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The Robyn Helzner Trio World Jewish Music

Mastering a repertoire of authentic Jewish music in Hebrew, Yiddish, Ladino, and English, the Robyn Helzner Trio delivers performances with warmth, humor, and a commanding energy. From Beijing to Biloxi and Moscow to Miami, the Trio's award winning combination of song, style and artistry has made them leading interpreters of World Jewish Music.

Performer in Residence
Weekend
Celebrating Cantor Sher's
40 years in the Cantorate

Friday, November 20
6:30 PM Kabbalat Services
Sermon-in-Song

Saturday, November 21
7:30 PM **FREE** Concert
featuring
The Robyn Helzner Trio

Go to
https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=Robyn+Helzner+trio for a taste of their music

Sunday, November 22
9:30 – 11:30 AM
A Special **FREE** Edition of
“Wandering Jew” Series
featuring
Cantor Robyn Helzner

Sunday, November 22
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM
Brunch program
Honoring
Cantor Steven Sher

Robyn Helzner is luminous on stage. A stunning vocalist and vivid storyteller, Helzner brings a life-long appreciation of the power of folk music to resonate across cultural boundaries.

Dov Weitman, a virtuoso on mandolin and guitar, drives the Trio's spot-on instrumentals and arranges the group's signature vocal harmonies. **Matt Holsen** an accomplished singer and instrumentalist, grew up in Spain and Chile, bringing a unique mix of music from three cultures to the touch of his bass and the timbre of his voice.

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Inspired by these events, she formed the Robyn Helzner Trio. Two decades later, the Trio continues to perform music that reaches into the hearts and souls of its listeners.

Helzner officiated at the first bar mitzvah held in Beijing, China, and has worked with Congregations in Hong Kong, Shanghai and Tokyo.

Recent Trio performances include the 2nd International Jewish Music Festival in Amsterdam/The Netherlands, and a national celebration of Israel's birthday that attracted 50,000 people to Washington, D.C. The group has been featured at the Smithsonian Institution, the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, and in concerts sponsored by the Covenant Foundation for Louisiana and Mississippi communities struggling to rebuild in the wake of hurricane devastation.

The Trio's recordings, *Signs & Wonders*, *Hearts Awaken* and *A Fire Burns* showcase the lively rhythms and evocative melodies of the vast Jewish cultural landscape.

B'NAI MITZVAH



Nov. 14

Jared Sanoff-Wiener

Robert & Melissa

My name is Jared Sanoff-Wiener. I am 12 years old and in eighth grade at Salk Middle School. I love playing all sports, especially soccer and hockey. I have two great brothers, fun parents, a cute cat and an adorable fluffy puppy. I love spending time on our boat and going on family vacations. I want to be a veterinarian when I am older, so I study really hard and I spend some free time shadowing at my veterinarian's office.

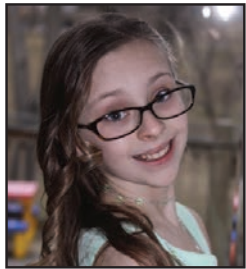


Nov. 14

Elyssa Finkel

Stephen & Tina

My name is Elyssa Finkel. I am a seventh grader at JFK Middle School in Bethpage. I love to dance and attend ten dance classes a week. For my Bat Mitzvah project I wanted to help others while doing what I love. I helped teach a dance class where some of the students have Cerebral Palsy. I really enjoyed helping the girls learn their dance for the recital. I would like to thank Rabbi Bellows and Cantor Sher for helping me prepare for my Bat Mitzvah. I could not have done it without their support.

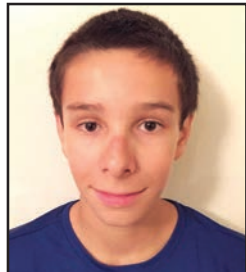


Nov. 21

Rebecca Sirof

Steven & Melanie

Rebecca is a seventh grader at Merrick Avenue Middle School. She spends as much time as possible in ballet classes dancing en pointe. Recently she joined the Middle School Cross Country team and the literary club and the science club. She is an avid reader who loves fantasy books. She also is an animal lover (even snakes and reptiles!). Becca has learned so much about reading from the Torah from Mrs. Altman (thank you!) and is excited to help lead the service on November 21st surrounded by her family and friends.



Nov. 21

Jake Sollitto

Jon & Andrea

Jake is a wonderful and gifted child. We are blessed to have him in our lives. He excels at any sport he competes at, whether baseball, basketball or flag football; he will give it his all. And he's a good sport about it, never boasting or bragging but always a team player. In school he has achieved honor roll recognition. Jake is very eager to help around the house. He is a very caring and compassionate young man who is loved by his family; parents Andi and Jon, siblings Danielle, Josh & Alex, grandparents Pappa Chet and Gram-cracker Betty, dog Hailey and many friends.



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RITUAL CALENDAR NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2015

Saturday, November 1		Daylight Savings Time Ends
Friday, November 6	7:30pm	Family Service
Friday, November 13	5:30 pm	TOT Shabbat
	8:00 pm	Shabbat Service - Kristallnacht/ Jewish War Vets
Saturday, November 14	10:30am	Shabbat Service – 2 BM
Friday, November 20	6:30pm	Kabbalat Shabbat
Wednesday, November 18	7:30pm	Ritual Committee Meeting (away)
Saturday, November 21	10:30am	Shabbat Service – 2 BM
Wednesday, November 25	7:00pm	Community Thanksgiving Service
Friday, November 27	6:30 pm	Shabbat Service
Friday, December 4	7:30pm	Family Service
Sunday, December 6	Sundown	First Candle Chanukah
Tuesday, December 8	7:30pm	Ritual Committee Meeting
Friday, December 11	5:30pm	TOT Shabbat Service
	7:30pm	Chanukah Shabbat Service
Sunday, December 13	Sundown	Eighth Candle Chanukah
Friday, December 18	6:30pm	Kabbalat Shabbat
Saturday, December 19	10:30am	Shabbat Service - 1BM
Friday, December 25	6:30pm	Shabbat Service
Friday, January 1	6:30pm	Shabbat Service



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OUR COMMUNITY

On the **first night** of Chanukah, Sunday, December 6th, recite all three blessings before kindling the Chanukah lights. On **every subsequent night** only the first two are recited.

