



# The TBT VOICE

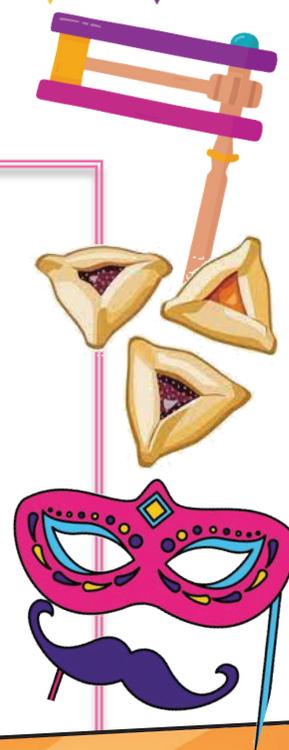


MARK YOUR  
CALENDARS!

## PURIM

March 23, 2024  
Services along with a  
"Billy Joel" themed SPIEL!  
6:30 PM

Immediately following  
"Grand Purim" Celebration  
All ages welcome!  
Come wearing your best  
costume creations and maybe  
win a prize!



"THROUGH THE DECADES"  
Decade Dress-Up Dinner Dance  
SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024  
6:30 TO 10:30 pm

Dance to your favorite music from the 50's to the present.  
Dress up in period clothing if you choose. Everything goes!  
This will be the event of the year!  
All adults - young and not so young!  
Join your Temple family for a fun evening.  
Details to follow.



# Ritual Calendar - February 2024

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



<b>Friday, February 2</b>	5:30pm 6:00 pm 7:15pm	<b>TOT SHABBAT</b> BYO Dinner Soup Shabbat Family Shabbat Service with Scouts, Iyyun T'fillah
<b>Saturday, February 3</b>	9:30am 10:30am 3:30pm	Torah Study * Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah of Alexis Levine 6th Grade Shabbaton – Havdallah
Monday, February 5	12:00pm	Torah Study *
Friday, February 9	7:15pm	Erev Shabbat Service
<b>Saturday, February 10</b>	9:30am 10:30am	Torah Study * Shabbat Service Bar Mitzvah of Brian Goldstein
Monday, February 12	12:00pm	Torah Study *
Friday, February 16	6:30pm	Erev Shabbat Service
Saturday, February 17	9:30am	Torah Study *
Friday, February 23	7:15pm	Erev Shabbat Service
Saturday, February 24	9:30am	Torah Study *
Monday, February 26	12:00pm	Torah Study *



## March

<b>Friday, March 1</b>	5:30pm 7:15pm	<b>TOT SHABBAT</b> Family Shabbat Service, 5th Grade Midrash
<b>Saturday, March 2</b>	9:30am 10:30am	Torah Study * 3rd Grade Shabbaton
Monday, March 4	12:00pm	Torah Study *
Friday, March 8	7:15pm	Erev Shabbat Service
<b>Saturday, March 9</b>	9:30am 10:30am	Torah Study * Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah of Hollie Werner



This year Purim is Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>...  
Be on the look-out for information regarding a  
Special Purim Event for that night

**KEY:** \* = on Zoom + = Hybrid/In Person and Zoom, a link will be provided ^ = Watch for more information on the Scroll, FB and flyers Details for Services can be found on the Scroll and our Website  
Always check the TBT Website\ Calendar prior to Services & Events for the most up-to-date information.

# RABBI'S MESSAGE

Rabbi Daniel Bar-Nahum



## Sadness and Resolve

"Rabbi, what are things like in Israel?" Since I've been back from my mission in December, I've been asked this question, or some iteration of it, many times. And, though it took me some time to really

process all that I witnessed and all that I experienced, I think that the answer to this question is twofold. How are things in Israel? They are filled with sadness. What's it like in Israel? There's a deep sense of resolve. These two emotions are not usually on opposite sides of the coin. Now, after October 7, while there are certainly many emotions present in the Israeli public, the two that have stuck with me are sadness and resolve.

Let me explain a little bit about what I mean. The overwhelming feeling in Israel when I was there was a feeling of sadness. Israel is a nation in mourning, and so this makes sense. On October 7, over 1200 were killed, and many more injured and traumatized. Everyone has a connection to someone lost, kidnapped, or injured on that day. Israel is a small nation in size and population. It's just the reality that among the victims is someone you know, or knew, or went to school with, or served in the army alongside, or a friend of a friend, or most sadly, a family member. Everyone is in deep mourning. At the same time, life continues, mutedly.

At the same time, Israelis are mourning more than the people lost on that Black Saturday (a term that some Israelis have started to use to refer to October 7). For Israelis, as well as for many American Jews, there is a sadness that comes from the loss of trust and confidence in the State of Israel and her institutions, and of the loss of a certain sense of life, even with an enemy so close.

Israelis have lost trust in their government to protect them. Tradition teaches us that the plagues against Egypt were meant also to remind the Israelites of God's power, not only the Egyptians. After so long an absence, the people needed to know that God was there and on their side. I surmise that the government and the IDF understand that their role now also includes shoring up public trust. The IDF has to show that it knows what it's doing to build the relationship up again. The military has already acknowledged its failures in the lead up to the attack, and now it has resolved to prove to the public that it can and will protect them, and their children who are drafted. Israelis sense of pride in their military now is coupled with the sadness. We pray that the pride will soon return.

