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## Federation Sponsors Antiquities Speaker

The Pensacola Jewish Federation, in association with the University of West Florida, is proud to announce a series of lectures by Dr. Jodi Magness of the University of North Carolina this month. Dr. Magness last addressed the Pensacola community in 2015 where she first revealed her exciting finding of an elephant mosaic from an early fifth century BCE synagogue in Huqoq, Israel.

On Sunday, February 17, Dr. Magness will speak at the Voices of Pensacola Multicultural Center, 117 E Government Street. There will be a reception starting at 6:00 PM followed by the lecture at 7:00 PM. Her topic will be What Makes Jerusalem Special? The lecture is open to the public and will be free of charge.

**"Jerusalem is venerated by the three Abrahamic faiths as the place where God's presence dwells. This belief originated with the biblical tradition that David brought to Jerusalem the Ark of the Covenant, and his son Solomon built the first house (temple) for the God of Israel on the Temple Mount. In this presentation we consider the sacred history of Jerusalem focusing on the Temple Mount."**

On Monday, February 18, Dr. Magness will speak at a luncheon at Temple Beth El, 800 N Palafox Street, **starting at 11:30 AM. She will continue speaking on her amazing work in Huqoq with a lecture on "More than Just Mosaics: The Ancient Synagogue at Huqoq in Israel's Galilee".**

**"Since 2011, Professor Jodi Magness has been directing excavations in the ancient village of Huqoq in Israel's Galilee. The excavations have brought to light the remains of a monumental Late Roman (fifth century) synagogue building paved with stunning and unique mosaics, including biblical scenes and the first non-biblical story ever discovered decorating an ancient synagogue. In this slide-illustrated lecture, Professor Magness describes these exciting finds, including the discoveries made in last summer's season."**

Attendance is free and open to the public, however please RSVP as space is limited. Lunch, either vegetarian, tuna salad or turkey sandwich, is available for purchase in advance for \$10 each, cash or check. Please RSVP to Logan Schilling via email: loganschilling@yahoo.com or text: 850.549.8720 by 5:00 PM Wednesday, February 11 with your reservation and choice of sandwich, if ordering.

## Worship and Study Schedule

Friday, February 1  
4:00pm Azalea Trace  
6pm at TBE followed by covered dish dinner

Saturday, February 2  
Torah Study 9:30 am

Friday, February 8 - 7pm

Friday, February 15 - 7pm

Saturday, February 16  
Torah Study 9:30 am

Friday, February 22 - 7pm

## Looking Forward Save the Date

- 2/9 Havdalah Social at Azalea Trace 4:00 pm
- 2/12 Talmud Tuesday 11:30 am
- 2/15 Sisterhood Shabbat 7:00 pm
- 2/17 Men's Club and Book Review 10:00 am**
- 2/18 PJF Lunch and Learn with Jodie Magness 11:30
- 2/19 Talmud Tuesday 11:30 am
- 2/20 Sisterhood Luncheon and Program 11:30 am
- 2/22 Opera Shabbat 7:00 pm
- 3/9 Civil Rights Tour, Montgomery
- 3/10 Purim Carnival



## Sisterhood News

### Temple Beth El Sisterhood

February 20, 2019  
11:30 AM

All Sisterhood, Hadassah Members & Life Members are invited to attend A Hadassah Update  
Speaker: Lee Kansas,  
**Hadassah's Southern Region**  
Past President

#### Catering by Everman's

Menu: Vegetarian mushroom loaf, mashed potatoes, green beans almandine, and vegan carrot cake accompanied by coffee & tea  
\$15

To make or cancel a reservation  
RSVP to Pat Braunstien at  
850 598-9718 OR  
sidnpatb@gmail.com  
Sisterhood@  
templebethelofpensacola.org  
no later than  
noon on Monday 2/18

Sadly, we cannot guarantee a meal or seating for those who do not reserve.

Please let us know if you wish to attend, but will not have lunch so we have enough seats.

No-shows will be asked to pay for the meal ordered for them.

Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

May your new year be blessed with a great beginning!

There was a big turnout for Cookie Kichler's presentation on Jews and Jewelry at the January meeting. She also blew us away with the wonderful jewelry she created. I'm still fantasizing about the large baroque pearl necklace!

Mitzvahs abound:

Thanks go to all who stepped up to help Carolyn Grawi with her transportation needs following her accident. Kate Trattner is on the mend and is grateful for all the meals delivered during her recuperation.

Many ladies are bringing clothing, and personal needs products for elementary school children as part of the Temple's outreach project.

