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This month we are featuring speeches given to Bob Dros in honor of his special 60th Birthday Celebration which was held on Saturday, January 14, 2023.

### Rabbi's Speech to Honor Bob Dros

Bob,

I think- scratch that, I know- that you were meant to be sixty. Want to know how? The answer is very simple, really. In Hebrew, there is a system called gimmatría where every letter of the alphabet has a numerical value. Add them together, and words have numerical values, too.

One of the first words I found with a numerical value sixty? Mahta'teh, the Hebrew word for

broom. And another? Me'avteh'ach, the Hebrew for security guard. Coincidence? I think not! But cleaning and keeping up our building, as well as serving as security guard for Shabbat services, are just two of the myriad of important functions that you serve here at Shir Tikvah. And suffice it to say that if I listed all that you do around here, we'd be here until your sixty-first birthday!

Fortunately, I found a few other words with a numerical value of sixty



that I think fits the bill (or should I say, the Bob) even better. Did you know that the Hebrew word Ga'on, or genius has a value of sixty? The rabbis teach that sixty is when one reaches old age. But, the rabbis also taught that with age comes great wisdom and

## Rabbi's Speech (continued)




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Mazel Tov, Bob!  
Happy birthday,  
and may you go  
from strength to  
strength!

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experience. Bob, that means that in Jewish tradition, like a fine wine, the older you get, the better you get. And if the system of gim-matria is to be trusted, you are now a genius! Or at least now you have gained significant wisdom and you have much to teach the next generation. We who have known you for some time now, know that there is nothing you can't do and little you do not know. May your knowledge and talent continue to inspire many for years to come and may you be honored for all of the gifts that you share with us daily.

A third phrase I found with a numerical value of sixty says; Lev Zahav Ohev, a loving heart of gold. Bob, I can't think of more appropriate words to describe you. You truly have a heart of gold and you use your hands to build, fix,

move, and beyond for anyone who asks for your help. You are so kind and giving, and you care deeply about our community members and their repair needs. You always make time to help anyone who comes your way and you always go above and beyond; painting, installing, constructing, and more, making sure our congregants' homes are both safe and beautiful. Bob you have such a loving heart. In addition to all the care and concern you show for our members, you treat this building with more love and respect than one could imagine. You truly make this space sacred and fitting for God's presence. May you be blessed tenfold for all the goodness you've shown our community and for the love you've put into everything you do here.

Last, I found one more expression with a value of sixty; Tov Ba Li, goodness comes to me. It is my sincere hope, and I know that of this community, that goodness come to you and Tina. You said that we're your family, and Bob and Tina - you are ours. It isn't every day that we get to celebrate the extraordinary person that you are, Bob, and the relationship we've shared with you for nearly three decades. We pray that goodness comes to you, now and evermore, and in the Jewish tradition of the Yiddish phrase, biz 120, "till one hundred and twenty," we wish you sixty more years of health and fulfillment, joy, and all the blessings life has to offer. Mazel Tov, Bob! Happy birthday, and may you go from strength to strength!!

## Eila Koltun's Speech

Mazel Tov to Bob who has turned 60 years old! He is very special, since he celebrates his birthday twice each year. Bob's first birthday celebration is on Christmas Day, December 25, when he was born according to his parents. His second birthday celebration came about when the Village of Oradea, Romania where his family lived, gave Bob his "legal birthday" on January 1, 1963. January 1 was when the Village of Oradea office staff would be back to process the paperwork of his birth after the Christmas holiday. This year Bob is celebrating his 60th birthday for a third time, at his delicious January 14th luncheon!

We've been fortunate to have Bob working at our temple for 26.5 years. He has always been an important part of the smooth functioning of our temple facilities.

Bob takes care of our building like it is his home. He cares for the people of our congregation like they are his family. Bob takes the time to welcome everyone who walks into our building, both members and guests. He watched our children, Rachel (now 34) and Ben (now 32) grow up. For many years he would greet them as they walked into the building for Hebrew School, Sunday School and Confirmation Class. He would also make sure our children safely got into the car when we were picking them up to go home. In years since our children graduated, I know that Bob has continued to welcome all children who have gone to Sunday School, Hebrew School and Confirmation Classes.