The rockets from Gaza have been a nuisance for a

long time; Israel and Israelis had learned begrudgingly to live with these threats, in part because their relative danger is small due to the Israeli missile defense systems. The October 7 pogrom shattered a sense of complacency. The danger is no longer small. The possibility for more attacks like this only continues if Hamas is left standing. Israelis are resolved to finish the job, and many won't return to their homes until they are confident that Hamas is gone. They are resolved that the situation cannot go on like it has since 2005. This conflagration represents an opportunity to end the vicious cycle of violence between Israel and Gaza, but only via annihilating Hamas.

With very few exceptions, the Israeli public is behind the war and is resolved to come out on top. Because of this, every facet of Israeli society has been enlisted to participate in the effort. While not every person can or will, there is always a way to contribute. There are scores of volunteers making food and doing laundry for soldiers, donating and sorting goods, and picking and packing produce, making up for the loss of foreign workers who fled after October 7. On the mission we met with folks finding deep purpose in their support of the war and ensuring that the soldiers and the displaced families have all that they need. I spent a morning with my sister packing persimmons on a farm in the south. For 5 or so hours, we stood at the end of a conveyor belt as persimmons made their way to us, and we took them and packed plastic containers in large trays that were loaded onto pallets ready for sale. Everyone is chipping in, resolved to keep Israel moving forward through this crisis.

Israelis also understand that there is a sad price to be paid for their resolve. They know that their parents, spouses, and children are sent to the front to fight these battles. And, while it is true that the IDF sends commanders in first, the younger soldiers are not far behind. Each day brings with it more sad news of soldiers killed in action. Each day's news reports include clips of the funerals for those soldiers. The sadness is crushing. And yet very few of the families ask the question of why. They understand why. Everyone in Israel does. Through their sadness they find their resolve.

As I'm writing this column in early January, there is no way to know what may happen between now and when you read this, but what is certain is that the sadness and the resolve in Israel are certainly going to stick around for some time. It is my hope that by the next time I visit Israel, hopefully this summer, there will be more joy and an equal resolve to work toward a time for peace, after this difficult time of war.

Rabbi Daniel Bar-Nahum

# NOTES FROM OUR CANTOR

Cantor Rica Timman



This past December Eileen Schneyman and I attended the URJ 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gathering in Washington, DC. It was a very full and powerful weekend celebrating Shabbat, commemorating our past, reimagining our future, hearing and speaking with Reform leaders from Israel, and praying and singing with one thousand of our friends: Reform clergy, temple professionals, and congregants from around the world.

There will be opportunities over the next few months to share some of what we learned at this huge and exciting gathering. Much of our time centered on Israel and the terrible war sitting on our hearts. But one piece of the weekend included marking the 150<sup>th</sup> year of our Reform Movement. Worship highlighted music that spanned the European roots of our Movement, the revolution of American Jewish music, and the sounds of contemporary songwriters and instrumentation.

One powerful moment that stays with me happened as we came to the prayer for peace during our Shabbat evening service. Two extraordinary leaders of our contemporary Jewish music movement led us in Shalom Rav. Cantor Jeff Klepper and Rabbi Daniel Frelander have been collaborating for fifty years since their days as teens at Eisner, one of our premiere Reform summer camps. They shared with us that back then they were influenced by Debbie Friedman, the pioneer of modern Jewish folk music who was their camp song leader. Debbie was

inspired by the folk song culture of the 60s and taught these two Classical Reform teens a new way to approach Jewish liturgy, making prayer more accessible. Jeff and Dan, inspired by their time at camp and with Debbie Friedman, were looking to become song leaders themselves.

They shared that later that year (1973), immediately after the Yom Kippur War they felt a renewed closeness to Israel (one which they noted is so similar to the closeness many of us feel now with Israel and this ongoing war with Hamas). These two teens explored their siddur, The Union Prayerbook, for a text about peace and found "Grant us peace". Knowing that in 1973 prayer could only be sung in Hebrew (my how we have evolved!) they searched for the Hebrew text and found Shalom Rav. They composed their very first song with no idea that most of the Jewish liberal world would embrace it as the go-to melody for that liturgical moment for fifty years and counting.

As we locked arms that evening and sang Shalom Rav we celebrated their fifty years of songwriting and songleading collaboration; we prayed that abundant peace might be restored to Israel; we held each other as we hoped for a time when our world might be safe for all Jews; and just as we do at TBT, we sang with one voice and one heart.

May we soon merit a world of abundant peace, *shalom rav*, and may we sing with one voice and one heart for generations to come.

B'vracha (with blessings),  
Cantor Rica Timman



*During the cold winter months  
there are many who need*

**Winter Coats & Accessories**

**November 1 - February 28**

Please donate new, newly dry cleaned or very gently used winter coats, hats, scarves, gloves, warm socks (new only), hand and toe warmers to help keep children, teens & adults warm this winter

Donations will be delivered to a variety of agencies including, but not limited to, LWS Advocacy Services, Family and Children's Association and the Interfaith Nutrition Network



For information contact Rona Kauffman at [ronakauffman@yahoo.com](mailto:ronakauffman@yahoo.com)

## MAZEL TOV TO OUR BET MITZVAH AND THEIR FAMILY



**February 3**

**Alexis Levine**

**Robert & Jun**

I am currently a seventh-grade honor roll student at Woodland Middle School. I have enjoyed playing violin since the second grade and am actively involved in the Tri-M music society acting as the current treasurer. I love many activities including tennis, track and dance. I am proud to have earned my second-degree black belt in Japanese Ju Jitsu and am training for my third-degree black belt. I am excited to continue my journey on being a meaningful member of the Jewish community. I would like to particularly thank Morah Emily, Morah Sheryl, Cantor Timman, and Rabbi Bar-Nahum for helping me prepare to be a Bat Mitzvah. A very special thank you to my mom, dad and brother for supporting me.



