at Wayne High School

February 6: 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

\$7 per student/1 free adult for every 10 students.

THANK YOU

Jan Finkel would like to thank the Federation for thinking of her for the Goldie DuBow award she won this year.

She appreciates what the JFFW does for the Fort Wayne community and has been a member of the Jewish Federation for many years.

THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS



HOT/COLD PACKS TO BENEFIT THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS

One of the favorite days of the year for our Thoughtful Thursdays families is coming soon! On December 7, we'll send rotisserie chickens home with all 72 of our Brightpoint Head Start students, along with side dishes to complete a holiday dinner. Thank you to the many Jewish community volunteers who are assisting with this effort!

One of our big projects for the new year is to assemble first-aid kits to go home with all the families. Included in these kits will be a child-size apple-shaped hot/cold pack that says "Thoughtful Thursdays."

As a fundraiser for Thoughtful Thursdays, we are making the hot/cold pack available for your purchase, as well. The cost is \$3 each, or two for \$5. The apple-shaped packs make good teacher gifts, baby gifts, or thinking-of-you gifts. If interested in purchasing, please email me at jberger02@comcast.net. Please make payment (Checks made payable to "CAV- The Temple") and pick up in the Temple office.

Thank you to all my special Bag Ladies! Volunteers are always welcome. Our next bag assembly dates are Wednesday, December 7 and Wednesday, January 18 at 10 a.m.

Wishing you a happy and healthy New Year!

Jamie Berger, Thoughtful Thursdays Chair

CONDOLENCES

Two longstanding members of the Fort Wayne Jewish community have died: **Sharlene Pass and Al Kwatnez**.

Al Kwatnez and his wife, Arlene, were Temple members.

Sharlene Pass and her husband, **Barry**, were members of B'nai Jacob and were active in the community. Barry Pass was a former Jewish Federation president.



Happy Chanukah



Happy Chanukah from the Board and Staff of the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne!

Partnership Trip to Eastern Europe

May 7-May 16, 2017

Western Galilee Extension May 16-19

Warsaw-Krakow-Bratislava-Budapest:
May 8-16, 2017

P2G JEWISH JOURNEY TO POLAND, BRATISLAVA & BUDAPEST

(Depart U.S. May 7, arrive Warsaw May 8, Depart Budapest May 16)

*with optional extensions to Berlin or Israel

Land only for Poland, Bratislava & Budapest
\$2950 double occupancy LAND ONLY
(\$550 Single Supplement)



No matter how you spell it...

Hanukkah, Chanukah, Chanukkah, or Hanukah, they all begin on Saturday night, December 24, 2016.

TEMPLE

at office@templecav.org to be added to our e-mail list.

SHARE SHABBAT AT THE TEMPLE

Please share the warmth of Shabbat with us during December at the Temple:

- **Friday, December 2** – Two great options with our Shabbat Katan Family Service for children at 6 p.m. led by Samara Sheray and our Shabbat Service at 7:30 p.m. led by Rabbi Lenny. Kiddush follows.
- **Friday, December 9** – A special Shabbat service at 7:30 p.m. when we also celebrate Betty Stein's 100th birthday. An Oneg Shabbat follows hosted by the Stein family.
- **Friday, December 16** – Join us at 7:30 p.m. for Shabbat worship, followed by Kiddush.
- **Friday, December 23** – 'Tis the season for our annual "Chinese Shabbat" when we gather at the earlier time of 6 p.m. at the Temple for a service and Kiddush, followed by dinner together at a Chinese Restaurant. RSVP by Friday, December 16 to (260) 744-4245.
- **Friday, December 30** – Bring your hanukkiah and candles to light when we celebrate Hanukkah and Shabbat at 7:30 p.m. led by Orin Reynolds. A champagne toast to 2017 follows.

TALMUD CLASS EXPLORES CENTRAL PILLAR OF JUDAISM

If the Bible is the cornerstone of Judaism, then Talmud is the central pillar. The Bible gives us Jewish concepts. The Talmud defines how to apply those concepts within any particular context.

Please join Rabbi Lenny for Talmud Class this month on Tuesday, December 6 and 13 at 7 p.m. at the Temple when we discuss how the concepts in the Talmud apply today in Fort Wayne and are relevant in our personal lives.

Unlike most learning topics, if you need to miss a few weeks, it will not affect your ability to participate and understand. The December classes will be available online. Please contact the rabbi for information on how to connect from home. Please contact the Temple office to register for the class at (260) 744-4245 or contact Rabbi Lenny at rabi@templecav.org.

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HANUKKAH LIGHTS AND A BIT OF BUBBLY

Celebrate the Festival of Lights amid the warm glow of dozens of *hanukkiyot* that mark the Maccabees' triumph over the Greeks and their rededication of the Temple. Join us on the seventh night of Hanukkah for this luminous Temple tradition on Friday, December 30 at 7:30 p.m., followed by a champagne toast to a "Happy 2017."

Please bring your family's *hanukkiya* and candles to light during the service. Orin Reynolds will lead the service, which includes musical selections for Hanukkah. Please also bring boxes of pasta to donate to the Temple's December Food Drive to benefit the food bank at Wellspring Interfaith Social Services.

MAH JONGG WORKSHOP COMING TO THE TEMPLE

Are you curious about mah jongg, the centuries-old Chinese game that has been a staple for years among Jewish-Americans? The Temple's Adult Education Committee is excited to offer a mah jongg workshop on four Sundays - February 5, 12, 26 and March 5 -- from noon to 2 p.m. at the Temple.

The workshop will not only teach newbies the art of this classic game, but also will provide learning and teaching opportunities for seasoned players. Participants will watch a documentary film, learn about the history of the connection between the Jewish community and the game, examine the artwork depicted on various mah jongg tiles, and learn the details of the card.

After the workshop concludes, drop-in games will be scheduled in the Temple's new Madge Rothschild Resource Center. More information will be coming at www.templecav.org.

HANUKKAH BOWLING FOR 20S/30S GROUP

Strike! Spare! Donut! Join Fort YAD, the Temple's new "Young Adult Division" for those in the Jewish community in their 20s and 30s, on Friday, December 30 for bowling and donuts.

We'll meet at the Temple for the Shabbat and Hanukkah service at 7:30 p.m., and afterward (about 8:30 p.m.) head to nearby Thunder Bowl #1, 6700 Lafayette Street, where we'll imagine the pins are Syrian-Greeks and we, with donuts in hand, are the Maccabees.

No need to RSVP. Attendees will cover their own bowling and shoe rental – we'll provide the donuts. Contact the Temple office