Bob warmly welcomes everyone to our temple building, from the very young to the older folks.

What often touched my heart was when Bob would warmly welcome my elderly mother when she visited for temple services or programs. He would always make sure my mom knew how much he liked her homemade, old-fashioned strudel. Bob also welcomed my in-laws who often visited from New Orleans. Even now, Bob welcomes the weekly Shalom Over 50's group, helping them feel cared for and safe.

I have spent many years helping Bob plant the temple spring and fall annual flower garden out front. Over the years he put much care into picking out the annual flowers and preparing the garden bed, often using his own money to purchase the flowers. Bob did most of the front annual gardening work, though I helped him with planting, watering, and weeding when I could.

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## Eila Koltun's Speech (continued)

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As long as I can remember, Bob's "green thumb" has nurtured the beautiful large indoor flowering plants inside our front foyer.

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Thanks to Bob's annual garden designs, our temple has received Beautification Awards from the Village of Homewood. At the Village Award Ceremonies Bob gave me the honor to accept the Beautification Award. As long as I can remember, Bob's "green thumb" has nurtured the beautiful large indoor flowering plants inside our front foyer. Please be sure to look at those magnificent flowering plants when you walk into Shir Tikvah next time. One plant is a "Bird of Paradise" and the other two plants are a type of orchid.

Thank you, Bob, for being an amazing caregiver of our building and also caring for the members and guests of our temple during the past 26.5 years. Thank you, Tina, for sharing your husband, Bob with us.

L'Chaim to Bob and Tina for many more years of the best of health and much happiness!

Thank you to the following people who helped in planning and doing the work of creating Bob's 60th Birthday Celebration:

Bob and Tina Oros

Gayle Weil

Rabbi Carmit Harari

Sherman and Ruth Friedman

Rabbi Ellen Dreyfus

Kay Shell, Office Larry Burrows

Bonnie Mosbacher

Donelle Macey

Carole Fefferman

Janet Herbstman

Doug Koltun

Harlene and Sara Friedman

Debbie Greenberg

Deedee Dubrow  
Sharon Lorsch

All the people who helped during the day of Bob's celebration!





## Rabbi Ellen Dreyfus' Speech

This is my favorite Bob story, which I have told before, but it bears repeating because it is indicative of his personality and his values. Many years ago, Bob repaired something in the sanctuary. I don't recall what it was, but at the time, I thanked him and praised his work. He responded,

"This is God's house. I need to take care of it." Such a seemingly simple statement, but it speaks volumes. In addition to being the best "Mr. Fix-it" anyone can find, Bob is a man of faith, who lives his faith every day. He does it by being honest and trustworthy, and

by honoring God in a multitude of ways, in his own faith and in that of his Jewish friends.

Thank you, Bob, for the work that you do and the way that you do it. On this milestone birthday, we wish you good health and strength. We love you!

## Co-President Sherry Dieckman's Speech

Dear Bob,

Even though I am now in Turkey, I am still thinking about you. Whether you call me "boss" or "chief" or maybe "Princess," I always feel as though you are watching over me and taking care of me. Speaking of taking care, no matter what we ask for, you make sure it gets done. You are defi-

nately the "Shir Tikvah Godfather." Like any other father, you also make sure we behave and don't forget to do what we are supposed to. Not only do you take care of the adults, you especially watch out for the kids who, by the way, adore you. You always make time to talk with us, and I really enjoy the conversations

even when you are reminding me of things I should do.

Bob, I am sending you a virtual hug from over 8000 km away. Have a wonderfully happy birthday celebration!

Always,  
Sherry



## Co-President Sherman Friedman's Speech

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Anywhere that you  
go in this building  
you see examples  
of Bob's talent, his  
creativity,  
visualization and  
love for Shir  
Tikvah.

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Bob is special.

He started as an employee, over 25 years ago.

He quickly became a friend to us all and now Bob and Tina are family.

So today, Bob is having a party to celebrate his 60th birthday and 66 of his closest relatives have gathered here to celebrate.