**February 10**

**Brian Goldstein**

**Michael & Elise**

Brian Goldstein is a seventh grader at Island Trees Memorial Middle School. Brian is an honor student and a member of the cross country and track teams. He is an avid chess player and enjoys using his strategies against his friends in online gaming. He would like to thank the members of TBT for encouraging him through his religious heritage growth and is looking forward to becoming a Bar Mitzvah. A very special thanks to Ms. Baram, as he would not be able to read Hebrew without her. More thanks to come in Brian's Bar Mitzvah speech. Stay Tuned.

## Lifelong Learning Spring 2024 Classes

**Sunday mornings, 10-11:30 am**



**February 4 and February 11**

**The Melodies of Haftarah  
with Cantor Timman**

**More information to follow**

**March 3 and March 10**

**A Brief History of Israel  
with Rabbi Bar-Nahum**

**In the Kiddush Lounge & on Zoom**





## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

"I cannot tell a lie." It's the beginning of a story long attributed to George Washington.

We've all heard that Lincoln wrote the Gettysburg Address on the back of an envelope. We've told these stories so much that we believe them to be true. We believe that they are written in stone, not made-up stories used to sell books in the early 1800's. It's true, Mason Locke Weems wrote about Washington to increase sales of his lackluster book. But he was not the first to tell tales to make sense of our history. We all believe that our ancestor, Abraham, destroyed idols in his father's store. Moses had a speech impediment because he burned his hand on hot coal and put it in his mouth. In Hebrew we call these stories *Midrash*, the subtext, the between the lines. We use them to make our history more understandable, to put words to the feelings we have.

Our 5th grade is taking a deep dive into *Midrash*, making their own stories, while interpreting the sacred texts. Please join us on Friday, March 1 when our 5th grade shares their stories and teaches us about how to enhance our understanding of our ancestors. January brought a little bit of spring into our dreary winter as we celebrated Tu BiShvat in our school.

Thank you to the PTA for their hard work in shopping, prepping, and serving. In Early February, our current Confirmation Class, as well as last year's class will be traveling to DC for the annual *L'Taken* conference where the students learn about advocacy and will be speaking with their Senators and Representatives on Capitol Hill. February is a short month because of the Presidents Week break, but we are gearing up for Purim in March!

Looking forward to celebrating with you all!

Sheryl Gordon,  
Religious School Director



## CELEBRATING OUR STORIES: ROMANCE NOVELS, SISTERHOOD and the WRJ with Sharon Sobel

Monday, March 18, 2024 7:30 - 9:30 pm

We are pleased to welcome Sharon Sobel to TBT. Sharon is a romance writer, a past president of the Northeast District of the WRJ and is a professor of English at both University of Connecticut and Norwalk Community College.

She is most interested in the empowerment of women, and she weaves this into both her writing and the work she does with the WRJ. These are not "your mother's romance novels" and "not our parents' Judaism," says Sharon.

Join us for a lively discussion with Sharon covering her writing, the genre she has chosen, why we should read romance novels, and where authors get their ideas.

If you would like to check out Sharon's writing in advance of the program, **The Hermitage** is available on Kindle or Amazon.

**ALL ARE WELCOME - NO-CHARGE REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED**

**RSVP by March 6** by email or for more information:

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Joyce Rappaport - [joycerappaport13@gmail.com](mailto:joycerappaport13@gmail.com)





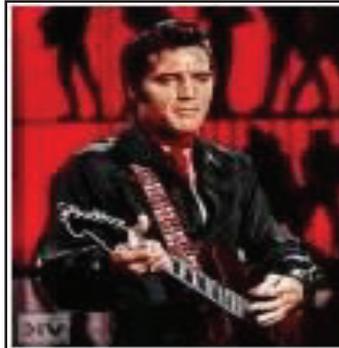
Chai Club

## Chai Club Program

Rockin' TV: From Elvis to the Monkees!

Monday, February 05, 2024 at 7:00 pm on ZOOM

**(New Rescheduled Date)**



Join us as Brian Rose tells us how beginning in the mid-1950s, rock music found a surprising home on mainstream television. Programs hosted by Milton Berle, Steve Allen, and Ed Sullivan featured a wide variety of musicians including Bill Haley & the Comets, Fats Domino, Buddy Holly, and Elvis Presley, who appeared on all three shows to an electrifying response. Afternoon dance programs like *American Bandstand* played a role as well in bringing rock to large and eager teenage audiences. Then, in 1964, the appearance of the Beatles on *The Ed Sullivan Show* would change the face of pop culture, leading to an explosion of televised rock, from prime-time rock variety shows like *Shindig* and *Hullabaloo*, to the sitcom rock antics of *The Monkees*, and the jubilant renewal of Elvis Presley in the “Comeback Special” of 1968. *This is a 60-minute program.*

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

Questions? Call Jay Schoenberg at (516) 476-0989 or email him at [jaydiane@yahoo.com](mailto:jaydiane@yahoo.com)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3780366300?pwd=dXVKcE9yRzlhQk5ZVExqeUFnTmgvZz09>

Meeting ID: 378 036 6300      Password: 465021

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



TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH  
**CASH CALENDAR**

**BUY A 3-DIGIT NUMBER(S) FROM 000 TO 999 FOR ONLY \$18  
FROM TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH**

**YOU GET 365 CHANCES TO WIN!  
ONE CHANCE FOR EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR!**

**EACH TIME YOUR NUMBER MATCHES THE DAILY EVENING "PICK-3" NUMBER, YOU WIN \$18.  
IF YOUR NUMBER MATCHES ON ONE OF THE 4 BONUS DAYS, YOU WIN \$36:**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY - 1/1; PURIM - 3/24; FOURTH OF JULY - 7/4;  
THANKSGIVING - 11/28**

