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A BREATH, BREEZE, AND SPIRIT OF THE TIMES



B'NAI MITZVAH



April 18

Emily Sturm

Michael & Audrey

My name is Emily Sturm. I am twelve years old and attend Wantagh Middle School. I have been taking dance for ten years, have been a girl scout for seven years and I love art and drawing. My Mitzvah Project is with the John Theissen Foundation. I am collecting toiletries and gift cards for sick and less fortunate children. I would like to thank Rabbi Bellows and Mr. Kramer for all of their help. I would also like to thank my brother, Matthew, and my parents for all of their love and support.



April 25

Morgan Berman

Marc & Jodi

My name is Morgan Berman and I attend Wantagh Middle School. My favorite subject is English and I enjoy music and fashion. The theme of my party will be music. For my bat mitzvah project, which will continue, I take care of a dog named Tori for an elderly couple, and I help them out three times per week. This has taught me responsibility and I enjoy helping others. What I like most about becoming a bat mitzvah is the sense of great accomplishment. I am very grateful to everyone who has helped me through this great journey.



APRIL RITUAL CALENDAR

Friday, April 3	5:30 pm	First Night Pesach/Shabbat Service
Saturday, April 4	10:30 am	First Day Pesach/Shabbat Service
Thursday, April 9	7:30 pm	Seventh Night Pesach Service/Yizkor
Friday, April 10	8:00 pm	Brotherhood Shabbat Service
Saturday, April 11	10:30 am	Shabbat Service
Wednesday, April 15	7:00 pm	Yom Hashoah Service (away)
Friday, April 17	6:30 pm	Kabbalat Shabbat (6pm Pre-Neg)
Saturday, April 18	10:30 am	Shabbat Service – 1 BM
Tuesday, April 21	7:30 pm	Ritual Committee Meeting
Wednesday, April 22	6:30 pm	Yom Ha'atzmaut Celebration
Friday, April 24	8:00 pm	Shabbat Shabbat
Saturday, April 25	10:30 am	Shabbat Service – 1 BM
Friday, May 1	7:30 pm	Family Service
Saturday, May 2	10:30 am	Shabbat Service – 1 BM

In some early copies of March TBTTimes there was a misspelling with the name of Julianna Gross. We apologize for the error.

OUR COMMUNITY

TBT Purim Spell

FROZEN FUN



PURIM CARNIVAL

BNTY and Youth Director Danny Strauss staged the Purim Carnival



INSPIRATION FROM OUR RABBI

It's Now or Never!



Shalom, *Chaverim*,

This month, I take a bit of a sidestep (or, perhaps, a forward step, as you'll see) from the year's worth of lifecycle teaching. Instead, I'd like to look forward into our future as a people. Allow me to tell you a story.

His name was Nachshon – surely you've heard of him. His story emerges out of the richness of both Torah and Midrash. The Israelites were on the move, leaving behind the bitterness of Egyptian slavery. It was a diverse, undisciplined mass of people with a profound longing for a better life. But they found themselves, as we all do sometimes, between a rock and a hard place. The Egyptian army was behind them and the Red Sea was in front of them. So they froze. At that moment, Nachshon, an Israelite, made a decision. He knew that the only thing that could save his people was direct and immediate action. Nachshon walked straight into the sea. It was an act of desperation... An act of faith... An act of courage. He took the future into his hands and he acted. The sea split. And all of the rest is part of the history of Passover.

And now, we are all standing at the shores of the sea.

We all have the opportunity to be strong, brave, forward-thinking, and integral to the future of the Jewish people.

Behind us, the rising strength of anti-feminist, anti-pluralist, anti-democratic political forces in Israel that can cripple Zionism's dream. Their greatest fear is the spread of the kind of liberalism championed by the Israel Movement for Reform and Progressive Judaism. Their greatest ally is our indifference.

These are the final days in which you can cast your vote for ARZA's delegation to the World Zionist Congress, that singular parliament of the Jewish people that will convene in Jerusalem in October. On the agenda of the Congress will be items critical not just to Israel's future, but to the future of our own children and grandchildren in the United States.

This is not just about Israel and Israel's soul. This is about us! Each of us needs to realize that we can be a Nachshon. Walk with us. Cast your vote for ARZA and for Israel's future as a light unto the nations. Don't be indifferent. Do not for a moment think that your single vote could not possibly be all that important. We need you. Want more information? Visit www.reformjews4israel.org. And while you are there, vote the ARZA: Representing Reform Judaism slate. A registration fee of \$10 is required.

