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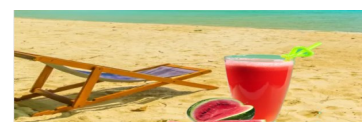
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A Message From Our President



Dear Fellow Congregants,

The Passover holiday, always one of my favorites, is coming to an end. My personal goal for this holiday, once again, was to not shred my fingertips as I prepared my (in) famous charoset. Mission

accomplished. I sincerely hope that you have all had inspiring Pesach seders with your loved ones.

The recent Barbie-themed Megillah Reading, the Purim Carnival, and the outdoor Trunk or Treat event were all very well-attended and, I feel, truly represented the warmth and character of our small-and-mighty Temple Beth Shalom! THANK YOU to everyone that helped plan, design, and drive these programs forward!!

The Board of Trustees and I would like to wish a hearty Mazel Tov on the upcoming B'nai Mitzvah of Arya Bates, Ben Rucker, and Magnolia Raine!

The current religious school year is coming to an end in a couple of months. I would like to give a great big Todah Rabah to our teachers - Miss Aimee, Mrs. Samson, and Miss Bria, along with our Religious School Committee, our Executive Committee liaison Fred E., and, of course, Rabbi Sarah. Thank you to all the volunteers that helped to ensure our school ran smoothly this past year - Denise C., Ari S., Jill R., Matt H., and many more! The Religious School year will be wrapping up with the Stepping Up Ceremony to be held on June 9th.

Also on June 9th will be our Congregational Meeting where we will be voting for Board members, Officers, and the budget for the new year. Watch your email for more details to come.

As a gentle reminder, I ask that you invite your Jewish friends, neighbors, or work colleagues to experience a Friday night Shabbat service with us. Or, invite them to join us virtually via Zoom for a Shabbat morning service. Follow, Like, and Share our social media content on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube. How else can we all have a hand in increasing TBS membership? By sharing your experiences with TBS with your friends, neighbors, and acquaintances. The concept of membership does not solely rely on a committee, or a single person, to spearhead. Rather, each and every family in TBS can help to grow our wonderful Jewish community, and everything we offer, by reaching out to those that you know. As we come out of our winter hibernation, we often find ourselves spending time with others in the community. Enjoying a spring hike, spending time at the community pool or lake, or sharing a summer party with friends.

These are the opportunities to mention TBS in your conversations. Be upfront about your feelings toward TBS and our Jewish community. Remind others that we are much more than just a physical building called a synagogue. TBS is all about relationships and connections; One's connection with G-d, with our fellow congregants, and with our traditions, history, and culture.

We at TBS always strive to offer a welcoming culture with plenty of programming events, a Religious School, a Teens group, and of course, a place to daven. TBS is open to all - to singles and couples, families, young and old, men and women, gay and straight, persons of color, Jews by birth and Jews by choice. You can enhance TBS by inviting your unaffiliated friends to join you at services and other synagogue programs. We all can help by creating a warm and welcoming environment. First impressions are always so crucial.

Wishing you a safe and enjoyable summer season as the Temple Times goes on hiatus for the next four months.

L'Shalom,
Allan Gunzburg

...and now for some humor, something that we could all desperately use.... (via Reddit)

A British Jew is waiting in line to be knighted by the Queen. He is to kneel in front of her and recite a sentence in Latin when she taps him on the shoulders with her sword. However, when his turn comes, he panics in the excitement of the moment and forgets the Latin. Then, thinking fast, he recites the first sentence that comes to his mind in a foreign language: "Ma nishtanah halailah hazeh mikol haleilot." Puzzled, Her Majesty turns to her advisor and whispers, "Why is this knight different from all other knights?"

A Jewish man goes hiking in the woods one day, and he comes across a giant bear. The bear notices the man and chases him into a nearby cave. Terrified, the man decides to spend his last few moments closing his eyes and saying the Shema. After finishing his prayer, the man opens his eyes and sees the bear is davening in front of him. The man thinks, "Baruch Hashem, I've found a Jewish bear! I must pray with him." He leans in and hears the bear say "...shehakol nihiyah bed'varo."

A boy comes home from school and tells his mother he got a part in the school play.

"That's wonderful!" says the mother, "Which part?"
"The part of a Jewish husband," says the boy, proudly.
Frowning, the mother says, "Go back and tell them you want a speaking role!"

A Message from Our Educational Director by Bria Gunzburg



I hope everyone had a meaningful and joyous Purim! Our Barbie-themed festivities were a big hit across the board. Toda Raba to those who made these events spectacular- Lynn M, Scott M., Robin K., Denise C., Jenn and Mitch C., Renee Z., Heather S., Miss Aimee, and our wonderful TBS Teens!

As I write this in early April, I look forward to our visit to the Jewish Museum on 5th Ave in NYC. Students in the Religious School, TBS teens, and Congregants have signed up to attend the trip, indulging themselves in Jewish history, culture, and tradition through arts-based, interactive, and hands-on learning. Our younger students will be participating in an Archeological Dig and discussing how artifacts connect to Judaism and the Torah. Our older students will participate in an Art & Identity Tour. This unique experience will allow us to explore the current exhibitions and works of art that focus on themes including Social Justice, Portraiture, and Immigration. Thank you, Scott M., for spearheading this program. Cannot wait to share our experience!

Gathered around the Seder table, we can recount the ancient narrative and connect it to our lives today. Passover encourages us to reflect on our own journeys, the challenges we have overcome, and the blessings we have received. It's an opportunity to express gratitude for the freedoms we enjoy and to reaffirm our commitment to making the world a better place for

future generations. As we conclude the celebration of Pesach, I hope you had a fulfilling holiday surrounded by loved ones.

To our upcoming B'nai Mitzvah: Arya Bates, Ben Rucker, and Magnolia Raine- May this milestone be filled with pride, joy, blessings, and wonderful memories that will last a lifetime. Wishing you all the best as you embark on this meaningful journey into adulthood. Mazel tov to you and your families!

For the past two years, Mrs. Samson has dedicated herself wholeheartedly as the Morah for Kitah Vav Zayin. Her contributions to our Religious School have been nothing short of extraordinary, leaving an indelible mark on both students and staff alike. As she moves forward to new adventures, her presence will be deeply missed. We extend our heartfelt gratitude for her unwavering commitment and wish her the very best in the future!