**CHOOSE YOUR NUMBERS, AND WE WILL DO THE REST!  
EACH NUMBER WILL ONLY BE SOLD TWICE (TO 2 PEOPLE).**

**SHOULD A NUMBER BE CHOSEN MORE THAN TWICE,  
WE WILL LET YOU KNOW SO YOU CAN PICK ANOTHER NUMBER**

**TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH WILL TRACK THE WINNERS AND CHECKS WILL BE  
ISSUED AFTER THE LAST CALENDAR DAY OF THE MONTH.**

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Checks will be mailed to the address provided by each participant.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS TO MAIL CHECK: \_\_\_\_\_

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All proceeds to benefit Temple B'nai Torah

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy February! This is the shortest month of the year and the days are getting longer. I sure do miss those long days when you wake up to sunshine and have dinner with the sun still up. During the winter I feel like I have to get everything finished in a shorter amount of time. But it all gets done.

I am pleased to announce that the Congregation has voted and approved the Cantor's contract. It has been signed by both the Cantor and myself, representing our congregation. I know that we are all looking forward to another three wonderful years with Cantor Timman as our Cantor and member of the clergy team. I can't wait to see what beautiful melodies she brings to services, what pastoral care she shares with the congregation, what classes she will inspire us with and the wonderful students that she helps prepare for their special days!

February is also the month when we celebrate Presidents' Day. On a much smaller scale, I have a new appreciation for what a president is, what they represent and what they deal with. I am so lucky to have a fabulous team to work with. No one person can take care of everything that needs to get done. The executive board and the board of Trustees work tirelessly to make sure everything of importance is discussed and put into action, depending on the decision that is made. We all discuss the pros and cons and the value inherent in decisions. Our professional staff makes sure that all services, school and building items are addressed and well thought out. Our committees and our arms make sure that the congregation has programming that offer options for all generations and interests, and many fun events to attend. I am really so grateful for all that you all do to support the leadership of our congregation and make me look good.

In February, I look forward to Soup Shabbat. I wonder what soups I will get to sample? It is also Shabbat with the Scout participation. On a personal note, the beginning of February is Dan's birthday and the end is Jennifer's birthday. This is fun for our family.

Now for the question of the month – what happens at the annual congregation meeting? Sometime at the end of May or beginning of June, TBT will hold its annual congregation meeting. At this meeting, we will hear a state of the Temple address, updating all with what has happened this year and what we are looking forward to next year. The Nominating Committee will present our slate of officers to be voted on. The Finance Committee will present the budget, to be voted on. If there are any proposed constitution amendments, they will be presented by the Constitution Committee and then voted on. Both the Finance Committee and the Constitution Committee will be having open meetings in April and May for you to ask any questions that you may have. As always, you are welcome to attend any and all meetings and to email your thoughts to the VPs and co-chairs. But the best part of the annual meeting is that you get to see your fellow congregants and to be together! The tentative date for the 2024 annual meeting is June 4<sup>th</sup>. Please look for additional details about the date of the meeting and when voting will take place.

With peaceful and warm wishes,  
Amy Neidle  
President



## SISTERHOOD NEWS

February is a “short” month, and it is a quiet month for Sisterhood. We have no programming planned this month, but we are working hard preparing for all that is coming this spring!

We had a great time at our Bead Away the Winter Blues program, led by our own Corresponding Secretary, Carol Meyerson. We made beautiful bracelets under Carol’s patient guidance and had lots of laughs along the way. You are sure to be spotting these sparkling jewels on the wrists of many of our members!

We also had a great time swinging our partners at the TBT Square Dance. Sisterhood is always glad to be a part of this fun event, both in the preparation and participation.

Hope you are staying warm and dreaming of warmer days ahead. Please feel free to reach out to me at any time with questions, ideas or just to say hi!

See you around the Temple,  
Helaine



## YOUTH GROUP

Greetings from Youth Group. We have been enjoying the upgrades to the youth lounge. Everything about it looks amazing. We so greatly appreciate all the work that the Temple has done for us. Thank you to everyone and all the committees that made it possible. We really love it.

The month of January included BNTY Shabbat. That week’s Torah portion was Exodus. It is a fitting passage for BNTY since we are graduating 5 seniors in the spring. Each senior had been asked to give a speech discussing their time at Temple B’nai Torah. It was an emotional moment for all of us. It’s always hard to say goodbye to members who have been in youth group for many years.

January also included ice skating for all three groups. I’m hoping for a large turnout. I will post pictures after the event.

Sincerely,  
Mark Derwin  
Youth Director



## BROTHERHOOD NEWS

Hello My Fellow Congregants,

I want to let the Temple membership know that we had an awesome turnout to Jewish Heritage Night at the Islander game.

A big “thank you” to Vic Wurtzel who coordinated it. Thanks to all who attended. It was a good time, overtime and a win.

The January breakfast was a success, let’s all keep it going strong, and the January Brotherhood dinner was enjoyed by all, funny comedians and good food, too.

I also want to remind you that the Brotherhood is having a Wine and Spirits Fundraiser for Passover. More info to follow.

Sincerely,

Eric Altman  
Brotherhood President



## SAVE THE DATE:

**NY Blood Center Blood Drive**

**March 17, 2024**

**Temple B’nai Torah  
2900 Jerusalem Avenue  
Wantagh, NY**

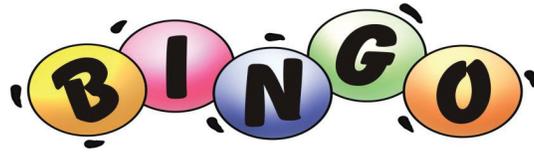
**9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Stay tuned for  
details**



Wear your favorite team jersey!

