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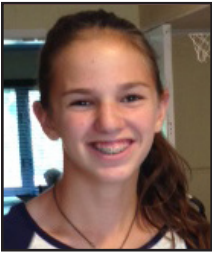
A BREATH, BREEZE, AND SPIRIT OF THE TIMES



*Sukkot Arrives at TBT with
A Shake and a Prayer!*

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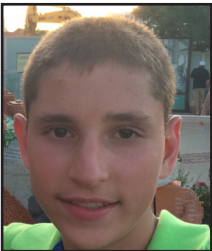


Oct. 11

Anna Zomback

Russell & Lisa

My name is Annie Zomback and I attend Grand Avenue Middle School. I've enjoyed studying with my tutor, Mrs. Altman, and learning how to lead the service. In my free time I like to play soccer, read, write and spend time with my friends. For my mitzvah project I ran a 5-K race to raise money for the March of Dimes.



Oct. 11

Evan Finkel

Stephen & Lisa

Hi! My name is Evan Finkel and I attend JFK Middle School. Both of my tutors, Cantor Hiesiger and Emily Altman, have helped me tremendously. I could never have learned how to lead a service without them. For my bar mitzvah project, I worked with the Ronald McDonald House to plan and create a fun family day barbeque for the children and their families. It is important to help others every chance that you can and I really enjoyed being able to help out with the families who needed a fun day.



Oct. 18

Sarah Cashton

Dennis & Marni

My name is Sarah Cashton and I attend Wantagh Middle School. I am a dedicated equestrian and have competed in horseshows throughout the Northeast. I am also a member of the Thomas School of Horsemanship/Half Hollow Hills Interscholastic Equestrian Team. Additionally, I play violin in the school orchestra and play piano as well. For my mitzvah project, I have worked to raise money for Amayllis Farm, a rescue organization for abused and neglected horses. I would like to thank my family, Mrs. Altman, Rabbi Bellows and Cantor Sher for helping me to prepare for my bat mitzvah.



SAVE THE DATE!!!

SQUARE DANCE 2015

SATURDAY JANUARY 24, 2015

7:00 P.M. - MIDNIGHT

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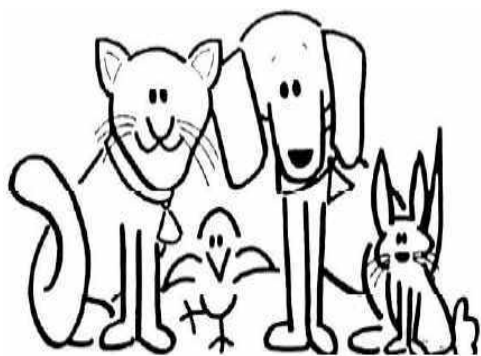
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QUESTIONS? MARTY & VICKI GOLDBERGER 516-935-1613

OCTOBER RITUAL CALENDAR

Friday, October 3	7:30 pm
Saturday, October 4	9:00am
Saturday, October 4	10:30am
Saturday, October 4	1:15 pm
Saturday, October 4	2:00 pm
Saturday, October 4	3:30 pm
Saturday, October 4	5:45 pm
Sunday, October 5	10:00 am
Wednesday, Oct. 8	7:30 pm
Thursday, October 9	10:30 am
Friday, October 10	8:00 pm
Saturday, October 11	10:30 am
Wednesday, Oct. 15	6:30 pm
Wednesday, Oct. 15	7:30 pm
Thursday, October 16	10:30 am
Friday, October 17	6:30 pm
Saturday, October 18	10:30 am
Tuesday, October 21	7:30 pm
Friday, October 24	7:30 pm
Saturday, October 25	10:30 am
Saturday, October 25	12:30 pm
Friday, October 31	8:00 pm
Saturday, Nov. 1	10:30 am

Yom Kippur Kol Nidre/Shabbat Service
Yom Kippur Family Service
Yom Kippur Morning Service
Yizkor (approximate)
Text Study
Yom Kippur Afternoon Service
Ne'ilah Service (approximate)
Building of Sukkah
Sukkot Service
Sukkot Morning Service
Shabbat Service – Chol HaMoed
Shabbat Service – 2 BM
Yizkor
Simchat Torah Service
Simchat Torah Morning Service
Kabbalat Shabbat Service
Shabbat Service – 1 BM
Ritual Committee Meeting
School Consecration Service
Shabbat Service
Blessing of the Animals – (Outside)
Shabbat Service
Shabbat Service – 1 BM



Blessing of the Animals
Saturday, October 25 12:30 pm

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Lifecycle Learning: Childbirth



Shalom, Chaverim,

As I stated last month, I will be sharing some teachings about the lifecycle throughout the year. In September, I covered the mitzvot of making a shiva call. This month, I wanted to share some interesting information related to Pregnancy and Childbirth in Jewish tradition.

According to Jewish law, human life begins at birth, specifically when the child is more than halfway emerged from the mother's body. Birth by Caesarean section is permitted in Jewish law, as is a procedure that would preserve the life of both the mother and the child.