As the school year winds down, I want to thank you all for your dedication and support to our Religious School. I am so grateful to be part of the TBS community, and to teach and work with your children. Please keep your eye out for re-enrollment paperwork and, as always, don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Bria

Upcoming Religious School Calendar Happenings

May	June
1- Remote Learning 4- Shabbat Chavaya & Insightful Shabbat Moments Service 5- Remote Learning 8- Remote Learning 12- No Class (Mother's Day) 15- Remote Learning 19- Remote & In-person Learning, Stories & Snacks with Rabbi Sarah, and Israel Celebration 22- Remote Learning 26- No Class (Memorial Day) 29- Remote Learning	2- Remote & In-person Learning 5- Remote Learning 9- Stepping Up Ceremony & Luncheon 14- Sing-A-Long & Musical Shabbat Service

Support Connection Honoree—Linda Levin By Laura Plotnick

On Sunday April 7, 2024 Linda Levin received the Andrea Karl Amazing Grace Award during a Spirits Awards Brunch at the Briarcliff Manor in Briarcliff, New York. Linda was one of seven women who were honored in the presence of hundreds of attendees.

Support Connection, located in Yorktown Heights, offers free breast, ovarian and other gynecological cancer peer counseling services to people in need.

“Being part of the Support Connection community for over 20 years has been an honor, joy and blessing. I am grateful to be supported by a community of people seeking to support those going through such a difficult phase.

When I found out I was receiving the Andrea Karl Amazing Grace Award I was truly touched as Andrea’s spirit has motivated me to grow and live my life to the fullest.”

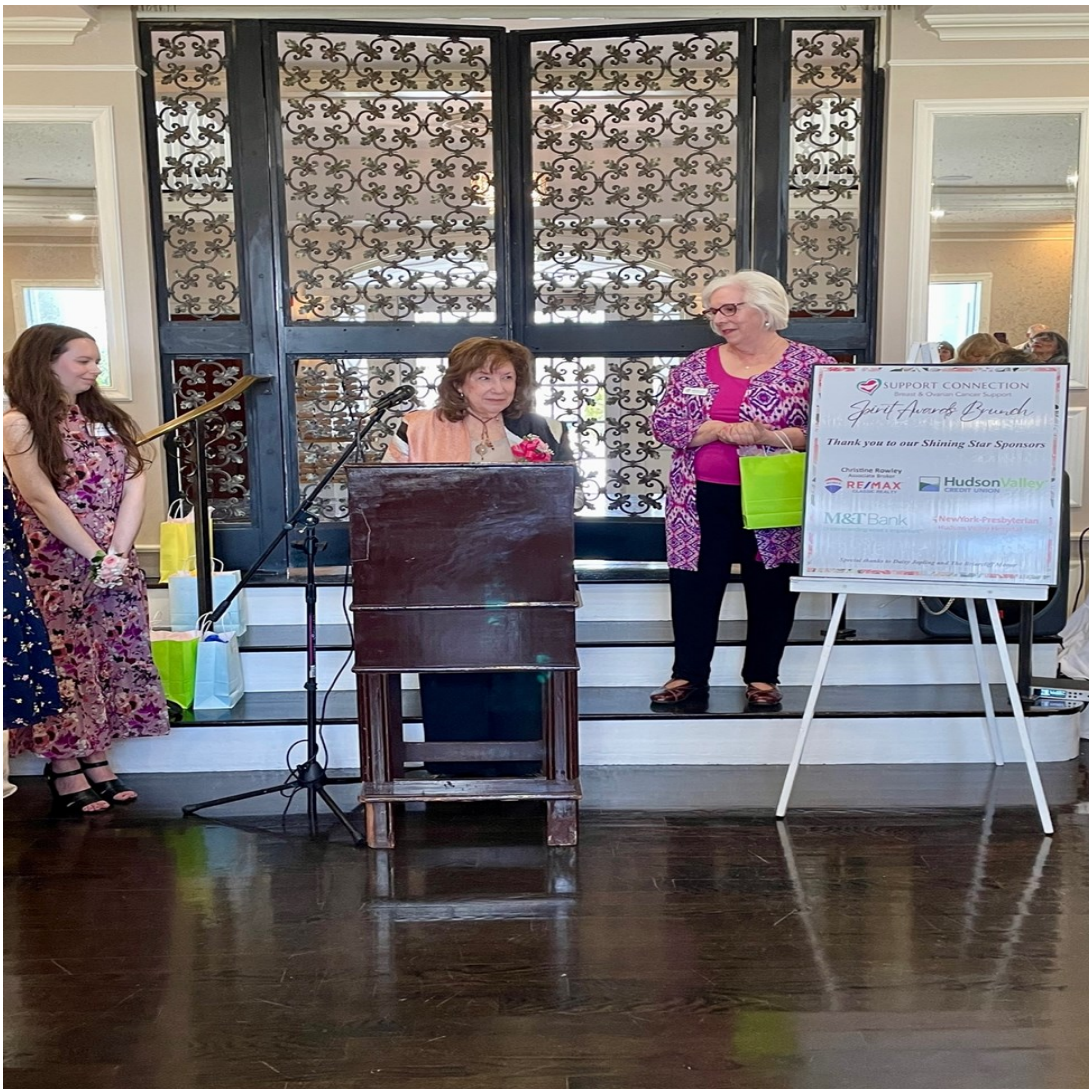
Linda’s husband Barry also has selflessly offered support of the free programs and services over many years.

Please consider making a donation to:

Support Connection
40 Triangle Center Suite 100,
Yorktown Heights, NY 10598

and/ or to Temple Beth Shalom in Linda’s honor.

Submitted by Laura Plotnick who has taken advantage of Support Connection’s Community Services.



ACT.DON'T REACT

Submitted by Brett H. Bowden

"The happiness of your Life depends upon the quality of your thoughts: therefore guard accordingly, and take care that you entertain no notions unsuitable to virtue and reasonable nature." - Marcus Aurelius

I'm writing this piece 6 months to the day of the heinous attack by Hamas from Gaza. And one day before the much-anticipated total eclipse of the Sun: a celestial event whereby darkness will overshadow light for seconds, minutes, or hours to the millions of spectators and bystanders who will react with awe, fear, and in some cases, indifference. *How's that for symbolism, folks?!*

Can you imagine the human response the very first time an eclipse occurred?

Or, how much we've evolved since then?

Yes, we live in evolving societies on an evolving planet within an evolving Universe - which itself is authored by Hashem. [When asked about the existence of the Almighty, the 2000 year-old man told that the leader of his group was a guy named Phil. And one day, Phil got struck by lightning so they started to think, *"There's something bigger than Phil!"*.]

