



# The Menorah

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## From the President: Sara Goldberg

One year ago I wrote my first Menorah article as President of TI, and it is an honor to have been elected for another year. I want to thank you for your confidence in my leadership and for the nice things several of you have said about my announcement-making. I'm excited that my Shabbat morning gig has been renewed for another season!



A new year means another opportunity to set goals, dream dreams, and work toward them. There were a number of things I hoped to do in support of our community when I started

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## From the Rabbi: Rabbi Michael Werbow

As many already know, I just spent Memorial Day weekend with Lev and Asher at Camp Ramah in New England. When we arrived we headed to the room we had been assigned, which was in the "Marp". I walked into the "Marp" and sitting at the desk was Olga. I said to her, "Have you been here the whole time?"

Let me unpack that for you. It had been 24 years since I had been to Ramah New England. The "Marp" is Ramah slang (maybe other camps too) for the Hebrew word Mirpa'ah which is the infirmary. Olga is a woman who has worked as the nurse at Ramah New England for thirty-five years and who I knew from when I worked at Ramah from 1989-1998. When I saw her I knew I was back in a place that holds a very special place in my heart.



The summers I worked at Ramah were a formative part of who I am. They kept me connected to the Conservative movement at a time when I was more regularly attending Orthodox congregations and struggling with where I fit into Conservative Judaism. They gave me an introduction to working with individuals with developmental disabilities and inspired a change in my planned career path from accounting to

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## From the President - continued

in the role a year ago, and while much was accomplished last year, I hope the next 11 months will offer me another chance.

I want to share some of my goals with you. I hope this will provide a mechanism for you all to hold me accountable as well as a mechanism for you to step forward in support where you are interested and

able. As we know, nothing is accomplished alone, and for a community like TI it takes the contributions of many.

My goals for the year include:

- Getting our planning and visioning effort underway
- Helping to create a fundraising campaign that will inspire increased giving and lay a foundation for our future
- Supporting new and renewed programming for our community, especially for our kids
- Reviewing our by-laws to ensure these guiding documents are serving the congregation we are today and the direction we are going
- Building stronger committees and more collaborative structures among our staff and lay leaders
- Communicating openly and frequently with our membership

I hope you'll continue to reach out to me with your ideas, your concerns, and your encouragement. Feel free to send an email to [TIPresident@Tifereth-Israel.org](mailto:TIPresident@Tifereth-Israel.org) or find me at kiddush lunch. Thank you for all your support and for providing me this opportunity to serve our wonderful congregation. Cheers to a productive year!

B'shalom,  
Sara Goldberg

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## From the Rabbi - continued

special education. They gave me great work experience as I moved up to unit head positions and oversaw a staff of eight to sixteen counselors. They were a time when I was able to put all of my energy into working with various populations of teens and to let my energy and passion shine forth.

I was gifted with all this and so much more through the experiences I had at Ramah. I never attended as a camper but certainly reaped similar benefits to those who attended Ramah or one of many other summer camps. Appreciating this gift and wishing to pass it along to others is why I always recommend people attend summer camp.

At TI, we have adults who attended many different summer camps and children who spend their summers at a variety of camps. We encourage and support attendance at Jewish summer camps through the A. Nathan Abramowitz Fund, from which families can receive scholarships to help offset the steep cost of these camps. This year we gave over \$9,000 in scholarships. Contributions to replenish the fund for future years are always appreciated.

Different camps focus on different areas and have different strengths. Families make decisions as to where they want their children to attend based on the child and on their family's interests, values and focuses. We want to honor those decisions and support the children going off to summer camp this year.

On June 11th we will invite the children of Tifereth Israel who are going off to Jewish summer camp to participate in the Shabbat service and to receive a special blessing. To facilitate us contacting families for this service, please fill out a survey you will be receiving shortly to provide us with school and summer camp information.

In addition to the children attending summer camp, we will also take the opportunity on June 11th to wish a Mazal Tov to those graduating this year. We will share a special blessing with you. (*Editor's note: see pages 15 - 17 for more about our graduates.*)

Transitioning from the school year to the summer is a special time. It is also the time when our Board terms end and new ones begin. I want to share my appreciation of those who have been serving on the Board, of those who are ending their terms and of those who have agreed to come onto the Board this year and serve the congregation. Our Installation ceremony will be held at our June 4th Shabbat morning service.

I hope you will join us for these special Shabbat services.

## Barbecue at the Park - photos by Rachel Lande



## My List - Myrna Goldman

I am a person who lives by lists—grocery lists, to-do lists, medical appointment lists, etc. It works for me. So, when last May, my Bar Mitzvah student's mother, Lis Davis, remarked at Nathan's rehearsal that I must have a wall display of all my Bnai Mitzvah students, I realized that I did not have a written record. While I carefully documented all my Torah readings, I never wrote down the names and dates for my Bnai Mitzvah students.

I usually only had one student a year at the most (the training usually lasts about a year—sometimes longer, sometimes shorter), and some years either I was busy with work, or no one asked me, so the number was not large. However, I started tutoring early on in my time at TI. I did have a few students in Columbus, Ohio, where a friend recommended me to a Reform Temple. Those names are lost.

