

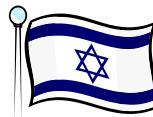
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From Rabbi Sarah's Desk



My third-grade teacher used to get so sick of winter she gave a prize to the first student to spot a robin redbreast in the late winter/early spring. Once the robins returned, better weather was just around the

corner. As I write this, I haven't spotted any robins yet, but I know they will be here soon. Spring is such a hopeful time. Watching the natural world "wake up" from its winter slumber delights me. The line from the siddur, "Mah rabu ma'asecha Yah! How wonderful are Your works, O God!" frequently echoes in my head as I walk outdoors. As the days get longer and warmer, I try to find time to pause and give thanks for the world that's waking up around me.

Spring brings a number of Jewish holidays. On Purim, we joyfully, raucously celebrate our people's continued existence in spite of antisemitism. We remember Esther's courage and heroism as she stood up to save her people. We wear costumes and masks, eat, drink, and make a lot of noise, turning the world topsy-turvy for one day. I hope to see you at the Purim celebrations at TBS - the Purim Carnival is on Sunday, March 5th at 11am, and the Megillah reading and community celebration are on Monday, March 6th at 7pm.

On Passover, we retell the formative story of our people: we were slaves in Egypt, and God saved us, giving us the Torah as a guide to build a just society and live holy lives. Passover begins the evening of Wednesday, April 5th. I'll be emailing out plenty of resources to help you prepare for Passover and to make your seders more engaging and enjoyable.

Yom HaShoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day, occurs just after Passover on Tuesday, April 18th. We'll commemorate at Temple Beth Shalom on Sunday, April 16th, with the "13 Jewish Drivers' Licenses" Program, which explores a remarkable story. In 2017, 13 driver's licenses were found in a German

government office. They had been confiscated by the Nazis in 1938 on Kristallnacht. Students in the town where they were found began an intensive research project to learn about the 13 individuals and their fates, as well as track down and connect with their relatives. Three of the driver's licenses belonged to relatives of Lisa Salko, a Westchester resident. Lisa will be presenting about the 13 Driver's Licenses project to older Religious School students in the morning and the entire congregation later in the afternoon. The exhibit will be in the Temple Beth Shalom social hall the entire weekend of April 14-16.

A week later, we'll celebrate Yom Ha'Atzmaut, Israel's Independence Day. This year, Israel will be 75 years old. The Westchester Jewish Council and UJA Federation are putting together wonderful celebrations that I encourage you to attend. More information will be forthcoming.

Wishing you a happy, healthy, and meaningful Spring!

Rabbi Sarah

Sarah Freidson



A Message From Our President



Dear Fellow Congregants,

Greetings from Temple Beth Shalom! The holidays of Purim and Passover are quickly approaching. I strongly encourage you to bring your children or grandchildren, and their friends, to the Purim Carnival on Sunday, March 5th. An outdoor Purim “Trunk or Treat” is planned that same day in the TBS parking lot. The Muppet-themed Purim celebration follows on Monday evening, March 6th.

Passover, with its traditional Seder, the time shared with family, the hours spent washing dishes, the reclining both during the Seder and afterward, means so much to so many of us as Jews. Our exodus from Egypt, our escape from slavery and persecution, is just part of our storied past as a people. Those truly were the days of miracles. I believe miracles still occur in present day – but we are often too busy to acknowledge that they exist. Take a pause, breathe in deeply, and think about how lucky or blessed we are to be here today after millennia of oppression, enslavement, discrimination, and unimaginable hardships. We persevere. We survive. And we shall thrive.

This brings me to.....TBS 3.0

On Sunday, December 4, 2022, we held our well-attended Congregational Meeting. We spent part of that time on an exercise that posed specific questions to those in attendance. Those questions included 1) What was a peak Jewish moment in your life? 2) What do you consider to be TBS’ strengths? 3) What are some opportunity areas for TBS? and 4) What is the most important aspect of TBS to you and your family?

A number of common themes emerged from each question.

Peak Jewish moments were often cited as: Birth of a child; Child’s Bar/Bat Mitzvah; Visiting Israel; and Spending Shabbat or holidays with family. But the peak Jewish moments also included things that were unique to TBS: Meeting other Jewish families at TBS that are now lifelong friends; High Holiday services at TBS; Listening to Cantor Jake; Having support and comfort during times of loss; and having an adult Bar/

Bat Mitzvah at TBS. There were numerous other moments that were provided during the exercise, but these are a good representative sample.