For a boy in good health, a *Bris* is held on the eighth day of his life, even if the eighth day falls on Shabbat, a festival, or Yom Kippur. This harkens back to the text,

"As for you, you and your offspring to come throughout the ages shall keep My covenant... every male among you shall be circumcised. You shall circumcise your foreskin, and that shall be a sign of the covenant between Me and you. And throughout generations, every male among you shall be circumcised at the age of eight days." (Genesis 17:9-12)

The formal name for this ritual is Berit Milah, or the "Covenant of Circumcision." A Bris is often held either in the home or at the synagogue. Each Bris includes the following:

- *Mohel/Mohelet*: The person who performs the circumcision. Often a Jewish professional who has received special training or a medical professional who also has a profound commitment to Judaism. Men and women are trained in this holy profession. A rabbi need not also be in attendance, though they often are.
- *Kisei Shel Eliyahu*: a chair designated as the Throne of Elijah the Prophet, who is said to attend every Bris. The child is placed on this chair first, then on the lap of the Sandak.
- *Kvatter/Kvatterin*: the family members or friends who have the honor of carrying the child into the room for the Bris.
- *Sandak/Sandakit*: the family member or friend who holds the child on his/her lap, or who secures the child on a sturdy table during the circumcision itself. Often a grandparent.
- Three steps:
 - o *Milah*: the cutting of the foreskin
 - o *Periah*: the tearing or cutting of the mucus membrane covering the glans
 - o *Metzitzah*: The removal of blood from the wound.

- The boy receives his Hebrew name during the ceremony. Some families even choose to keep the child's English name secret until after the Bris.
- A festive meal always follows the ceremony.

In modern times, girls also receive their Hebrew names during a similar event. It used to be that girls' names were given out during the Shabbat following her birth, when her father would receive a celebratory *Aliyah* (called to the Torah) at synagogue and the girl's name would be announced publicly. However, in an effort to create a greater sense of equality between the sexes, we have created liturgy and rituals for a young girl's baby naming.

These rituals for girls are often called "Simchat Bat" (Celebrating a Daughter) or "*Hachnasat Bat LaBerit*" (Welcoming a Daughter to the Covenant). They are held at home or in the synagogue, and clergy officiate at these quite often. These short rituals include family participation, a *Kiddush* blessing, and a blessing in which the child is officially named. They also include a festive meal before or after the ceremony.

One additional ritual connected to childbirth has been dropped from Reform custom. A "*Pidyon haBen*" (Redemption of the First-born Son) originates in the belief that God "acquired" the Israelite first-born sons by sparing them from the tenth plague in Egypt. Like all other people or things that are designated for service to God, the first-born can alter that status only by paying a fee to the Temple. The Torah set this fee at five shekels, payable on the child's thirtieth day of life. The requirement applies strictly to the son who is first-born to his father and mother, and he must "breach the womb" (Exodus 13:2). Thus, a child born by C-section is exempt, as is the child of a Kohen or Levite. However, Reform Judaism no longer recognizes a hereditary priesthood and we do not believe that first-borns hold any special status, thus this ritual has largely faded out of practice.

For further reading, I suggest you study *Jewish Living: A Guide to Contemporary Reform Practice*, by Mark Washofsky (UAHC Press) or *Gates of Mitzvah* (CCAR Press).

*L'shalom,
Rabbi Marci N. Bellows*





Rabbi David Wolpe, the spiritual leader of Sinai Temple in Los Angeles, writes a small, syndicated column, “Musings,” which appears in the Jewish Week, among other Jewish newspapers around the country. I find his writings pithy, profound, provocative and quite worthy of the few minutes it takes to read them.

In his latest column, Rabbi Wolpe writes about one of my great pet peeves, about which I have a passionate distaste: responding to just about anything with a typed, formulated and impersonal letter or e-mail. To quote from Rabbi Wolpe’s column:

“I’m always sorry to see a typed letter from you.” The sentiment that opens a 1957 letter from historian Hugh Trevor-Roper to his friend, the art critic Bernard Berenson, is a relic of a bygone age. Trevor-Roper explains that typing means Berenson is unwell, and he looks forward to seeing his hand on the page again. By that criterion, our entire generation is unwell.

For most of history, manuscript copying, handwriting and the slow, deliberate scratch of a stylus were the means of transmitting civilization.”

Today, I rarely receive a scripted note, unless from one of an older generation. Even from grateful parents, I receive either e-mails or, if an actual written note, whatever sentiment is expressed is done so in block letters, the same fashion in which I wrote notes at the age five or six.

The old joke-phrase, written in the context of a bar/bat mitzvah’s bimah speech, “...today, I am a fountain pen...” has no meaning, nor does it strike a sense of humor in the hearts and minds of anyone, save for, again, those of an older generation. They understood the joke. Many years ago, the common gift was an expensive, heavy, often beautifully decorated, fountain pen, for just such usage as writing all those scripted notes, thanking everyone for gifts received on this occasion.

I am told that, today, script is no longer taught in upper grades and that the art of writing a thank-you, condolence or get well message has been supplanted by more convenient but far less personal, form letters. While I still receive many cards, that is, “hard copy” responses; few, if any, are written in script.

The technique of script is to connect letters of a word together, much as we connect thoughts together to form important phrases of expression. Our thoughts are, not

always, but, perhaps, a bit more disconnected or disjointed without the use of script.

I have always made it a practice, in both my professional and personal life, to respond or initiate expressions of sympathy, gratitude or empathy, with a hand-written, scripted note. I have always attempted to make these notes personal and distinctive, just as the recipient of each gesture is distinctive. No two people are alike. Why would I send the same formatted letter to any two people?

It’s not easy being a dinosaur in our world of high technology. However, in the context of this gesture and the art form I consider it to be, I am proud to be a Jurassic Jew! As Einstein said, *“I fear the day that technology will surpass our human interaction. The world will have a generation of idiots.”*

While I don’t agree that we have a generation of idiots, yet, I sense that our “Millennial” and younger generations, which have the greatest potential for increasing our ability to more effectively communicate, are progressing toward more dispassionate, disenfranchised and impersonal forms of interaction. We now need, more than ever, with so much calling for “Tikun Olam,” repair of the world, in our midst, more meaningful, thought provoking, sincere and efficacious communications.

