

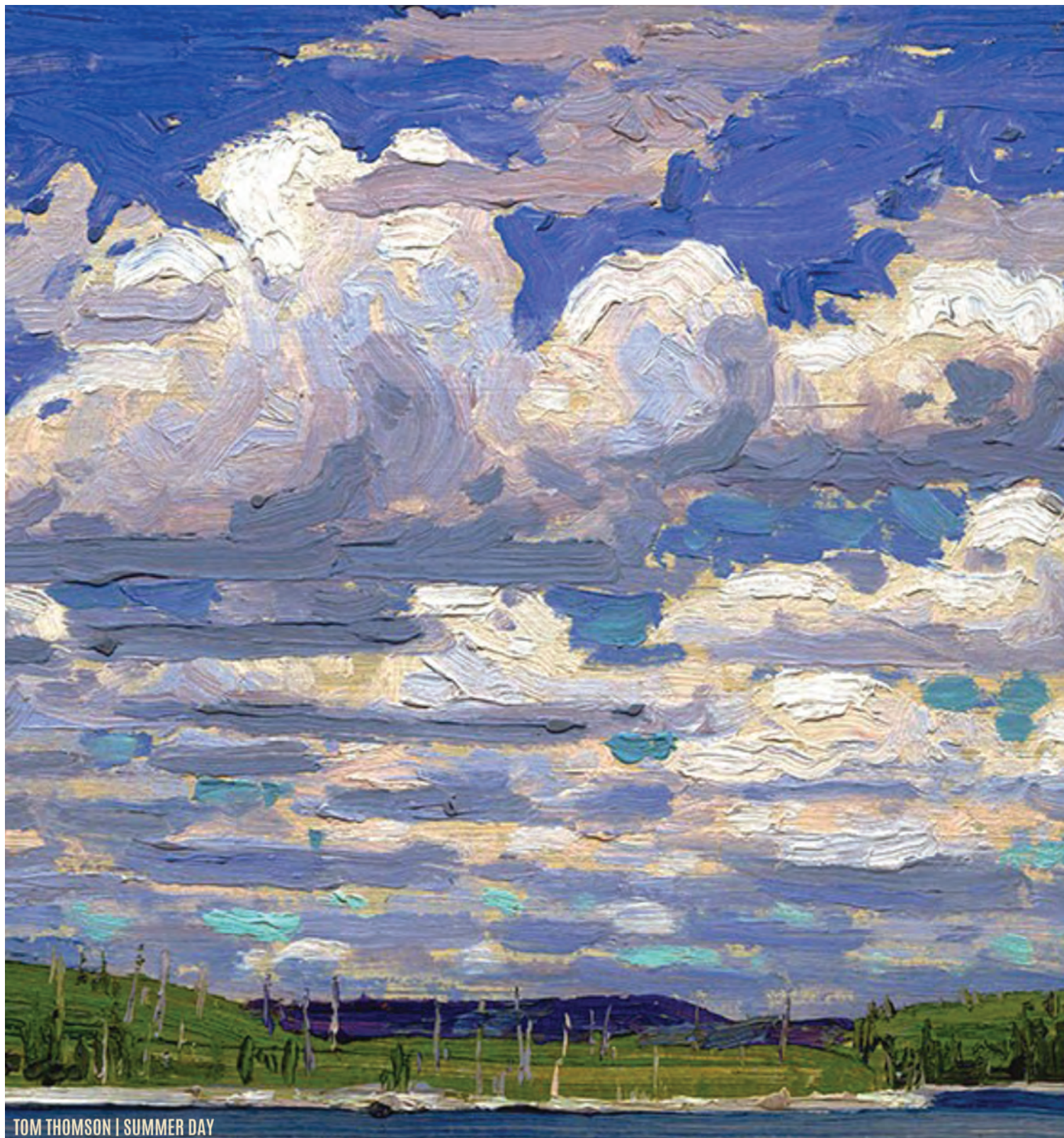


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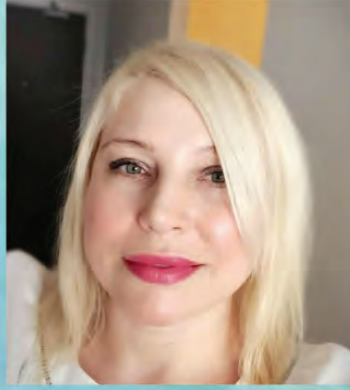
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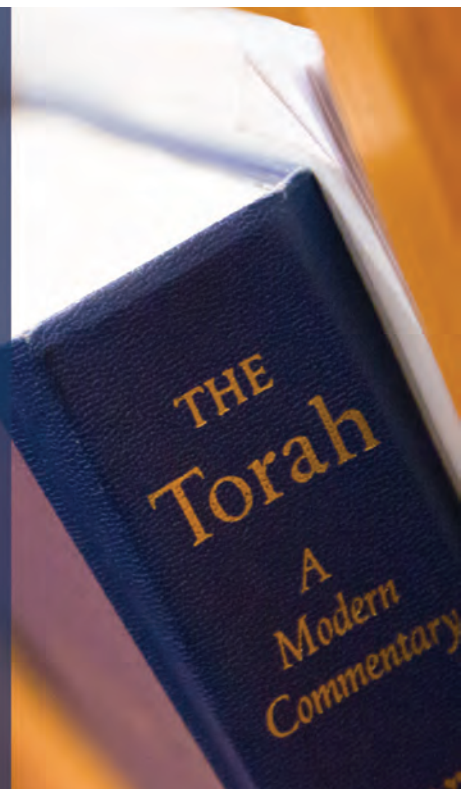
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June 25 - 26

Balak
Haftarah

Numbers 22:2-25:9
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Tzedakah: Whatever your Why, Thank you!

A strong Jewish community with a promising future is why Temple Har Zion exists. For the littlest baby and the oldest grandparent, you can help people find meaning and community. With your donation today, you are why our community will stay together to pray, sing, celebrate, support, and sustain one another to help make this world a better place.