**TBT PTA Presents:  
Family**



Pre-game with us on Superbowl Sunday,  
February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Doors open at 11:30 am  
Bingo begins at 12:00 pm

Temple B'nai Torah  
2900 Jerusalem Avenue  
Wantagh, NY 11793



**Open to all TBT members and their family & friends!**

*Admission is \$5.00 per player (includes 1 Bingo board)  
Each additional board is \$1.00.*

*Hot dogs, knishes, popcorn, beverages, and candy will be available for purchase.*

**50/50 Raffle!**

**It's not whether you win or lose, it's how you play the game!**

For more information, please contact:

Robin Freed ([robin.stolar@gmail.com](mailto:robin.stolar@gmail.com)) or Aviva Jiran ([ashavit27@gmail.com](mailto:ashavit27@gmail.com))

**~HAVE YOU READ TEMPLE'S MISSION STATEMENT?~**

**~DID YOU KNOW WE HAD A MISSION STATEMENT?~**

**HERE IT IS FOR YOU TO READ, IN ORDER TO UNDERSTAND THE VALUES THAT OUR HOLY CONGREGATION HOLDS IN HIGH ESTEEM.**

Temple B'nai Torah is a diverse caring congregation that embraces a progressive and inclusive vision of Reform Judaism through worship, study of Torah and righteous deeds. We are creating a multi-generational home in our region by staying connected to our roots, as well as offering spiritual enrichment, Jewish education and community engagement.



## CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

Circle of Friends is heading into the New Year with many new and exciting events. Get ready for a winter of indoor activities and zoom programs. As soon as it warms up, we will be going out to enjoy the great outdoors. There will be dance lessons, crafting, food, and fun times spending time together. On February 18<sup>th</sup> we will be going to a local comedy club. Come join in, make some friends, and have a laugh on us. We are all here for you and look forward to meeting you and develop new friendships. February is friendship month and we look forward to yours..

Love and February hugs,

Joni and Esther

Co-presidents



### Announcing TBT's 2024 Climate Action Plan

Since the Rabbi asked us to be part of the Jewish response to the climate crisis we have, for example:

- Planted hundreds of trees for reforestation
- Converted impermeable surfaces to green infrastructure i.e., the TBT Garden,
- Installed a water bottle refilling station
- Developed a green practices policy

And, became a member of Adamah's Jewish Climate Leadership Coalition.

As a member, we are required to submit a plan of action to help address climate change. So, with the help of our Housing and Religious Education Committees and Temple Administrator, we prepared a Climate Action Plan for 2024.

Here's a sample of actions in process and planned for 2024:

- Taking steps to reduce food waste in kitchen and dining area
- Teaching our students about composting, upcycling and conservation from Kindergarten through High School
- Encouraging the use of carpooling and limiting idling in the parking lot
- Creating a "reverse" Tashlich program – i.e., taking stuff out of the waterways, as opposed to putting stuff in it!
- Considering the benefits of a lighter color roof and solar panels

We will provide a link to the climate action plan in an upcoming TBT scroll.

In the meantime, please reach out to Sam Star ([starway3@aol.com](mailto:starway3@aol.com)), Rona Kauffman ([ronakauffman@yahoo.com](mailto:ronakauffman@yahoo.com)), Jason Newman ([jaynew4@gmail.com](mailto:jaynew4@gmail.com)), Anne Paley ([anne.paley@yahoo.com](mailto:anne.paley@yahoo.com)) or Stephanie Gopen ([stephaniegopen@gmail.com](mailto:stephaniegopen@gmail.com)) with any questions, comment and ideas.



# Temple B'nai Torah Sisterhood

Shalach Manos Gift Bags

Everyone at Temple will receive

**The PURIM 2024**

**ORDER FORM in the mail – copies are available in the office**

Send a beautiful Shalach Manos gift bag of Purim treats to all fellow congregants, temple staff and clergy!

Simply circle the names on the list of everyone to whom you would like to send Shalach Manos.

**Enclose a check for \$4.00 per circled name, payable to TBT Sisterhood.**

Sisterhood will take care of the rest. The congregant will be notified that a gift bag is awaiting pick up at the Temple. **Bags ordered for non-temple members will cost \$12.00 and must be picked up at Temple.**

**Mail the order form to:** Jenn Schnitzer, 1744 Auburn Rd, Wantagh, NY 11793  
**OR** leave in the Sisterhood box in the temple office.

You can even email your list of recipients to: [jschnitzer2276@gmail.com](mailto:jschnitzer2276@gmail.com)  
PROVIDED that you mail a check to Temple OR to Jenn Schnitzer, 1744 Auburn Rd, Wantagh NY 11793

Need help? Call OR TEXT Jenn Schnitzer/Emily Altman TO: 516-459-3096

Due to purchasing requirements, the order form **MUST be received by March 4th, 2024 NO EXCEPTIONS**

**Pick-up day is Saturday, 3/23 BEFORE AND AFTER PURIM SPIEL AND Sunday, 3/24 DURING PURIM CARNIVAL**

**Additional pick-up dates/times to follow in the Temple Scroll**

TempleBnaiTorah 2900 Jerusalem Ave, Wantagh, NY 11793 (516)221-2370





## CHAI CLUB NEWS

Since Chai Club did not submit an article in the January Edition of The TBT Voice, Janis and I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a belated Happy New Year! We hope your year is filled with good health, more wealth and most of all Peace in the World.

