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Come join us as our Sisterhood Presents....



A Rosh Chodesh Program!

Deep Dive into Purim

With Jill Kaplan

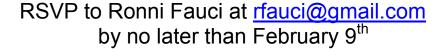


Please Join us for a fun tune-up for Purim – Why is it so late this year? We'll rediscover stories and rituals connected to the holiday and maybe learn something new along the way. We'll share family traditions and stories, and celebrate Esther's strength and courage.

Jill Kaplan, Jewish Educator on Long Island for more than 30 years and has spent the last decade restoring and repairing Torah Scrolls, will be presenting this class.

Monday, February 21, 2022 @ 7:30-9:30 pm

Zoom info to follow via email















ESTHER MORDECAI

RITUAL CALENDAR

Ritual Calendar - January 2022

The use of the Sanctuary comes with mask requirements and constant updates. Check the weekly Scroll and watch for emails with the most up-to-date information!





Saturday, 01/01	New Year's Da	
	9:30am	Torah Study * tot & *
Monday, 01/03	12:00pm	Torah Study *
Friday, 01/07	5:30pm	Tot Shabbat
	7:15pm	Family Shabbat Service **
Saturday, 01/08	9:30am	Torah Study *
Monday, 01/10	12:00pm	Torah Study *
Wednesday, 01/12	Religious Scho	ool Tu Bishvat Seders # (TBD)
Friday, 01/14	7:15pm	Social Action/Social Justice Shabbat Service (lyyun T'fillah) **
Saturday, 01/15	9:30am	Torah Study *
Monday, 01/17	Tu Bishvat	-1001
	12:00pm	Torah Study *
Friday, 01/21	7:15pm	Erev Shabbat Service/Tu Bishvat Seder & Service (lyyun T'fillah) **
Saturday, 01/22	9:00am 9:30am	Shabbat Service Bar Mitzvah of Seth Nevo ** Torah Study *
	11:30am	Shabbat Service Bar Mitzvah of Ryan Laibach **
Monday, 01/24	12:00pm	Torah Study *
Friday, 01/28	7:15pm	Erev Shabbat Service **
Saturday, 01/29	9:30am	Torah Study *
	10:30am	Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah of Alexandra Manashirov **
Monday, 01/31	12:00pm	Torah Study *
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Friday, 02/04	5:30pm 7:15pm	Tot Shabbat Family Shabbat Service with 5th Grade **
Saturday 02/05	9:30am	Torah Study *
Saturday, 02/05	9:30am 10:30am	Shabbat Service B'not Mitzvah of Mackenzie Goldman &
		Erica Simone **
Friday, 02/11	7:15pm	Erev Shabbat Service, (lyyun T'fillah) **
Saturday, 02/12	9:30am	Torah Study *
70	10:30am	Shabbat Service, Bat Mitzvah of Nina Myers ** Thitzvah!

KEY: * = on Zoom ** = at TBT (Masks Required) & Streamed (details on Scroll & Website) # =To Be Determined Always check the TBT Website\Calendar for the most up-to-date information.



INSPIRATION FROM OUR RABBI



It's hard to believe that January is already here. It feels as if the High Holy Days were just a moment ago, and we can maybe still smell the latkes frying in our homes. Yet, here we are, at the turn of another secular year. There's much that is exciting about the new year ahead, much to celebrate this month, and many opportunities for learning.

This month we will be glad to begin our new B'nai Mitzvah year. Our 7th-graders have been working hard to get ready, and we know they and their families have been looking forward to this for years. This month, we'll call three of our young people to Torah for the first time. We are, as always, grateful to our excellent teachers and

our fantastic tutor, Mrs. Emily Altman, for working so hard with our 7th-grade to catch them up and reinforce their skills after a difficult year of ZOOM and hybrid Hebrew School. We look forward to celebrating with all our families, and I offer my thanks to Cantor Timman for running such a great program.

This month we will also celebrate Tu BiShevat, the new year for the trees. Cantor Timman's article this month will fill you in on all the details you need to know to celebrate with us. As we think about the new year of the trees, we are also reminded that it is through humanity's labor that we are fed. Tu BiShevat reminds us of the fruits of agriculture, at a time not when the trees are weighed down with fruit, but before most of them even flower. Tu BiShevat can help us to recognize that food is not always easily available to us.