Anywhere that you go in this building you see examples of Bob's talent, his creativity, visualization and love for Shir Tikvah. He built the storage shed in the back, has repaired furnaces and air conditioners numerous times and has patched the roof on a few occasions. He has replaced the outdoor lighting and resurfaced the parking lot. Bob has made the Bimah safer, with new railings and while we were all home sheltering from COVID, Bob was here cleaning ceiling tiles and vents.

He is always here to greet us with a smile and mans the front door to protect us.

This is Bob's building.

We wanted to do something special for Bob, not just to recognize his 60th birthday, which is a great milestone, but to show him how much he means to us. We wanted something that was permanent and would show his connection to Shir Tikvah.

Bob, if you would please join me.

I am thrilled to announce that the Board of Directors of Shir Tikvah are honoring you with a leaf on our Tree of Life in the foyer.

The inscription reads:  
"IN HONOR OF BOB  
OROS ON HIS 60TH  
BIRTHDAY, FROM HIS  
SHIR TIKVAH FAMILY"  
Congratulations, Bob!



All photos courtesy of Larry Burrows Photography



## Women of Shir Tikvah

Where has the time gone? It's already February! Time is flying by. The Women of Shir Tikvah are working on a few things that will take place in the next few months. Some of us are working and planning the next temple fundraiser Shalach Manot. I'm sure Carole Fefferman and Deedee Dubrow will plan a great Purim fundraiser.

On March 9-12 a few of us will be traveling to Eaglewood Resort in Itasca for the last WRJ Midwest and first WRJ Heartland District Convention. We will be involved in many of the planned activities. At the YES Fund Luncheon on Friday, Penny Shnay will be acknowledged for her gold lifeline pin. Donelle Macey will be honored for her silver lifeline.

On Saturday there will be an award luncheon that I am co-chairing. We will honor our Woman of Valor, Donelle Macey.

Also, at the lunch, WRJ Midwest will be honored with a Gold Or Ami Award for Building Bridges: Jews Around the World. Many of you have attended these ZOOM programs. Judy Lohr Safcik and I worked on these programs, along with Carol Berger from BJBE. We just completed the third in the series where we learned about the Jews of Canada.

Saturday evening, the district will install the new board followed by a concert by Nefesh Mountain.

It will be a fun weekend. There is still time to take advantage of early registration. See the flyer.

Save the date! Our Annual Community Seder will be held on Thursday, April 6, at 6 pm. The cost is \$40 per person. A flyer for registration for the Seder will be coming soon.

As you can see, we are involved in many things. Join us!

Gayle Weil

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Thank you so much to the Women of Shir Tikvah for thinking of me during my recovery from my recent surgery. Your generous donation is truly appreciated!

Sincerely,

Judy Lieb

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## WRJ Heartland District Convention



### WRJ Heartland District Convention

March 9 - 12, 2023

Eaglewood Resort & Spa  
Itasca, Illinois



## REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Mark your calendars for the inaugural celebration of our new WRJ Heartland District!

Dynamic Workshops • Terrific Speakers • Awards  
• Meaningful Worship • Seeing Friends  
• Networking • Mahjongg • Canasta and more!  
*Plus, the fabulous music of Nefesh Mountain!*



**[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER NOW](#)**

Register by 2/15/2023 for the \$299 Early Bird price.

After registration, a link will be provided to book your hotel room to get the special group rates:

Single-\$139 / Double-\$154 / Triple-\$169 / Quad-\$184  
Breakfast included (taxes and fees additional)

Questions? Please contact convention co-chairs Rozan Anderson at [andersonrozan@gmail.com](mailto:andersonrozan@gmail.com) or Sandy Adland at [sandyadland@gmail.com](mailto:sandyadland@gmail.com)





## Service Times

### February 3

7:30 pm

Reform Service

### February 4

9:45 am

Conservative Service

**Shabbat Shivah**

**Parashat B'Shallach**

**Torah Reading:**

*Exodus 13:17-15:26*

**Haftarah (Sephardic)**

*Judges 5:1-5:31*

### February 10

7:30 pm

Reform Service

### February 11

9:45 am

Combined Service

**Parashat Yitro**

**Torah Reading:**

*Exodus 18:1-27*

**Haftarah (Sephardic)**

*Isaiah 6:1-13*

### February 17

7:30 pm

Reform Service

### February 18

9:45 am

Conservative Service  
(students participating)

