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THIRTEEN

THIRTEEN YEARS OF TORAH & TRADITION

Please join your Temple Family in Celebrating

Rabbi Daniel Bar-Nahum

at our

Gala weekend

Friday,

April 4, 2025

5:30pm Tot Shabbat

7:15pm Family Service with
3rd Grade Participation

Followed by a Special Oneg
all at TBT

Saturday,

April 5, 2025

"Bar Mitzvah" Celebration

7:45pm

Plainview Jewish Center
95 Floral Drive West,
Plainview, New York 11803



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Please support these events.
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this time with you!!

Any questions please call Dee Greenberg 516 413-9335 or Ellen Kraut 516 606-3677

Ritual Calendar - March 2025

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.



Saturday, March 1	9:30 am	Torah Study *
	10:30 am	Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah of Beatrice Assa
Monday, March 3	12:00 pm	Torah Study *
Friday, March 7	5:30 pm	TOT SHABBAT (In-Person Only)
	7:15 pm	<i>Family Shabbat Service with 5th Grade Midrash Presentation</i>
Saturday, March 8	9:30 am	Torah Study *
Monday, March 10	12:00 pm	Torah Study *
Thursday, March 13	6:30 pm	Erev Purim Program (TBD)
Friday, March 14	7:15 pm	Erev Shabbat
Saturday, March 15	9:30 am	Torah Study *
	10:30 am	Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah of Miranda Feder
	6:30 pm	Havdalah Service, Purim Spiel, Purim after Party +
Sunday, March 16	11:00 am	PURIM CARNIVAL (SH)
Monday, March 17	12:00 pm	Torah Study *
Friday, March 21	7:15 pm	Erev Shabbat Service with <i>Sisterhood</i> & <i>Brotherhood</i>, Iyyun T'filah
Saturday, March 22	9:30 am	Torah Study *
	10:30 am	Shabbat Service B'nai Mitzvah of Benjamin and Joseph Fioribello
Monday, March 24	12:00 pm	Torah Study *
Friday, March 28	7:15 pm	Erev Shabbat Service
Saturday, March 29	9:30 am	Torah Study *
	10:30 am	Shabbat Service Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Taffel
Monday, March 31	12:00 pm	Torah Study *



April

Friday, April 4	5:30 pm	TOT SHABBAT (In-Person Only)
	7:15 pm	<i>Family Shabbat Service with 3rd Grade Siyyum</i>
Saturday, April 5	9:30 am	Torah Study *
	10:30 am	Shabbat Service Bar Mitzvah of Felix Asofsky
Monday, April 7	12:00 pm	Torah Study *
Friday, April 11	9:45 am	Chametz Burning
	6:30 pm	Erev Shabbat Service - Zoom Only (Passover)



KEY: * = on Zoom + Watch for important information regarding Dinners & Luncheons close to their dates.
 ** more information to come. Details for Services can be found on the Scroll and our Website # In Person Only
 Always check the TBT Website\ Calendar prior to Services & Events for the most up-to-date information.

RABBI'S MESSAGE

Rabbi Daniel Bar-Nahum



Vote Reform in the World Zionist Congress Elections

Every five years, the worldwide Jewish community holds an election. Founded at the First Zionist Congress in 1897 by Theodore Herzl, the World Zionist Organization serves as a clearinghouse of sorts for funding to support the Jewish Community. Before 1948, the funds went toward establishing the state. Since then, the funds go toward different facets of Israeli society. Often referred to as the Parliament of the Jewish People, the World Zionist Congress meets every five years and determines the allocation of hundreds of thousands of dollars each year.

Many of us feel like what's happening in Israel is out of our control. Even as we care so much about it, we know that Israel has its own government and its own democracy. This year has proven that what happens in Israel impacts all Jews – on college campuses and around the world. For the first time in many of our lives, we fear for the existential survival of a Jewish state. At the same time, we are facing rising levels of shocking, overt antisemitism in America, especially impacting our young people. In 2025 there is no opting out. What happens in Israel affects all of us.

The World Zionist Congress elections give every Jew in the world a voice and a vote, acknowledging our shared destiny. With so much money at stake, and with the new, post-October 7 reality, this year's election is more important than ever. The Reform Community in Israel needs funding and assistance to continue to grow. Communities north and south need to be rebuilt and resupplied. The ultra-Orthodox hegemony over Jewish Status needs to be challenged. The Religious-Zionist settlement project needs to be reined in. And these are just a few of the priorities of the Reform Slate this year and why you should make voting in this election a priority.

A vote for the Reform Slate this year is a vote to steer Israel to be the kind of nation that we want her to be. A vote for the Reform Slate can help ensure that funding and support continues for programs and institutions that share our values.

Our opponents are motivated and disciplined. Their vision for the future of Israel is diametrically opposed to ours. Right wing, religious fundamentalists are organizing, with plans to roll back progress in almost every area we care about. They seek to chip away at Israel's democracy; to roll back gains for LGBTQ+ rights, gender equity, and religious pluralism; to strip our Israeli Reform clergy and communities of their rights, funding, and infrastructure and make sure that our converts and children are not welcome in the Jewish state; to block any hope of Palestinian self-determination and safety. If they are allowed to write the next chapter of Jewish history, their plan is to write us out of it. Our values demand that we not let that happen! We are organizing and mobilizing to ensure that they do not succeed.

As in 2020, I am proud to have been selected to be on the Reform Slate, though my position on the list is quite far down, and I am very likely not going to be elected in. Nonetheless, the reason I am glad to be on the list is to put my name on a list that demands that Israel be the best version of itself.

This year's election begins March 10 and lasts until May 4. Over this time, you'll see our Congregational Election Captains reminding you and helping you to vote. Be on the lookout for more information by email and from our congregational volunteers. You can learn more by going to www.vote4reform.org, reading the information and watching the videos. Please note that the WZO charges \$5.00 per vote. This is to cover the overhead that comes with an international multi-month election.

Each week, we offer prayers for the State of Israel. As I remind us, our tradition understands that prayers without actions are incomplete. Let us turn our prayers for a safe, secure, democratic, and pluralistic Israel into action by participating in this important election. Vote Reform. Urge your friends and family who are eligible to Vote Reform. Help to make Israel all that she can be!

With Blessings,

Rabbi Daniel Bar-Nahum



Learn about **RAC L'Taken Weekends**, this year welcoming both Student and Adult cohorts on **page 24**. Students were accompanied by Rabbi Bar-Nahum and Sheryl Gordon. See the TBT Facebook page for more exciting photos!

NOTES FROM OUR CANTOR

Cantor Rica Timman



Purim, a joyous festival, commemorates the survival of the Jewish people in ancient Persia. The Esther story (Megillat Esther) revolves around the plot to annihilate the Jewish people, orchestrated by the villainous Haman. Through the courage of Queen Esther, the Jewish people are saved. The holiday is marked by festive gatherings, feasting, giving *shaloch manot*, gifts of food and treats to family and friends, the reading of the Megillah (emphasizing the triumph of good over evil), and a silly spiel reenacting the story.