Blessing over Candles

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם

Barukh atah Adonai, Eloheinu, melekh ha'olam

Blessed are you, Lord, our God, sovereign of the universe

אשר קדשנו במצותיו וצונו

asher kidishanu b'mitz'votav v'tzivanu

Who has sanctified us with His commandments and commanded us

להדליק נר של חנוכה: (אמן)

l'had'lik neir shel Chanukah. (Amein)

to light the lights of Chanukah. (Amen)

Blessing for Chanukah

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם

Barukh atah Adonai, Eloheinu, melekh ha'olam

Blessed are you, Lord, our God, sovereign of the universe

שעשה נסים לאבותינו בימים ההם בזמן הזה: (אמן)

she'asah nisim la'avoteinu bayamim haheim baziman hazeh. (Amein)

Who performed miracles for our ancestors in those days at this time (Amen)

Shehecheyanu (first night only)

ברוך אתה יי אלהינו מלך העולם

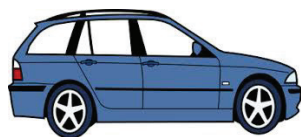
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שהחיינו וקיימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה: (אמן)

shehecheyanu v'kiyimanu v'higi'anu laz'man hazeh. (Amein)

who has kept us alive, sustained us, and enabled us to reach this season (Amen)



SAVE \$\$\$ ON YOUR CAR INSURANCE – Read below

On Sunday, November 8th, 2015,

TBT Brotherhood will be sponsoring a

Defensive Driving Class

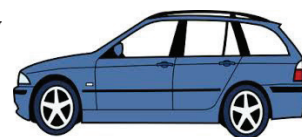
The class will be held in the TBT Kiddush Lounge and will begin promptly at 10 a.m.

The cost is \$55 per person.

Checks made payable to Safeway.

RSVPs are kindly requested, so we can insure there are enough tables for everyone.

RSVPs or Questions, contact Mike Bruno: (516) 679-2407 or, ejvbonds@gmail.com



INSPIRATION FROM OUR RABBI



Shalom, Chaverim,

I am delighted to share with you an excerpt from my Kol Nidre sermon, *Lashon Hara* (Gossip):

I remind you of the following classic Jewish tale, adapted beautifully by Rabbi Amy Scheinerman.

Yankel lived in a small town in Eastern Europe. He knew everyone in town, and everyone knew him.

Yankel knew everyone because he found people interesting. He liked to talk about everyone, everything they did, and tell stories about them: who was friends with whom, who did business with whom, who took a trip with whom, conversations he overheard, and much more. He often embellished the stories he told, adding details from his imagination to make the story more interesting, or changing them to make them funnier or sadder.

The people who lived in Yankel's town began to avoid Yankel precisely because he told stories about them. Sometimes the stories were true. Often they were exaggerated or entirely made up. But in either case, the people of the town resented Yankel talking about them and telling stories about them. They stopped talking to Yankel. When he approached them, they turned and walked in another direction. When he tried to speak with them, they shook their heads "no" and turned away from him. If he knocked on their doors, they pretended they weren't home. Yankel began to feel isolated: no one would talk with him and everyone avoided him.

He went to his rabbi and shared his tale of woe. "No one will speak to me. No one wants to be with me. What's happening?"

The rabbi knew about Yankel's habit of spreading gossip and making up stories about people. She understood why people were avoiding him. But she also knew that Yankel was not, by nature, a mean or cruel person. He simply enjoyed the attention he had received for telling stories, at least until people became annoyed and fed up with him.

The rabbi said, "Yankel, the people in our community do not like it when you tell stories about them, either stories that are true, but especially those that are not."

"But they are just stories!" Yankel responded in frustration. "They're just words. They disappear like the wind. What harm could they possibly do?"

The rabbi looked at Yankel for a moment. Then she said, "Do you have a feather pillow at home, Yankel?"

"Sure," Yankel replied.

"Please bring it to me now," the rabbi said.

Yankel thought this was a strange request, but he trusted the rabbi's wisdom and so he ran home, grabbed a feather pillow, and returned to the rabbi. The rabbi took him outside with the pillow and a pair of scissors.

"Cut the pillow open and empty the pillow of its feathers," she instructed Yankel.

"Rabbi, are you kidding? It will make a mess."

The rabbi just smiled and nodded, so Yankel cut open the feather pillow and shook out all the feathers. A breeze picked them up and sent them sailing through town, whirling and swirling in the air. It was a pretty sight, and the two stood watching the feathers sail in the wind for a few minutes. Then the rabbi said, "Now, Yankel, please collect each and every feather and put it back in the pillow."

"Surely you're kidding, Rabbi," Yankel replied in surprise. "That's impossible! They're everywhere, all over town by now, and some have probably floated beyond town."

"You're correct, Yankel. You cannot bring back all the feathers. That is the nature of lashon ha-ra. The rumors you spread, the gossip you share, and the stories you tell about people are like the feathers. Once the words leave your mouth, you have no idea where they will land, and no way to get them back. The gossip and stories you think are fun and entertaining are hurtful to other people."