**Shabbat Shekalim**

**Parashat Mishpatim**

**Torah Reading:**

*Exodus 21:1-22:3,*

*30:11-16*

**Haftarah (Ashkenazic)**

*II Kings 12:1-17*

### February 24

7:30 pm

Reform Service

### February 25

9:45 am

Reform Service

**Parashat Terumah**

**Torah Reading:**

*Exodus 25:1-40*

**Haftarah**

*I Kings 5:26-6:13*

**Candle Lighting and**

**Havdalah Times**

**Homewood, IL**

**Candle Lighting**

Feb.3 4:49 pm

**Havdalah**

Feb.4 5:53 pm

**Candle Lighting**

Feb. 10 4:58 pm

**Havdalah**

Feb. 11 6:01 pm

**Candle Lighting**

Feb. 17 5:07 pm

**Havdalah**

Feb. 18 6:10 pm

**Candle Lighting**

Feb. 24 5:15 pm

**Havdalah**

Feb. 25 6:18 pm



## February Service Schedule

### **February 4**

(Week Three)

Conservative Service

### **February 11**

(Week Four)

Combined Service

### **February 18**

(Week One)

Conservative Service  
(students participating)

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### **February 25**

(Week Two)

Reform Service

EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT  
A REFORM SERVICE  
WILL BE HELD AT 7:30  
PM.

## Mi Shebarach List

Stu Argentar  
Melissa Aronesti  
Cathy Burnett  
Gayla Cahan  
Eugene Cohen  
Belta Gitel Bat Sima v' David  
Reuven ben Feivel  
Marilyn Fleischer  
Arnold Freifelder  
Aaron Fuller  
Ginny Gilbert  
Ronnie Hamad  
John Jenson  
Linda Kelly  
Millie Kruglick  
Arie ben Leah  
Mike Larks  
Carolyn Lassiter  
Ken Lipkin  
Diane Lorsch  
Michael Lotz  
Janet Muchnik  
Amy Nathan  
Rochelle Nyer  
Kelsye Orlich  
Mark Przekwas  
Marty Rabinovitz  
US Cong. Jamie Raskin  
Richard Sanchez  
Johnny Schmit  
Sarah Schwartz  
Carol Spector  
Carolyn Swierczyna  
Luke Turim  
Michael VanHeron

Isa Ben Miral (Eric Walters)  
Pat Wilkins  
Vera Wilkins  
Beckham Wilkins  
Margie Wuski  
Hudel Bat Yehoshua

***Please let us know  
when someone  
can be removed  
from the Mi She-  
barach List. Thank  
you!***

## February Birthdays and Anniversaries



### **BIRTHDAYS**

*Jordan Sigale- Feb. 2*

*Trudy Barch- Feb. 2*

*Aaron Latman- Feb. 3*

*Sheri Larks- Feb. 7*

*Evelyn Rodgers- Feb. 8*

*Gail Kaufman- Feb. 12*

*Rabbi Dreyfus- Feb. 15*

*Judy Lohr-Safcik-  
Feb.15*

*Shari Cohen- Feb. 16*

*Joel Cahan- Feb. 17*

*Rhoda Elias- Feb. 17*

*Risa Graff- Feb. 19*

*Penny Shnay- Feb. 19*

*Louie Bloomberg-  
Feb.21*

*Sarah Goldberg-  
Feb. 22*

*Cheryl Warshaw-  
Feb. 24*

*Barbara Cohan-  
Feb. 26*

*Harriet Susman-  
Feb. 27*



*Rhoda & Phil Elias-*

*Feb. 4*

*Ron & Sherry Dieckman-*

*Feb. 15*

*Marilyn & Marvin Gold-  
berg*

*Feb. 16*

### **ADBOOK CORRECTIONS**

**pg. 22: Halo Branded So-  
lutions** address is  
1366 Holly Hock Lane,  
Schererville, IN 46375  
and the phone is 219-  
227-8528

**pg.31: Mike and Ida An-  
ger's** zip is 60601

**Susan Bayer's**  
email: su-  
san@bayermail.net

**pg. 36: Marsha Lotz** cell is  
630-240-8411

**pg.38: Ben and Shelley  
Ritter's** home phone is 219-  
227-8528

**pg. 39: Barry Sturm and  
Marilys Ewa's** new ad-  
dress is  
21 S. Cowley Road, Riv-  
erside, IL 60546

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Count your age by  
friends, not years.

