



MONDAY JUNE 14th 7-8pm

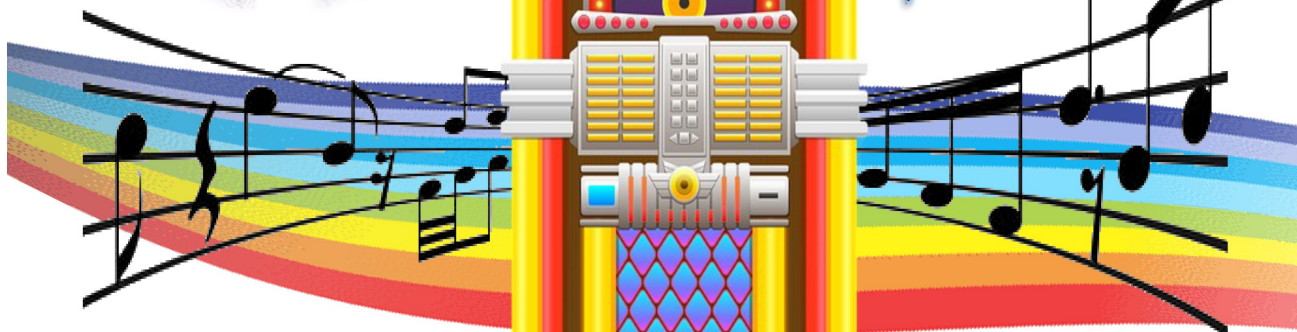
Temple B'nai
Torah Sisterhood



**2 GAMES
PER PERSON**



JUKEBOX



Music Categories:

60's Revisited
70's Disco Free
70's Dance Party
90's Remix
TV Themes
Classic Rock
Saturday Night Fever

BINGO

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RITUAL COMMITTEE

Ritual Calendar - June 2021

(Please note that as the weather improves, and conditions improve we will begin making use of our outdoor prayer space and the Sanctuary. Check the weekly Scroll and watch for emails with the most up to date information!)



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| Friday, June 4 | 7:15pm | Erev Shabbat Hebrew HS Graduation and Membership Service at TBT & Streamed ** |
| Saturday, June 5 | 9:30am | Torah Study * |
| | 10:30am | Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Scotch ** |
| Friday, June 11 | 5:30pm | Tot Shabbat- at TBT & Streamed |
| | 7:15pm | Erev Shabbat Family Service & Farewell to Morah Meredith** |
| Saturday, June 12 | 10:30am | Shabbat Service Bar Mitzvah of Kason Ladd – Zoom & Streamed |
| Friday, June 18 | 7:15pm | Erev Shabbat Service/Board Installation ** |
| Saturday, June 19 | 9:00am | Shabbat Service Bar Mitzvah of Noah Brandoff ** |
| | 11:30am | Shabbat Service Bar Mitzvah Everett Gabel ** |
| Friday, June 25 | 7:15pm | Erev Shabbat Summer Service ** |



July

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| Friday, July 2 | 7:15pm | Erev Shabbat Summer Service ** |
| Friday, July 9 | 6:30pm | Erev Shabbat Beach Service at Jones Beach+ & Streamed |
| Friday, July 16 | 7:15p | Erev Shabbat Summer Service ** |
| Friday, July 23 | 6:30pm | Erev Shabbat Beach Service at Jones Beach+ & Streamed |
| Friday, July 30 | 7:15pm | Erev Shabbat Summer Service ** |



August

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| Friday, August 6 | 7:15pm | Erev Shabbat Summer Service ** |
| Friday, August 13 | 6:30pm | Erev Shabbat Beach Service at Jones Beach+ & Streamed |
| Friday, August 20 | 6:30pm | Shabbat Under the Stars Service ** |
| Friday, August 27 | 7:15pm | Erev Shabbat Summer Service ** |
| Saturday, August 28 | 8:00pm | Slichot Program ** |
| | 9:00pm | Slichot Service ** |
| Sunday, August 29 | | Cemetery Services - #TBD |



KEY: * = on Zoom ** = at TBT (Masks Required) & Streamed (details on Scroll and Website)

=To Be Determined + = Jones Beach, Field 6, West end, along the handicap ramp

Always check the TBT Website\ Calendar prior to Services & Events for the most up-to-date information .



