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Kol Yisra'el

THE VOICE OF TEMPLE ISRAEL



February 2025 / Shevat 5785

Tu B'Shevat SEDER

Wednesday, February 12 at 7:00 pm



The holiday of Tu B'Shevat celebrates the
"Birthday of the Trees"

Please join Rabbi Fox and Cantor Cooper
for this unique learning and social opportunity

Cost: \$10/person

Please RSVP to Charmaine clw@tilb.org



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TOT SHABBAT

**Friday, February 28 at 6:00 pm
with Rabbi Fox and Cantor Cooper**



Tot Shabbat is a fun, informal, child-centered Shabbat Service, designed especially for children, their loved ones. Through songs, prayers, stories, and Torah time, children love this Service! Free Pizza Dinner provided.

Please RSVP to Michelle at mdt@tilb.org

Get Well Wishes

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Our Mission Statement Guided by Reform Jewish values, our mission is to engage in a journey of prayer, learning, and community that inspires us to transform ourselves and the world.

FEBRUARY SHABBAT SERVICES

Friday, February 7

6:30 pm 3rd-5th Grade Family Shabbat Service / Camp Shabbat

Saturday, February 8

8:45 am Torah Study
10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service
Bar Mitzvah of Devash Liss

Friday, February 14

7:00 pm Kol HaNeshama - Musical Shabbat Service in the Round

Saturday, February 15

8:45 am Torah Study
11:00 am Senior Shabbat Service
(at the Alpert JCC)

Friday, February 21

6:00 pm NCJW Sponsored Repro Shabbat Service

Saturday, February 22

8:45 am Torah Study
10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service
Bar Mitzvah of Aidan Moss

Friday, February 28

6:00 pm Tot Shabbat
7:00 pm Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday, March 1

8:45 am Torah Study at El Dorado Nature Center
10:00 am Shabbat Midaber Hike & Meditation
at El Dorado Nature Center
10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service
Bat Mitzvah of Maya Mahoney



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THE LA FIRES

By Jerry Levy, Temple President



Imagine, just 5 weeks ago we were bathing in the soothing light of the Hanukkah candles and then 3 weeks ago we watched in horror as thousands of homes were destroyed by hurricane force Santa Ana winds that raked Southern California. By now, the immediate crisis has passed, as the fires have mostly been contained, but the marathon recovery is just beginning. Most of us know at least one family that has been affected by the loss of their home.

The impact of this disaster will be widespread and felt for many years to come. As the affected areas of Los Angeles start to rebuild, there will be a major strain on resources at every step of the process. The acres of debris must be cleaned up and inevitably there will be questions about whose house/block will be first and who will pay for it? The amount of material to be removed, including the possibility of toxic waste will create a logistical problem as to where to take all the burnt houses, trees, and broken roads. Every new structure will need an architect, plans will need to be approved by various official agencies and ultimately contractors hired. The sheer size of the destruction will overwhelm all these systems and strain resources beyond capacity at every level. Contractors and tradespeople will be in short supply and the cost of materials will likely skyrocket as LA builds and furnishes what is essentially a small city. The situation will be ripe for conflict, abuse, and fraud, adding to the immense post-fire headache. Insurance companies who will also be overwhelmed may be slow to pay claims as they adjudicate what they owe. We can expect that insurance companies will either refuse to insure homes in fire prone areas or increase the costs to be unaffordable across the entire basis to make up for their losses.

Businesses of all types will be affected for many years to come. As a wood turner, I have admired and emulated the work of a Palisades wood turner named John Beaver who makes exquisite bowls costing between \$1,000-\$2,000 each. He recently told me that he lost not only his house, but his shop as well. Even if he can rebuild everything, what is the likelihood that someone would buy a piece of art when all the essentials come first? John is just one of thousands whose life as he knew it may be irretrievably lost.

As Los Angeles struggles to return to some version of normal, we must allow today's disaster to become old news and become numb to the ongoing needs of our community. As Reform Jews, our tradition of Tikkun Olam is to help people in need and especially when it is close to home, to people we know personally. There are reputable groups in our area that have taken the lead in coordinating aid, so we can give, knowing our money will go to those who need help the most. Beware of those who will try to take advantage of this disaster and only send your money to

established entities with a long track record.

