

Tamuz 5776
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Midwest District M'Keshar

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I hope you all are as thrilled as I am to see that the Midwest District Convention [registration](#) opened on July 1, as planned by Janet Buckstein and our four co-chairs, Cheryl Stern, Michelle Scheinkopf, Carol Berger, and Linn Ullenbrauck. They have been working diligently to put together what will undoubtedly be the best convention ever. With the help of Laura Cooper, our amazing [Eventbrite](#) expert, life will certainly be much easier for all of us. Everything is right there, easy to find, with only a few buttons to push. If you haven't looked yet, check it out on your favorite form of social media. We are there. To say I am impressed and amazed would be an injustice to this outstanding team. So please, jump on the bandwagon and be one of the first to register, and of course to volunteer your time and services over the weekend of October 27-30. Remember that scholarship money is available for [first-timers](#). Much more information will be forthcoming in the next issue of the Messenger, which will be published in mid July.

I would like to thank the wonderful ladies of the Oak Park Temple Sisterhood, especially Marsha Cooper and Iris Martin for planning a wonderful Area Day. Over 90 women from Metropolitan Chicago and Greater Illinois/Northwest Indiana attended. Programming included services, exciting workshops, lunch and special guest speaker Congresswoman Jan Schakowsky. Many thanks also to our Area Directors, Andi Blain, Gloria Kaiz and Laura Cooper for creating this lovely day.

As some of you may know, my partner Jack's mom Harriet Leon passed away this past weekend just prior to her 95th birthday. She was a special lady, a loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Harriet was a brilliant bridge player and a bowler who always bowled over 200, even into her 80's. She will be greatly missed by both family and friends. Thanks to Midwest District for the lovely fruit basket we received yesterday following her funeral. It is so wonderful to have the arms of Midwest surrounding us.

In sisterhood,

Lynne Turry
WRJ Midwest District President

SISTERHOOD AND WOMEN'S GROUP PRESIDENTS:

Mazel Tov to all new Sisterhood/Women's Group Presidents of the Midwest District. This is a new beginning for you and your organizations. Thank you to all those who are completing their terms. We hope you will want to continue to receive district communications and attend district functions. Please contact [Sue Center](#) to become an Alumnae. [Click here](#) for the Alumnae brochure.

The Midwest District needs to update our contact information for each Sisterhood or Women's Group presidents and their Congregation. [Click here](#) to download the 2016 MW Sisterhood President Info Form. Please complete this form and email to [Peggy Kipp](#), our Data Management/Directory chair so our information on your sisterhood/women's groups is up to date!

Do you need to add your new president and board members to Yammer? WRJ automatically does this when they receive your leadership change form: <https://urjyouth.wufoo.com/forms/m1w91rgx0usj4gx/>
If you have other members of your sisterhood that you want to add to Yammer, please email leadership@wrj.org.

GOOD & WELFARE

Mazel Tov to WRJ Board Member Diane Kaplan on the arrival of her seventh grandchild, Kira Bette Kaplan, on April 4, 2016. Congratulations may be sent to her at: 6308 Limerick Lane, Edina, MN 55439.

Condolences to Leslie Kemp, immediate past president, Temple Beth El, Madison, WI on the death of her father-in-law, Bill Kemp. Condolences may be sent Leslie at 2217 Mill St., Cross Plains, WI 53508.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO:

July		
Adina	Sutlin	07/09
Marilyn	Glazer	07/10
Sheila	Schulman	07/11
Sharon	Sabin	07/14
Barbara	Berman	07/21
Joan	Plusser	07/21
Sue	Schneider	07/21
Sara	Cherny	07/28
Dana	Rubin	07/30
Gloria	Kaiz	07/31
Linn	Ullenbrauck	07/31
August		
Helene	Steen	08/03
Linda	Brubaker	08/05
Marcy	Frost	08/06
Parichehr	Yomtoob	08/08
Susan	Schomer	08/09

MIDWEST DISTRICT CALENDAR

[Wisconsin Area Day](#)

Congregation Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun
River Hills, WI

July 17, 2016

[WRJ Midwest District Convention](#)

Executive Committee Meeting
Board Meeting
Downers Grove, IL

October 27-30, 2016

October 27, 2016

October 30, 2016

SISTERHOOD EVENTS*

[Mah Jongg Tournament](#)

August 28, 2016

Beth Tikvah Sisterhood
Hoffman Estates, IL

*Share your Sisterhood programs with us. Email lturry@comcast.net to update the calendar.

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