INSPIRATION FROM OUR RABBI



A Season of Transitions

As we approach the summer months of 2021, I'm thinking about transitions. In our cycle of Torah readings, we are making our way through the book of Numbers, in Hebrew *Bamidbar*, literally translated as: in the wilderness. It is a book of the Torah that my colleague and friend Rabbi Lauren Cohn always describes as, "The Israelites' holding pattern" on their way to the Promised Land. The majority of the book takes place over approximately 38 years of wandering from the foot of Mt. Sinai to the East bank of the Jordan.

In that time, the people cycle through a series of complaints against everything from the food to Moses's leadership. Each time, their complaints include some form of the refrain: life was better in Egypt, we want to go back. In response, each time, God makes clear that there is no going back, only looking forward. It takes a new generation of Israelites to finally understand that. It is only the generation that never endured the hardships of Egypt which no longer wishes to return. The 38 years in the wilderness teach us about periods of transition: those times we are neither where we left, nor where we are going.

Paradoxically, even though the new generation doesn't have a personal memory of bondage in Egypt, they are constantly reminded of it, and told again and again to remember, and to remember that it was the Eternal who redeemed them. To move forward, the people must have a sense of communal memory, even as individual and personal memories are held up to be a hindrance to the people's progress.

This narrative of transition is on my mind because the summer of 2021 will no doubt be a period of transition. It will be for us and our families as we move toward, we pray, a post-pandemic era. It will be a time of transition because we will all have to begin to assess what was before the pandemic, what we learned, and how we wish to continue. These last 15 months have been complicated and have forced us to alter much in our lives. We arrive this summer at a time when we can decide if we want to go back or want to hold on to the new. As with our ancestors, this time of transition will help us to define the road ahead.

This is also a time of transition for our congregation and community. There will be changes in our senior staff as we will be excited to welcome our new Religious School Director, and new Administrator. While these transitions will require much energy, we will all strive to learn from the past and move forward together in strength toward achieving our goal of becoming a modern congregation of excellence.

In addition, this summer will see a new Lay Leadership take the helm of TBT. I want to extend a thank you to our soon-to-be Immediate Past-Presidents, Joni Christie and Karen Friedlander, with whom I have been lucky to work closely alongside these last two years. They adeptly led our congregation through the COVID crisis. None of us could have planned for this, and none of us quite knew what to do, but due to our strong sacred partnership, alongside Cantor Timman and the entire staff, we made it this far and in very good shape!

While we have learned by now not to try and predict the future, we are hopeful that this summer will see an ongoing decrease in restrictions and increase in vaccinations as we reach herd immunity. We will, God willing, soon be able to put COVID in the rearview mirror, but we would not be learning from our tradition if we forget about it completely and don't use this time of transition to pause and reflect on where we want to go next. Each summer, I like to give a little homework assignment. This year, let it be that we all use this summer of liminality to evaluate and determine what we want our Promised Land to look like.

The book of Numbers begins with a census of the people, seemingly reminding us that it is our community that will hold us together through a period of transition. Moreover, famously in the book of Numbers, the splendor of the community leads to words of blessing we know as the prayer *Mah Tov*. These words begin our Shabbat Morning services as a reminder of the value of being in and recognizing the importance of community.

And our community has sustained us! May it continue to sustain us through this summer of transition, such that when we gather in early September for High Holy Days, no matter what that may look like, we know that we are ready to build toward a future grounded in our past, and also laying the groundwork for and welcoming the next generation.