Now here's what you need to know about me: I *love* to learn - and think about stuff. I love everything about the idea and process of learning. And as such, I'm the lifelong learner I want all my students to become. There's not much better than reading a good book and then further investigating where all the cool stuff came from. And with the advent of the Internet... I just love going down a rabbit hole of knowledge and seeing where it takes me before coming up for air. Alone. Downstairs. On the computer. At one o'clock in the morning...

And just like that we've also evolved, from a *thinking* to a *feeling* and now to a *reactionary* society. Case in point, 40 years ago an American History Professor might inquire about Abraham Lincoln's presidency and a student would reply, *"I think-" STOP!* the Professor would interrupt and respond, *"Don't tell me about what you think!"*.

Twenty years ago, if the same question was asked, a student would reply, *"Well, I feel-" STOP! The*

teacher would interrupt and respond, *"Nobody asked about your feelings!"* Today, the fact that Abraham Lincoln was once President would be met with reactions from portraying Lincoln as a white supremacist to an anti-democratic tyrant, depending of course upon the hindsighted agenda of the responder.

So, what do we make of all this?

Ours seems to have become a society based mostly on reacting to stimuli as opposed to reasoned analysis and rational thought. This goes counter to Holocaust survivor Victor Frankl's famous quote. *"Between stimulus and response there is a space. In that space is our power to choose our response. In our response lies our growth and our freedom."*

Why do we ignore that *space*?

Why do we relinquish our *power to choose*?

Why do we sacrifice our *growth and freedom*?

Is it technology that has made us intellectually lazy?

Why is it that more and more people these days willingly wait for things to "happen" – instead of preparing ahead of time? Rather than have a proactive state of mind/plan, they seem intentionally unaware – only to step back, then express their displeasure with some type of reaction. This seems totally counterintuitive. Bass-ackwards, if you will. Of course, this reflects society's growing trend of *"blamestorming"* as opposed to brainstorming. Not good, folks.

At the same time, I've always been fascinated by *human behavior*. This, along with *belief systems* and *political theory*. Perhaps this is why I like facilitating the *"TBS Checks In" Connection Circles*? I've always wondered why people say and do the things they do. It can be instructive.

Why did Hamas invade and brutally attack innocent Israeli citizens on October 7th?

Didn't they know the consequences of their actions; that there would be repercussions - an overwhelming military response? Or did they simply count on that being the case, come what may?

ACT.DON'T REACT—cont'd

Why didn't they care enough about their constituents – enough at least to relocate them inside the myriad miles of underground tunnels, and in so doing, protect them from the massive shelling by the IDF? Why did they cut off their nose to spite their face? Their masked face.

Of course, these questions take me back to my patent response after one of the all-too-frequent mass shootings we experience here in the United States: you can't make sense of a senseless act.

And then there's this...

Why is the world reacting to October 7th will relentless anti-Israel, anti-Zionism, anti-Semitism? Maybe this is just the "cost of business" for being a Jew.

What role does belief, faith, thought and theory play in our Jewish response to all of this?

Maybe it's just our generation's "turn" to experience what our predecessors have for thousands and thousands of years.

I've always loved the idea that **Judaism** [the power of our Faith] is an ethical system as well as a religion. That as Jews, we are provided with a lifelong universal search for an ethical life filled with morality, justice, *zedakah*, righteousness, *chessed*, loving kindness, *rachamim*, and compassion. The power of our faith dovetails nicely with other belief systems I've studied/embraced: **Buddhism** [enlightenment, inner peace, wisdom], **Taoism** [balance, mindfulness, harmony, "the way"], and most recently, **Stoicism** [reframing the mind not to react to that which we cannot control].

A dictionary might define "Faith" as *a belief and trust based upon evidence but without total proof*. As Jews, the Shema tells us that we center our faith in only one G-d, who has established a covenant with us. In Hashem we have an innate connection that transcends reason. We act with this in mind so as to cede control to Him.

So, I wonder, is Hashem a Stoic?

One, who believes that our practice of virtue involves how we treat and behave towards one another. One, who has helped us refine our thinking, emotions, and character. One, who emphasizes our common humanity, empathy and compassion as a means to foster respect to everyone else. One, who tells us to avoid anger

[temporary insanity, to the Stoics], rage, and revenge. One, who reminds us to favor rational thinking instead of worry, sorrow, and depression.

And if we do all of this, accede to the above, will the rich spiritual, ethical, and philosophical reward for us be a well-lived Life?

[I TOLD you that I love to think about stuff!!!]

Well, if you've made it to the end of this rabbit hole, I'll leave you with the following advice from my Uncle Mel...

"Hope for the Best. Expect the worst. Life is a play. We're unrehearsed."

"As long as the world is turning and spinning, we're gonna be dizzy and we're gonna make mistakes."

"Look, I really don't want to wax philosophic, but I will say that if you're alive, you've got to flap your arms and legs, you got to jump around a lot, you got to make a lot of noise, because life is the very opposite of death. And therefore, as I see it, if you're quiet, you're not living. You've got to be noisy, or at least your thoughts should be noisy, colorful and lively."

"Look at Jewish history. Unrelieved lamenting would be intolerable. So, for every ten Jews beating their breasts, G-d designated one to be crazy and amuse the breast-beaters. By the time I was five I knew I was that one."

"Humor is a very powerful component of life. It has the most to say about the human condition because if you laugh you can get by. You can struggle when things are bad if you have a sense of humor. Laughter is a protest scream against death, against the long goodbye. It's a defense against unhappiness and depression."

"Feeling different, feeling alienated, feeling persecuted, feeling that the only way to deal with the world is to laugh - because if you don't laugh you're going to cry and never stop crying - that's probably what's responsible for the Jews having developed such a great sense of humor. The people who had the greatest reason to weep, learned more than anyone else how to laugh."



Sisterhood News By Robin Kushner



SPRING!!! It has become my favorite time of the year. The warm weather comes, and I get an urge to clean. (Don't tell my husband! He will want to capitalize on the moment.) Like most people, I start to go through cabinets to discard expired food, clean the tops of really tall furniture never seen by others (Yes, I need the assistance of a really tall ladder), and start discarding clothes I have not worn in a while. This last task is always the hardest. What if I lose weight? What if it comes back in style? I forgot how good that color was for me! Wait, I can't throw that out! What if my daughter might need it!! I still make the attempt and this year is no different.