January also marks the commemoration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Though we take the day off as a part of the national holiday, here at TBT, we use the occasion to offer additional Social Justice/Social Action programming, as we do our part to try and further MLK's vision, mission and dream. This month, our SA/SJ Committee is focusing on food insecurity. On Friday, January 14 at 7:15pm during our Erev Shabbat Service, we will welcome Syd Mandelbaum, Founder and CEO of *Rock and Wrap it Up.* He will share with us the wonderful work his organization does to prevent food waste, and the other initiatives this anti-poverty think tank finds ways to prevent waste and provide meals for those in need.

Later that weekend, on Sunday, January 16th at 7:15 pm, we will welcome some guests from MAZON, The Jewish Response to Hunger, for a special ZOOM program about hunger and food insecurity in America. Many of you may recall the "MAZON This is Hunger" truck exhibit we hosted a few years ago in East Meadow.

The Torah reminds us that the poor will never cease from our midst. We are told again and again that we are to provide for the vulnerable. God commands us to leave the corners of our fields and our gleanings for the poor. The Torah recognizes that there is enough food for everyone, if only we share it appropriately. In many ways, organizations like Rock and Wrap it Up are answering the same call, to recognize that by preventing waste, we can feed so many.

In the book of Isaiah, the prophet reminds us that we are called to feed the hungry and bring the poor into our homes. Again, the message from our tradition is that the issue is not that God doesn't provide enough food for everyone. Rather, the prophets and the Torah remind us that we are responsible for making sure everyone has the food that they need. God can't do it without us. And we are always supposed to understand that it is on us to see what is needed in our community and work to make it better.

Dr. King is quoted as saying: "Why should there be hunger and deprivation in any land, in any city, at any table, when man has the resources and the scientific know-how to provide all mankind with the basic necessities of life?" I look forward to learning over the course of MLK Weekend with our Social Action/Social Justice Committee, and working to help our community see the ways in which food insecurity remains an issue and what we can do about it.

With Blessings, Rabbi Daniel Bar-Nahum



NOTES FROM OUR CANTOR



Happy secular New Year! In the Jewish calendar, according to the *Mishnah*, we celebrate the New Year four times: at Rosh Hashanah (the first of *Tishrei*), on the first day of the first month of *Nissan*, on the first day of *Elul*, on the 15th day (*tu*) of *Shevat*, known as *Tu BiShevat*.

Tu BiShevat or the "New Year of the Trees" is Jewish Arbor Day. Scholars believe that originally Tu BiShevat marked the beginning of spring, and was considered an agricultural festival. In the 17th century, Kabbalists (mystics of the 16th and 17th centuries) created a ritual for Tu BiShevat that is similar to a Passover *seder*, celebrating God's presence in our natural world. Today, many Jewish communities hold a modern version of the Tu BiShevat seder each year. The holiday also has become a tree-planting festival in Israel, in which

Israelis and Jews around the world plant trees in honor or in memory of loved ones and friends.

A Tu BiShevat seder, full of imagery and symbolism, is often divided into four sections that represent the four seasons. As with the Passover seder, the Tu BiShevat seder evolved to include four cups of wine or grape juice, but in varying shades of red, which represent the seasons: white for the bleak time of winter, white with a bit of red to represent the earth's awakening in early spring, red with a bit of white representing the blossoming of late spring, and dark red to represent the fullness of all the growing plants and vegetation along with the heat of summer.

The Tu BiShevat seder plate contains fruits and nuts from four categories, too. They include those with inedible outer coverings and inedible pits, those with inedible skins and edible insides, those with edible outsides but an inedible pit, and those that are entirely edible. These categories are said to represent different seasons and/or ways of being in the world.

Later this month at TBT we plan to enjoy celebrating Tu BiShevat with seders both in our Religious School and at Shabbat Services. Our Religious School plans to hold seders during school on Wednesday, January 12th. Our delightful Shabbat/Tu BiShevat Seder and Service is set to take place on Friday, January, 21st at 7:15 pm in our social hall. We will sit at tables briming with seder elements and enjoy an evening melding both Shabbat and Tu BiShevat while tasting all the treats of the seder plate.