May you have a restful, restorative summer. I know we all could use it!

Rabbi Daniel Bar-Nahum



NOTES FROM OUR CANTOR



It has been quite the year! We have truly held together through a global pandemic! We became tech savvy enough to pray, study, celebrate, and connect with each other remotely and meaningfully. We cared for each other through illness and difficult loss. We kvelled with our B'nai Mitzvah, Confirmation, and Graduation classes as they exceeded all expectations through their lifecycle moments. Our Adult B'nai Mitzvah class began an eighteen-month study journey which will culminate next year in what is sure to be a beautiful service and milestone in their lives. We celebrated the High Holy Days, Shabbat, and all the holidays from our homes. Our Religious School students and faculty studied together, and we embraced a hybrid way of learning. Our Arms offered programming, our committees met regularly, fundraisers raised much needed funds and we even enjoyed a virtual Zoom show in the early days of the pandemic. We came together for Mitzvah Day and gave back to our local community. Our TBT Garden was created, flourished, and now continues to offer hundreds of pounds of produce to our neighbors in need. I am in awe of how together we persevered through a year like no other!

I want to thank our board leadership, our hard-working committees, our dedicated staff, and especially our outgoing co-presidents Joni Christie and Karen Friedlander, who shepherded us through this extraordinary time. As you complete your terms as our co-presidents may you both enjoy abundant blessings for your devoted work on behalf of our congregation. Relish your new roles as past-presidents as you get to know your families again! And as always, my deepest thanks to Rabbi Bar-Nahum as we continue to partner daily for the sake of our sacred community.

Finally, I'd like to thank Meredith Lubin for her partnership and friendship, and for her dedication to our Religious School families and TBT community these past four years. As we go through a transition to a new Director, I want to pause to wish her success and joy in her future work serving the Jewish community.

We are headed toward a summer of transition, visioning, and planning. God willing, with the pandemic mostly in our rear-view mirrors our calendar next year will, no doubt, fill up with meaningful and wonderful programming. But may our focus always be toward continuing to deepen sacred connections to each other as we grow our spiritual home, our Jewish community, and our TBT family.

Wishing you a healthy, rejuvenating summer!

B'shira,

Cantor Rica Timman



Scout Troops 186 & 189

***working at the Brotherhood
Sponsored Mitzvah project
refurbishing a local Youth
residence's porch***





MAZEL TOV TO OUR B'NAI MITZVAH AND THEIR FAMILIES



June 5

Sarah Scotch

Kim & J.J.

My name is Sarah and I am a seventh grader at Berner Middle School in Massapequa. I love gymnastics! I am a founding member of Scouts BSA Troop 186, and I really enjoy camping and working on service projects with the Troop. I also enjoy spending time with my friends and family. My favorite part of getting ready to become a Bat Mitzvah has been the weekly lessons with Mrs. Altman, and I would like to send her a special thank you and much love. I would also like to thank Morah Meredith, Rabbi Bar-Nahum, and Cantor Timman for their help and support.



June 12

Kason Ladd

Tiffany & David

Kason is currently in Seventh grade at General Brown Junior-Senior High School and is on the High Honor Roll. He plays the trumpet in the Junior Band. Kason loves playing basketball and video games. He also loves spending time with friends and family, while exploring the north county of upstate New York. We are extremely proud of him! We would like to extend a special thank you to Cantor Timman and Rabbi Bar-Nahum for all their help and guidance in preparation for his Bar Mitzvah.



June 19

Noah Brandoff

Rick & Lisa

Noah is a 7th grader at Woodland Middle School. He enjoys swimming, skiing, as well as playing tennis with his friends and teammates on the Woodland tennis team. Noah is a kind and compassionate child, who always has patience to help others. Noah has a talent for art and creativity and loves to create animations and do coding in his free time. Noah is gifted in art and received an art achievement award in 5th Grade. Noah loves playing video games and laughing with his brother, cousins and friends. Noah is very close with his entire family. Noah sends a special thank you to the Rabbi, Cantor and Emily Altman, for helping him prepare for his special day!