This time of the year also reminds me of a fresh start. I tend to take on another new project that I want to exceed at. Sometimes, it is the hunt for the perfect recipe. This year, I finally found my perfect oatmeal cookie recipe!!! Believe me when I say I have tried many over the years. My family never seems to complain about my many attempts. As with all my recipes, I ask for feedback. They all try them and give me their comments. My rejects mostly get high grades from the peanut gallery, but I never seem to be happy with them. I recently was asked by one of my children for a batch of oatmeal cookies for his send off back to college. I tried a new recipe for the fun of it and thought... "Wow, this one is different, I like it!" I knew I hit a home run when I got a call from my son giving me the expected feedback required for a new recipe. He actually called just to say that his roommates were raving!!!

The taste, I thought, was really good. Now the biggest dilemma, hard or soft. Michael likes them crunchy and hard. Everyone else like them soft. Some like them right out of the oven and some prefer when it has

cooled down to room temperature. Frozen cookies always seem to be a hit!! Bake now, freeze for later and enjoy at any time!!!

Sisterhood tries each year for a fresh start!! We are always looking to improve what we have done before or try something that has not been done yet? This year we have had a successful run with the lunch club and the dinner club. Thank you to Denise Clescere, Phyllis Solar and Renee Zalewitz for all of their hard work. We will continue bringing these successful sisterhood clubs to our synagogue in the next calendar year.

Sisterhood also started Mah Jongg!! We have had our first introduction classes. A big thank you to Sandy Gross and Marge Pollack for all of your assistance with the new classes. In May we will have two open play nights. This will be open to sisterhood members and they will be allowed to bring a friend. RSVP's will be necessary to ensure we have enough tables. If May goes well, we will continue to bring open play night in the following months.

I am writing this before our author's event. This year is our third "Meet the Author" event. I will say in advance that it was a hit!! Once the event is officially over, I will ask if everyone wants to continue this event in the future. Stay tuned for pictures!!

We are meeting in April to put our calendar together for the next year. We will continue with what has worked well and we are also looking for new ideas that all of you might want to see brought to our synagogue even if it a revisited, reimagined idea on something that might have been done before. If you have any thoughts, please share them with me.





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WOMAN OF THE YEAR

HONORING

Marilyn Arsham



Sunday, June 2 • 1:00 PM

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SISTERHOOD@TBSMAHOPAC.ORG



Temple Beth Shalom Presents

Insightful Shabbat Moments

This event aims to bring a deeper understanding and connection to our Shabbat services by having individuals share their insights with the congregation during Shabbat services on May 4th.

The following congregants will share their personal connection to a Shabbat prayer:

Patti Bettman

Jonathan Frank

Bernice Guest

Bernie Jacobs

Jennifer Lomas

Paul Plotnick

Marcia Stone

Please note that there will be a delightful addition to our ambiance - an acoustic guitar performance!

 A flyer for a Mah Jongg event. The background is a vibrant red, filled with numerous Mah Jongg tiles scattered across the surface. The tiles are white with red and black markings, including Chinese characters and symbols like circles and dots. On the right side of the flyer, the text is written in a white, elegant serif font.

Let's Play Mah Jongg

Hosted by Sisterhood

Temple Beth Shalom
(Social Hall)
7PM - 9PM
May 2nd, May 16th

RSVP by April 26th to
Marge Pollack (845) 661-1010
Or
Sandy Gross
Sndgross@gmail.com

Programming Committee

TBS programming is busy planning activities for the spring and summer as well as the coming year!!

We viewed the movie "The Jazz Singer" March 2nd. It was well attended and enjoyed by all. Thank you to David Michaels and Lynn Michaels for their help with this program.

Purim was successful and we thank Scott and his helpers for their carnival fun. Thank you to Jenn for the food!!

By the time you read this a trip to the Jewish Museum will have happened. I am sure it was a great day. Thank you to Scott for his organization and planning.

Please plan on attending our celebration for Israel, our homeland, on May 19th at 11:30. We will be starting with Israeli dancing which is for all ages!! We have a professional dance instructor to lead us and hope many will participate.

After the dancing there will be Israeli refreshments!!

Please let us know that you will be attending. There also will be some craft activities for the children.

The book club is going strong and everyone has been enjoying reading and discussing. It will continue during the summer and next year. Anyone may join at any time!!!

Our next book is Sing You Home by Jodi Picoult. We will discuss this on Tuesday June 4th on Zoom. We will meet on July 30th in the summer.

We look forward to our first Poetry Cafe June 23rd led by Bob Altabet. More information to follow. Our annual summer barbecue will take place on Sunday July 21st at Downing Park. Please mark your calendars.

We welcome any ideas for future programs!! Please contact Jackie (fjmart72@comcast.net) to share your ideas. Thank you for your participation!!

Jackie, Jenn and Frank

Sisterhood *Luncheon*

Friday, May 17th

12:30pm

Location TBD

Please RSVP to Denise Clescere at
Dansmother@hotmail.com



Ritual News by Eddie Lapa



Shalom,
'Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying: This is how you shall bless the children of Israel: "May the L-rd bless you and watch over you. May the L-rd cause His countenance to shine to you and favor you. May the L-rd raise His countenance toward you and grant you peace." They shall bestow My Name upon the children of Israel, so that I will bless them. (Numbers 6:23)'Priestly Blessings

I can't believe that another year has passed and I'm writing the Ritual Article for the Temple Times Spring/Summer edition.

This past Winter/early Spring at TBS has definitely presented us with many challenges. Baruch HaShem we have both Rabbi Sarah and Jeff Guest on the mend. We continue to wish them both a Refuah Shelemah. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Lynn Michaels for graciously volunteering to tutor Jeff's B'nai Mitzvot students. Lynn has also helped in leading services, rolling Torah Scrolls, reading Torah and delivering wonderful D'var. We'd also like to give a Yasher Koach to all our service Leaders and Torah, HafTorah, D'var and Prayer leaders - Bernice, Marilyn, Ari, Karen, Andy, Dylan, Laura and the upcoming B'nai Mitzvot Children.

I was fortunate that my office schedule unexpectedly opened up at the beginning of March, allowing me to attend the services on Shabbat Chavaya led by Cissy Samson's class. It was truly a wonderful experience to watch all the kids take part in leading services. This class has shown true resilience as they lived through the 4 years of the Pandemic and succeeded. Yasher Koach to the kids and to our Board of Ed, Bria, our Hebrew School teachers and to all the parents of our children, working together to achieve excellence.

It was wonderful to see such a fantastic turnout for our Barbie Purim Megillah Reading and carnival, including the Trunk or Treat event. Thank you to all who joined us! It appeared to be standing room only at the Megillah reading. Thank you to Lynn for pulling together the reading/audiovisual, assigning the readings and creating the signature drinks (both virgin and alcoholic) with the alcohol committee.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Gail and Barry Plaut, as well as Isabel Mirsky, for coordinating the MiShaloch Manot bags. A big thank you also goes out to all the drivers who ensured their delivery. We are truly grateful to everyone who participated in and contributed to this fantastic and enjoyable fundraiser.