As educational research has shown, there is no more effective way to commit ideas to thoughts, than through the act of writing them down. I believe that there is no more effective way of communicating those thoughts than making the effort to transfer them through the old fashioned, hand-scripted note.

Starting with only one person at a time, sitting down, turning away from all distractions, and committing pen to paper, as Jews have translated thought to action throughout their long and challenging history, we achieve sincerity, integrity and even nobility, in raising our mechanical skill to skillful art.

As Rabbi Wolpe concludes,

“It is rare, and far less convenient, to receive something by ‘snail mail.’ But remember, it is not only that snails are slow—they leave a trail behind them”.

Why not skip the e-mail and send a scripted note? You’ve much to gain and only minutes to lose. Time spent well, is time well spent.

Cantor Steve Sher

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



Many of the holidays we celebrate as Americans contain messages that have Jewish values attached to them. On the second Monday in October, we celebrate Columbus Day to commemorate Christopher Columbus' first landing in North America on October 12, 1492. He had set sail a few months earlier on an expedition

sponsored by Spain.

In the late 1400s, the Spanish monarchs began an Inquisition, overseen by the pope, to enforce Christianity. Starting the year of Columbus' first voyage, 1492, all the Jews who refused to convert to Christianity were expelled from Spain.

Because of what was going on in Spain at the time, there are theories that suggest Columbus himself was Jewish and the expedition was partially supported by Jews in search of a refuge. It is almost certainly true that secret Jews were among Columbus' crew members, including Luis de Torres, a close aide and translator to Columbus who was well versed in Hebrew.

In the Religious School, we have the opportunity to discuss Columbus Day by studying Jewish values, in Hebrew *middot*. When thinking about Columbus' interaction with the Native Americans, we will discuss the *middot*; *Hachnasat Orchim* – Welcoming the Stranger and *V'ahavta L'rayacha Kamocha* – Loving One's Neighbor. When thinking about Columbus' interaction with the Native Americans, it is important for us to discuss respecting the property and cultures of others. One aspect of *V'ahavta L'rayacha Kamocha* is about turning an enemy into a friend. We certainly see this Jewish value taught to our students when we think of the many relationships between the Native Americans and different explorers. Of course, one month after Columbus Day, we celebrate Thanksgiving, a time when the Native Americans and Pilgrims are able to sit down to a meal together.

Just like Abraham practiced *Hachnasat Orchim* when he was approached by three strangers at his tent, the Religious School students will discover ways in which our American holidays exemplify this Jewish value. Most importantly, through our examination of Columbus Day, our students will learn the *middah* of *B'tzelem Elohim*, being created in God's image. We are taught that everyone is made in the image of God. Knowing this, the Religious School students will explore how they should treat others. They understand that being created in God's image

means treating others with loving-kindness, respect, and dignity. This Columbus Day, I hope each of us will reflect upon these *middot* and honor the image of God in ourselves.

L'Shalom

Elisa Blank

Director of Education

Highlights from TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 29, 2014 at 8:00 pm

New Business – Rob Saunders made a motion: “The board nominates Tessa Kean as financial secretary for the current fiscal year through June 30, 2015.” Brian Levy second. Passed unanimously.

Rob Saunders made a motion: “To seat a replacement on the board for Tessa Kean's previous position, the Board nominates Les Kule to fill Tessa's remaining term to June 30, 2015. Robin Galardi second. Passed unanimously.

Financial Secretary Report — Currently we have 492 members. If you are aware of families leaving due to financial need please have them request special arrangements.

Investments Report – Alan Loewenstein -. We have \$1831.00 in dividends and interest for July. That should be what we may expect to make each month. No Long Range Planning Committee meeting this month.

Community and Fundraising: Les Kule –. We are looking at bigger events. A master calendar will be put together for fundraising events. Kol Nidre pledges of over \$150.00 can be done by credit card this year. Brian Levy noted that the Square Dance Fundraiser will be held on January 24, 2015. Sharon Cernese noted that the Purim Masquerade Ball Fundraiser will be on March 7, 2015.

Spirituality: Janee Loewenstein - For Yom Kippur afternoon Ritual will be using a small portion of a new High Holiday Prayer Book recently published by URJ.

Respectfully submitted: Sharon Curry

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A new year has commenced, bringing with it new beginnings as the Temple B'nai Torah family moves forward, positive attitude in hand, pursuing the opportunities that await us.

We can use as a theme this year a portion from Ecclesiastes 3:1, words that were adapted in the song "Turn, Turn, Turn," put to music by Pete Seeger in the late 50's.



*To Everything (Turn, Turn, Turn)
There is a season (Turn, Turn, Turn)
A time to build up, a time to break down
A time to dance, a time to mourn
A time to cast away stones, a time to gather stones together,
And a time to every purpose, under Heaven.*

The song has special meaning to Temple B'nai Torah this year. While we have had a wonderful past and a vibrant present, it is time for us to build our future. It is a time to

break down what we have done, to cast away some and a time to gather new ideas; a time to build up a new plan for the future. And a time to turn to a new beginning.

We have just finished Rosh Hashanah and we are moving into Yom Kippur and an active holiday season. We have many activities planned in the weeks and months ahead and I cannot stress enough how important it is for each one of us to join in the activities, pick some and be there to volunteer and get involved. Please be a part of it.