June 19

Everett Gabel

Ivan & Tracey

My Name is Everett Gabel. I was born in New York City and moved to East Meadow in 2019. I am currently in 7th grade at Woodland Middle School. I enjoy school sports like track & field and volleyball. I like bike riding and jumping on my trampoline with friends. My favorite foods are bagels, pizza, Sonic chicken nuggets and anything with chocolate. I have a brother named Mason and, as his big brother, I always try to set a good example by being respectful, kind, and responsible. I also have a puppy called Piper. I love playing with them both. I am grateful to have the opportunity to become a Bar Mitzvah and am excited to share this experience with my family and friends. I am very appreciative to everyone at Temple B'nai Torah, especially Morah Meredith, Cantor Timman and Rabbi Bar-Nahum for guiding me through this process. Finally I want to thank my parents for always loving and supporting me, today and everyday, they are the best!



SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OUR STUDENTS

There are many scholarships available for our students. They can be used for camps, weekend programs, school programs, and any other student programs. However, we have a system to apply for these scholarships here at TBT. You must go to the office administrator and ask for a scholarship form. Fill it out with the help of your parent (if needed) and return it to the office. The Temple

Scholarship Committee will review it and issue a scholarship from the proper committee. I promise everyone who requests a scholarship will receive one.

Please do not request any scholarship from any other arm or committee. All requests must go to the office as noted above. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call the office. Students, have a great experience wherever you go!

Rita, For the Scholarship Committee



PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE



This is the last article that Joni and I will be writing as Co-Presidents of TBT. My feelings waiver between being relieved (no more day-to-day problems) and being sad (no more day-to-day involvement).

When we were sworn in two years ago we were looking forward to a pretty straight forward presidency – Lead the Executive Board and the Board of Trustees, interact with Rabbi and Cantor, attend as many committee meetings as possible, attend as many Special Services and Shabbat Services as possible, attend Temple and Arms functions and meet and listen to

as many congregants as we could. The first nine months were pretty much just as we thought they should be – the next fifteen months were challenging to say the least.

After the Pandemic struck, things changed dramatically. Suddenly things that we all took for granted in the running of Temple – on a spiritual level, an educational level and the daily activities in and around building – became a challenge. Joni and I were very fortunate to be Co-Presidents of such a creative, hard-working and patient Temple community. Everyone did their best to pitch in and make things work to the best level possible. There is a brighter and brighter light at the end of this COVID tunnel, and we are hoping everything will be back to normal by the Fall.

Joni and I would like to thank Rabbi Bar-Nahum and Cantor Timman for partnering with us and for being our sounding board when needed. You both had our backs through all of our Presidency. We know all the hard work you put in to meeting the spiritual needs of our Temple family. You both did an outstanding job and made it look easy! Morah Meredith, a big thanks to you and the entire teaching staff for teaching our children and constantly tweaking the hybrid teaching model to keep up with all of the COVID policies. The office staff – Paula, Marilyn and Joann (and Sue Ellen prior to her unexpected departure) did an outstanding job in keeping the business end of our Temple running like a well-oiled machine! Anthony, Steve and Nick, thank you for keeping our building and grounds in tip-top condition.

We also want to thank our Executive Board, the Board of Trustees, all the Committee Chairs and the Committees for all of the hard work and encouragement you have given Joni and I over the past two years. Without your support and hard work, we could not have kept our Congregation moving forward and in a positive direction during these hard times. You kept connected to our Congregation through Zoom meetings and telephone calls, and gave everyone assurance we would emerge on the other side of this pandemic stronger than ever.