Hopefully everyone had a wonderful Pesach and your Seders were full of family and friends and good food as we told the story of the Exodus from Egypt to the Promised Land! L'Shanah Haba'ah B'Yerushalayim - Next Year in Jerusalem!

Upcoming events:

Yom HaShoah - Sunday May 5th
Shavuot - Tuesday June 11-13th
Tisha B'Av - Monday August 12-13th
Rosh Hashanah - Wednesday October 2-4th
Yom Kippur - Friday October 11-12th

Please refer to other sections of Temple Times, as well as upcoming temple emails, for details regarding service times, Yizkor, and more.

We would like to wish a Hearty Mazal Tov to Our B'nai Mitzvot Children and Families:

May 11th Arya Bates
May 18th Ben Rucker
May 25th Magnolia Raine

We encourage everyone to sign up to read Torah, Haftorah, lead Prayers (Hebrew or English) or deliver a D'Var on Shabbat. It's a wonderful way to connect to our heritage as well as to your fellow congregants and friends. We are always looking for people to lead services.

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

On Behalf of the entire Ritual Committee we would like to wish everyone continued health, strength and a wonderful and safe Spring/Summer!!!

Eddie and Matt



Thank You by Denise Clescere

I would like to express my gratitude to the members of our congregation who reached out to me when they learned about the loss of my brother, Howard. To everyone who attended the funeral service, your presence meant the world to me. The kindness & support that was shown to me through cards, letters & donations, made the difficult days much less heartbreaking and I am beyond grateful. An additional thank you to Rabbi Sarah for her beautiful eulogy & unwavering support during this time. I am truly thankful for this wonderful community.

Denise Clescere

From the Men's Club By Joel Greenberg



As I sit here and dictate my article, the Solar Eclipse was 24 hours ago and what a site it was. Our last event, which was held on Sunday March 17, 2024, was a huge success. It was our annual Trial of a biblical figure. Haman was on Trial for assault, attempted murder, and attempted genocide. The audience and the Hebrew School students acted as the jury. In the attached photo, from right to left are Melissa Lynch, Putnam County Assistant District Attorney who was the Prosecuting Attorney, Denise Clescere, played the Bailiff, Dylan McDermott played Mordechai, The Honorable Daniel Miller, Carmel Town Justice played the Judge, Wendy Greenberg played Queen Esther, Patti Bettman played Haman's wife Zeresh, Ari Samson played King Achashverosh, Lynn Michaels, of course, played Haman, Scott Reing was the Defense Attorney and yours truly who thought it would be a good photo opportunity and finally Patrolman Dave, from the Carmel Police who arrested Haman after he was proven guilty by his peers and led Haman away in handcuffs. For anyone interested, the video of the trial is available. Our thanks to the entire cast for a superb performance. A special thanks to Lynn Michaels for her extensive research and for organizing this HISTORICAL TRIAL. Also, thank you to Putnam County District Attorney Robert Tendy, who acted as Special Consultant for the prosecution.

Our next event will be on Sunday May 5th, 2024. We have invited the School Superintendents from the surrounding school districts to discuss the upcoming school budget votes and general information about the school curriculum.

On Friday May 31st, 2024, at 6:30PM, The Men's Club will sponsor a Hamburger and Hot Dog Dinner. Then after dinner, the Men's club will conduct services with dessert to follow.

I am pleased to announce that on that Friday night we will honor Mike Mirsky who was selected as the Men's Club Man of the Year. We will also be honoring Jake Lomas and Dylan McDermott as Youth of the Year.

Finally, tickets are on sale for our third annual visit to the Renegades Baseball game on Thursday afternoon July 4th, 2024. The tickets are only \$25.00 a person and include the new Renegades Hat, The Renegades will be playing the Brooklyn Cyclones which is the Mets farm team. Fabulous Fireworks will follow the game. Watch for details.

In closing, I hope all of you had a wonderful Seder and enjoyed the Eight Days of Passover.

Shalom
Joel





Meet Arya Bates



Arya Marie Bates (Hebrew Name: Blima) is a 7th grader at George Fischer Middle School in Carmel, NY. She has consistently achieved academic high honor roll while remaining active in FBLA, modified soccer and modified track. She plays the flute, sings in chorus, is a member of the Dance Company at Pinewood School of Dance, plays

travel soccer for the Carmel United Warriors and has a black belt in Taekwondo. Arya enjoys nature, animals and being with friends and family.

Arya's Bat Mitzvah project is to plant a wildflower meadow and pollinator garden at Temple Beth Shalom. This garden will be part of the Putnam Pollinator Pathway (<https://cceptutnamcounty.org/gardening/putnam-pollinator-pathway>) of which she is a member.

The youngest child, Arya has both an older brother, Dylan and an older sister, Kyra. She fancies herself an independent young lady, taking on responsibilities at home beyond her age. She loves to surround herself with her dogs, Bela, Drogon and Ragnar; her cat, Khaleesi; and her turtle, Oogway.

Our family would like to thank many people for helping Arya get to this point in her Jewish life. Rabbi Sarah has been an important part of our family's life for many years. Arya was blessed to have both Jeff Guest and Lynn Michaels as tutors for her important day. Lastly, we need to thank the Hebrew school staff for Arya, Dylan, and Kyra for helping us to raise our children with a Jewish identity.

We are excited to share Arya's special day with all of you. This is only the beginning of her life as a Jewish adult. We are so proud of you Arya!

Meet Ben Rucker



Hello, my name is Ben Rucker. I am a 7th grader at Mahopac Middle School. I live with my mother, father, older sister Madeline, and my dog Lilah. My favorite subject in school is social studies because I get to learn about the past and how things worked (or didn't work), which I find interesting. I am also a Tenderfoot Boy Scout, working on my next rank of

Second Class. I enjoy camping and learning how to survive in the wilderness, as well as learning first aid. I attend Scout camp every summer. I love baseball and play for Westchester Elite, a travel team that competes all over the area during the spring, summer, and fall. We went to a tournament in Maryland last summer for 4 days which was fun, and I pitched for several games. My middle name is Shea, and I am a big Mets fan just like my dad. My favorite indoor hobby is playing games on my PlayStation with friends.