I would like to thank our Ritual Committee for their work to make the High Holidays a moving and fulfilling experience. This committee headed by Jan Friedman and Janee Loewenstein starts in the spring and works extremely hard to make everything perfect. Please do not forget to fill out and return your Kol Nidre Pledge.

I would like to wish you all a healthy and happy New Year.

Sherrill Spatz
Congregation President

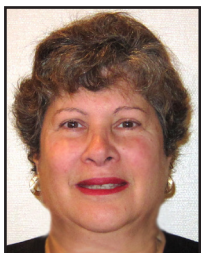
8 Ways to Greet a Stranger in Synagogue

By Marcia Nichols

The commandment to "Remember the stranger, for you were once strangers in a strange land" (Deuteronomy 10:19) reminds us that connecting with strangers in creating community can be difficult, especially if we tend to be shy, but is nonetheless a Jewish imperative. Here are eight ways to help you get past your "I don't know what to say" stumbling block and greet a stranger on Shabbat.

- (1) Introduce yourself before the service. "Let me introduce myself. I am _____ and I have been a member here for _____ years. I am happy to meet you...Shabbat Shalom."
- (2) Choose your words carefully to avoid embarrassment in the case that "the stranger" is new to you but not to the synagogue. "I have been a member here for _____ years, and don't know if we've ever met, but let me introduce myself."
- (3) Show your interest in the newcomer by asking a question, such as, "Hi! How are you?" or "What brings you here tonight?" followed by an introduction. "Let me introduce myself. I am _____."
- (4) Offer a genuine compliment after the service. "Hi, I am _____. You really read Hebrew well," or "I enjoyed listening to your singing," or "You didn't fall asleep once" (humor can be effective)...
- (5) Mention areas of commonality. "Hello. My name is _____. We sat in the same aisle. May I accompany you to the *oneg*?"
- (6) Refer to the service. "I hope you enjoyed the service," or "Did you enjoy the service?"
- (7) Make eye contact. Looking someone in the eye is a critical first step in initiating a conversation.
- (8) Smile ☺. Communicating with friendly gestures and actions count as much as welcoming words.

OUR TBT SISTERHOOD SOURCE



As of the writing of this column, Sisterhood has over 100 members. I think we might be a little ahead of where we were last year at this point...and that's terrific. It tells me that the women of TBT care about this temple—the physical building, the programs we offer, our interactions with the other arms, raising needed funds, support of the Reform movement, spirituality, etc.

This all relates back to our newly-revised Sisterhood mission statement. Though it appeared in last month's column, it bears repeating:

TBT Sisterhood's mission is to connect women with each other through education, spirituality, fundraising, support of Reform Judaism and the creation of lifelong relationships—making our impact on the world stronger, generation to generation.

l'dor va dor

Our mission statement is tied into that of Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ), our umbrella organization. TBT Sisterhood is one of about 500 groups represented by WRJ. Visit its Web site (www.wrj.org) for a wealth of information. You'll see what gets accomplished on a global, national, and local level.

So now, back to our corner of the world:

- We're hosting a breakfast for new Sisterhood members on Sunday, October 5 at 9:00 a.m.
- Decorating the Sukkah (both inside and outside) will also take place on Sunday, October 5 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- On Tuesday, October 14 at 6:30 p.m. is our Sisterhood Paid-Up Dinner. This yearly event is always a highlight. Therefore, ladies, if you haven't yet sent in your dues, please do so and share the evening. Last year, we honored eight women who have been members of Sisterhood for 50+ years.
- Our Rosh Chodesh series kicks off on Sunday, October 26 at 12:00 p.m. The series, led by the rabbi, will be a discussion of the book *A Bride for One Night* by Ruth Calderon.

You can see that Sisterhood has much to offer. So "catch the fever" and come on down.

Sincerely,
Diane Schoenberg, Sisterhood President

TBT-PTA

Hi everyone. Fall is a wonderful time of year. It is great watching the children returning to Hebrew School and the families attending High Holiday Services.

The Family Picnic, co-hosted by the Brotherhood and the PTA was a lot of fun. Everybody who attended had a great time. Thank you to all the people who organized and worked on the event.

On Saturday, October 18th, from 5 PM – 8 PM, the PTA will host Pizza, Prayer, and Pajamas. The evening will start with a Havdalah Service for the children. Later they'll have pizza, watch movies, and spend time with their friends from Hebrew School.

The PTA has monthly meetings right after the Brotherhood Breakfast on Sunday mornings. Please check the calendar for meeting dates and stop by. New members are always welcome.

Alissa Neches
Co-vice President

TBT Alum To Head Youth Group



Adam, Cohen has been named Youth Group Advisor for Temple Sinai in Rhode Island.

More information can be found at:

<http://www.jvhri.org/the-news/community/1435-temple-sinai-revives-youth-group-with-new-leader>

*Thank you to everyone
who contributed toward the
purchase of a leaf on the
Tree of Life celebrating the
life of Emily Wax.*

Barbara Gouveia

COUPLES CLUB

Who Knows



Pondering what to write for the October newsletter in late August, I confronted writer's block. Calling my good buddy, Barry (The Brain) Lomove with my problem, I was advised not to worry, and

to come over to his house. Arriving at his house, I noticed a blue police call box in his driveway.