Just so we are clear that the Pandemic wasn't all bad – we were able to move forward with some of our much-needed projects to enhance and improve our Temple – new floor in the Social Hall (complete); new floors and paint for the classrooms (in progress), streaming capabilities (complete for video, sound upgrade in progress) and new perimeter fencing (to be completed in the fall after the final garden harvest).

We wish all of you a happy, peaceful summer and look forward to seeing you in the fall.

L'Shalom,

Karen Friedlander and Joni Christie, Co-Presidents



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Dear Religious School families,

It is hard to believe that June is here already. We have had such a great year, despite the difficulties of the pandemic. We have watched your children grow and learn. We look forward to continuing to see their progress and growth.

We want to thank:

- * Our Temple families - for being part of our school. We appreciate your flexibility this year. We appreciate your working with us and your children.
- * Our Teachers – we could not have accomplished what we have accomplished without you!
- * Our Clergy – for being there and for all of your support.
- * Our Religious Education Committee – for the many hours spent discussing our school and how to achieve all that we achieved.
- * Our PTA – for the continual support of our children and programs.

We would like to thank Meredith Lubin for her last four years as the Director of Religious Education. She has always been a friendly face in the hallways, classroom and on Zoom. We wish her much success in her next steps.

Please take time this summer to reflect on school and what makes it important to you and your family. Also, take time for yourself and enjoy the weather and outdoors. We look forward to sending an email with news about our new Director in the near future. Once the Director is settled in, we will set up a meet and greet whether outside or on Zoom.

Enjoy the summer months and see you in September!

Amy Neidle, VP of Religious Education
Brooke Myers, Chair



Mazel Tots & Music In the Garden

Mazel Tots learn about collecting rainwater while learning about the





SISTERHOOD SHMOOZING



I cannot believe that two years have gone so quickly. We have all learned to adapt in ways we never thought were possible and yet we have all overcome the obstacles that Covid placed before us.

I want to thank an incredible executive Board of TBT Sisterhood who remained committed to having our sisterhood be the best it could possibly be. There are way too many women to mention but I must thank Maryanne Gross, Gail Rosner, Patti Nacht, Rachelle Schnall, Judy Novet, Karen Liebovitz, Helaine Schnall, Diane Schoenberg, Louise Ponticello and Caryn Suckle for always being there for me no matter

the time of day or night.

I was trying to find a way to express my wish for all of Sisterhood, so here is my final thought for my final Voice article as Sisterhood President...May you all have many wonderful friends who love you just the way you are, yet challenge you to be all that you can.

B'shalom

Emily Altman

Sisterhood President



The Garden at TBT is having a garden-themed fundraising sale!!!

All proceeds go to the Garden at TBT

Sunday, June 13

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

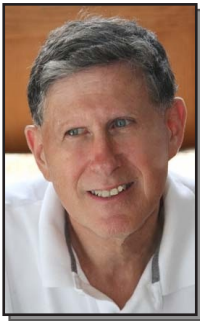


Visit us at the garden!
You might find just the gift or garden item
you've been looking for!





BROTHERHOOD / MEN'S CLUB



As the month of May began, Brotherhood/Men's Club had just enjoyed our Shabbat Service which we shared with the TBT Sisterhood. Thanks again to Rabbi Bar-Nahum and Cantor Timman for your assistance with this event which we look forward to each year. On that high note, we entered the month of May ready to continue our good times.

During the month of May, many of our members participated in the TBT auction, enjoyed a members-only online Poker Tournament and played on the TBT Softball team. Our first Mitzvah Project, the scraping, sanding and painting of a porch for a Wantagh group home was completed in May under the guidance of Richard Epler. While we have not been able to meet together in the Temple building due to the pandemic, we took advantage of the warm May weather to plan to have an outdoor luncheon for our members during the

month.

For our second Mitzvah Project, we had placed a large box in the Temple lobby to collect Beanie Babies to be forwarded to Operation Gratitude for our troops. These cuddly reminders of home are now on their way to our troops to offer some comfort as they continue to endure hardships while protecting American interests and values around the globe.