Here is a list of places where to send your money to, plus organizations that can help people you know who have specific issues:

Red Cross: www.redcross.org

Jewish Federation LA: <https://www.jewishla.org/wildfire-crisis-relief/>

For Legal help with insurance companies, landlords et cetera: <https://bettzedek.org>

Free loans ranging from \$1,000 to \$100,000: JFLA.org



ALL REFORM JEWS, PLEASE VOTE IN THE WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS ELECTIONS

By Mark Dressner, Former Temple President

The World Zionist Congress elections are coming up March 10 – May 4 this year. This is the opportunity for all Jewish people outside of Israel to vote to influence policy in Israel. In the US all self-identified Jews greater than 18-year-old can vote. Why is this important?

The Congress is made up of all factions of Judaism. As Reform Jews the more seats that are held by Progressive Jews in the Congress will influence how the congress advocates. Five billion dollars over 5 years will be used to influence issues in Israel. 13% of the land of Israel is controlled by the Congress and associated groups (most money comes from how this land is used and leased as well as donations). This is an incredibly influential group. Reform/Progressive Jews would want to see that Israel aspires to be the democracy it should be. What does this mean?

Reform/Progressive Jews advocate for equality. Any non-Orthodox marriage should be performed and legal in Israel, not just orthodox. Any type of Progressive conversion should be performed and legal in Israel. Marriages between Jews and non-Jews should be performed and legal. Women should have equal rights. LGBTQ+ should have equal rights. Non-Jewish Israelis should have equal rights. Patrilineal definition of someone being Jewish should be acceptable and legal.

Please, when voting opens take 5 minutes to vote for the Reform/Progressive slate. Let's help Israel be the Jewish Democracy it has always aspired to be. Please stay tuned for more education and opportunity over the next months. Please email me with questions and discussion. cesto@aol.com Also please see the Congress website for more info and details.

<https://www.vote4reform.org/>



LEARNING FROM THE PROPHETS - CONTEMPORARY RELEVANCE

By Ron Artstein, VP Ritual Practices



Prophets operated in Israel until the return from the Babylonian exile, around 2500 years ago. How is their work relevant to us today? Traditionally, a section from the prophets (called haftarah) is recited after the Torah reading on Shabbat and festivals. In our Temple it is often treated as an addition: we rarely read the haftarah on festivals or on Shabbat when there are no b'nai mitzvah, and even some of our b'nai

mitzvah skip it. Indeed, the Torah generally enjoys higher status than the prophets. But prophets are important too: while the Torah is the basis for much of the Hebrew law, the prophets provide much of our moral foundation.

The prophets' insistence on emphasizing morality and justice over ritual made them popular with reformers of the 19th century. Rabbi Abraham Geiger, considered one of the founders of Reform Judaism in Germany, used the term "prophetic Judaism" for his vision of a Judaism rooted in morality. The earliest prophets in our tradition also served as secular leaders, like Deborah who guided Israel in war (Judges 4-5). However, as soon as a separate class of secular kings emerges, the prophets assume the position of the kings' antagonists, holding them accountable for moral transgressions, as in the prophet Nathan's rebuke of King David for sending a man to war in order to take his wife (II Samuel 12). Emphasizing the importance of moral behavior such as the just treatment of orphans, widows and strangers over ritual observances such as festivals or sacrifices becomes even more prominent in the later prophets, who turn from rebuking the kings to preaching to all of Israel (see for example Isaiah 1:11-20; Jeremiah 7:21-23). Most haftarah sections are taken from the later prophets.

Even the founders of the State of Israel, who were primarily secular, looked to the prophets as they sought to establish a moral foundation and rationale for the country's existence. While Israel's declaration of independence makes only oblique reference to God or to the Torah, it explicitly mentions the prophets when it declares that "The State of Israel ... shall be based on the principles of freedom, justice and peace according to the vision of the prophets of Israel." It is incumbent on us to heed the words of the prophets and conduct ourselves in a moral fashion, both individually and nationally. Or in the words of the prophet Micah, which end the haftarah section from my own bar mitzvah portion: and what the Eternal requires of you—only this: to do justly, and love mercy, and walk humbly with your God.