I will become a Bar Mitzvah on May 18th. My Torah portion of Emor covers how to treat animals humanely, which is important to me. I care very much for all animals, particularly my dog Lilah. She is a rescue dog from Mississippi and may have been euthanized if we didn't adopt her. My mitzvah project is helping Putnam Humane Society, a local no-kill shelter that cares for animals in our community and is a great place to consider adopting. You can donate pet food or supplies in my donation box set up in the TBS lobby from April 22th-June 9th. The specific list of what they need is posted there. You can also donate to them directly using this link: <https://www.puthumane.org/alumni/in-memory-of/in-memory-of-form/>. Please choose the "in honor of" and write my name so I can track donations. My goal is to raise at least \$500 plus donated supplies.

I appreciate all the education and support that my religious school teachers, the Rabbi, my tutor Lynn Michaels, and the congregation have shown me as I have learned about Judaism over the years. I look forward to seeing you on my big day.

Meet Magnolia Raine



I'm Magnolia Raine. My family moved to Yorktown Heights from Riverdale in the Bronx in 2021. I'm an 8th grade student at Lakeland Copper Beech Middle School, which is in Shrub Oak, and I will become a Bat Mitzvah on May 25, 2024.

At my school, I have been on the High Honor Roll since I started in 6th grade. I am an alto in my school's Honors Chorus. This special group has provided me with many opportunities, like performing in NYSSMA solos where I earned 26 out of 28 points. I also play on my school's volleyball team as a (D.S) defense specialist.

During my free time, I enjoy making friendship bracelets, playing games, spending time with friends, and playing with our dog, Simba, a 5 year-old Labrador Retriever mix. I also love to travel. Some of my favorite family vacations included Cape Cod, Florida, Vegas, California, and Aruba. Last year, my family and I went to Israel for a MAGnificent adventure! While we were in the Old City, I found and fell in love with my Tallis, which I'm soon to receive. We visited the Western Wall, Baha'i Gardens, swam in the Dead Sea, explored Masada and so much more.

For the past three summers, I went to Camp Young Judaea Sprout Lake (CYJSL), located in Verbank, NY. Sprout Lake is a very special place to me. I met many life-long friends there and created unforgettable

memories that I will cherish forever.

For my Bat Mitzvah project, I am raising money for the CYJSL's Tuition Assistance Fund so that other kids could have the chance to make their own amazing memories. If you would like to contribute to my Bat Mitzvah project, the link is below:

[Camp Sprout Lake - Jewish Sleepaway Camp in the Hudson Valley.](https://www.cyjsproutlake.org/?form=Donate2Sprout)

<https://www.cyjsproutlake.org/?form=Donate2Sprout>

As shown in the screen shot below –

Just **check the box that says**, "Dedicate this donation".

Then, **type my name in the field** for "Name of someone special to me".

Finally, **designate your donation to** "CYJSL Tuition Assistance Fund"

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[Add comment](#)



Thank you, so much, for your support! I look forward to celebrating my Bat Mitzvah with you all soon.



HOLOCAUST
MEMORIAL DAY

Sunday, May 5th 4:00pm



Generations Forward

The Holocaust & Human Rights Education Center created a second and third generation group, called **Generations Forward**.

This group includes children and grandchildren of Holocaust survivors. Memory Keepers are members who are trained speakers, who tell their family's story from the next generation perspective, adding new meaning to the survivors' powerful stories of witness.

Please join us at Temple Beth Shalom as we welcome

Memory Keeper & Speaker, Michael Gyory

Michael is currently the Board Chair of the Holocaust and Human Rights Education Center (hhrecny.org). As a member of the HHREC's *Generations Forward* speaker's group, he tells both the story of his parents and his famous cousin Agi Keleti, all Hungarian Holocaust survivors. His cousin Agi is the Jewish woman with the most Olympic medals, winning ten Olympic medals for Hungary, and accomplishing this feat after surviving the Nazis and outlasting the Communists in her native Hungary. Agi is also currently the oldest living Olympic medalist at age 103!

**Please join us for a Commemorative Ceremony and a Q & A Session.
Refreshments will be served.**

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SUNDAY MAY 19TH 11:30AM AT TBS

Explore Jewish holidays in this fun, engaging & low key story time with the Rabbi. Geared towards preschoolers, older & younger siblings are welcome.



Celebrate Israel at TBS

Sunday, May 19th

Israeli Dancing & Lesson
from 11:30am-12:30pm
Refreshments & Crafts to follow

\$10 Donation-Adults
Kids & students are free of charge

Fun for the whole family!

Donations being accepted for Magen David Adom-The Israeli Red Cross.
Cash or Check only

TBS MENS CLUB SHABBAT
And
BBQ SHABBAT DINNER



Come join us Friday night May 31st for a BBQ Dinner followed by Shabbat services lead by our Men's Club. We will be honoring Mike Mirsky, the TBS Men's Club Man of the Year. Enjoy Kosher Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Veggie Burgers And all the traditional trimmings!

Dinner 6:30 -7:45 Services 8:00

Delicious Kiddish after Services-open to all

Cost for Dinner: \$18 for adults, kids free

Please contact TBS office, Paul Plotnick or Joel Greenberg for reservations.

BOOK CLUB

Tuesdays
7:30pm on Zoom

June 4th

We will be discussing:
"Sing You Home"
by Jodi Picoult

The following Book Club meeting is July 30th.

Please contact Jackie Martins for the Zoom link.
fjmart72@gmail.com or 914-413-9629





1.5 MILLION

PEOPLE ARE HOMELESS



Please join us on Saturday,
June 8th at services to
welcome a speaker from the
National Coalition for the
Homeless.

Services begin at 10am,
speaker approx. 11:30am.
Kiddush luncheon to follow
sponsored by the
Lomas Family.

We are still collecting for the
Bags of Blessings Donation Drive.
The goal is to create and distribute
bags filled with essential items for
donation directly to the unhoused
or to shelters for the unhoused.
There is a drop-off bin in the main
lobby at TBS.

- Travel Size Soap, Shampoo,
Deodorant, and Toothpaste
- New Toothbrushes
- New Washcloths
- New Gloves & New Winter Hats



Celebrate Shavuot!

