

The TBT VOICE





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AFTER A TWO-YEAR COURSE OF STUDY WE INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE WITH OUR CONGREGATION AND OUR COMMUNITY AS WE ARE CALLED TO THE TORAH AS





Christine Altman-Barbara Burdman-Dee Ann Coniglio Maryann Gross-Howard Lev-Lauren Lev Leslie Mittleman-Jessica Spar-Susan Weber

> In-person and streamed tbtwantagh.org/streaming-service-access Festival Luncheon to follow Please RSVP to ABM5782@tbtwantagh.org











RITUAL CALENDAR

June 2022

Please note that as of publication, the calendar for July and August is still in formation. Please check the Weekly Scroll and the Temple Calendar for the most up-to-date information!

All services, unless otherwise noted, will be in-person and streamed



Friday, June 3	5:30pm	TOT SHABBAT	
	6:15pm	Family Shabbat Dinner (Info to come)	
	7:15pm	Family Shabbat Service (Spirit Shabbat)	
Saturday, June 4	7:15pm	Erev Shavuot Confirmation Service (Iyyun T'fillah)	
Sunday, June 5	10:00am	Shavuot Festival Morning with Adult B'nai Mitzvah & Yizkor	
Friday, June 10	7:15pm	Erev Shabbat Service with Memorial Plaque Dedication	
Friday, June 17	7:15pm	Erev Shabbat Installation Service	
Saturday, June 18	10:30am	Shabbat Service Bar Mitzvah of Spencer Sanoff-Wiener	

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Friday, June 24	7:15pm	Erev Shabbat Service
Friday, July 1	6:30pm	Summer Shabbat Service (Holiday weekend)
Friday, July 8	6:30pm	Beach Shabbat Service, at Jones Beach Field 6
Friday, July 15	6:30pm	Summer Shabbat Service
Friday, July 22	6:30pm	Beach Shabbat Service, at Jones Beach Field 6
Friday, July 29	6:30pm	Summer Shabbat Service



Find us at Jones Beach, the West end of Field 6. Take the Easy Access Ramp near the **Rest Rooms to** our Shabbat site with your chair or blanket

August 2022

Saturday, August 27	10:30am	Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah of Alexandra Manashirov		nashirov
Friday, August 26	6:30pm	Summer Shabbat Under the Stars Service Chair of		chair or l
Friday, August 19	6:30pm	Beach Shabbat Service, at Jones Be	each Field 6	site with
Friday, August 12	6:30pm	Summer Shabbat Service		our Shab
Sunday, August 7		Tisha B'Av	DEACH	Ramp ne Rest Roo
Friday, August 5	6:30pm	Summer Shabbat Service	BEACH	the Easy

Summer Torah Study on Zoom

9:30am Saturdays in July: 2, 9, 16, 23 1:00pm Tuesdays in July: 5, 12, 19, 26 9:30am Saturdays in Aug: 6, 13, 20, 27 1:00pm Tuesdays in Aug: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30



Shabbat Under The Stars, Friday 8-26-22, Bring your own dinner to have out on the Oakfield Lawn before Services. Keep a watch out for more details as the date approaches!

^{***}When attending an event or just coming to the Temple, please consider bringing a Non-Perishable Food Item(s) that will be sent to a food pantry. The collection box is always in the lobby near the Coat Room***



INSPIRATION FROM OUR RABBI



This month, we are blessed to celebrate the completion of two courses of study! On Erev Shavuot, Saturday, June 4, we'll celebrate with our 10th-graders in our annual Confirmation Service. On Shavuot Morning, Sunday, June 5, we'll celebrate with our Adult B'nai Mitzvah. (More details can be found on pages 6 & 7.)

Shavuot is the date on which we celebrate God's revelation, as we believe that it was on this date that God spoke the words of Torah to Moses and all those assembled at the foot of Mt. Sinai. Because it's a holiday about Torah and the chain of tradition, there is a custom of all-night study, known as *Tikkun Leil Shavuot*, to fully immerse in Torah in a variety of forms. Through study, we experience the revelation of God's word. Here

at TBT, we'll be using the occasion to celebrate study and our students who have immersed themselves in Torah.

The nine members of our Adult B'nai Mitzvah cohort have been gathering for the last two years, learning Hebrew, history, prayer, and Torah. For the majority of that time, they've been gathering on ZOOM. Nonetheless, this group of learners have formed a connection which will only be solidified on Shavuot Morning when they are called to Torah. The bond formed between the members of the class and our tradition and Torah is reinforced by the bonds they have made with each other.

