For wherever you go, I will go;
wherever you lodge, I will lodge;
Your people shall be my people,
and your God my God.

Ruth 1:16
The Blessings of the Journey

Over the past number of months, my family has been preparing for our daughter Michelle’s Bat Mitzvah on May 18. As this process has been unfolding, a lot of our family’s energy has been directed toward this singular day on the calendar. From the diligent learning to the guest list to the outfits to the countless details that will eventually coalesce to comprise the experience, there is a lot to think about, to plan, to make sure not to forget. Each detail is imagined and reimagined in the visualization of what May 18 will look and feel like when it actually happens.

I have been here before. Not only with my son Adam’s Bar Mitzvah last year, but also with my graduation from high school or university, with my wedding, with my ordination. You have also been here before. It’s the preparation for something that we know will be big and significant. We spend an exorbitant amount of time and energy planning the day, looking forward to it, picturing it, pre-living it, anticipating how we will feel or how those around us will feel. And, then, the day that we have imagined for so long finally arrives. Somehow, even as we have done our best to take in every moment, to be fully present every step of the way, the day is done and gone, with only pictures and memories as proof that the event wasn’t a figment of our imagination. At worst, we feel empty and uncertain of next steps now that the business of preparation has ceased. At best, we feel satisfied with the experience and relive its carefully dissected version in our minds. In the end, it can be hard to know whether the day actually happened, or whether we imagined it with such intensity that it only feels like it happened.

A Chasidic story invites us to consider this dilemma in a more hopeful light. Once upon a time, Menachem Mendel Morgenstern of Kotzk, better known as the Kotzker Rebbe, asked the disciples of the recently-deceased Rav Moshe of Kubrin to eulogize their teacher. One student stood up and to the shock of the community said: “There was no particular area in life that he excelled in!” As the audible gasps of all those gathered subsided, the student continued: “Unique, however, was that he was completely present for whatever he was doing in the moment.” What made Rav Moshe of Kubrin so special was his ability to be fully in the present, noticing every detail as it was happening.

The very existence of this story from the early 19th century suggests that even before iPhones and the 24/7 news cycle, it was a significant accomplishment for a human being not to get distracted. Yet, the secret to a life well-lived is our ability to notice and appreciate the present moment, no matter how mundane or unremarkable. A close examination of God’s name in the Torah deepens this idea. The tetragrammaton, one of God’s holiest names, comprises of the letters yud-hey-vav-hey (יהוה). The first letter, yud (י), is the smallest in the Hebrew alphabet and can be found within every other Hebrew letter. Stripping away the letter yud leaves hey-vav-hey (יהו), or hoveh, which means “the present”. Every moment becomes a gate to holiness when beginning with the smallest detail, we are present for the revelation of each letter in the alphabet that is our life.

So what of the details of preparing for our big day, whatever it may be? It is natural to imagine and re-imagine it as we plan. In fact, this imagining is necessary preparation for the emotional nature of these “Sinai” moments in our lives. At the same time, the way we get there matters too. The journey deserves just as much attention as the destination, if not more. The learning, the guest list, the outfit, the countless details all have the potential to bring more holiness into our lives when we view them as gateways to God. The learning is the same learning that has been done for generations before us, on whose shoulders we stand. The guest list is the coming together of our family and community. The outfit is the beautification of the mitzvah and the honoring of our tradition. The countless details, each a unique opportunity to reach beyond ourselves, each a tiny yud and an invitation to be present in this very moment. Henry David Thoreau said it best: “You must live in the present, launch yourself on every wave, and find your eternity in each moment.”

CANTOR VICKY GLIKIN & VLAD LEYBOVICH
invite you to join them as their daughter is called to the torah as a bat mitzvah
SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2019
10:30am, STERN CHAPEL
shabbat emor |  
RSVP: participate.tedallas.org/michellelg
Luncheon following. Please bring a canned good to feed the hungry.
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BECOMING B’NAI MITZVAH

Cole Feldman
May 4
Son of Emily and Stephen Feldman
Greenhill School
Tikkun Olam: Family Gateway

Michelle Leybovich-Glikin
May 18
Daughter of Cantor Vicky Glikin and Vlad Leybovich
Highland Park Middle School
Tikkun Olam: Meals on Wheels for Pets and North Texas Food Bank

Zachary Garfield
May 4
Son of Karen and Glenn Garfield
Parkhill Junior High
Tikkun Olam: For the Love of the Lake