The second question on TBS’ perceived strengths included: Our Rabbi, Sarah Freidson; The warmth and comfort of services and holidays; Connections with fellow congregants; Availability of streaming services; Socialization and inclusion of new members; Programming – both internal and community-wide events; Supporting members during times of loss or illness; The Caring Collectives; Jewish education for our children; Our warm, welcoming, & inclusive nature; Fiscal responsibility; Communication and outreach; and the understanding that we must strive for continuous improvement and growth.

The third question we posed to those at the meeting centered on our opportunity areas which included our needs, wants, things that should change, or areas for improvement. Some common responses included: Maintaining and growing membership; Attracting young families; Enhanced engagement of current members; Expanded Shabbat attendance; Increased communication with our congregants; Greater socialization with those outside of TBS; Strengthen teen involvement with TBS and Judaism in general; Expanded spiritual and wellness programs as a community resource; Augment engagement opportunities; Offer additional classes for both adults and children; and re-vitalizing our Religious School.

The last question asked for the most personally important aspect of TBS. Some responses included: Rabbi Sarah!; The people, friendships & social interactions; Our cohesive, supportive, warm, welcoming, caring, & inclusive community; Programming & events; Religious service, prayer, learning opportunities & spirituality; and that TBS provides a local Jewish community in which to belong.

What we learned after compiling all of the input from that meeting three months ago closely mirrors the findings of the Future Visioning work we performed, and have been executing, over the last couple of years. What we determined back then was that the ‘TBS of the future’ would revolve around three key themes: ***Religion, Community, and Education.***

The religious component emphasized the critical

A Message From Our President—cont'd

importance of having a dynamic, warm, & compassionate Rabbi; We find that our members enjoy having access to both in-person and virtual streaming services and educational opportunities; We acknowledge the need to extend the reach of TBS' offerings beyond the local community – reaching Jews in new and innovative ways wherever they may live and in ways that are most accessible to them; and that, over time, religion adapts while keeping the best of traditional and contemporary approaches in balance.

The educational aspects found to be important were determined to be our ability to leverage the Rabbi's teachings, classes, and communications more broadly; The combination of both in-person and virtual learning components for our religious school children is working; Programs such as PJ Library and Shalom Baby are useful and can bring in new, younger families; and that having an active youth group and teens program engages our children and reinforces their religious school education while also providing them time to spend with their Jewish peers.

The community section from the Future Visioning work provided plenty of ideas: Create partnerships with local organizations; Transform TBS to be more like a community center – JCC style; Offer programs to people outside our local area; Attract non-members with in-person or virtual lecture series, adult educational opportunities, and other relevant programs; Reimagine the current membership model; Creation of a Wellness Network within the congregation; and to broaden the vision of Jewish involvement beyond the synagogue walls.

Combining the insightful information we garnered along with data provided by the Pew Research studies, trends around religion in general and American Judaism more specifically, and the experiences of other synagogues nationwide, we know that in order to evolve towards a TBS 3.0, we will need to innovate and continue to take the deliberate, active steps to meet the changing needs and demographics of American Jews. Do we stick with the 'here and now,' the 'steady-state,' the 'status quo'? Or do we *strive to thrive*? I choose the latter.

If we keep doing things the way we always have done them in the past but expect a different outcome, then we are fooling ourselves. In response to the TBS Visioning work from two years ago, we have already made solid progress and have witnessed positive change. We must continue to have some serious and thoughtful discussions on what the path forward will look like. If the pandemic crisis of the last three years has taught us anything, it's that we must adapt, pivot and be willing to make bold moves. In order for Temple Beth Shalom to thrive, we must evolve, acknowledge that we must **plan and execute for change**, and then take those bold steps that will align us to best meet the needs of our congregants and the Jewish community at large, regardless of location. The next steps in the plan forward include the creation of small working groups of people that will drive and execute this vision in order to prepare TBS for the future.

L'Shalom
Allan Gunzburg

The Beacon of Community by Spencer Raine

On a recent Friday night, I heard Rabbi Sarah's voice in my head: Let's pray for the best possible outcome. We were not yet at shul, where the occasional siren piercing through the sanctuary is a reminder of our blessings. And the equally important need to bless our friends and neighbors. But the world was about to catch its first glimpses of the police beating of Tyre Nichols in Memphis, Tennessee. The police body-cam video was going to be shown unedited, in real-time, on cable TV and other platforms. As one cable news anchor put it, we were going to watch it "together."