Yankel stood silently for some time. He had never meant to hurt anyone. He enjoyed telling stories and enjoyed the attention he got for telling them—until people stopped talking to him and avoided him. Yankel thanked the rabbi for her wisdom, and set out to apologize to everyone in town about whom he had spread rumors and told stories.

God knows that we do wrong, but we can do better. Chapter 1 of Isaiah conveys this message. It reads, "Your hands are stained with crime – wash yourselves clean. Put your evil doings away from My sight. Cease to do evil. Learn to do good. Devote yourselves to justice. Aid the wronged. Uphold the rights of orphans. Defend the cause of the widow. Come, let's reach an understanding, says Adonai."

Here is your chance to do better. The time has come for us to look inside ourselves, and to acknowledge these transgressions. Too many of us gossip, and strike down our neighbor in some form or another. And compared to other possible transgressions, it may seem quite minor and harmless. And we may do these things privately. Which makes it even more up to us to stop these actions, and repent before Adonai during these Yamim Noraim, these Days of Awe.

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INSPIRATION FROM OUR CANTOR



On the weekend of November 20-22, 2015, a wonderful series of activities will celebrate my 40 years as a cantor. Beginning Friday evening, during our Kabbalat Shabbat service, the Robyn Helzner Trio will join our service for an exciting Sermon-in-Song. On Saturday evening, The Trio will present a full concert evening, starting at 7:30PM. The Trio, a stylized Jewish version of groups like Peter, Paul and Mary, will present several selections, oriented to both performance and participation. This concert will be free of charge and open to the public. On Sunday morning, Robyn Helzner, who has spent many years as a High Holiday cantor, in Beijing, China, will present a special edition of my "Wandering Jew" series, also at no charge.

This weekend of programming is made possible by a generous contribution from Michael and Janine Berg, to whom I am most grateful for their continued and enthusiastic support for these and several previous programs. Without the Bergs and Ed Kliegman, of blessed memory, these offerings could not have been made.

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I am delighted to be honored by these presentations for this most auspicious destination in my journey as a cantor. As well, I look forward to continuing this journey as your cantor in the future.

Please look for more publicity and detailed information to come in the form of flyers and our weekly temple scroll. More information with wonderful photos and videos can be found at www.helzner.com. I have seen the Trio perform several times in New York and Washington, D.C. They are one of my very favorite Jewish performing groups. Please avail yourself of this opportunity. You won't be disappointed!

Cantor Steve Sher

Rabbi Marci N. Bellows Continued from page 5

Gerhard Von Rad, a 20th century commentator, writes, "There is a superb element in Israel's commitment to the righteous will of God above all spheres of life, especially to a will which is operative precisely when man believes himself to be alone with himself. Israel makes itself the executor of this divine will by carrying it into the secret pathways of life."

In other words, Von Rad is pointing out the unique and special nature of our relationship with God. We do not just struggle to act righteously out in public, where we are constantly accountable, but also in private, in secret, when we are alone with God. This is our privilege and our honor as children of Israel.

Let us look inward this year. Let's be honest with ourselves about our talents and our faults, and let's honestly evaluate where we would like to be. Together, as Temple B'nai Torah, we can all make this journey to righteousness together. May we all become closer to true Mentschs, to true human beings, this coming year.

Ken Y'hi Ratzon, May this be God's will. Amen.

Rabbi Marci N. Bellows

BROTHERHOOD NEWS & VIEWS



Greetings to all. In case you were wondering, it's not too late to join. This is a reminder to all Brotherhood members who have not already

done so to send in their dues. It's only \$45 for the entire year. To those of you who have never become members or who for some reason ceased to be members, it's time to consider being part of the fellowship. If you are a new Temple member, you already have a complimentary first year membership. Get active and be part of our programs.

The Jewish holidays are now over. Thank you again to Ushering Chairman, David Forman and all your Brotherhood volunteers who provided ushering for the High Holy Days services. Also, a big thank you goes to Ed Blecher, Richard Tepper, Les Richards, Julia Brite and Stacy Grossbard for putting up and decorating the beautiful Sukkah in a limited amount of time. Then on Oct 1st, with the threat of severe incoming weather, Julia with help from Janis Beldner took down all the decorations. The next morning in the rain, Ed, Les, Richard and Julia dismantled the Sukkah. We are grateful to all of you for your quick action.

Thank you to Brian Levy, who in late September sent out a care package to a warrant officer in Afghanistan. Sending these personal care packages to our active deployed soldiers is an important Social Action project of Brotherhood. Brian has asked that we continue to donate items in the basket in the Temple lobby. If you have the name and address of a deployed soldier, please get that info to Brian. If not, Brian will get such info from his sources.

Our breakfast and dinner programs are going well. Thank you to Mike Bruno and the entire Brotherhood kitchen crew. Come down and schmooze with us on Sunday mornings for a great breakfast whenever Religious School is in session.

We had a great dinner on October 20th thanks to head chefs Chuck Coene, Eric Altman and their staff. With identity theft being on the rise, our program featured a speaker on "How to Avoid Becoming a Victim and Reactive Tactics to an Incident" The deadline for you to join us for our annual Brotherhood/Sisterhood Dinner, on Nov 17th, is just days away. This is a catered dinner and for the program we will hear from Jewish Humorist Al Kustanowitz. Also, watch the flyers for our December Monday Night Football Dinner which will be held away. The venue is still to be finalized.

Sunday November 29, is the date for Brotherhood's 21st annual winter Street Fair which, along with the summer fair,

is our largest fundraiser. We expect to have a steady flow of shoppers all day, as in past years. We have over 125 vendors selling varied types of merchandise and services. Thank you to Vendor Chairman Ben Cernese and your entire staff of literally dozens, including volunteers from both Brotherhood and Sisterhood. We are expecting a very successful day.

