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# MAY 2019 RITUAL CALENDAR

05/01/19	7:15pm	Erev Yom HaShoah Service	
05/02/19		Yom HaShoah/Holocaust Memorial Day	
05/03/19		<i>Family Shabbat Israeli Style</i>	
	5:30pm	Tot Shabbat	
	6:15pm	Dinner (RSVP)	
	7:15pm	Family Service/ Third Grade Siyyum	
05/04/19	9:30am	Torah Study	
	10:30am	Shabbat Service B'nai Mitzvah of Samuel Abrons & Jenna Traietta	
05/05/19	12:00pm	Rosh Chodesh program led by Cantor Timman	
05/06/19	12:00pm	Torah Study	
05/08/19		Yom HaZikaron (Israel Memorial Day)	
05/09/19		Yom HaAtzmaut (Israel Independence Day)	
05/10/19	8:00pm	Shabbat Service/Seventh Grade Moving-up with Torah Reading	
05/11/19	9:30am	Torah Study	
	10:30am	Shabbat Service B'not Mitzvah of Jolie Demmers & Ilyana Kleiner	
05/13/19	12:00pm	Torah Study	
05/14/19	7:30pm	Ritual Committee Meeting	
05/17/19	6:00pm	Pre-neg	
	6:30pm	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	
05/18/19	9:30am	Torah Study	
	10:30am	Shabbat Service B'nai Mitzvah of Jenna Giwner & Matthew Steinlauf	
05/19/19	9:00am	Mitzvah Day	
	9:15am	Mazel Tots	
05/20/19	12:00pm	Torah Study	
05/23/19		Lag B'Omer	
05/24/19	8:00pm	Shabbat Service with participation Chai Club & Circle of Friends, Torah reading, with Choir	
05/25/19	9:30am	No Torah Study	
05/31/19	8:00pm	Shabbat Service/Volunteer Recognition with Haftarah reading	





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**May 4**

**Jenna Traietta**

**Daniel & Randi**

My name is Jenna Traietta and I am a seventh grader at Howitt Middle School in Farmingdale. I play volleyball, take dance classes, and I'm on the PAL kickline team. I would like to thank Rabbi Bar-Nahum, Cantor Timman, Morah Meredith as well as all my teachers through the years. I also want to thank my parents and my brother Robert for always being there for me.



**May 4**

**Samuel Abrons**

**Mitchell & Deborah**

Sammy Abrons is a seventh grade honors student at Woodland Middle School in East Meadow. He loves music and playing trumpet. He performs with the Nassau Suffolk Performing Arts Honor Band, the All-County Jazz band, Woodland Band and Woodland Jazz Ensemble. He plays soccer for East Coast Soccer League. In his spare time, he enjoys playing video games with friends and fishing with his dad. He enjoys his summers at Camp Westmont. He would like to thank Rabbi Bar-Nahum, Cantor Timman and Mrs. Altman for helping him prepare for his bar mitzvah. He is excited to be sharing his bar mitzvah service with Jenna Trietta.



**May 11**

**Ilyana Kleiner**

**Jennifer**

Ilyana is a loving, intelligent person. She is the youngest of three sisters. Ilyana has many activities she enjoys. They include archery, violin and Girl Scouts. She has been a Girl Scout for eight years. She also enjoys other activities. Her three cats are a huge part of her life. She plays with them, feeds them. Aside from cats, Girl Scouts, violin and archery much of her time is spent playing video games and drawing.



**May 11**

**Jolie Demmers**

**Dustin & Betsy**

Jolie Demmers attends Grand Middle School in the Bellmore-Merrick School District. She is on the track team, and she also performed in their production of Fiddler on the Roof. Another interest that Jolie has is dance. She has been dancing for about eight years, mostly in the hip-hop style. She has a little brother, Ethan, and two cats, Tuna and Reece. All three of whom she takes good care. Her parents are very proud of her.



**May 18**

**Jenna Giwner**

**Derick & Stephanie**

Jenna Giwner is a seventh grader at Berner Middle School where she has made the honor roll every semester. Jenna loves to dance and has been dancing since she was two-and-a-half years old. You may have seen her dancing through the lobby of the Temple. Jenna is currently a member of the Debut Company at Body Language Dance & Theatre Arts Studio. Jenna would like to thank Rabbi Bar Nahum, Cantor Timman, Morah Meredith and her parents for helping her to prepare for her bat mitzvah. She would also like to wish a huge mazel tov to her partner, Matthew Steinlauf.



**May 18**

**Matthew Steinlauf**

**Evan & Barbara**

My name is Matthew Steinlauf. I am a seventh grade student at Woodland Middle School. I enjoy playing basketball, soccer and lacrosse. I also like to play video games. I like to spend time with my family and go on trips. I am grateful for all the support from my parents and my sister, Julianna. Thank you to Rabbi Bar-Nahum and Cantor Timman for helping me prepare for my bar mitzvah. And, special thanks to Mrs. Altman for helping me learn my prayers. I am looking forward to leading the congregation and then celebrating my special day with my family and friends.





## INSPIRATION FROM OUR RABBI



Over a long weekend in March, I was blessed to travel to Washington, DC with our Educator, Morah Meredith, and five of our 10th-grade Confirmation students to attend the *L'Taken* Seminar at the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism. This seminar introduces the students to the workings of our government, in its many complexities and complications, and teaches the students about their role as citizen advocates.

The *L'Taken* Seminar happens multiple weekends each year in the winter months, and it brings together students from Reform congregations around the country, to learn, explore our nation's capital, and ultimately to advocate for policies in the halls of Congress, guided by our Jewish values. Our students did a wonderful job, and prepared powerful speeches about immigration reform and reproductive rights which they presented to the offices of Rep. Peter King and Rep. Kathleen Rice, respectively. Our students were mature, professional, and respectful in advocating their positions, and I could not be prouder of them and the hard work they did over that weekend!