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Why we need synagogue

by Cory Weiss
Rabbi

It's been a tough few months for Temple Har Zion. Many of our members have lost loved ones and had to mourn and ritualize their loss in the face of COVID restrictions. It's hard to imagine choosing who among family and friends are allowed to attend a funeral, much less a Bar or Bat Mitzvah ceremony or wedding. It is important to note that when shiva leaders were needed, members of the Mitzvah Committee lined up to volunteer.

Supporting and caring for our members extends to everyone who is a part of our Temple family. Mikhail Lioubachevski, who lost his mother Revekka at the end of April, lives in Pickering, and has been a Shabbat morning regular for many years. He sits at the back of the congregation on the Cantor's side, and though he is quiet, he loves to be asked to carry the Torah (back in the Before Time). When Mikhail told me that he and I would be the only ones at his mom's funeral, I put out word to our Torah Study group (since I don't have a mailing list of Shabbat Morning regulars) to see if we could get a minyan together for Mikhail. Within 30 minutes, I was turning people away (since our COVID limit is ten). And so, we had a minyan for Revekka's funeral.

I know that members of our Har Zion family are about to receive membership materials for the upcoming year. When you receive them, please think about Mikhail and his minyan. Think about all of the members who have been contacted by our clergy and by the Chesed Committee this year. Think about the students in our Beit Midrash, Beit Ivrit, and Beit Noar, who have had remarkable learning and attendance during the year. Think about the programs we've managed to share with you online: films, speakers, discussions, and even a virtual tour of Jewish Copenhagen. Think about the families who have had a loss, who found loving friends there for them in virtual shiva rooms. Think about our Morning Minyan, who have been

leading services three times a week from their homes. Think about the synagogue that will support you in your time of need (and perhaps has in the past as well).

Supporting our Har Zion community and renewing your membership is not like rejoining the gym. If you don't go there regularly, you might want to reconsider whether you should be a member. If you don't come to shul regularly, or have missed coming in person, please come more regularly! Whether we are online or in person, we are here for you every Shabbat and holiday, and for every kind of study and support. Know that we will be back together soon enough. If we all take appropriate precautions and get vaccinated—then you'll be able to enjoy our beautiful sanctuary and see your friends again. So practice *savlanut*, patience—it won't be long now. And even if you never become a Shabbat regular, a Torah Studier, or a volunteer, we'll still be here for you when you need us. We can only help and support and love each other when we're part of the Temple family. In synagogue life, that means signing up and renewing your membership. You're supporting our very special community, and also the future of the Jewish people and Judaism. After 4,000 or so years, it seems like a pretty safe investment in something meaningful.

It's been such a challenging year, and I can't wait to see everyone again. This High Holy Days, we're hoping that everyone who wants to attend a service, can come to one in person service at the synagogue. Please sign up—we really miss you! Join us once again, because without you, we'll be missing someone crucially important to our people and our family.

L'Shalom,
Rabbi Cory Weiss



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My term is almost up! It's been an honour!

by Brena Taylor
President

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Dear Temple Family, writing this letter is an emotional experience for me. Two years ago, when I started my term as President, I could have never anticipated that more than half of that time would be during a worldwide pandemic. I'm extremely proud of our clergy, our professional team, school staff, lay leaders, our many, many other volunteers and our members. We have been successful in coming together to stay engaged, connected and inspired as a community.

If you know me, you know how connected I feel to Temple and the people of this congregation. I am honoured that I was able to help our clergy for much of this past year with streamed services to ensure safe, meaningful worship for our members. While it has been difficult not to see all of you, welcome you to in-person service and schmooze with you at our programs and festival events, I'm grateful for our ability to stream services and pivot to use new technologies like Zoom to stay connected. Despite these challenges, I have learned so much over the past two years, and I have genuinely enjoyed being President of this remarkable congregation.

Most of you will have seen my video message on May 11 about High Holy Days 2021/5782. We are hopeful to be able to welcome limited members back to High Holy Day services based on government and local health guidelines, putting your safety first in our planning. There will be more information about this in your membership package.

I hope you plan to join me at our Annual General Meeting where you will hear from our incoming President, Sheree Davis, and our outgoing Treasurer, Aaron Kline about our financials, budget, and outlook for Temple Har Zion.

Your continued membership, contributions, and commitment to our Temple enables us to offer worship services, Hebrew and Reli-

gious school, Torah study, educational and social programs, life cycle events and so much more. As you receive and review your contribution package this year, please consider if you can give a few dollars more each month to help offset the reduced financial contributions from some members in our family who were harder hit during the pandemic.

Like you, I'm encouraged about the progress we are making to come out of the pandemic and look forward to when we can again come together as a congregation. Our resiliency and ability to stay connected over the past 16 months is a testament to our Temple family.

You may be thinking that this President has shared many messages during her tenure; however, keeping you informed and connected has been a priority for me to keep you engaged in our community.

Being your President has taught me many things and leading during a global pandemic has only enhanced my learning experience, but more about that at our AGM on June 22, 2021.

It is challenging to list all the people who have supported me throughout this journey, but you all know who you are. You are the ones who are reading this article! You may hear me repeat this at a Zoom meeting, a program, a schmooze or at the AGM and I hope you will indulge me because I can't thank you enough for your trust, support, and encouragement. Thank you for being part of our Temple Family and for allowing me to join the long legacy of dedicated Temple Presidents.

Stay connected. Stay engaged. Stay inspired. And stay safe.

Brena

The Sisterhood year

by Elaine Stein
Sisterhood



Sisterhood has been busy throughout the year. We have strived to stay connected with our membership and have planned at least one event per month.

In the summer, we had a get-together once a month in the form of "Connect Over Cocktails." Our July program featured Rabbi Weiss explaining the meaning of Tishah B'Av, our August program featured Judith Wilson discussing her life during and after the Shoah, and our September program was a schmooze evening centred around "Second Helpings, Please!"

All programs were well received. One

of the main objectives of these evenings was to connect with our Sisterhood members when meeting in person was impossible.