Renee Eilen and her troop of performers are already working on the Comedy Night fundraiser "Jew-ish Love" set for May 18th this year. Proceeds from the show go directly toward camp scholarships. Since a record number of children wish to attend, Sisterhood is working on additional complimentary fundraisers. More information will follow.

BTW - The excursion company could not offer us a good package for the casino trip, so it is postponed at this time. Thanks for trying, Renee!

The February 20th meeting features a speaker from Hadassah who will bring us up to date on their projects and triumphs. Remember: this group was founded by Henrietta Szold, an American from Baltimore, Maryland over 100 years ago in 1912. We will invite unaffiliated Hadassah members in our area as well as the ladies from B'nai Israel to join us.

Look forward to a call from Robin Mertins about taking part in the Sisterhood Shabbat on February 15.

Keep warm! Pat

#### HAVDALAH SOCIAL

You are cordially invited to join us as our Sabbath comes to a close Saturday, February 9th at 4pm. You are also strongly encouraged to bring a friend. This will take place at Azalea Trace in the Trace Room. This event is hosted by the membership committee. Light refreshments and beverages will be provided. We are very happy to announce that Carolyn Goldstein will be able to delight us by playing her violin and lead us in Havdalah.

Mark your calendars now - we would love to see you. Please join us for this special event. If you have any questions please email me at [debrbuch@aol.com](mailto:debrbuch@aol.com) or call my cell phone.

Deborah Buchalter  
Membership Committee

#### Shabbat Sponsors

Friday, Feb 1 - Covered Dish Dinner

Friday, Feb 8 - Kate Trattner

Friday, Feb 15 - Carolyn Grawi

Friday, Feb 22 - Fred and Janet Levin

Contact Cindy Pinhas to reserve a date for one's.  
[cpinhas@aol.com](mailto:cpinhas@aol.com) or  
850.465.3618

If you would like to sponsor bimah flowers, please contact the florist of your choice and arrange delivery with Kathy Smith.

#### We Welcome New Temple Members

Erika Stein and daughter, Chloe

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Dr. and Mrs. Ben and Jayme Bograd and children, Marin and Asher

Temple Tots Winter Session has begun. There is still time to join. 9-10:30am Temple Beth El

Children under 3 years and a caregiver (parent, grandparent, nanny) are invited to participate in this exciting new program. Children will have playtime, practice fine and gross motor skills, make art, sing Jewish songs, and more! Adults will make lasting memories and connect with our Temple community.

For more information or to register please contact Andrea Fleekop.

## Montgomery Civil Rights Tour

A Journey to Learn, Honor, and Strengthen Community  
 Saturday, March 9

Temple Beth El and Christ Episcopal Church are excited to partner on a day of learning and fellowship as we journey together to Montgomery, Alabama. As part of the day we will visit the newly opened National Memorial for Peace and Justice, the Rosa Parks Museum, and other important Civil Rights sites.

During the day we will have the opportunity to reflect on what the struggle for Civil Rights means to us as people of faith and to learn about how our religious communities responded to the Civil Rights Movement. By sharing this journey of discovery, we also hope to strengthen the long-standing friendship between Temple Beth El and Christ Episcopal Church.

Thanks to the generous support of the Robert H. Kahn Jr. Family Foundation, the cost for this day of learning, including bus transportation and admission fees, is only \$25 for adults and \$15 for children (under 18 must be accompanied by an adult). Buses will depart Pensacola promptly at 7am, returning at approximately 7pm. Breakfast and afternoon snacks will be provided with lunch on your own in downtown Montgomery.

Space is limited so please reserve your spot as soon as possible. To RSVP please contact Rabbi Joel at: 850.438.3321 or [rabbi@templebethelofpensacola.org](mailto:rabbi@templebethelofpensacola.org)



## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### February Birthdays

1st Leah Dannheisser  
 Logan Schilling  
 Dana Gamel  
 Nick Neisler  
 Cait Gross  
 2nd Julianne Lewis  
 Liz McCulley  
 Rhonda Saunders  
 3rd Jeffrey B. Trattner  
 Cameron Radon  
 4th Janet Schilling  
 5th Joyce Dannheisser  
 6th Sue Levin  
 7th Hannah Zimmern  
 Phillip Broder  
 8th Rivka Velikanova  
 9th Jean Rosenberg  
 10th Lewis Bear, Jr.  
 11th Carol Brown  
 12th Rhett Gross  
 Wendy Rutland  
 13th Ray Engel  
 Kerlani Flores  
 15th Inessa Katsnelson  
 Jeff Buchalter  
 Lynn Cacace  
 Ellen Deaver  
 16th Isaac Haims