Barry, using his Graviton Supersymmetry Perturbation Machine, summoned Peter Capaldi the 12th incarnation of Dr. Who. Explaining my problem they suggested a quick trip to the September 21st Brotherhood/PTA picnic to see if there would be anything of interest to write about. A quick trip on the Tardis took us to the Brady Park Picnic. We immediately saw many participants waving either Blue or White Banners on a sunny and mild day. Asking around we found out that Richard (Lord Dahlia - White Banner) Tepper, BFF with Queen Elizabeth and Godfather to Prince Henry, had thrown down the gluttony gauntlet, and challenged Steven (Lord Bubble - Blue Banner) Block, the hero of the Netherlands and Tamer of Tigers, to a hotdog and hamburger eating contest. As our time was limited, we could not stay to see the outcome of this contest. Returning to the time machine Barry indicated that because of Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle what we saw was only one of several possible futures. A quick trip to an alternative future indicated a cold and rainy day, with the picnic cancelled. Which of these futures is real? Only the reader will know.

Is there any connection between the visit to Sicily that Howard (Action) Jackson and his lovely wife Ellen (the Jedi Haroset Master) recently took, and the solving, upon their arrival, of the one hundred five year old mystery of the murder of police detective Joe Petrosino featured in the movie "Black Hand"?

Contrary to a popular earworm (Google it), all congregants, whether couples or singles are welcome at our functions. Many singles attend our functions, so there is no reason to not join us in our many planned pursuits.

The planned events for this year include: October 25th we will be competing in our annual Military Bridge Night at the Temple; in November we will be at the Cabaret Show supporting our Couples' Club Stars; the Annual Membership Dinner is scheduled for November 15th at H.R. Singeltons.

Later in the year we will repeat our outstanding Chanukah Party, Bowling Tournament, Temple Dance, Temple Square Dance, Games Night, Theater Evening, HI Line and Chelsea Market (NYC visit), and other electrifying events.

We also thank our Couples Club members in the Temple Choir who added so much to the High Holy Days Services: Steve Block, Ann Dinstell, Rita Drucker, Yolanda Friedman, Linda Lazarus, Barbara Morgenlender, Debbie Schlesinger, Fran Woods and Stewart Altman and Arthur Solop, shofar blowers. The group and solo performances enhanced the services and made us very proud. Our Emily Altman once again led the religious school student service. The Couples Club wishes a good and healthy year to our congregation family.

The casting for the full-length feature film "Couples Club: The Movie" is continuing. The parts of Ira and Yolanda Friedman (The Dependables) will be played by Jeff Bridges and Hellen Mirren. Sutton Foster will be cast as Bonnie Russilillo, a star of the L.I. Cabaret. Alan Cumming will appear as Ed (Consigliore) Pincus.

A special reminder to new TBT members. As new members, you automatically get a free year of Couples Club Membership. Take advantage of this opportunity to get to know us and discover for yourselves, the Couples Club. We would like to share this feeling with all TBT couples, married or not. If there is anything you would like to know about our group, please call us at (516) 798-5724 or email us at fdinstell@yahoo.com. Here's to the year gone by and to an amazing year to come.

Couples Club's monthly word of wisdom: Make Your Own Kind of Music – Mama Cass

Fred Dinstell



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CHAI NOTES



As of the end of August, Chai Club is so proud to have over 100 members paid up for this coming year. I'm sure by now, we are welcoming many more friends. Dues are still \$18 (a real bargain). If you have been a member of any Temple for 18 years or longer, (check with Paula in the office if you are not sure) or are 50 years young or older, join us.

Our first meeting of this year in September was arranged by our very capable program Vice President, Esther Phillips. Ira Epstein made so many have a good laugh with his Comedy on Aging. Our October 6th general meeting will feature Patti Calleia, a wonderful singer. Also in October, we will be joining Couples Club at a Military Bridge game night. Watch for the Chai Club invitation for the November Annual Fall Dinner, always a fun, delicious evening.

Aside from our meetings and special events, we are involved in Social Action programs. Chai Club recently donated to the Israeli Defense Force to help in our small way with the injured in the Gaza -Israel conflict.

"The Comedy of Aging" was the Chai Club's season opener. Ira Epstein presented a graphic show to a room

very crowded with congregants who were laughing the whole evening. The program was kicked off with "Happy Birthday" to a smiling group who waited to hear who won the Birthday Presents.

Just wanted to fill you in on one of our special Board Members. Ed Kliegman wrote a book, "For Presidents Who Want To Change the Future". A book signing was held at the Massapequa Library on September 10th. He has made possible many Temple programs including the Chai Club sponsored, Cantor Sher's Adventures-in-Music Series. The book was written for leaders of organizations such as TBT. However we are all leaders in our own lives so we can all learn from Ed. His philosophy is based on developing a "Team Spirit". I know through Chai Club, as part of the TBT team, we will further the success of our Temple Family.

On a personal note, thank you so much for all your thoughts, help and caring extended to me and my family during the recent loss of my father.

Again, Best Wishes for a Happy, Healthy, and Good New Year,

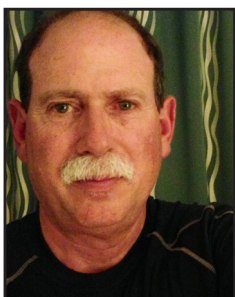
*L' Shana Tovah,
Rita Hofer, Chai Club President*



BROTHERHOOD SPEAKS



Fall has arrived and Brotherhood is off to a fast start. Sunday morning Breakfasts have started, our Family Picnic -- co-sponsored by PTA -- was held on September 21st. Yom Kippur is around the corner and the Sukkah will be erected on Sunday, October 5th. Special thanks to David Forman and all who helped with the High Holy Day ushering.