L'shalom,
Rabbi Marci N. Bellows

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



As one walks down the Religious School's hallways, you can hear the melodious sounds of our students practicing the Four Questions. We are reading the Hagaddah to learn *Dayenu*, the Ten Plagues, and the importance of the number four.

Have you ever thought about the Hagaddah and the role it plays at our seder? Hagaddah comes from the Hebrew word *hageed*, which means telling. A compilation of seder rituals, prayers, and stories, the Hagaddah helps us relate to and relive the story of our people's communal history of bondage and liberation from Egypt.

To observe Passover fully, we are commanded to observe three rituals:

- Eat matzah during the seder meal
- Refrain from eating or owning *chametz*, or leavened products, during Passover
- Tell the story of the Exodus

And for this, we need the Hagaddah!

The origins of the Hagaddah date back to approximately

the year 200. It is believed that this is the approximate date of the origins of the Hagaddah since that is when the *Mishnah*, Judaism's oral law, was published. It is in the *Mishnah* that the seder's order and blessings are outlined. In the twelfth century the Hagaddah became a separate book.

There are many *Hagaddot* that your family might enjoy. *My Very Own Hagaddah* by Judyth Groner and Madeline Wikler introduces young children to Passover's symbols, blessings, and songs. It also includes simple recipes and craft ideas. You might also want to try *A Family Hagaddah* by Elie M. Gindi. It has vibrant illustrations and an easy to read format making it a great choice for any family seder. For all of you who are tired of the winter we are having, there is a Hagaddah for you connecting two rites of spring; baseball and Passover. *The Baseball Hagaddah* by Rabbi Sharon G. Forman teaches values such as love of freedom, kindness to strangers, and concern for others. This user friendly Hagaddah is a great choice for any family that wants to celebrate The Festival of Freedom and springtime in fifteen innings.

Wishing you and your family a *Ziessen Pesach*,

L'Shalom,
Elisa Blank, Director of Education

INSPIRATION FROM OUR CANTOR



April, for many years, has been the month to celebrate Jewish music and its historical place in the life and development of our worship and spiritual expression, both inside and outside the sanctuary. While most modern day compositions (modern day referring to the last 800 years!) were inspired by our liturgy, expressed in Hebrew, English, Yiddish, Spanish, French, Italian and even African languages, some compositions were created around created texts, not found in the traditional liturgy. While all of this is supported by vast academic and scholarly writings, nevertheless, the true impact of this heritage has been best expressed in more visceral terms.

In our congregation, I refer to the joyful, often moving renderings of the repertoire, as reflected in the participation of our three choirs, Youth, Teen and Adult. We must never take their presence in the life of our congregation for granted! In all three groups, different kinds of activities are always in competition for their time, especially the Youth and Teen groups. I must emphasize here, the particular and exemplary support and dedication shown by the parents of these two groups. Without parental support, these groups would not exist!

Unlike the Adult Choir members, who are mature and independent adults, our Youth and Teen members rely and depend upon their parents and guardians to guarantee their presence at rehearsals and events and give to them the much needed emotional support that is so necessary to their success.

I am most grateful for that! Just as we should never take the presence of our choirs for granted, for the Youth and Teen Choirs, we must also never take for granted the devotion of their parents!

In a time when the choral presence is significantly diminishing in the culture of the Reform synagogue, we are very fortunate that our groups continue to bring their desires and skills to our midst. Having consulted with a number of my colleagues around the country and, especially in Manhattan and Long Island, I have found that congregations which once had a proud tradition of the choral expression have replaced it with other musical forms, most recently, the professional temple band.

Temple B'nai Torah, for a brief period, also had a temple band. Its participation was designed to join with, and enhance, the choirs, the guitar presence and the more sophisticated passive-participation choral selections. I pride myself on the efforts to create and maintain an eclectic musical expression in our congregation.

It is a strange phenomenon that our own preconceived notions about the choral presence may fool us into thinking that the choir cannot enhance congregational participation. To the contrary, many of the common repertoire selections, repeated often when the choirs sing, are meant to elicit participation! Try it the next time you're at services when the choirs participate.

If you notice, I never describe the choirs in terms of "performance," only "participation." This is a significant philosophical perception that is at the core of choral presentation.

To participate in the gestalt of the sanctuary service experience has different meaning and nuance than performing. That is exemplified by the true nature of the choir experience. The choral presence becomes a part of the experience of the service, not the solo voice that stands out. The mark of a good choir is to hear an "ensemble" expression, not any one particular voice outstanding (unless, of course, there is a solo selection).