During these unique times it is especially important to be on the lookout this month for up-to-date information in our TBT Scroll, including how to reserve for the Shabbat/Tu BiShevat Seder and Service.

I'm looking forward to celebrating the New Year with the prayer that we can always enjoy each of the Jewish New Years together and in good health!

With Blessings, Cantor Rica Timman



CELEBRATE THE NEW YEAR OF TREES!!!

CHAG SAMEACH!!



MAZEL TOV TO OUR B'NAI MITZVOT AND THEIR FAMILIES



January 22 Ryan Laibach Jeffrey & Stacy

My name is Ryan Laibach, and I'm a seventh grade student at Wantagh Middle School. I enjoy playing basketball, the tuba, and video games with my friends. I also like spending time with my family. I am thankful for the support of my parents and my brother Jared. I'd also like to give a special thanks to Mrs. Altman, Cantor Timman and Rabbi Bar-Nahum for helping me prepare for my Bar Mitzvah Day.



January 22 Seth Nevo Lee & Deborah

My name is Seth Nevo. I am a seventh grader at Grand Avenue Middle School. I am very artistic and a member of the school's art club. I made the honor roll this year, and I love video games and origami. I like coding, Minecraft, and Roblox. My favorite activity is playing Jurassic World Evolutions. I am thankful for the support of my family and enjoyed spending time with my Saba who helped me with my prayers and Haftorah. A special thanks to Mrs. Altman, Cantor Timman and Rabbi Bar-Nahum for helping me prepare for my Bar Mitzvah







hope

If you only carry one thing throughout your entire life, let it be hope. Let it be hope that better things are always ahead. Let it be hope that you can get through even the toughest of times. Let it be hope that you are stronger than any challenge that comes your way. Let it be hope that you are exactly where you are meant to be right now, and that you are on the path to where you are meant to be... Because during these times, hope will be the very thing that carries you through.

- Nikki Banas

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Friends,

DID YOU KNOW...

According to the Mayo clinic's article "Helping people, changing lives" there are 6 health benefits of volunteering-

- 1. Research has shown that volunteering leads to lower rates of depression, especially for individuals over the age of 65.
- 2. The work that volunteers provide is essential to everyday processes, which gives volunteers a sense of purpose.
- 3. Most volunteer activities get people up and active. Volunteering among adults over the age of 60 provides benefits to physical and mental health.
- 4. Time spent in service to others can make people feel a sense of meaning and appreciation, which can have stress reducing effects!
- 5. Individuals who volunteer have a lower mortality rate than those who do not.
- 6. Dedicating your time as a volunteer helps expand your network and practice social skills with others.

And while it is very true that the more you give the more you get, you can experience the benefits of volunteering from just a couple of hours a month. The benefits will last a lifetime! So say YES to something, it's good for your soul.

I am now into the halfway mark of this year and in these six months I have learned a lot. What have I learned:

I have learned that we have amazing people in this congregation who are always willing to help when asked!

I have learned that our Bingo volunteers have made a tremendous commitment to this temple.

I have learned that the Rabbi and Cantor's jobs are 24/7. We don't even see half of what they do.

I have learned that it is important for me to always have my little notebook handy to write down all the feedback you give me so I can follow through as best I can.

I have learned that everyone is entitled to their own point of view, yet, it is important to keep an open mind.

I have learned how crucial it is to have a Board of Trustees that is as good as ours is.

I have learned that respect is essential.

I have learned that I still have a lot to learn so please be patient with me.

May 2022, bring health and peace to our world. May you and your loved ones share in celebrations and happiness throughout the year and may every day of the New Year inspire you to grow!

With much appreciation, Dee Greenberg President





RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



While not the actual halfway point, it always feels like the winter break signifies the middle of the school year. And what a busy and wonderful year it has been. We started with High Holy Days and jumped right into our classes.

The students have been busy learning Hebrew and leading Junior Congregation. We had 3rd, 4th and 5th grade Shabbatons where the families came together to learn and explore the Shabbat Service. Our 6th grade received their Siddurs in a meaningful service, and they have been using them to prepare for their Bar and Bat Mitzvahs.

Our High School explored Jewish Cooking, Microcalligraphy, and even built a Jewish themed Escape Room that their classmates had to solve. I can't wait to share the rest of the year and all of the great things we have planned.