As a radio news reporter, I had spent the bulk of the day - preparing our listeners for this moment, helping

to set the scene for the release of this video. Nichols' mother and stepfather had made repeated pleas for peaceful protests. Tyre's mother even summoned the strength to urge parents with young children - not to watch. There was stepped-up security in Memphis and large cities across the country - over the anticipated anger and potentially violent reaction to the police actions - as recent history has shown.

But we were heading to shul: Shabbat rescued me from watching a man get brutally beaten. And it pulled back the curtain for me - to think a little broader. To pray for peace, equality, and our country, to embrace the warmth inside our community, to take

The Beacon of Community by Spencer Raine – cont'd

stock of our strength, and savor in the power of health and mind. And to think - maybe, just maybe, the collective forces of our shul - can try to help the world tackle its issues. Or maybe just some of them. Or maybe just start to....

Rabbi Sarah's d'var Torah that night seemed to address many of these themes. Pardon my potentially oversimplified takeaway, but finding the light from the darkness. She didn't mention Memphis, nor Holocaust Remembrance Day, the war in Ukraine, or even the recent terror attacks in Israel, but she didn't

have to. For me and possibly for you, these were all on the back burner - and are now able to be cast in a new light. Able to be digested from a new or perhaps refreshed perspective.

So thank you, TBS - for being part of that light - as we navigate this sometimes dark world together. Sometimes it's just about being together - as it was for me on this particular Shabbos.

I'm looking forward to praying with you again soon - and praying for the best possible outcome.

Religious School News by Fred Ende

The Necessity of Educational Leadership

Temple Beth Shalom continues to grow in all respects. We welcome new families, new opportunities, new connections, and, sometimes, new challenges. Our Religious School is no different. And to help work with families, explore opportunities, build connections, and consider challenges, leadership at all levels is a necessity.

Temple Beth Shalom recognizes all this, and with that in mind, members of our congregation have worked to create an Education Director position. Based on discussion, feedback, and experience from congregants who are both educators and non-educators, the role has been structured with the following elements as foundations:

- **Build and implement the learning during Sunday experiential education sessions.** These sessions serve as the time when Religious School students explore elements of Jewish culture, tradition, holidays, and the like.

- **Build family engagement.** Through connections with families within TBS and potential families within the region, the person occupying this position will serve as a megaphone for the great learning happening at TBS. The person fulfilling this role will also help connect TBS learning opportunities by serving as a liaison between the school and additional learning and events within TBS.

- **Connect teachers, tutors, and TBS operations**

to the workings of the school. TBS is a complicated organization and complicated in a good way. There are so many different opportunities that building a well-aligned network is necessary. The person in this role will connect our in-person teachers and our colleagues from Online Jewish Learning, connect to the Rabbi and the TBS office, and keep our B'nai Mitzvah tutors informed of all happenings.

- **Serve as curriculum leader, developer, experimenter, and evaluator.** The Education Director is a teacher first. Regardless of their education and teaching background, this person would love the practices of teaching and learning, be open to the design and piloting of student lessons, and serve as a source of feedback, ideas, and opportunities for the growth of the religious school program.

We look forward to further strengthening the structure of the TBS Religious School and know that this position will help the students, families, and overall congregation continue to grow and change. We look forward to sharing additional information about this position with the entire TBS community. As always, you can reach out to me as the Executive Committee liaison to our educational programming or Wendy Greenberg and Laurie Ende as our Religious School Committee chairs with any feedback you have about the operations of our Religious School.

We look forward to hearing from you now and in the future.

Fred

Sisterhood News By Robin Kushner



Did you miss the Sisterhood events since my last article? Sorry to hear. Read on to see what you missed. And if you did have the chance to come and participate, YOU ROCK AND YOU KNOW IT!!!

These past two months, Sisterhood has been very busy. I have seen many members laugh and connect in ways they might not have during a service or regular Temple event. Sisterhood has a way of bringing our members together of all ages with different interests.

Our wine tasting event is one of our most popular events. It was held on Saturday, February 11th. To me, the wine tasting is not about the wine! It is really about connecting. This year we had forty people at Michael Kushner's house sharing drinks, food, and good conversation. At the end of this year's event, one member came up to me and told me that she had spent the night talking to a member she had never met before and had a great time. The following morning, I got texts and emails from many members telling me how much fun they had the night before.