This year we are celebrating Purim at TBT March 13th, 15th, and 16th with three special events:

On Thursday, March 13th (6:30pm), Erev Purim, join us at Temple as we offer our fun Purim-style service followed by the Megillah and a PG-13 text dive into 'the rest of the story'. After they take Haman away in the children's version, the story continues... See page 17 for our flyer and more information. Then on Saturday, March 15th (6:30pm) we are joined by the

Not Ready for Purim Players for our Taylor Swift Spiel: "Esther's Story: Taylor's Version". I admit not knowing a lot of Taylor's music and even if you don't either, let's all enjoy shaking off whatever is on our minds with a fun evening of Spiel and Megillah chanting, followed by a great after party planned by our Ritual Committee. There will be a costume contest (all ages), nibbles, drinks, and silliness! See page 11 for more information.

Finally on Sunday, March 16th our fantastic BNTY kids will be running our annual Purim Carnival in our Social Hall featuring bouncy fun, face painting, carnival games, prizes, and food for sale. Our little ones (2nd grade and younger) will be admitted early with their grownups at 10:30am. Everyone else will be able to join starting at 11am. See page 13 for all the details.

Be happy, it's Adar! Get your costumes ready and join us for all the Purim fun at TBT!

B'vracha, (with blessings,)
Cantor Rica Timman

Temple B'nai Torah A Reform Congregation

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BAG PICK-UP FOR PURIM 2025
EVERYONE WILL HAVE A BAG AT TEMPLE

ALL IN MAIN LOBBY

WED, 3/12
FROM 4:30 - 6:00 PM

THUR, 3/13
FROM 5:00 - 6:00 PM

SAT, 3/15 BEFORE Purim Spiel and Services
FROM 5:30 - 6:15 PM

SUN, 3/16 @ Purim Carnival
FROM 10:30 AM - 12 PM

QUESTIONS? CONTACT Jenn and Rachelle
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jschnitzer2276@gmail.com

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Come enjoy a **FREE BREAKFAST**

COURTESY OF THE TBT ARMS
as we welcome our new friends
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SUNDAY MARCH 2
10:00AM

LesRichards511@gmail.com
RSVP before Feb 27

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**MAZEL TOV TO OUR
BET MITZVAH AND THEIR FAMILY**



March 1,2025

Beatrice Assa

Shana & Jacob

My name is Beatrice Assa, and I am a 7th grade honor roll student at Woodland Middle School. I am a member of the girls' tennis team, track team, and Tri -M. I enjoy doing art and playing clarinet and have done NYSSMA for the past 3 years. I love hanging out with friends, listening to music, and travelling. Thank you so much to my parents and family who have always supported and encouraged me. A special thank you to Morah Emily, Cantor Timman and Rabbi Bar-Nahum for their help in preparing me for my Bat Mitzvah.



March 15,2025

Miranda Feder

Jamie & Luke

I'm Miranda Feder and I'm a 7th grader at Wantagh Middle School. I love playing the saxophone. I am in the school's jazz band, which consists mostly of high school students. I have also participated in NYSSMA for the past three years. I enjoy playing on the CYO basketball and volleyball team. In my spare time, I enjoy hanging out with my friends, playing Dungeons and Dragons, and crafting. I want to thank my parents, my brother Matthew, my grandparents, Morah Emily, Morah Derwin, Rabbi Bar-Nahum, Cantor Timman, and my religious school teachers for all their support and encouragement in helping me prepare for my Bat Mitzvah.



March 22,2025

Benjamin Fioribello

Susan & Michael

Benjamin Fioribello is a 7th grade student at The Waldorf School of Garden City where he is a member of the 7th and 8th grade Soccer and Basketball teams, the 7th and 8th grade Choir and the 7th and 8th grade band. He is an active member of TBT Jr. Players and TBT Mainstage as well as BNTY Jr and B'nai Shir Choir. Benjamin has collected items to be distributed by the Ronald McDonald House New York Metro Hospitality Cart at Cohen's Children's Hospital and helps to stuff Welcome Bags for the families staying in the Ronald McDonald House. Benjamin would like to thank Rabbi Bar-Nahum, Cantor Timman, Mrs. Emily Altman, Mrs. Derwin and Mrs. Sheryl Gordon. Benjamin would like to thank his family too.



March 22,2025

Joseph Fioribello

Susan & Michael

Joseph Fioribello is a 7th grade student at Wantagh Junior High School. Joseph loves theater, singing, soccer and his family. He is an active member of TBT Jr. Players and TBT Mainstage as well as BNTY Jr. Joseph prepared for his bar mitzvah practicing Tikkun Olam. Each week, Joseph collects and recycles bottles and cans. He is using plastics that can't be recycled to create "bricks" that will be used to build garden walls. Joseph would like to thank Rabbi Bar-Nahum, Cantor Timman, Mrs. Emily Altman, Mrs. Derwin and Mrs. Sheryl Gordon. Joseph would like to thank his family too.

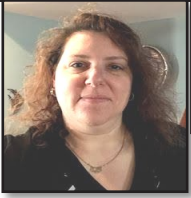


March 29,2025

Jacob Taffel

Carissa & Jeremy

My name is Jacob Taffel. I'm a seventh grader at Woodland Middle School in East Meadow. I love to hang out with my friends and play video games. I also love to play golf and try and play every chance I can. In the summers I love going to the beach and riding waves. I play violin in my school's orchestra and chamber orchestra. My favorite family member is my cat, Penny. I would like to thank my family for helping prepare me for my bar mitzvah. I would also like to thank Morah Emily, Cantor Timman, and Rabbi Bar Nahum for helping me prepare for the big day.



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Purim is a time of celebration, joy, and gratitude. It commemorates the miracle of the Jewish people in ancient Persia, as we read in the Book of Esther. It's a story of palace intrigue that would put any modern tabloid to shame, but more importantly, it's about courage and unity.

Haman's wicked plot to destroy the Jews was swiftly overturned thanks to the quick thinking of Mordechai and Esther. It's a recurring theme for us, reminding us that perseverance, and dedication to our people will always win in the end.

Purim teaches us to recognize hidden miracles in our lives. God's name is never mentioned in the Book of Esther, yet God's presence is felt throughout the story. This reminds us that even when we don't see open miracles, God is always at work behind the scenes.

Join us for a full weekend of festivities to learn more about the intricate and often untold stories of Megillat Esther. Thursday night, March 13, will have a Megillah reading and learning session. Saturday night, we will have our traditional Megillah Reading and Taylor Swift themed Spiel, starring the Not Ready for Purim Players. Sunday, the fun continues with our Purim Carnival, staffed by our BNTY Youth Group!

I wish you a month of joy, of finding ways to stand up for each other, especially in the face of adversity. Chag Purim Sameach!