Since then, we have had various events: a paint night; two social action nights highlighting Project Abraham and the York Yazidi community, and Diversity and Bias; a movie night; two book discussions; and a program with Vlad Sorin highlighting the life of bees and beekeeping. Sisterhood hopes these evenings helped you feel part of Sisterhood and Temple. In addition, our Social Events Committee organized our annual Hanukkah get-together, albeit in a different format, and are planning our

final evening (usually a closing dinner) with entertainment to be provided by Eleanor Rice's Piano Bar.

Our Outreach Committee has reached out to our Sisterhood members with phone calls and milestone birthday cards. Our Fundraising Committee sold beautiful note cards in packages of 10 for \$18, and held a "Fun-draiser" entitled "Where Have All The Folksongs Gone." All in all, it was a busy and diverse year!

We hope next season to again have the ability to connect with our Temple members until we can meet in person once more.

Reflections of the 2020-21 school year

by THZ Teachers
Religious School

Freida Firkser- Beit Midrash Grades JK-SK

Our Beit Midrash year has been like no other! Going virtual with the Kindergarten class provided me with teaching opportunities that were both enlightening and challenging in a positive way.

We shared stimulating and productive mornings covering chagim, Jewish ethics and morals, and rituals.

We reviewed blessings for both Havdalah and Shabbat. We learned many Hebrew words with Hebrew Through Movement and enjoyed Cooking with Marnee, doing fun crafts and playing online games with our madrichim, and getting to know Lior, our Shin from Israel. Our Sunday mornings ended by joining Rabbi and Cantor for T'filah which provided a warm and spiritual beginning to our week.



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Allison Board - Beit Midrash Grades 1-2, Beit Ivrit - Grade 3

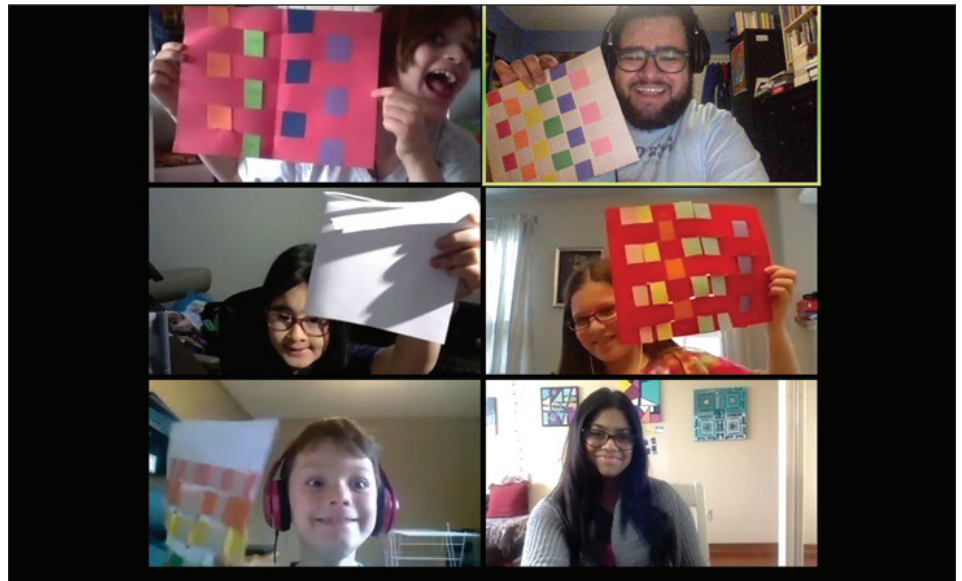
Teaching at Har Zion this year has been different, but not in a bad way. I was faced with a new challenge of finding new ways to continue teaching your children in fun, engaging and interactive ways. You were all faced with supporting your children during this learning time. It has been a great year getting to know all the children in my classes, as well as all their families. We engaged on a new adventure together, learning about being Jewish at Beit Midrash and learning our Hebrew Alef Bet at Beit Ivrit. I have enjoyed exploring the world of being Jewish with my class through online games and resources, as well as the many crafts we managed to put together. I also enjoyed exploring the Alef Bet through our many online resources and games that we used throughout the year. I have missed being in the classroom with all my students and look forward to when it is safe to do so again.

Aiden Orzech - Beit Midrash Grades 3-4

This year has been a challenging but rewarding learning and teaching experience for me, and I hope it has been rewarding for my students as well. We overcame challenges and expanded our ideas about what Beit Midrash could be. Our year has focused on Eretz Yisrael and Gmilot Chasadim. We were able to explore both subjects in new and creative ways, ways that would not have been possible in-person. We were also extremely lucky to have our own Israeli "ambassador," our ShinShinit, Lior, who brought fun and informative programming directly from Israel to us each week. I want to thank my fellow Har Zion faculty, the rest of the Temple community, the parents, and especially my students for giving it their all this year and engaging so fully in our learning.

Sarah Greene - Beit Midrash Grades 5-6, Beit Ivrit Grade 6

As I reflect on this past year, I will first need to thank both the students and the parents. Moving to an online platform has not been an easy transition, but with dedicated parents and students on our side the learning never faltered. So I thank you all!



Even though we were not physically together, we were able to connect with one another in various ways. On Sundays we came together spiritually as we prayed together during T'filah, lead by Rabbi Weiss and Cantor Littman.

Learning about some prominent Israeli artists, we created and showcased our own art interpretations of the various featured artists. As we journeyed through Israel in the latter part of the year, we collaborated in small groups, and presented information gathered to the class, as we explored Israel through its vast landscape, history, and multiculturalism.

On Tuesdays, the students spent a large part of the year learning and practicing new and old skills necessary for their upcoming B'nai Mitzvah. They were both focused and committed as they read familiar and unfamiliar prayers and learned Trope, led by Cantor Littman. With the help of our wonderful Madricha Disha and committed volunteers, the students were able to get individual reading time every week. Now they have the confidence and tools necessary as they move closer to their next milestone in their Jewish life.

