

# Shofar



Nissan - Sivan 5779 • May/June 2019



## Rabbi's Message

**Shalom, Shalom!**

**Shalom, Cantor Emily!**

As we come to the end of another wonderful year of sharing our Jewish journeys together at TBE, we must anticipate the poignant moment of saying farewell to our beloved Cantor Emily Pincus. We have had a truly wonderful eight years together, for which we have every reason to be grateful.

Cantor Pincus has touched our lives in so many ways, from the bimah on Shabbat and holy days, where her magnificent voice and soulful spirit have lifted us in prayer; to bedsides and gravesides, where she has been a loving, caring, and consoling pastoral presence; to joyful lifecycle celebrations of

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## Shavuot

**Community Evening of Study & Discussion**  
**"Chai Anxiety: Insights to Help Navigate Troubled Times"**

Saturday, June 8, 7:00 p.m.  
at Temple Shalom (see page 14)



**Yom Tov Services and Yizkor followed by potluck brunch**  
Sunday, June 9, 10:00 a.m.



## Ceremony of Confirmation

Friday, May 31, 7:00 p.m.  
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## Volunteer Reception

Monday, June 11, 7:15 p.m.  
Followed by Congregational Meeting at 8:00 p.m.  
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## Worship Schedule

### MAY

#### Thursday, May 2

*Yom HaShoah*

7:00 p.m. Yom HaShoah Community Observance

#### Friday, May 3

7:00 p.m. Family Shabbat Service

#### Saturday, May 4

*Parashat Acharei Mot II, Leviticus 18:1-30*

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study with Bar Mitzvah of Daniel Rizzi

#### Sunday, May 5

3:30 p.m. Community Yom HaAtzma'ut Celebration (at the JCC)

#### Wednesday, May 8

*Yom HaZikaron*

#### Thursday, May 9

*Yom HaAtzma'ut*

#### Friday, May 10

6:30 p.m. Israeli-themed Shabbat Dinner

8:00 p.m. Israel Shabbat with the Choir and Tefillah Band

Festive oneg hosted by the Gluck Family in honor of the ordination of Rabbi Shira Gluck

#### Saturday, May 11

*Parashat K'doshim, Leviticus 19:1-20:27*

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study with Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Guss

#### Friday, May 17

8:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service with Tribute to Cantor Pincus

#### Saturday, May 18

*Parashat Emor, Leviticus 21:1-24:23*

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study with Bar Mitzvah of Zachary Zaborenko

#### Friday, May 24

8:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service

#### Saturday, May 25

*Parashat B'har, Leviticus 25:1-26:2*

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Minyan Service and Torah Study

#### Friday, May 31

7:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service with Ceremony of Confirmation

### JUNE

#### Saturday, June 1

*Parashat B'chukotai, Leviticus 26:3-27:34*

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study with Bat Mitzvah of Haley Papierman

#### Friday, June 7

7:00 p.m. Family Shabbat Service with Yad Chazakah, Youth Person of Honor and Farewell to Rachel Frish

#### Saturday, June 8

*Parashat B'midbar, Numbers 1:1-4:20*

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Minyan Service and Torah Study  
*Erev Shavuot*

#### Sunday, June 9

*Shavuot*

10:00 a.m. Shavuot Services with Yizkor, followed by potluck brunch

#### Friday, June 14

8:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service with Installation of Officers and Trustees, with the Choir

#### Saturday, June 15

*Parashat Naso, Numbers 4:21-7:89*

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Minyan Service and Torah Study

#### Friday, June 21

8:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

#### Saturday, June 22

*Parashat B'ha'alot'cha, Numbers 8:1-12:16*

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study with Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Cousineau

#### Friday, June 28

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

### JULY

#### Friday, July 5

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

#### Friday, July 12

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

#### Friday, July 19

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

#### Friday, July 26

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

### AUGUST

#### Friday, August 2

6:00 p.m. Shabbat Picnic Dinner (at the JCC)

6:45 p.m. Shabbat Under the Stars with the Tefillah Band (at the JCC)

#### Friday, August 9

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

#### Friday, August 16

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

#### Friday, August 23

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

#### Friday, August 30

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

## Torah Portions

You can read a Weekly Torah Commentary by visiting the Union of Reform Judaism's web page:

[www.reformjudaism.org/learning/torah-study](http://www.reformjudaism.org/learning/torah-study)

## Shofar Submissions and Deadline

The next issue of the Shofar will be Sept.-Oct. 2019. PLEASE NOTE: The deadline for submissions is August 15.

Submit articles via email to:

[ShofarEditor@templebethelnj.org](mailto:ShofarEditor@templebethelnj.org).

In the subject line, please use the following naming convention: Shofar Month/Shofar/Committee Name or Professional Staff Name.

## Temple Calendar Webpage

<http://www.ourbethel.org/luach-beth-el>

## Thank you to our Torah Readers

### *March - April*

Gari Bloom  
Liz Cohen  
Karen Donohue  
Larry Epstein  
Allison Fischer  
Rachel Frish  
Maren Goldberg  
Julie Hirsch  
Corey Iannucci  
Zachary Iannucci

Emma Kelner  
Jim Lavranchuk  
Sean Maizel  
Ed Malberg  
Robin Osman  
Jack Parisi  
Marcy Rosenfeld  
Lila Stark  
Sam Yarkoni

### *May - June*

Joy Auerbach  
Derek Boxer  
Zachary Cole  
Karen Donohue  
Ben Cousineau  
Michelle Engler  
Allison Fischer  
Shayna Friedman  
Jacob Guss  
Julie Hirsch  
Norah Holler

Michele Holler  
Bob Krovetz  
Josh Lavroff  
Harold Levin  
Sean Maizel  
Matthew McCloskey  
Robin Osman  
Haley Papierman  
Daniel Rizzi  
Justine Smith  
Donna Tischfield

## *Todah Rabbah* to the 57 adults and students post b'nei mitzvah who have chanted or who will chant Torah this year.

Joy Auerbach  
Jude Bergman  
Gari Bloom  
Derek Boxer  
Beth Borrus  
Bryce Brody  
Liz Cohen  
Zachary Cole  
Ben Cousineau  
Emily Dickholtz  
Karen Donohue  
Michelle Engler  
Larry Epstein  
Adriana Fetaya  
Allison Fischer

Ava Fox  
Rachel Frish  
Shayna Friedman  
Carol Gardner  
Rabbi Arnie Gluck  
Sarah Gluck  
Shira Gluck  
Maren Goldberg  
Jacob Guss  
Julie Hirsch  
Norah Holler  
Michele Holler  
Corey Iannucci  
Zachary Iannucci  
Leslie Kass

Emma Kelner  
Bob Krovetz  
Jay Lavroff  
Josh Lavroff  
Harold Levin  
Ryan Maizel  
Sean Maizel  
Ed Malberg  
Andrew Manrique  
Matthew McCloskey  
Robin Osman  
Haley Papierman  
Jack Parisi  
Daniel Rizzi  
Kristen Rodrigues

Marcy Rosenfeld  
Talía Rubin  
Vicki Schwartz  
Dhani Skole  
Justine Smith  
Lila Stark  
Sam Stark  
Donna Tischfield  
Bill Waldorf  
Ella Wolkofsky  
Sam Yarkoni  
Zachary Zaborenko



*Join us on Friday, May 17  
at 8:00 p.m.*

as we express our appreciation to

*Cantor Emily Wigod Pincus*

before she moves to New York City this summer.

Let us show our love through song, communal prayer, and words of appreciation.





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welcoming new life at britot and naming ceremonies; to consecrating new love under the chuppah. We have laughed together at Purimspiels, been moved to tears at cantorial concerts and soulful ritual moments, and have shared so many meaningful personal moments along the way.

Under Cantor Pincus' guidance and through her vision, musical expression has flourished at TBE, from our growing adult choir, which adds so much to shabbatot, holy days, and special occasions, to our spirited youth choir, Soufganiyot, which makes family Shabbat services so joyful and uplifting, to our talented tefillah band that rocks the house at Shabbat b'Shir, Shabbat Under the Stars, Simchat Torah, and so many other special events. Cantor Pincus is the spirit behind all of this, and for that we are grateful.

During the years she has been with us, Cantor Pincus has been a wonderful member of our professional staff and a creative partner in our efforts to revolutionize the bar and bat mitzvah experience. She has been a dedicated, devoted, and effective teacher of b'nei mitzvah, to both our young people and adults, who have come to celebrate this rite of passage. And, most notably, she has turned our aspiration to have our b'nei mitzvah students return to read Torah on multiple occasions into our successful and dynamic yad chazakah program. Last year alone, we had more than 50 different post-b'nei mitzvah Torah readers!

We are sad to see Cantor Pincus leave us. None of us foresaw this turn of events. But we all want what is best for her and her family, so we are hopeful that she will find happiness with her new congregation in Forest Hills, Queens, and that they will value her as much as we have.

There are many more praises to be offered for all of Cantor Pincus' many accomplishments here at TBE, more than can be covered in this space. So, we invite you to join us at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, May 17, when we will say an official shalom to Cantor Pincus and thank her for all that she has done and meant to us at TBE.

**Shalom, Student Cantor Emily!**

During the summer, we will welcome Student Cantor Emily Simkin to TBE. While she will be in her final year of cantorial school at HUC-JIR and will be serving us in a part-time capacity, Student Cantor Emily will be an integral part of our staff and clergy team and will join me in leading our congregation in all our Shabbat and Holy Day worship. Among her other duties will be guiding our b'nei mitzvah, in partnership with our talented tutors, working with our choirs and band, and much more.

Emily Simkin comes to us with a very strong Jewish and musical background. Growing up, she was active with her family in her home synagogue, is an alumna of Camp Harlam, where she also served on staff as a unit head, is an alumna of the Akiva Academy Jewish Day School, a graduate of the Berklee School of Music, and has extensive

experience as a teacher and student cantor in a variety of synagogue settings. All the members of TBE who have met and interacted with Student Cantor Emily have been impressed by her knowledge, commitment, and spirit, and believe that she is a great match for the spirit and values of TBE.