Now that we are in the month of June, we are looking forward to the Zoom celebration of our "Marvelous Matriarchs." It is wonderful to have an opportunity to express our thanks to Jan Friedman, Gail Grossman and Rita Hofer for all they have done for our legacy congregations and for our current Temple B'nai Torah.

This month will also bring the installation of our 2021-2022 Brotherhood/Men's Club Board. Thank you to all of the members who helped to make this challenging year a successful one for our members. Thank you, too, to our members who attended and supported our various activities. Without you, there would be no Brotherhood/Men's Club. It has been an honor to serve as the Brotherhood/Men's Club President for the past two years. I wish our incoming President and board a wonderful 2021-2022. They will be meeting throughout the summer to plan for the upcoming year.

Happy summertime to everyone!

Regards,

Richard Tepper

President TBT Brotherhood/Men's Club

TBT Garden



Now we can help at the Garden and be kind to our backs.



Preparing our Seder Plate Garden.



Learning to nourish the soil through composting.



CHAI CLUB



On Monday May 24th, we all enjoyed our Chai Club sponsored show, singer Bonnie Rapp. Bonnie provided a sweet selection of Broadway show tunes. We also presented our 2021-2022 Slate of Officers and Trustees, the revised Chai Club Constitution and we approved our 2021 – 202 budget. Congratulations to our Chai Club Board who worked so hard making 2020-2021 a successful year.

Plans for June

We have contracted Susan and Art Zuckerman to speak, Monday, June 21st at 7:30pm. They will provide priceless video and comedy of our old-time favorites, with their show: "Great Comics New York City." Most of the great comedians of the past, either were native New Yorkers, or called New York home. Learn about the lives of some of these wonderful performers such as Burns & Allen, Jimmy Durante, Gertrude Berg, Groucho Marx, Abbot & Costello and others. You will also see and hear excerpts of some of their most well-known comedic routines. So, reminisce with us, think happy thoughts and enjoy a good laugh during this presentation. This is also a great thing to share with younger members of your family so they can appreciate how you were being entertained when you were their age. Details to follow in next month's Voice and TBT Scroll. See our advertisement on **page 16**.

Social Action-Social Justice

Chai Club's Mitzvah Day Project thanks the staffs of some of our favorite grocery/supermarket stores, who helped us through the pandemic, by writing thank-you letters directed to: checkout associates, delivery people, stock personnel and managers.

We are asking congregants to write and send letters through the month of May, for one month, ending June 23rd directly to the stores, or drop them off at the Temple in our Chai Club mailbox or email to us at **Bellobl@gmail.com** and we will send them by US Mail. We have a list of 22 stores all located in our areas from Merrick to Massapequa and East Meadow to Plainview. See our flyer on **Page 15**.

Please continue to bring to the Temple kosher food products and place in the box near the coat room. Best wishes for a safe and wonderful summer.

Joan and Brian Levy, Co-presidents, sea1983jl@gmail.com, bellobl@gmail.com



April Winners!!!

2021 Cash Calendar

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| 4/10 | #389 | Jesse Haber |
| 4/11 | #909 | Donna Sternberg |
| 4/14 | #108 | Marty Solomon |
| | #108 | Gina Haber |
| 4/16 | #101 | Mindy Cohen |
| 4/21 | #008 | Joni Christie |
| 4/26 | #008 | Joni Christie |

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CIRCLE OF FRIENDS



One of the latest events that our members were able to partake of was called “FOOD and FLICK.” It took place at the Bellmore Playhouse – for real! Twenty-five of our stalwart vaccinated members actually went to the theater which provided them with Sunday dinner and a movie – complete with popcorn, chocolate and a soda. As you can see, a terrific time was had by all!