Lena Oded - Beit Ivrit Grade 4 - Kitah Dalet

Beit Ivrit had a busy and fruitful year! We

learned Hebrew grammar (prefixes and suffixes, roots and the importance of the letter order within the roots), expanded Hebrew vocabulary, had a chance to decode, and practice reading of simple and more complex words. It was also a pleasure to expose students to contemporary (current) Hebrew with its slang and commonly used words and phrases. Thank you everybody for attending classes, for taking active part in reading and participating, and for sharing your ideas and knowledge of Hebrew! Kol HaKavod! Hope to see you all next year!

Jared Gershon - Beit Ivrit Grade 5

Going into this school year presented many challenges for both students and teachers. I'm sure a lot of us were thinking online learning would be miserable - but because of the strength of our community, we were able to create just as much joy through learning on Zoom as if we were in person. The Grade 5 class has been an absolute pleasure to teach this year. Our small class developed a great dynamic, and their eagerness to learn has enabled us to explore new Hebrew games and resources.

Our year would not have been the same without the help of our amazing volunteers, Ellen, Steve, and Kerrie. Thank you for your continued support to our class, and the Har Zion community.



Ally Saks – Beit Noar Grades 7-9

We are Beit Noar!

Time sure flies when you're having fun! Beit Noar, you are truly an amazing group! Together we have a deeper understanding of what Reform Judaism is and the role it plays in each of our lives. Each week you would share with the class the differences you can make in other's lives by performing mitzvot, and have shown us all how you strive to be the best "ME" you can be, by always shining like the stars you are. Through our "Project Israel" unit, you have a new-found love and respect for the vast array of beauty and interests Israel has to offer. I know not being physically present for our learning at times could seem troublesome and frustrating, but as we navigated through these new digital challenges, we adapted and rose to the occasion and continued to show up each week eager to learn, discuss, laugh and grow together. Beit Noar, Monday nights wouldn't be the same without you! I look forward to seeing you again next year in Grade 8. Wishing you all a wonderful summer.

Lior Weichhendler – Our ShinShinit!

This year I had the privilege to meet and interact with many of Temple Har Zion's members, through Zoom. My main focus was joining Beit Midrash on Sundays, and having programs with the Temple's youth groups: MHaZY and JHaZY. It was totally different than what I expected of my year as a ShinShinit, but I can certainly say it was interesting, rewarding, and fun! I am

grateful for all the wonderful people I got to know, and excited to see how deeply you care for Israel in your everyday lives. I hope to stay connected with you in the future! Sending you my love from Israel!

Marnee Birnbaum – Monthly all-school Cooking Program

Even though this school year has looked a little different, I have enjoyed being able to see so many smiling faces each month eager to learn and ready to cook. Each class we explored a different day of creation, and studied how and why God chose to bring these forms of life into our world. We paired each day with a fun new recipe to help us reflect back on that day. My favourite recipe was the rainbow stir fry because I loved the bright colours. Which one was yours? I hope this year not only brought out your love for Jewish education, but taught you that there are many different places where we can learn – like the kitchen. Thank you for a wonderful year. I look forward to being with everyone again in person soon. Stay safe and have a wonderful summer.

Julie Sermer – Madrichim Coordinator and Music Specialist

Spending this school year online has been an interesting adventure for all of us! Unfortunately, it has made running a music program almost impossible. We've managed to do some singing during our wonderful school-wide T'fillah as well as some holiday programs. However, I miss singing with all of the classes each week,

and our school days and Family Services are just not the same without the Primary and Junior Choirs. We're looking forward to when we can sing together as a community once again!

The madrichim program has also required some adaptation. We struggled to figure out a role for the madrichim in a virtual classroom. When we're forced to do things differently, however, we are also forced to innovate.

A new plan was created for a day of special programming to occur once a month, led by a few special guests, including our madrichim. I spent some time each week with our madrichim working on their teaching and leading skills and brainstorming ideas for online learning. We also worked together to prepare for these programs. Our madrichim planned and led fantastic lessons for the students! They were fun, educational, and used some of the tools we were working on during our meetings. It was remarkable to watch our madrichim growing in skill and confidence as the year progressed.

We have a remarkable group of 11 madrichim between the ages of 12 and 20. They are all incredibly dedicated, creative and capable. Our students are lucky to have them as role models, our school is fortunate to have them as part of the teaching team, and it was my privilege to get to work with them all year!

Judy Silver- Director of Education

Just a year ago, in the summer of 2020, we were looking ahead and trying to figure out what school would look like. Will we need to continue our online sessions? Would we be able to return to our beloved building to teach in the fall? How can we prepare when we just don't know?

A year later, we are still looking at the same questions and pondering the same thoughts as we look towards the school year of 2021-2022. However, now we know what we are able to accomplish regardless of whatever lies ahead.