Our first monthly dinner (Pulled Barbecue Chicken) led by one of our celebrated chefs, Mike Bruno, along with a presentation on Solar Energy, was successfully held on September 16th. Thanks to all involved for their continued hard work on the

mentioned projects.

We are looking forward to our upcoming dinner/meeting on Tuesday, October 21st, our Holiday Vendor Fair (with the Roosevelt Raceway Flea Market Vendors) on Sunday, November 30th, as well as the weekly Sunday breakfasts while Religious School is in session. It is not too late to join our great group of men and partake in our many cultural and culinary activities. Dues are a modest \$45 annually and are complimentary for new members.

Thanks to everyone who helps make our award winning Brotherhood a success. Again, a Happy 5775 and L'shana Tova to everyone! We look forward to seeing you at our events.

Shalom from Bruce Jaffe

BROTHERHOOD MEMBERSHIP

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Please make your check for \$45 payable to: Brotherhood – Temple B'nai Torah and mail it to Brotherhood, Temple B'nai Torah, 2900 Jerusalem Ave., Wantagh, NY 11793 or simply drop it off in the Temple Office the next time you are in the building. For further information, feel free to call Les Richards at (516) 753-4060 or e-mail at: lesrichards@verizon.net.

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BLOG FROM ISRAEL

Note: This is being written on August 24, the day that 4 year-old Daniel Tragerman z"l, from Kibbutz Nahal Oz, next to the border with Gaza, was buried. All of Israel is mourning this tragedy. I lift my voice in prayer and in protest, demanding from our leaders in Israel, and around the world, that a diplomatic solution be found, to end the bloodshed, to seek reconciliation, to live and let live.

By the time this comes to press, to you, dear readers from our partner congregation, B'nai Torah, the Tishrei holidays will have begun. It is a time for sweetness and joy in welcoming a new year with hopes for change, improvements, new beginnings. It is also a time for introspection, for resolutions and actions that will make a difference in our lives. It is not enough to say "I have sinned and I will repent" if the transgression repeats itself.

This is an intense time, with the spotlight on our souls. In Israel, the soul-searching for many of us began this past summer, with Operation Protective Edge. If we accept the Torah premise that we, as human beings, are created in the image of God, it forces us to consider how to protect all human life in our region. Too many people have died, but we are not finding the answers "blowing in the wind".

The Jewish spirit may be strong, but there is a clear sense of depression and despair hovering over Israel. Even people who live in areas generally out of the range of rockets

and mortar shells are staying home more. Restaurants have closed, at least for now, for lack of clientele. People aren't in the mood to go out for entertainment. Everyone feels that they live "on the front".

We at Birkat Shalom have been strengthened by letters of concern and solidarity from friends in the American Jewish community, particularly from our Reform family. While we understand why many people have cancelled their scheduled trips to Israel, we are especially heartened when friends come to visit. A good example of this was in early July, just as the sirens started and the rockets fell. Thirty of our American family members came to Israel for my daughter's wedding. Some of them were seasoned visitors, like Marc and Judy Herbert, while others were in Israel for the first time.

Everyone took things in stride, even when during the wedding party, the siren sounded, and we went into the kitchen to continue the dancing! We were able to fulfill the commandment of rejoicing with the bride and groom. Shana Tova -- Happy New Year -- to all of you at B'nai Torah. We pray for peace, and look forward to hosting you at Birkat Shalom in the coming year.

Rabbi Miri Gold, of Kehilat Birkat Shalom at Kibbutz Gezer, is raising funds for a new synagogue building, with the foundations to be in place by the end of 2014.

Rabbi Miri Gold



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Box Tops Update:

This is our first year of participating in the Box Tops program. In two months we collected 745 box tops and received our first check of \$ 74.50.

A second package was remitted with 3,524 Box Tops enclosed!

We would like to acknowledge two families, The Nietsch Family and The Kussman Family, who were equally successful in submitting the most box tops.

Way To Go to all of our Families, Congregants and Students for making this happen and getting us off to a great start!

Originally this program was going to acknowledge the congregant/family who donated the most Box Tops with a prize. The Box Top Committee recognized the success of this ongoing fundraiser would benefit by refraining from using the financial rewards on an acknowledgement prize. Your contribution is considered a mitzvah towards your temple and our success will be met by continued commitment by everyone.

Your contribution no matter how big or small DOES make a difference!

Your Box Tops can be dropped off in Julia Brite's mailbox located in the TBT Office, outside the Religious School Office or where Gift Certificates are purchased on Sundays.

We have been collecting all summer long so keep clipping!

Any questions please reach out to: Julia Brite berinstein@aol.com
P: 917-319-4197





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All the well wishers for my congratulatory cards

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IN THE HOUSE...