Some of the conversations I overheard revolved around wine. Other discussions were about the food choices. Most conversations were about day-to-day exchanges, vacations, work, sports, the Super Bowl, plants, children, and the weather. In general, people were just interested in getting to know more about their fellow congregants: no pressures, no stress, just good food, drinks, and a casual atmosphere.

Our theme was international night. One of the countries that we highlighted was Portugal. I shared my neighbor's recipe for Portuguese rice pudding. It is such a simple dish yet sweet and tasty. By the end of the night, the dish had disappeared. I am including the

recipe as requested in this article. Portugal also had the most interesting drink available for tasting. I shared Ginja with everyone. Ginja is a sour cherry liqueur from the area of Portugal called Obidos. It is typically served in a chocolate cup. The way to drink it is to pop the cup into your mouth and have both tastes blend in your mouth. What is not to like about dark chocolate and cherry together? Nothing!

I am sorry if you were unable to join us this year for our wine tasting event. We will do it again next year. It usually takes place on the first Saturday night of February. Keep your calendar open!

Below is a list of our upcoming events and on the next page some photos from previous events. As you can see, Sisterhood is really where it all happens!!

Robin Kushner
Sisterhood President

PORTUGUESE RICE PUDDING

2 cups water
1 cup rice
2 cups hot whole milk
1 cup sugar
1 fresh lemon or orange rind

Bring water to boil in medium saucepan. Add rice and cover. Simmer about 20 minutes. Continue stirring until rice is thickened and be careful it does not stick. Add milk, sugar and rind stirring constantly until almost oatmeal consistency. Pour into 1 large serving plate and remove the rind. Let it cool. Dust the entire plate with cinnamon. Serve at room temperature. Refrigerate your leftovers if there are any.

Month of March—Act of Kindness

March 12 - Scrapbooking @ 10 am at TBS

April 23 - Meet the Author, Jane Gabin and discuss her book The Paris Photo

May 7 - Woman of the Year honoring Gail Freundlich

June 25 - Flea Market



Sisterhood Dinner Night (Starting from bottom left, around the table)
Allan Gunzburg, David Michaels, Michael Kushner, Ron Arsham, Spencer Raine,
Renee Zalewitz, Marilyn Arsham, Robin Kushner, Lynn Michaels, Sharon Gunzburg

Sisterhood Gift Swap



Sisterhood Wine Tasting



Ritual News by Eddie Lapa



Shalom,

"There are two ways to live. You can live as if nothing is a miracle. You can live as if everything is a miracle." - Albert Einstein

While walking through TBS on February 5, 2023, I was overcome by a tremendous energy. The building was abuzz with Religious School, Sisterhood had a book club, The Choir was rehearsing in the sanctuary, and Rabbi Sarah, Lynn, Jeff, Matt, and I were meeting with the 2025 B'nai Mitzvot families to give them their dates and discuss the wonderful journey they were about to begin. It is truly a miracle how we have come through the past three years and are starting to begin new and fresh. Let's keep the energy and momentum rolling.

The Ritual Committee has been very busy planning for the next few months. First, we had a meeting in January with our 23/24 B'nai Mitzvot families to start working on the fine details of their child's special day. Then, at the beginning of February, we met with the 2025 Bnai Mitzvot families, as stated above.

If you have yet to participate in our Mishloch Manot Program, go to the website and place your order. The Caring Collective, chaired by Gail Plaut, organizes the boxes and the drivers to deliver. Thank You to all the drivers who pull the bags/boxes together.

We would like to wish a hearty Mazal Tov to the Leviner family as their children, Zoe and Eli, are called to the Torah on the occasion of their Bar/Bat Mitzvah on March 25th.

March and April are packed with:

- PURIM is March 6/7. We will have our LIVE Megillah reading in the social hall at 7 pm on the 6th. Our theme this year is Muppets. So come as your favorite Muppet or Traditional Purim Character. I'd like to thank Lynn for pulling

together the Megillah reading, assigning the readings, creating the visual/video presentation, and heading up the committee that creates the signature drinks for the evening. The Purim Carnival will be Sunday, March 5th. A lot of planning goes into it.|

- Pesach/Passover's first seder is Friday, April 5th. Look for emails about selling Chometz and when Yizchor will be said.
- Our Yom HaShoah program is Sunday, April 16th, at 4 pm in the Social Hall. As I write this, we are finalizing a wonderful program from the Holocaust and Human Rights Center: "13 Driver's Licenses" and Lecturer Lisa Salko. Thank you to Marvin Meadow for making the initial arrangements and Bernice, who made the final arrangements for this program.