A BIG Thank You to Bernice Cohen and the Harvey Cohen and Steven Cohen Memorial Funds who sponsored the entertainment for Parent Teacher Conferences. The kids participated in trivia contests as well as creative physical activities. It was so great to see the kids having fun, learning, and best of all, in person.

Wishing you and yours a wonderful, happy, healthy and safe New Year.

Sheryl Gordon, Religious School Director

SISTERHOOD



Happy New Year! Sisterhood has a full slate for 2022, and we hope you all join us.

Book club is reading *The Reading List* by Sara Nish Adams. It will be discussed on Wednesday, January 12 at 7:30 pm via Zoom. Please contact Joyce Star at Starway3@aol.com for the Zoom link.

Please join Sisterhood for the Rosh Chodesh program for the month of Adar. This will take place on January 31 at 7:30 pm via Zoom. Dr. Sharon Curry will give a program that focuses on how to bring calm, peace, understanding and how to find joy during stressful times. She will discuss the impact of emotional, physical, and relational stressors on women and will lead a discussion on healing and finding joy. Please RSVP to Ronni Fauci at rfauci@gmail.com no later than January 24.

There's still time to become a member. Dues are \$40. Please contact Amy Herman (amyamy555@aol.com) for more information. Yours in Sisterhood,

Maryann

PTA UPDATES



Shalom From the PTA! By Rachel Minkowsky

Happy New Year (again!) May everyone in our TBT family stay healthy and safe.

The TBT PTA is still here for everyone, too. Our PTA exists to support the Hebrew school teaching staff and all our students. You've seen us in the background during all the Religious School events. That will still be true, whether the events are online or in-person. But, we need you, too! Membership is critical to our continued success. All proceeds go directly to programming and materials for all our religious school children.

Our Gingerbread Menorah sale was a huge success! Cookies always make Holidays more fun, and Chanukah is no exception. We hope everyone had fun decorating (and eating!) their tasty creations.

Thank you to everyone that made the Chanukah Brunch a huge success! Over 100 people noshed on latkes, played Chanukah games, and took tons of pictures with props. Everyone looked like they had a lot of fun! It was a wonderful way to end this beautiful holiday.

Check out our Facebook page for upcoming meeting dates and Zoom links!



BROTHERHOOD



Hello membership

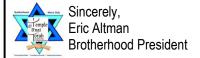
Hopefully everybody had a nice holiday and a happy New Year.

Another change is the name of the Brotherhood/Men's Club to Brotherhood. Different name but nice guys.

Also, Brotherhood breakfasts are gearing back up. We are trying different things for breakfast, so please give feedback with your new ideas, to see if we will do it again. If no good, then we move on.

Thanks to those Brotherhood members who braved the cold and dismantled the Sukkah, and those members who attended the TBT Players Temple show, The Lightning Thief."

With the success of our last Brotherhood dinner, it can only get better. The next Brotherhood dinner is January 19th, with entertainment.





CONGREGATION BREAKFAST HOSTED BY BROTHERHOOD



The next best thing to "Breakfast in Bed"

Sunday, January 9th and January 23rd at 9:30 AM

NO WALK-INS - You must RSVP by January 6th for the January 9th breakfast and January 20th for the January 23rd breakfast. Please indicate how many people will attend.

Brotherhood will once again prepare a delicious breakfast on Sunday mornings, when Religious School is in session.

Coffee (decaf too!), eggs, assorted omelets, bagels, desserts & more!

A donation of a nominal \$5 is appreciated.

** You must show vaccination proof and wear a mask.





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Social Action Food Project: Don't forget to bring a non- perishable Food item whenever you travel to Temple!





TEE SHIRTS AND ZIPPERED HOODIES WITH TBT LOGO (on left pocket area)

RED ROYAL BLUE SPORT GREY



ADULT SIZES - S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL (All 2XL, 3XL, 4XL have \$3 surcharge)
YOUTH SIZES - S, M, L

SHORT SLEEVE TEE:

STYLE #1 ADULT \$12.00 #1Y YOUTH \$10.00

LONG SLEEVE TEE - (4XL NOT AVAILABLE)

STYLE #2 ADULT \$16.00 #2Y YOUTH \$14.00

ZIPPERED HOODIE SWEATSHIRT

STYLE #3 ADULT \$28.00 #3Y YOUTH \$25.00

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MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH - SHIRT SALE Mail to Temple B'Nai Torah, 2900 Jerusalem Avenue, Wantagh, NY 11793

DEADLINE FEBRUARY 11, 2022

CONTACT JOYCE RAPPAPORT - joycerappaport13@gmail.com or RONNI FAUCI - rfauci@gmail.com

CHAI CLUB



A very healthy and happy New Year to our Chai Club Community. May we all continue to have good health in the new year.