The *L'Taken* Seminar is an important part of our Confirmation year because Confirmation asks our students to take the next step in their Jewish lives and journeys. Bar and Bat Mitzvah render one responsible for the fulfillment of the mitzvot, the commandments. Confirmation asks our students to embrace their faith as adult thinkers, and grapple with their connections to God, Torah, their Judaism, and the world around them. As adult Jews, we are to recognize that our responsibilities extend beyond the walls of our Synagogue and even our community. Reform Judaism especially places emphasis on our calling to repair the world, and to follow in the footsteps of the Prophets of old who spoke truth to power, advocated for the Godly, moral path, and gave voice to the voiceless and marginalized. Confirmation takes place on Shavuot, the festival which commemorates receiving the Torah at Sinai. After Passover, the Torah commands we count seven weeks of seven days, known as the Omer. (For more details, please see Cantor Timman's article this month.) On the fiftieth day, we celebrate the connection we made with God at Sinai, when we received the Ten Commandments. In order to make a free will commitment to God, the Israelites first needed freedom. It is only a free people that can truly enter into a covenant with God.

That covenant with God is reinforced in the Scroll

of Ruth, traditionally read at Shavuot, as Ruth commits to following God, and becomes the first Jew by Choice. Ruth commits to join the Israelites and confirms her place in God's covenant by a powerful statement: "Your people shall be my people, and your God my God" (1:16). Ruth confirms her belonging in the community of believers, and ends the story blessed and content because of it. At Confirmation, our 10th-graders will do the same, and we look forward to bestowing blessing upon them!

Shavuot's message affirms, in a way, that we are all Jews by Choice. God gives us free-will, we believe. We must actively and purposefully choose to connect ourselves to God and God's word, which calls us to act in the world in a certain way: with kindness, compassion, and an understanding that it is up to us to advocate and work for the world we wish to live in, to make it more than it is now. I look forward to hearing our students share their vision for their future as adult Jews.

Please join us for our Confirmation Service, which this year will take place on Erev Shavuot, Saturday, June 8th at 7:15pm. Our students will be leading us in service, chanting the Ten Commandments from the Torah, and sharing a little bit about their connection to and relationship with God. It is always a powerful evening, and we look forward to celebrating this important life cycle moment with our 10th-graders and their families!

*L'Shalom,*  
Rabbi Daniel Bar-Nahum

### ATTENTION PARENTS:



There is scholarship money available from TBT funds (Robert Raab Fund, Youth Activity Fund, etc.) to help offset the cost of our students attending Jewish Camps, Kallahs and other programs.

Application form is available in Temple Office.  
Just ask Sue Ellen...





## INSPIRATION FROM OUR CANTOR



May is all about counting. Some of us are counting the days until a child graduates or finishes another year of school. Some of us are counting down to summer plans and celebrations. But in the Jewish world we are counting the days leading up to Shavuot, the festival in which we received the Torah at Mount Sinai. We call it “*S’firat HaOmer*,” the counting of the *Omer*.

The period of the *Omer* begins on the second night of Passover and continues until Shavuot. Literally translated, *Omer* means “a sheaf.” It refers to the measure of grain that was offered at the Temple in Jerusalem. The Torah commanded that seven weeks be counted for the *Omer*, (Leviticus 23:15-21). It says:

“From the day on which you bring the sheaf of elevation offering the day after the Sabbath, you shall count off seven weeks. They must be complete. You must count until the day after the seventh week - fifty days; then you shall bring an offering of new grain to Adonai. You shall bring from your settlements two loaves of bread as an elevation offering; each shall be made of two-tenths of a measure of choice flour, baked after leavening, as first fruits to Adonai...On that same day you shall hold a celebration; it shall be a sacred occasion for you; you shall not work at your occupations. This is a law for all time in all your settlements, throughout the ages.”

Shavuot in the Bible was not connected with the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai, as it is now. It was an agricultural festival. And its focus was the Temple in Jerusalem. Since

the Temple no longer stands, and most of us are no longer involved in agriculture, what’s the point of counting the *Omer* today?

While there is no longer a Temple or an *Omer* offering, our ancient sages declared that we should still count the days between Passover and Shavuot. The Kabbalists (mystics) saw the *Omer* period as a spiritual preparation for receiving the Torah on Mount Sinai. Our tradition also teaches that we all were present at Mount Sinai. “Didn’t I see you at Mount Sinai?” Each day we take one more step away from the impurities of Egypt that have remained within us as we march toward Mount Sinai and Shavuot. For us today, counting the *Omer* can be a time of meditation where we renew our spirits. *Mitzrayim* means both “Egypt” and “a narrow place.” We can use the image of counting our days to account for our actions, to rejoice in our freedoms, and let go of our own *Mitzrayim*, narrow places.

At TBT we are counting the *Omer* together in a couple of ways. During all our evening services, we are pausing to fulfill the mitzvah by chanting the *Omer* blessing and announcing the day. Each evening of the *Omer* we are also posting on our own temple Facebook page a daily inspiration from our ancient sages, teachers and contemporary thinkers. Join us as we count our way to Shavuot and enjoy these posts as a meaningful opportunity to pause, reflect and refocus. And whatever else you are counting this month, we look forward to greeting you in June at Mount Sinai!

*B’shira, Cantor Rica Timman*

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## OUR COMMUNITY

### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



Although the end of the school year is right around the corner, there is still much to look forward to, making hard to believe we are nearly at a close.

We're kicking off the month with a Shabbat you won't want to miss on May 3rd. This month's dinner is Israeli style cuisine in celebration of Yom *Ha'atz'maut*,

or Israeli Independence Day, followed by one of our super fun family Shabbat services. During this service, our 3rd grade class will be recognized for all of their hard work this year in learning the Hebrew *alef-bet*, which has allowed them to begin to decode so that they may learn the prayers of our tradition. We call this ceremony a *Siyyum*, and though that word translates to "completion" I think we can all agree that this is only the beginning of great things for these students.

If you've not yet marked your calendars, make sure you're also ready for Mitzvah Day on May 19th! After our final day of Religious School, we hope you'll join in on a day filled with mitzvah projects both in and outside of the building. There are activities designed for all ages, as well as projects that families can participate in together. It is a fantastic way to do good in our community and spend time with your temple family. If you're planning on coming, don't forget to order a t-shirt! For more information about ways you can participate or about Mitzvah Day in general, please contact Rona Kauffman at [ronakauffman@yahoo.com](mailto:ronakauffman@yahoo.com).