-Sheryl Gordon

TBT'S YOUNG ADULTS
"COOKING THROUGH THE CALENDAR": PART 2
HAMENTASHEN COOKIE BAKE

Who: Temple members and non-members, ages 21-36 and their guest(s).
****RSVPs are REQUIRED in order to attend.****

Where? Temple B'nai Torah

When: Sunday, March 2, 2025 from 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Cost: \$10 per person

Click HERE to RSVP by February 21, 2025

Questions? Text or Email Heather Lorenz
917-331-8804 TBTheaterLorenz@gmail.com


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Zionism: Not a Dirty Word Part 2

6 sessions with
Rabbi Bar-Nahum and Cantor Timman



Zionism after 1948



In the aftermath of the creation of the State of Israel, the understanding of Zionism changes among Jews and in the world's opinion. Together we'll explore this history and seek understanding of the current state of Zionism.

Music of Israel



Join Cantor Timman for 2 sessions (March 23 and 30) for conversations on the music of Israel.

Program Information



No experience necessary.
All texts will be studied in English.
Classes will be in the Kiddush Lounge and on Zoom. For Zoom link, recordings of previous sessions, and other information, email Caryn: Caryn@suckle.net

REVISED DATES:

Sundays,
10:00am – 11:30 am

January 26, 2025

February 2, 2025

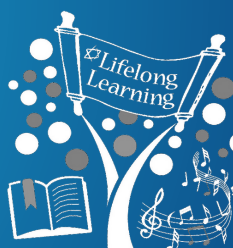
March 2, 2025

March 23, 2025

March 30, 2025

April 27, 2025

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello March. Hopefully most of the snow and cold weather from January and February will be leaving us. As I have said before, I love the sunshine and brightness of a beautiful warm day. I am looking forward to the Not Yet Ready for Purim Players spiel. Rumor has it that Taylor Swift may stop by. You never know. With TBT's reputation of being warm and welcoming and the hamantashen served at the oneg, that might be all the enticement that she needs. Join us on the March 13th for an Erev Purim program and March 15th for the spiel and after party. Costumes are encouraged but not mandatory. Dan and I also enjoy receiving our Shalach Manot goodies and giving to others as well!

Thank you to all our members who came to our special meeting held in February regarding the merger of Temple Sinai of Massapequa into Temple B'nai Torah and to all the members that voted for the merger. We once again welcome our new members and look forward to a long friendship and association. We are happy to have you as part of our community. We also welcome Rabbi Poticha who will be joining TBT until June 2026. Rabbi, we are looking forward to seeing you around Temple and hearing your programs. If you have not met Rabbi Poticha yet, please introduce yourself.

I want to remind everyone that in anticipation of our annual congregation meeting scheduled in May, our committees are busy with the work of putting together the budget for next year,

amongst their other work and responsibilities. I encourage everyone to attend an open meeting of the committees so that you can address all your questions and to have your thoughts heard during this process. You can refer to the weekly scroll for who to contact and when the meetings will be held. It is always good to get involved in our second "home" and help be a part of what takes place here.

Now for the question of the month – Sometimes I see people in the building that do not look like Temple members. Why is that? We are very fortunate to have been able to rent out space, consisting of rooms that would otherwise be vacant. TBT has a longer-term rental with a home school group that has children below middle school. They currently rent five classrooms and are looking to expand for next year. This group is out of the building before our religious school starts. We also have a test prep group who uses some classrooms in the evenings when our school is not in session. They rent for a few weeks a few times a year. TBT has a short-term rental of the youth lounge. This arrangement came about to help out a tenant that had been in Temple Sinai for many, many years and is waiting for their new space to be built out. In addition, the social hall and kiddush lounge are available for inside and outside rentals. This arrangement allows for more revenue to flow to the Temple.

With wishes that all our hostages come home now,
Amy Neidle, President



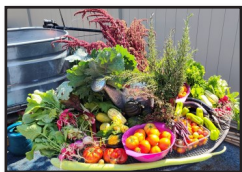
The Garden at TBT 2025 Growing Season Opening Day Sunday March 23rd, 2025 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.



Opening Day Sunchoke Harvest and Spring Clean-Up

There are many ways to support and be a part of the Garden at TBT.

- **Join us** and be part of the joy of caring for the garden and growing food for those in need. No experience or "green thumb" required.
- Do you have a talent that you think would work well in the garden? Are you a photographer? artist? carpenter? Do you have good computer skills?
- We need helpers of all ages and abilities.
- **If you have garden supplies/tools** or furniture that you no longer need and would like to donate, please let us know.
- **If you want to make a monetary donation** make a check payable to Temple B'nai Torah and put "SA/SJ Fund - Garden" in the memo so it gets properly assigned.

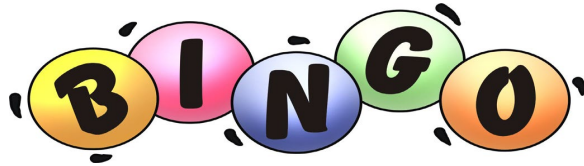


Let us know how you would like to be involved - send an email to Rona Kauffman at ronakauffman@yahoo.com and someone will get back to you shortly.

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TBT PTA Presents: Family



Sunday, March 9th, 2025

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.

PTA Families who pre-pay by February 28th will receive one free board!

Food and snacks will be available for purchase.

If you would like to volunteer or have questions, please contact:

Robin Freed (robin.stolar@gmail.com) or Aviva Jiran (ashavit27@gmail.com)

Form and Payment (Cash or check made out to TBT PTA) can be dropped off or mailed to the Temple office Attn: TBT PTA Bingo

Name _____

PTA Member? Y N

Contact #/email _____

Volunteer? Y N

Number of Players ____ X \$5.00 = ____ + Number of extra boards ____ X \$1.00 = ____ enclosed.

Social Action Food Project: Please bring a non-perishable food item whenever you travel to the Temple.



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SISTERHOOD NEWS

As I write this, the groundhog has just declared that there will be six more weeks of winter – we are almost **“Out of the Woods.”** But as you read this, we will be in the homestretch—more light, more warmth, and more great events ahead! **“You Belong with Me”** at all the fun gatherings we have planned.

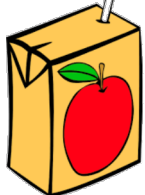
We filled February with fun! We are still basking in the **“Afterglow”** of the Square Dance where we enjoyed dancing, laughing, and eating. If we couldn’t follow along, it was okay, we could just **“Shake It Off”**. We were **“Enchanted”** by the Rosh Chodesh program and were thrilled with the good turnout. We also had so much fun at our sold-out beading event with Carol Meyerson - **“Bejeweled,”** indeed! We thank her again for sharing her talents and for her remarkable patience.

We are so pleased to welcome our newest Sisters from Temple Sinai and look forward to seeing them at our events. Many of us know **“All Too Well”** how difficult it is to leave your spiritual home. But we hope you quickly realize that **“You’re on Your Own, Kid”** does not apply here - there’s always room for more!