Janis and I cannot believe that our second year of co-presidency of the Chai Club is ending. The last 20 months just flew by us thanks to all the help and support of our wonderful board.

But we are not done, yet! Look for the 2 flyers in this month's Voice. One is the "Rockin' TV: From Elvis to the Monkees!" that had to be postponed to **February 5<sup>th</sup>** because of technical difficulties. That program is on Zoom starting at 7:00pm. Also in February, we have Vinnie Bruno on **February 25<sup>th</sup>**, also on Zoom at 7:00pm to tell us all about The Bee Gees.

Our nominating committee has begun its work to fill openings on our board. If you enjoy the programs and the people you see there or if you have ideas about how to improve the TBT community from a "senior" point of view, maybe consider being a part of our Board. We can always use fresh ideas and new faces. If you are a Chai Club member and you are interested or have any questions, please contact the nomination committee co-chairs Joan or Brian Levy ([Sea1983JL@gmail.com](mailto:Sea1983JL@gmail.com), [Bellobl@gmail.com](mailto:Bellobl@gmail.com)).

With sincere hope for peace in your lives and in the world,  
Janis and Judy

*Below is the first in a series of emotional health self-care offerings*

### LAUGHTER: THE HEALING POWER OF LAUGHTER

Writer Norman Cousins, battling a crippling disease, found that 10 minutes of deep belly laughter gave him two hours of pain-free sleep. A good hearty laugh relieves physical tension and stress, leaving your muscles relaxed for up to 45 minutes after.

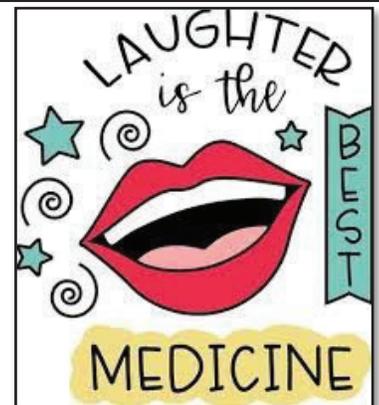
Laughter improves your immune system and improves your mood. Many people experience depression. Laughter can help lessen your stress, depression and anxiety and may make you feel happier.

Find a few simple items, such as photos, comic strips or greeting cards that make you laugh. Keep funny movies, TV shows, books, magazines or comedy videos on hand for when you need an added humor boost. Go to a Comedy club.

**Remember, " LAUGHTER IS TRULY THE BEST MEDICINE."**

**Edward I. Paley, LCSW, ACSW, BCD**

*Remember to do your monthly mental health check and to reach out if you need support. If needed, you can dial 988 (Suicide & Crisis hotline) or 516-679-1111 (L.I. Crisis Center), 24/7*





## Chai Club Program

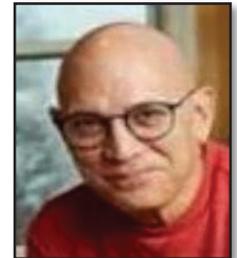
### THE BEE GEES

Monday, February 26, 2024

at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom

Join rock historian, Vinnie Bruno, as we travel with the most successful rock trio as they navigate through two distinct periods of exceptional achievements: as a pop group of the late sixties to the biggest disco band in the world in the seventies.

We will journey with the band from their early days in Australia, into their pop standards, to the band's disco-flavored *Saturday Night Fever*. Their songwriting, recordings, and their three-part tight harmonies are unique and instantly recognizable. They have been inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, and Vocal Group Hall of Fame. *This is a 90-minute program.*



We will also celebrate February birthdays.

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

Questions? Call Jay Schoenberg at (516) 476-0989

or email him at [jaydiane@yahoo.com](mailto:jaydiane@yahoo.com)

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## SAVE THE DATE - JUNE 9<sup>TH</sup> FOR OUR WALK-A-THON

Do you have any shoes/sneakers that you no longer wear? Please start saving any gently used shoes and sneakers - the Fundraising Committee will be collecting them in the coming months.

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW





## PTA UPDATES

Hello, TBT,

This month, I want to flip the page and start with what is coming up at PTA.

- Our monthly meeting is Sunday, February 4, at 9:15 a.m. in the Youth Lounge.
- Our Family Bingo event is on Sunday, February 11, and we can't wait to see everyone there.
- Also on February 11 is the pickup for our Pickle Me Pete fundraiser.
- Keep this open: our March meeting is on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 9:15 a.m., in the Youth Lounge.
- And...we are looking for adult volunteers to help with the Religious School's Model Passover Seders on April 17. (Wednesday), at 4:45-5:45 p.m. and 6:45-7:45 p.m. Please let us know if you are interested in getting a peek at your kid while they are in class.

How did things turn out in January? Well:

- On January 20, we held our Pizza, Prayers, and Pajamas Game Night for our Tweens and Teens, who all took part in a lovely Havdalah service before having a terrific time dressed in their comfy best.
- The Religious School held its Tu BiShevat seder on the 24<sup>th</sup> and PTA was delighted to assist in the delicious prep.
- Just a couple of days ago, our much-requested Challah Bake was filled to capacity. We want to thank Rachel Minkowsky for leading such a beautiful program. It was wonderful to see so many parents and children participating together. What a fun way to learn a practical skill that can otherwise seem daunting, spend time together making a memory, AND perform a mitzvah at the same time.

So, January was pretty satisfying, I'd say!