Chanukah (or however you spell it), begins on December 6. Whether you enjoy your latkes with applesauce, sour cream or dare I say naked, on behalf of my Co-President Mark Chester, the entire Brotherhood Board and its membership, I want to wish everyone a bright, happy, and healthy festival of lights of Maccabean proportions. Until the next issue of the TBT Times, I remain yours in Brotherhood.

David Schuster
Brotherhood Co-President

Brotherhood Thanks.....

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thoughts made me reflect on why I am the person and the Jew I am today.

One of the most meaningful Jewish experiences I had were the thirteen summers I spent at a Jewish sleep-away camp. I know firsthand the positive influence Jewish summer camp plays in the life of a growing child. The Jewish practices and customs so inherent to camp life become a part of a person well beyond the summer.

On Friday, December 4th at 7:30pm every parent and child will have the opportunity to see a presentation from Crane Lake and Eisner Camps to see if Jewish camping is the right choice for their child(ren). Summers at these camps will create memories and friendships that will last a lifetime. These experiences will help your children make positive Jewish choices as they grow. I encourage everyone to attend this presentation.

Of course, the greatest influence on me as a person and as a Jew, were my parents. They were always involved in my education and showed me the importance of always learning, even as an adult. When we attended family education programs, they demonstrated the importance of learning together and enjoying Jewish family experiences. Again, I encourage all of you to participate in all of our family education programs. Please mark your calendars with all of the important Religious School dates below.

Sunday, November 15

3rd Grade Family Education Program

Friday, December 4

Camp Shabbat - Crane Lake & Eisner Camps presentation

Sunday, December 6

PTA Chanukah celebration and Sisterhood Chanukah sale

Sunday, January 24

Tu B'Shevat Seder

Sunday, January 31

5th Grade Family Education Program

*Wishing all of you a Happy Thanksgiving
and a joyous Chanukah,*

Elisa Blank, Director of Education



BROTHERHOOD MEMBERSHIP

Having finished a fun-filled and successful year, the Temple B'nai Torah Brotherhood is looking forward to a great 2015-2016. The dues are \$45 for the year which entitles you to attend our monthly dinners (followed by entertainment), breakfasts on Sunday mornings (when Religious school is in session), , bowling and socializing with a fun group of guys. Please join us and enjoy get togethers and other activities to keep Brotherhood a strong and viable arm of the Temple.

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 drop it off in the Temple office. For further information, feel free to call Les Richards at (516) 753-4060 or E-mail him at: lesrichards@verizon.net.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As of this writing, the Mets are still involved in the baseball post-season chase. If they are still involved as you are reading this, it has been a great season!

The High Holidays were a huge success, on multiple levels. I would like to offer a hearty *Y'asher Koach* to the Rabbi, Cantor, organist, choir members, and all participants for making all of our services and associated programs more enjoyable. In addition, I would like to single out the Ritual Committee co-chairs, Jan Friedman and Martha Kolodkin, as well as VP of Spirituality Janee Loewenstein, for all of their hard work in organizing the participation of the congregation and seeing to it that all of the services ran smoothly. It is an enormous task, and they handled it with great aplomb.

November and December are very busy months for us all. I hope that this message will help serve as a reminder of some of the important things that are going on:

- November 1: the end of Daylight Saving Time. Don't forget to "fall back" one hour.
- November 3: Election Day - Get out and vote. There are some important local elections going on this year.
- November 13: we will honor our veterans and commemorate Kristallnacht.
- November 15: we will host our quarterly Triple Bingo game. If you can assist, please contact Rita (785-5827).
- November 20-22: Cantor Sher's celebration weekend, including a free concert by the Robyn Helzner Trio on November 21st. On the 22nd, there will be a special presentation of the "Wandering Jew" series at 9:30 am. Then, at 11:30 am, the Temple will fete Cantor Sher at a luncheon in honor of his forty years in the Cantorate. I hope that you will all make every effort to attend. Reservations are required; see the flyer elsewhere in this bulletin.
- November 25: Interfaith Thanksgiving service (here)
- November 26: Thanksgiving
- November 29: Brotherhood's annual Holiday Fair. This is a great opportunity for you to get some of your Hannukah shopping

done! There will be dozens of vendors, including several new ones.

I hope to see you there.

December 5, 6, 12 & 13: the TBT Junior Players will present "Little Shop of Horrors" Tickets are now available!

December 11: sixth night of Hannukah. Bring your hanukiyah to the Temple for a group candle-lighting ceremony.

December 20: our annual UJA Breakfast will long-time member Ellice Toscano for her continuous efforts on behalf of Temple B'nai Torah. Please join me in the Social Hall that morning to show your support.

I know you join me in congratulating Rabbi Marci Bellows, and her husband Seth Lindenman, on the approaching birth of their first child. We wish them nothing but the best as together they travel the road to parenthood.

Finally, from my house to yours, best wishes for a happy, healthy, safe and meaningful holiday season.

*See you around the Temple,
Rob Saunders
Congregation President*

INTERFAITH SERVICE AT TBT

Temple B'nai Torah hosts this year's Wantagh Clergy Council's Thanksgiving Interfaith Service Wednesday, November 25, at 7pm

**COME ENJOY AND SHARE
THIS EVENING WITH OUR
INTERFAITH COMMUNITY**

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The complete un-rolling and re-rolling of the Torah is a highlight of the Simchat Torah service.



The tradition of Tashlich following Rosh Hashanah Service. The location is the bridge at Forest City Park



IN THE HOUSE

Have you noticed our new handicapped accessible entrance? Our entrance to the temple from the back parking lot has been upgraded so that all of us will have a convenient, safe access to our Temple.