We are busily preparing for the Sisterhood/Brotherhood service on March 21 and hope to see everyone there. Then, we look ahead to April 1 for our Sisterhood Seder, which for many of us is **“The Best Day”** of the year!

As you can tell, we are also excited for the Taylor Swift Purim spiel on March 15 and the Purim Carnival the next day—be sure to join both events for some **“Fearless”** fun!

See you around the Temple,
Helaine



Mitzvah Day is Coming! May 18, 2025 Help us Get Ready! March 1 - March 31



Donate items for our Snack Bags for Kids activity

Please donate juice boxes, small bags of potato chips, popcorn, pretzels, healthy snacks and cereal bars (**no nuts please**)

Snack bags will be donated to the young clients of the Interfaith Nutrition Network.

Monetary donations to offset the costs of Mitzvah Day also gratefully accepted.

Make checks payable to Temple B’nai Torah with Mitzvah Day in the memo section and deliver by May 1

The collection box will be in the lobby.

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

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PURIM AT TBT

Saturday, March 15
6:30pm Havdalah
Spiel by the
Not Ready for Purim
Players



ESTHER'S STORY (TAYLOR'S VERSION)

No Cost

Please RSVP to Stephanie
stephaniegiwner@gmail.com

*RSVPs encouraged to ensure
food and space for all!*

7:45pm - 10:00pm
Midnights Afterparty



Side A
Track One
Track Two
Track Three
Track Four
Track Five
Track Six

Side B
Track Seven
Track Eight
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Track Ten
Track Eleven
Track Twelve
Track Thirteen

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BIOGRAPHY OF RABBI DANIEL BAR-NAHUM

Born in Israel, Rabbi Daniel Bar-Nahum's family moved to Buffalo Grove, IL, in the northwest suburbs of Chicago, when he was a young child. The youngest of three, Rabbi Bar-Nahum's family has both Ashkenazi and Sephardi backgrounds. He is the grandson of Holocaust survivors, and the son and grandson of Jews expatriated from Egypt. He became Bar Mitzvah at Congregation Beth Judea in Long Grove, IL. While in high school, Rabbi Bar-Nahum began teaching Hebrew at a local Reform Temple, Congregation Hakafa in Glencoe, IL, where he planned his first Purim carnival. He was also the captain of his High School's fencing team and President of the French and Art Clubs.

Rabbi Bar-Nahum attended Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN, studying abroad in Aix-en-Provence, France, and earning a BA in French and European Studies, cum laude, in 2002. He worked in the Heard Library, helping to digitize special collections related to French theatre in the mid 20th century. Rabbi Bar-Nahum was a student leader at Vanderbilt Hillel, leading services and holiday gatherings, and planning interfaith programming, and peace vigils. He was a member of other Jewish organizations on campus, including the Alpha Epsilon Pi Fraternity. Throughout his time in Nashville, Rabbi Bar-Nahum continued to teach religious school at The Temple: Congregation Ohabei Sholom.

After graduating college, Rabbi Bar-Nahum was selected to be in the first cohort of the DeLeT Fellowship in day school education at Brandeis University, where he began his graduate studies and earned his teaching certification. Upon completion of the DeLeT Fellowship, Rabbi Bar-Nahum moved to Atlanta, GA, accepting a position at the Davis Academy, Atlanta's Reform Jewish Day School, teaching 7th- and 8th-grade Social Studies and Judaic Studies. While in Atlanta, he completed his graduate studies, earning a Master of Arts in Jewish Studies of Jewish Education via distance learning at Siegal College in Cleveland, OH focusing on Jewish Identity formation in middle school students.

It was in the role of teacher in Atlanta that Rabbi Bar-Nahum began to consider attending the seminary. As he was gaining skills leading services, teaching, and chaperoning trips to Israel, his boss noted that he was doing much of the work of a rabbi, already. Thanks to some prodding from this mentor, Rabbi Bar-Nahum began to understand the role of rabbi as teacher for a community and began the process to determine if the rabbinate was the right path for him. After realizing that becoming a rabbi would be the culmination of so much of his experiences, and after brushing up on his Hebrew grammar, Rabbi Bar-Nahum applied to and was accepted to the Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion and began his studies in Jerusalem in 2007.

Rabbi Bar-Nahum was ordained in 2012, by the Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion in New York, completing a Rabbinic Thesis on Talmudic notions of action, intention and voice in determining an object's status. While at HUC-JIR he earned a Master of Arts in Hebrew Literature in 2011. He served as an intern for the incoming first year students in Israel and was selected as a student fellow with Rabbis without Borders. He earned many academic awards including for homiletics and preaching, for Hebrew, and for creative worship. He

served as the chef of the HUC Soup Kitchen for two years, helping to feed hundreds of people a hot meal every Monday evening. Rabbi Bar-Nahum served as a student rabbi at pulpits in Kinston, NC and Wayland, MA. For three years, Rabbi Bar-Nahum served as Rabbinic Intern at Temple Emeth in Teaneck, NJ.

Rabbi Bar-Nahum served as Assistant Rabbi and Educational Director at Temple Emanu-El of East Meadow between 2012 and 2013. He had the honor to serve as the last Rabbi and Educational Director there between 2013 and 2018. In 2018, Rabbi Bar-Nahum deconsecrated Temple Emanu-El and moved with the community to Temple B'nai Torah in Wantagh, after a two-year communal process.

Rabbi Bar-Nahum assumed the pulpit of Temple B'nai Torah – A Reform Congregation in July of 2018. At TBT, Rabbi Bar-Nahum, working alongside a team of professionals and lay volunteers, has created a community that serves every part of the life of a Jew, putting special emphasis on early-childhood and family engagement and teen programming. Rabbi Bar-Nahum teaches the 10th-grade Confirmation Class and annually chaperones the High School trip to Washington, DC and the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism, teaching students the value of citizen activism and political engagement. He has taught Lifelong Learning classes on topics such as Zionism, Midrash, Tzedakah, and Holiness. He has implemented a first-of-its-kind program, modernizing scriptural reading choices for Bet Mitzvah students. He has led congregational tours of Israel and Europe. In the aftermath of the October 7 attacks, Rabbi Bar-Nahum facilitated the raising of many thousands of dollars in donations, and took them with him on a solidarity mission in December, 2024.

Rabbi Bar-Nahum is passionate about Social Action/Social Justice and works closely with members of his congregation to limit the use of disposable plastics and to become a more environmentally friendly facility. Rabbi Bar-Nahum worked to convert an unused playground into a giving garden, run by dedicated volunteers, which provides nearly 2000 lbs. of fresh produce each year to neighbors in need, and serves as a communal gathering place and educational facility. Rabbi Bar-Nahum has spent time at the Mexico/Texas border feeding migrants with Team Brownsville and World Central Kitchen, and he participated in America's Journey for Justice, a multi-state march for Racial Justice, for which he, among many dozens of rabbis, was awarded the Eisendrath Bearer of Light Award by the Union for Reform Judaism.