On December 20, the Chai Club finally returned to the Temple's Social Hall with Diane Schoenberg's entertaining trivia contest. We all had a fun evening and prizes were awarded to the winning table. Our December birthday members were recognized as we sang a rendition of "Happy Birthday."

In January, we have invited the noted speaker, Professor Howard Kerner, who will present: "Goodness knows No Age, Teenage Heroes of the Holocaust." Learn about the astonishing number of brave young people who risked their lives to save Jews and obstruct the Nazis. These unknown stories of courageous teens are a testament to the power of youthful idealism and goodness. Join us on Zoom, 7:00 pm, Monday, January 24, 2022. See Flyer on this page.

2022 Program Schedule

Monday, February 28 -Zoom Movie Night from Ben's Library

Monday, March 28 -We will join Sisterhood for Women's History Month and be entertained by Sally Drucker's portrayal

of Emma Goldman, renowned lecturer on women's rights and social issues.

Chai Club Community Second Seder Saturday, April 16 -

All good health and happiness for the New Year!

Joan and Brian, sea1983jl@gmail.com, bellobl@gmail.com

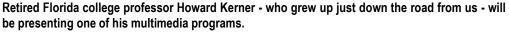




Chai Club Program:

Goodness Knows No Age: Teenage Heroes of the Holocaust Monday, January 24, 2022 at 7:00 pm on Zoom

Why don't we know the names of the good? Although many of the wonderful altruists who rescued Jews during the Holocaust were adults, there were an astonishing number of brave young people who similarly risked their lives to save Jews and obstruct Nazis. These unknown stories of courageous teens are a testament to the power of youthful idealism and goodness. Learn about these courageous youths and be inspired!





His passion project is recognizing and celebrating human goodness, even during the Holocaust. He finds it sad that we always know the names and deeds of history's villains but not the names and deeds of the heroes. He has presented these inspiring and uplifting programs at schools, temples, civic groups, and churches all over Florida and this year has done several presentations for the East Meadow Public Library near us!

> We will also celebrate January birthdays Delicious desserts will be served (at your own home) Questions? Call Joan or Brian at (516) 781-4966

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OUR COMMUNITY





Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh Program MONDAY – JANUARY 31, 2022 7:30 – 9:00 PM on Zoom (info to follow via email)

Please join Sisterhood for an exciting and very pertinent Rosh Chodesh program given by Dr. Sharon Curry. This program will help to bring calm, peace, understanding and how to find joy during stressful times.

JOY AND HEALING

The month of Adar (beginning January 31, 2022) focuses on joy and the revelation of hidden miracles. Sharon Curry discusses the impact of emotional, physical and relational stressors on women and leads a discussion on healing and finding joy.

Please RSVP to:

Ronni Fauci rfauci@gmail.com - no later than January 24th









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SOCIAL ACTION



Social Action/Social Justice Committee

Happy Secular New Year! Last year at this time we wished you "a year full of health, happiness, peace, and the ability to meet, inperson, with family and friends; exchanging hugs, kisses and long, unmasked conversations." Little by little this wish is coming true. We hope that things continue in this direction and that 2022 sees a return to more and more that seems "normal."

Thank you for again helping to make our annual **Holiday Gift Drive** successful. Your generosity allowed us to fulfill the specific Holiday Wishes of many who might have otherwise been overlooked or unable to make their holidays special this year, Thank you for bringing cheer in a season of continuing challenges. Thank you to all those who volunteered to help organize the collection and deliver the items to the recipient agencies!

Friday, January 14 begins the MLK, Jr. weekend with Social Action/Social Justice Shabbat. Please join us for services when we welcome our guest speaker, Syd Mandelbaum founder and CEO of the award-winning think tank, "Rock and Wrap it Up!" (RWU). Now in its 28th year, RWU has creatively and effectively developed food rescue protocols, networks and initiatives aimed at "feeding people, not landfills." Mr. Mandelbaum will speak about his programs during services and will be available for Q&A at the oneg following services.