Second Day Rosh Hashanah Luncheon

Thank you, one and all, for your donations to our annual second day Rosh Hashanah Luncheon. All foods were delicious! A special thank you to Joni Christie, Sarita Keyser and Alexa Rappoport for arranging the feast and for tidying up the room after the luncheon. What a lovely way to extend the occasion with other congregants after a lovely service! Thank you to Sisterhood for their challah. Please think of joining us next year

by Tessa Kean



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OUR COMMUNITY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
OCTOBER			1 • 10:30am Bingo	2 • 6:00-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30pm Bingo	3 • 7:30pm Erev Yom Kippur Kol Nidre Shabbat Svc • Office Closes @3:00pm	4 • 9:00am Family Yom Kippur Svc • 10:30am Yom Kippur Morning Svc • 1:30pm Yizkor • 2:30pm Text Study • 4:00pm Yom Kippur afternoon svc • 5:30pm (approx) Ne'ilah svc
5 • 9:00am Rel School • 9:00am Sisterhood New Member Breakfast (K/L) • 9:15am Brotherhood Breakfast (S/H) • 10:00am Brotherhood Build Sukkah • 10:30-2:30pm Sisterhood Decorate for Sukkot • 11:30-noon Youth Choir (Rm 201) • 11:45-12:30pm Prod. Mtg (Kids Lib.) • 12:30-3:30pm Kids Show Reh. (S/H) • 7:00-11:00pm Cabaret Reh. (S/H)	6 • 12:00-1:00pm Torah Study (K/L) • 5:30-6:30pm BNTY "8" (Y/L) • 6:30-7:00pm Teen Choir (Rm. 201) • 7:00-8:30pm Religious School • 7:30-9:00pm Kids Show Reh. (S/H) • 7:30pm Chai Club Gen'l Mtg (K/L) • 7:30-9:30pm Adult Choir (Rm. 201) • 8:30-10:00pm BNTY Sr. (Y/L)	7 • 10:00am Al Anon (K/L) • 4:30-6:00pm Religious School • 6:00-7:30pm BNTY Chai 5 (Y/L) • 6:45pm Sisterhood Exec. Mtg (S/H) • 7:00pm Brotherhood Exec. Mtg (104) • 7:30pm Sisterhood Board Mtg (S/H) • 7:30-9:00pm Kids Show Reh. (101/103) • 7:30-10:00pm Cabaret Reh. (Y/L) • 8:00pm Brotherhood Board Mtg (K/L)	8 • 10:30am Bingo • 7:30pm Erev Sukkot Service	9 • 10:30pm Sukkot Morning Service • 12:00pm Sukkot Luncheon (S/H) • 1:30pm Bingo Set-up (S/H) • 6:00-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30pm Bingo • Office Closed - Sukkot	10 • 5:30pm Tot Shabbat Service • 8:00pm Erev Shabbat Svc (Chol HaMoed Sukkot)	11 • 8:15am B/M photos Zomback (Sanc.) • 9:30-11:00am Torah Study (K/L) • 10:30am Service (2) B/M Finkel & Zomback • 3:00-11:00pm Hall Rental (S/H)
12 • No Religious School • 10:00am Couples Club Board Mtg (Away)	13 Columbus Day • Building Closed - Columbus Day	14 • 10:00am Al Anon (K/L) • 4:30-6:00pm Religious School • 6:00-7:30pm BNTY Jr. (Y/L) • 6:30pm Sisterhood Paid-Up Dinner (S/H & K/L) • 6:30-9:00pm SAT Class (208) • 7:00pm Jewish War Veterans Mtg (Rm 104) • 7:30-9:00pm Kids Show Reh. (101/103) • 7:30-10:00pm Cabaret Reh. (Y/L)	15 • 10:30am Bingo • 6:30pm Yizkor • 7:30pm Simchat Torah	16 • 10:30am Simchat Torah Morning Svc/Yizkor • 1:30pm Bingo Set-up (S/H) • 6:00-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30pm Bingo • Office Closed - Sukkot	17 • 6:00pm Pre-Neg • 6:30pm Kabbalat Service	18 • 9:30-11:00am Torah Study (K/L) • 10:30am Service (1) B/M Cashton • 5:00-8:00pm PTA Pizza Prayer PJs (S/H & K/L)
19 • 9:00am Rel. School • 9:00-11:00am Rel. School Dance CIs (K/L) • 9:15am Brotherhood Breakfast (S/H) • 10:00-11:00am Membership Mtg (Library) • 11:30-noon Youth Choir (Rm 201) • 11:45am B/M Orientation Sept-Oct 2015 Fam (K/L) • 11:45-12:30pm Prod. Mtg (Kids Lib.) • 12:30-3:30pm Kids Show Reh. (S/H) • 7:00-11:00pm Cabaret Reh. (S/H)	20 • 12:00-1:00pm Torah Study (K/L) • 5:30-6:30pm BNTY "8" (Y/L) • 6:30-7:00pm Teen Choir (Rm. 201) • 7:00pm Fundraising Mtg (Library) • 7:00-8:30pm Religious School • 7:30-9:00pm Kids Show Reh. (S/H) • 7:30-9:30pm Adult Choir (Rm. 201) • 8:30-10:00pm BNTY Sr. (Y/L)	21 • 10:00am Al Anon (K/L) • 4:30-6:00pm Religious School • 6:00-7:30pm BNTY Chai 5 (Y/L) • 6:30-9:00pm SAT Class (208) • 7:00pm Brotherhood Dinner (S/H) • 7:30pm Ritual Com. Mtg (K/L) • 7:30-9:00pm Kids Show Reh. (101/103) • 7:30-10:00pm Cabaret Reh. (Y/L) • 7:30-9:00pm Religious Ed Mtg (104)	22 • 10:30am Bingo	23 • 6:00-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30pm Bingo	24 • 8:00pm Rel. School consecration Svc	25 • 9:00-11:30am Rel. Sch. Bonim Fam. Shabbat Exp.-Grade 4 • 9:30-11:00am Torah Study (K/L) • 10:30am Shabbat Service • 6:30pm Set-Up Military Bridge Couples Club (K/L) • 7:00-11:00pm Military Bridge Couples Club (S/H)
26 • 9:00am Rel. School • 9:15am Brotherhood Breakfast (S/H) • 11:30-noon Youth Choir (Rm 201) • 11:45-12:30pm Prod. Mtg (Kids Lib.) • 12:00pm Rosh Chodesh (K/L) • 12:30-3:30pm Kids Show Reh. (101/103) • 2:00-6:00pm ACDS Event (S/H) • 7:00-11:00pm Cabaret Reh. (Y/L)	27 • 12:00-1:00pm Torah Study (K/L) • 1:00-3:00pm Womens Mead. Init. (K/L) • 5:30-6:30pm BNTY "8" (Y/L) • 6:30-7:00pm Teen Choir (Rm. 201) • 7:00-8:30pm Religious School • 7:30-9:00pm Kids Show Reh. (101/103) • 7:30pm Chai Club Board Mtg (K/L) • 7:30-9:30pm Adult Choir (Rm. 201) • 8:30-10:00pm BNTY Sr. (Y/L)	28 • 10:00am-12:00pm Al Anon Anniversary (S/H) • 4:30-6:00pm Religious School • 6:00-7:30pm BNTY Jr. (Y/L) • 6:30-9:00pm SAT Class (208) • 6:45pm Exec. Board Mtg (Rm. 104) • 7:00-10:00pm Cabaret Reh. (S/H) • 7:30-9:00pm Kids Show Reh. (101/103) • 8:00pm Board Meeting (K/L)	29 • 10:30am Bingo • 5:00pm-12:00midnight Cabaret Dress Reh. (S/H)	30 • 6:00-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30pm Bingo	31 • 8:00pm Erev Shabbat Service	