Senior Shabbat and Luncheon

Saturday, February 15 at 11:00 am at the Alpert JCC

Led by Temple Israel Clergy followed by Luncheon and Entertainment by **Ginger Tom**

Entertainment funded by TI's Sarah & Wollie Kaelter Sabbath Fellowship Fund

RSVP

Call Anneleise Thompson (562) 426-7601

<https://jewishlongbeach.ticketspice.com/senior-shabbat>



LOCAL GROUP MEETS SUNDAY MORNINGS

10:00 am at the corner of Ocean and Bayshore

Join our local community in this national program where they meet once a week in a designated location in the neighborhood, for a short 1km walk/run to show support support for the immediate release of the hostages held by Hamas. It takes about 18 minutes.





JOIN US FOR BINGO

Sponsored by Temple Israel Sisterhood

Sunday, February 23

1:00 to 3:00 pm

at Temple Israel - Alban Hall

Everyone Welcome

\$10 per person



FEBRUARY 21-22, 2025

Repro Shabbat is an annual Shabbat celebration that honors the Jewish value of reproductive freedom

Please join Temple Israel and the National Council of Jewish Women as it celebrates Repro Shabbat, **Friday, February 21 at 6:00 pm**. There will be a panel discussion titled "Interfaith Perspectives on Reproductive Freedom." Learn from an interfaith panel of clergy what each faith tradition teaches about reproductive freedom and women's bodily autonomy and dignity.

**SISTERHOOD
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THE GIFT SHOP IS OPEN

Sundays from 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

and by appointment.

Contact Elyse at (562) 619-8829

SISTERHOOD

invites you to our 6th Annual

GAME DAY

TUESDAY, APRIL 29

at Temple Israel

9:30 am - 2:00 pm



EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Bring your favorite game to play with your friends.

**Mahjong • Rummy Tile
Bridge • Scrabble**

SNACKS • LUNCH • DESSERT

Please bring extra cash to purchase opportunity tickets.

\$ 40 per person

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https://www.tilb.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/gameday_apr25web.pdf



TEMPLE ISRAEL
Keshher
8th-12th Grade

**TEENS AT NFTY WEST COAST PARTY
JANUARY 17 -20**



Mazel Tov!



Mazel tov to TI Immediate Past President Mark Dressner, recipient of the Jewish Long Beach Tess Wohlstatter Hineni Award for his ongoing leadership of the weekly LB Run for Their Lives walk to bring awareness to and hope for the hostages in Gaza



Mazel tov to TI Past President Jonathan Kass and longtime community and Temple volunteer Lynne Kass as recipients of the Jewish Long Beach Robert Baldwin Community Service Award



Mazel tov to our long-time member and volunteer Lena Shupper, recipient of Jewish Long Beach's Neuburger Leadership Development Award, in honor of her dedication to the Jews Belong Beach Coalition



SHULHOUSE ROCK

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Saturday
April 5, 2025

It's time for Temple Israel's most important fundraising celebration of the year!

□ Elvis Presley \$5,400

Your donation will underwrite a portion of the evening's cuisine and includes: Gala admission for your family, 2 bottles of premium wine and a full page ad in tribute book.

□ Marilyn Monroe \$3,600

Your donation will underwrite a portion of the evening's entertainment and includes: Gala admission for 2, 1 bottles of premium wine and a full page ad in tribute book.

□ James Dean \$1,800

Your donation will underwrite the evening's bar and beverages and includes: Gala admission for 2, 1 bottle of premium wine, and a half page ad in tribute book.

PLEASE NOTE: If you are unable to attend this evening and choose to honor us with a Gala Sponsorship, your donation can be recognized in its entirety and be considered fully tax deductible.

Please RSVP by **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14** to ensure that your name will be included among the list of Gala Benefactors at the event.



**THIS YEAR'S HONOREES
FOR OUR ANNUAL GALA**

Michelle & Steve Gordon





Devash Liss
February 8, 2025

Devash Liss, 13, is a loving, witty and self-motivated kid. He has been a junior lifeguard in the city of Long Beach the past three summers. He swims two hours most weekdays with the Seal Beach Swim Club and competes on weekends. He attends Cubberley Elementary, where he is in the California Junior Scholarship Club and the jazz band (missing two lunch periods per week to practice!). He often makes breakfast or lunch for his younger brother, Ettan, and walks him home. He loves playing soccer, basketball, video games and board games with his friends and family. He also loves going to the beach, reading, making jokes and singing. He and his family joined the Temple in Fall 2022 to systematically incorporate discussions about values and philosophy into their lives and to build community among other Jewish students and families since there aren't many in their neighborhood.