Sophie Fiedelman
May 25
Daughter of Alyssa and Jeff Fiedelman
Greenhill School
Tikkun Olam: Jewish Family Service

Lily Rosenberg
May 11
Daughter of Valerie and Dan Rosenberg
Frankford Middle School
Tikkun Olam: Heart House

NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

Kenny & Lauren Berman
Jacobo Duek Dayan & Rotem Lichak & Mila Duek
Grant, Karlyn, Jessica, Jasmine & Katelyn Herlitz
Samantha & William Sheehan
Norma Westurn

BABY NAMINGS

Eduardo Duek & Maya Duek
Twins of Rotem Lichak and Jacobo Duek
Claire Levy Goodman
Daughter of Lauren and Jeff Goodman

WEDDINGS

Tory Ross and Jeff Neuser

MAZEL TOV

To Rachel Elkin, for being honored during March’s Women’s History Month observance by Moms Demand Action.
To Ellen Jackofsky, Julie Lowenberg and Fonya Mondell, for being named Community Award Winners by the SMU Women’s Symposium.

IN MEMORIAM

Harold Berman
Husband of Lynn Berman
Father of Allison Farquhar, Toni Silverman and Steve Cohen
Brother of Stanley Berman and Irwin Berman

Marcia Forest
Wife of Ed Forest
Mother of Kara Forest and Susan Forest

Ralphine “Robbie” Goldstein
Mother of Brian Goldstein

Albert Leviton
Father of David Leviton
Loving companion of Carol Greenberg

Frances Miller
Wife of Lue Miller
Mother of Teresa Parker

Dr. Lawrence Rosen
Husband of Patricia Rosen
Father of Andrew Rosen

Frank Sommerfield, Sr.
Father of Frank Sommerfield, Jr. and John Sommerfield

Kenneth Weil, Sr.
Husband of Marcy Weil
Father of Ken Weil, Jr. and Leslie Weil

Carolyn Wolfberg
Mother of Kerri Lacher

CELEBRATING 50+ YEARS

Marriage or Membership

Honoring 50 or more years of marriage or adult Temple membership

FRIDAY, MAY 3
6:15 pm, Olan Sanctuary, dinner following

RSVP: Lauren Kahn, lkahn@tedallas.org
214.706.0000, ext. 146

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Susan Salom, We’ll Miss You!

She has been the sympathetic voice to grieving families, the friendly face to Rabbi David Stern’s many visitors and a dear friend and mentor to her colleagues. Susan Salom took a few moments before her retirement on May 31 to share some highlights of her 32 years at Temple Emanu-El, serving as assistant to Rabbis Stern and Sheldon Zimmerman.

Wow, 32 years. Fondest memories?

Certainly, President Obama’s visit to Temple was one of the most exciting times for me and all of the staff. What I remember clearly is that only a handful of Temple representatives and clergy were originally going to be given the opportunity to meet Obama. That bothered Rabbi Stern. He wanted so much for the entire staff to have the privilege to meet our President. He and Scott McCartney, a past Temple president, talked about having a lottery and pulling a few selected names, but instead they started making phone calls, to contacts in Washington, D.C. and the Religious Action Center, trying like crazy to get permission for the entire staff. It wasn’t until just a few hours before, that we learned they pulled it off and the entire staff would be granted admittance. What a gift to us all.

And then there was the evening in 1996 when the Board, after conducting a national search, decided that Rabbi David Stern was the clear and overwhelming choice of the congregation to assume the position of senior rabbi. That night, after the Board voted and approved, Rabbi Stern called me to ask me if I would work for him. That is, and will remain, one of the greatest honors of my life. I knew working alongside him would be fun, joyful and full of laughs. With his uncanny sense of humor, there isn’t a day that goes by that I don’t laugh at him and with him (yes, in that order).

It’s a lot of work, yes, but tell us about the fun.

It was one of those rare occasions in Dallas when we were treated to a significant accumulation of snow. Rabbi Stern was out of the office attending a meeting and some of my coworkers and I decided we should play in the snow. Peggy Papert, Diana Hall, Sandra Golman and I thought it would be a good idea to build a snowman for Rabbi Stern… in his office. It happened to be the perfect snow: slightly wet that rolled nicely and packed well. Shlomo, as we fondly called him, was handsome, well dressed and right at home. Our friendship with Shlomo was short lived, but the laughter and fun he brought us made it a magical day.

Why is Temple special to you?