Finally, because it is the end of our school year, I of course need to take a moment to thank so many people for making this school year excellent. To our clergy, Rabbi Bar-Nahum and Cantor Timman: thank you both for your active participation and presence in the Religious School. From Junior Congregation every Sunday morning to the leading of our seders, holiday programs, Shabbatons on Shabbat mornings, and even instruction within our classrooms, you are

an integral part of educating our young people, and I am so fortunate to have you as my partners. To our beloved teachers: your dedication to our students is outstanding. Your enthusiastic instruction of the students and true care for their education and wellbeing makes me beyond thankful for your continued presence in the school and in the lives of our kids. To the PTA: you are all rockstars. Whenever the school is in need of anything, whether that thing is time, materials, or a new program, you make it happen. I look forward to continuing to work with you in new and great ways in the coming year. To our *madrichim*: getting up early on a Sunday is hard, but you do it every week with a smile. You are excellent role models for our younger students and I am so proud of each and every one of you. To our office and custodial staff: thank you, sincerely, for your hard work in making the building a welcoming place for our students and families. Finally, a massive thank you to the families; thank you for entrusting your children to us and allowing us to know them. They are incredible young people, and I truly enjoy seeing their faces light up each week as they learn to love being Jewish.



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### CO-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



*"When tragedy strikes, it brings out the best in people. Does it only have to happen when there is tragedy... .."* "We've Come a Long

Way Baby.....

At a recent funeral for one of our congregants, a former member of Temple Emanu-El, there was a large contingent of people not only from legacy TEEM, but from legacy Temple B'nai Torah as well. Although saddened by the loss of a friend, at the same time, there was a feeling of warmth. It was abundantly clear, evident and obvious that two prior communities had indeed become one. The sense of oneness was felt throughout the room, throughout the service and continued at the internment.

This is but one example of how, over the past twenty-four months, a positive outcome has resulted from all the hard work taken to form and meld our new community. So many in our community have stepped up, have taken the initiative to reach out to create a welcoming environment. So many have come together to embrace this new dynamic. Most of our members have embraced this transition, the creation of a new Reform community.

But, human nature being what is, there are, as group dynamics reveal, always some (more like a few), that refuse to adjust, by choice. There are those that have decided that their individual needs and wants supersede those of the greater community. Disruption and combative behavior are their way to express their positions. Expected, yes, unfortunate, of course, damaging, without a doubt. Productive, absolutely not. It will require various resources, best directed to more productive arenas, to address these members. It is our hope that they too, will become productive members of the community. Time will tell.

Back to the positive and memorable! Last month, over 140 enthusiastic, extremely well-dressed partiers attended the This Is Us.....Now Gala Celebration! It was a wonderful way to celebrate the one-year anniversary of the new TBT. The evening was elegant, the company good, the food delicious. Music was provided by our own SOBeez Band. Overall - a heartfelt evening to commemorate the formation of our new community and to thank all involved who made this moment possible!

And let's not forget – our spring show this year is "Beauty and the Beast" with performances on Saturday 4/27, Sunday 4/28 and Saturday 5/4 and Sunday 5/5. Make sure you don't miss this show, and bring the entire family! Let's support all the people involved in this production for their hard work! Make sure to be our guest, come on down and enjoy!

Finally, we all have a responsibility for Tzedakah, to give aid, assistance and money to the poor and needy, or to worthwhile causes. The Hebrew phrase tikkun olam means "world repair." Our Temple continues to be vibrant and charitable as on May 19th we celebrate Mitzvah Day. It is an opportunity for us to perform community service on many different levels, a culmination of what we do all year long. Come on down, lend a hand (or two), join us we all participate in this special event. Our thanks to our Social Action/Social Justice committee for organizing this special day and for all who participate. and cheering our teams on playing America's pastime!

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#### YISKOR ELOHIM:

**Donald Kramer**, father of Elyse Luks Davis

**Barbara Cohen**, aunt of Joni Christie

**Marcia Fair**, sister of Arthur Goldman

**Robert Prosky**, brother of Larry Prosky

**Martin Brody**, father of Jeff Brody

**Barry Kromprier**, husband of Jayne Kromprier





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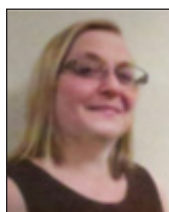






## OUR COMMUNITY

### OUR TBT SISTERHOOD SOURCE



*Shalom Achat.*

Hello Sisters.

They say that April showers will bring May flowers. Here at TBT May brings lots of Sisterhood

activity.

Our Mother's Day sale will take place on Sunday, May 5th in the lobby during Religious School hours. Our students will be coming to the sale with their classes, so be sure to send them with some money to purchase something special for you and the other women who make a difference for them in their lives. If you have not already ordered your Mother's Day greeting card from Sisterhood, please contact Joyce Star (516) 489-1992 or Laurel Klein (516) 884-6507.



I hope that you've been able to attend our Rosh Chodesh programs. They have been so wonderful and informative. If you have not been able to do so, you have another opportunity on Sunday, May 5th from 12:30-1:30 to partake in a program led by our own Cantor Timman. She will be teaching us what Rosh Chodesh is about.

On Monday, May 13th, we will be having our last program of the year. Come join



Marilyn Zucker in the Kiddush Lounge at 7pm for Paint Night. Marilyn will help us to create our own one-of-a kind glass piece. Space is limited, so contact Andrea Parker

(516) 456-8984 to reserve your spot.

I cannot believe that our Sisterhood year is almost over. We've worked hard to bring you programs and fundraisers that honored us as women and Jews. To celebrate, we will be having our End-of-Year Dinner on May 21st at 7pm in the Social Hall. It will be an opportunity to enjoy an evening with your sisters, vote on a new slate of officers, and vote on our 2019-2020 budget.

Our last event of May is our Penny Social on

Wednesday, May 22nd. Join us as we bid on baskets of all shapes and sizes.

There will be something for everyone to love. If you would like more information, or have items to donate, please contact Gail Grossman (516) 221-4802.

B'Ahava, with love,

*Louise Ponticello, Co-President*



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### TBT-PTA UPDATES

Our PTA exists to support the teaching staff and students; you'll find us in the background during all the religious school events. But we need you, too! PTA membership forms are also available in the synagogue office. All proceeds go directly to programming and materials for all our religious school children. The PTA meets monthly. We love new faces and volunteers! The next meeting is scheduled for April 7th at 10am.