Thanks to Barry Plaut, Jack Zencheck, Allan Gunzberg, Elliot DeLeone, Brian Stern, and Matt Hinden for installing the Memorial Boards in the sanctuary from Yorktown Jewish Center. As soon as the transformers arrive, they will have electricity and bulbs.

We encourage everyone to sign up to read Torah and Haftorah, lead prayers (Hebrew or English), or give a d'var Torah on Shabbat. It's a beautiful way to connect to our heritage and your fellow congregants and friends. We are always looking for people to lead.

Please support and participate in all activities from Sisterhood and Men's Club.

On behalf of the entire Ritual Committee, we wish everyone a fun Purim, a meaningful seder for Pesach, and a Healthy, safe, and warm Spring. As we say at the end of the seder - L'Shanah Haba'ah B'Yerushalayim- Next Year in Jerusalem.

Eddie and Matt



From the Men's Club By Joel Greenberg



As I write to you this morning (February 10th), the temperature outside is an incredible 61 degrees. As you will recall, on Saturday, February 4th, the wind was strong, the temperature was close to zero, and the wind chill was below zero. I think this winter will be one for the record books.

Our first event for the new year was the Judge James Reitz Vision Breakfast, held on Sunday, January 8th. This year our guests from left to right were pastor Edgar Evans from the House of Prayer Church, Deacon John Scarfi from St. Johns, Barbra Reitz, our new State Assemblyman Matt Slater, our State Senator Peter Harckham, Rabbi Sarah, yours truly (the short guy), our new Putnam County Executive Kevin Byrne, Sheriff Kevin McConville, and last but not least, former Putnam Valley Supervisor Sam Oliverio, a present member of the Putnam Valley School Board. Each of our guest speakers gave their opening remarks on their vision for 2023. Many questions were asked by the audience, and hopefully, the answer to their questions was satisfying.

On Sunday, January 29th, we served our pre-pandemic menu of lox, cream cheese, and bagels at our breakfast. At the end of the breakfast, we picked, at random, the

numbers for the Super Bowl pool. The final score was 38 - 35, in favor of the Kansas City Chiefs. The winners were as follows: Ron Arsham, Aimee Freundlich's son, Cameron, Matt Hindin, and Barry Plaut.

Paul Plotnick, our new Vice President, has reserved seats for the Renegades game for the evening of Monday, July 3rd. As you will recall, we reserved over 60 seats last year, so let's hope we have a bigger crowd this year. The fireworks display after the game was spectacular. Information regarding the game will be emailed to you.

Future programs include a Men's Club Shabbat and a Biblical Trial (person TBD). As you recall, we tried King David last year, and the entire audience was the jurors, and King David was found guilty on all charges. In addition, in May, we will have our annual meeting with the area school Superintendents to discuss their budgets and our annual celebration of all our students graduating this June. Please contact Paul Plotnick or me if you have any additional ideas for Men's Club programs.

Shalom,
Joel Greenberg



Judge James Reitz Vision Breakfast

(from left to right) Pastor Edgar Evans, Deacon John Scarfi, Barbra Reitz, State Assemblyman Matt Slater, State Senator Peter Harckham, Rabbi Sarah, Joel Greenberg, Putnam County Executive Kevin Byrne, Sheriff Kevin McConville, and former Putnam Valley Supervisor Sam Oliverio

Meet Eli Leviner



Hi, I'm Eli Leviner, and my Hebrew name is Moshe Chananya. I am 12 years old and live with my parents, twin sister, Zoe, and older brother, Joshua, who is in 9th grade. I have lived in Mahopac my whole life. I like to play video games and basketball with my brother. My sister and I like to stay up late and talk. I watch a lot of sports with my dad and like to sit and read with my mom.

I am in the 7th grade at Mahopac Middle School. My favorite class is Social Studies. I like to learn about how people lived in different times and places. Now we are studying the American Revolution. I really liked my sixth-grade Social Studies class, where we studied Ancient civilizations. I am excited for my spring vacation with my parents because we are going to Rome, where I can see a lot of the things I learned about in that class.

I've been coming to TBS since I was in first grade. I enjoy learning about the holidays. My favorite Jewish holiday is Hanukkah. I think it's nice when we have several menorahs burning with lots of candles and light. I really also like fried food. For this holiday, I

get to spend time with my family since Hanukkah is often around the time of my school's winter break.

This year I am playing on two basketball teams which keeps me busy in the winter. I also just started practicing with my spring baseball team. I have played baseball since I was six. I just recently started playing more basketball.