I knew from day one that Temple was the kind of place I would love to work. Staff members were genuinely kind and helpful, some even brought their kids to work! To work in an environment where everyone was dedicated to making the world a better place, seemed like a dream come true. When a vacancy in the senior rabbi’s office came up, I jumped at the opportunity. How blessed I was that Rabbi Zimmerman decided we would make a good team.

I cherish all the friendships I have made over the years, among staff and clergy, current and former, and the countless members of the congregation. It has been an extraordinary privilege to work with each of you in moments of joy and sadness, and I never took for granted the trust you placed in me. How fortunate I have been to work in an environment that strengthens my own faith tradition.

To send your greetings to Susan, email her at ssalom@tedallas.org or send her a note by mail to Temple.

The WELL

A Caregiver’s Day Out

This program, for those with mild to moderate cognitive impairment caused by dementia or other disease, meets on the first and third Tuesday of the month from 10:30am-2:30pm. It provides a stimulating environment for attendees and a rejuvenating break for caregivers.

To learn more: tedallas.org/community/well

For volunteer opportunities and participation:
Becky Slakman, bslakman@tedallas.org
2019

Hall of Fame

Women of Reform Judaism

Join Us In Honoring

Jo-Sandra Greenberg  Nancy Lubar
Karen Hoffman  Meaders Ozarow
Edward Stone

Saturday, May 4
6:30 PM
Temple Emanu-El
Tobian Auditorium

It’s not too late! A limited number of seats are still available.
Contact: Leah Beth Kolni, leahbkolni@gmail.com

STRETCH & SCHMOOZE

Yoga • Meditation • Snacks
Sunday, May 5
9:45 AM-12 PM • Linz Hall

Enjoy a yoga class during YL+E hours.
Bring your own mat and stay after for some schmooze time.
Childcare available if requested in advance to rachel.swerdlow@gmail.com

WRJ EVENTS

MAHJONG

MEET-UP

Wednesday, May 15 | 6:30-8:30 PM
Bring your mahjong set and card.
Games will be formed when people arrive.
Help is available.
RSVP: Sharon Willey, sharon@txwilley.com

DAUGHTERS OF ABRAHAM

Thursday, May 16 | 7-8:30 PM
MAS Islamic Center, 1515 Blake Drive, Richardson
This interfaith group seeks to enhance understanding of the cultural and spiritual similarities and differences among Jews, Christians and Muslims.
Topic: Fasting
Contact: Leah Beth Kolni, leahbkolni@gmail.com

LILITH SALON

Sunday, June 2 | 3-5 PM
WRJ Lilith Salons provide an opportunity to talk about topical issues through a uniquely Jewish and female lens. Copies of articles can be sent to you in advance. RSVP to confirm your attendance and get location:
Phyllis Mills, 972.386.1852
Joy and Reflection Community Observances

“To Auschwitz and Back: The Joe Engel Story”
Wednesday, May 1
7 PM | Tobian Auditorium, Temple Emanu-El
This documentary shares the life of the 90-year-old Holocaust survivor who spends his retirement years ensuring that we never forget.

Yom HaZikaron: Day of Remembrance
Tuesday, May 7 | 7:30 PM | Congregation Anshai Torah
5501 Parker Road, Plano

Yom HaAtzmaut: Blue and White Night for Israel Independence Day
Thursday, May 9 | 7:30 PM | Aaron Family JCC
Celebrate Israel at this community event including speakers, music and Israeli folk dancing.

Temple Proud

Temple Emanu-El is excited to gather with the Dallas LGBTQ community at Pride Festival on Saturday, June 1, from 11 AM to 10 PM at Fair Park. Our booth will need volunteers. Sign up at tedallas.volunteerhub.com

Joy and Reflection Community Observances

Temple Cares

ONGOING SUPPORT GROUPS

Caregivers
May 7, 10:30–11:30 AM, Archives

Grief
May 14, 28, 11:30 AM–1 PM, Zilbermann Chapel

Cancer
May 22, 1-2 PM, Room 130

Substance Abuse Support Group for Friends and Family
May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 6-7 PM, Room 130
Facilitated by Freda Heald, fredoheald@yahoo.com

If you have interest in or questions on this or any other aspect of support at Temple, please contact Meredith Pryzant, Director of Member Support, mpryzant@tedallas.org 214.706.0000, ext. 122.
Shabbat Shalom