Family Bingo was a huge success! Families filled the social hall for an afternoon of fun. Children (and those who are kids at heart!) were able to redeem their tickets for prizes. Hot dogs, knishes, and other snacks were devoured. The winner of the 50/50 raffle won nearly \$100!

Our children participated in a Model Seder. Thank you to all the PTA families that contributed supplies and prepared the seder plates! All the participants are prepared to ask the Four Questions and find the Afikoman.

This year feels like it flew by, but there are a few more weeks of Religious School left! Our year ends on Sunday, May 19th: Mitzvah Day! Each of the 'Arms' have sponsored an activity. The PTA is hosting a book swap! Bring books you no longer read, and trade them in for others! You do not have to be a member of the PTA to participate. All are welcome!



*By Rachel Minkowsky*

### BROTHERHOOD NEWS & VIEWS



On April 9th the Brotherhood/Men's Club rejoiced in the Passover holiday with a Seder. Thanks to Dave Schuster and Joni Christie for

coordinating the evening.

Sunday, May 4th is our final breakfast for the school year, it's one last chance to join us for some good camaraderie. While many of the guys have gotten up early and helped out, it's been Mike Bruno's leadership in the kitchen that has gotten the job done. Thanks, Mike! We look forward to your kitchen expertise again next year.



Our board will meet on Tuesday, May 7th at 7:30 PM. These board meetings are open to all Men's Club members. If you would like to be on our board next year, email our current executive VP Richard Tepper at richardtepper@hotmail.com.

Our monthly dinner meeting is on Tuesday May 14th. Cocktails will be at 7:00pm and dinner is at 7:30pm. This month the feature entrée is duck. The duck will be prepared

by our own legendary chef Marc Weisel. Marc comes from a long line of gourmet chefs.

Save the date: Tuesday, June 4th is our annual end-of-the-year dinner at Smokin' Al's.



Interested in softball? Throughout the summer and into the first Sunday of November you can find us on the softball field of Woodland Middle School in East Meadow at 9:00 AM. The school is located at 690 Wenwood Drive. The ability to laugh (at each other) and have a good time are all the skills we require.

On Thursday, April 11th at 6:26pm I received a text message from Rabbi Bar-Nahum informing me that Barry Krompfer, a Brotherhood/Men's Club VP was not doing well and probably would not make it through the night. He was right, Barry did not. Most of the legacy TBT members never got to know Barry, as he had been ill most of the year. However, every legacy TEEM members knows what he meant to our Temple, our Men's Club and to me. His passing is a big loss for all of us. He will be sorely missed.

*In Brotherhood,  
Alan & Mickey  
Co-Presidents*





## OUR COMMUNITY



TBT's Social Action/Social Justice Committee would like to share the following community information:



**May is Jewish- American Heritage Month**, an annual recognition and celebration of Jewish-American achievement in, and contribution to, the US. This year's theme is Jewish Contributions to American Jewish Illustrators. For more information:

<https://www.jahm.us/> and <https://www.jahm.us/illustrators>



**May is also Mental Health Month** - Last year's theme of *#4Mind4Body* is being taken to the next level, as the topics of animal companionship (including pets and support animals), spirituality, humor, work-life balance, and recreation and social connections are explored as ways to boost mental health and general wellness. For more information:

<http://www.mentalhealthamerica.net/may>

On May 11, The National Alliance on Mental Health will hold its walk in NYC for registration and info <http://www.mentalhealthamerica.net/may>



**May 5-11, 2019 is Teacher Appreciation Week**- a celebration in recognition of teachers and the contributions they make to education and society. Everyone remembers a good teacher, but how often do we thank those who teach for what they do? Send a thank you note in appreciation for the hard work teachers do and the long hours many of them devote to the education of children. For ideas and teacher appreciation quotes visit

<https://www.pta.org/home/events/PTA-Teacher-Appreciation-Week>

Or <http://www.thankyoudiva.com/teacher-appreciation-quotes-teacher-thank-you-quotes.html>



**Mother's Day is celebrated in the US on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in May.** The Jewish population of Israel used to celebrate Mother's Day on Shevat 30 of the Jewish calendar, (between 30 January and 1 March.) The celebration was set as the same date that Henrietta Szold died (13 Feb. 1945). Henrietta had no biological children, but her organization, Youth Aliyah, rescued many Jewish children from Nazi Germany and provided for them. She also championed children's rights. Considered the "mother" of all those children, her annual remembrance day was set as Mother's Day.

### Volunteer Opportunity



**May 19<sup>th</sup> is Mitzvah Day at TBT!** Join us and participate in Tikun Olam – Repairing the World. There will be opportunities for all ages to engage in activities designed to help others and to have fun along the way. Remember to order your T-shirts as well! Students who participate are eligible for Community Service Credit.

See the Voice, the scroll, Facebook and lobby flyers for details.





## OUR COMMUNITY



### *Off-Site Mitzvah Day Activity*

Here's an activity we want you to know about:

Meet us at the Garden at St. Francis Episcopal Church

1692 Bellmore Ave  
North Bellmore

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Open to all ages

Learn about this garden and how it provides fresh produce to our local food pantries and others in need. Put on a pair of gardening gloves and be part of this amazing effort.



“Our vision for the garden is that this beautiful place will become a sustainable sanctuary and sacred space that, in addition to providing food, will be a place for education, meditation, serenity, and peace for our neighbors near and far to enjoy” <http://www.stfrancisbellmore.org/the-garden>

Please indicate below if you would like to assist on Mitzvah Day, May 19, 2019 and return the bottom portion of this form to the Social Action/Social Justice mailbox

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of people: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone or email \_\_\_\_\_

For further information contact Rona Kauffman @  
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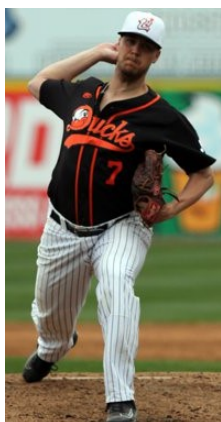
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Mail To: Temple B'nai Torah Circle of Friends,  
2900 Jerusalem Ave, Wantagh, NY 11793  
or Leave in Temple Office Circle of Friends' Mailbox – marked Ducks Baseball

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You can join us for game whether you eat or not.

Each party will pay his own bill, but we need to make a reservation  
so please let us know by 8/20/19.