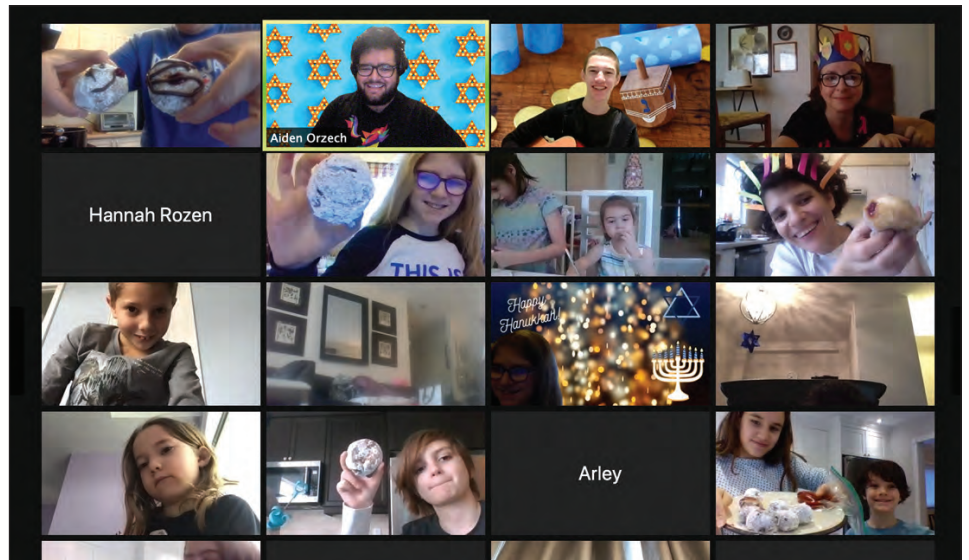
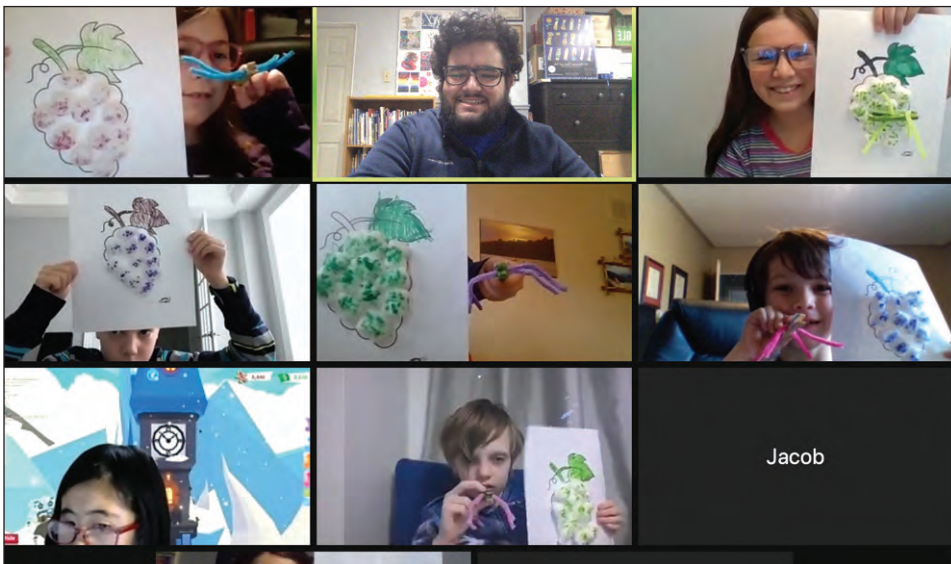
The teachers and I worked together to create a school experience that we

hope would engage the students Jewishly in a different way but would include everything that was expected of us. We would teach Hebrew, holidays, connect to Israel, engage in T'filah, sing, offer hands-on activities, engage in group learning, and even have the chance to cook. We originally thought that we would not be able to participate in the ShinShinim program and yet, we were blessed to have Lior Weichhendler, our online ShinShinit, join our program. She brought Israel to us with her humour and endless energy and commitment.

Looking back, we hope this is what our students experienced and enjoyed this year. We witnessed growth and learning from the safety of our

homes and brought our school to you, our school families. This, of course, could not happen without our larger Har Zion community. Volunteers stepped up, parents helped to guide their children and reached out for assistance when there were the inevitable technological issues. Each week our students showed up to our classes prepared to learn and participate, and our teachers were ready for them.

There are so many thanks to give and they will be forthcoming in the weeks ahead. For now, we wish you all a wonderful, safe and joyous summer and a return to what we all want most – the chance to learn and celebrate Judaism together at our Temple Har Zion home.



EXPLORING SPIRITUALITY THROUGH DIFFERENT PATHWAYS



Presentations | Interactive Q&A | Panel Discussion

Please join us for two insightful and educational online sessions to learn about the meaning and practice of spirituality in different faiths.

SUNDAY, MAY 30th
2 PM - 4:30 PM

Welcome from Organizers
Introduction - Dr. Liyakat Takim
Christianity - Reverend John Hill
Sikhism - Mr. Ran Perhar
Zoroastrian - Mobedyar Mahshad Khosraviani
Q&A and Break
Judaism - Cantor Rachael Littman
Buddhism - Lama Nyima Dorje
Q&A

SUNDAY, JUNE 6th
2 PM - 4:30 PM

Introduction - Dr. Liyakat Takim
Islam - Mr. David Coskun
Hinduism - Dr. Ragini Sharma
First Nations Spirituality - Ms. Kim Wheatley
Q&A and Break
Summary Presentations - All Speakers
Moderated Panel
Q&A



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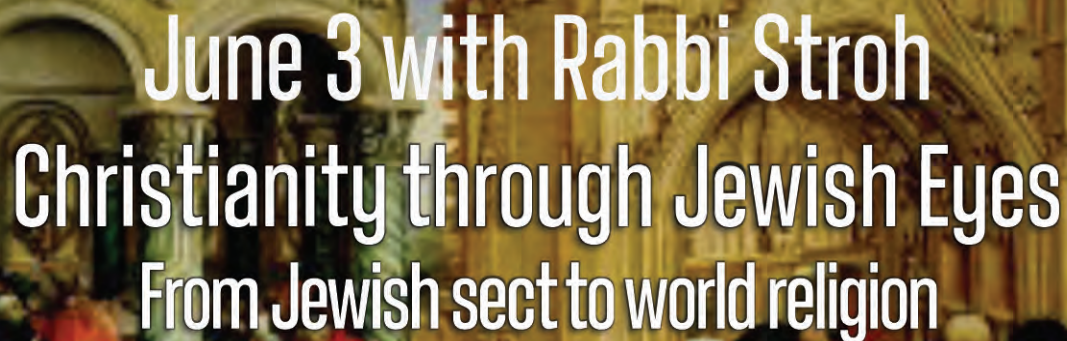
youtube.com/islamicherald/live



"TO BRING PEACE TO HUMANITY"

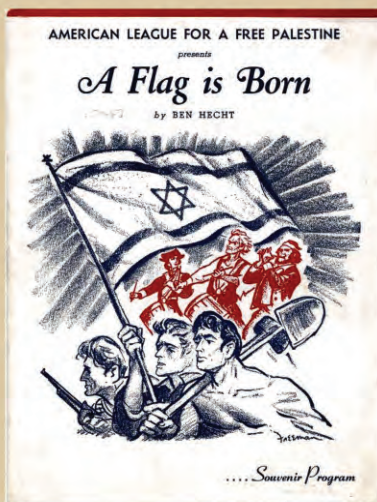


THURSDAYS at noon via Zoom A MONTH OF LUNCH & LEARN



June 3 with Rabbi Stroh
Christianity through Jewish Eyes
From Jewish sect to world religion