During the coming weeks we will be finalizing the details of her service for the coming year, including when our community will have the opportunity to meet and welcome her. In the meantime, we wish her and her fiancé, Adam Halpern, a hearty mazal tov on their upcoming wedding celebration in early July. Shalom, Student Cantor Emily! We look forward to having you as part of our TBE family!

**Thank You, Jay Lavroff!**

At our congregational meeting on June 10, Jay Lavroff will conclude his two years of exemplary service as the president of our congregation, when he passes the gavel to his successor, Leigh Miller, who heads an outstanding slate of officers and trustees that will be presented for congregational approval. These two years have been a time of growth and strength for our congregation, due in significant measure to Jay's strong leadership, depth of vision, love for our community and its members, commitment to a vibrant Jewish life, and much hard work. Every temple president faces challenges, and Jay encountered his share, but, like those who came before him, he met them with wisdom and thoughtfulness, navigating them in strong partnership with our professional staff and his outstanding team of lay leaders.

Personally, it has been a joy to serve with Jay. He has been an unfailingly supportive partner and a great friend to me, our staff and lay leaders. Jewish values and personal integrity are his North Star, ever guiding him to do what is right in ways that are kind and caring. How fortunate are we to have been led by Jay over these last two years!

Going forward, there is no question that Jay will continue to be a strong presence and valued leader of our congregation, as he was for years before becoming president. So, when we say shalom to Jay as he completes his term as president, it means neither "hello" nor "goodbye," but expresses our hope and prayer that he be blessed with peace and fulfillment in all things. Thank you, Jay, from the bottom of our hearts, for all that you have done (and will yet do) for TBE and the Jewish people. May you go from strength to strength, and may God bless you and your family.

Please join us on May 17 as we say shalom to Cantor Pincus, and on June 10 as we express our gratitude to Jay and elect Leigh Miller as the next president of TBE.

*L'shalom,*

*Rabbi Arnold S. Gluck*

## From Our President

### Shalom, Farewell, Auf Wiedersehen, Adieu



When I was young, I sometimes complained about the seemingly unending school year. My mother replied that I shouldn't wish the time away because when I got older the days would go by faster. I remember thinking "how silly. Time can't pass more quickly just because you are older." But as usual, Mom was right. Like the witness in *My Cousin Vinny* who was able to cook his grits in five minutes because the laws of physics didn't apply on his stove, the passage of time has accelerated in direct proportion to my advancing years. This has been particularly evident during my two years as president of Temple Beth-El. It seems like yesterday that I was installed, and now I am writing my final Shofar article.

The past two years have flown by in a whirlwind of temple activity. I am extremely grateful for the opportunity to serve as president. It has been a period of personal and institutional growth and challenge, of exploration and experimentation. Not everything we tried worked, and some things exceeded expectations. We were at times confronted with difficult circumstances from within and without. But always, the extraordinary positive energy and commitment to community that are our hallmark were not just present, but prominent. The high measure of collaboration, consultation, commitment and friendship infused in everything we do here make our congregation the remarkable place it is.

One of the best things about the past two years is that it has enabled me to more closely and fully experience the teamwork that is constantly exhibited by our entire congregation: members, clergy and staff alike. This group of outstanding colleagues is smart, ethical, humane and never shy about taking on meaningful issues. We are blessed with a board of trustees, committees and congregants whose generous spirit and willingness to participate is unparalleled. The poet William Butler Yeats wrote, "There are no strangers here, only friends you haven't met yet." These words are particularly applicable to Temple Beth-El, and I am happy to be able to say that there is not a single person here that I do not consider a friend.

While I would like to mention by name everyone who worked so hard for the collective good during my term, the space allotted prohibits me from doing so. I hope that I have made my feelings known to you throughout the past two years. I would, however, like to thank our first and second vice-presidents Leigh Miller and Gary Cohen for

their constant and steadfast support. Gary hit the nail on the head when he coined the phrase "The Three Jewsketeers" to describe the closeness of our working and personal relationships. I wish them well as they continue through the leadership chairs. I'd also like to congratulate Andrea Bradley, who will be our next second vice-president. The temple is in excellent hands.

I became president at the same time we adopted a different method of handling temple affairs. This resulted in something of a "shakedown cruise" concurrent with daily temple life. The newly created Oversight Committee, including the heretofore unknown counsellor positions, grew and developed in real time and performed at an outstandingly high level. I want to express my sincerest appreciation to secretary Leslie Kass, treasurer Jay Taylor, assistant treasurer Jeff Resnick, and counsellors Julie Hirsh, Roxanne Levinston, Ryan Maisel, Melissa Pyle and Jodi Siegal for helping to make our new system of governance and management a success.

It is a delight to be part of the thriving partnership enjoyed by our clergy, professional staff and lay leadership. Everyone is busily rowing the boat in the same direction, and while we may not always agree on the course, we are all focused on reaching the same beneficial destination. Rabbi Gluck, Cantor Pincus, Amy Rubin, Lisa Friedman and Sarah Gluck each bring individual talents to their position that are individually impressive and collectively without peer. It has been an honor to work with this august body.

Finally, I would be remiss if I did not offer my most heartfelt thanks to my wife Pam, the love of my life. Without your understanding, generous soul and strong, independent spirit, I would not have been able to enjoy these years of service to our synagogue. Thank you for this wonderful gift.

At this time, like all bittersweet moments, it is difficult to fully express one's feelings. That is especially so when the source of the feelings is a place as amazing as Temple Beth-El. So, I will conclude by simply saying that it has been a privilege, a pleasure and an honor to be of service, and I look forward to a future for our community that is overflowing with the fulfillment, joy and blessing that we all value so highly. *Keyn yehi ratzon*, may this be God's will.

*L'shalom,*

*Jay Lavroff*

## Shavuot Celebrations

### Erev Shavuot

Saturday, June 8, 7:00 p.m.

**Community Evening of Study & Discussion**  
**Chai Anxiety: Insights to Help Navigate**  
**our Troubling Times**

at Temple Sholom  
Bridgewater

### Shavuot Morning

Sunday, June 9, 10:00 a.m.

**Yom Tov Services and Yizkor**  
**followed by Potluck Brunch**

RSVP online at  
[www.ourbethel.org/events/  
shavuot-and-yizkor-2019](http://www.ourbethel.org/events/shavuot-and-yizkor-2019)

## Annual Congregational Meeting and Volunteer Recognition Reception

Monday, June 10 — 7:15 p.m.

**Save the date: September 22**  
**Temple Beth-El's Inaugural**  
**MINI GOLF OUTING**

**SUPPORTING SCHOLARSHIPS FOR**  
**TBE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL STUDENTS**

Sunday, September 22, 2019  
The Golf Range @ Branchburg  
Sponsorship Opportunities Available



## Youth Person of Honor

It is with great pleasure that we announce that Isabella “Bella” Almeida has been named the 2019 Youth Person of Honor.

Here are Bella’s own words describing what Temple Beth-El means to her:

*“My name is Isabella Almeida and I have loved growing up at Temple Beth-El for the past ten years. I started attending Hebrew school in first grade, became a bat mitzvah in 2015, continued through Confirmation Academy, and am now in post-confirmation. Aside from attending religious school, I have also enjoyed working the lemonade stand for the temple’s booth at the 4-H fair every summer and going on various social action trips, such as the Confirmation trip to Washington D.C., lobbying to Congress on various issues, and last year’s Midnight Run, handing out food and supplies to those living on the streets of New York City.*

*“In order to give back to the temple that has helped shape my character and guide me to become the person I am today, I became a madrichah for second grade and ran for a position on the SMOOCHY board, for which I am now an outreach representative. Temple Beth-El has provided me with countless*

*life lessons, lifelong friends, and invaluable experiences.*

*“Outside of my temple life, I run cross country and play lacrosse for both high school and elite teams. In school, I have made Principal’s Honor Roll every semester and am a member of multiple honor societies, including math, English, science, and national. Even though I only have one more year of religious school ahead of me before I graduate, I look forward to continuing my Jewish education on my future college campus and back at Temple Beth-El when I come home.”*

Bella will be honored at Shabbat services on Friday, June 7 at 7:00 p.m.



## Honorable Menschen of Spring-Summer 2019



Our temple newsletter, the Shofar, is much more than a newsletter. In addition to announcements, life cycle events and what time we should light the Shabbat candles, it contains a wealth of interesting articles, current events, recipes, community notices and educational materials. It is a professional quality

periodical with something for everyone.

Of course, such a work of art does not just magically appear in our inbox or mailbox every few months. It takes true editorial skill to assemble the materials, get the

authors (particularly the temple president) to submit their articles on time, and review and revise those articles so they can go to press.

Fortunately, we have a very adept editor, Caryn Shinske. Caryn joined the Shofar editorial team (consisting of Rhona Ferling and Amy Rubin) in 2016, volunteering her talents as a professional in the communications field. It’s a constant process; as soon as one edition goes out she begins production on the next. Caryn is always on the ball, making sure that the content and quality never waivers. And she is never without a smile and a kind word.

In addition to her work with the blue pencil, Caryn is a member of the Sisterhood board and is participating in our leadership development program. She has also lent her cooking skills to the Ladles of Love project and previously ran the temple’s game night activities. Caryn’s generosity with her time and abilities have made a positive mark at Temple Beth-El. We are pleased and proud to bestow upon Caryn Shinske the Honorable Menschen award for Spring-Summer 2019.