**Contact Info: Vicki Goldberger (516) 935-1613 or [vgoldberger@gmail.com](mailto:vgoldberger@gmail.com)**

I (we) will attend ( ) LI Ducks Game ( ) Dinner

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Amount attached \$ \_\_\_\_\_





OUR COMMUNITY

# Temple B'nai Torah Circle of Friends



Eisenhower Park Mini-Golf Course was named "Best on Long Island" by News 12 Long Island



## MINIATURE GOLF

**Sunday, June 2, 2019**

**meet at 4:45pm at miniature golf office building**

**Discount Price - \$9. per person (bring cash)**

**Eisenhower Park - East Meadow**

**Directions:** Hempstead Tpke. (Rte.24) to Park Blvd. to Parking Field #4  
Follow Path from Parking Lot to Miniature Golf Office Building



If You Would Like to Have a Meal After Mini-Golf,  
We Can Go to The Lighthouse Diner  
(Separate checks are given so you could eat as light or as heavy as you choose.)

### For More Information

**on miniature golf** - call Vicki and Marty Goldberger (516) 935-1613  
**on dinner** – call Yolanda and Ira Friedman (516) 826-1556





## OUR COMMUNITY

### CHAINOTES



**May** I have your attention please? Do you like to laugh? Do you enjoy remembering entertaining shows of the past? Please come to our April 29th program at 7:30pm featuring Sal St. George who will tell us about 'Women in Comedy' and that is no joke! All temple members are invited.

**May** I interest you in our **May** program on **May** 20th at 7:30pm when the well-known James Coll will be presenting information on our constitution and how our forefathers intended the role of the presidency to be. This will be presented in a non-political way. All temple members are invited.



**May** I encourage all temple members to come to our June meeting when the Greater Nassau Chorus will sing. Sixteen performers will be entertaining us. All temple members are invited.

**May** I thank our Passover Seder chairpeople-Brian and Joan Levy, Gail Grossman, Amy Neidle and Cantor Timman for a moving and delicious Passover Seder.

**May** I thank Janis Beldner and Elaine Goldstein for their work in gathering donations for the kosher pantry. Keep on bringing food for the people who need it. Bring your donations when you come to participate in Mitzvah Day on **May** 19th.

**May** I thank all of Chai's board members for their continued service and thank all our members for their continued attendance at our general meetings. Do not forget! We are having our first joint Shabbat service with Circle of Friends on Friday, **May** 24th. Please come and either participate or lend your voices to make this service a moving one. We need you there.

*Tessa Kean*

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#### *Letters, We Get Letters.....*

##### A Gala To Remember

Kudos to the *This is Us...*Now gala committee. My wife Lauren and I attended the gala on March 30, 2019.

The mood was set for a grand celebration from the moment the guests arrived. People entered and walked the red carpet, the paparazzi, snapped photos, the champagne was flowing and the hors d'oeuvres were being passed around. My two favorites were the egg rolls and dumplings.



Men were dressed in casual wear to the more traditional tuxedos. The women were dressed to the nines ready for the compliments from the fashion police.

Thanks to the decorating committee, the social hall took on an aura of an opening night on Broadway. With the sounds of The Special Occasion Band, it didn't take long for the dance floor to fill up. The food, was plentiful and top notch with something for every palate. At the end of the evening the cantor was on stage singing with the band. The trivia was anything but trivial It was a nice touch.

If the purpose of the evening was a celebration of bringing "Us" together then it was a success. Havdalah marked the symbolic end of the Sabbath and ushered in the festivities. We socialized, danced and broke challah together as Temple B'nai Torah.

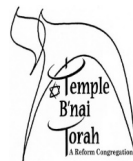
*Howard Lev*





## OUR COMMUNITY

### Temple B'nai Torah Circle Of Friends & Chai Club



Chai Club



Cordially invite you  
to join us for

### A Day at the Theater

Ticket Cost: \$20 Per Person

**Payments Due by  
August 1, 2019**

**When:** Sunday August 18, 2019

**Time:** 2:00 pm sharp

**Place:** The Showplace at Bellmore Movies  
222 Pettit Avenue, Bellmore

**Mame** is a musical with the book by Jerome Lawrence and Robert Edwin Lee and music and lyrics by Jerry Herman. It is based on the 1955 novel *Auntie Mame* by Patrick Dennis. Set in New York City and spanning the Great Depression and World War II, it focuses on eccentric bohemian Mame Dennis, whose famous motto is "Life is a banquet and most poor sons of bitches are starving to death." Her fabulous life with her wealthy friends is interrupted when the young son of her late brother arrives to live with her. They cope with the Depression in a series of adventures.

Seating will be assigned in the order payments are received. We bought a block of tickets which are going FAST!!! We don't want to leave anyone out. If you plan to join us for a fantastic show, you must contact Stephanie as soon as possible to reserve your tickets. (Do NOT wait until the 1<sup>st</sup> to do this!!!) When the first block of tickets is sold out, we will try to obtain additional seating. Please get your final reservation in early to avoid being closed out.

Questions? Call Stephanie at (516) 826-8862

I (we) will be joining the group for **Mame**,

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please place tear-off and check made out to TBT Circle of Friends in an envelope and place it in the envelope on the wall in the TBT office or mail to: TBT 2900 Jerusalem Ave., Wantagh, NY 11793 attn: Circle of Friends / Chai Club Theater Party





## OUR COMMUNITY



The Social Action/Social Justice Committee of TBT presents:

### MITZVAH DAY – SUNDAY MAY 19, 2019

**Mitzvah Day** provides opportunities for congregants of ALL AGES to participate in a day of caring and service. Activities designed and supervised by The Social Action/Social Justice Committee, Sisterhood, PTA, Brotherhood/Men's Club, Chai Club, Circle of Friends and others!