Did you know we have a new floor in Room 207 in our school? Thank you to Sue-Ellen for being there really early to oversee our contractors.

Did you know our walk in refrigerator has been updated? Repairs have been made so that food served at our many functions will be nice and cold.

Have you seen how our Temple has been spruced up by our custodial staff? We thank Prestige Maintenance for making our Temple shine.

Did you notice our beautiful gardens both front and back? Thank you to Les Richards, David Forman and Julia Brite for all their efforts.

Doesn't our new sign look beautiful? We thank our anonymous donors for their contributions so that gardening and electrical work could be done. Check out the sign on the Oakfield and Jerusalem side.

Please help us ensure everyone's safety and follow the rules of the road. We have noticed that congregants and guests do not adhere to the arrows and signs when entering or exiting the building. Enter on Oakfield Avenue and exit on Jerusalem Avenue. We know this may take a bit more time but safety is important to all of us.

New year, same building. If you see something that has to be attended to by our custodians, use the forms in the office and place the form in Sue-Ellen's mailbox. Thank you for your help.

May we continue to work on our building making it safe, comfortable and up-to-date.

Tessa Kean

CHAI LIGHTS



So the New Year has begun and we have shared the holidays of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah. Welcome Chai Club Members to another year of sharing together. If you have not yet joined, or are now eligible to join, call Harvey Drucker (our Financial Secretary) fill out the form in the lobby, or call me. The membership fee is still only \$18 – amazing!

In October, our first meeting featured Morris Sunshine with his stories of liberating camps after WWII. The previous night, we enjoyed and helped with the temple fundraiser, the Billy Joel Concert. Thank you to our past president Brian Levy for a job well done. Before that we joined with the Circle of Friends for Military Bridge. The joining of these two groups for events is definitely a good match.

So now in November, we are moving along. At our general meeting, on Monday, Nov. 2nd, at 7:30PM, plan to laugh with stories about Red Skelton. On the Sunday before, many of Chai Club will enjoy the Wandering Jew program with Cantor Sher at 1:30PM. November 15th is Triple Bingo. If you can help at this important fundraiser, please call me. A special event this month is Cantor Sher's Tribute Brunch celebrating his forty years as a Cantor. Make your reservation for this event to be held on Sunday, November 22nd, at 11:30AM. What a wonderful occasion to celebrate. Many of us will attend the Interfaith Thanksgiving Eve Service together on Wednesday evening.

In December, Chai Club will have our Gala Membership Dinner and Chanukah celebration. I know we will all have a great time. Reservation forms were sent, forms are in the lobby, and at all our meetings. Plan to attend this dinner celebration occurring Monday evening, December 7th at 6pm. We will have the ceremony of lighting the candles, Chanukah music and other Chanukah traditions.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving with your family and our Chai Club family as we look forward to enjoying Chanukah. We learn, enjoy and share so much together.

Rita Hofer, Chai Club President



This December, the TBT Jr. Players welcome you to join us in recalling a time when the human race "suddenly encountered a deadly threat to its very existence" as we proudly present Howard Ashman and Alan Menken's Little Shop of Horrors. The show will be presented in the Temple social hall on Saturdays, December 5th and 12th at 7:30 pm and Sundays, December 6th and 13th at 4:30 pm. Tickets can be purchased on Sundays in the Temple Lobby or by calling 516-557-6288.

The TBT Jr Players are proud to be entering our 44th year at Temple B'nai Torah. Evolving over time from the Suburban Junior Players to the TBT Jr Players, we provide an opportunity for the Temple youth to participate in the fine arts.



Our recent productions include Annie, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Suessical and You're a Good Man Charlie Brown. The cast of the TBT Jr Players is made up of children from our Temple and the local community, ages ten through eighteen. They start rehearsing in September, devoting three days a week to making sure they put on the best show they can.

In December, 2014 we said goodbye to our Executive Producer, Michael Katz. We are proud to welcome our new creative team for 2015, Rob Kramer, Director and Alicia Drexel, Musical Director.

We look forward to your joining us this December for our most ambitious production yet. Proceeds from the performances go to Temple B'nai Torah. So come support our Temple, and our youth. You are sure to have a good time!

Carl Ponticello



TBT-PTA

It has been an exciting start to the school year for our Religious School and the TBT-PTA! Now that the autumn holidays are behind us, we can gear up for winter fun! Hanukkah is just around the corner and we will be assisting with the class celebrations and Hanukkah sale on December 6th. On January 10th, we will be having our Tu B'Shevat Seder and help the classes make the leaves for our Tu B'Shevat tree. It is always great fun to be a part of this beautiful project. We can all use a bit more glitter in our lives! Please reach out to your class parents if you would like to help out with your class Hanukkah party and/or the Tu B'Shevat leaves.

We are also collecting family recipes for our TBT-PTA cookbook which will be on sale this spring. Please share your holiday favorites and treasured family recipes for this wonderful collection. More details to come!

Mark your calendars now for Family Bingo to be held on February 28th. Always a fun time for the whole family!

Upcoming PTA meetings will be held right after the Brotherhood Breakfast at 10:00am in Room 104. Dates are Sundays December 20th, January 31st and March 6th.

I encourage you to attend the meetings to learn about all the fun programs and projects happening in our Religious School and to volunteer just a little of your time. It is such a joy to see the kids learn about and celebrate the holidays. And remember, "Don't ever question the value of volunteers. Noah's Ark was built by volunteers; the Titanic was built by professionals."

*Ilene Hellman
PTA Communications Chair*

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

The New Year's Card Committee would like to thank all our congregants and office staff who participated in the annual New Year's Card fundraiser.