# Lifecycle

## Upcoming B'nei Mitzvah Students

Daniel Rizzi, son of Kyle and Sharon Rizzi, on May 4  
Jacob Guss, son of Dan and Rebecca Guss, on May 11  
Zachary Zaborenko, son of Benjamin and Susanne Zaborenko,  
on May 18  
Hailey Papierman, daughter of Paul Papierman, on June 1  
Benjamin Cousineau, son of Dave and Dora Cousineau,  
on June 22

## Mazal Tov to...

Wendy and Joe Amodeo on Grace's senior recital  
at Westminster Choir College  
Rabbi Arnie and Sarah Gluck on their daughter Shira's  
rabbinic ordination

## Our condolences to...

Scott Rawicz, on the death of his dear uncle, Arnold Rawicz  
Vicki Freiman, on the passing of her beloved father, Alfonso (Al) Rucci  
Arthur Schneider, on the passing of his beloved mother, Beatrice Schneider  
Pam Attner, on the passing of her beloved mother, Joan Hope Carter  
Carol Gardner, on the passing of her beloved father, Robert Gardner  
Ellen Davidson, on the passing of her beloved mother, Gertrude (Gertie) Kaplan  
Joe Almeida, on the passing of his beloved father, Joseph Almeida  
Michael Herzog, on the passing of his beloved father, David Herzog



Rabbi Arnie Gluck offering a blessing to his daughter, Shira, the newest Rabbi Gluck, at her ordination.

## Our Caring Community

**Keshet Network:** For those who are unable to attend our worship and simcha events and some adult education classes, our video streaming service is the next best thing to being there. Navigate to [new.livestream.com/OurBethEl](http://new.livestream.com/OurBethEl) from a personal computer or mobile device (apps are available for [apple](#), [android](#) and [roku](#) devices) for a list of upcoming and recent livestream events from Temple Beth-El.

**Shiva Minyans:** For a leader or participants, call Amy Rubin or Cantor Pincus.

**Mitzvah Committee:** To offer or request help, please contact Carol Ahlert, [carolahlert@yahoo.com](mailto:carolahlert@yahoo.com), or 908-359-9357.

**Ladles of Love** (New initiative of soup or bread to lift the spirit): To offer to help deliver care packages or to suggest someone who might need a little extra love, contact [Andrea.Bradley@abradley616@gmail.com](mailto:Andrea.Bradley@abradley616@gmail.com).

**In the event of a loss during the evening or on the weekend, call Rabbi Gluck at 908-722-0674, ext. 311, or 908-229-1618.**

To share your family's news in the *Shofar*, call Dina Fisher in the temple office. Please contact Dina with information about significant occasions, hospitalizations, or the loss of a loved one.

**Prayer for Healing Cards:** Cards are available in the temple lobby to let those in need of healing know that their names were included in our Mishebeirach prayer. The cards can be mailed as postcards by writing the address over the Temple Beth-El watermark or directly inserted into get well cards.



# Acts of Tzedakah

## General Fund

*Contributions to this account are used where they are needed most, and often make special programs possible.*

In appreciation for Temple Beth-El's hospitality  
*Refuge International*  
 To support onegs  
*Russ and Barbara Johnston*  
 To support the Second Seder  
*Alan and Marcy Rosenfeld*  
*Bruce Cohen*  
*Steven Einstein*

## Memorial Fund

*Contributions to this fund support the ritual life of the congregation, including making special ritual events possible.*

In memory of Anne Mendelson  
*Stanley Mendelson*  
 In memory of Irving Fass  
*Alan and Elaine Fass*  
 In memory of Renee Babit  
*Alan and Marcy Rosenfeld*  
 In memory of Herbert Schall  
*Barbara Schall*  
 In memory of Martha Brody  
*Bruce and Reva Lee Brody*  
 In memory of Phyllis Phillips  
*Ed and Jeanette Tuckman*  
 In memory of Melvin Wolfson  
*Edward and Laura Kasaukas*  
 In memory of George Skowronek  
*Joshua and Marion Skowronek*  
 In memory of Edward Fink and Harry Cohen  
*Rita Fink*  
 In memory of Dahlia Johnston  
*Russ and Barbara Johnston*  
 In memory of Alan Wallin  
*Terry and Ann Wallin*

## Youth Scholarship Fund

*Gifts to this fund will provide scholarships to our temple youth, enabling them to attend Jewish camps, youth events, and/or trips.*

In honor of Mark and Cindy Andrews being named  
 5779/2018-2019 Persons of Honor  
*Allan and Sheenagh Hirsch*  
*David and Liz Cohen*  
*David Goldberg and Cynthia Scott*  
*Esther Kaufman*  
*Gary and Jody Cohen*  
*Rabbi Arnie and Sarah Gluck*  
*Rande and Janet Aaronson*  
*Rick and Bev Miller*  
*Edwin and Susan Steinfeld*  
*Ellen and Bruce Davidson*  
*Esther Kaufman-Helfman*  
*Harold and Rochelle Levin*  
*Jay and Donna Tischfield*  
*Jay and Patricia Lavroff*  
*Keith and Michele Holler*  
*Kenneth and Amy Rubin*  
*Larry and Robin Osman*  
*Laura Miller*  
*Lewin and Ronnie Weyl*  
*Lillian Swickle*  
*Marc and Alta Malberg*  
*Mitchell and Karen Kaplan*  
*Robert Krovetz and Ellen Stept*  
*Russ and Barbara Johnston*  
*Sheldon Stept*  
*Keith Chanoch and Caren Bateman*  
*Steve and Irene Lieberman*

## Cantor Pincus's Discretionary Fund

*Gifts to this fund enable Cantor Pincus to assist congregants who are in need and to support our community's music programs.*

*Bruce Van Arsdale Funeral Home*

## Jules Swickle Chesed Fund

*Gifts to this fund, created in honor of one of our founding members, will enable acts of loving kindness for those in need.*

In memory of Jack Schnee and Renee Babit  
*Jay and Patricia Lavroff*

## Religious School Scholarship Fund

*Gifts to this fund ensure that each child receives a fundamental Jewish education.*

*Rich and Zahava Schaeffer*

## Library Fund

*Gifts to this fund enable the acquisition of new books and media, and support the upkeep of the library collections.*

In memory of Abraham Levenson  
*Stuart and Edith Rugg*

## Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

*Gifts to this fund enable Rabbi Gluck to assist congregants in need and support important causes.*

*Arthur and Betty Roswell*  
*Frank Derby*  
*Jacob and Jacqueline Nover*

## Social Action Fund

*Donations to this fund support the temple's wide range of social justice initiatives.*

On behalf of Keith and Nicole Oringer  
*The Betty Lesem Memorial Charitable Fund*

## Youth Activities Fund

*Donations to this fund support a wide range of programming for our youth group.*

In memory of Gertrude Kaplan, mother of Ellen Davidson  
*Charles and Madelyn Okun*  
 In support of the Purim carnival  
*Jay and Patricia Lavroff*

Temple Beth-El has many funds available to which members can contribute. Donations to these committed funds help support temple programs and enable us to continue to maintain a high level of programming for our community.

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## From the Education Directors

### *Modim Anachnu — We Are Most Grateful*

As we conclude the program year at temple, we offer our thanks to the many, many people in our community who support the Religious School and all our varied education programs.

We thank our exceptional teachers. Your love for Judaism and your students shines through in everything you do. Your commitment to making Judaism live in the minds and hearts of the children of this community is second to none. We are grateful to you and want you to know what an honor it is to work with you.

Thank you to Rachel Frish, our director of youth engagement, for your partnership in developing informal educational experiences for our youth and teens and fostering our youth community. We wish you all the best in your new position.

To our teen madrichim, we are grateful for how generous you are with your time and very proud of how much you've grown through your work in the classroom, the way you help out around school, the support you provide in music and t'fillah, and how you are great all-around role models for the younger students. Thank you.

To our wonderful Religious School Committee, led by Sharon Wolff, we couldn't do what we do without you. Thank you, Sharon, Melissa Pyle (Oversight Committee liaison), Lisa Dickholtz, Dana Shapiro, Jodi Smith, Jeff Stuart, and Tamar Yarkoni. You listen, ask questions, advise, and help with the nuts and bolts. It is a joy to do our important work in tandem with you.

To our Religious School secretary, Ivy Anglin, we appreciate how deeply you care about what you do and are amazed at your uncanny ability to anticipate everyone's needs. Thank you for being such a warm, steady, and skillful presence.

Thank you, Caroline Kornbrek, for helping Lisa hold down the fort on Sunday mornings. Shayna Friedman, thank you for stepping up and keeping our midweek Snack Shack going in the second semester.

Amy E. Rubin, you keep everything running so smoothly. It is a pleasure to work in partnership with you.



Dina Fisher, our temple's capable assistant, and our hard-working custodial staff, we thank you for the care you take to keep everything going behind the scenes.

To the Oversight Committee, temple board, and all the lay volunteers who support the Religious School — thank you. We are most grateful for your support.

Our clergy are our partners in so much of what we do. We thank Cantor Pincus for being a devoted and caring teacher, and wish her happiness and success in her new congregation. We offer special thanks to Rabbi Gluck, for his vision, creativity, hands-on involvement, enthusiastic teaching, and unflagging passion for making Jewish education a foundational aspect of the life of this community.

To the parents of "our" kids, thank you for the commitment you have made to fulfill the mitzvah, "*V'shinantam l'vanecha*, You shall teach your children." You are our most important partners in the sacred work we all hold dear.

Last, but most definitely not least, the children of Temple Beth-El. We think it must be about you that the Talmud said, "Each child brings his/her/their own blessing into the world." Our community and the Jewish people are blessed by your energy, enthusiasm, and joyful spirits and by how you show us what it means to be created *b'tzelem Elohim*, in the image of God. We miss you already.

*Have a wonderful summer!*  
Sarah Gluck and Lisa Friedman

### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Online registration opens Friday, May 17.

Watch your temple email for the link and register early!