Acharei Mot
Leviticus 16:1-18:30

Friday, May 3
6pm, Pollman Hall
Tot Shabbat
Rabbi Amy Ross

6:15pm, Olan Sanctuary
50+ (UPB)
Rabbi Daniel Utley
Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen
Cantor Vicky Glikin
Temple Emanu-El Choir

Saturday, May 4
10:30am, Lefkowitz Chapel
Rabbi Daniel Utley
Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Intern
Rabbi Josh Taub, D’var Torah

10:30am, Olan Sanctuary
Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen
Cantor Leslie Niren
Bar Mitzvah: Cole Feldman

4:30pm, Stern Chapel
Rabbi Daniel Utley
Cantor Leslie Niren
Bar Mitzvah: Zachary Garfield

K’doshim
Leviticus 16:1-20:27

Friday, May 10
6pm, Pollman Hall
Sababa
Rabbi Amy Ross
Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Intern

6:15pm, Stern Chapel
Senior Send Off
Rabbi Daniel Utley
Rabbi Debra Robbins
Cantor Leslie Niren

B’chukotai
Leviticus 26:3-27:34

Friday, May 31
6:15pm, Stern Chapel
Rabbi David Stern
Rabbi Debra Robbins
Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Intern

Saturday, June 1
10:30am, Lefkowitz Chapel
Rabbi David Stern
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SHABBAT NOSH
May 4 | June 1

A tasteful, relaxing way to celebrate Shabbat with friends, over a light lunch.
Held on the first Saturday of the month, following the congregational morning service.
What’s Up? Temple Travels!

This month, Temple took two amazing trips: to New York with the Prayer Project participants and to Austin for the very first RAC-TX Advocacy Day.

Cantor Mo Glazman gives the participants a glimpse into the spirituality of Temple Emanu-El of New York.

On a walking tour in the Lower East Side, Prayer Project participants take in a pickle shop.

Temple Emanu-El members, staff and clergy smile proudly outside the Texas State Capitol before they head inside to lobby on school finance reform and voting rights.

Inside Central Synagogue’s Moorish style sanctuary, with Cantor Dan Mutha.

Participants of the Prayer Project trip stand in the sanctuary of Temple Emanu-El of New York, the first Reform Jewish congregation in NYC.

Rabbi Nancy Kasten and Nancy Rivin chat with Sen. Nathan Johnson outside his office.

These teens took a day off of school to advocate for their communities.

The RAC-TX group gathers one last time to speak with Sen. Nathan Johnson’s staff member.

Oy! Look what we found at the Jewish Museum! Thanks for showing us a great time, New York.
the choosers

These members found Judaism, and Judaism found them right back.

Spend any time around someone who chose to become Jewish and this will become abundantly clear: Judaism is not a one-and-done decision, but a beautifully unfolding narrative. Day after day—from decoding Hebrew to wrapping the tallit, from answering a child’s question to conquering challah to leading a Passover seder—Judaism is life. As we journey this season from the archetypal story of slavery to freedom, from the wilderness to the revelations of Sinai, we pause to think about the journey of Ruth and those who have traveled a similar path. Faced with a crossroads between the familiar and the unknown, Ruth chose the scary. We are grateful to those who made that choice at the tipping point, and who join born Jews in continuing to choose Judaism. They share their stories here, of Ruth moments and Sinai revelations, uncertainty to commitment, and ultimately, belonging.

LACEY LAUDE
converted 2011

Judahism to the Rescue
It was weeks before my wedding to Michael. I was not Jewish then but my husband’s childhood rabbi had agreed to marry us. My stepfather died unexpectedly four weeks before our ceremony and the tender, thoughtful premarital sessions we had with the rabbi were so encouraging. I felt included and cared for and that was truly my jumping-off point.

BECKY KESTEN
converted 2017

Immersion
My conversion was the first time I really felt authentically Jewish. The mikvah was very emotional and sacred for me. Saying the prayers in the mikvah was both spiritual and soothing at the same time. Dunking under water was like being embraced by God and the Jewish people. Later after the mikvah, when I put on my tallit for the first time, I felt like I was officially Jewish.

BRANDON POLAND
converted 2009

Belonging
There was a group of us that used to throw these queer Shabbaton and seders. I remember in the beginning, this was my Jewish family. These were my people. My rabbi and rebbitzen would even come! I was fully Jewish—not a Jew by choice, not a convert, just another Jew, celebrating a holiday with his family.