Last month, I promised that we'd have a list of the other generous vendors that donated gift cards and other prizes for the Chanukah Brunch Raffles. We want to send a big thank you to our Diamond sponsor, **Star of David Memorial Chapels**, for their very generous donation. Star of David's donation allowed us to purchase many of our non-donated auction prizes, and we thank them for our continued support of our PTA.

Here are our other generous sponsors. If you have a chance to patronize them, please do, and let them know their generosity was greatly appreciated. It helps so much if they see it repaid by the community. Thank you to:

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| * <b>The French Workshop (Wantagh)</b> | * <b>Alexa's Dance Academy (East Meadow)</b> |
| * <b>Garden Social (East Meadow)</b>   | * <b>The Early Bird Cafe (East Meadow)</b>   |
| * <b>Bottle Values (Old Bethpage)</b>  | * <b>Modern Nail Spa (Wantagh)</b>           |
| * <b>Bramalo (Bellmore)</b>            | * <b>The Bagel Place (East Meadow)</b>       |
| * <b>Elsie Lane (Bellmore)</b>         |  |

Enjoy the President's Week break!

See you around the synagogue,  
Laurel Klein





## SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE NEWS

### Social Action/Social Justice Committee

This month, we will celebrate Tu Bishvat; the New Year of the Trees! We can mark our trees' birthdays, and also show gratitude for the part they play in our lives and in the life of our planet. Trees are beautiful, providing fruits, habitat, building materials and medicines. They purify our air and help slow climate change by removing carbon from the atmosphere and storing it in trunks and soil. Trees cool our streets leading to lower cooling costs. They protect against floods and water pollution by stabilizing soil and absorbing water. A lack of trees can lead to increased flooding. Some studies have even suggested that spending time outdoors among the trees can reduce blood pressure and relieve stress. (<https://www.earthday.org/5-reasons-we-need-trees-for-a-healthy-planet/>). So, how can we show our appreciation? We can plant a tree through the [Jewish National Fund](#) or [One Tree Planted](#). There are lots of family activities to explore through [reformjudaism.org](#). Click [here](#) for some ideas. Save paper! It not only saves trees, it also prevents burning fossil fuels in transportation and processing. Remember to plant some parsley seeds on Tu BiShvat and it should be ready for your Passover seder!

This month is also HIAS' ([HIAS.org](#)) annual Refugee Shabbat (Feb 2-3.) Check out their website for programming over that weekend and remember to find ways to "welcome the stranger"

Last month we celebrated **SA/SJ Shabbat**. Many thanks to the Clergy, the Ritual Committee and all who participated in the service for putting together such a meaningful and inspiring evening. We reflected on the work done this past year and let the congregation know about some of our major initiatives for the coming year, including a Climate Action Plan, our Kulanu collaboration with PTA and Religious School, as well as our many opportunities to participate in working towards Tikkun Olam. This year we were joined by members of the Nassau Dayenu Circle who helped us advocate for climate change programming at our post carding table at the oneg following services.

Last month, thanks to our Anonymous Donor, we were able to offer a screening of the important and inspiring film "The Barn" to our Religious School students, our congregation and the greater community. Being able to hear from and ask questions of filmmaker Rachel Kastner made the evening particularly special! Thanks to Chai Club for your technical assistance in moderating the Q & A.

This is the last month for our **Winter Coat and Accessories Collection**. You can still drop off your new or gently used winter coats, jackets, sweaters, boots, hats, gloves, etc. and we will be sure to get them to those who need them.

**Save the dates:** Annual **Blood Drive at TBT**, Sunday, March 17- stay tuned for details.

**Mitzvah Day 2024, Sunday May 19!**

Stay tuned for details on ways to get involved and on collections in support of our activities.

**The Garden at TBT** will be reopening next month. Consider joining us as a garden volunteer. Green thumbs are not needed - only an interest in supporting our mission of growing food for those in need, learning to care for our environment and creating a peaceful space for all to enjoy.

Our next meeting will be **Wed. February 28 at 7:00 p.m.** We welcome your input and new members! For information or questions contact Rona at [ronakauffman@yahoo.com](mailto:ronakauffman@yahoo.com) or Jason at [jaynew4@gmail.com](mailto:jaynew4@gmail.com)



# SISTERHOOD and CHAI CLUB Present



## THE CAROL BURNETT STORY

As told by Sal St. George

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2024, at 7:00 - 9:00 pm



## THE CAROL BURNETT STORY

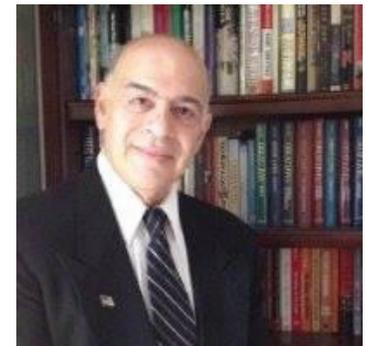
This is the story of a young performer from San Antonio who treks to the Big Apple and is suddenly discovered by Broadway and Gary Moore. And the rest, as they say, is show business history.

Laugh once again with the antics of Carol and her hilarious television ensemble including Vickie Lawrence, Harvey Korman and, of course, the always unpredictable, Tim Conway.

Discover Carol's illustrious movie career, plus learn of her personal triumphs and tragedies. Along the way you will revisit memorable characters including Mama and Eunice, Mr. Tutball and Mrs. Wiggins and others.

**Meet Sal St. George,** *Playwriter, author, theme park consultant, comedy writer*

With experience spanning more than 40 years, Sal has created site-specific programs for museums, historical sites, cultural centers, and mansions. These are unique and compelling educational programs that chronicle the lives and events of America's Greatest Leaders, Legends, and Icons.