Rabbi Bar-Nahum serves as Chair of the Worship and Practice Committee of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, after having served as a member for two years. In that capacity, he organizes and leads continuing educational opportunities for his colleagues and helps to set worship policy for the Reform Rabbinate.

Rabbi Bar-Nahum is the proud uncle to seven, including one serving in the IDF. He enjoys going to new places, both with his family and as a solo traveler, and learning about Jewish communities around the world. He loves to study Jewish texts from all eras, both familiar and new. He is also an avid cook, gardener, and sitter by the firepit. An amateur artist, he has spent time learning to blow glass and throw pottery.



Temple B'nai Torah's
PURIM
CARNIVAL

MARCH 16, 2025

10:30 - 2nd Grade and Younger

11:00 - Open to Everyone

Mazel Tots meets 9:30am-10:30am

Children 10 and under
must have a favorite adult present

OBSTACLE COURSE

GAMES PRIZES

\$5 ADMISSION

(2-18 Years Old)

Food and drinks
for sale



2900 Jerusalem Ave
Wantagh, NY 11793

contact sgordon@tbtwantagh.org with questions



BROTHERHOOD NEWS

In the Name of Brotherhood, A Suggestion to Capture Your Elders Memories. They Are Your Family's "Time Machines"

We are all consumed with our daily obligations of work, school, shopping, homework, video games, vacations, and other distractions. The days go by fast. Too fast.

I believe that each of us is a "time machine" and we have the power to personally reflect upon our life experiences and what we know about our family's past. Revealing this aspect about ourselves is just a matter of personal reflection and recording that reflection.

These personal reflections are much more powerful than simply reading a history book. They take us back to an earlier time in our family that is real for each of us. It tells a story of trials and triumphs that we can relate to on a personal level. It has a special power and meaning for each of us that feels as if we are back in their time!

A few years ago, I recorded my mother's personal reflections on our family history on cassette tape. I learned many things about her life and the lives of my grandparents and great-grandparents that would have been lost. The best part is that I still have the tape, and I can bring my mother's voice back to personally relate her stories to my grandkids and someday they can have my mother speak to their kids.

I suggest that you can do the same with elder members of your family. You will record knowledge about your family's past that is invaluable. You will be able to relive their experiences with

your children and your children's children. Best of all, by learning more about them as people and their experiences, you will enrich your own past.

In other news...

On Sunday, March 2nd, we will hold a FREE Congregation Breakfast in honor of our new congregants from Temple Sinai. Please come to the Temple to meet our new friends. Brotherhood members will cook up a great time for all.

Brotherhood's annual Passover Wine Sale is in full swing. Order forms are available in the Voice (see page 25) Scroll, and on the Temple website. This year, you can use Zelle to pay for your wine order. We will have a wine tasting with cheese, crackers, and snacks provided by Sisterhood at our Temple Purim Event on Saturday Night, March 15th. Wine order deadline is March 21st. Wine pickup will be at the Temple on Sunday morning April 6th from 9:00am to 11:00am.

Brotherhood will have our quarterly dinner on March 19th. Brotherhood Trustee Mark Chester will be cooking his renowned meatloaf dinner for us. I am working on having surprise special guests to sing for us after dinner. Please join us for a delicious and memorable evening!

We have planned some great events for springtime through summer. A tennis tournament; pickleball; BBQ with bocce ball with the softball team; and more. Join us for the fun!

Your Brotherhood President,
Vic Wurtzel



Spiritual Courage and the Climate Crisis: A Workshop on Climate Grief and Active Hope



This will be a collaborative space, anchored in Jewish wisdom, where we will connect, honor, grieve, cultivate courage and resilience, and move to bold action for a just, livable future.

Climate-concerned folks of all ages and identities welcome.

Hosted by Dayenu: A Jewish Call to Climate Action, in partnership with Temple B'nai Torah and Merrick Jewish Center

APRIL 27 | DOORS 2:00, WORKSHOP 2:30-5:00

THE GARDEN AT TBT, TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH
2900 JERUSALEM AVE. WANTAGH, NY

For info: ronakauffman@yahoo.com or lauren.krueger@gmail.com

REGISTRATION REQUIRED - REGISTER [HERE](#)



DAYENU



MERRICK
JEWISH
CENTRE
CONGREGATION GRI

Dayenu is a national climate advocacy group rooted in Jewish tradition. "This highly experiential workshop draws on Jewish teachings, stories, and music in order to connect participants to Jewish wisdom, history, and each other" and "empowers people to confront the existential threat of the climate crisis, cultivate a sense of hope, and move into courageous action." This workshop is limited to 40 participants so register early!



PTA UPDATES

Hello, Temple B'nai Torah Families, March is roaring in like a lion!

Lots of great things happened in February, including the end to our Pickle Me Pete fundraiser and a most meaningful Tu'Bishvat seder with our religious school students Grades 3-7. We are excited for our next big fundraiser, PTA Family Bingo! Please come on down on Sunday March 9th with your friends and family at 11:30 directly after religious school dismissal! You've got to be in it to win it! Only \$5 per person and additional boards can be purchased for only \$1 each! Food and drinks will be available for purchase and there will be prizes and fun! If you are a PTA member, make sure you got your RSVP in to get that free extra board! Walk-ins are allowed and you can pay via check, cash or the Zelle QR code will be available for you to scan!

Please join at this month's meeting on Sunday, March 2nd at 9:15 a.m. in the Youth Lounge. We will be discussing our future events, including Religious School Passover seders and another exciting event we are planning for PARENTS! We will also be further discussing project ideas we have for the religious school, which is one of our main reasons the PTA exists! Giving back to the religious school where our children attend is fundamental to help foster their Jewish education! Another important thing we will be discussing is the makeup of next year's PTA Board. There are several interesting and gratifying ways to be involved with PTA, and if you are interested in exploring a board position, please reach out to Wendy Shatz or Jessica Katz. Better yet, come to our next meeting to learn MORE!!

See you around the synagogue,



Wendy Shatz & Jessica Katz
PTA Co-Presidents

BLOOD DRIVE

DONATIONS SAVE LIVES

In Memory of Alexis Zayas

Sunday, March 23, 2025

9:00am-3:00pm

Temple B'nai Torah

2900 Jerusalem Avenue, Wantagh

Click on link below to schedule an appointment:

https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/322287

or scan the QR code:



or call 1 800-933-BLOOD

For more information, please contact Ava Jacobs 516-477-9123 or Joni Christie 516-996-0948

Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits.
Please remember to eat, drink and bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo.
Masks are optional for all donors and staff. For full list of COVID-19 safety protocols,
please visit nybc.org/coronavirus.



800.933.BLOOD · nybc.org #nybloodcenter



PURIM AT TBT

Which type of pasta makes the most noise when shaken?

Find out and do a mitzvah at the same time!