17th Tom Dannheisser  
 Bill Zimmern  
 William Sackheim  
 18th Sara Schlesinger  
 Priscylla Alexander  
 Sarah Watson  
 20th Charlotte Morris  
 21st Elizabeth Haims  
 Glen Faulk  
 22nd Sydney McAbee  
 23rd Claire Ades  
 Louis Rosenbloum  
 24th John-Daniel Sullivan  
 Forrest Faulkner  
 26th Frank Segal  
 Spencer Smyser  
 27th Myra Kahn  
 Rebecca Soloway  
 28th Leonid Yanovskiy

### February Anniversaries

8th Rose and Bill Kuhhirte  
 12th Brittany and Spencer Smyser  
 22nd Celeste and Alan Krys  
 28th Kym and Martin Lewis

The food was delicious but your dishes are still in the kitchen. Kindly pick them up. Leftovers will be donated to a thrift store.



I am pleased to announce that over forty of our members have increased their dues to the tune of \$50,000 a year. If any other members are able to step forward, it would be greatly appreciated.

Terry Gross

## Donations

### Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:

A donation was made by Chip and Faye Merritt  
 A donation was made by Nathan and Myra Kahn  
 A donation was made by Terry Von Bargaen

### School for Jewish Living:

In memory of Bettie Kahn from Chip and Faye Merritt  
 In memory of Joan Gordon from Chip and Faye Merritt  
 In memory of Harriett Sacks from Chip and Faye Merritt

### Trees Planted in Israel:

In honor of Linda Armacost from Charles and Shirley Kraselsky  
 In memory of G.G. Kahn from Charles and Shirley Kraselsky

### Temple Beth El General Fund:

In honor of Matt Dannheisser from Mike Stebbins and Pam Moine  
 A donation was made by Gene Rosenbaum

### Max L. Bear Auditorium Fund:

A donation was made by The Elise Bear and Will D. Pollak Family Charitable Foundation

## Talmud Tuesdays: Modern Lessons from Ancient Sources

Tuesdays 11:30-12:30, February 12, & 19, March 5, & 12

Each week Rabbi Joel will lead the group in the exploration of a famous Talmudic story. We will discuss the text as literature as well as probe what wisdom and guidance these ancient texts can offer for our modern world.

Whether you are able to attend once or weekly — all are welcome. For more information please contact Rabbi Joel at 850-438-3321.

**L'shalom,**  
 Rabbi Joel

## Opera Shabbat

Friday, February 22 at 7pm

**Join us for a very special Shabbat as Temple Beth El welcomes Pensacola Opera's Artists in Residence.** The evening begins with a music-filled service led by Rabbi Joel, **Greg Watson, and Victoria Adamenko.** Following the services' conclusion, the artists in residence will fill the sanctuary with their beautiful and resounding voices as they perform a collection of arias and show tunes. At the close of the performance, the artists will join us for oneg Shabbat in the Max L. Bear Auditorium.



Torah on Tap  
 February 5 at 5:00 pm

Union Public House, 309 S. Reus St.  
 Join Rabbi Joel and friends for a beverage and discussion.

**February's topic will be:**  
**"The Ethics of the Shutdown:**  
 Employee & Employer Relationships?"

"Schmoozing 5:00pm / Learning at 5:30pm

Date: Sunday, March 24  
 Time: 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Activities:  
 Tree, bush and vine trimming  
 Monument cleaning  
 Litter removal



Please come out and help beautify our historic cemetery. Please contact Ray.engel@altousa.com or tagross@tagross.com for additional information.

## Adult Hebrew for Beginners

Learn to Read Hebrew  
 Sundays, January 13 - Feb 10, 10-11:30am  
 Temple Beth El

Learn the names and sounds of Hebrew letters/vowels and begin to recognize and pronounce Hebrew words in only five 1.5 hour classes (plus practice at home!)

Free class includes textbook, guaranteed laughs, **and many "AHA" moments.** Be amazed at how much you can learn in only five sessions.

This class is designed for beginners as well as those who need a complete refresher of the basics.

Please contact Bill Kuhhirte to reserve your textbook and start this adventure.