On **Sunday, January16** we will be presenting **Mazon's** powerful program "**This is Hunger**". This groundbreaking, interactive project encourages all of us to embark on a journey that will challenge beliefs and myths about who struggles with hunger in America and why. Please see the weekly scroll and Facebook page for registration and links.

The MLK, Jr. Day of Service is Monday, January 17th. Look for an opportunity to help others. It may remain difficult to arrange for in-person events, however, there are many opportunities to help others, even from home. Make phone calls or write letters to elected officials about issues you feel strongly about. Their offices will be closed for the holiday but you can leave voice messages which will be counted. Send monetary support to causes that are meaningful to you, write cards, letters or drawings to thank our essential workers, reach out to someone who is home alone and needs social contact. See the January mailing for links to video presentations of interest.

January 17 is also Tu B'Shevat! Consider planting a tree in honor of the Birthday of the Trees - whether on your own property, in Israel (https://usa.jnf.org/jnf-tree-planting-center/) or through re-forestation agencies such as One Tree Planted (https://onetreeplanted.org/pages/why-trees) According to One Tree Planted, there are many reasons to plant trees: "trees help clean the air we breathe, filter the water we drink, and provide habitat to over 80% of the world's terrestrial biodiversity. Forests provide jobs to over 1.6 billion people, absorb harmful carbon from the atmosphere, and are key ingredients in 25% of all medicines." You can also plant some parsley seeds at home on Tu B'Shevat and they will be ready to munch by Passover!

Thank you for supporting our "Notes from the Garden" - series 2 garden fundraiser. We will continue to sell note cards until they are sold out so please contact Jo-Ann Portnoy at jport1029@gmail.com or Rona Kauffman at jport1029@gmail.com or Rona Kauffman at jport1029@gmail.com or Rona Kauffman at jport1029@gmail.com or Rona Kauffman at jport1029@jmail.com or Rona Kauffman at <a h

As always, we would like to extend an invitation to all congregants who might be interested in joining the Social Action/Social Justice committee. Our next meeting will be on **Wednesday**, **January 26 at 7:00 p.m.** For information about the Social Action/Social Justice Committee, the Garden at TBT, TEVA, or any of our projects, contact Rona Kauffman at: ronakauffman@yahoo.com.

SOCIAL ACTION





Please join us for special programming in honor of

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE SHABBAT and

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. WEEKEND

January 14 - 17, 2022

Friday, January 14 - 7:15 pm

Social Action/Social Justice Shabbat Service With guest speaker Syd Mandelbaum

Founder and CEO of the award-winning, anti-poverty think tank, "Rock and Wrap it Up!" Q&A at Oneg directly following services.

Please bring a non-perishable food item to donate when you come to services

Sunday, January 16 - 7:30 - 9:00 pm

Mazon: A Jewish Response to Hunger

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A Jewish Response To Hunger

Join Us on ZOOM to Experience "This is Hunger,"

Mazon's groundbreaking project that encourages all of us to embark on a journey that will challenge beliefs and myths about who struggles with hunger in America and why.

Check the Scroll and Facebook Page for Registration Info and Links

Monday, January 17 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service

Participate in a hands-on service project or at-home learning experience of your choice. See the January mailing for some suggestions and links to video presentations of interest

For information contact Rona Kauffman at ronakauffman@yahoo.com





Dear Temple B'nai Torah Family,

To help us get to know each other better, the Membership committee is spotlighting a different congregant each month. Our goal is to tell you things you might otherwise never know. We hope this will be an exciting way to learn more about each other!



For our December Spotlight Interview, we present...

Stan Friedman

Who was the youngest President this congregation has ever had? It is our very own, Stan Friedman. He was just 41 years old when, in 1973, he was asked to take on the important role of leading the Temple. That's not all that makes him 'Stan'-d out (see what I did there?).