I'm especially excited for our community to learn from them. Over the last couple of months, I've been working with each of them to craft a *d'var Torah*, a teaching, on one of the pieces of scripture we read on Shavuot morning. Between the nine of them, we'll hear personal reflections and deep consideration of a variety of texts: the Ten Commandments, the prophets Isaiah and Ezekiel, the Psalms, and the Book of Ruth. Believe me when I tell you that these *divrei Torah* are each beautiful, personal, and powerful. The students will also be leading us in prayer and chanting from a Torah which they helped to restore and beautify. You are welcome to join us in person or on our livestream for this special event. The Shavuot morning service will also include Yizkor memorial prayers.

On Erev Shavuot, we will continue our long tradition of Confirming our 10th-graders into the chain of Tradition that began at Sinai. On that evening, our two 10th-graders will lead us in prayer and teach us about their understanding of the 10 commandments. They will formalize their connections to the Jewish people and to our traditions. They will share with us their understanding of the divine in powerful Confirmation Statements. These two students have delved deeply into our texts and traditions. They have lived up to the name Yisrael by struggling with the complexity of God and trying to develop a personal theology. I look forward to them linking their chain to all those who came before them, and to blessing them on this special and powerful moment. We encourage all those who have been confirmed here or elsewhere to join us for this evening and help us to show our students how strong the chain of tradition is.

Shavuot is an opportunity for us to deepen our commitment to the study of Torah, and so I'll take this opportunity to remind you of our ongoing learning and Torah study opportunities. Every Saturday morning (almost), at 9:30 a lay-led group meets to make their way through the Bible. When they finish it, they start over. They are currently making their way through the books of the Writings, which means they will soon begin the endeavor all over again. As we like to teach, the texts may be the same each time we come to them, but we are different, and so too our understanding of them.

On Mondays at noon, I lead a weekly session focused on the Torah portion of the week. (NOTE: This learning shifts to 1:00pm on Tuesday in the months of July and August.) This group spends its time delving deeply into a short section of verses to try to gain understanding of what the text actually says and how 2000 years of Rabbinic interpretation has affected the way we understand it and how that understanding impacts our practices as modern Jews.

This summer we'll also be spending time coordinating with our Lifelong Learning Committee to prepare for our course offerings in 5783. All of our learning opportunities are open to all. We currently meet on ZOOM, but we hope to move to a multi-access model very soon. Regardless, we're always excited to welcome new learners. No experience is necessary for any course!

It is said that when two sit to study Torah together, the Divine Presence dwells between them. Let's use this Shavuot to rededicate ourselves to Torah, so that we may feel God's presence around us!

Wishing you all a Chag Shavuot Sameach, and a fantastic holiday and summer of learning!

L'Shalom.

Rabbi Daniel Bar-Nahum

NOTES FROM OUR CANTOR



Another unusual year is wrapping up! We have not only held together through a global pandemic, but we are thriving! This year we rolled with the punches. Some services, programs, and meetings remained on Zoom while we carefully and thoughtfully began gathering again as much as possible. We enjoyed big and beautiful musical shows, held a square dance, enjoyed several Pesach Seders, danced the night away at a spectacular Gala honoring two amazing couples, and so much more!

Our new streaming tech allowed us to reach everyone while at home and we enjoyed the benefits of beautiful new screens and projectors in our main rooms for the High Holy Days and beyond. We continued to upgrade our building, while working on our security under the watchful eye of our new Executive Director, Eileen Schneyman. Our Religious School had a robust year guided by our new Religious School Director, Sheryl Gordon.

Mazal tov and yasher koach to both Eileen and Sheryl on completing their first year with our TBT family!

Throughout this year we continued to use our tech to pray, study, celebrate, and connect with each other meaningfully both remotely and in person. We cared for each other through illness and difficult loss. We kvelled with our B'nai Mitzvah and Graduation classes as they exceeded all expectations through their lifecycle moments. We came together for Mitzvah Day and gave back to our local community. Our TBT Garden flourished, continuing to offer hundreds of pounds of produce to our neighbors in need while being a beautiful and active addition to our campus.

We continue this year of milestones on Shavuot when we celebrate with both our Confirmation and Adult B'nai Mitzvah classes as they complete their studies. On Saturday, June 4th at 7:15pm, our Confirmands, Alec Spar and Jamie Axelrod, will lead our Shavuot Evening Festival Service. On Sunday, June 5th at 10am, our Adult B'nai Mitzvah class of nine students will lead the Festival Morning service. These dedicated folks have spent the past two years studying weekly with Rabbi Bar-Nahum and me and I could not be prouder of their accomplishments. I hope you will join us as we celebrate these beautiful milestones moments with all our dedicated learners!

Finally, I want to thank our Board leadership, our hard-working committees, our dedicated staff, and especially our president, Dee Greenberg, who shepherded us through this extraordinary time. And as always, my deepest thanks to Rabbi Bar-Nahum as we continue to partner daily for the sake of our sacred community.