PENNY CONEY
converted 2007

Words to Live By
On my very first evening of Stepping Stones class, Ruth spoke to me via our wonderful teacher, Renée Karp. She said, “Judaism is deed over creed”—only five words, but so powerful!

Shortly after my conversion, I was summoned for jury duty. We had to fill out an information card, and when I wrote “Jewish” to the question of religion, nobody else heard that shofar from the mountain, but I did! It was the first time I could unequivocally answer the question of “what are you?” with “Jewish.”
FRANK AND LAURA ZABER
converted 2017

Convergence
Says Laura: Frank is of Polish (and as it turned out, Ashkenazi) descent, and has always had an interest in the history of Poland and the Jewish people. I was previously in an interfaith marriage and had been planning to convert before my first husband died. Amazingly, one night we were sitting together and both suggested exploring Judaism at the same time.

Arrival
We felt the most Jewish on Elul 9 5777, (August 31, 2017) when we stood in front of the Aron Hakodesh with Rabbi Debra Robbins, both of us wrapped in Frank’s tallit, and received the Birkat Kohanim for the first time, surrounded by our family and friends.

REBECCA PEARSON
converted 2014

Three’s a Charm
Temple rabbis did not conduct interfaith weddings when Hank and I were married 54 years ago. Although I was not Jewish, our only child, Lisa, was blessed and given her Hebrew name by Rabbi Klein, z”l.

Some time later, Hank and I were in services on a Friday night. Rabbi Klein read a passage from the Torah in Hebrew, then English, explaining the meaning. Again he read the same passage and gave a different interpretation. Once more he read the passage and said to all, “What do you think it means?” That moment was the beginning of the path for me.

FRANCES WAYNE
converted 1975

Soul Map
About 45 years ago, I was invited to a bar mitzvah. At that time I didn’t know what a bar mitzvah was. Before the celebration was over, I was experiencing an “I’ll have what they are having” moment...I began the two year study course of bringing my head to the place my heart already was. I find it impossible to imagine what my life and identity would be had I not been enriched by the precepts and principles of a Jewish life. It has been a GPS system that has continued to guide me. I have felt accepted, appreciated, and a member of my “tribe.” I will always be grateful.

ERIN ZOPOLSKY
converted 2013

A Child’s Questions Opened the Door
When I married Joe, I never thought about converting, but we agreed to raise our children Jewish. When my son, Jay, had questions about religion, I realized how little I knew about Judaism, and decided to take the Stepping Stones class. The end of the classes left me wanting more. Judaism felt comfortable and natural to me. I had finally found something that fit and I didn’t even know I was looking for it.

SHILYH WARREN
converted 2019

The Long View
It makes so much sense to me that we describe conversion as a journey rather than a single act or a single choice. In my experience, conversion to Judaism has a point of origin, a destination, and it takes a really long time. For me, the journey began in earnest about a decade ago when Lucas was 5 years old and we joined a wonderful Jewish community in Durham, NC. Thinking back, I realize that was the start of our new family’s commitment to sustained and purposeful Jewish practice. Adapted from her personal statement at conversion.

For information on becoming a conversion mentor, studying Ruth and our Shavuot celebration honoring our conversion community, please see p. 12.
BIBLICAL BOOK OF RUTH 
with Rabbi Sheldon Zimmerman 

Wednesdays, May 29 and June 5 | 7pm | Stern Chapel 

Explore the famous relationship between Ruth and her mother-in-law, Naomi, who are left to make their way in the world together; and how Ruth, a Moabite, ultimately converts and becomes the ancestor of King David. RSVP: participate.tedallas.org/bookoftruth

BECOME A CONVERSION MENTOR 

Temple is looking for mentors for its Baderech program to help guide conversion students on their path to Judaism and welcome them into the community. Interested? Please contact Rachel Tucker and fill out a form online at participate.tedallas.org/conversionmentorform. We welcome anyone who has previously been a mentor to fill out the form. There will be a training for conversion mentors on August 21 at 6:30pm. Watch Temple communications for more details. Contact: Rachel Tucker, rtucker@tedallas.org or 214.706.0000 ext. 131.

SHAVUOT 
RUTH'S CHOICE 

Shavuot Tikkun 
Saturday, June 8 | 7pm | Stern Chapel 
RSVP: participate.tedallas.org/shavuot 

In the Bible, Ruth makes a powerful choice to join the Israelite people, the people of her mother-in-law, Naomi. Whether from birth, through conversion or creating a Jewish home and community, all of us are choosing Judaism. This Shavuot we will celebrate that choice.