Bring any box of pasta with you to our Purim Service on March 13 and Spiel on March 15. Please be sure the ends are snugly taped shut.

Before you leave, drop your pasta in the collection box and we will be sure it gets donated



Need further info? Contact Rona at ronakauffman@yahoo.com

2900 Jerusalem Ave, Wantagh, NY www.tbttwantagh.org



YOUTH GROUP

Shalom from BNTY, BNTY JR and MNTY! It has been an amazing month of Youth Group events and activities. There has been so much going on and there is still so much to come!

We had almost 30 members attend our event at Q-zar. The kids had the arena to themselves and played a marathon session of laser tag. After that we had unlimited video game cards for the arcade! This is always a fun event!

The amazing Catherine Besthoff led a yoga session for our older youth groups. Members were guided through breathing exercises and yoga poses. She had us all relax with sounds and music. A truly calming and relaxing event especially nearing mid-term exams.

Four of our members attended NFTY-NAR winter at Eisner Camp in Great Barrington. This was a great opportunity for existing campers to return to their happy place and other members to see Eisner for the first time. Eisner holds a very special place in my heart and I encourage youth group members and families to look into it for summer camp.

In the upcoming weeks the Youth Groups will run the Purm Carnival, go bowling and have Chocolate Seders. Keep an eye out for email and flyers with details on all these events. It's going to be a busy couple of months!

Sincerely,
Mark Derwin
Youth Director



CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

Happy March!!!

This month comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb!!

We are looking forward to the arrival of Purim. It is a fun holiday to dress up and celebrate. Circle of Friends looking forward to getting out and catch some warm spring air.

We are going to see Mary Poppins on May 4th and dinner at Jani's. Our group looks forward to seeing our executive members Carol, Joni, Debbie, and Arnie in the play.

Circle of Friends will also be represented at all temple functions and fundraisers. A behind the scenes tour of Citifield is coming this Spring. We might also go to a Met game.

Joining Circle of Friends is something to consider for the future. It fills your calendar with lots of things to do, friends to be there for you and support you, and lots of laughs and good times. We welcome all ages and hope to see you at upcoming event. If you have any suggestions for activities let us know.

Please consider joining the board and becoming involved in the leadership jobs. Have a wonderful Month!!!!

With love and friendship,
Joni and Esther
Co-Presidents





EREV PURIM AT TBT

WITH RABBI BAR-NAHUM AND CANTOR TIMMAN

THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 6:30PM

EREV PURIM SERVICE & SELECTIONS FROM THE MEGILLAH

7:00PM: PG-13 MEGILLAH STUDY—"AFTER HAMAN"

WE END OUR SPIEL EVERY YEAR WITH HAMAN BEING TAKEN AWAY...THE MEGILLAH CONTINUES!
COME LEARN WHAT HAPPENS TO HAMAN AND HIS FAMILY, AND HOW THE JEWS IN THE
MEGILLAH RESPOND.

THIS STUDY MAY NOT BE APPROPRIATE FOR OUR YOUNGEST MEMBERS.
BEVERAGES AND SNACKS PROVIDED!



2900 JERUSALEM AVE, WANTAGH, NY WWW.TBTWANTAGH.ORG

Chai Club Program

Songs for Women's History Month

Monday, March 31, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.



Please join us live at the temple as we welcome back singer Diana Romano. She will sing your favorite hits from the artists below and more. Diana has performed all over Long Island and always gets glowing reviews. She has studied and trained with the best coaches and performers in the business. She will be singing your favorite Broadway and more!!

Enjoy music from

Celine Dion

Bette Midler

Carole King

Dionne Warwick

Peggy Lee

Helen Reddy

and more!

We will also celebrate March birthdays. Drinks, snacks, and desserts will be served.

RSVP by Wednesday, March 26th to Jay Schoenberg at (516) 476-0989 or Email jaydiane@yahoo.com

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Welcome,

Temple Sinai



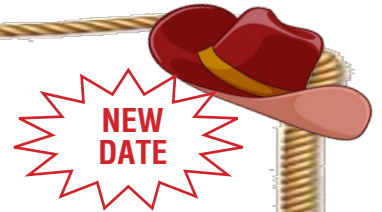
An extra festive Erev Shabbat service was held on Friday, January 31, 2025, as the congregation of Temple Sinai of Massapequa brought their Torah scrolls to join ours at Temple B'nai Torah. As we turned to the sanctuary doors to greet the Sabbath Bride, each of the 4 scrolls were carried to the Ark by a member of Temple Sinai and accompanied by a member of TBT. The procession was led by Rabbi Poticha. While many of us deeply understand the sadness of watching your beloved synagogue deconsecrated, there was a feeling of joy in the air as our newest members were welcomed and our TBT family grew larger.

We welcome members of Temple Sinai of Massapequa. Their legacy will continue within our walls, and through their dedication.

*They bring with them the stories of their generations, added now to the stories of the generations of the Suburban Temple, Temple Judea of Massapequa, and Temple Emanu-El of East Meadow. **We are all now B'nai Torah, children of your Word and your Commandments.***

We ask your blessing on these individuals and families as they become part of our lives – and we become part of theirs. Rabbi Bar Nahum January 31, 2025





Square & Line Dance
Revised Date
Saturday, March 8th, 2025@ 6:30pm

NEW DATE

Hot Buffet Zorn's Dinner, Desserts & Coffee, Snacks & Soda all evening

New Caller: Chart Guthrie with a LIVE 3 Piece Band

RSVP by Monday, March 3, 2025

Questions? Email Brian: bellobl@gmail.com

Call Brian (516) 781-4966 or Joni (516) 996-0948

Only \$40 pp

RSVP By March 3rd to Brian at Bellobl@gmail.com

Raffles!!!!

50/50!!!!

[Click here for Full Flyer](#)



Have Your Children Be a Part of Rabbi's Special Celebration



A Video Montage will be assembled as a gift to the Rabbi from our children

- * Submit a 30-second video from your phones or home cameras giving congratulatory wishes from your child(ren) for the Rabbi's "Bar Mitzvah" Gala.
- * It can also contain what the Rabbi means to them. Please say your child(ren)'s name(s) at the beginning of the video.
- * Send an \$18 payment (per video per household) using the tear off below and email your video to: deesisters@gmail.com.
- * Please make sure your video is taken in horizontal/landscape mode. Use a plain background, if possible with no bright light from behind.
- * Please speak clearly, slowly and loudly enough for someone to hear you if they were at the opposite end of a long table.
- * If your child is too young, please feel free to have them on camera and speak for them.

We know the Rabbi will cherish this memory. All submissions due by March 31. Dennis Cashton will be editing your videos.

Please join us at Family Services Friday, April 4th as we kick off our weekend of celebration.