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## Mourning Trees

By Talia Rubin, URJ Heller High

I have never felt a connection to the Holocaust. To me, it was always a horrific crime against humanity and never a terrible act against my own people. But on a recent trip to the concentration camps of the past, where I saw the ashes for myself, it has never felt more real. Being in Poland and staring history in the eye was powerful. I have come to realize the Holocaust is my own history, and my thoughts have completely changed. Learning about the Shoah was a personal masa (journey) I didn't think I needed. It opened my eyes to see the terror these people must have faced. It is hard to imagine what the realities of more than 6 million Jews were. How can I imagine being moved to a ghetto or crammed into a train car? It was nearly impossible for me to think about any of this prior to going to Poland. David Solomon was right; it is a pilgrimage everyone should take at least once.

In Poland, I recognized the balance that was laid out in front of us: life and death, both unanswered questions. Poland helped me put into perspective their drastic differences. We visited many places that emphasized life before the Holocaust or death during the Holocaust. One



place that really settled with me was the town of Tykocin. First I complained about my exhaustion from being unable to sleep on the plane ride there, but as we danced in the town synagogue I felt lively. Before we got up to dance someone had said that we should bring Jewish life back to the synagogue, which resonated with me. My peers and I had the opportunity to sing and dance loudly in a place that was once silenced by Nazis. We cheered and prayed, the synagogue booming with life, until suddenly we stopped. I turned around to see that it was quiet.

David Solomon had stopped us and said that were leaving and that we must do the next things in complete silence. It was an abrupt conclusion, but we fulfilled the request and became silent. We walked to the bus and then had a short bus ride to the next place we would be going. We walked off the bus; we were in a secluded area surrounded by trees. We found our Jewish history teachers and walked into the forest, where we would learn about the mass graves that awaited just a few steps further. When we approached the gated areas, my body reacted before my thoughts even could. A knot formed in my throat and tears spilled from my eyes. I have never felt this in my life. I don't know what emotion it was but it was overwhelming and all I wanted to do was sit and stare at the mourning trees around me.

I have experienced death before but I have never been face to face with the history of a catastrophe. My heart was broken for the families, the innocent, the dreamers, the people who had no idea this would be their last chapter. We learned of the final words they spoke before their deaths. The victims of Tykocin were murdered after being forced to sing "Hatikvah" ("the hope"). We sang Hatikvah together and never have I ever wanted to hold onto my classmates more than in that moment. I genuinely wanted to hold them. We, as Jewish teenagers living in Israel, are the hope these victims had. The lyrics of Hatikvah speak about the importance of Jewish spirit and an appreciation for Zion. Without these things our hope for freedom in our own land would be lost. We, together, are living embodiments of the Hatikvah.

Although death was constant in the Shoah, so was life. There were many people who saved lives during this tragedy. One of the most important values of Jews is life. The Torah says to "choose life." Jews in the Holocaust tried to stay alive as long as they could even if it meant risking their lives even more. Before this trip I knew very little about the actions the Jews did against the Nazis (also known as Ibrleben). I learned of the statue to praise Hitler and the Third Reich that had Jews' ashes embedded into it so when the Jews were forced to make homage to it they were in actuality praising their fallen brothers; I learned of the workers in Birkenau who destroyed an entire gas chamber at their own expense; I learned of Irena Sendler, a Polish woman who took it upon herself to save 2,500 Jewish children from the ghetto. From having never heard of any stories of uprising or defiance to suddenly hearing a multitude of of them was shocking. I was so proud to know that the Jews did not just let this happen. They fought for themselves and others fought for them, too. Learning of these stories changed my entire outlook on the Shoah. It



is easy for these stories to go unnoticed but we mustn't let that happen. These people should be remembered for their acts of bravery. They saved lives.

Rabbi Emil Fackenheim wrote: "Jews are forbidden to hand Hitler posthumous victories, they are commanded to survive as Jews, lest the Jewish People perish." This can be interpreted in the sense that Jews did not survive to this day only to die off later from a lack of numbers. Jews must continue to live and thrive. I am reminded of the speaker we had recently, Rena Quint, who said, "I hope my mothers are looking down on me proudly and I hope Hitler is looking up seeing me talk to another generation of Jews."

I plan to continue the Jewish people's legacy and I vow not to forget the acts against my people. Elie Wiesel said, "Let us remember, let us remember the heroes of Warsaw, the martyrs of Treblinka, the children of Auschwitz. They fought alone, they lived alone, but they did not die alone, for something in all of us died with them." I want to remember the people who played major roles as heroes. I don't want my people's death to be for nothing, I must continue the path they paved for me. In many ways, I have already observed Fackenheim's mitzvah. I will not let go of Israel and the impact it has on me as a Jew. I want to continue my Jewish learning throughout my life. I want to raise my future kids as proud Jews as well who will know not to forget. Never again.

As we traveled through Poland I struggled with the ongoing thought of contrast. As we sat in the

concentration/death camps I couldn't help but notice the striking contrast of beauty and murder. I have never been more disgusted to say this, but some parts of the camps were genuinely serene. Sitting in Birkenau, I noticed the serenity of the forests. Being tucked away into the forest was peaceful. The trees were green and offered soft rustlings of the leaves. How haunting is it that a place of such destruction and murder could also be so pleasant that I wanted to sit and read my book? These trees, both beautiful and daunting, a parallel to the trees we saw from the Lopuchowo forest. Again, as I sat reflecting about the mass graves in front of me, I couldn't help but think of the trees. The trees saw all these people die and the last thing these people saw was these trees. But now I stood in front of them, in front of the graves too, as a young Jew, very much alive. And once again, I thought to myself what a peaceful place this would be if it weren't for the horrors I can't even start to imagine. These tranquil places are poisoned by humans killing their brothers and sisters.

*Editor's note: Talia Rubin is attending URJ Heller High. Located in the beautiful Judean hills outside of Jerusalem, Heller High is a high-school experience in Israel and includes field trips all around Israel, and a week-long pilgrimage to Poland. Three TBE teens are attending Heller High this spring: Talia Hirsch, Talia Rubin and Lindsey Skole. They are set to return in late May. We look forward to hearing more about their experiences.*

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## A Happy Shavuot from Uncle Larry and Aunt Lenore

Shavuot, or the Feast of Weeks, arrives seven weeks after Passover, and concludes the counting of the Omer. Although it originally celebrated the barley harvest with the offering of the first fruits at the Temple, it later came to be associated with the giving of the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai.

Traditionally, Shavuot is celebrated with dairy foods, a custom that has roots in both spring harvest festivals,

which often feature churning and cheesemaking, and religious tradition. For example, the Torah is compared to milk and honey in the Song of Songs.

So not surprisingly on this joyous holiday, many of us are looking for some creamy new delicacies to tempt our tastebuds. Fear not: Uncle Larry's cheese blintz schlumpia and Aunt Lenore's cheesecake are here to make your Shavuot special. Chag sameach!

### Uncle Larry's Cheese Blintz Schlumpia

#### Ingredients

1 package of the smallest size spring roll pastry (lumpia wrappers). These can be found in Asian markets. They are frozen and much thinner than Chinese egg roll wrappers.  
2 7 ½-ounce packages of farmer cheese, salted  
4 ounces cream cheese, softened  
1/3 cup sugar

2 egg yolks

Zest of 1 lemon

1 tsp. fresh lemon juice

1 tsp. vanilla extract

1/8 tsp. kosher salt

Small cup of water combined with 1 tsp. of flour, for sealing

Vegetable oil for frying

#### Directions

Defrost the lumpia wrappers for about 30 minutes at room temperature. Whisk the next nine ingredients with a mixer until combined and smooth.

Place one teaspoon of filling near the corner of a lumpia or spring roll wrapper and roll halfway. Tuck in the two sides so it looks like an envelope, and continue to roll. Seal the top flap with the flour-water mixture and place on a tray lined with parchment paper. When finished, freeze the tray of cheese blintz schlumpia for at least two hours or overnight, so the filling doesn't leak out and splatter when frying.

Fill a skillet or cast iron pan with about one inch of vegetable oil and heat to 350 degrees. Fry the lumpia, turning once until they are golden brown and crisp (about three minutes). Drain on paper towels and serve immediately. Serve plain or dip into Greek yogurt or sour cream.

Enjoy and happy Shavuot!

Larry Osman

CFO (Chief Frying Officer) of Schlumpia, LLC

### Aunt Lenore's Cheesecake

#### Ingredients

1 lb. cottage cheese	1 tsp. vanilla
1 lb. cream cheese	3 T. flour
1 ½ c. sugar	3 T. cornstarch
4 eggs, slightly beaten	¼ lb. melted butter
2 tsp. lemon juice	1 pint sour cream

#### Directions

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Using a food processor, blend the cottage cheese and cream cheese together, and then blend in the sugar.

Beat in the eggs, then add the lemon juice, vanilla, flour, cornstarch and melted butter. Mix well but do not over-beat, which will cause the top to crack. Fold in the sour cream, and pour the cake into a greased springform pan. Put the springform pan on a cookie sheet, and bake on the middle rack of the oven for one hour. DO NOT open the oven door at all during the entire cooking time.

At the end of the hour, turn off the oven and let the cake remain in the oven for two additional hours. Remove and refrigerate two hours before serving. Serves 12 to 15.

Amy Rubin

Executive Director



## Ladles of Love Has a FULL Freezer

Temple Beth-El's freezers are full with homemade soups and breads, ready for delivery this spring and summer to those needing a bit of tender loving care.

TBE's volunteer cooks and bakers gathered in late March to replenish Ladles of Love's stock, producing 28 quarts of Gypsy Soup and 18 loaves of Queen Esther's Jaffa Orange Poppy Seed Tea Cake.

Care packages of soup and bread will be delivered to those in the TBE community who could use a little extra car, whether recovering from surgery or an illness, grieving a loss or celebrating a birth.