At this time, we are trying to provide our members with other activities that are fun but safe. We plan to have Miniature Golf on Sunday, June 6 – after the Gala. See the Scroll for the exact time. We are also planning a membership luncheon – hopefully on June 13 from noon to 4:00pm at the Wantagh Inn. Again, check the Scroll for details.

During the summer, our plans include a trip to the Vanderbilt Planetarium and a trip to the Long Island Ducks. As we are able to put more things together, we will keep you informed.

Please stay safe.

Sharon & Ben Cernese





SOCIAL ACTION



Social Action/Social Justice Committee

June brings us the promise of summer vacations and more time to unwind. We wish you all a summer that is healthy, rejuvenating and inspiring.

Last month, due to the generosity and hard work of our committee members, TBT congregants and leadership, we were able to have a successful and safe Mitzvah Day which enabled us to provide items of support to a wide variety of recipient agencies. We were able to do this in ways that allowed for all varieties of participation - completing projects from home, dropping off and delivering items and, taking part in in-person on-site activities. How wonderful it was to be together again working in the service of Tikkun Olam!

Upcoming Activities

The first weekend in June is designated as Gun Violence Prevention Weekend. **Wear Orange June 4-6 to show your support for finding strategies for reducing gun violence.** Then, on **June 22** join us as Moms Demand Action offer an important Be SMART presentation which aims to bring together parents, grandparents and all adults concerned about kids, guns and safety. This presentation will give practical safety guidelines that everyone who cares for and about kids needs to learn. Their engaging, accessible and non-partisan approach will allow you to leave the presentation ready to become part of the solution to a most troubling problem facing our country. See flyer in this issue for details.

The Garden at TBT Updates: The Garden at TBT is now an official Monarch Waystation. The variety of pollinator attracting plants grown in our garden qualifies us as a certified habitat. Our pollinators help produce a plentiful harvest and we help to support the fragile Monarch population. We hope to provide an information session about the Monarch Waystation and its benefits in the near future. Our vegetables have gotten off to a great start and we will soon be sharing our harvests with our recipient agencies. Please do not hesitate to let Rabbi Bar-Nahum know if, due to financial difficulties, you are in need of fresh produce. The information will be kept strictly confidential and you will be able to receive periodic deliveries of harvested items. Come visit the garden and see "what's up."

Other ongoing social action activities at TBT: Sisterhood's **sanitary supplies for women**, Brotherhood's **eyeglass collection** (Lion's Club) and **personal care items** (Adopt-A-Battalion); Chai Club's continuing **kosher food** collection for the kosher pantry at Congregation Beth Ohr, non-kosher food received will be distributed to local food pantries.

Although this will be the last Voice article until September, the SA/SJ committee will continue to meet throughout the summer to develop, organize and arrange for ways to address the needs of our neighbors, the global community and our planet. We will post information about any summer programs or initiatives on the scroll, website and Facebook pages so stay tuned.

Your input is always welcome and there is an open invitation to join the Social Action/Social Justice committee. Our next SA/SJ ZOOM meeting is **June 8th 7-9pm.**

For information about the Social Action/Social Justice Committee, TEVA, or any of our projects contact Rona Kauffman at ronakauffman@yahoo.com



OUR COMMUNITY

Lifelong Learning at Temple B'nai Torah

Robin Wexler

"Wisdom is not a product of schooling but of the lifelong attempt to acquire it."

Albert Einstein

In Judaism, Bet Midrash (house of learning) is the academic role that the synagogue plays in the life of a Jewish person. During this year of social distancing and zooming and isolation, the Life Long Learning Committee has worked very hard to provide diverse and engaging programs to our TBT community. Classes are taught by a variety of knowledgeable individuals, including our clergy, temple members, guest speakers and artists.

We are proud to introduce the new changes to our website. Take a moment and browse through the other tabs within the Lifelong Learning page on the website. These tabs include:

RESOURCES has selected links to organizations that provide educational opportunities including classes, Judaic libraries and research, museums and virtual trips.