For my Bar Mitzvah on March 25th, I will be at the synagogue with family and friends for the service. We are then going to have some people over later in the day to celebrate. The next day I am going out to brunch and to see a Broadway show with my family.

For my Bar Mitzvah project, I am raising money for the Rainforest Trust. This organization raises money to protect the rainforest and the animals that live there. I went to a park in a rainforest in Costa Rica with my family a few years ago. There were so many animals there that I had never seen before and would like to see again. This organization will help make sure that these animals and their habitat are protected so that other people can learn about them also. Please let me know if you can help me in protecting rainforest lands.



*Mazel-Tov
On Your
Bar Mitzvah*

Meet Zoe Leviner



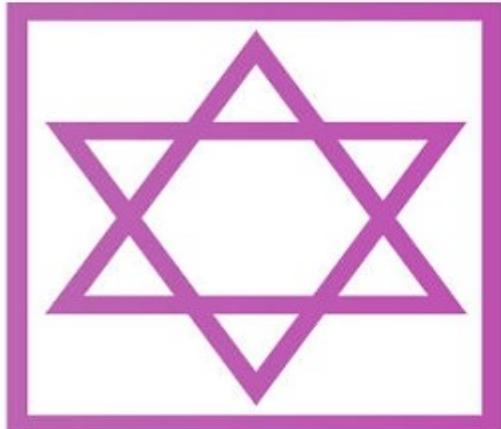
Hi, My name is Zoe Leviner. My Hebrew name is Leah Zipporah. I go to Mahopac Middle School and I am in the seventh grade. This year at school, I ran on the Cross Country team, helped with the set painting for the school play, and worked on the yearbook. Last month, I made a science project for the school STEAM fair about ice cream. The classes I like the most this year are band and math. I have been playing the clarinet since fourth grade.

I have been a part of Temple Beth Shalom since first grade. My most fun times at the temple are celebrating holidays. My favorite holiday is Hanukkah but I also have had a lot of fun at the Purim Carnival. This year I will get to help out at the carnival for the younger kids. I have been involved in plays at the temple for both holidays.

I live with my parents and two brothers. My older brother Josh is in the ninth grade at Mahopac High School, and my other brother is my twin. I am older than Eli by one minute. It's nice to have Eli in some of my classes so that we can do the work together at home. I have five cousins now. Two of them live nearby in New York City. I also have twin cousins, Ella and Kaleb, who live in Baltimore. My youngest cousin, Matilda, lives in San Francisco.

At home, I like to draw, paint, and play online with my friends. I bike a lot with my dad. Last summer, we did a twenty-two-mile bike ride. I also like to explore the woods behind my house. During nice weather, my family likes to go for hikes in the area.

My Bat Mitzvah project is to raise money with my brother for the Rainforest Trust. It is an organization that works to save and protect the rainforest. There are 2344 species of animals that they have worked to save by protecting rainforest lands. The Rainforest Trust was started 30 years ago, and they work with local partners in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. When my family visited Costa Rica, we got to take a walking tour of Manuel Antonio National Park. There, we got to see sloths, monkeys, strawberry poison dart frogs, giant moths, bats, coati and many new types of animals I had never seen before. I got to research these animals even more in my science class this year. I have also traveled to Israel, where I got to meet some of my dad's family. My most favorite part of that trip was climbing Masada and getting to see the sunrise there. It was a hard climb but totally worth it. I will be celebrating my Bat Mitzvah with my family and friends at the synagogue. We are also having people over to my house later in the day. The following day, we are going to have brunch and see a show in New York City with my family.



*Mazel-Tov
On Your
Bat-Mitzvah*

Our Favorite Dishes— Sisterhood Yorktown Jewish Center**PASSOVER VEGETABLE PUFFS**

- 2 onions, chopped
- 1 lb. mushrooms, chopped
- 4 T. vegetable oil
- 1 (10-oz.) pkg. frozen chopped broccoli, defrosted & drained
- 8 carrots, peeled & grated
- 8 eggs
- 4 T. chicken soup mix
- 1 c. matzo meal

Grease muffin tins. In skillet, sauté onions and mushrooms in oil and set aside. In a large bowl, beat eggs and then mix in broccoli, carrots, onions, mushrooms, soup mix and matzo meal. Put in muffin tins and bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes. Serve hot or even cold.