Aidan Moss
February 22, 2025

Aidan Moss is a 7th grader at Stanford Middle School. He lives in Long Beach with his parents, Adam & Sarah, and his younger brother Cooper. Aidan is passionate about sports, especially baseball. He currently plays baseball at Whaley Park for the Long Beach Pony Dodgers. When he isn't at the ball field, Aidan enjoys spending time with his friends, watching sports, and helping out with his brother's baseball team.

For his Mitzvah Project, Aidan chose to put together a used sports equipment drive at his former little league, Lakewood Village. He plans to donate the equipment that he collected, to local youth sports organizations in need of support.

Aidan is grateful for his teachers, family, and friends that have supported him during his journey towards his upcoming Bar Mitzvah.



TEMPLE ISRAEL'S MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR

GAME NIGHT

FRIDAY, MARCH 7 AT 7:30 PM

ADULT GAMES - KID GAMES - REFRESHMENTS

THE EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL AGES - NO COST TO ATTEND

JOIN US FOLLOWING SHABBAT SERVICES

RSVP BY MARCH 4 TO CLW@TILB.ORG

Mazel Tov!

Mazel Tov to
Rochelle Anderson and Jim Anderson
on the birth of their granddaughter
Mackenzie Rayne Zike
born on January 19, 2025

We also extend congratulations to parents
Brooke (Anderson) Zike & Grant Zike

Family MEGA CHALLAH BAKE

Thurs • Feb 13
Doors Open 4:30 PM

- Challah Making
- Kosher trail mix
- Tu B'Shevat Crafts
- Live Music from Jelly of the Month Club
- Tot Zone

\$25/Challah Kit Prices go up after February 10!
\$5 for Bowl, Baking Sheet, and Spoon



Scan to register or visit
alpertjcc.org/familychallah



HELP US HELP OCTOBER 7 VICTIMS

By Jared Goldin



A few years ago, I was part of a task force of some ten Temple Israel members (with the support of Rabbi Fox) charged with rewriting what had been determined to be our outdated foundational statements. After several months, many meetings, multiple drafts, and the group's collective best effort to encapsulate the goals, needs,

and priorities of our members, they drafted a new Mission Statement, a Vision Statement, and a statement of our Values. These statements (collectively, our "Foundational Statements") were all enthusiastically approved by your Board of Directors and have thereafter been proudly displayed on our website and printed and recited whenever and wherever the context requires their guidance. As an example, it is recited at each meeting of the Board that "no plan, policy or action should be approved unless it is consistent with and in furtherance of our Foundational Statements".

Our Foundational Statements were intended to and do reflect the wonderful diversity of Temple Israel's membership. But, more importantly, they also embody what I believe are the many more things that we have in common, including the commitment shared by all of us to do our part—individually and as a community—to "embrace Tikkun Olam (repair of the world)" and to "build, nourish and repair" not only "ourselves, our congregation, our Long Beach neighborhoods and partnerships," but also "the greater Jewish community and the world around us." And, although the statement of our Values describes these types of acts as being with "a view towards Tzedek (justice)," we all understand the practical necessity of Tzedakah (charitable giving) in order to actually get stuff done. Our ongoing support of local food kitchens and our participation in Long Beach Make a Difference Day (March 2 this year) are examples of this.

However, when we adopted our Foundational Statements, we had no idea that events like the horrific terrorist attack by Hamas in Israel on October 7, 2023 would come along and put them to the test. Could we (would we?), in addition to our individual efforts and largesse, but also as a community—our sacred community—join other North American Jewish organizations which have collectively raised close to a billion dollars to help rebuild Israel and provide recovery and rehabilitation services to those impacted by the October 7 attacks at their aftermath, including Nova Music Festival survivors and injured IDF soldiers?

I am proud to say that, yes, we can and are joining in these efforts, as have almost all Southern California Reform congregations to date. At its December meeting, your Board of Directors—guided, if not compelled by our Foundational Statements—voted unanimously to step up and join in. As you have likely read and heard about numerous times since the first of the year...