We are headed toward a summer of continued growth, visioning, and planning. I am optimistic that with the pandemic mostly in our rear-view mirrors, our calendar this next year will, no doubt, fill up with meaningful and wonderful programming. But as I have said many times before, 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 and rejuvenating summer! B'shira,

Cantor Rica Timman

7th Grade Shabbat





MAZEL TOV TO OUR B'NAI MITZVAH AND THEIR FAMILIES



June 18 Spencer Sanoff-Wiener Robert & Melissa

Hello, my name is Spencer Sanoff-Wiener. I'm in seventh grade at Jonas E. Salk Middle School. I enjoy my Bearded dragon, drawing, gaming, and going out with friends. I'm on the high honor roll and involved in school sports. For my Bar Mitzvah my parents gave me scuba lessons. I became scuba certified after taking classes and doing two open water dives in Florida. I also became Nitrox certified that allows me to go into deeper depths and stay under longer. Thank you to Rabbi Bar-Nahum, Cantor Timman and Mrs. Altman for all your help preparing me for my Bar Mitzvah.



August 27 Alexandra Manashirov Maya

My name is Alexandra, and I am so excited to becoming a Bat Mitzvah in January. I attend Salk Middle School, and I'm in 7th grade. I am a proud member of the Boys Scouts of America. As a nice Jewish girl and a scout, I enjoy doing Mitzvot by participating in community service activities. I am never judgmental and care about people. I'm a big sister and I love my family very much.





MAZEL TOV TO OUR ADULT B'NAI MITZVAH



Christine Altman

Becoming a Bat Mitzvah means a lot to me because I have completed my journey with Judaism. Thank you to Rabbi Bar Nahum and Cantor Timman for sharing this journey with me. I would like to wish my classmates a Mazel Tov. I have enjoyed learning with you and I am honored to share this exciting time with you

Barbara Burdman

I have been happily married to my husband Bruce for over 51 years. We have a wonderful daughter and son-in-law and 3 amazing grandchildren all of whom are active in Temple. After graduating Brooklyn College more years ago than I care to remember, I ultimately became the Director of Human Resources for a national company. My spiritual and educational journey to become a Bat Mitzvah has exceeded my expectations and I plan to continue my Jewish education at Temple B'nai Torah. Many thanks to Rabbi, Cantor, Erith Baum and Marla Solomon for their guidance and support.

Dee Ann Coniglio

I want to thank my husband John for his encouragement and support. Thank you to my daughter Lia for participating in my bat mitzvah making it even more meaningful. Thanks to Andrea Silk for her friendship, encouragement and sharing her beautiful tallit. Thank you, Robin Wexler, for your friendship, your ear, and sharing your adult Bat Mitzvah experience. Thank you to the members of this B'nai Mitzvah class for lively and thoughtful discussions, support and friendship. Thank you to Rabbi Bar-Nahum and Cantor Timman for creating a spiritual and academic space for this Bat Mitzvah journey.

Maryann Gross

I would like to thank my husband Jon, who always supports me, and my beautiful children, Julianna and Nicole. As part of an interfaith family, we were raising our children Jewish. I felt at home here and wanted to fully embrace being Jewish. After I converted, I continued to study and welcomed the chance to be a part of this B'nai Mitzvah class. I would like to thank Rabbi Nacht, Rabbi Bar-Nahum, Cantor Timman, and Emily Altman for your guidance and support. Thank you to my classmates for making this a wonderful experience.



MAZEL TOV TO OUR ADULT B'NAI MITZVAH

Howard (Hillel) Lev

Blessed for what I have, who I am and will be tomorrow. The Jew: Temple. Rabbi Jeffrey Gale, Rabbi Deanna Pasternak and Cantor Steve Sher Z"I; their passion for Judaism constantly inspires me. The Son: Mom and dad, I miss you! You provided a home filled with Jewish traditions and values, love, respect, and kindness. The Father: Amanda and Lathan, I am proud of you. You make me smile, laugh and enjoy life. The Husband: Lauren, I am honored to share my life with you. I wouldn't change anything. 6-5-2022 I Am A, Bar Mitzvah. Todah Rabah.

Lauren Lev

For over 20 years, Lauren has been a member of Temple B'nai Torah, originally with legacy Suburban Temple. You might know her from her attendance at Friday night services as well as Lifelong Learning programs and Brotherhood breakfasts. Lauren has been honored with the Nassau Region of Hadassah's Woman of the Year Award for her work developing a national version of their Jewish learning program, Training Wheels, for children with special needs. That program, her connection to TBT and her adult Bat Mitzvah study came from three inspirations: Howard, Amanda and Lathan. Thank you for your care and love.