Stacy Liebensohn

**PASSOVER CRANBERRY FARFEL
KUGEL**

- 1 can cranberry sauce (either jellied or whole berry)
- 4 c. matzo farfel
- 4 eggs, beaten
- 2/3 c. vegetable oil
- 1/2 c. white sugar
- 2 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1/2 tsp. cinnamon

Pour cold water over farfel and drain. Mix all ingredients (including damp farfel) together. Bake in 9x13 or other similar casserole at 350 degrees for 1 hour.

Wendy Segal

THE MUPPETS TAKE PURIM!

PURIM CARNIVAL
SUNDAY MARCH 5TH
11:00AM



CARNIVAL GAMES
& PRIZES!!
COSTUMES
ENCOURAGED!!

TRUNK OR TREAT
12:30PM

\$5/CHILD
SUGGESTED DONATION

The Muppets Take Purim!

Monday, March 6th
7:00pm

Choir Performance!

Megillah Reading (mostly
English/Hebrew interspersed)



Snacks! Drinks!
Non-Alcoholic &
Adult beverages

Scrapbooking

Learn How to Create Pages for Your Own Scrapbook



Join TBS Sisterhood at this creative, fun event led by Jackie Martins.

Sunday, March 12 at 10:00 am at Temple Beth Shalom

Bring any photographs or two dimensional items that you want included.

All other supplies will be provided.

Cost \$5 Sisterhood members, \$8 Non-members, to be collected at the event.

RSVP by March 5 to Jackie at 914-413-9629 or fjmart72@gmail.com

Sing-A-Long & Musical Jam

**All are welcome to bring an instrument
or your voice to join in the fun!**

**Music will take place both before and
after services.**

**Friday Evening
March 17th
at 7:30 pm**

STORIES & SNACKS WITH RABBI SARAH

SUNDAYS

MARCH 5TH & APRIL 16TH

11:30AM AT TBS

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Wednesday, April 5th

9:00am Siyum Bechorot: Torah Study to break
the Fast of the Firstborn. Passover begins at night fall.

Thursday, April 6th

10:00am Abbreviated Morning Passover Service & Adult Ed
on Zoom only

Friday, April 7th

10:00am Abbreviated Morning Passover Service & Adult Ed
on Zoom only

8:00pm Passover & Kabbalat Shabbat Service In Person only

Saturday, April 8th

10:00am Passover & Shabbat Morning Service In Person and on Zoom

Wednesday, April 12th

10:00am Abbreviated Morning Passover Service & Adult Ed
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Thursday, April 13th

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Schedule of Services and Candle Lighting Times

Shabbat Services	Candle Lighting	Times
<p>Shabbat Services</p> <p>Friday night: 8 pm</p> <p>Sat Morning: In Person and Zoom 10:00 am</p>	<p>Candle Lighting</p> <p>03/03/23 5:29 PM 03/10/23 5:37 PM 03/17/23 6:45 PM 03/24/23 6:53 PM 03/31/23 7:00 PM 04/05/23 7:06 PM</p>	<p>04/06/23 8:07 PM 04/07/23 7:08 PM 04/11/23 7:12 PM 04/12/23 8:14 PM 04/14/23 7:16 PM 04/21/23 7:23 PM 04/28/23 7:31 PM 05/05/23 7:38 PM</p>



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March/April

March 2nd Zoe Leviner Eli Leviner Barry Levin	March 12th Ella Zimmerman Andy Philip	March 28th Amy Solar-Greco	April 15th James DeLeon
March 3rd Ellis DiMucci	March 16th Scott Markman	March 30th Rebecca Peikes	April 17th Jocelyn Peikes William Raefski
March 4th Dale Raefski	March 17th Alan Belsky	April 3rd Eileen Markman Alissa Luxemburg Sarah Bleakley	April 18th Spencer Rubin David Freundlich
March 5th Yale Brown	March 19th Jay Kopstein	April 4th Joseph Brice Alison Gertner-Mann	April 19th David Fleiss Richard Zager Phyllis Nadelhaft
March 6th Isabel Mirsky	March 20th Caleb Schepart Robert Mitgang	April 5th Judith Occhiogrossi Joel Greenberg	April 20th Sylvia Bornfriend Philip
March 7th Robert Altabet Mark Beshears	March 21st Jessica Zager	April 7th Richard Weiss	April 23rd Glenn Sapir
March 8th Stewart Glass	March 23rd Samuel Begler Ariel Simon Michelle Kushner	April 8th Ruby Aday	April 24th Stacy Mitgang
March 9th Zachary Lerman	March 24th Jennifer Lomas Jeffrey Roberts	April 9th Dale Gross	April 25th Anthony Shaffer Ari Pollack David Lapa
March 10th Marcia Stone Gail Seiden-Plaut	March 25th Daniel Philip Phyllis Solar	April 11th Lauren Rosenblum Dagan Duke	April 28th Sydney Ende
March 11th Paul Plotnick Jeffrey Guest	March 27th Jennifer Bates	April 13th Richard Fleiss Scott Liff Eliot DeLeon	April 30th Jeanne Toovell Sharon Gunzburg