CULTURAL INFORMATION provides links for information including but not limited to museums and cultural organizations offering Jewish experiences

ADULT B'NAI MITZVAH- info on the Adult B'nai Mitzvah program that is in progress.

TORAH STUDY Torah Study is also part of lifelong learning at TBT. Customarily, Jews seldom study Torah alone. The study of Torah is, more often than not, a social and even communal activity.

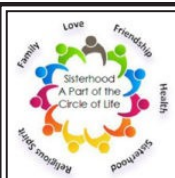
PROGRAMS gives the latest information on upcoming lifelong learning events as well as videos that can be accessed on our website.

CALENDAR tab links to the TBT calendar of events. This calendar is the most up-to-date information available for Temple events.

Are you interested in teaching something under the umbrella of Life Long Learning? It can be a class, on zoom, or a video.

For more information on the Lifelong Learning Committee please contact

Amy Neidle agneidle@gmail.com 917-734-2575 VP



SISTERHOOD and THE SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

**Request your support in their ongoing collection of personal care items
for women who are homeless, in residences or otherwise in need.**



Many women are lucky. Each month, if they need sanitary products, they simply order them online or go to the nearest drugstore or supermarket to purchase what they need. But, what do you do if you are homeless, you have financial struggles or you are in a residence that controls your purchases?

Menstrual health products are ineligible for purchases made with public benefits (WIC or SNAP), they are not always readily available in our public spaces such as schools, workplaces or government buildings, and are often not available in shelters, crisis centers, jails or prisons. Some women regularly skip school or work because they don't have adequate personal care items. Some use socks, newspapers, rags, whatever they can find.

Let's treat these women with dignity. These health products are a necessity, not a luxury.

**Beginning Mitzvah Day, May 23, 2021 please donate women's personal care items such as:
individually wrapped sanitary pads, tampons, panty-liners, wipes, bar soap, washcloths, deodorant and other
women's personal care items.**

Please bring donations to Mitzvah Day and then continue to bring whatever items you can, whenever you can, to TBT.

Any donations donated after Mitzvah Day can be brought to the collection box in the TBT coatroom.

For additional information contact Rona Kauffman at ronakauffman@yahoo.com



OUR COMMUNITY



National Gun Violence Awareness Day is Friday June 4, 2021



Wear Orange to show your support for solutions to reducing gun violence

Then, Join us on June 22, 2021 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Either by ZOOM or in-person pending re-opening recommendations

For a special Be SMART presentation by

MOMS DEMAND ACTION

Did you know that over 13 million households with children contain at least one gun?

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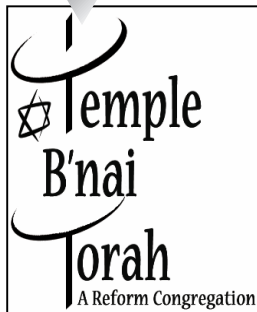
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BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE INFORMATION

Dear Congregant:

The plans for the High Holy Day services have not been finalized, but we are sure that they will be meaningful and inspirational, whether we are in person or hybrid, and that we will celebrate them with our Temple B'nai Torah Family.

The Book of Remembrance will be shared with our community on Yom Kippur and all Yizkor services throughout the year. This book will be emailed to you upon completion.

A Book of Remembrance order form is on **page 18**. If you would like the name(s) of your loved one(s) to be included in the Book of Remembrance, which is used during the Yizkor Service, please complete the form. Attach your payment and return the form and payment to the Temple no later than August 1st.

Please note: this deadline is absolutely firm due to the printing requirements of the Book of Remembrance. Any forms received after this date will not be included in this year's Book of Remembrance.

We look forward to welcoming you back to Temple B'nai Torah. Call Amy Neidle 516-579-6311 or Jan Friedman 516-781-5041 with any questions about the Yizkor service.

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Book of Remembrance 2021

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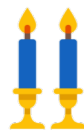
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