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A Dramatic Difference

Ben Hecht's 1946 play and American support for
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June 17 & 24 with Rabbi Weiss
Reform Responsa

Every question you think of might
have a Jewish answer



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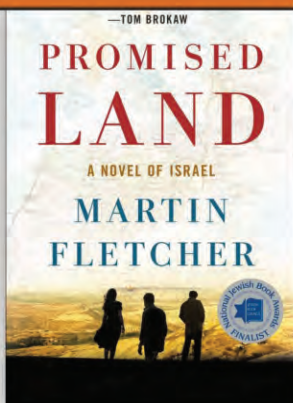
FRIDAY JUNE 4 at 6:30pm via livestream

Family Shabbat Service

followed by a special Zoom Oneg at 7:30pm. Rabbi Weiss will give a special Camp blessing, as well as one for all who are celebrating birthdays this month! Don't miss it!



BOOK CLUB



TUESDAY JUNE 8 7:30pm via Zoom

***Promised Land: A Novel of Israel* by Martin Fletcher**

Promised Land is the sweeping saga of two brothers and the woman they love, a devastating love triangle set against the tumultuous founding of Israel. The novel is at once the gripping tale of a struggling family and an epic about a struggling nation.

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WEDNESDAY JUNE 9 at 7:30pm

ELEANOR'S PIANO BAR

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ROSH CHODESH | MONDAY JUNE 14 at NOON

Chai Tea

Put on a fancy hat, make a special lunch, and enjoy it while we schmooze at our final event of the season. If you have the recipe, share it!

As always, friends are welcome to join in!

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ADULT EDUCATION | TUESDAY JUNE 15 at 7:30pm

AUSTRALIA: THE UNPROMISED LAND

How Australia Almost Saved 125,000 Jews from the Holocaust



Please join our special guest, Jacob Steinberg, as he recounts this remarkable story of an extraordinary individual who attempted to save scores of European Jews during the Holocaust by settling them in two of the most remote and uninhabitable parts of Australia. Q&A follows. Everyone is welcome.

Free to THZ Members; Non-Members \$5

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SISTERHOOD | THURSDAY JUNE 17 at 7:30pm

AGM and Closing Program

Please join us for our Sisterhood's Annual General Meeting and Closing Program via Zoom.

Hear about all of Sisterhood's past events and future plans, then stay for Tea and Tunes with Eleanor Rice's Piano Bar!

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TUESDAY JUNE 22 at 7:30pm

AGM

Please join us at our Annual General Meeting where you will hear from our President, Brena Taylor, incoming President, Sheree Davis, and our outgoing Treasurer, Aaron Kline about our financials, budget, and outlook for Temple Har Zion.

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Har Zion Raffle – We Appreciate Your Support!



RAFFLE

To simplify and deliver a safe experience, we offer you the opportunity to purchase Raffle Tickets in advance.

There are plenty of great prizes to be won for golfers and non-golfers alike! Purchase tickets now, and purchase generously, to give yourself multiple opportunities to win while helping Temple Har Zion continue to navigate through these unprecedented times.

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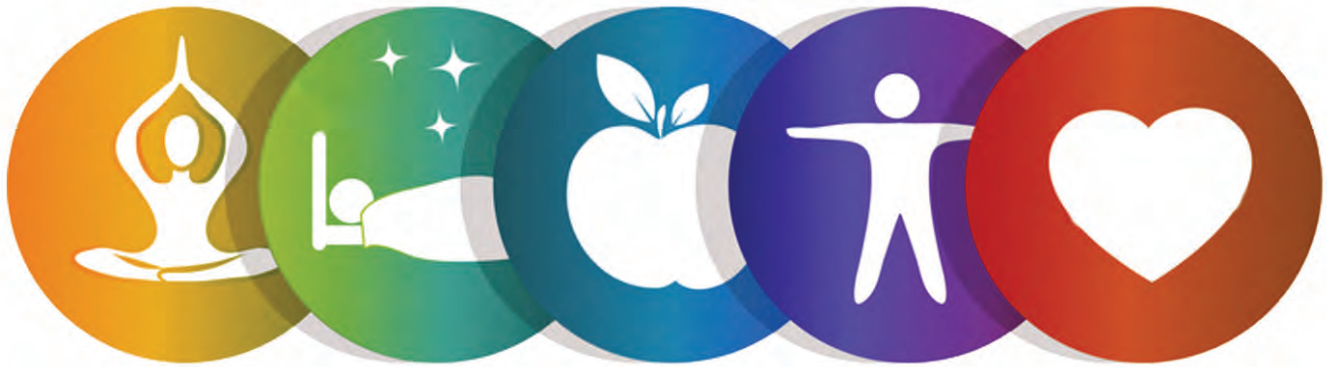
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MONDAYS at NOON: Virtual Sip & Schmooze

Schmooze, chat and check in with your Temple Family! Grab a snack and a coffee, or whatever you fancy, and visit your THZ friends virtually. Invite your friends, too!

JUNE 21 and 28



Good for your Soul

MONDAY at NOON: Zoom with the THZ Knitters

The Temple Knitters continue to stay connected! Have a great time socializing, knitting, and sharing patterns. If you can't knit, they'll teach you! New members are always welcome to join in!