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- Shlomo Meyer ben Avram Zev v'Sima

Mar 30 / Nisan 8

- Mr. Jack Keniston

Apr 1 / Nisan 10

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Apr 2 / Nisan 11

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Apr 3 / Nisan 12

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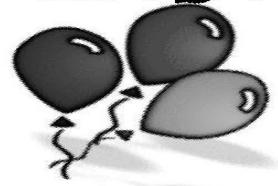
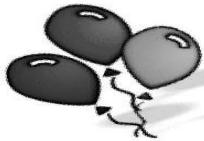
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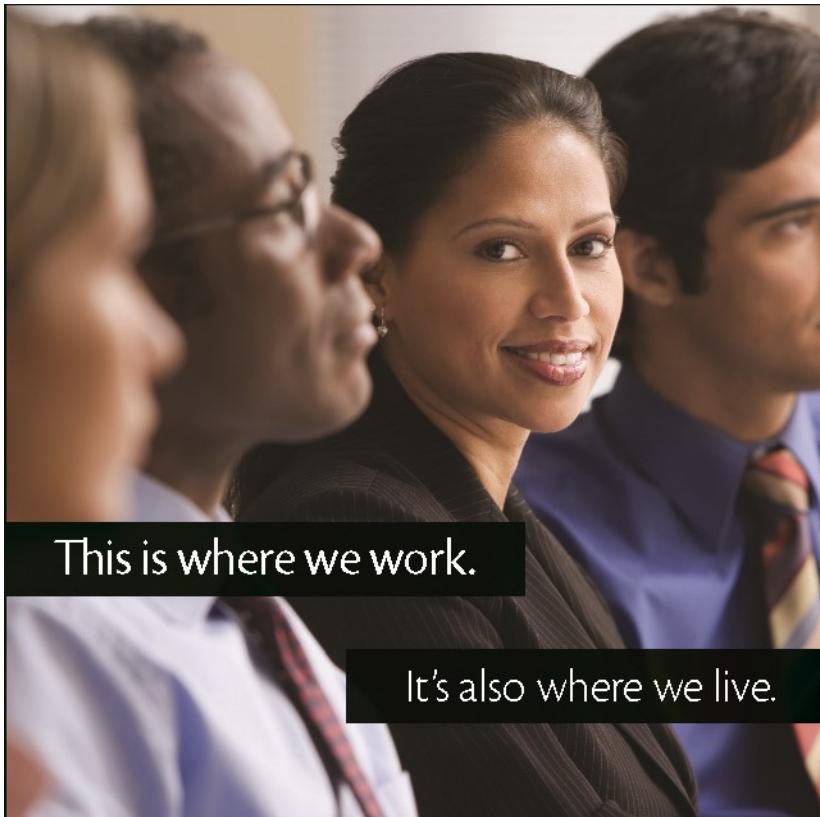
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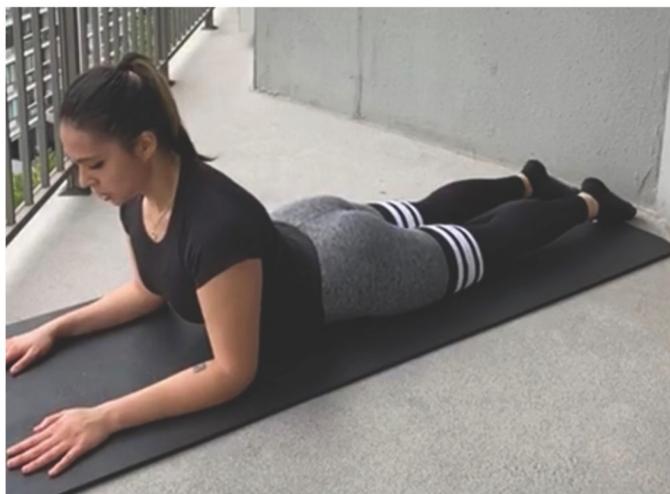
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