I do hope that you will add your voice to the voices on the bima, no matter how they are expressed, the next time you join us for a worship experience.

April is "Adventures in Music" month! Join us on four Mondays -- March 30th, April 13th, 20th and 27th for our sixth annual series that explores all facets of Jewish music and related categories.

Join us at noon for an exciting presentation followed by a light lunch, presented in cooperation and with the support of the Chai Club. Watch the TBT Scroll and informational flyers for more details.

This year, our series is entirely underwritten by Jerry Post in honor and memory of Loretta Post. We are most grateful to Jerry for assuming this mitzvah, previously supported by Ed Kliegman, now, of blessed memory.

Cantor Steve Sher



CHAI LIGHTS



Best wishes for a very Happy Passover. Enjoy celebrating our customs at home, with your family and/or friends, and or at our temple. Chai Club sponsors a Family Seder on Saturday, April 4th, chaired by Joan and Brian Levy and Marilyn and Ed Pincus, and led by Cantor Sher. Thank you very much as your efforts bring so much joy to so many

Last month, although the weather was challenging, we had a terrific meeting led by Rabbi Bellows, who spoke about changes in Reform Judaism. We left having learned so much and looking forward to a part-two program. Our Adventures-in-Music Series, sponsored by Chai Club and organized by Cantor Sher, began Monday, March 30th, with classical guitarists File & Rene Sahir. I know the three programs this month, Mondays April 13th, 20th and 27th will be just as great. Thank you lunch preparers Tessa, Shelley, Barbara and Janis. Also last month our Chai Trip to see "1776" was so much fun. Pearl, you could organize this trip in your sleep. You are a pro. This month, in addition to our Adventures-in-Music Programs, our general meeting features our member Martha Kolodkin sharing with us "Where Things Came From", items such as the ice cream cone. Join us Monday, April 6th at 7:30pm for a very enjoyable learning experience and a talented and knowledgeable speaker.

Chai Club members join our other arms for so many temple events. We are one temple. Many will be joining Couples Club on a trip to see "Man of La Mancha" on Saturday, April 18th. Watch the scroll, and the TBT Times calendar. Call me with your questions about participating in any events. Also join Chai Club even at the end of this year, if you are fifty years of age (even one member of a couple) or have been a member of a Temple or Temples for a combined eighteen (ah, Chai) years. Be a part of this special temple group. Have a great, and a much warmer, month. Enjoy the flowers.

Rita
Chai Club President



"Changes In Judaism" was the topic presented by Rabbi Bellows at The Chai Clubs meeting in March. The evening was full of ideas and opinions. The subject was so interesting that Rabbi Bellows will be invited back at a future time to continue the discussion.

BROTHERHOOD SPEAKS



March is over. April has arrived and is moving quickly. We hope everyone enjoyed the February Cornish Hen dinner prepared by Chef Marc Weisel, the fabulous March Sunday Breakfasts highlighted by the March 1st Pancake Breakfast, the March Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner prepared by Chef Brian Katzman and crew as well as the March 31st Brotherhood Seder (Jewish Men's Journey). I also hope everyone is finally thawing out after the record breaking winter and everyone had a great Purim.



We look forward to everyone attending our Brotherhood Shabbat, scheduled for Friday, April 10th, and the upcoming Sunday Morning breakfasts April 19th and 26th. Sunday

breakfast is only \$4 for a gourmet breakfast!

COME ON DOWN.

May you all have a Ziesen Pesach



Irish Steppers from the Hagen School of Irish Dance in Long Beach perform at Brotherhood's March Dinner Meeting



Esther Phillips about to pick the winning ticket while The Chai Club Birthday Kids look on.



OUR COMMUNITY

Pack & Troop 189

It was another solid month!

The Troop went camping to Resica Falls Scout Reservation in Pennsylvania. It was a snowy weekend for the boys as they went on the last cabin trip of the program year. It was also the first trip that our newest scouts were able to attend. Seven boys transitioned from being Webelos Scouts into our Troop, including Pack 189's very own Patrick Fioribello. The new scouts started working on their basic skills under the guidance of some of the older boys, and the rest of the troop worked on developing cold weather skills. After, they all got a chance to play in the snow.