Count your life by  
smiles, not tears. -

John Lennon

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## February Tributes

### GENERAL FUND

*Keigh & Larry Malis* in memory of Harry, Morris, and Ann Shiff

*Harlene & Irwin Friedman* in memory of Zena and Meyer Friedman

*Fern & Manny Katz* in memory of Mary Katz

*Jan Heiss* in memory of Florence Heiss

*Ellen Kahn* in memory of Cecile Lukas

*Alene & Ron Rutzky* in memory of Peal Rutzky Begun

*Jack Levitt* in memory of Gerome "Jerry" Levitt

### RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

*Sharon & Henry Lorsch* in memory of David and James Lorsch

*Dr. Lawrence & Doris Machtinger* in memory of Gretl Diamant

*Iris Blumenthal* in memory of Max Roven

*Marilyn & Marvin Goldberg* in memory of Renee Goldberg

*Ellen & Richard Kaplan* in memory of Bernard Wiss

### CHOIR FUND

*Larry & Nancy Burrows* in memory of Robert and Fannie Mayer, Benjamin Burrows, Henry and Louise Greilsheim, Arthur Mayer, and Robert Corbin

*Sherman & Rhoda Rosen* in memory of Isaac Lawrence Rubin

### TRIBUTES

*Laura & Jake Eisenwasser* card to Bob Oros for his birthday, card to Barry & Marylis Sturm for loss of mother, Loretta Sturm, card to Lynne Buntman for loss of mother, Edith Buntman

*Doug and Eila Koltun*- tribute in memory of Loretta Sturm

*Shirley Fisher*- card to Karen and Lynne Buntman on loss of mother, Edith Buntman

*Marilyn Victor*- card to Karen and Lynne Buntman on loss of mother, Edith Buntman

## February Sisterhood Tributes

### WoST Tribute Cards for January 2023

FROM	TO	FOR
WoST Board Alene and Ron Rutzky Barry and Susan Bayer Deedee DuBrow Carole Fefferman Penny and Jerry Shnay Sherry and Ron Dieckman	Barry Sturm and Marilys Valcourt	in memory of Loretta Sturm
WoST Board Susan and Barry Bayer Carole Fefferman Sherry and Ron Dieckman Bea Kamen	Family of Edith Buntman	in memory of Edith Buntman
Penny and Jerry Shnay Susan and Barry Bayer Penny and Jerry Shnay	Janet Muchnik	get well
WoST Board	Judy Lieb	get well
WoST Board	Bob Oros	Happy 60th birthday
Bea Kamen	Sylvia Gutterman	in memory of Steven Liebman