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SOCIAL ACTION ANNOUNCEMENT

Diapers Are Urgently Needed To Be Distributed To Students, Working And Homeless Mothers And Seniors Every Week

Christian Outreach in Action has about 150 mothers and some seniors and Long Beach City College has about 50 mothers needing diapers every Friday.

Donate one time or monthly via PayPal

https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=ALRUAVPX4R2ZC



Diaper Drive

**COOKING CLASS:
EASY SHABBAT DINNER AND TRADITIONS
THAT HAVE HELD US TOGETHER**

Tuesday, February 4 at 7:00 pm

Teacher: Amy Lipeles, Temple Israel Congregant

Fridays are busy days! Join us in the kitchen with longtime congregant, teacher, and cook Amy Lipeles to pick up some tips on how to make celebrating Shabbat easier and more accessible to all. Cost: \$15



TU B'SHEVAT SEDER

Wednesday, February 12 at 7:00 pm

The holiday of Tu B'Shevat marks the new year or the birthday of the trees. Tu B'Shevat translates as the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Shevat; A harbinger of spring, Tu B'Shevat falls during the time that trees in Israel begin to bud. The Tu B'Shevat seder is a beautiful way to celebrate this holiday. Based on the Passover seder, the Tu B'Shevat seder was instituted by the Kabbalists, who connect each segment of the ritual to a different mystical teaching about the body and spirit. During the seder, we will drink four glasses of wine (or juice), read texts about agriculture and vegetation in Israel, sing beautiful songs about nature, and recite special blessings over different groupings of fruits and nuts. Please join us for this unique learning and social opportunity.

Cost: \$10/person



TI READS ONE BOOK

Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow
Discussion Session Part 2 led by Rabbi Fox

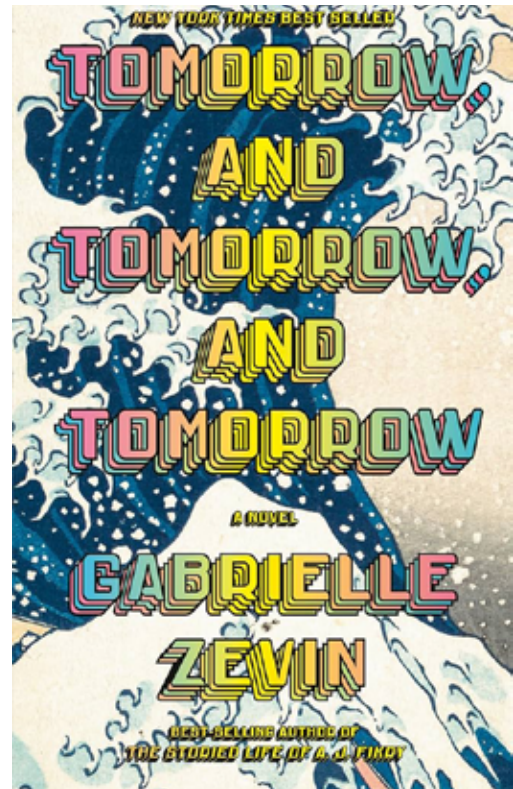
**Tuesday, February 18 at 6:30 pm
(via Zoom)**

We are very excited for the return of the Temple Israel Reads One Book program! Join Rabbi Fox, other members of our staff, and lots of congregants, as we read the book *Tomorrow, and Tomorrow, and Tomorrow*. Throughout the year, we will have opportunities to discuss the book together. This is the first of three facilitated sessions.

In this exhilarating novel, two friends—often in love, but never lovers—come together as creative partners in the world of video game design, where success brings them fame, joy, tragedy, duplicity, and, ultimately, a kind of immortality.

Read through page 280, third meeting the rest of the book.

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81337878804>



**PLEASE RSVP FOR ALL PROGRAMS
TO CHARMAINE clw@tilb.org**



JEWISH STUDENT RESILIENCE AT CSU LONG BEACH

A Panel Discussion

**Thursday, February 6
7:00 pm**

Join us for an interesting evening of discussion about resilience on the college campus. We look forward to welcoming ChayaLeah Sufrin (Executive Director of CSULB Hillel), Beth Lesen (Temple Israel congregant and Vice President of CSULB), and Adam Fagin (Temple Israel Torah Center alumnus and graduate student at CSULB), as they share their perspectives on Jewish life on campus.