Leslie Mittleman

I am a Wife, Mom and Grandma (of 5). I have had many different roles in my life, the most joyful and challenging has been that of caregiver. I'm recently retired so I have more time to devote to taking care of my 2 youngest grandchildren, Claire and Maggie. My journey to arrive at this point began with a trip to Israel with my cousin Sue Weber. When she began to speak about doing this, I asked myself "if not now, then when?" Thank you, Sue, for letting me share this spiritual journey with you. Much appreciation to Rabbi Bar Nahum and Cantor Timman for their teachings.

Jessica Spar

Jessica Spar lives in Wantagh with her husband Eric & children, Alec & Madi. She has been a NYC elementary school teacher for the past 23 years. Jessica follows in the footsteps of her children in being called to the Torah. Jessica would like to thank Rabbi Bar-Nahum and Cantor Timman for helping prepare her for this special day. Jessica would also like to thank her family for all the love & support of her endeavors. Jessica would like to dedicate her Bat Mitzvah to her Jewish heritage & especially her paternal grandparents, Mania & David Zyferman, who were survivors of the Holocaust.

Sue Weber

I hadn't been a member of a synagogue in my adult life, but after my parents both passed, I felt pulled toward my Jewish heritage and wanting to learn and understand more. I joined TBT because my cousin, Leslie Mittleman, was a member. The opportunity to prepare for my bat mitzvah has helped me to fill that gap and I am so grateful for this opportunity. To take this step with my cousin makes it even more meaningful. Thank you to the cohort and clergy for the time, effort and friendships that have come with this journey.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Friends,

THIS CONGREGATION IS AMAZING AND AWESOME – for so many reasons!!!

I am just coming off of seeing "The Wizard of Oz," and I must say that this was such a wonderful, feel good, family-oriented event that I was truly kvelling as I sat in my seat. After being involved with the shows myself for many years, I so appreciate all the time and effort that goes into this. This congregation cannot thank you all enough – from the actors, to the musicians, to the stage crew, to lights, sound, make-up, costume design, director, producers and choreographer! It takes a village and this village did an outstanding job!! Our

entire congregation thanks you for creating an atmosphere of welcoming all into this production. New friends were made along with so many new temple connections. Bravo Bravo!!!

We have much to rejoice in; from the dedicated honorees that we celebrated at our Dinner/Dance, to the Adult B'nai Mitzvah class whose accomplishments we are so proud of, to our Confirmands, 7th Graders who are Moving Up, and our High School graduates – we are so proud. I am so proud. These simchas reflect what we are all about. We celebrate our past along with celebrating our future.

I cannot believe this is the last article of my first year of being your president. Whew!! We made it - but only because we worked side by side. I have learned an incredible amount this year but most importantly, I have learned that everyone has something to offer. Everyone has the right to be heard. Everyone has something unique to contribute.

I must take a moment to thank my INCREDIBLE Executive Board and Board of Trustees who have supported me along with supporting each other. They have worked not only on their own committees but branched out and helped wherever it was needed. They were a sounding board for me when I needed it and gave me honest feedback that helped with decision making. I truly don't know what I would have done without you all. This is a group of amazingly dedicated individuals, and I cannot put into words my gratitude.

So what do you think is the story of "Us?" Are we strong, do we care, do we want longevity? We have a calling that goes beyond words. It is rooted deep inside of each of us. Thank you for an amazing first year – we have much to accomplish but our goals are clear, our commitment is strong and our future is rooted in LOVE!

I hope you all have a fun-filled summer.

With so much appreciation,

Dee Greenberg, President

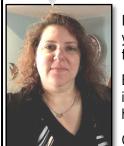


MAZEL TOV TO...

Andrea & Gary Conwell on the birth of their granddaughter, Ruby Taylor Murphy, daughter of Renee and Joseph Murphy, April 8, 2022 **Amy & Dan Neidle** on the birth of their grandson, David Jacob Neidle, son of Eric and Anna Neidle, April 29, 2022..



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



I can't believe it is already June! It's amazing how fast the school year went. This really was an extraordinary year, full of firsts, full of new beginnings. It was a year of learning about my work, my students and their families, and my coworkers, but more importantly, it was a year about learning about myself.

Each day I learned something new, what drives me, what makes me do what I do. I live my life deeply rooted in Torah, I believe that there's always a life lesson that can be found in the text. Because of this, I love the holiday of Shavuot, where we celebrate receiving the Torah.

Our Confirmation class will have their ceremony on the eve of Shavuot, where they will receive the gift of Torah, teach what they've learned, and they will talk about what the Ten Commandments mean to them. I know

what the 10 Commandments mean to me. Want to learn more, come visit me this summer where we can talk about how much I have enjoyed my year of firsts. I'd love to talk about what this community means to me, how lucky I feel to be given this gift, this opportunity.