## February Yahrzeit List

### 02/03/2023

Iona Adleman

Leila Alpert

Frieda Butler

Kessler Celeste

Meyer Cohen

James Colbert

James Collop

Frida Faynshteyn

Ethel Fidler

Jack Freeman

Dora Goldman

Robert Hersh

Leonhard Kamberg

Martha Kanowsky

Raymond Kaplan

Tillie Kaufer

Celeste Kessler

Joseph Herman Kruger

Bessie Liebovitz

Donald Steinberg

Macey

George Mednick

Sylvia Meyers

Jerry A. Miller

Abe Paskin

David Plotnick

Robert E. Rader

Betty L. Rosen

Stewart Rusnak

Bernadine Schlesinger

Ann Shlensky

Bernadine Slupski

Isidore Snitkowski

Ervin Sprintz

Meier Strauss

William Weinberg

Ilse Werner

Aaron Wishnoff

### 02/10/2023

Isadore Asher

Gerda Bauer

Merwyn Brodsky

Meyer Chiz

Harold Cox

Kurt David

Harry Friedman

Ida Garb

Dr. Harold Gerber

Joseph Hirsch

Elfriede Jungster

Norma Kaufer

Mike Kaufmann

Joseph Lassner

Jane Adams Levin

Charles Levine

Martin Levy

Paul Lewin

Roslyn Moskowitz

Ida Riffer

Albert Rosenfeldt

Harry Sharfman

Mollie Shlensky

Jette Stein

Mary Jo Trengilgas

Amalie Wagner

David Warfield

William Warner

Bernard Weinberg

Nathan Zatz

### 02/17/2023

Irving Ackerman

Alfred Altmann

Jacob Brotman



## February Yahrzeit List

Sam Dosick	Gerald Sager	Joel Kaminsky
Rose Teitlebaum Fassberg	Jeanne Singer	Stanley Kaufer
Sarah Fine	Anna Somerman	Morris Krugman
Sheila Gaspar	Irving Somerman	Fanny Laks
Earl Goldberg	Jacob Stein	Ida Lederman
Alyce Goodkin	Maynard Stelzer	Mary Lotz
Harry Gratz	Gustav Stern	Goldie Mankin
Joseph Kamen	Dr. Robert Tigay	Jerry Podwol
Malvina Katz	Allen Warshaw	Adelle Pomper
Morton Krass	Hukel Yalowitz	Emil Reich
Nathan Landauer	<b><u>02/24/2023</u></b>	Morris Shiff
Emanuel Lazer	Bertha Korey Bardige	Adeline Shifris
Esther Lepinsky	Tillie Bayer	Solomon Shuchter
Philip Lepinsky	Sam Brown	Carrie S. Sichel
Isaac Levinson	Anna Chasanov	Symia Smith
Leah Levy	Rhoda Cherniack	Ray Ruth Solomowitz
Bessie Lurie	Lolita Cohen	Levi Speier
Erich Mathias	Helene Cox	Bella Strom
Louis Noven	Ben Dosick	Jean Virene
Louis Paskin	Anna Fisher	Anna Weil
Dora Riekes	Sonia Giffin	Fannie Wolgel
Betty Rosen	Sheldon Green	Ruth Yuster
Morris Rosen	Elaine Hass	Nathan Zipperstein
Recha Rosenberg	Flora Joseph	Marge Zucker

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*As long as we  
 live, they too will  
 live; for  
 they now are a  
 part of us; as  
 we remember  
 them.*  
 - Jewish Prayer

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## Levy Family Trip to Israel to Celebrate Chase's Recent Bar Mitzvah

Chase Levy and his family traveled to Israel December 29-January 6, where they visited Tel Aviv, Caesarea, Capernaum, Tiberius, the Galilee area, the Golan Heights area, Beit She'an, Masada, Jerusalem, and the Dead Sea.

(Chase Levy's D'Var Torah was published in the January bulletin.)



*Photo courtesy of Larry Burrows Photography*



*The Levy family met William Bayer (son of Barry & Susan Bayer) in Tel Aviv!*



*Chase met a scribe at the Ancient Masada Synagogue in Israel. He also dedicated an Aleph in the Torah to Chase!*

## Shir Tikvah Events



**Mark Your Calendars!**  
Shalach Manot Deliveries  
Will be made on March 3

Order forms will be available  
by February 1 in the weekly email and  
printed copies will be available in the  
Shir Tikvah foyer.



## Shir Tikvah Events

### SHALACH MANOT FOR PURIM

In keeping with the Purim tradition of giving shalach manot gifts to friends and family, Shir Tikvah will again offer these gifts. Each package will include four freshly-baked hamantaschen from Shalom Kosher Bakery, other goodies, and a card indicating the giver(s).

As this is a major fundraiser, there will be a \$9.00 charge for each recipient. The packages will be delivered to you on Friday, March 3. We have also designed a lovely card in lieu of goodies for our out-of-town friends and family. Each card is \$5.00.

Please email your list to [office@shir-tikvah-homewood.org](mailto:office@shir-tikvah-homewood.org) or print the form from the weekly email and mail or drop it off at Shir Tikvah. (Copies of the form are also available in the Shir Tikvah foyer.)

If you have purchased shalach manot in the past and would like a copy of your old list, please let us know and we will send you your list.