Family Last Name

Child(ren)'s first names

Check #

Amount

Email Address



Social Action/Social Justice Committee

Our **Winter Coat and Accessories Collection** ended on February 15 and we were able to distribute many more bags of warm winter clothing to our recipient agencies. Many thanks to all who donated, sorted and delivered. Our donations make a big difference in the lives of many children and adults who, because of our efforts, have appropriate clothing to wear during the cold winter months.

Last month a small group of TBT members joined 500 teens from around the country and became part of the first ever Adult Cohort at the **RAC's L'Taken** advocacy weekend in Washington, D.C. This weekend was inspiring, informative and effective in teaching the skills necessary to address elected officials with the issues of concern to the Reform Jewish Movement. We hope to be able to present our reflections on this extraordinary weekend to the entire congregation in the near future. Feel free to ask about our experiences and consider going next year.

This month we will be celebrating **Purim!** The Purim story is filled with themes of social action and social justice. Speaking truth to power, being an upstander, fighting anti-semitism, supporting women's rights are just a few. For some ideas for how to include social action/justice in your Purim celebrations go to <https://reformjudaism.org/jewish-holidays/purim/purim-social-action-guide> and <https://rac.org/blog/purim-5776-incorporating-social-justice-your-celebrations>. As is becoming a TBT tradition, remember to use **Pasta as Groggers** for Purim. This allows us to build food donation directly into our Purim festivities (see flier in this issue)

After a long winter snooze **The Garden at TBT** will be re-opening on March 23! If you are interested in helping in any way, let us know. No green thumb required, 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.

This month we continue our collections in support of our upcoming **Mitzvah Day** (May 18) activities. During the month of March we will be collecting items for our **Snack Bags for Kids** activity for the young clients of the Interfaith Nutrition Network. See the flier in this issue for a list of needed items.

We will also be hosting our annual **Blood Drive** on Sunday **March 23**. See the flier in this month's issue for details and contact info for making appointments for donations - appointments are encouraged to cut down on wait time, but are not required.

Next month, Dayenu, A Jewish Response to Climate Action, (which is a Jewish advocacy group focused on climate change action) will be holding an interactive workshop in the garden. TBT will be co-hosting along with Merrick Jewish Center. In order to maintain the interactive nature of the event, we need to limit the total number of participants to 40, so please register as soon as possible. If we have the happy problem of filling registration slots, we will maintain a wait list in order of registration date. See the flier in this month's issue for details and registration link.

We always welcome new members and welcome your input! Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, March 26 at 7:00 p.m. (on ZOOM.)** For information about SA/SJ, the Garden at TBT, or any of our projects, contact Rona at: ronakauffman@yahoo.com, Jason at jaynew4@gmail.com or Jayne at jturtle54@msn.com



Earth Sustainability Tip Series: Help Our Planet Every Month!

March Tip:

Keep the temperature of the water heater to the warm setting (120°F).

This will not only save energy; it will also help avoid scalding.



Mazel Tov & Best Wishes To:

Mazel Tov to Rosalyn and Howard Walowitz on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Miles Harlen Welkes on January 18, 2025. Miles is the son of Heather and Ethan Welkes



The TBT Mainstage Players

Present...

MARY POPPINS



Ticket Reservation Information

You have 3 ways to obtain your tickets:

Advance ticket sales, payable by credit card. Scan the QR Code above with your phone's camera
The direct website is <https://tbtwantagh.seatyourself.biz>

----- or -----

Send your check to the Temple office, *Attn: Show Tickets*, along with this Ticket Form
(Tickets purchased this way will be held at the door)

----- or -----

Purchase tickets at the door, payable by cash or check only

**Please note, seating requests can ONLY be guaranteed through "Seat Yourself" (QR code or website)*

For information, email Heather Lorenz at tbtix@temple-bnai-torah.org
or call the Temple Office (516) 221-2370

Enclosed is check # _____ in the amount of \$ _____ for tickets indicated below:

<p>Saturday, May 3rd 8:00 PM _____ adults: \$20 each _____ seniors (65 & over): \$15 each _____ 17 & under: \$10 each</p>	<p>Sunday, May 4th 2:00 PM _____ adults: \$20 each _____ seniors (65 & over): \$15 each _____ 17 & under: \$10 each</p>
<p>Saturday, May 10th 8:00 PM _____ adults: \$20 each _____ seniors (65 & over): \$15 each _____ 17 & under: \$10 each</p>	<p>Sunday, May 11th 2:00 PM _____ adults: \$20 each _____ seniors (65 & over): \$15 each _____ 17 & under: \$10 each</p>

Print Name _____

Phone # _____ Email address _____

*****Office Use Only*****

Check# _____ Amount \$ _____ Rec'd by _____ Name on ck if different from form: _____

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TBT MainStage Players Present

MARY POPPINS

SHOWBILL CONTRACT

Rate Schedule

Sponsor (prime placement of <i>color ad</i>)	\$300
Full Page (black & white)	\$150
1/2 Page (black & white)	\$ 90
1/4 Page (b/w, Business card size)	\$ 55

Advertiser _____ Email _____
 Address _____ Phone _____

The undersigned encloses, in advance, the sum of \$ _____ for a _____ page size advertisement to appear in the **“Mary Poppins”** Showbill. Checks should be made payable to *Temple B'nai Torah*. Ads will be printed in the Showbill to be distributed on the dates of the performances: May 3, 4, 10 & 11.

Ad copy is to be submitted, as a jpg, along with this contract, to mainstageplayers@tbtwantagh.org or mailed the above address, Attn: *“Showbill”*.

If you wish for us to create your ad copy, the request must be submitted by email no later than April 1st.

In the event that circumstances beyond our control prevent us from performing our show, electronic copies of our Showbill will be made available to our congregation and supporters.

Deadline for ads is April 4th

Ads can only be accepted after this date with prior approval

Signed _____ Title _____

Ad taken by _____ (Cast/Crew Member)

<u>Office use only</u>		
Check # _____	Amount \$ _____	Recv'd by _____
Name on ck, if diff from contract:		



How to Help Victims of Natural Disasters - Updated 1/13/25

There are a number of organizations that provide relief services and supplies to victims of natural disasters, whenever and wherever they strike. Here is a list some of those organizations. As always, research organizations before donating. Agencies that have specifically noted on their website that they are **currently providing assistance to the victims of the fires in California** are designated with an asterisk (*) This is not an exhaustive list.

***Convoy of Hope** - “a faith-based, humanitarian organization whose driving passion to feed the world delivers hope where it's needed most.” <https://convoyofhope.org/>

*World Central Kitchen - “provides fresh meals to those in need during crises.” www.wck.org

*Heart to Heart International - “provides health care access in medically under-resourced communities and in disaster situations.” www.hearttoheart.org

*Direct Relief - equips “doctors and nurses with lifesaving medical resources.” directrelief.org

*American Red Cross - provides a variety of services when disasters strike redcross.org

*Americares - delivers "medicine, medical supplies and mental health support to those impacted by poverty and disaster" americares.org

*All Hands and Hearts - addresses “the immediate and long-term needs of communities impacted by disasters” <https://give.allhandsandhearts.org/>

The World Food Program - uses food assistance to build a pathway to peace, stability and prosperity, for people recovering from conflict, disasters and the impact of climate change.”