We raised approximately \$3000. We appreciate all your responses.

The New Year's Card Committee (Rita Drucker, Sarita Keyser, Tessa Kean)

OUR TBT SISTERHOOD SOURCE



I hope by now you have attended and enjoyed many of our activities. The next months are also filled with both new programs and old favorites. On Monday, November 10th is our annual Night of Beauty at Bangz Hair and Color Lounge. What a perfect place to pamper yourself! Bring your friends and join us for food, fun and female bonding.

Reserve your spot right away as this event usually fills up quickly. Then, on Tuesday, November 17th, we join with Brotherhood for another delicious dinner. Why not come down and enjoy an evening with tasty food and friends?

Thursday, November 26th is Thanksgiving. I like this holiday because it makes me realize how much I have to be thankful for. I am thankful for the freedom to pray as well as the opportunity to be with my extended family, and I am thankful I belong to a warm and welcoming organization like Temple B'nai Torah.

December holds many more Sisterhood activities! Sunday, December 6th is our Hannukah sale. There are many reasonably priced gifts for both children and adults. As always, our Judaica Shop is fully stocked to handle all your holiday needs! On Tuesday, December 8th we present The Comedy Of Motherhood. This interactive lecture offers a comical tribute to mothers through poems, songs and parodies. Monday, December 14th is our Evening of Learning. We join with other south shore Sisterhoods to offer the program "Chocolate... A Religious Experience". Here we will explore the history and ethics of Jews and chocolate.

At present, our Sisterhood is over 130 strong and still growing! For those of you who have not joined yet, I urge you to do so. We offer many opportunities for you to participate on any level. Feel free to contact me at arnopol51@gmail.com if you have any questions.

I hope that your Hannukah is full of family, friends, latkes and sufganiyot! As this year ends, may the next year bring us closer to those we love and to peace in our time.

*With affection,
Marlyn Appelt
Sisterhood President*

BLOG FROM RABBI MIRI GOLD

We are now well into the Hebrew calendar new year of 5776, looking forward to continued activities and new beginnings. Much of our attention at Birkat Shalom is focused on our new sanctuary, which is approaching final stages of completion. Hopefully, by the time you read this, we will have most of the interior and the landscaping finished. Israeli bureaucracy has its pluses and minuses. First of all, there are many hands stirring the pot. Regional Council Gezer, of which we are part, received a grant from the Ministry of Religious Affairs (always dominated by the ultra-Orthodox) to help put up a new synagogue in the region. Thanks to a Supreme Court decision based on a petition from the Israel Religious Action Center of the Reform Movement, monies for buildings must be available to all streams of Judaism. Thus, it was entirely acceptable that the Region turn to Birkat Shalom and offer the grant.

The significance of this move was that the Regional Council turned to Kibbutz Gezer, where Birkat Shalom is based, to appropriate a plot of land and to proceed to find a contractor and company who would build the modest 1500 square foot building. Birkat Shalom hired an architect.

Then Keren Kayemet L'Yisrael (JNF in Israel) was approached to find a contractor to do the infrastructure and landscaping, and this was to be decided only by the middle of October. Out the window went our dream of dedicating the building by October 19!

Add in the contributions of countless individuals, in Israel and abroad, to help us achieve our funding goals (not quite finished....) and you have a global community working together to create a functional and inviting

space for Israeli Jews and our overseas guests to celebrate Judaism in a liberal way. It is our fervent hope that our new home will enhance our ability to serve our local community for holidays and Shabbat celebrations, lifecycle events, social justice activities—such as our Jewish-Arab women's project which was chosen as a WRJ Gold Or Ami presented at the Orlando Biennial—and ongoing work of Jewish enrichment with Spanish-speaking immigrants in our nearby city of Ramla.

We are proud to be part of the Israeli Reform Movement, which yearly expands its outreach to communities around Israel, to offer a spiritual and cultural home to Israeli Jews who are searching for a meaningful way to connect to Jewish tradition. There are still many challenges. The fairly new synagogue community, Kehilat Yovel, in Gedera, had been meeting in the lobby of a local school. Just before the High Holidays the mayor decided that this Reform group could no longer meet in a public facility. The Israel Religious Action Center acted swiftly to get a decision from the Israeli Supreme Court which forced the mayor to find a suitable place for this growing community of young families by Yom Kippur.

Rabbi Miri Gold, of Kehilat Birkat Shalom at Kibbutz Gezer, invites you to visit next time you are in Israel.



On September 21st Sisterhood enjoyed a presentation by Marjorie Wolfe: The Humor of Judge Judy".



SPECIAL GIFTS

SPECIAL FUNDS AND DONATIONS

Temple B'nai Torah follows a long and rich heritage of Tzedakah, consistent with our Jewish tradition. Such giving often recognizes a birth, birthday, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, wedding, anniversary, or death. Your generosity, large and small, continues to provide for Temple B'nai Torah by sustaining programs for its members. A beautifully inscribed card is sent acknowledging and commemorating your gift.

Please mail this form to the Temple, together with your check payable to Temple B'nai Torah. This will ensure that your donation is acknowledged in a timely fashion.

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Join Sisterhood & Brotherhood
on
Tuesday, November 17th
for
The Annual Joint Dinner

Cocktails: 7 pm; Dinner: 7:45 pm in the Social Hall

PROGRAM - Al Kustanowitz, Blogger-in-Chief at [Jewish Humor Central](#) and author of ten books on Jewish humor will be your guide to laughter and smiles with a real Jewish ta'am (flavor).