Sheryl Gordon, Religious School Director

SISTERHOOD



Hello!

This year has been a very busy, topsy-turvy kind of year.

We started off with strict COVID restrictions but still managed to have events via Zoom, like our welcome-back craft activity and various Rosh Chodesh programs. Each one was more interesting than the last. Towards the end of the year, we were able to meet again in person and more than 70 sisters came together for our Women's Sedar.

The Sisterhood/Brotherhood Shabbat was an informative evening with Nancy Cohen from Sharsharet who spoke about genetic disease in the Jewish community.

I wish everyone a wonderful summer and we'll see you in the fall starting with our Paid-up Membership Dinner. I encourage everyone to join Sisterhood so you don't miss out!

Yours in Sisterhood.

Maryann



WOULD YOU LIKE A BIRTHDAY, ANNIVERSARY, TRAVEL, etc., BLESSING?

You can arrange for a blessing for any Friday night.

Call the Temple office - 516.221.2370

BROTHERHOOD



Hello My Fellow Congregants.

It saddens me to know this is my last article until after the summer. For people who know me, they know it gives me a reprieve and with that in mind, let's begin.

This has been a tough year because of Covid with the Temple opening, then closing, and then opening again. We all prevailed with a minor hiccup here and there. It was also nice to see that when the Temple reopened that all the arms worked together to help promote the events they were having. It was also good to finally have a Brotherhood meeting in person in the Temple for the first time since Covid started.

Instead of cakes we had a pizza party at the first Brotherhood Board meeting to help jump start it, and we had Brotherhood events in person such as dinners and entertainment with comedians and guest speakers. The Brotherhood breakfasts were nice, and it was great to see the camaraderie with fellow Brotherhood and Temple members. We added a few new members to the Brotherhood this past year.

Have a great, healthy and Covid free summer. See everybody back in September.

Sincerely, Eric Altman **Brotherhood President**



BROTHERHOOD INVITES ALL TEMPLE CONGREGANTS TO SEE THE:



Vs The Staten Island Ferry Hawks Thursday, July 7, 2022 – 6:30pm Fairfield Properties Ballpark in Central Islip (3 Court House Drive, Central Islip, NY 11722).



TICKET PICKUP – When we receive the tickets you will be contacted

E-Mail Address

by E-mail or phone and told when you can pick up your tickets. Please include your E-mail address and telephone number on your order.

Discounted tickets are \$13.00 each - Payment is due no later than June 2 For Information, E-mail Jeff Cohen at: jeffcohen7@msn.com

Make check payable to: Temple B'nai Torah Brotherhood Send to: 2900 Jerusalem Ave., Wantagh, N.Y. 11793 or drop off at the Temple and put in Brotherhood Please address the envelope to Brotherhood.			
Name	Telephone Number		

Number of Tickets _____ Amount of Tickets x \$13.00 \$ _____

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CHAI CLUB

May 1st, Chai Club Dinner and Show: *The Wizard of OZ*. 25 members and friends attended the 3 PM show (The show was just wonderful!), and then had dinner at Jani's restaurant. Chai Club photographer, Harvey Drucker, took over 150 show pictures and his beautiful show collage is featured on the Temple Website and FB page and pictured here on page 15.

May 22nd, Chai Club Mitzvah Day Project: Letters of Thanks to our local Educators, over 75 letters were sent out. Congratulations to Iris Kelmenson who brought this project to fruition and to Phyllis Biernick and Harriet Ostroff who helped the community write letters on Mitzvah Day. Thanks also to Rona Kauffman, TBT SA/SJ Chairperson, who has created our wonderful environment of caring for others and righteous deeds.

May 23rd Program, *The Betty White Story*: Thanks to Co-Chair Jay Schoenberg for making all the arrangements and a big thank you to the Chai Club Membership for approving the 2022-2023 Slate and Budget.

Our Programming Team (led by V. P. Ben Cernese) is squeezing in one more 2021-2022 program, featuring the very popular Beach Boys. Please join us Monday, June 27 at 7:00 p.m. with 60's rock historian Vinnie Bruno as he educates us about The Beach Boys, one of the most influential bands of the rock era. We will follow in the footsteps of Brian Wilson and The Beach Boys from their early days in California as they create their unique sound from surf music (Surfin' Safari) to hot rod classics (Little Deuce Coupe) to their baroque pop album masterpiece "Pet Sounds." This is a 90-minute Zoom program filled with video clips of the Beach Boys" performances. Please see the flyer on page 18 for the Zoom link. June and July Birthdays will also be celebrated.