<https://www.wfpusa.org/programs/>

*Local agencies currently providing relief to victims of the fires in California include:

Jewish Federation of Los Angeles <https://www.jewishla.org/wildfire-crisis-relief/>, Animal Wellness

Foundation <https://www.animalwellnessfoundation.org/palisades-fire-relief-fund> , Baby2Baby

<https://donate.baby2baby.org/give/648067/#!/donation/checkout>

California Community Foundation <https://www.calfund.org/>, Los Angeles Fire Department Foundation

<https://supportlafd.kindful.com/?campaign=1040812>,

You can access information about them on Charity Navigator <https://www.charitynavigator.org/> or on their individual website.



Youth Activities Fun!

From preparing for the Zombie Apocalypse at Q-Zar to Mindful Meditation and Yoga, YAC does it all!
Read More about our Youth Group on page 16





RAC—L'Taken Weekends

TBT Hebrew High Jan 10 –13 2025 Adult Cohort Jan 31—Feb 3 2025



What is RAC L'Taken Weekend?

The Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism (the RAC) has worked for more than six decades, to educate, inspire, and mobilize the Reform Jewish Movement to advocate for social justice.

L'Taken means "to repair" in Hebrew, and over the weekend participants have the opportunity to impact and begin to repair our country as they share their views on social justice topics with decision-makers on Capitol Hill

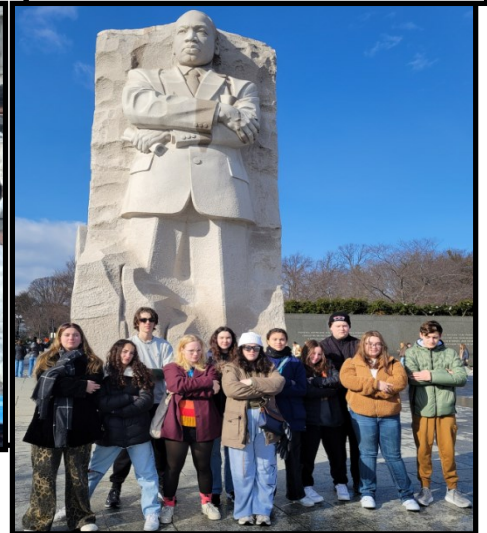
The weekend gives participants the knowledge and tools to write an effective, persuasive and passionate speech to present to our Senators and Representatives. This unique experience can have a significant impact on the course of legislation, as members of Congress have chosen to co-sponsor, offer amendments to, and vote for pieces of legislation that participants discussed.

Participants also explore our nation's capitol, visit monuments and Smithsonian museums, celebrate Shabbat with other participants from around the nation and attend a Havdalah service at the Jefferson Memorial

This year, for the first time, the weekend was open to adults and TBT was proud to have both student and adult teams participate. Students were accompanied by Rabbi Bar-Nahum and Director of Education Sheryl Gordon.



TBT's Adult Cohort ready to present at Capitol Hill (Top) our Hebrew High Cohort at MLK Memorial (bottom)



My L'Taken Experience written by Rose Fioribello, 11th Grade

This year, I had the honor of attending the L'Taken Social Justice Seminar with my Hebrew school class. Even though this was my second year participating, I still learned so much. I gained a deeper understanding of current social issues and how they impact me as a Jewish teen.

One of the most meaningful parts of the trip was connecting with other Jewish teens from across the country. Alongside the New York delegations, I had the incredible opportunity to co-write and present a speech on abortion access to our New York representatives. This experience strengthened my passion for advocacy and inspired me to continue taking action for social justice

During this trip I deepened my understanding of Jewish involvement in the civil rights movement and visited the National Museum of African American History and Culture, which was a moving experience. I also was introduced to and accepted into the RAC Teen Justice Fellowship, where I will continue my activism and advocacy work

BROTHERHOOD OF TEMPLE B'NAI TORAH

2025 PASSOVER KOSHER WINE ORDER FORM



OUR PRICES ARE THE SAME AS 2024!!!

<input type="checkbox"/> Bartenura Moscato D'Asti	\$18.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Bartenura Pinot Grigio	\$16.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Baron Herzog (BH) Cabernet	\$14.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Baron Herzog (BH) Merlot	\$14.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> BH Chardonnay	\$14.00	<input type="checkbox"/> BH Chenin Blanc	\$14.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> BH White Zinfandel	\$13.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Kedem Malaga 750ML	\$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Kedem Malaga 1.5L	\$14.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Manischewitz Grape 750ML	\$11.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Manischewitz Grape 1.5L	\$16.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Barkan Classic Pinot Noir	\$15.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Barkan Classic Chardonnay	\$15.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Barkan Classic Cabernet	\$15.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

Name _____ **E-mail address** _____

Address _____ **Phone #** _____

TOTAL BOTTLES

TOTAL COST

You can use this form or use our new electronic form to order your wine and notify Brotherhood by clicking on the link below or copying the link below into your browser:

<https://forms.gle/cuYLTD436T8PzHxV7>

To use this form: Circle the wine you select and enter the number of bottles next to each wine. Enter your name, e-mail, address, phone and totals in the spaces above. Make your check made payable to: **TBT Brotherhood**. Enclose your check and order form in an envelope addressed as **Brotherhood Wine Sale, Temple B'nai Torah, 2900 Jerusalem Ave., Wantagh, NY 11793**; or put your envelope in the Brotherhood Box in the Temple Office.
Order Deadline: March 21st.

To Pay by Zelle: Enroll in Zelle on your online or mobile banking app. Enter our email address: brotherhood@temple-bnai-torah.org Enter the Total Cost above. Review and add a memo telling us it is your wine order. Hit "Confirm".

Wine will be delivered at the Temple on **April 6th - 9am-11am**.
 Questions? Please call Vic Wurtzel at 516-639-9085.

Brotherhood of Temple B'nai Torah, 2900 Jerusalem Ave., Wantagh, New York 11793



Temple Seder

Second Night of Passover



Bring your family, friends, and neighbors to enjoy an interactive Passover Seder led by **Cantor Rica Timman**

Sunday, April 13th, 2025, at 5:00 pm

The Seder will have familiar passages and songs in both English and Hebrew. Families with children, singles, couples, seniors, and unaffiliated members of our community are all invited and welcome. The meal, catered by Nassau Kosher Meats, will include matzah ball soup, brisket, chicken, salad, sides and desserts.

Reservations **are required by April 7th**.

Questions? Scott Kohn – TBTScottkohn@gmail.com,
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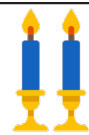
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And she's still with me!!!!

Ilene is dedicated, hard working, and her contributions are invaluable to me and TBT.

Congratulations, Ilene!!!

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