#### Schedule of Events:

9:15 a.m.: Bagel Breakfast and Speakers

10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.: On Site Activities

Afternoon Off-Site Activities (times vary, see below)

#### On-site Activities

**No-Sew Fleece Blankets** – Create beautiful, cozy blankets to be donated to clients of **Bethany House**

**"To Go" Bags** – Decorate paper lunch bags and pack with snacks to disperse to the clients of the **INN**

**Dog Toys** – make simple animal toys for the **Town of Hempstead Animal Shelter**

**Book Swap/Book Marks** – Donate books, take a book and decorate a bookmark for **The Book Fairies**

**Bags of Cheer/Greetings Cards** for homebound seniors of **Family and Children's Services**

**Letters of Gratitude** – Write letters of thanks and support to our military service members.

**Grocery Sorting** – Organize and box donated non-perishable foods to be distributed for **Island Harve**

**Advocacy Table** – Learn about organizations that help to raise awareness, educate, and advocate for social justice issues of importance to the Jewish community.

**Dinner Prep for Bethany House (at TBT)) – 1:30-3:30 (prior sign-up needed)**

**Car Wash** – All proceeds will be donated to St. Jude's Mother and Child Ministry

**Volunteer Fair** – Meet representatives from local organizations and learn about volunteer opportunities.

#### Off-Site Activities



**South Shore Estuary Reserve Beach Clean Up** – Learn about the threats to our waterways and do your part to keep the garbage from harming marine life. Open to all ages – children must be accompanied by adult. 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Location to be determined.

**Garden at St. Francis** – Learn about this garden and how it provides fresh produce to our local food pantries and others in need. Put on a pair of gardening gloves and be part of this amazing effort. 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Open to all ages

**Ronald McDonald House Dinner Prep – Prepare a Meal at RMDH in New Hyde Park** for families of hospitalized children. (limited to 12 volunteers, ages 16+) Reserve your spot soon! 4:00- 6:00 p.m.

**Bethany House Dinner – Deliver and serve dinner at Bethany House** for resident families. (limited to 5 volunteers, ages 16+) Reserve your spot soon! 5:30-7:30 p.m.

**TBT's theater company** will perform a review of Beauty and the Beast for the residents of Fulton Commons Care Center (open to show actors only) 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

**The Famous SOBees** will perform at a local senior center TBD

To Sign up for Off-Site Activities or if you have questions contact: Rona at: [ronakauffman@yahoo.com](mailto:ronakauffman@yahoo.com)

**A limited number of Mitzvah T-Shirts will be available for sale on Mitzvah Day**



**MITZVOT: IT'S WHAT WE DO!**





## OUR COMMUNITY

Social Action/Social Justice Committee



Mitzvah Day is almost here (Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>)! Thanks to all those involved, this is set to be a most enjoyable and meaningful day for all ages. You do not have to RSVP for any of the morning activities but if you are hoping to participate in any of the afternoon activities, please let us know.

Thank you to those who donated items for our Bags of Cheer and Greeting Cards project. On Mitzvah Day you can help us assemble bags to be distributed to clients of the Friendly Visitor Program for homebound seniors.

This month we are organizing food collections at neighborhood Stop and Shop supermarkets on behalf of the Mitzvah Day Grocery Sorting activity and donation to Island Harvest. If you are available for an hour or two on Wednesday, May 15 (10-2) or Saturday May 18 (1-3) please let us know. Your help is needed to prepare for this important endeavor.

Remember to bring your books on Mitzvah Day for the PTA Book Swap.

Remember to bring your self-care donations for Brotherhood's special Mitzvah Day Adopt-a-Battalion collection. See below for a list of needed items.

Applications are available for anyone interested in volunteering at the Garden at St. Francis in Bellmore. This organic garden grows produce that is then distributed to local food pantries. Help is needed on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Sundays. Contact us if you are interested and we will send you an application.

Soon we will be selecting our theme for next year's Social Action/Social Justice activities. This theme will allow us to develop special events, speaking engagements and hands-on activities to address an aspect of Tikun Olam: Repairing the World in a focused, multi-layered way. Stay tuned for information about the theme and the opportunities it will provide. We will, of course, continue to organize other activities as well and will continue to support the on-going efforts already in place at TBT.

As always, feel free to share your ideas and concerns. If you know of an agency or situation that needs our attention, please let us know. You are always welcome to email us or to join our meetings. Next meeting will be May 6 at 7pm

### Ongoing and Upcoming events and activities:

May 15 and May 18 – Supermarket food collection in support of Mitzvah Day activity for Island Harvest.

May 19 – MITZVAH DAY!!!

Ongoing - Support of the St. Jude's Mission Center Mother and Child Ministry [www.stjudemissioncenter.org](http://www.stjudemissioncenter.org)

Ongoing – Chai Club's Kosher food collection for a Kosher Food Pantry

Ongoing – Brotherhood/Men's Club's Remember the Troops collection. There will also be a **special Mitzvah Day collection** in support of Adopt-a-Battalion – needed items include: band-aids, Neosporin, Tylenol, Motrin, soap, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, mouthwash, shaving cream, razors, sunscreen, lip balm  
PLEASE NO AEROSOL CANS OR GLASS!

**\*\*All items for these ongoing collections can be brought in on Mitzvah Day.\*\***

For information about the Social Action/Social Justice Committee or any of its projects

Contact Rona Kauffman at [driona88@yahoo.com](mailto:driona88@yahoo.com) or Patti Nacht at [prn512@aol.com](mailto:prn512@aol.com)





## OUR COMMUNITY



# Mother's Day is May 12!

This Mother's Day, remember the special women in your life with a beautiful card sent out by Sisterhood.

For just \$5.00 apiece, cards will be hand addressed, signed, and mailed for you. Recipients will receive a lovely card letting them know that a donation has been made to Sisterhood in their honor.

Checks should be made out to **TBT Sisterhood**, and orders are due by **April 26**. Leave completed form with your check in the envelope hanging in the TBT office, or mail to: Joyce Star, 455 Poplar Lane, East Meadow, NY 11554.

Questions? Call Joyce: (516) 489-1992 or Laurel: (516) 884-6507.