As our three-year term as Chai Club Co-presidents is ending, we want to pause and thank the entire Chai Club Board for their untiring efforts organizing so many functions, dinners, and cultural events. Special thanks to all areas of the temple that supported our varied programming during this period. Congratulations also to my wife, Joan who joined me on this journey. I am so happy that we were able to share this experience of working together in support of our Temple.

Special thanks to Financial Secretary, Harvey Drucker, who will be stepping down after many years as Chai Club Financial Secretary. Congratulations also to Rita and Harvey on their selection as honorees at this year's Dinner Dance, they are most deserving. We also thank our Past Presidents who were always available to provide advice and assistance: Immediate Past President Tessa Kean, and Past Presidents Rita Hofer, Allan Itzkowitz and Stan Friedman.

Congratulations to the new Chai Club Board for 2022-2023! New Co-Presidents, **Janis Beldner and Judy Kule** have hit the ground running and have already started planning for the new year. A warm welcome to our new Trustees: Deborah Schlesinger, Marla Solomon and Fred Spivack. We know that the Chai Club will be in the best of hands.

Sincerely, Joan and Brian Levy Chai Club Co-Presidents



YAHRZEIT FUND

The custom of reciting Kaddish in memory of a parent or other beloved member of your family at the time of Yahrzeit is an ancient and revered practice. According to Jewish tradition, it is customary to make a memorial contribution in memory of the anniversary of the Yahrzeit of your dear departed.







The TBT Social Action/Social Justice Committee and the TBT Sisterhood are working together to protect our environment and save our resources.

To encourage the reduction of single use plastics, which are destructive to the environment, SA/SJ is selling reusable metal water bottles. Funds raised will support SA/SJ programming and initiatives.

All families are encouraged to purchase bottles for the whole family and to bring them any time they come to TBT, instead of single use bottles.





Sisterhood is selling reusable insulated tote bags. These bags are perfect for grocery shopping, visits to the farmer's market and for transporting food anywhere you go. The funds raised from the sales of the bags will be used to help Sisterhood support a variety of Temple initiatives.

Please be sure to purchase both these great products that will help TBT do its part to preserve the world around us.

Bottle/Bag Combination Deal - \$18

Water Bottles - \$10 each/ 2 for \$18 Insulated Tote Bags - \$10 each/ 2 for \$18

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Please make all checks payable to T 2900 Jerusalem Ave Wantagh 11793	emple B'nai Torah and drop off in Temple office or mail to		
Questions?			
Bottles – Rona Kauffman ronakauff	man@yahoo.com		
Bags - Helaine Schnall tbthelaine@	gmail.com		



PTA UPDATES



Hello from the PTA!

By Rachel Minkowsky

It's summer! We made it though an interesting year, and we were able to do it together. The TBT community is truly a family. All of us at the PTA look forward to more in-person events together! We wish you a restful, enjoyable summer.

YOUTH GROUP



My first year as Youth Director, at Temple B'nai Torah, has come to an end. It has been amazing meeting a whole new group of teen-agers and families. We hit the ground running and had some fantastic in-house meetings and off-site events. I hope to continue in the fall.

As the year ends, we have to say goodbye to some amazing seniors. These include BNTY President Samantha Dar as well as Vice-Presidents Ashley Altman, Hannah Herman and Emma Cullen. Thank you for all of your help and enthusiasm. You guys made it easy for me to come in mid-year and get up to speed. You all will be missed!

We had such a great turn-out for the chocolate seders. I hope the 8th graders that attended will join BNTY next year and get involved. We are looking for an 8th grader to join the BNTY Board as next year's 9th grade rep. I hope to hear from you. I also hope that all of the 4th graders that attended will be part of MNTY next year. We've got some amazing things planned for next year.

As most of you know, we have a juke box that plays CDs in the Youth Lounge. If you are interested in donating music to the Youth Group you can leave CDs in my mail box in the Temple office or School office.

Have a great summer!

Thank you, Mark Derwin Youth Director











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ANNUAL SQUARE DANCE Saturday, April 23, 2022









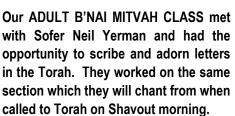
THE GARDEN. Cleaning, brick work and seeding - it was a lovely, brisk and productive day at the Garden. A new growing season begins.











The Wizard of Oz



This year's production of The Wizard of Oz began in January, 2020 and was paused that March, when even the lights of Broadway's theatres were turned off. It took 2 years to get back on our journey to The Emerald City, but we did it and we picked up some new friends, along the way!