To join a future community cooking session, watch the weekly TBE E-blast for fall cooking dates and volunteer sign-up. To request a care package delivery, call the main office at (908) 722-0674.

Ladles of Love is generously underwritten by the Jules Swickle Chesed Fund. Donations to the fund can help keep the Ladles of Love freezer full.



Photos, Top: Caryn Shinske, Carolyn Magier  
Middle: Diane Foss and Fern Jurgrau  
Bottom left: Priscilla Brown  
Bottom right: Felecia Oberti, Kim Beman  
Not pictured: Priscilla's mom Shlinda





## Brotherhood

Brotherhood capped its year off in March with the annual Person of Honor Brunch (a little earlier than usual for us). This year's honorees were the dynamic duo of Cindy and Mark Andrews. We highlighted their accomplishments in the last issue of the Shofar, so we won't retrace our steps, but we are grateful to both Cindy and Mark for bringing so many great things to the table to enhance our community. More than 80 people were in attendance, and it was great to have Rande Aaronson at the helm again as our emcee, keeping the mood light and fun.

The program started out with the bipartisan proclamation from our own temple member, Representative Roy Freiman (Democrat), joined by our long-time friend Senator Kip Bateman (Republican). We had musical tributes by guitar duo Dave Sandler and Rick Miller as well as the choir. Harold Levin, Fern Schiffman and Karen Kaplan delivered heartfelt comments and funny bits. Finally, our event was capped off by remarks from Rabbi Gluck, who found something to say even though it seemed everything had been said by then. Most important, we were able to raise well over \$1,000 to go toward the Brotherhood Youth Scholarship Fund. So all in all, I think this day was very

successful. It is not too late if you haven't yet contributed in honor of the Andrews, or maybe you have another significant milestone for which you wish to make a donation. It is never too late or too early to donate to the BYSF!

On Sunday, June 2, we plan to hold our last event of the year. You can bet it will include libations, so mark your calendars and come out to join us. We look forward to hearing your input as we start planning for next year. We will be sure to post something in the e-letter and other communications channels.

Finally, on Friday, June 7, we will be honoring our Youth Person of Honor at Shabbat services. We have been doing this now for a few years to recognize a deserving junior in our community. This year's recipient is Bella Almeida. Besides the recognition, the recipient receives a cash stipend from the Brotherhood. Mazel tov to Bella and her family.

We hope you had a joyous and meaningful Passover holiday.

*Sheldon Stept*  
Co-President

## College Connection

As is our annual Passover custom, College Connection is sending our students a letter wishing them a Happy Passover and letting them know that we have made two small donations in their honor: one to Yemin Orde, a youth village near Haifa serving orphaned and troubled youth, and one to Heifer International.

This year's donation to Heifer International will provide much-needed support to families in some African countries and Nepal as a result of recent devastating storms there. The organization provides food, water, transportation and other needed resources. College Connection has proudly made these donations to these organizations from our college students for the past eight years in the spirit of tikkun olam, repairing the world.

We also sent students a \$5 gift card to Wawa as a small treat to help them make it through the rest of the school year. A Passover email will also be sent to our students from Sarah Gluck on behalf of our religious school and clergy. Chag Sameach!

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This is a film about bereavement, longing and the power of family. But the underlying theme is about healing, how love can provide remedy, how fiction can make reality bearable, and how humor works as a way to fix one another. Aspiring writer Zafi uses her housecleaning jobs to find interesting tales. Among them are accounts of some of estranged siblings. The oldest sister is shocked to discover she's pregnant since she hasn't had sex with anyone in years. Her brother has to deal with the return of his son, who just woke up from a nine-year coma. The youngest brother finds out that his girlfriend is dying of cancer. But somehow they all find ways to find humor in their lives. Sometimes the only answer is 'The world is funny so we have to laugh.'

## Israel Matters



### **ISRAEL SHABBAT FRIDAY, MAY 10** **Dinner at 6:30 p.m.; services at 8:00 p.m.**

Have you ever experienced an Israeli-style Shabbat dinner? Have you been looking for an opportunity to sample a local Mediterranean restaurant? Or, have you been wanting to try your hand at one of the many delicious recipes from popular Israeli cookbooks?

On Friday, May 10 you will have your chance to join your community for a pot-luck Israeli-themed dinner at 6:30 p.m. You can cook a dish or pick up one! RSVP at [www.tinyurl.com/TBEIsraelShabbat2019](http://www.tinyurl.com/TBEIsraelShabbat2019) and tell us what you are bringing. When you click on the link you will also find recipe suggestions and a list of local restaurants. Our intrepid 4H team will be making falafel!

We will continue the celebration of Israel Independence with some singing at the dinner followed our Erev Shabbat service at 8:00 p.m.

Please plan to join us for a fun and scrumptious evening! Some of the early offerings look amazing!

## Renaissance Happenings

### Mark Your Calendars

**Sun., May 19**      **Paid-up Membership Luncheon at King Tut Restaurant, Somerville**  
1:00 p.m.

We look forward to a new venue this year at which to enjoy delicious cuisine selections with a Mediterranean flair. The restaurant, located at 6 W. Main Street, is close to the Somerville courthouse and convenient to street parking, which is free on Sundays. Watch for Fran Taber's forthcoming flyer to RSVP your attendance to this spring event. Now is also the time to catch up on submitting your 2019 membership dues. If you have not already done so, kindly mail your check directly to our new Renaissance treasurer, Harvey Wallach, at 77 Murray Drive, Hillsborough, NJ 08844. Questions? Call him at 908-371-1370.

### Birds Of A Feather

Let the senior good times roll, literally, with a weekday afternoon of bowling fun! If this activity is up your alley, submit your name to Harriet at [harriethaler7324@gmail.com](mailto:harriethaler7324@gmail.com) and stay tuned.

*Esther Wallach*  
Renaissance Group

*The Renaissance Group is a 50+ social group that gets together to share interests, experiences, and activities. New membership is welcomed! Should you wish additional information about the group, or want to contribute to the Renaissance Happenings column, we welcome your submissions on a learned experience or human interest story. Please contact Harriet Thaler at 908-788-0269 or [thalerz@embarqmail.com](mailto:thalerz@embarqmail.com).*

**Wed., June 5**      **Two Historic NJ Tours and Early Bird Dinner at a local 5 Star Venue**

Tour 1: A 1:00 p.m. (free) one-hour tour of the New Jersey governor's mansion, Drumthwacket, in Princeton. Tour 2: We drive approximately 30 minutes (from Princeton to Bordentown) for a private, one-hour guided historic walking tour of Bordentown (\$15 per person). The day concludes in Bordentown's downtown, to enjoy its quaint shops and many choice restaurants on Farnsworth Avenue. Both tours require advance registration, so if interested, RSVP no later than Monday, May 20 to Esther at [hwallach77@comcast.net](mailto:hwallach77@comcast.net) or 908-371-1370, and please provide your carpooling availability or need.

### Blow Off Steam

For a little aromatherapy and an instant spa-like shower, tie together a few sprigs of fresh, fragrant herbs such as rosemary, lemon balm, thyme or eucalyptus and place in a corner where they won't get wet. The steam and humidity of a hot shower will activate the essential oils in the herbs and release their scent.

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## Sisterhood

### Come Connect with Sisterhood!

#### Women's Torah Talk - May 21

Join Sisterhood for a lively and casual conversation about the week's Torah portion, from a uniquely female point of view. Come to the discussion even if you didn't read the portion. Torah Talk gatherings are comfortable and easily relatable.

*Be-Har, Leviticus 25:1-26:2* is the focus of the Torah portion to be discussed May 21 at the home of Susan Steinfeld, 498 Crossfields Lane, Somerset. She may be reached at (908) 463-0530. Irene Lieberman will lead the discussion beginning at 7:30 p.m.

This will be our final Torah Talk with Cantor Emily Pincus, who will be greatly missed.

RSVP to Gayle Skolky: [gskolky@gmail.com](mailto:gskolky@gmail.com) or call 732-412-7572.

Torah Talk is one of the exclusive benefits of Sisterhood membership.

#### Sisterhood End of Year Dinner - June 4

Please join us at our potluck end of year dinner and the installation of our new co-president and board members at Donna Tischfield's home.

We will also say farewell to Cantor Pincus and past Sisterhood President Cindy Andrews, both of whom are moving out of state. Please let us know if you are bringing a hearty appetizer or dessert.

Email Karen Kaplan at [karen@repsfitnesssupply.com](mailto:karen@repsfitnesssupply.com) or call 908-256-2683.

*Sisterhood...Stronger Together!*

### Sisterhood's 2019 Purim Bag Mishloach Manot

Sisterhood's annual Mishloach Manot fundraiser and the extreme generosity of the Temple Beth-El community resulted in another great success, providing bags to 543 recipients.

The annual effort was also very financially successful, resulting in a \$5,000 commitment by Sisterhood to an identified need that will be announced soon.

#### Some highlights of this year's Purim bag campaign include:

- 543 bags made and delivered.
- 50 Golden Groggers — the most ever — up from 44 last year. 35 percent of temple members who gave were Golden Grogger givers.
- 35 percent of temple families gave a bag to 70 percent of temple families.
- The mitzvah bag option continues to be popular: 32 percent of temple orders also included a mitzvah donation and 134 mitzvah bags were donated. Some orders were just for mitzvah donations.
- Golden Grogger and mitzvah donations enabled us to send a bag to 30 percent of our temple family who wouldn't otherwise have received bags.
- As they did last year, the temple membership committee also sent 16 new members bags that included a special Purim greeting card from the committee. The Legacy Circle also "thanked" those who donated to the Legacy Circle with a card in their bags and a donation to the Purim drive.
- Approximately 60 terrific temple member drivers.