Stan grew up in Brooklyn, following Orthodox customs. He had his Bar Mitzvah in Shomrei Amunah in Borough Park, Brooklyn. His father was a postal worker, and while they couldn't afford a big party to celebrate, his family had a very nice luncheon at home with family and friends. Stan still remembers his Bar Mitzvah training and how Mr. Feldman, his teacher, taught him the tunes. Mr. Feldman tapped Stan on the shoulder to help him remember the words and which ones to emphasize.

Stan was shy as a kid and didn't have many friends until he joined the Boy Scouts. After joining, he flourished. He went to Boys Scout camps in the summers, made friends, and eventually became an Eagle Scout. After the Eagle Scouts, Stan joined the Army during the Korean war as a member of the Army Signal Corps. He was enrolled in Camp Kilmer's photography school. He served from 1952-1954 and he was based in Fort Lewis, in Washington State.

After the Army, Stan started his career in marketing at the Shank Agency. He has a marketing degree from NYU. He wasn't happy with marketing and wanted to find a career with more tangible results; so, he enrolled in Columbia and received a Masters in Education. He then had a very fulfilling career in education. He was a 6th grade teacher in the Island Trees school district and then became an Assistant Principal in the Roslyn school district. He was a natural teacher and loved every minute of his career in the classroom and in administration. Stan's approach to teaching followed the mantra, "Don't speak at, but speak with". This line of thinking defined the way he taught. He still keeps in touch with some of his students to this day.

Stan met his wife, Jan, after being set-up together on a blind date in 1958 for a picnic in the Palisades. They were married a year later in 1959 and they have a son, Neal, and daughter, Ilene. They also have two grandchildren, Anthony (24) and Matthew (15). Soon after their wedding, Jan and Stan were looking to join a temple. They wanted to find a nice group of



Jewish families and started looking around at temples in the area. They tried a whole bunch of different ones and felt a real connection at Suburban.

Stan's connection to the temple means everything to him. The temple is a second home. His family and friends knew that if he wasn't at home, he was at the temple. It was a place to strengthen his Jewish identity, make connections, grow his family, and build lasting friendships. The temple is welcoming, warm, and friendly. It is a place where there is so much going on and so much to get involved in.

When Temple B'nai Torah was formed as a merger of Suburban Temple and Temple Judea, Stan accepted the presidency again to guide the temples through the merger. Both Jan and Stan have been involved in various committees, groups, and leadership roles. They are truly devoted to the Temple.

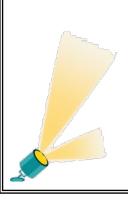
Stan has such a history with the temple, that when he was asked about his most 'useless' talent, he brought it back to an experience in one of the temple shows. That talent is as a frustrated actor. He was in a handful of temple shows and his claim to fame was the role of President Teddy Roosevelt in "Arsenic and Old Lace". He delivered the line "Charge the block house!" with such emotion, people still talk about it today. Those people may only be Jan and Stan, but still.

Stan enjoys photography. He was an avid photographer and even built a dark room in his house so he could develop his photos at home. He also likes walking and hiking. He was the Pioneering and Camping Director at the Mid-Island Y campgrounds. Stan was always comfortable in the outdoors. He is a true outdoorsman and nature specialist.

Stan is most proud of his family; his amazing wife, two great kids, wonderful son-in-law, and two incredible grandkids.

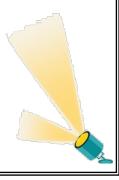
We are all truly blessed to have Stan as a role model for ourselves and our children.

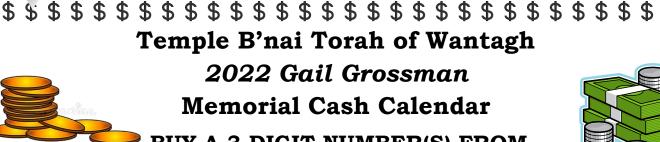
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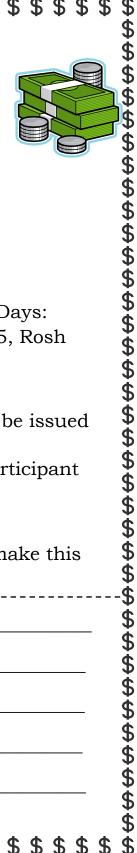












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Mar. 19	(F) Jamie Klein	Adam & Laurel
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"13 Drivers' Licenses" Exhibition

SAVE THE DATE - May 9, 2022

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