Our story of Dorothy and her friends was brought to life thanks to the hard work and dedication of more than 30 cast members, ranging in age from a 5 year old Munchkin to our 92 year old Emerald City Barber! We welcomed many new cast & crew members, which included 7 families with multiple members in our ranks! It was also made possible through the dedication of our amazing production team, with special thanks

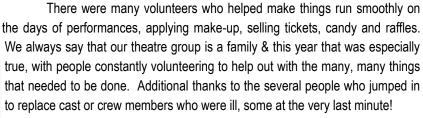


to our Director, Steve Epstein, & Costume Director, Karen Friedlander, who made our cast look like they were wearing the original costumes, and Make-Up Coordinator, Jayne Krompier, who made the Witch green & the Tin Man silver!

Behind the scenes, sets were moved, props put into place and houses seemed to fly with thanks to Melissa Epstein & her stage crew, and the magic of special effects that gave life to our story, thanks to Dan Rosner and his crew. Every successful production needs its own magician who can turn cardboard or foam core into a field of poppies and a giant Wizard's



head. Thank you to Mark Plavin, for working your creative sketches into that magic! We were blessed to have so many more amazing people working on props & scenery, choreography, lighting, sound and Playbill. Many, many thanks to them all. We were so fortunate to have Susan Weber join our team and help keep us and the orchestra sounding like Broadway professionals!





We hope you were able to join us for one of our performances, they were each magical! Please keep an eye out for our Cast Calls for our 2023 production & consider joining our cast or crew. We'd love to welcome you into our family.

Lisa Shubin, Co-Producer



SOCIAL ACTION

Social Action/Social Justice Committee

June, with its warmth and long days, brings us beaches, forests, gardens, BBQs and time to unwind. We wish you all a summer that is healthy, rejuvenating and full of beauty.

Last month we held our annual Mitzvah Day, a celebration of another year of social action and community service. We were thrilled to be able to do so in person! Our generous committee members, congregants and visitors of all ages and TBT leadership came together to plan, to donate and to partake in a variety of activities that provided needed items to a wide variety of people in need. Many thanks to all for making another successful Mitzvah Day! How wonderful it was to be together again working in the service of Tikkun Olam!

On May 15, representatives of TBT and of SA/SJ attended the **Religious Action Center of NY's** (RAC-NY) Long Island wide afternoon retreat to learn more about their multi-year **Climate Covenant Campaign**. It gave us the opportunity to learn about the campaign and how to work to effect meaningful climate policy change in NYS. It also gave us the opportunity to network with other Long Island synagogues to increase inter-congregational communication and to share projects of shared interest.

The first weekend in June is designated as **Gun Violence Prevention Weekend**. **Wear Orange June 3-5 to show your support for finding strategies for reducing gun violence**. If you would like to become more active in the important work of reducing gun violence, check our Mom's Demand Action (www.momsdemandaction.org), a grassroots movement of Americans fighting for public safety measures that can protect people from gun violence. Our very own Janet Goldstein can provide detailed information and help you get involved (DJAGOLD@AOL.COM)

The Garden at TBT is bursting with veggies and flowers! Come visit the garden and see "what's up."

Harvesting has begun and runs throughout the growing season. 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. Consider joining our wonderful team of Garden Volunteers (see flyer in this issue)

<u>Summer School Supplies Collection</u>: Once again we will be collecting school supplies during the summer months to help children in need return to school well prepared and ready to learn. In addition to our usual recipients, we will be distributing a portion of our collected items to recently resettled refugee families.

<u>Ongoing:</u> Although most things wind down during the summer months, the TBT community will still be collecting **magazines** for the Meadowbrook Care Center, **non-perishable food items** for Congregation Beth Ohr and other local food parties, **sanitary supplies** for women in need, **eyeglasses** and **toiletries** for Adopt-A-Battalion.

Although this will be the last Voice article until September, the SA/SJ committee will continue to meet throughout the summer to plan 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 **Wednesday June 22 at 7 pm.**

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



Join the Volunteers at The Garden at TBT



Our garden volunteers have been busy getting things ready for the 2022 growing season and we are looking for additional helpers.

Don't be concerned if you don't have a "green thumb" or if you have a bad back or knees. There are so many different ways you can share your time, talents and treasure.

In addition to (or instead of) "typical garden chores" you may want to add to our growing photographic collection, help build or paint something in, or for, the

garden, help keep records, pack or deliver produce, help us acquire needed items....the list goes on....

Regular volunteer hours are Sunday and Tuesday mornings, but special projects can be scheduled at other times, if needed.

Tell us what you would like to do, and we will find just the right activity for you!

Have a friend who might be interested? Please let them know or bring them to the garden for a visit. They don't have to be TBT members to participate.