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Temple Family News

A hearty Mazal Tov to the following families:

BIRTHS

Pam and Danny Zimmerman on the birth of their grandson Benjamin

ENGAGEMENTS

Peter Drutz and Laurie Sanders on their daughter Jessie's engagement to Daniel Singer
Jessie Saunders-Drutz on her engagement to Daniel Singer

Tony and Ilissa Katz on their son Michael's engagement to Jess Zylberlicht

We extend our sincere condolences to the following Temple members and their families:

Sherry Gluck for her husband Dennis Gluck
Joe Nadler for his father Leon Nadler
George Volgyesi for his wife Paulette Volgyesi

Tributes and Acknowledgements

TEMPLE HAR ZION FUND

Faye Gitter to Sherry Gluck and family in memory of their husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather Dennis Gluck

Saul and Naomi Joel in memory of Joel's mother Diana Joel

Daniel Kouchnir and Annie Xiong in appreciation

Stephen and Myrna Marcus to Sim Greene in celebration of his 80th birthday

Andrea Rifkin and Jack Furman; and Stephen and Myra Marcus to George Volgyesi and family in memory of their wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother Paulette Volgyesi; and on the Yahrzeit of Andrea's father Philip Barnett

Karen and David Saltz on the Yahrzeit of Karen's mother Zelda Rosenmeyer; and on Yahrzeit of David's mother Mia Saltz

Norman and Lillian Sirota on the Yahrzeit of Norman's mother Rose Sirota; and to Noah Szejman in celebration of becoming Bar Mitzvah

Brena and Tom Taylor to Steve and Marie Borlak in celebration of the birth of their granddaughter Matilda Ruth; and to Joyce Epstein in memory of her husband Philip Epstein

Ron and Audrey Tepper on the Yahrzeit of Ron's father Ruben Tepper

Naomi Yudelson on the Yahrzeit of her mother Esther Shulman

We thank the following for a donation to the Temple Har Zion Fund for the sponsorship of a Congregational Kiddush, Seudah, Oneg, Torah Study or Morning Minyan Breakfast:

Sheree Davis in memory of her father Irving Davis

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Adele and Claude Heimann in memory of Adele's father Max Masail

Marilyn Kartash on the Yahrzeit of her husband Lanny Kartash

Frances Malach in memory of her mother-in-law Anita Malach

Mireille Mouscardy and Brian Theimer on the Yahrzeit of Mireille's mother Yvon Mouscardy

Robert Rae in memory of his mother Janet Rae

ADULT EDUCATION FUND

Arthur and Sandra Benjamin; and Joanne and Barry Fisher to George Volgyesi and family in memory of their wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother Paulette Volgyesi

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Samantha and Shelly Bacher and family to Steve Till and family in memory of his father Stan Till

Jeffrey and Lisa Dessau; and Debby and Lawrie Kaplan to Sherry Gluck and family in memory of their husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather Dennis Gluck;

Debby and Lawrie Kaplan to Joe and Lauren Nadler and family in memory of their father, father-in-law, grandfather and great-grandfather Leon Nadler; and to George Volgyesi and family in memory of their wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother Paulette Volgyesi

Judith Ross to Hannah Rozen in celebration on becoming Bat Mitzvah

Brena and Tom Taylor to Shelly Bacher in appreciation

BROTHERHOOD FUND

David and Karen Saltz to Sim Greene in celebration of his 80th birthday

CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Cheryl Ackerman and David Saslove and family; and Peter Drutz and Laurie Sanders and family to George Volgyesi and family in memory of their wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother Paulette Volgyesi

Claude and Adele Heimann to Alyssa Gilman in celebration of her birthday

Ilissa and Tony Katz on the Yahrzeit of Ilissa's father Seymour Rosenthal

Judith Ross to Joe and Lauren Nadler and family in memory of their father, father-in-law, grandfather and great-grandfather Leon Nadler

Robyn, Mitchell, Jacob and Hannah Rozen to Cantor Rachael Littman in appreciation

CHESED FUND

Stephen and Anna Altstedter; Samantha and Shelly Bacher and family; Len and Sara Bates; Sherrill Berrys; Shae Eckler; Willie and Mary Anne Handler; Ora Harris and Michael Hutchins; Molly and Bernard Keyes; Evelyn Krakauer; Pauline and Larry Maker; Judith Ross; Brena and Tom Taylor; David and Robin Teege; and Suzi and Rob Winterstein and family to George Volgyesi and family in memory of their wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother Paulette Volgyesi

Molly and Bernard Keyes to Sim Greene in celebration of his 80th birthday

Esther Kurtzman to Sherry Gluck and family in memory of their husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather Dennis Gluck

DAVIS YACHT GARDEN - GAN MOSHE FUND

Wendy Chittley to George Volgyesi and family in memory of their wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother Paulette Volgyesi; and to Sherry Gluck and family in memory of their husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather Dennis Gluck

Sheree Davis to Gwen Yacht in memory of her husband Milton Yacht

Gwen Yacht on the Yahrzeit of her father Irving Davis and her husband Milt Yacht; to Sherry Gluck and family in memory of their husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather Dennis Gluck; and to Joe and Lauren Nadler and family in memory of their father, father-in-law, grandfather and great-grandfather Leon Nadler

HAZZANIT TARA ABRAMS LEGACY FUND FOR MUSIC EDUCATION AND PROGRAMMING

Brena and Tom Taylor to Peter Drutz and Laurie Saunders on the occasion of their daughter Jessie's engagement to Daniel Singer

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Susan and Ben Aronowitz; Samantha and Shelly Bacher; Karen and Michael Goodis; and Bunny and Ken Saul to Sharon and Mark Rubinstein in celebration of their son Isaac's Confirmation
Susan and Ben Aronowitz to Carol Handelman in appreciation
Helen Kopstick to George Volgyesi and family in memory of their wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother Paulette Volgyesi

MEMBERS HELPING MEMBERS FUND

Nancy Baker; and Jeffrey and Lisa Dessau to George Volgyesi and family in memory of their wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother Paulette Volgyesi
Martin and Lyla Gelfand to Mikhail and Irina Lioubachevski and family in memory of their mother, mother-in-law and grandmother Revekka Lioubachevskaya

MHARZY LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT FUND

Judith Ross to Jacob Rozen in celebration of his confirmation

MUSIC FUND

Shae Eckler to Hannah Rozen in celebration of her Bat Mitzvah
Andrea Rifkin and Jack Furman to the confirmation class in celebration of their Confirmation
Robyn, Mitchell, Jacob and Hannah Rozen to Tara Abrams, Eleanor Rice and Brena Taylor in appreciation
Julian and Donna Pencharz in memory of Julian's father Myer Pencharz