#### Sisterhood offers special thanks to its helpers this year:

Lou and Myrna Binder, Cheryl Bailes, Larry Paul, Debbie Manrique and her son Andrew, Kim Beman, Debbie Goldblatt, Simma Friedman and Susan Brown Bauer helped assemble the bags. We had about 60 drivers and 46 routes, and many drivers took a larger route or one outside of their home area. Several new temple members joined the effort enthusiastically this year. Cindy Andrews and Debbie Goldblatt spent many hours preparing all the routes for drivers using a special home-by-home routing tool. Our team of dedicated drivers are listed below.

Thanks also to Amy Rubin for hours of countless and immeasurable support; Ivy Anglin, Betty Parenti and Dina Fisher for their help and can-do spirit; Fernando and the rest of the custodial staff for their ongoing support; and Weis supermarket for big discounts on several items in the bag.

The annual Purim bag effort is made possible every year by the tremendous work and countless hours put in by Laura Miller and Cindy Scott. Sisterhood and the entire temple community owe them a huge thanks.

Lastly, Sisterhood thanks the TBE family for their generous contributions, whether as a Golden Grogger giver or a first-time giver who made a "mitzvah" donation. Every donation allowed Sisterhood to touch every temple member in our community this Purim.



### Our dedicated drivers:

Janet Aaronson  
Stephanie Almeida  
Caren Bateman and Keith Chanoch  
Debbie Cohen  
Bryan Bendavid  
Lou and Myrna Binder  
Gari Bloom  
Marvin Brown  
Jim Brown  
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Allan Hirsch  
Keith Holler  
Wendy Horowitz  
Sid and Shuey Horowitz  
Fern Jurgrau and Jeff Schiffman  
Karen Kaplan  
Janice Klein  
Bob Krovetz  
Jay Lavroff  
Harold and Rochelle Levin  
Ed Malberg  
Amy McBride  
Laura Miller  
Moshe and Madelyn Moalam

Laure and Larry Paul  
Grace Reynolds and Dylan Reynolds  
Simona Rivkin  
Sharon Rizzi  
Marcy and Alan Rosenfeld  
Stu Rugg  
Kathy Shanklin  
Pauline Schneider  
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## Interfaith Hospitality Network

Leigh Freeman, Coordinator — IHN / Temple Beth-El

Our next hosting date is Jun. 2-9

2019 IHN Hosting Schedule

Aug. 11-18

Oct. 13-20

Dec. 22-29

The Interfaith Hospitality Network of Somerset County (IHNSC) is a not-for-profit organization that provides many layers of services for homeless families with children. IHNSC provides a valuable service, as most other programs for homeless families do not provide the range of services to families with children.

Temple Beth-El hosts clients of IHN six times a year, approximately February, March or April, June, August, October or November and December. The families call Temple Beth-El "home" for a week and our volunteers give their time to assure that the families have a warm and welcoming stay with good food, compassion, play, and lots of good conversation.

Getting involved requires only a few hours from one to six times a year...you choose your level of involvement. Every volunteer is an important mentor to our IHN families.

Please visit [www.tinyurl.com/TBEIHN](http://www.tinyurl.com/TBEIHN) or call the appropriate coordinator listed below to schedule a volunteer shift. Always check the IHN Coordinators Contact List in each issue of the Shofar, as it's possible that there have been changes. **Each volunteer is expected to honor their commitment to the IHN hosting week. If a volunteer is unable to fulfill their commitment, they should contact another volunteer and swap dates.**

## IHN Coordinators Contact List

Function	Name	Main Phone	Other Phone	Email Address
Coordinator	Leigh Freeman	908-359-2724	908-391-1397 (c)	<a href="mailto:dancer.leighfreeman@att.net">dancer.leighfreeman@att.net</a>
Dinner Shift Volunteers	YOUR NAME HERE			
Evening Shift Volunteers	Julie Hirsch	732-580-8246		<a href="mailto:jbghirsch@gmail.com">jbghirsch@gmail.com</a>
Overnight Shift Volunteers	Sharon Sietz		908-256-6483	<a href="mailto:sharon.sietz@gmail.com">sharon.sietz@gmail.com</a>
Meals	YOUR NAME HERE			
Food/Supplies	Mara White	908-231-1518	301-704-6066 (c)	<a href="mailto:mara@alumni.brown.edu">mara@alumni.brown.edu</a>
Linen Pick-Up	Cindy Andrews		908-635-6858 (c)	<a href="mailto:cjrandrews@gmail.com">cjrandrews@gmail.com</a>
Set-Up/Breakdown	David Cohen	609-683-5766		<a href="mailto:david@decarchitect.com">david@decarchitect.com</a>
IHNSC/Day Center	Karen Donohue	908-704-1920	908-217-0217 (c)	<a href="mailto:karen@ihnsc.org">karen@ihnsc.org</a>



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# Yahrzeits M a y

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## To be read on May 3 and 4

Hadassa Gradowski, mother of Helen Gradowski  
Ada Sage, mother of Eileen Ruderman  
Fred Schrier, father of Sheryl Miller  
William Weitz, father of Steven Weitz  
Gregory Grinberg, father of Michelle Gerner  
Roz Hirsch, mother of Allan Hirsch  
Bernard Cudzynowski, father of Joseph Cudzynowski  
Sidney Reinhart, father of Morton Reinhart  
Irving Schwartz, father of Sandy Schwartz and grandfather of Debbie Manrique  
Norman Weinstein, husband of Ann Weinstein  
Frederick Chester, father of Simma Friedman  
Peter Spaulder, father of Mara White  
Fannie Friedman, grandmother of Doris Moshinsky  
Milton Lottman, stepfather of Liz Cohen  
Rose Poe, grandmother of Rick Miller  
Florence Roswell, mother of Arthur Roswell  
Henri Samson, father of Shari Miller

## To be read on May 10 and 11

Selma Green, aunt of Iris Naroden  
Kenneth Lieb, father of Wendy Spinner  
Anne Mendelson, mother of Stanley Mendelson  
Mae Waldman, mother of Dori Knauer  
Hy Fine, grandfather of Tamar Yarkoni  
Evelyn Kugler, aunt of Mark Andrews  
Saul Barrow, father of Steve Barrow  
Lewis Busch, father of Ronald Busch  
Sanford Krongold, father of Ruth Krongold  
Kathleen McBride, mother of Mark McBride  
Robert Rosen, father of Steve Rosen  
Jean Chanoch, mother of Keith Chanoch  
Oscar Schneck, father of Esther Kaufman-Helfman  
Stanley Witlieb, father of Beth Berger  
Leo Mayer, father of Cheryl Nelson  
Phillip Eisenberg, uncle of Sheldon Stept  
Morris Frankel, grandfather of Jan Miller  
Rose E. Seckler, aunt of Ellen Bailin  
Joel R. Stryker, father of Barbara Blake

## To be read on May 17 and 18

Richard Schenkman, brother of Eugene Schenkman  
Ray Shinske, father of Caryn Shinske  
Jack Stein, father of Mitchell Stein  
Irving Chaprack, father of Alice Barrow  
Linda Goldblatt, mother of Lisa Friedman  
Harold Lane, father of Stephen Lane  
Lloyd Swickle, brother-in-law of Lillian Swickle  
Bernard Malin, father of Marilyn Muzikar  
Harris Zeldin, father of Alan Zeldin  
David Cohen, husband of Barbara Cohen and father of Deborah Cohen  
Tobi Goldberg, grandmother of Shavaun Gliksman  
Irving Fass, father of Alan Fass  
Beatrice Miller, mother-in-law of Laura Miller  
Myrna Lapidus, mother of Jody Cohen  
Bonnie J. Lifchus, mother of Rebecca Ascher  
Roberta Mangel, mother of Howard Mangel  
Solomon Spero, father of Roselle Jaffe

## To be read on May 24 and 25

Irene Gluck, mother of Julie Hirsch  
Hyman Kaplin, father of Phyllis Greenberg  
Joseph Landau, father of Steven Landau  
Arthur Wolinsky, father of Shari Farmer  
Sylvia Barrow, mother of Steve Barrow  
Paul Donal Paton, father of Kim Fromberg  
Sheldon Taylor, father of Jay Taylor  
Ann Adler, grandmother of Michael Cohen  
Betty Berger, grandmother of Wendy Horowitz  
Jean Eisenberg, mother of Dorothy Vogel  
Jessie Steinberg, grandmother of Wendy Horowitz  
Elizabeth M. Stryker, mother of Barbara Blake  
Herman Vogel, father of Irwin Vogel  
Anne Bernstein, mother of Alan Bernstein  
Dorothy Chester, mother of Simma Friedman  
Ethel Milstein, mother of Gail Meyers  
David Schoenberg, father of Isa Beck  
Perla Tentler, grandmother of Simona Rivkin  
Olga Tompa, mother of Gary Tompa  
Arnold Bernstein, grandfather of Lisa Friedman  
Sylvia Goldstein, grandmother of Seth Goldstein  
Nettie Gross, mother of Carol Ahlert  
Bernard Brieness, brother of Zina Wolin  
Wanda Michaelson, mother of Stacy Boxer  
Malwine Schneck, mother of Esther Kaufman-Helfman  
George Weintraub, grandfather of Sheldon Stept

## To be read on May 31 and June 1

Hilda Goldfeder, great aunt of Lynn Small  
Bennett Lerman, father of Hillary Cole  
Larry Vogel, brother-in-law of Max Spinner  
Larry Cudzynowski, brother of Joseph Cudzynowski  
Richard Johnston, brother of Russ Johnston  
Ruth Bauer, wife of Ulrich Bauer  
Irene Filippone, mother of Susan Julian  
Annette Schlosser, mother of Lynn Levine  
Esther Young, mother of Anita Tolman  
James Fishman, father of Andrew Fishman  
Marian Ginsberg, mother of Ellen Nusbaum  
Dora Cohen Kanterman, mother of Stanley Kanterman  
Ida Wolf, grandmother of Alan Naroden  
Dora Greenberg, mother-in-law of Phyllis Greenberg  
Karen Hicks, mother of Derek Adler