If you are interested in joining this amazing group of volunteers, or just want more information, please contact Rona Kauffman at ronakauffman@yahoo.com

WE NEED YOUR HELP

If there has been a death in your family of which Rabbi Bar-Nahum and Cantor Timman should be aware, or if there is the need for a hospital visit for a Temple member, do not assume that "they know" without you having informed the Office.

Please call the Office at 516-221-2370 and provide us with the information so we can keep them informed.

CHAI CLUB



Chai Club Program

The Beach Boys Story

Monday, June 27, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom

Join 60s rock historian Vinnie Bruno as he educates us about The Beach Boys, one of the most influential bands of the rock era. We will follow in the footsteps of Brian Wilson and The Beach Boys from their early days in California as they create their unique sound from surf music (Surfin' Safari) to hot rod classics (Little Deuce Coupe) to their baroque pop album masterpiece (Pet Sounds). This is a 90-minute Zoom Program filled with video clips of the Beach Boys' performances!



We will also celebrate June & July birthdays.

Delicious desserts will be served (at your own home)!

Questions? Call Joan or Brian at (516) 781-4966

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CIRCLE OF FRIENDS



Do you know? Circle of Friends is a group of Temple members – singles as well as couples - who enjoy each other's company in purely social settings. We love to eat together, travel together, explore together, and have fun together – the way that friends should and do! We are a growing group of members who realize that life sometimes throws us curves but no matter what our status – single or couple (married or not), young or not-so-young, Jewish or not –

we all need our Circle of Friends.

As this Temple year winds down and the next one starts up, Circle of Friends continues to have fun and food! The details on these events will be emailed to our members as soon as they become available. Member-

ship Dues - \$18 pp.

We are also hoping to add more events as time goes by. As new members join us, we hope that new ideas will come along to increase our fun. We hope that you will be part of that growth.

	June	12	2022	Sunday	4:00pm - 11:00pm	Miniature Golf / Dinner
	8	26	2022	Sunday	6:30pm - 11:00pm	Escape Room/Dinner
	July	10	2022	Sunday	11:00am - 6:00pm	Boat Ride/Food
	2	31	2022	Sunday	2:00pm - 7:00pm	Food & Flick
A	August	13	2022	Saturday	4:00 - 11:00pm	Dinner / Ducks Game w Fireworks



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A collection box will be located in the TBT lobby.

If your school hosts a pantry that includes school supplies, please let us know! A portion of the items collected will also go to newly resettled refugees

For additional information or for any questions please contact Rona Kauffman <u>ronakauffman@yahoo.com</u>

Dinner Dance Thank You

We are so honored by the Temple's recognition. The Dinner Dance Committee is to be thanked for their untiring efforts ensuring each detail was perfect. We thank each of you that attended during these cautious times. We thank congregants and friends for their donations to the Temple, but more importantly for everyone's love and support.



Sincerely, Rita and Harvey Drucker Joan and Brian Levy



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For either the *Rabbi's Discretionary Fund* or *Cantor's Discretionary Fund* or any of the Endowment Funds, please make your check payable to the fund; for all other fund donations, please make your check payable to TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH, 2900 Jerusalem Avenue, Wantagh, NY 11793-2025.

Below is an up-to-date list of temple funds. Some funds from all legacy congregations have been combined with Temple Board and family approval.

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Adult Library and the Rabbi Deanna Pasternack Children's Library Fund

Funds used for purchases for our library.

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Funds used for Bar/Bat Mitzvah and school programs.

Blau (Matthew) Drama Fund

Funds used for the Temple Show (E. Solomon oversees).

Blumenkranz (Fred) Fund Funds used for the eternal light.
Caring/Mitzvah Makers Fund Funds used by the mitzvah makers.

Chapel FundFunds used to beautify/maintain our sanctuary.College FundFunds used for our college students to celebrate

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Floral Fund
Funds used for sanctuary flowers.
Friedman Stage Fund
Funds used for the upkeep of the stage.
Funds used for the running of our temple.

Goldblatt Fund for the Disabled

Funds used for adaptive equipment for physically challenged.

Holocaust Education

Memorial Fund Funds used to maintain our memorial and Holocaust section

of the library and provide special youth scholarships.

Lowell Golden Center Fund Funds used for mailroom equipment.

Music Fund in Memory of Cantor Walter Lewis

Funds used for special musical events.

Past President's Fund Funds used to purchase plaques for past presidents.

Prayer Book Fund Funds used to purchase new prayer books.

Rabbi Raab Fund Funds for youth programs.

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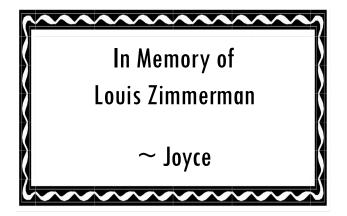
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"Bee" on the lookout for the TBT High Holiday Honey Sale this August!

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