First/last name of recipient: \_\_\_\_\_

How you'd like the card addressed (i.e. Mom, Aunt Sara): \_\_\_\_\_

How you'd like the card signed (i.e. Mom, Molly): \_\_\_\_\_

Her full address: \_\_\_\_\_

First/last name of recipient: \_\_\_\_\_

How you'd like the card addressed (i.e. Mom, Aunt Sara): \_\_\_\_\_

How you'd like the card signed (i.e. Mom, Molly): \_\_\_\_\_

Her full address: \_\_\_\_\_

First/last name of recipient: \_\_\_\_\_

How you'd like the card addressed (i.e. Mom, Aunt Sara): \_\_\_\_\_

How you'd like the card signed (i.e. Mom, Molly): \_\_\_\_\_

Her full address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please use the back of this form to add additional names.**

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number ordered: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_





## OUR COMMUNITY

# SAVE THE DATE

Sunday May 19, 2019

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Here's a sampling of some of the activities planned for Mitzvah Day:

- **No-Sew Fleece Blankets** – Create beautiful, cozy blankets to be donated to clients of **Bethany House**
- **"To Go" Bags** – Decorate paper lunch bags and pack with snacks to disperse to the area's hungry through the **INN's Mary Brennan Soup Kitchen** in Hempstead
- **Dog Toys** – make simple animal toys for the **Town of Hempstead Animal Shelter**
- **Book Swap and Book Marks** – Donate books, take a book and decorate a bookmark. To be distributed to **The Book Fairies** in Freeport.
- **Bags of Cheer and Greetings Cards** for homebound seniors served through **Family and Children's Services of Mineola**
- **Letters of Gratitude** – Write letters of thanks and support to our military service members.
- **Grocery Sorting** – Organize and box donated non-perishable foods to be distributed by **Island Harvest Food Bank**
- **Volunteer Fair** – learn about local volunteer opportunities and organizations/agencies providing support services to our community.
- **Advocacy Table** – Learn about what you can do to advocate for issues that represent the values and teachings of Reform Judaism. Learn about organizations that help to raise awareness, educate, and advocate for social justice issues of importance to the Jewish community.
- **Afternoon off-site activities include** – Dinner prep at Ronald McDonald House, Dinner prep, and games for residents of Bethany House, beach cleanup for the South Shore Estuary Reserve, work at the Garden at St. Francis in Bellmore, additional afternoon activities TBD

**We need your help to make this day a success. Plan on joining us...**

Experience the feeling of knowing that you helped someone in need and have fun along the way.

Watch for more details in upcoming issues of The Voice of TBT, the online scroll, lobby flyers and our Facebook page.

Questions? Rona at: [ronakauffman@yahoo.com](mailto:ronakauffman@yahoo.com) or Patti at: [prn512@aol.com](mailto:prn512@aol.com)





## OUR COMMUNITY



*You are cordially invited to the*  
***TBT Sisterhood***  
***Year-End Dinner***  
***Tuesday, May 21, 2019***  
***7 o'clock in the evening***  
***TBT Social Hall \$20p.p.***

The Sisterhood Slate and Budget for 2019 – 2020 will be voted on

***R.S.V.P. by May 14, 2019***

Absolutely no Walk-Ins

***Make your check payable to: TBT Sisterhood***

Return your **check** with the tear-off below Attention: **Ellen Kraut**

Leave in envelope on bulletin board or mail to:

**Temple B'nai Torah 2900 Jerusalem Ave. Wantagh, NY 11793**

Questions? Email **Ellen Kraut** jak3555@aol.com

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Return slip for: TBT Sisterhood End of Year Dinner RSVP by May 14<sup>th</sup> \$ 20 pp

Member Name \_\_\_\_\_

Teen Member Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ # Members \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I will bring the following dessert \_\_\_\_\_

We will do our best to accommodate dietary needs, circle or write - in special request

Gluten-Free, Nut-Free, Dairy-Free, and/or \_\_\_\_\_





## OUR COMMUNITY

### TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH Circle of Friends



### **"The Grimm Escape" & Dinner**

**Saturday May 18, 2019**

**5:30 – 6:30PM**

**Puzzle Break LI**

**180 Michael Dr  
Syosset, NY 11791**

Escape rooms are sweeping the U.S. in their increasing popularity. Basically, a team of players is racing the clock to solve a series of themed & related puzzles before the time runs out. Clues are hidden among other objects in a cluttered room.

Larger teams will be in larger rooms, but the clutter is designed to make you work for your solutions.

We will have one (1) hour to unravel the mystery. Live or die, we will be eating dinner afterwards to discuss our success or failure.

**Cost is \$28/pp for C of F member; \$33/pp for non-C of F member. Reservations will be first come, first served.** If we have more than 12, we will attempt to book a second puzzle room (which will have a different theme, etc.) at that same day & time.

The Puzzle Break is a modern facility, although various rooms may be deliberately laid out to be scruffy. As you are locked in (!) for an hour, the bathrooms are in the main lobby. A staffer accompanies each group and can answer questions or in case there is an emergency.

For additional info about Puzzle Break, see <https://www.puzzlebreakli.com/>

**Make checks payable to: TBT Circle of Friends**

**Mail to: Temple B'nai Torah, 2900 Jerusalem Ave., Wantagh NY 11793**

**or Leave in the envelope in the Temple Office**

**Contact Information: Vicki & Marty Goldberger (516) 935-1613**

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**RSVP by May 10, 2019**

**Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact information** \_\_\_\_\_





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The following is a list of **May 17, Class 2019, Graduates & June 8, Class of 2019 Confirmands**. Circle the names of those to whom you would like to send congratulations, and print your name as you wish it to appear on the Uniongrams. Please return the list promptly with **\$1.25** for each Uniongram made payable to **Temple B'nai Torah Sisterhood** and send to **Jan Friedman,**

33 Deer Lane, Wantagh, NY 11793

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### GRADUATION CLASS 2019

#### GRADUATES

Jordan Coene

Joah Curry

Cayla Goldstein

Brett Herman

Hannah Kussman

#### PARENTS

Melissa & Charles Coene

Sharon & Brenden Curry

Janet & Daniel Goldstein

Amy & Robert Herman

Glenda & Michael Kussman

#### GRADUATES

Benjy Neches

Danielle Spiegel

Erika Walsh

Shane Weiner

#### PARENTS

Alissa & Neil Neches

Josefina & David Spiegel

Alana & John Walsh

Amy & Marc Weiner

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### CONFIRMATION CLASS 2019

#### CONFIRMANDS

David DeRienzo

Michael Galardi

Julia Schnee

Jacob Scotch

#### PARENTS

Holly & John DeRienzo

Robin & Joe Galardi

Faith & Arthur Schnee

Kimberly & John Scotch

#### CONFIRMANDS

Rebecca Sirof

Michele Spiller

Russell Taustine

#### PARENTS

Melanie & Steven Sirof

Stacey & Jeff Spiller

Lucie & Michael Taustine

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\_\_\_\_\_Uniongrams @ 1.25each\_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE PRINT \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE: All uniongrams requested must be submitted TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE, either by mail or left in the Uniongram box in the Temple office. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE CASH IN THE MAILBOX. We cannot be responsible for lost money.**





## OUR COMMUNITY



TBT Sisterhood Presents:  
a Rosh Chodesh Ceremony  
celebrating women and the new month of Iyar with  
Cantor Timman

May 5, 2019 @12:30pm

In the Kiddush Lounge



For questions, please contact Felicia Denaro (516)679-0666

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose a \$5 check made out to TBT Sisterhood for non-Temple members.