We will celebrate the students and teachers of Temple’s conversion program, and share our diverse pathways in an evening of prayer, learning and holiday foods.

Festival Service and Yizkor 
Sunday, June 9 | 10:30am | Stern Chapel

CELEBRATIONS

The Kleinman Family gathers at the dedication of the expanded Jill Stone Community Garden, made possible by the adult Kleinman children in honor of their parents Ruthie and Harold.

ECEC celebrates Purim through light and shadows.

The Women’s Kallah brought beautiful souls together at the Dallas Arboretum on a truly beautiful day.

The cast of The Greatest Purim!

This Shi’ma group is all smiles as they welcome Shabbat.

At a Together Time session, children learn the Shabbat blessings.

Teens welcome Shabbat at Klyde Warren Park with Rabbi Daniel Ulley.
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92nd Street Y at Temple:
Televised Broadcasts for Modern Jewish Living

Thursday, May 9, 11:30AM-1PM
Israel Independence Day
Defending the Jewish State
Conversation with Thane Rosenbloom and Israel Ambassador Ron Dermer. Post discussion will be led by Garry Kahalnik, North Texas Oklahoma representative for the Development Corporation for Israel/Israel Bonds.

Register: participate.tedallas.org/92streety
Lunch: Available for $10 or bring your own.
Contact: Rachel Tucker, rtucker@tedallas.org

Save the Date

Thursday, June 13
Einstein and the Rabbi
Rabbi Naomi Levy and Julianna Margulies. Post-discussion will be led by Rabbi Amy Ross.

Learn the Ropes of Torah Trope

August 1, 8, 15 | 6PM
In this new, free class, you’ll learn how to decipher all those important squiggles in Torah text. Cantors Vicky Glikin and Leslie Niren will teach the skills to chant Torah and other strategies to learn a Torah reading using a recording. No previous experience chanting or singing is necessary. Some ability to read Hebrew is required.

Register: participate.tedallas.org/tropeclass
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July 16
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July 30
The Other Son
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**Friday, May 10, 6PM, Pollman Hall**
Hosted by Annette and Sam Prager and Rachel and Kyle Rosen and their families

**RSVP:** participate.tedallas.org/maysababa

**3-6 SHABBAT**
Designed for families with students in grades 3-6. Schmoozing, dinner and activities to follow.

**Friday, May 17, 6PM, Pollman Hall**
Hosted by Robert Gross, Maya Leibman and family and the Savariego family

**RSVP:** participate.tedallas.org/36shabbat

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**A Fond Farewell to Heidi Kutchin**

Heidi arrived at the Early Childhood Education Center 25-plus years ago, first as a mom, and has never left. Sometime after her sons Noah and Caleb graduated, she began her journey as a substitute, day camp director, a fulltime classroom teacher, YL+E teacher, garden educator and most recently, Pedagogista, teacher of other teachers. She’s contributed to the creation of two gardens at Temple, and has reached beyond ECEC to serve on a few search committees. We wish Heidi a wonderful retirement and hope she’ll stay in touch!

**Fondest Temple memory?**
It’s hard to decide among the namings of our sons, Noah and Caleb, or my conversion. All three are significant touchpoints in our family’s story.

**Your you-had-to-see-it-to-believe it moment:**
Watching Shelly Sender and Kim Pariza (former Parents Association president) chase a turkey across the parking lot. Shelly running and Kim driving her car to try to corral the bird before it crossed Northwest Highway.

**What Temple legacy will you take with you?**
Temple has been and continues to be a leader in social justice both in Dallas and in our country. Not only do our clergy teach and live this commitment, but our congregational community does as well. This is a faith community that takes action, even in the youngest communities such as ECEC and YL+E.
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DAFTY does Six Flags, 1983

This photo was taken in May 1983 at a DAFTY event (Dallas Area Federation of Temple Youth) at Six Flags Over Texas. Approximately 60 people attended and the new slate of officers for the 1983-84 school year was elected. Temple member Jon Karp recalls:

“Looking at this picture reminded me of so many great and meaningful moments in my life,” says Jon.

“The experience of growing up involved in the Temple Emanu-El youth group definitely shaped my commitment to my Jewish identity. It also underscored the importance of being an active participant in the Jewish community as an adult and parent.”

L-R: Jon Karp, Sammy Friedman, Hal Karp, Carrie Fitzmaurice, Mark Mitchell.