## Men's Book Club Meeting

**The Men's Brotherhood will meet on Sunday February 17, 2019 at 10 am.** Following the general meeting, the **Jewish Men's Book Club** will meet and Steve Eilen will review **"The New Anti-Semitism"** by Phyllis Chesler

*"Dangerous worldwide coalitions of Islamic terrorists, well-intentioned but misinformed students, right-wing fascists, left-wing ideologues, academics, feminists, European politicians, journalists, and international human rights organizations have joined together to again scapegoat the Jews and the Jewish state for crimes they did not commit and for whatever ails the world. In this intensely passionate and compelling book, the best-selling and prize-winning Jewish author Dr. Phyllis Chesler demonstrates how old-fashioned anti-Semitism – now often seen in the form of anti-Zionism – has become fashionable and even politically correct, and how this plague threatens the Jews of the world, Israel, America, and Western civilization"*

Yahrzeits

*To be read on February 1*

26th John Kevin Meredith  
Phyllis Siegel  
27th Charles Trum, Sr.  
Jeanette Edrehi  
Joseph Curland  
Philip J. Levine  
28th Madelaine Gordon  
29th Elizabeth Quest  
Renee Bershad  
30th Samuel Hyams  
Helen Heinberg  
Edie Zimmerman  
Rhonda Wach  
JaAnn Sewell  
31st Sadie G. Bloch  
Maurice Finman  
Frank Tucker  
Joyce Finney  
Alvin Joseph Fogelman  
Richard G. Cohn  
1st Philip Bodziner  
Celia Brunstein

*To be read on February 8*

2nd Bernice Herr  
Evelyn Needle  
Shirley Pearlman  
3rd Anna Ciota  
Julian Lewis  
Sam Hyams  
4th Louise May Kolstein  
7th Fred Levy  
Nettye Woolenberg  
Rachel Levin  
8th Annie E. Gerhardt  
Reuben Smith  
Liz Picard

*To be read on February 15*

9th Philip Jaffe  
Gerson Mayer

**To be read on February 15, con't.**

9th Sidney Steinberg  
Berta Livshits  
Erna Reischer  
10th Bennie Rumpfelt  
Maxine Lee  
11th Dora Herschkovitz  
Berdona Branberg  
Ira Miller  
Anna Brown  
Caroline Kahn  
12th Henry A. Morris  
Mildred Block Klein  
13th Lewis Bear, Sr.  
Robert John Orth  
William D. Pollak  
Irving Steinberg  
Jeffrey Marcus  
Edward Finkelstein (Adar 8)  
14th Leonty Yanovskiy  
15th Adolph Greenhut  
David Malca  
Sara Abitbol  
Matilda Levin

*To be read on February 22*

16th Tillie Cohen  
Harry Vigodsky  
17th Charles Reischer  
John Frenkel, Sr.  
18th Rose Gitenstein  
Henry Alpheus Morris  
Pat Marcus  
19th Meir Lachman  
Arnold Grossman  
Jack Kugelman  
Gilbert Leavitt  
20th Hilda Bear Kahn  
Joseph M. Levy  
Dr. Mozart A. Lischkoff  
Eleanor Weiner  
Hylida N. Eitel

**To be read on February 22, con't**

20th Marian Baer  
Mildred Stone  
Eva Frances Miller  
22nd Joseph Feig  
Mary Ester Curland  
David Rosenbloum  
Pearl Ann Levy Silverstein

*To be read on March 1*

23rd Etta Cohen  
Florence Lehman  
Joseph Reed  
24th Rena Cohen  
Fannie Frenkel  
Eddie Zukrow  
25th Horace Stern  
Gloria Whitsit  
26th Nathan Berlin  
Ada Gerson  
Fannie Lesser  
Max Krumbein  
Vicki Feinstein  
Ethel Klein  
27th Anita Prout  
Virginia Ginny Oatman  
Debbie Pearce  
Audrey Broder  
Milton Gordon (Adar 22)  
28th Betty Samson  
Harry Levin

The congregation extends its condolences to Dr. David Aronson and the entire Aronson family on the passing of our longtime member, **Sherlee Aronson. Zichronah L'vracha. May Sherlee's memory be a source of comfort and blessing to her family and many friends.**

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## February 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Temple Tots 9am  Azalea Trace 4:00 TBE Service 6:00 followed by covered dish dinner	2 Torah Study 9:30 am
3 SJL 9:00 am Adult Hebrew 10am	4	5 Mah Jong 12:30pm Torah on Tap 5:00 Union Public House	6	7	8 Temple Tots 9am  Service 7pm	9 Havdalah Social Azalea Trace 4:00 pm
10 SJL 9:00 am Adult Hebrew 10am	11	12 Talmud Tuesday 11:30 Mah Jong 12:30pm	13	14	15 Temple Tots 9am  Sisterhood Shabbat 7pm	16 Torah Study 9:30 am
17 NO SJL  <b>Men's Book Club</b> 10am	18 PJF: Lunch and Learn with Dr. Jodi Magness 11:30 am - 1:30 pm	19 Talmud Tuesday 11:30 Mah Jong 12:30pm	20 Sisterhood Meeting 11:30 am	21 TBE Board Meeting 5:30 pm	22 Opera Shabbat Service 7pm	23
24 SJL 9:00 am	25	26 Mah Jong 12:30pm	27	28		