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## To be read on June 7 and 8

Max S. Bernstein, father of Amy McBride  
Meyer Breslow, grandfather of Janice Klein  
Seymour Goldberg, father of Linda Goldberg  
Anita Rosenthal Lidman, mother of Judy Lissa  
Ed Andell, father of Jonathon Andell  
Barney Shapiro, father-in-law of Joshua Skowronek  
Philip Applebaum, grandfather of Seth Goldstein  
Joan Becker, mother of Marci Becker-Morelli  
Doris Braun, mother of Daniel Braun  
Jeanette Busch, mother of Ronald Busch  
Dr. Joyce Brothers, sister of Elaine Goldsmith  
William Davidson, father of Bruce Davidson  
Marie Greenberg Berkowitz, grandmother of Marcy Rosenfeld



# Yahrzeits

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Stephen Reynolds, brother of Mark Reynolds  
Max Tolman, father of Edward Tolman  
Milton Zerring, father of Judith Goldberg  
Herbert L. Grand, father of Philip Grand  
Leonard Koen, father of Peter Koen

## **To be read on June 14 and 15**

Frances Blond, mother of David Blond  
Jesse Dulberg, father of Marian Zeldin  
Bernard Keiles, father of Ann Weinstein  
Sheila Landau, mother of Steven Landau  
Charles Levinston, father of Bruce Levinston  
Eleanor Miller, mother of Susan Brown  
Cecile Oringer, mother of Keith Oringer  
Johanna Panthauer, grandmother of Amy McBride  
William Rosenfeld, father of Alan Rosenfeld  
Samuel Spevack, father of Gail Wohl  
Daniel Wial, father of Ellen Zelnock  
Muriel Herzog, mother of Michael Herzog  
Judith Weinstein, mother of Jeffrey Weinstein  
Barbara Alden, mother of Vicki Brody  
Stefan Epstein, father of Bruce Epstein  
Burton A. Levy, father of Jill Grand  
Morris Migdal, friend of Martin and Zina Wolin  
Edwin Nusbaum, husband of Ellen Nusbaum,  
father of Samuel and Paul Nusbaum  
Leonard Carter, father of Pamela Attner  
Bettie Franzblau, mother-in-law of Barbara Franzblau  
Ida Friedman, aunt of Doris Moshinsky  
Mildred Kaitz, mother of Revalee Brody  
Rosalind Sloane, mother of Leslie Marcus  
Jerry Friedman, father of Helene Fine  
Frank Weigl, uncle of Lynn Small  
Sanford Sloane, brother of Leslie Marcus

## **To be read on June 21 and 22**

Samual Zapolin, father of Zorina Walitsky  
Ronald Rose, father of Deborah Stark  
Richard Hammer, father of Diane Foss  
Herb Helfman, husband of Esther Kaufman-Helfman  
Lillian Rosewater, grandmother of Jonathon Andell  
Nathan Rubin, father of Jerome Rubin  
Shirley Skolky, mother of Barry Skolky  
Shirley Kantor, mother of Melissa Pyle  
Minnie Singer, great-aunt of Kimberly Beman  
Edith Beck, mother of Michael Beck  
Robert Wood, father of Brian Wood  
Stephen Lavranchuk, father of James Lavranchuk  
Sara Rubin, wife of Jerome Rubin

## **To be read on June 28 and 29**

Stanley Rechtleben, father of Deborah Tompa  
Isidor Soodik, grandfather of Kimberly Beman  
Beatrice Insler, mother of Elayne Weitz  
Barton Kaitz, brother of Revalee Brody  
Tyler Landesman, son of Glen and Carol Landesman  
Nathan Milstein, father of Gail Meyers  
Robert Rothschild, father of David Rothschild  
Raymond Bateman, Sr., father of Caren Bateman  
Celia Chasin, grandmother of Gerald Shubitz

Joan Mangold, mother of Rick Zack  
Roger Pyle, father of Stuart Pyle  
Cindy D'Erasmus, sister of Evette Adler  
Iris A. Epstein, mother of Marci Taylor and Leslie Siegel  
Jean D. Kovats, mother of Barbara Weinstein  
Harry Tucker, father of Barbara Cohen  
Ethel Hamelburg, mother-in-law of Rita Fink  
Stanley Milstein, brother of Gail Meyers  
Cecile Redlich, mother of Sam Redlich

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## **To be read on July 5 and 6**

Wynne Dallow, step-mother of Brian Dallow  
Celia Swickle, mother-in-law of Lillian Swickle  
Anita Berger, mother of Chuck Berger  
Judith Frid, aunt of Wendy Horowitz  
Carol Busch, wife of Ronald Busch  
Anna Raynes, mother of Harriet Thaler  
Ruth Schoenberg, mother of Isa Beck  
Michael Schumsky, grandfather of Nanette Mantell  
Lillian Silverman, mother of Lloyd Silverman  
Henrietta Greenbaum, mother of Robert Greenbaum  
Sari Kaplan, mother of Amy Armant  
Jean Lyman, grandmother of Laurie Hills  
Morton Rosenking, father of Evette Adler  
Louis Rubin, father-in-law of Sylvia Rubin  
Sid Skowronek, brother of Joshua Skowronek  
Gerald Albin, father of Robert Albin  
Florence Rubin, mother of Jerome Rubin  
Frieda Krongold, mother of Ruth Krongold  
Edward Mus, father of Rosemary Brody

## **To be read on July 12 and 13**

Beatrice Breslow, mother of Janice Klein  
Rose Rosenfeld, mother of Alan Rosenfeld  
Bette Jane Andell, mother of Jonathon Andell  
Abram Friedberg, father of Morton Friedberg  
Rachel Kelson, mother of Ellen Brown  
Anita Schrier, mother of Sally Rosen  
Michael Sherman, cousin of Jonathon Andell  
Jack Foss, father of Bernard Foss  
Marilyn Leeds, mother of Jodi Bloom  
Melvin Silverstein, husband of Evelyn Silverstein  
Eunice Becker, aunt of Marci Becker-Morelli  
Carolyn Bloch, grandmother of Jeremy Bloch  
Marvin Friedman, father of Deborah Nisenson  
Mollie Minzter, grandmother of Barbara Franzblau  
Esther Moshinsky, mother of Leonard Moshinsky  
Albert Taub, brother-in-law of Goldie Taub  
Janet Schenkman, wife of Eugene Schenkman

## **To be read on July 19 and 20**

Rose Haskel Wolinsky, mother of Shari Farmer  
Morris Mandelkorn, father of Debbie Friedman  
David Weiss, father of Lawrence Weiss  
Marc Young, brother of Anita Tolman  
Helen Marciniak, mother of Judi DiMaio  
Meriam Snyder, mother of Ken Snyder  
Samuel Berger, grandfather of Wendy Horowitz



# Yahrzeits

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Bernard Kass, father of Andrew Kass  
Anne Stark, mother-in-law of Ann Weinstein  
Tamara Leah Maizel, sister of Ryan Maizel  
Martin Malberg, father of Edward Malberg and Marc Malberg  
Robert Wigod, father of Cantor Emily Pincus  
Linda Uhlfelder, cousin of Robert Adler

## **To be read on July 26 and 27**

Florence Morris, mother of Suzan Szych  
Walter Bollag, grandfather of Laura Miller  
Moses Fruchter, father of Rena Fruchter  
Anna Miller, mother of Shuey Horowitz  
Jerome Seid, grandfather of Kenneth Rubin  
Alvin Tauber, father of Shelley Berger  
Glenn Kass, nephew of Henry Nerenberg  
Norman I. Lapidus, father of Jody Cohen  
Helen Glikzman, mother of Michael Glikzman  
Isidor Taub, father-in-law of Goldie Taub  
William Wisniewski, father of Carol Nerenberg  
Rita Adler, grandmother of Robert Adler  
Jean Dolgonos, mother of Stephanie Miller  
Marvin Fein, father of David Fein  
Isaac Hills, father of Laurie Hills  
Jacob Kantor, father of Melissa Pyle

## **A u g u s t**

### **To be read on August 2 and 3**

Morris Mendelson, father of Stanley Mendelson  
Howard S. Stern, brother of Lisa Dickholtz  
Paul Wedeen, father of Ken Wedeen  
Mollie Cohos, mother of Jane Waldorf  
Jack Fastag, husband of Lee Rosenfield, father of Ethan  
and Eliana Fastag-Rosenfield  
Evalyn Steinberg, mother of Roselle Jaffe

### **To be read on August 9 and 10**

Susana Gomez de Gonzalez, mother of Oscar Gonzalez  
Marvin Glaser, father of Cindy Weiss  
Charlotte Levin, mother of Harold Levin  
Harry Bober, father of Michael Bober  
Alice Goldberg, mother of Kevin Goldberg  
Rachel Jaffe, daughter of Rabbi Hirshel Jaffe  
Jerry Spinner, brother of Max Spinner  
Sylvia Zibulsky, grandmother of Robyn Becker  
Marlene Kosnac, mother of Wendy Amodeo  
Florence Sarnoff, step-mother of Nancy Burke  
Abe Lyman, grandfather of Laurie Hills  
Arline Zedeck, sister of Rita Fink  
Walter Morris, father of Suzan Szych  
Claire Mosh, friend of Liz Cohen  
Sylvia Bernstein, grandmother of Leslie Maizel  
Jack Haskel, uncle of Shari Farmer  
Isidore Kirsch, father-in-law of Stanley Mendelson  
Harold Stark, father of Jonathan Stark