The same weekend, the Pack went up to Frost Valley YMCA, an environmental sciences camp located outside of Liberty in the Catskill Mountains. Many of the Cubs brought their families, and everyone had a great time. Activities at Frost Valley range from fun (sledding, snow tubing, and archery, for example), to educational (geology, outdoor

living skills, and rocket building). Pack 189 attends with Pack 96, another Wantagh pack, and the kids have a great time getting to know each other. Saturday night, we have a fire in the common room and roast marshmallows, make S'mores, and enjoy each other's company.

As mentioned above, Patrick Fioribello has completed the Arrow of Light and moved up to the troop. The Arrow of Light is the only Cub Scout award that boys can continue to wear on their uniform as Boy Scouts, and it is also worn by adults who earned it as boys. It takes a great deal of work to finish, and we are very proud of the effort he put in. He will do well in the troop, and the pack wishes him the best.

That is all for this month. If you would like more information about the Pack or the Troop, please email cubmaster@pack189ny.com or scoutmaster@troop189ny.com.

J.J. Scotch



Scouts on Sleds



I shot an arrow...



Daisies Have Fun Too



Frost Valley Trip

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This month I have turned the President's column over to Housing VP Shelley Lomove and Housing Chairperson, Tessa Kean. Many of you are not aware of the expenses that our Temple has throughout the year. You might wonder where your dues are spent. I have asked them to put together a small "sampling" of some of the expenses incurred this winter.



HOW DID YOUR HOME DO THIS WINTER?

We all know that this winter was a difficult one. We would like you all to know how our temple building fared this winter. We incurred many extraordinary expenses during the extreme weather conditions we experienced. Our building, like us, is not getting any younger. Here is a sampling of what we faced so far this year: we had a burst pipe which was weather related (\$3,500), our outside sign was damaged (\$3,500), many snow removal charges were incurred (our snow remover comes to visit when the snow is over two inches high and comes sometimes several visits per snow-more than \$5,000), there was damage to the BNTY office due to the burst pipe, our washing machine was replaced (due to age), extra heating and gas and electricity bills were incurred due to excessive cold weather (\$2,6000), pipes needed repair due to age, maintenance expenses were higher than usual due to extra work hours (\$85,460). These are the most significant expenses. Winter has been abusive to us all.

Thank G-d, our congregants feel as the Housing Committee does. We must maintain our building just as we maintain our primary residences. The House Committee appreciates all your cooperation when we do make repairs and your patience when we try to do our best when snow and ice have been difficult to remove. We appreciate your understanding and patience. Special thanks go to Sue-Ellen, our office staff and our loyal custodians who help us "weather" all storms.

Remember: our dues and the generous donations of our congregants help us maintain our beautiful second home. Thank you all for supporting our congregation. May next year be an easier year for us all.

*Sherrill Spatz
Congregation President*

TBT-PTA

Spring is a productive time for the PTA. We want to wish everyone a very happy Passover. Our Passover Candy Sale was a huge success. Thank you Stephanie for making sure we get all our goodies in time for the holiday. Thank you also to all our sellers and customers.

The PTA is now planning for our end of the year Pizza, Prayer, DANCE PARTY! We will have an amazing DJ and dance the evening away with our children. This event will take place on Saturday, May 2nd from 5pm-8pm. All religious school students are welcome. Please make sure to send in your form so we are sure to have enough pizza.

Box Tops collection is going great. Please make sure to continue bringing in your Box Tops. We are happy to announce that we will now be collecting Campbell's labels also. Please cut those out and send them into school. These are easy fundraisers that do not cost you extra money. Talk to your family and friends and ask them to cut and donate.

Our next two meetings will be on Sunday April 19th, and Sunday May 3rd, at 10am in the social hall. **WE NEED YOUR INPUT!** We will be discussing next year's programming. Everyone's participation is welcome so please drop by.

*Written by
Alissa Neches*



OUR COMMUNITY

COUPLES CLUB & SINGLES CLUB

NEITHER SNOW NOR SLEET



It was a dark and stormy night the evening of February 21st, when forty-three courageous Couples Club members braved the slings and arrows of outrageous weather to join in friendly combat at our

Games Night. The buffet dinner coordinated by Ed (The Deliverer) and Marilyn Pincus, was a Bacchanalian feast. Ira Friedman once again coordinated our exciting horse racing. The unending laughter from the younger contingent highlighted our evening.

As usual, we showed up in force at the Temple Square Dance and the March 28th "Matzoh Ball": Masquerade Dinner/Dance. On March 4th several members participated in the Purim Spiel, and on March 27th we had our annual Couples Club Service.