- ❖ \$15 for all Sisterhood and Brotherhood members. You do not need to bring a guest!
- ❖ \$20 for all guests (spouses, friends, etc.)
- ❖ *RSVP **with check** (must be received no later than November 10, 2015)*
- ❖ **We Cannot Accommodate Walk-Ins!**
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Return the RSVP slip below with a check made out to the *Brotherhood of Temple B'nai Torah*, leave it in the special envelope on the Temple's bulletin board, or mail it to the Temple c/o Brotherhood, 2900 Jerusalem Avenue, Wantagh, NY 11793 ATTN: Les Richards.

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Please print all information clearly

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OUR COMMUNITY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1 Daylight Savings Time Ends <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:00am Religious School• 11:30am Youth Choir (201)• 12:30-3:30pm Show rehearsal (S/H)• 1:00-3:00pm Wandering Jew Series (K/L)• 6:00-11:00pm Cabaret Reh. (S/H)	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 12:00pm Torah Study (K/L)• 5:30pm BNTY Jr. (Y/L)• 6:30-7:30pm Teen Choir - 201• 7:00-9:30pm Kids Show Reh. (S/H)• 7:00-8:30pm Religious School• 7:30pm Chai Club General Mtg (K/L)• 7:30-9:30pm Adult Choir - 201• 8:30pm BNTY Sr.	3 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Election Day• NO Religious School• 10:00am Al Anon• 1:00pm B/M photos Finkel (Sanc.)• 6:45pm Sisterhood Exec. Mtg (K/L)• 7:00-9:00pm Kids Show Reh. (S/H)• 7:00-10:00pm Cabaret Reh. (Y/L)• 7:30pm Sisterhood Board Meeting (K/L)• Sisterhood Fund-raiser @ Lord & Taylor	4 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10:30am Bingo (S/H & K/L)• 6:00pm-12:00am Cabaret Dress Rehearsal (S/H)• WRJ Biennial Convention (Orlando, FL)	5 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• WRJ Biennial Convention (Orlando, FL)• 6:00-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L)• Play rehearsal (101/103)• 7:30-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L)• 7:30pm Bingo (S/H & K/L)	6 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 7:30pm Erev Shabbat Family Service• WRJ Biennial Convention (Orlando, FL)• URJ Biennial (Orlando, FL)	7 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:30am Torah Study (K/L)• 5:00pm-1:00am Cabaret Show (S/H)• WRJ Biennial Convention (Orlando, FL)• URJ Biennial (Orlando, FL)	
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15 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:00am Rel. School• 9:15am Brotherhood Breakfast (S/H)• 9:45am-12noon Book Club (Library)• 10:00am Membership Com. Mtg (S/H)• 11:30-1:00pm PTA Mitzvah Project (K/L)• 11:30am Youth Choir (201)• 12:00-2:00pm Adult Confirmation Class (101/103)• 12:30-3:30pm Show Reh. (S/H)• 2:00pm Triple Bingo Set-up/S/H- K/L• 6:45pm Triple Bingo (S/H-K/L)• NFTY-NAR Fall Kallah-Away	16 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 12:00pm Torah Study (K/L)• 5:30pm BNTY Jr. (Y/L)• 6:30-7:30pm Teen Choir (Rm. 201)• 7:00pm Budget Meeting FY 2016-2017 (K/L)• 7:00-9:00pm Kids Show Reh. (S/H)• 7:00-8:30pm Religious School• 7:30-9:30pm Adult Choir (Rm. 201)• 8:30pm BNTY Sr. (Y/L)	17 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10:00am Al Anon• 4:30-6:00pm Religious School• 5:00-6:30pm How-to Series Childhood & Educ. (104)• 7:00-9:00pm Kids Show Reh. (Y/L)• 7:00pm Sisterhood/Brotherhood Dinner (S/H & K/L)	18 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10:30am Bingo (S/H & K/L)• 7:30pm Ritual Meeting (Away)	19 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Play rehearsal (101/103)• 6:00-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L)• 7:30-9:00pm Boy Scouts (Y/L)• 7:30pm Bingo (S/H & K/L)	20 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6:00pm Pre-Neg• 6:30pm Kabbalat Service• 40th Anniversary Celebration-Cantor Sher (S/H - K/L - Sanc.)	21 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 9:30am Torah Study (K/L)• 10:30am Shabbat Service (2) B/M Sirof & Solitto• 40th Anniver-sary Celebration-Cantor Sher (S/H - K/L - Sanc.)	
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29 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6:00-10:00am Brotherhood Fair set-up• NO Religious School• 10:00am to 5:00pm Brotherhood Holiday Fair (S/H)• 6:00-9:00pm Kids Show Reh. (S/H)	30 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 12:00pm Torah Study (K/L)• 5:30pm BNTY Jr. (Y/L)• 6:30-7:30pm Teen Choir (Rm. 201)• 7:00-9:30pm Kids Show Reh. (S/H)• 7:00-8:30pm Religious School• 7:30-9:30pm Adult Choir (Rm. 201)• 8:30pm BNTY Sr.						