**Orders MUST be received with a check payable to Shir Tikvah, 1424 183rd St., Homewood, IL 60430 by Friday, February 24.**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please print name(s) as you want them to appear on the gift card.)*

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We wish to order \_\_\_\_\_ shalach manot packages to be picked up/ delivered.

*(Circle one)*

For **local package delivery**, please provide names and addresses:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please use the back of this sheet for additional names and addresses.)*

For **shalach manot cards** for out-of-town friends and relatives:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

Local includes:

As far east as Munster,  
as far west as Mokena,  
as far north as Chicago  
South Side and as far  
south as Monee.

Please check this box ☐ If you wish to be part of a **reciprocal exchange**. That is, to have *shalach manot* sent to anyone who has ordered a package for you but whose name does not appear on your original list. The cost of any additional *shalach manot* will be billed to you.

# of packages \_\_\_\_\_ x \$9.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

# of cards \_\_\_\_\_ x \$5.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL= \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For more information, please

contact Carole Fefferman at:

[carfeff62@gmail.com](mailto:carfeff62@gmail.com)

(708)257-0634



## Shir Tikvah Events



Come join our knitting (crochet, needlepoint) circle! Bring your current project OR make a project for someone in need.

Join us as we come together to catch up and maybe even learn some new skills!

Join us:

**Wednesday, February 1 at 1:30pm  
in person at Shir Tikvah**

Completed projects for someone in need will be donated to:

NCJW South Cook's Albine Gerson Layette project or

JUF TOV Volunteer Network's Nourish our Neighborhoods program

For more details: [amybloomberg@juf.org](mailto:amybloomberg@juf.org)



## Shir Tikvah Events

### DISCOVERING JEWISH SCIENCE FICTION



A Look at the Jewish Influences in  
Star Trek, Star Wars, Doctor Who,  
DC, Marvel, and so Many More...  
**VALERIE ESTELLE FRANKEL**

Shir Tikvah Presents

## Dybbuks, Robots, and Golems: Exploring Jewish Science Fiction

Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>

11:00 am

*Did you know that Darth Vader's breastplate is inscribed in Hebrew? Or that Spock's world is based on Israel with his famous salute coming from the Kohanim's blessing? That Israel is the only country created from a fantasy novel? Or that Tolkien's elves and dwarves speak Hebrew? That the comic book was a Jewish invention, and so was nearly every superhero? We'll explore how Frankenstein is based in the legend of the golem and Kafka's cockroach story is a metaphor on Jewish alienation. Then we'll move on through America: with Bugs Bunny, a few Muppets, and Mel Brooks channeling Borscht Belt performers, with robot morality originating in Jewish philosophy, with Captain America and Superman punching out Hitler. We'll explore the Jewish sensibility and creators behind Doctor Who, The Twilight Zone, and 2001: A Space Odyssey. And we'll travel up to today, when an Orthodox superheroine pauses for Shabbat, a girl time travels with a magic tallit, and hot Jewish vampires take to the screen.*

*Valerie Estelle Frankel has won a Dream Realm Award, an Indie Excellence Award, and a USA Book News National Best Book Award for her Henry Potty parodies. She's the author of over 80 books on pop culture, including Hunting for Meaning in The Mandalorian; Inside the Captain Marvel Film; and Who Tells Your Story? History, Pop Culture, and Hidden Meanings in the Musical Phenomenon Hamilton. Many of her book focus on women's role in fiction. Her Chelm for the Holidays (2019) was a PJ Library book, and now she's the editor of Jewish Science Fiction and Fantasy, publishing an academic series. Outside academia, she published the popular overview, Discovering Jewish Science Fiction: A Look at the Jewish Influences in Star Trek, Star Wars, Doctor Who, DC, Marvel, and so Many More. She teaches at Mission College and San Jose City College and speaks often at conferences.*