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Harriet Ostroff - [hnostroff@gmail.com](mailto:hnostroff@gmail.com),





## TBT Sisterhood's **BEAD AWAY YOUR WINTER BLUES**

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# Uniongrams



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Thank you as always for your continued support!

## JOIN US IN WISHING A MARCH HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

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| Ellen Goolnick    | Helen Rock         | Elyse Loew          |                    |
| Victor Wurtzel    | Michele Hanes      | Rose Brenner        |                    |

## JOIN US IN WISHING A MARCH HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Barbara and Russ Carpenter      | Lori and Jarrett Freeman      |
| Vivian and Leigh Solomon        | Judy and Marc Herbert         |
| Claudia and Jeffrey Shavelson   | Sandra and Teddy Zeitlin      |
| Suzanne and Joshua Gluck        | Bonnie and Richard Skibins    |
| Michelle and Steven Cooperberg  | Sterra and Steven Himmelstein |
| Michelle and Gary Yelner        | Kathleen and Sidney Glasberg  |
| Rabbi Albert and Ruth Lowenberg |                               |

To send your wishes, circle the names of those you wish to send a uniongram. Please sign greeting as you would like it to appear. Leave list in the temple office box designated "UNIONGRAMS", or mail to: Ellice Toscano @ 3655 Woodbine Avenue, Wantagh, NY 11793. Make check payable to: **TBT SISTERHOOD**.

**ALL LISTS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 20TH, OR REQUEST CANNOT BE PROCESSED.**

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# TZEDAKAH



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In memory of

**Leo Streickler** from Sharon Forman

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**Bat Mitzvah of Alexis Levine** from Robert & Jun Levine

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## YISKOR ELOHIM:

**Edith Forman**, member

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**Kim Scotch**, mother of Sarah & Jacob Scotch



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The following is a list of the children who will be celebrating their Bar/Bat/Bet Mitzvah **Jan. 20, 2024** through **March 30, 2024**. Circle the names of those to whom you would like to send congratulations and PRINT your name and SHORT sentiment as you want it to appear on the Uniongrams. Please return the list promptly with **\$1.25** for each Uniongram made payable to **TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH SISTERHOOD** and **MAIL** to **Marlyn Appelt, 31 Hark Lane, Westbury, NY 11590** at least 2 weeks prior to the event.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHILD'S NAME</u>	<u>PARENTS</u>
Feb. 3	Alexis Levine	Robert & Jun
Feb. 10	Brian Goldstein	Michael & Elise
Mar. 9	Hollie Werner	Brian & Bevin
Mar. 16	Macey Cataldo	Rob & Bonnie
Mar. 30	Hannah Synder	Jonathan & Melissa

\_\_\_\_\_ Uniongrams @ 1.25each \_\_\_\_\_

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



# Yahrzeits



**Ida Landes** from Fran Gonopolsky  
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**Ruth Gonopolsky** from Fran Gonopolsky  
**Ruby Gonopolsky** from Fran Gonopolsky  
**Al Gonopolsky** from Fran Gonopolsky  
**Laura Yorke** from Mel Yorke  
**Bessie Lev** from The Lev Family  
**Sylvia Tepper** from Richard & Francine Tepper  
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**Esther Bodenstein** from Steven & Jan Bodenstein  
**Nathan Moses** from Cindy Talisman  
**Doris Talisman** from Steven Talisman  
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**Silvya Ser** from Wendy & Rich Ser  
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**Russell G. Carpenter** from Barbara & Russ Carpenter  
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**Hyman Cohen** from Richard Cohen

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**Jacob Sedrish** from Amy & Dan Neidle  
**Frances Packer** from Leslie Packer  
**Leonard Singer** from The Singer Family  
**Phillip Kolinsky** from Freyda Kolinsky  
**Bernard Star** from Sam Star  
**David Gross** from Neil Gross  
**George Krasnoff** from Arlene Gross  
**Laura Malchick** from Lewis & Alice Malchick  
**William Wiener** from Sandy Spielberg  
**Edythe Spielberg** from Sandy Spielberg  
**Herbert Vance Mates** from Ellen & Richard Goolnick  
**Yetta Eisman** from Barbara Kitay  
**Abe Schichtman** from Sandra Dabrusin  
**Mildred Schichtman** from Sandra Dabrusin  
**Bertha Kessler** from Sandra Dabrusin  
**Samuel Kessler** from Sandra Dabrusin  
**David J. Kessler** from Sandra Dabrusin

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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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<i>Blau (Matthew) Drama Fund</i>	<i>School Enrichment</i>
<i>Blumenkranz (Fred) Fund</i>	<i>Social Action /Social Justice</i>
<i>Caring/Mitzvah Makers Fund</i>	<i>Rosenheck Memorial Fund</i>
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<i>Holocaust Education Memorial Fund</i>	

### Special Memorial Funds

Judy Bardavid Fund	Dr. Pat Kussoy Fund
Stephen Bigman Fund	Rose Mandel Holocaust Fund
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*In the event that circumstances beyond our control prevent us from performing our show, electronic copies of our Playbill will be made available to our congregation and supporters.*

**Deadline for ads is April 3rd**  
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12/31	621	Jayne Krompier

## RITUAL NEEDS YOUR HELP

The Ritual Committee urgently needs the assistance of congregants who would like to help organize Temple services and celebrations.

Our next one is Saturday, March 23 – Purim Service and Post-Spiel Celebration, but there will be opportunities to assist at other times.

We are looking for help planning and coordinating the details. You do not need to be a member of the Ritual Committee, just have a desire to contribute.

We have many roles available.

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