MODERN JEWISH HEROES

Sunday, February 9 at 10:00 am

Teacher: Rabbi Michal Loving,
Temple Israel Congregant

What makes a modern superhero? What makes a modern JEWISH superhero? Explore the nuances of crazy superpowers and moral determination as we discuss the qualities of those Jewish heroes we've loved throughout the years, both fictional and real. Costumes are optional, but willingness to have fun is required!



INTERMEDIATE HEBREW

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm

February 11 - March 11

Teacher: Janet Liss, Temple Israel Congregant



This six-week class is for people who want to learn in a fun and encouraging environment some basic blessings that we use often, as well as a standard prayer recited at every service. Prayers will depend on who enrolls in the class and interest level for specific

prayers. We will look at the meaning of the prayers, as well as learn the Hebrew.

Cost: \$80, including learning materials

MOVIE SCREENING AND DISCUSSION: THIS IS WHERE I LEAVE YOU

Sunday, February 23 at 9:45 am

Discussion Facilitator: Beth Sterling,
Temple Israel Congregant



THIS IS WHERE I LEAVE YOU



When their father passes away, four grown, world-weary siblings return to their childhood home and are requested -- with an admonition -- to stay there together for a week, along with their free-speaking mother (Jane Fonda) and a collection of spouses, exes and might-have-beens. As the brothers and sisters re-examine their shared history and the status of each tattered relationship among those who

know and love them best, they reconnect in hysterically funny and emotionally significant ways.



**PLEASE RSVP FOR ALL PROGRAMS
TO CHARMAINE clw@tilb.org**

BAKE HAMANTASCHEN WITH US!

**Help us plan for our
Purim Bags and Purim Onegs!**

Every year for Purim, members of our Temple community bake hamantaschen for our Purim Party, for our Torah Center children, and lastly for our Purim Bag "Fun"draiser!

**Once again, we are baking on Wednesdays and Sundays
during Torah Center hours.**

If you are available and want to help, please contact our resident "Hamantaschen Maven", Chana Ham-Rosebrock email: chanaham@yahoo.com or call: (562) 900-0678



CELEBRATE PURIM WITH US!
Saturday, March 15 at 7:30 pm
Purim Shpiel is
Yacht Rock!
Dress in your best "Yacht Rock" costume!

CONTINUING THE TEMPLE ISRAEL TRADITION



The Purim Bag



(SHALACH MANOT) FUN(D)RAISER!

EVERYONE GETS A PURIM BAG WITH A PERSONALIZED GREETING!

Will you take this special opportunity to send Purim greetings and good wishes to members of our Temple Israel family and raise important funds to help support all of our programming?

EVERY FAMILY YOU ADD TO YOUR GREETING LIST IS A DONATION TO THE TEMPLE.

IT'S EASY TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR PURIM BAG FUN(D)RAISER!

EVERY Temple Israel household will receive ONE lovely Purim Bag that includes a Personalized Scroll of Greetings from Temple Israel and all those in the congregation who choose to wish them well. Every Purim Bag will contain hamantaschen and a Purim gift from the Temple. **Additionally, in the spirit of *matanot l'evyonim* (giving charity to the needy), a percentage of all donations will be used to help hungry families in Long Beach.**

GO ONLINE...

Log in to www.purimproject.com

Your user ID and Password will be mailed out to you.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

The cost to send the greetings you select is

\$2.00 per family chosen, plus an **\$18** initial fee

(i.e. send wishes to 10 families for 10 x \$2.00 each = \$20 + \$18 = \$38),

OR

**"SAY CHAI" TO THE ENTIRE
TEMPLE ISRAEL COMMUNITY**

We are once again offering this special opportunity for a donation of \$236. That's less than 43¢ per greeting...much cheaper than mailing a Purim card to everyone and it's a tax deductible donation!

**DEADLINE IS NO LATER THAN
THURSDAY, MARCH 6**

WE RECOGNIZE THE GENEROSITY OF OUR SUSTAINING MEMBERS

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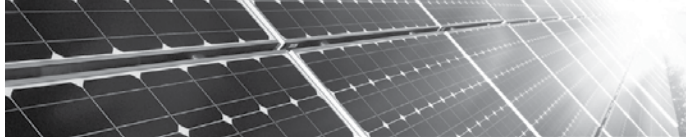
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