**Shavuot begins Tuesday, June 11th,
and continues until Thursday, June 13th
at sundown.**

**Tuesday, June 11th, 7:30pm, Leil Tikkun Shavuot
and cheesecake, in person only.**

**Wednesday, June 12th, 10:00am, on Zoom only.
Abbreviated Morning Service.**

**Thursday, June 13th, 10:00am
Shavuot with Yizkor, in person only**

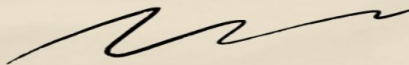
**One of the three Pilgrimage Festivals, Shavuot
celebrates the Revelation at Mt. Sinai and the gift of
Torah and Jewish learning, as well as the wheat harvest
in Biblical Israel.
It always occurs 7 weeks after Passover.**

**HAPPY
SHAVUOT**

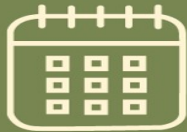
****Save The Date****
Poetry Night at TBS

SUNDAY, JUNE 23RD

*"Poetry: The Language of the
Heart and Soul"*



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



June 9, 2024

10:00 AM

In Person Only

Temple Beth Shalom
760 Rt. 6
Mahopac, NY 10541



Celebration of Learning and Stepping Up Ceremony

Please join us on Sunday, June 9th, following the Congregational Meeting, at 11:30am for the TBS Religious School Stepping Up Ceremony.

We will be celebrating all of our students as the school year ends!

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Refreshments will
be served.

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AM

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SAVE THE DATE



On Thursday Night July 4th TBS makes its 3rd annual baseball outing to Heritage Financial Park in close by Dutchess County to see the Hudson Valley Renegades play the Brooklyn Cyclones (Mets minor league team). We will also experience a spectacular ******FIREWORKS****** display !!!

All of our group will also receive the new 2024 Renegades baseball hat. Ticket prices are only \$25 each. Please invite family and friends to join in the fun! We had over 90 tickets sold last year and all had a fabulous time. Contact Paul Plotnick or Joel Greenberg with questions and to make reservations.



PICNIC IN THE PARK

Join your TBS Family for a picture-perfect day filled with sunshine, laughter, and a delightful picnic in the park.

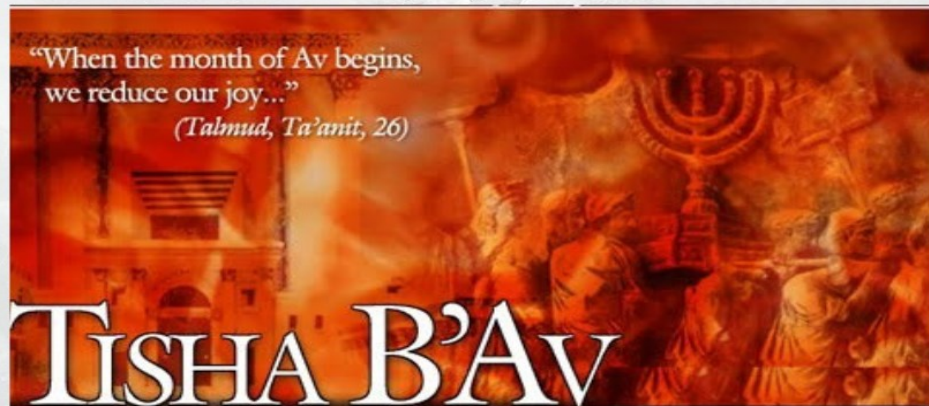
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1-5PM

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Tisha B'Av begins Monday night,
August 12th & ends Tuesday, August 13th

Save the Date for an evening service on
Monday, August 12th.

Tisha B'Av is often referred to as the "saddest day of the Jewish year," when we mark the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem and other calamities that have befallen the Jewish people. We also read one of the most haunting texts in the Hebrew Bible, Eicha (Lamentations), on the night Tisha B'Av begins.

The customary fast begins at 7:58 pm on Monday night and ends at 8:32 pm on Tuesday evening.

Temple Beth Shalom Calendar

Please visit the website to view our calendar

For your security, most of the calendar is
visible only to logged in congregants

רפואה שלמה ~ *Mi'sheberach*

Wishing a return to good health to those who are ill in our community

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Barbara Albrecht ● Gittel bat Henach ● HaRav Sarah bat Rivka ● Shragafeivish Nissan Ben Avigael ● Yisroel ben Baila ● Aharon Zev ben Favelia ● Avraham Shlomo ben Miryasha ● Ehud ben Orah ● Menachem Mendel Simcha ben Sarah ● Yosef ben Schmucl ● Alvin Bernstein ● Toni Bertolini ● Harvey Birnbaum ● Hilda Brown 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Andrea Bruni ● Melaine Caine ● Craig Clescere ● Betsy Dobbs-McAuliffe ● Olga Duarte ● Art Elwell ● Dennis Forte ● Chris Forte ● Susan Goldfarb ● Eunice Goldfarb ● Rochelle Gorelick ● Melissa Greico ● Anna Gristina ● Jeff Guest ● Evan Heller ● Mark Horowitz ● Sheri Kamiel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Paul Katcher ● Jerry Katcher ● Christopher Kehoe ● Mary Kelly ● Paula Klukoff ● Yita Bayla Leventhal ● Patrick Lewis ● Frank Martins ● Laura Mazzacone ● Ava Grace Milton ● Sally Napolitano ● Bryce Norbitz ● Craig Paepre ● Christine & Joseph Paravaty ● Gail Plaut ● George Popper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mario Rosenthal ● Judy Rosenthal ● Celeste Scarfi ● Deena Schachter ● Bridget Schneider ● Nikolai Shamonov ● Riva Shoshanah ● Andrew Singer ● Sandra Singer ● Danielle Stamos ● Larry Ticker ● Lisa Trombetta ● Laurence Weinberg ● Lois Whartenby ● Larry Whartenby ● Anita Zanelli
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Schedule of Services and Candle Lighting Times

Shabbat Services	Candle Lighting	06/21/24 8:14 PM
Friday night: 8:00 pm	05/03/24 7:37 PM	06/28/24 8:14 PM
Sat Morning: 10:00 am	05/10/24 7:44 PM	07/05/24 8:13 PM
In Person and Zoom	05/17/24 7:51 PM	07/12/24 8:10 PM
	05/24/24 7:58 PM	07/19/24 8:05 PM
	05/31/24 8:03 PM	07/26/24 7:59 PM
	06/07/24 8:08 PM	08/02/24 7:52 PM
	06/11/24 8:10 PM	08/09/24 7:43 PM
	06/12/24 9:20 PM	08/16/24 7:33 PM
	06/14/24 8:12 PM	08/23/24 7:23 PM
		08/30/24 7:12 PM
		09/06/24 7:00 PM