PRAYER BOOK FUND

Jodi Starkman-Mendelsohn and JD Mendelsohn to the Stancer family and in celebration of their son Jordan's marriage to Ashlie Goodkin
Rose and Jack Steinberg to Edith Shore in memory of Neil Shore
Brena Taylor to the confirmands and their families in celebration of their confirmation

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Serge and Clare Adam; Barbara and Barry Barnes; Joan and Alan Dessau; Jeffrey and Paula Freedman; and Terry and Alan Lustig to George Volgyesi and family in memory of their wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother Paulette Volgyesi
Barbara and Barry Barnes to Sherry Gluck and family in memory of their husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather Dennis Gluck

Mitchell and Susan Brown to Pam and Danny Zimmerman on the birth of their grandson Benjamin

Joan and Alan Dessau in memory of Eddie Plant; and to Audrey Cole in memory of Allan Kennedy

Joyce Epstein to Rabbi Cory Weiss in appreciation
Denis and Laura Farbstein on the Yahrzeit of Denis's father Harry Farbstein

Liz and Derrick Kalmanson on the Yahrzeit of Liz's parents Zena and Theo Kluman

Linda and Stephen Newstead and family on the Yahrzeit of their father, grandfather and great grandfather Abel Joseph Volks

Robyn and Alan Packard on the Yahrzeit of Robyn's mother Joan Olwyn

Robyn, Mitchell, Jacob and Hannah Rozen to Rabbi Cory Weiss in appreciation

Alan and Julia Spengel on the Yahrzeit of Alan's mother Laura Spengel

RABBI MICHAEL AND CELIA STROH ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM FUND

Joyce Epstein to Rabbi Michael Stroh in appreciation

Claude and Adele Heimann; and Brena and Tom Taylor to Rabbi Michael Stroh and Celia Stroh in celebration of their granddaughter Hannah becoming Bat Mitzvah

Claude and Adele Heimann to Jonah and Perlita Stroh in celebration of their daughter Hannah becoming Bat Mitzvah

SECURITY FUND

Karin and James Phillipson to Sherry Gluck and family in memory of their husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather Dennis Gluck; and to George Volgyesi and family in

memory of their wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother Paulette Volgyesi

SISTERHOOD FUND

Susan and Ben Aronowitz; Joan Davidson; Barry and Joanne Fisher; Carol Goodman; Adele and Claude Heimann; Molly and Bernard Keyes; Helen Kopstick; Minna Mosher and Howard Mandel; and Brena and Tom Taylor to Sherry Gluck and family in memory of their husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather Dennis Gluck

Adele and Claude Heimann to George Volgyesi and family in memory of their wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother Paulette Volgyesi

Lynda Fishman in appreciation

TORAH FUND

Clare and Serge Adam to Karen Saltz for a speedy recovery
Shae Eckler in appreciation

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AND TRAVEL FUND

Samantha and Shelly Bacher and family to Shari and Paul Stancer in celebration of their son Jordan's marriage to Ashlie Goodkin

Karen and Michael Goodis to Jonah and Perlita Stroh in celebration of their daughter Hannah's Bat Mitzvah; and to Robyn and Mitchell Rozen in celebration of their son Jacob's Confirmation

Robyn, Mitchell, Jacob and Hannah Rozen to Serge Adam in appreciation

Gratitude

May you find happiness in the small spaces. Joy in the staying put.

No highways, no office buildings, no overcrowded subways.

May you find peace in your own kitchen.

May your four walls feel like a sanctuary, a haven from a noisy world.

May you take pleasure in a bad pun, a bowl of popcorn. Laughing with the people closest to you.

Patting the grateful dog. The clever cat.

May you discover the delight of writing letters on paper.

In baking cookies. In the birds visiting your early spring garden.

May you find yourself fully in the present moment, where all of life is happening right now, and worries about the future don't exist.

May you invent ways to help people who need you, because times like this were made to remind us that we are all the same.

Even as you wrap yourself in a blanket of solitude, may you discover the secrets of the universe from your spot on the couch.

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6 <i>Sivan 26</i> 9:00am Morning Minyan via Zoom 2:00pm Exploring Spirituality through Different Pathways	7 <i>Sivan 27</i> 11:00am Yoga via Zoom 12:00pm Zoom with the THZ Knitters 7:30pm Jew-ish Musicals You've Never Heard Of: Rabbi Weiss	8 <i>Sivan 28</i> 7:15am Morning Minyan via Zoom 7:30pm Book Club Promised Land: A Novel of Israel by Martin Fletcher	9 <i>Sivan 29</i> 11:00am Yoga via Zoom 7:30pm Eleanor's Piano Bar via Zoom	10 <i>Sivan 30</i> 7:15am Morning Minyan via Zoom 12:00pm Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Bill Tepper	11 <i>Tammuz 1</i> 11:00am Yoga via Zoom 6:30pm Service - livestream	12 <i>Korach Tammuz 2</i> 9:00am Torah Study Rabbi Bill Tepper via Zoom 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service - livestream
13 <i>Tammuz 3</i> 9:00am Morning Minyan via Zoom	14 <i>Tammuz 4</i> 11:00am Yoga via Zoom 12:00pm Rosh Chodesh 7:30pm Jew-ish Musicals You've Never Heard Of: Rabbi Weiss	15 <i>Tammuz 5</i> 7:15am Morning Minyan via Zoom 7:30pm Adult Ed Australia: The Unpromised Land	16 <i>Tammuz 6</i> 11:00am Yoga via Zoom	17 <i>Tammuz 7</i> 7:15am Morning Minyan via Zoom 12:00pm Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Weiss 7:30pm Sisterhood AGM and Closing Program	18 <i>Tammuz 8</i> 11:00am Yoga via Zoom 6:30pm Service - livestream	19 <i>Chukat Tammuz 9</i> 9:00am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service - livestream
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