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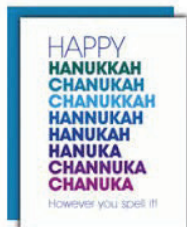
DECEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00am Al Anon 4:30-6:00pm Religious School 6:45pm Sisterhood Exec. Mtg (K/L) 7:00-9:30pm Kids Show Reh. (S/H) 7:30pm Sisterhood Board Meeting (K/L) 	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30am Bingo (S/H & K/L) 7:00-9:30pm Kids Show Reh. (S/H) 	3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Play rehearsal (101/103) 6:00-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L) 7:30-9:00pm Boy Scouts (YL) 7:30pm Bingo (S/H & K/L) 	4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:30pm Erev Shabbat Family Service 	5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30am Torah Study (K/L) 5:00-11:00pm Kids Show (S/H & K/L)
6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00am Religious School 9:00am-1:00pm Sisterhood Chanukah Sale (Lobby) 9:15am Brotherhood Breakfast (S/H) 10:30am Circle of Friends Board Mtg (Away) 11:30am Youth Choir (201) 2:00-8:00pm Kids Show (S/H & K/L) 	7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00am Chai Club Dinner set-up (S/H) 12:00pm Torah Study (K/L) 5:30pm BNTY Jr. (Y/L) 6:00pm Chai Club dinner (S/H) 6:30-7:30pm Teen Choir (Rm. 201) 7:00-8:30pm Religious School 7:30-9:30pm Adult Choir (Rm. 201) 7:30pm Chai Club General Mtg (K/L) 8:30pm BNTY Sr. 	8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00am Al Anon 4:30-6:00pm Religious School 7:00-9:00pm Kids Show Reh. (Y/L) 7:00pm Sisterhood Program (K/L) 7:00pm Brotherhood Exec. Board Mtg (104) 7:30pm Brotherhood Board Mtg (S/H) 7:30pm Ritual Meeting (Library) 	9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30am Bingo (S/H & K/L) 	10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00-7:30pm Cub Scouts (Y/L) 7:30-9:00pm Boy Scouts (YL) 7:30pm Bingo (S/H & K/L) 	11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:30pm Tot Shabbat 7:30pm Erev Shabbat Chanukah Svc 	12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30am Torah Study (K/L) 10:30am Shabbat Service 5:00-11:00pm Kids Show (S/H & K/L)
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20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00am Rel.School 9:15am Brotherhood Breakfast (S/H) 10:00am PTA Mtg (Rm 104) 10:00-11:30am UJA Breakfast-S/H 11:30am YAC Meeting (Library) 	21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:00pm Torah Study (K/L) 5:30pm BNTY Jr. (Y/L) 7:00-8:30pm Religious School 7:30pm Chai Club Board Mtg (K/L) 8:30pm BNTY Sr. 	22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00am Al Anon 4:30-6:00pm Religious School 7:30pm Religious Ed Mtg (104) 	23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30am Bingo (S/H & K/L) 	24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Bingo Office Closes @2:00pm 	25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Office Closed 6:30pm Erev Shabbat Service 	26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30am Torah Study (K/L)
27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Religious School Building Closed 	28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Religious School/No BNTY 1:15-3:00pm Womens Meadowbrook In. (K/L) 12:00pm Torah Study (K/L) 	29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Religious School 10:00am Al Anon 7:15pm Exec. Board Mtg (104) 8:00pm Board Meeting (K/L) 	30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30am Bingo (S/H & K/L) 	31 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Bingo Office Closes @2:00pm 		

FROM THE EDITOR'S PEN

How Do You Do It?

How do you spell Chanukah? Channuka? Hanukkah? "H" or "Ch"? One 'n' or two? Does it matter? Does anyone care?



It is interesting to ponder this issue and find, unlike dozens of other profound Jewish questions, there is no passion for either side. We don't find 'Team H' vs. Team 'Ch'. There is no agreed Reform nor Orthodox stance.

My own preference stands with 'Ch. I do have a strong preference with including the letter 'H' at the end of the word, closely mirroring the final 'Hay' in the Hebrew.

So if someone asks you, "So how DO you spell it?" you can always stand correct with the response, "Chet – Nun – Kaf – Hay"! חנוכה

A wish for a wonderful eight nights from our home to yours.

Mark Chester
Editor TBT Times

UNIONGRAM ORDER FORM

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

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PACK AND TROOP 189

Fall has come, and with it the start of another Scouting program year!

First, let me comment on the fantastic summer both units had. The Pack had a number of events over the summer, including camping, a pool party, a picnic, and it again earned the National Summertime Pack Award. The Troop went to Onteora Scout Reservation for two weeks (earning many merit badges while there), staffed the Cub Family Weekend in August, and the older boys (the Venture Patrol) had a camping trip where they planned for the upcoming year.

First thing in September, the Troop had elections for Senior Patrol Leader. Boy Scouts (as opposed to Cub Scouts) are a boy-led program. This means that the adults provide guidance and support and ensure safety, but otherwise the boys, taking their cues from the Senior Patrol Leader, run the program. This year our SPL is Charlie Mauro, and we are looking forward to a great year.

As always, both units are looking for new boys to come experience what Scouting is all about, so if you know any boys from 1st through 12th grades, have them come down on a Thursday night and see what we are about (the Pack meets at 6:15 and the Troop at 7:30).

In September, the Troop and the Pack's Webelos Den took a trip out to Camp Hero State Park in Montauk. The park is the location of the former Montauk Air Force Station. It has some beautiful hiking trails, and seeing the old radar station was cool. We also walked over to the lighthouse and did some fishing. Despite the heavy rain Saturday night, everyone had a great time!

Just in time for this update, the Venture Patrol took a trip up to Onteora to ride the ATVs. The weather for the weekend worked out pretty well, but I am sure everyone got pretty muddy. A scout may be clean (11th point of the Scout Law), but is not afraid to get dirty!

That's it for now, but the next update should include the Halloween Fall Festival for the Cub Scouts and the Turkey Trip in November, so it will be another exciting couple of months! Talk to you soon.

J.J. Scotch, Pack 189 Cubmaster and Troop 189 Assistant Scoutmaster



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Just a note: Of course we no longer carry Pathmark or Waldbaum's. Dave and Busters in Farmingdale closed but is open in Westbury, NYC and Islandia. If you plan to go, please buy our certificates. Your kids and you will have a great time.

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