Yom Hulédet Samgakh

יום הולדת שמח

May / June / July / August

<p>May 1st Alana DiMucci Bruce Tesler Phoenix Koswener Jeff Feldman Alana Ullman</p> <p>May 3rd Jodi Kopstein</p> <p>May 5th David Michaels</p> <p>May 7th Debra (Deb) Seaman</p> <p>May 8th Robert Greenberg</p> <p>May 9th Jason Lerman</p> <p>May 11th Stephan Miller</p> <p>May 13th Matthew Hochberg Sarah Hindin</p> <p>May 14th Gail Freundlich</p> <p>May 16th Liberty Reing</p> <p>May 18th Sarah Rucker Patricia Bettman</p>	<p>May 19th Marcia Altabet</p> <p>May 21st Edward Lapa Stephanie Gross</p> <p>May 22nd Alan Karel</p> <p>May 23rd Rachel Weissman Rochelle Hammer</p> <p>May 24th Becca Lomas</p> <p>May 25th Jeremy Levin Wendy Greenberg</p> <p>May 26th Alex Freundlich</p> <p>May 27th Ronald Arsham David Volkman</p> <p>May 28th Maxwell Semegran Mary Palmer</p> <p>May 29th Jillian Cohen</p>	<p>May 30th Saul Luxemburg Nicole Tuchman Jennifer Michaels</p> <p>May 31st Asher Duke Benjamin Levin Frances Tesler</p> <p>June 1st Alyia Bettman</p> <p>June 2nd James Kwan</p> <p>June 3rd Caroline Lebwohl</p> <p>June 7th Madeline Rucker Judith Morris</p> <p>June 8th Monika Lazar</p> <p>June 11th Bernice Guest Dennis Ullman</p> <p>June 12th Bernard Simon Jennifer Cohen</p> <p>June 13th Tess Bettman</p>	<p>June 14th Lawrence Gorelick</p> <p>June 15th David Small Dakota (Coco) Lebwohl Fred Ende</p> <p>June 16th Andy Tuchman Robin Zencheck</p> <p>June 17th Jason Small</p> <p>June 18th Adam Semegran Zachary Cohen Harrison Cohen</p> <p>June 21st Carol Medow</p> <p>June 22nd Steven Brown Marilyn Arsham Justine DeLeon Shera Tuchman</p> <p>June 23rd Laurence Rubin Bree Rosenblum</p> <p>June 25th Renee Zalewitz</p> <p><i>(Continued on page 28)</i></p>
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יום הולדת שמח

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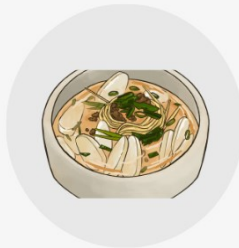
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May Their Memory be a Blessing



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- Samuel Wohl

May 2 / Nisan 24

- Ceil Baskin Nadelhaft
- Edath Small

May 3 / Nisan 25

- Bessie Lipins
- Isidore Peshkin

May 4 / Nisan 26

- Minnie Freidman

May 5 / Nisan 27

- Daryl Schepart

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- Michael H. Rubin

May 7 / Nisan 29

- Murray Levine

May 8 / Nisan 30

- Lois Elaine Hirsch

- Samuel Simon

May 9 / Iyyar 1

- Doris Gunzburg

May 10 / Iyyar 2

- Marilyn Rusty Levy
- Sol Gidal

May 15 / Iyyar 7

- Reuben Buckvar
- Harriett Arsham

May 16 / Iyyar 8

- Mr. Philip Luxemburg

May 17 / Iyyar 9

- Rose Schapiro Ballas

- Sadie Karp

May 20 / Iyyar 12

- Arlyne Sanow

May 23 / Iyyar 15

- Howard Zelman

May 24 / Iyyar 16

- Sophie Weiss

May 25 / Iyyar 17

- Irma Richer

May 27 / Iyyar 19

- Larry Fleishman

May 30 / Iyyar 22

- Joseph Seiden

May 31 / Iyyar 23

- Susan Cox

Jun 2 / Iyyar 25

- William Glasner

Jun 3 / Iyyar 26

- Samuel Neuwirth

- Rachel Jacowitz

Jun 4 / Iyyar 27

- Herman Small
- Samuel Rosenberg

Jun 5 / Iyyar 28

- Eva B Kahn

Jun 6 / Iyyar 29

- Lottie Hochberg

Jun 7 / Sivan 1

- Sara Orzech

Jun 13 / Sivan 7

- Alexander Mozeson

- Helen Lifschitz

- Ira Silverman

- Jeanette Sikofand

Jun 14 / Sivan 8

- Beatrice Corn

Jun 15 / Sivan 9

- Rebecca Lewis

Jun 17 / Sivan 11

- Josephine Occhiogrossi

Jun 18 / Sivan 12

- Richard S. Neuwirth

- Abraham Michaels

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- Joshua Glasner

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- Gitel

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forward to seeing you at services
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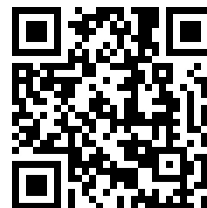
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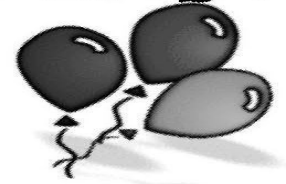
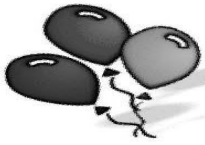
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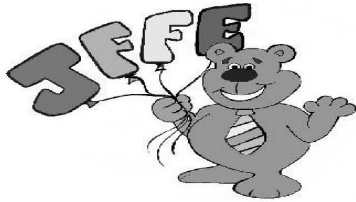
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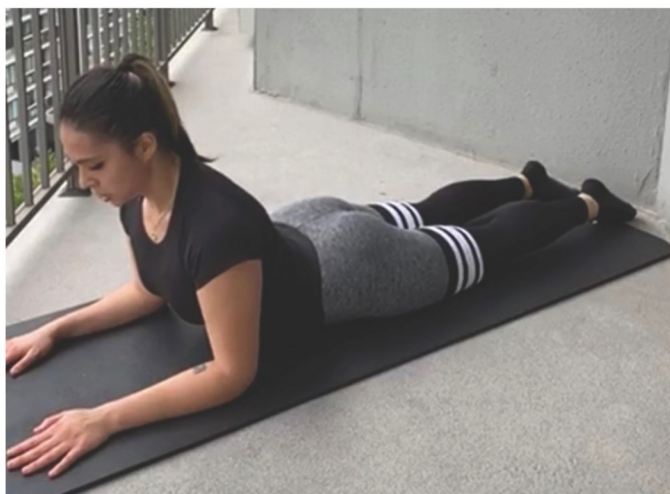
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