Return to: Temple B'nai Torah Attn: Felicia Denaro/Rosh Chodesh  
2900 Jerusalem Ave Wantagh NY 11793

Or

Leave in the appropriate envelope in the TBT office





## OUR COMMUNITY

THE BROTHERHOOD OF TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH  
SPONSORS ITS 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL

# SUMMER VENDOR FAIR

**SUNDAY, JULY 28, 2019**

**10 AM – 5 PM**

Summer Vendor Fair will be held outdoors & indoors



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or  
**9' wide Indoor Space**

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For info CALL (516) 322-8130 or e-mail [brotherhood@tbtwantagh.org](mailto:brotherhood@tbtwantagh.org)

Vendor contracts available in Temple office, by e-mail, by fax

or on Temple website: [www.tbtwantagh.org](http://www.tbtwantagh.org) (see events)



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### LOOKING FOR INVITATIONS?

Sisterhood is pleased to help  
you shop for  
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Invitations

Social stationery is available  
as well



All invitations are  
25% off retail prices

Yarmulkes and  
lace head-coverings  
are available at discounted prices  
as well

Call Sharon Forman (516-799-8043) for more





## OUR COMMUNITY

Temple B'nai Torah Sisterhood 

Mother's Day Sale 



Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 8:30am-11:00am In the  
Temple Lobby



Mother's Day gifts for Moms, Grandmas, Aunts, or  
any of the special women in your life Prices  
start at \$1

Children will attend with their religious school class.  
Please send your child with some money and a list of  
who they are buying gifts for.



## BOX TOPS AND POP TABS

One of the many things we do for our Temple family is to collect Box Tops and Pop Tabs. Why you ask? Well, they do mitzvahs for our Temple and the outer world. Box Tops are found on many cereals and other cardboard and plastic containers. Pop Tabs are on soda cans and other metal containers. You see these things every day. They benefit so many people and cost you nothing but a few minutes of your time.



The Box Tops are for our Temple school. Redeemed, they buy supplies for our children's needs. Pop Tabs are sent to the Ronald McDonald House to help the children and parents.

The containers to collect these items are in the Temple office.



*Rita Drucker*





## OUR COMMUNITY

PROUDLY ASSISTING FAMILIES OF TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH

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## OUR COMMUNITY

### 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.

Enclosed is my gift of: \_\_\_\$10 \_\_\_\$18 \_\_\_\$36 \_\_\_\$54 \_\_\_\$100 \_\_\_ Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Get Well to: \_\_\_\_\_ In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_ In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

From \_\_\_\_\_ Send Card To \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

For either the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund or Cantor's Discretionary Fund or any of the Endowments Funds  
please make your check payable to the fund; for all other fund donations,  
please make your check payable to TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH.

Send to: Temple B'nai Torah, 2900 Jerusalem Avenue, Wantagh, NY 11793-2025

#### TEMPLE FUNDS

Adult Education Fund  
Bishop Family B'nai Mitzvah / Religious School Fund  
Chapel Fund  
Children's Prayerbook Fund  
Holocaust Fund  
Adult Library and the Rabbi Deanna Pasternak Children's  
Library Fund  
Lowell Golden Mailing Center Fund  
Prayer Book Fund  
Rabbi Raab Fund  
Rose Mandel Holocaust Education Fund  
Sandi and Joel Friedman Stage Fund  
Religious School Enrichment Fund Social Action Fund Tot  
Shabbat Fund  
Shabbat Prayerbook Fund  
Temple Beautification Fund  
The Music Fund: in Memory of Cantor Walter Lewis  
Torah Repair Fund

#### YOUTH FUNDS

Dr. Pat Kussoy Youth Scholarship Fund  
Youth Activities Fund Joanne Scherzer Youth Fund  
Bernard Weinstein Youth Fund

#### ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Roslyn Slomin Memorial Fund  
Doris & Ed Kliegman Adult Education Fund  
Fund for Life  
Gift Of Love Fund

#### MEMORIAL FUNDS

Harvey Beller Fund  
Harvey Cohen  
Judy Bardavid  
Lisa Yucht  
Steven Cohen

*Please continue to donate to existing  
funds from legacy "TEEM".*







## SPECIAL GIFTS

### YOU MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

# GENEROUS GIFTS

#### RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In honor of:

**Bat Mitzvah of Mandy Krauss**

from The Krauss Family

In memory of:

**Harry Miller** from Rosalyn & Howard Walowitz

In appreciation of:

**Rabbi's support & prayers** from Micky Alterman

**Rabbi's funeral service**

for **Marvin Brody** from Jeff Brody

**Rabbi's funeral service**

for **Robert Prosky** from Larry Prosky

**Mishaberach prayers** from Susanne Sinert

#### CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In honor of:

**Bat Mitzvah of Mandy Krauss**

from The Krauss Family

In appreciation of:

**Aviva Jiran's baby naming**

from Isack & Cindy Shavit

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### FROM THE EDITOR'S PEN

#### "Mitzvah Goreret Mitzvah"



Are you familiar with that Hebrew phrase? It translates as, "One good deed brings another."

As we near Mitzvah Day (Sunday, May 19th, as is well-publicized throughout TBT VOICE), let us keep in that adage

mind.

There are examples of this we see all the time. If someone holds a door for a wheelchair or a stroller... amazingly some else rushes over to assist with the next door. Or I someone is seen making a donation or offering to volunteer (BINGO perhaps), then other volunteers add their names.

I predict seeing all the amazing activity at TBT on the 19th will encourage us to say, "One successful Mitzvah Day leads to another!"

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