**REGISTER BY CALLING THE SHIR TIKVAH OFFICE AT 708-799-4110.**



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**Shir Tikvah Events**

**Peace, Love, Freedom, Hamentaschen!**

**Join us for a groovy Purim celebration**



**Monday, March 6, 2023**

**6:15pm Ice Cream Social**

**7:00pm Megillah Reading**



**With songs based on the hit musical "Hair"**





## Shir Tikvah Events



### Shir Tikvah is going to Israel!

*We have talked about a Shir Tikvah trip to Israel for several years. It is now time to discuss and assess the interest in embarking on a trip to Israel with your fellow congregants and Rabbi Harari. While nothing is definite, we are thinking of a 10 day trip to Israel to visit historical, religious and cultural sites. We would have professional tour guides and stay in 3 and 4 star hotels. We are targeting a price of approximately \$5,000 per person plus airfare. The trip would be scheduled in the first half of 2024.*

*If you are interested in learning more about this trip, please contact Kay in the Shir Tikvah office and we will schedule a group meeting.*

## Shir Tikvah Events



Sunday Afternoon, February 26- (tentative)

**SAVE THE DATE!**

More information to come soon.



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## Community Events



### RESPOND NOW VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Fill food pantry orders for clients

**Date:** Thursday, February 16

**Time:** 1:00pm-4:30pm

**Volunteers:** 3-4 volunteers

**Ages:** 18+

**Location:** 1439 Emerald Ave., Chicago Heights, IL 60411

**Arrival Information:** There is parking available on the street in front of the building. When you arrive ask for Christopher Gines, Food Pantry Coordinator.

Attire should be appropriate for movement (blue jeans or khakis, comfortable shirt, closed toed shoes)

Volunteers can sign up at [www.juf.org/mitzvahmania](http://www.juf.org/mitzvahmania)

## Community Events



*In the Spring of 2023, JCC Chicago will host the internationally renowned exhibition Violins of Hope. These are 70 plus string instruments that survived the holocaust and have been lovingly restored. Each violin has a powerful story that inspires hope, resistance and resilience in the face of unfathomable evil.*

*Several of the violins will be in the south suburbs for approximately 2 weeks (from approximately April 3<sup>rd</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup>) on exhibition at Prairie State College.*

*We are in need of docents who will be trained by the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center and by James Grymes, the author of the book on the exhibition. The training will take place virtually on zoom on March 20<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm and the recording will be shared with volunteers as well. During the time that the exhibition is at Prairie State College in Chicago Heights, docents will be asked to be on site to answer questions on the exhibition, the holocaust and the story behind the specific violins on display. It is not necessary to stand and/or walk the entire time that you are volunteering. We can provide a chair from which you can engage with visitors.*

*There will be several opportunities to hear/see the violins in the southern suburbs. We are making arrangements to bring several violins to be on exhibition at the Joliet Public Library in the summer of 2023. They will be played at IPO on May 13, 2023. We are working with the local schools to bring them there as well.*

*If you would like more information on the exhibition and where they will be throughout the metropolitan area and the state please visit our website: <https://www.jccchicago.org/violins-of-hope/>*

*If you would like to become a volunteer please go here <https://www.volunteermatch.org/search/opp3562519.jsp> and click on the orange "I want to help" button and submit your application.*

*If you have any other questions you are welcome to reach out to me at [ihlmann@jccchicago.org](mailto:ihlmann@jccchicago.org).*

Amy Bloomberg

# February 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 CJC Knitting Circle— 1:30 pm	2	3 Reform Service— 7:30 pm	4 Conservative Service— 9:45 am
5 Sunday School— 10 am	6	7 Shalom Over 50— 11 am Hebrew School— 4:30 pm GPrairie Choir— 7 pm	8	9	10 Reform Service— 7:30 pm	11 Combined Service— 9:45 am
12	13 WoST Bd Mtg— 10:30 am ZOOM Bd Mtg— 8 pm	14 Shalom Over 50— 11 am Hebrew School— 4:30 pm GPrairie Choir— 7 pm	15	16	17 Flossmoor Book Club —Noon Reform Service— 7:30 pm	18 Conservative Service— 9:45 am (students participating)
19 Sunday School— 10 am ZOOM “Discovering Jews in Sci-Fi” “Mini- grant 11 am	20 OFFICE CLOSED— PRESIDENTS’ DAY	21 Shalom Over 50— 11 am Hebrew School— 4:30 pm GPrairie Choir— 7 pm	22	23	24 <b>Last Day to Order Shalach Manot</b> Reform Service— 7:30 pm	25 Reform Service— 9:45 am
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