FROM THE EDITOR'S PEN

Sukkot: The Underappreciated Holiday

Sukkot is a great holiday, but maybe the timing could've been a bit keener. We know Sukkot is coincident with the autumnal full moon – the Harvest Moon – but does it have to appear this soon after Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur?

Sukkot is the original Thanksgiving – without the parade. At TBT our observance is Wednesday evening, October 8th, @ 7:30 pm and Thursday morning October 9th @ 10:30 am.

Join us for the celebration. Shake that luluv! Enjoy the fragrance of the etrog! Nosh in the sukkah! It is a lot of fun, and wouldn't be the same without you.

Mark Chester, Editor, TBT Times



UNIONGRAM ORDER FORM

The following is a list of the boys and girls who will be celebrating their Bar/Bat Mitzvah

September 6, 2014 through December 13, 2014.

Circle the names of those to whom you would like to send congratulations, and PRINT your name as you want it to appear on the Uniongrams.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHILD'S NAME</u>	<u>PARENTS</u>
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Oct. 18	(F) Sarah Cashton	Dennis & Marni
Nov. 1	(F) Carley Leibowitz	David & Cathy
Nov. 8	(F) Jessica Nealon	Mark & Jacqueline
Nov. 15	(F) Jordan Gluck	Stuart & Felicia
Nov. 22	(M) Joshua Curry	Brenden & Sharon
Nov. 29	(M) Dylan Goldstein	Kenneth & Sheri
Dec. 6	(M) Andrew Almont	Daniel & Cori
Dec. 13	(M) Matthew Moser	Gary & Jennifer Opas

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While the Troop and Pack skip regular meetings over the summer, it does not stop our participating in activities. $\frac{3}{4}$ of "Scouting" is "outing", and summer is a great time of year for it. Of course, summer isn't the only time to get outdoors, but it is more comfortable.

In June, both the Troop and Pack went on camping trips. The Troop did a kayaking and fishing program in Connecticut, and the Pack had an archery program out in Suffolk County. For many of the members of the Pack, it was their first camping trip, and everyone had a great time.

July brought the Pack out to Wantagh Park for the Annual Picnic. The Troop spent two weeks up at Onteora Scout Reservation, taking advantage of all that the camp has to offer. Swimming, archery, rifle and shotgun shooting, tomahawk throwing and ATV riding are just the tip of the iceberg. Additionally, all the scouts that attended spent time learning, as they worked on merit badges as varied as Environmental Science, Emergency Preparedness, and Welding. Last, the Troop sent a contingent down to the Florida Sea Base. This is one of the national high adventure bases, and the boys have to be older (14 years at least) as they participate in some heavy duty aquatic and camping adventures.

In August, the Troop and the Pack worked together on three different activities. First was Cub Family Weekend, where Cub Scouts and their families get to go out to Schiff Scout Reservation and experience all the fun of Scout camping themselves. The Troop is the Service Troop for the event, and helps run the different program areas. We also went out to Tackapausha Preserve and helped clean up the site, doing our part to maintain Nassau County's parklands for future generations. Last, we spent some pool time together, working on swimming requirements appropriate for each age.

As you can see, both the Troop and the Pack maintain a strong program through the summer, making sure that all the boys get outdoors and have a great time. I personally participated in almost everything that happened, and I had as much fun as the boys did. September comes too quick in many ways, but it is nice to get back to the routine of meetings. Not only have we started meeting on our regular Thursday nights, but we have already had a great camping trip. The Troop and the Webelos Scouts (4th and 5th graders) of the Pack went out to Alpine Scout Camp. We took advantage of the fact that Palisades Center is close to the camp and used their climbing program to develop self-confidence and teamwork. It rained, but what do you expect when the Troop calls itself "the Rainmakers of Wantagh"? A little fall of rain never hurt anyone.

Both the Pack and the Troop are looking forward to a wonderful year. I can't wait to tell you all about it as it happens.

-

J.J. Scotch, Pack Cubmaster and Troop Assistant Scoutmaster