The planned events for this year include: April 19th- "Man of La Mancha" show and Gelato festival; May- Museum of the Moving Image in Queens; June-High Line and Chelsea Market (NYC visit).

The lyrics for the theme of "Couples Club: The Movie" have been recorded. It is a pre-release favorite for the 2016 award year. This is the first stanza of the lyrics, sung to the tune of "Chariots of Fire".

*"The Alpha Arm"
Oh We Are A Family
A Family Of Friends
Oh We're Always Eating
Our Meal Never Ends.*

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, how great the Couples Club is. You will be welcomed into the group, and very soon you will feel as if you were a long-time member. We would like to share this feeling with all TBT members. The Couples Club members actively participate in the other arms' functions, Chai Club and Sisterhood activities. Being part of our family makes it easier to become engaged in the areas that interest you, as you will always have a friend in attendance.

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.

Couples Club's monthly word of wisdom: Sometimes it is the people who no one imagines anything of who do the things that no one can imagine.

Fred Dinstell

FROM THE EDITOR'S PEN

You've Got Four Questions....We've Got Answers.....

Or, should it read, "You've got Question!"

The "Four Questions" is the highlight of every seder. But are there four questions, or five, or maybe only one? As a young boy, reading from the Maxwell House Haggadah, I couldn't help but see the English translation had five questions. After all, "Why is this night different from all other nights?" counts as a question, doesn't it? So why is it uncounted?



Recently I noticed the questions in the original Hebrew aren't exactly questions. They translate without the word, "Why?" I've wondered about that for many years. One year ago it was pointed out to me that the 'Four Questions', are truly the 'Four Answers' to the one title question. Turns out the youngest at the table isn't asking anything, but is teaching us what to expect during the seder.

Meanwhile I'm OK with the matzo, the bitter herbs, and the reclining. Now if I only knew exactly why we dip not once, but twice.

Mark Chester, Editor



OUR COMMUNITY

OUR TBT SISTERHOOD SOURCE



Ladies, are you super-tired from preparing for Seders? Or will you and your family be guests somewhere? Perhaps you'll even be attending the temple's Second Night Community Seder on April 4. Wherever you are, whoever you're with, I hope you enjoy the Passover holiday. And don't let the matzoh get to you.

So what's coming up this month? Well, our "biggie" is the Gala Dinner and Auction on Saturday evening, April 25. I hope you'll all support this function by attending. We've had Chinese Dinners/Auctions in the past but this year, we want the menfolk to join us. In fact, event chair Joni Christie and her committee are gearing a number of our prizes specifically to the guys. It should be a fun evening with delicious food and the raffle tickets are very reasonably priced. As of the

writing of this column, I believe we've got over 100 great prizes.

We're not giving you much of a break from Sisterhood-sponsored events. The very next day, on Sunday, April 26 at 1:00 in the afternoon, we'll be entertained by comedian Mark Brier, a throwback to the "borscht belt" comics, as we present "Laughs at the Temple."

I'm always happy to brag about Sisterhood and our activities. We're busy all year long...planning, doing, and making TBT shine!

*Sincerely,
Diane Schoenberg
Sisterhood President*

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by

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Letters, we get letters.....

After my sojourn on the mishaberach list I'd like to express my appreciation to the Caring Committee and Chai Club for their good wishes, to Rabbi Bellows for her caring concern, to Cantor Sher for his jovial, encouraging phone calls and wonderfully positive outlook. And for the rest of my temple friends my appreciation is boundless.

Thank you!