### **To be read on August 16 and 17**

Barbara Ditman, mother of Robin Kimmelman  
Ariel Malberg, daughter of Alta and Marc Malberg  
Theodore Stark, father-in-law of Ann Weinstein  
Martin Wortzel, father of Barbara Franzblau  
Max Dresdner, father of Arleen Margulis  
Helen Lieberman, mother of Madelyn Okun  
Louis Tussman, uncle of Linda Strand  
George Panthauer, grandfather of Amy McBride  
Alyce Bernstein, grandmother of Lisa Friedman  
Miriam Lerner, mother of Evan Lerner  
Eileen Marcus, mother of Richard Marcus

### **To be read on August 23 and 24**

Hyman Dolgonos, father of Stephanie Miller  
Sy Epstein, father of Leslie Siegel and Marci Taylor  
Leon Markiewicz, father of Leigh Freeman  
Jacob Rosen, father of Rochelle Levin  
Charlotte Kaplin, sister-in-law of Phyllis Greenberg  
Milton S. Lidman, father of Judy Lissa  
Robert Meehan, step-father of Andrew Kass  
Christine Sweeney, cousin of Lynn Small  
Terri Davidson, mother of Bruce Davidson  
Philip Jaffe, father of Rabbi Hirshel Jaffe  
Madeline Kahn, mother of Eileen Kahn  
Rose Kass, grandmother of Beth Lavranchuk  
Myron Krovetz, father of Robert Krovetz  
Paul Bauer, father of Ulrich Bauer  
Samuel J. Rosenblum, father of Fern Kamine  
Simon Wohl, grandfather of Robyn Becker  
Sam Cohen, grandfather of Michael Cohen  
Martin Hoffman, father of Julie Hersh  
Goldie Knauer, mother of Leonard Knauer  
Rita Mayer, mother of Cheryl Nelson

### **To be read on August 30 and 31**

Alter Cudzynowski, uncle of Joseph Cudzynowski  
Solomon Mintz, father of Goldie Taub  
Molly Fass, mother of Alan Fass  
Nathan Handler, father of Joel Handler  
Morris Moshinsky, father of Leonard Moshinsky  
Richard Weinberger, father of Daniel Weinberger  
Ruth Miller, mother of Leigh Miller  
Douglas Rogers, father of Sheenagh Hirsch  
Sima Kahn, mother of Hillary Angeline  
Rose Brooks Cohen, mother-in-law of Barbara Cohen  
Murry Goldberg, father of Kevin Goldberg  
Fred Hirsch, father of Allan Hirsch  
Edith Katzer, sister of Doris Moshinsky  
Sophie Levine, aunt of Rita Fink  
Helen Wisniewski Markiewicz, mother of Leigh Freeman  
Claire Mandelkorn, mother of Debbie Friedman  
Simon Levendel, father of Sheila Koen  
Harold Sage, father of Eileen Ruderman

# May – August

## Calendar of Events

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### Wednesday, May 1

4:30 p.m. Hebrew School  
6:30 p.m. Confirmation Academy  
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, May 2

Yom HaShoah  
7:00 p.m. Yom HaShoah Community Observance  
(at the JCC)

### Friday, May 3

7:00 p.m. Family Shabbat Service

### Saturday, May 4

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study  
with Bar Mitzvah of Daniel Rizzi  
2:30 p.m. Baby Boomer/Empty Nester Outing to  
Grounds for Sculpture  
8:00 p.m. Youth: Shul-in for Grades 6/7

### Sunday, May 5

9:00 a.m. Religious School  
9:00 a.m. School Fundraiser Planning Meeting  
3:00 p.m. Youth: Social Action Event  
3:30 p.m. Community Yom HaAtzma'ut Celebration

### Monday, May 6

4:30 p.m. Hebrew School  
6:30 p.m. Post-Confirmation  
7:00 p.m. Mah Jongg  
7:30 p.m. Ritual Committee Meeting  
7:30 p.m. Inner Ladder: Continuing Mussar Steps

### Tuesday, May 7

8:00 p.m. TBE Reads: Planning the Reading List

### Wednesday, May 8

*Yom HaZikaron*

4:30 p.m. Hebrew School  
6:30 p.m. Confirmation Rehearsal  
7:00 p.m. Sisterhood Board Meeting  
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, May 9

*Yom HaAtzma'ut*

7:30 p.m. Jewish LIFE: Israeli Folk Dancing

### Friday, May 10

6:30 p.m. Israeli-themed Shabbat Dinner  
8:00 p.m. Israel Shabbat with the Choir and  
Tefillah Band

### Saturday, May 11

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study  
with Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Guss  
6:30 p.m. Tree of Life Gala

### Sunday, May 12

9:00 a.m. Religious School  
9:00 a.m. Jewish Spirituality Group  
9:00 a.m. Leadership Development

### Monday, May 13

4:30 p.m. Hebrew School  
6:30 p.m. RS Madrichim Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Mah Jongg  
7:30 p.m. Oversight Committee Meeting

### Wednesday, May 15

4:30 p.m. Hebrew School  
6:30 p.m. Confirmation Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. Program Planning Meeting

### Thursday, May 16

6:00 p.m. Youth: SMOOCHY Board Selections  
7:30 p.m. Jewish LIFE: Israeli Folk Dancing

### Friday, May 17

8:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service with Tribute to  
Cantor Pincus

### Saturday, May 18

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study  
with Bar Mitzvah of Zachary Zaborenko

### Sunday, May 19

RAC Consultation on Conscience  
9:00 a.m. Religious School

### Monday, May 20

RAC Consultation on Conscience  
7:00 p.m. Mah Jongg  
7:30 p.m. Board of Trustees Meeting

### Tuesday, May 21

RAC Consultation on Conscience  
7:30 p.m. Women's Torah Talk

### Wednesday, May 22

6:30 p.m. Confirmation Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, May 23

*Lag B'Omer*

7:30 p.m. Jewish LIFE: Israeli Folk Dancing

### Friday, May 24

8:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service

### Saturday, May 25

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Minyan Service and Torah Study

### Monday, May 27

Memorial Day  
Offices Closed  
7:00 p.m. Mah Jongg

### Tuesday, May 28

8:30 p.m. Iftar with Muslim Center of Somerset County

### Wednesday, May 29

5:45 p.m. Confirmation Rehearsal and Photo  
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, May 30

7:30 p.m. Jewish LIFE: Israeli Folk Dancing

### Friday, May 31

7:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service with Ceremony of  
Confirmation

### Saturday, June 1

NETY-GER Gala (Offsite)  
10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study  
with Bat Mitzvah of Haley Papierman  
6:00 p.m. Leadership Development  
7:00 p.m. Jewish LIFE: Jewish Film Series "The World Is  
Funny"

### Sunday, June 2

IHN Hosting Week Begins  
10:30 a.m. Calendar Planning Meeting  
4:00 p.m. Jewish LIFE: iEngage 4 – Israel's Milestones  
and Their Meaning  
6:30 p.m. Brotherhood End-of-Year Social  
7:00 p.m. RS Fundraiser Meeting

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### Monday, June 3

6:30 p.m. Religious School Committee Meeting Potluck Dinner  
7:00 p.m. Mah Jongg  
7:30 p.m. Ritual Committee Meeting

### Tuesday, June 4

6:30 p.m. Sisterhood End-of-Year Dinner

### Wednesday, June 5

6:00 p.m. SMOOCHY Board Meeting  
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, June 6

7:30 p.m. Jewish LIFE: Israeli Folk Dancing

### Friday, June 7

7:00 p.m. Family Shabbat Service with Yad Chazakah, Youth Person of Honor and Farewell to Rachel Frish  
8:30 p.m. Youth: SMOOCHY Oneg

### Saturday, June 8

Erev Shavuot  
10:00 a.m. Shabbat Minyan Service and Torah Study

### Sunday, June 9

IHN Hosting Week Concludes  
*Shavuot*  
10:00 a.m. Shavuot Services with Yizkor, followed by potluck brunch

### Monday, June 10

7:00 p.m. Mah Jongg  
7:15 p.m. Volunteer Appreciation Reception  
8:00 p.m. Congregational Meeting

### Tuesday, June 11

6:00 p.m. Youth Culture Committee

### Wednesday, June 12

7:00 p.m. Sisterhood Board Meeting  
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, June 13

7:30 p.m. Jewish LIFE: Israeli Folk Dancing

### Friday, June 14

8:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service with Installation of Officers and Trustees, with the Choir

### Saturday, June 15

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Minyan Service and Torah Study

### Monday, June 17

7:00 p.m. Mah Jongg

### Wednesday, June 19

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, June 20

7:30 p.m. Jewish LIFE: Israeli Folk Dancing

### Friday, June 21

8:00 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

### Saturday, June 22

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study with Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Cousineau

### Monday, June 24

7:00 p.m. Mah Jongg

### Wednesday, June 26

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, June 27

7:30 p.m. Jewish LIFE: Israeli Folk Dancing

### Friday, June 28

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

### Thursday, July 2

7:30 p.m. Jewish LIFE: Israeli Folk Dancing

### Friday, July 5

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

### Thursday, July 11

7:30 p.m. Jewish LIFE: Israeli Folk Dancing

### Friday, July 12

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

### Thursday, July 18

7:30 p.m. Jewish LIFE: Israeli Folk Dancing

### Friday, July 19

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

### Friday, July 26

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

### Tuesday, July 30

7:00 p.m. Young Family Initiative Planning Meeting

### Friday, August 2

6:00 p.m. Shabbat Picnic Dinner (at the JCC)  
6:45 p.m. Shabbat Under the Stars with the Tefillah Band (at the JCC)

### Wednesday, August 7

TBE at the 4-H Fair

### Thursday, August 8

TBE at the 4-H Fair

### Friday, August 9

TBE at the 4-H Fair  
8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

### Sunday, August 11

IHN Hosting Week Begins

### Friday, August 16

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

### Sunday, August 18

IHN Hosting Week Concludes

### Friday, August 23

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service

### Friday, August 30

8:00 p.m. Summer Shabbat Service



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