Sincerely, Marilyn ("Maggie") Leidner

OUR COMMUNITY

APRIL

APRIL			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 • 9:30am-12:30pm Seder Set-up (S/H) • 3:00pm B/M Rehearsal (Sanc.) • Office Closes @3:00pm • 5:30pm Erev Pesach Shabbat Service - 1st Night	4 • 9:30-11:00am Torah Study (K/L) • 10:30am First Day Pesach Morning Shabbat Svc • 6:00pm Chai Club 2nd day Seder (S/H)
5 • Building Closed • No Religious School	6 • No Rel. School • 12:00pm Torah Study (K/L) • No Teen Choir • 7:30-9:30pm Adult Choir (201) • 7:30pm Chai Club Gen. Mtg (K/L) • 8:30-10:00pm BNTY Sr. (Y/L)	7 • No Religious School • 10:00am AI Anon (K/L)	8 • 10:30am Bingo	9 • 7:30pm 7th Night Pesach Svc/Yizkor	10 • Office Closed - Passover • 3:00pm B/M Rehearsal (Sanc.) • 5:30pm Tot Shabbat Service • 8:00pm Brotherhood Shabbat Service	11 • 9:30-11:00am Torah Study (K/L) • 10:30am Shabbat Service • 12:00-4:00pm Rental set-up (S/H) • 4:00-11:00pm Rental (S/H)
12 • Building Closed • No Religious School	13 • No Rel. School • No BNTY • No Teen Choir • 11:30-1:00pm Adventures in Music (K/L) • 1:15pm Torah Study (K/L) • 6:45pm Sister- hood Exec. Mtg (K/L) • 7:00pm Jewish War Vets Mtg-S/H • 7:30pm Sister- hood Brd Mtg (K/L) • 7:30-9:30pm Adult Choir (201)	14 • 10:00am AI Anon (K/L) • 4:30-6:00pm Religious School • 7:00pm Brotherhood Exec. Mtg (104) • 7:30-9:00pm Religious Ed Mtg (107) • 8:00pm Brotherhood Board Mtg (K/L)	15 • 10:30am Bingo • 7:00pm Yom Hashoah Svc (Away)	16 • 6:00-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30pm Bingo	17 • 10:00-11:30am Chai Club Budget Mtg (Lib.) • 3:00pm B/M Rehearsal (Sanc.) • 6:00pm Pre-Neg • 6:30pm Kabbalat Service	18 • 9:30-11:00am Torah Study (K/L) • 10:30am Service (1) B/M Stum • 12:00-2:00pm B/M luncheon Stum (S/H) • 4:00pm Men Who Cook Set-up (S/H) • 6:00-10:00pm Men Who Cook (S/H)
19 • 9:00am Rel. School • 9:00-11:30am Rel. School Dance Class (K/L) • 9:15am Brotherhood Brkfst (S/H) • 10:00am PTA Mtg (S/H) • 10:00-11:00am Membership Mtg (Library) • 11:30-noon Youth Choir (201) • 1:00pm Wandering Jew Series (K/L) • 2:00pm Couples Club Event (Away) • 7:00-11:00pm Cabaret Reh.-S/H	20 • 11:30-1:00pm Adventures in Music (K/L) • 1:15pm Torah Study (K/L) • 5:30-6:30pm BNTY Jr. (Y/L) • 6:30-7:00pm Teen Choir (Rm. 201) • 7:00-8:30pm Religious School • 7:30-9:30pm Adult Choir (Rm. 201) • 8:30-10:00pm BNTY Sr. (Y/L)	21 • 10:00am AI Anon (K/L) • 4:30-6:00pm Religious School • 7:00-10:00pm Cabaret Reh. (S/H) • 7:30pm Ritual Com. Mtg (K/L)	22 • 10:30am Bingo • 6:30pm Yom Haatzmaut Celebration	23 • 5:00pm B/M photos Berman Family (Sanc.) • 6:00-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30pm Bingo	24 • 3:00pm B/M Rehearsal (Sanc.) • 8:00pm Erev Shabbat Service • NFTY Spring Kallah (Camp Eisner)	25 • 9:30-11:00am Torah Study (K/L) • 10:30am Service (1) B/M Berman • 3:30pm Sisterhood Auction set-up (S/H) • 6:15pm Sisterhood Chinese Auction Fundraiser (S/H) • NFTY Spring Kallah (Camp Eisner)
26 • 9:00am Rel. School • 9:15am Brotherhood Breakfast (S/H) • 11:30-noon Youth Choir (Rm. 201) • 11:45-1:45pm Adult Conf. Class (101/103) • 1:00pm Sisterhood Program (K/L) • 7:00-11:00pm Cabaret Reh. (S/H) • NFTY Spring Kallah (Camp Eisner)	27 • 11:30-1:00pm Advent. in Music (K/L) • 1:15pm Torah Study (S/H) • 1:15pm MWI (K/L) • 5:30pm BNTY Jr. Y/L • 6:30-7:00pm Teen Choir (Rm. 201) • 7:00-8:30pm Religious School • 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 AI Anon K/L • 4:30-6:00pm Religious School • 6:45pm Exec. Board Mtg (Rm. 104) • 7:00-10:00pm Cabaret Reh. (S/H) • 8:00pm Board Meeting (K/L)	29 • 10:30am Bingo	30 • 6:00-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L) • 7:30pm Bingo		



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