I searched my memory and old calendars and address books and came up with a reasonable list, but for many in the more distant past, the year of the event escaped me. I decided not to worry about the parshah or even the month. I asked a few of the parents I saw in shul, and I emailed many others. To my delight, not only did I get the information I request-

ed, but I also got updates on my students' lives—children, professions, where they're living, etc. It was wonderful to catch up on this news.

I ended up with a list of 22 students. Many of the parents are still TI members. I was able to track down some through some relatives who are TI members and through some congregants with good memories. I had one student from OSTNS. There was only one whose name I remembered but whose year is still a question mark.

It has been a great joy and honor to serve as a Bnai Mitzvah tutor. I have gotten to know the families as well as the students. They all did well, in my opinion, and in general, they got through the lessons without much drama (I suspect the drama was reserved for their parents). I did keep a box of tissues on hand, but it was rarely needed.

I think I have a few good years of tutoring left, and I look forward to my new students! If you didn't hear from me and think I may have forgotten your child, please contact me, so that I can be sure that my list is reasonably complete and accurate. If you want to see the list, I'd be glad to share it. It is my favorite list!

## Memorial Plaques



Order by **Sunday, June 26** to have a plaque up by Yom Kippur.

One plaque: \$700 | Two or more: \$500 each

Order at [bit.ly/TIplaques](https://bit.ly/TIplaques)

# SHAVUOT

## **JUNE 4 - EREV SHAVUOT**

**Evening Festival Service, 9:15 pm**

**Tikkun Leil Shavuot begins 9:55 pm**

*with Fabrangen & Shirat HaNefesh*

**Teens begin at 9:00 pm**

*with Rabbi Werbow & Rabbi Kelley*

**SNACKS FOR ALL UNTIL THE WEE HOURS!**

## **JUNE 5 - SHAVUOT I**

**Early Festival Services, 4:55 am**

*In person only*

**Festival Services, 9:00 am**

## **JUNE 6 - SHAVUOT II**

**Festival Services, 9:00 am**

**Book of Ruth, ~10:15 am**

**Yizkor Service, ~11:00 am**

**Picnic in the Park, 1:00 pm**

BYO dairy picnic and games to Jesup Blair Park

**Learn more at [bit.ly/TIShavuot22](http://bit.ly/TIShavuot22)**

## Himmelfarb Happenings - Rabbi Kelley Gludt

Himmelfarb Religious School has wrapped up an amazing year of learning!

Following our intense Temple construction competition, we learned about the destruction of the building. We studied the story of Rabbi Yochanan ben Zakkai and the establishment of Yavneh, and how that choice evolved into the Rabbinic Judaism we practice today. The second through seventh graders made incredible news report videos detailing each of these events.

On the last day, we watched our news reports, played a Kahoot that reflected on our year, and celebrated with cotton candy and a foam party. It was a wonderful morning. That evening, the teens concluded their educational year with Lag B'Omer inspired s'mores.

I would like to thank the TI community for being so warm, welcoming and supportive. I feel blessed to be able to continue to learn from and to teach all of you and your children. The fan-

tastic TI staff proved to be invaluable partners, not only helping me to navigate the learning curve, but by providing an immense amount of ever-changing logistical support. The spectacular Himmelfarb faculty continually went above and beyond for our children. Their dedication to their students is simply inspiring. They offered me a kind and gracious reception and I am thrilled to be working with them again next year.

There is much in store for Himmelfarb in the future, including a more inclusive and experiential educational approach. Following community discussions of educational priorities, Himmelfarb will increasingly emphasize tefilah skills and will explore Jewish identity and community building. I look forward to sharing more details with you all in the coming months. Until then, registration for the 5783/2022-2023 school year is underway. Register here: [Himmelfarb Enrollment - 2021 - Tifereth Israel Congregation \(shulcloud.com\)](https://shulcloud.com).



Photos by Stephen Berer

# Himmelfarb Foam Party



Photos by Stephen Berer



## UPCOMING & ONGOING EVENTS



### SERVE DINNER AT SHEPHERD'S TABLE

*Sponsored by the Social Action Committee*

*Sunday, June 5 at 5:00 pm*

Help serve dinner to homeless individuals on the 1st Sunday of each month.

Registration required.

Learn more at [bit.ly/TIShepherdsTable](https://bit.ly/TIShepherdsTable).



### JEWISH HISTORY ONLINE

*Sponsored by Gevarim*

*Sunday, June 12 & 26 at 10:30 am*

Explore Jewish history through webinars provided by the Jewish Heritage Alliance; post-viewing discussion led by TI's own **Allan Tulchin**.

Learn more at [bit.ly/TIJewishHistory](https://bit.ly/TIJewishHistory).



### TI RISING IN SONG

*Sponsored by the Ritual Committee*

*Thursday, June 2 at 8:00 pm*

TIers are invited to learn and practice joyful, prayerful singing together. Come to class with a topic or something you are interested in learning!

Class meets monthly; drop-ins welcome.

Learn more at [bit.ly/TIrising](https://bit.ly/TIrising).



### RAIN GARDEN CARE

*Sponsored by the Green Committee*

*Sunday, June 12 & July 17 at 10:00 am*

Come dig into the TI rain garden! Each month, volunteers weed and plant, depending on the season. BYO shovel and gloves.

Learn more at [bit.ly/TIgardencare](https://bit.ly/TIgardencare).



### HEBREW TANACH W/ RABBI SEIDEL

*Friday, June 3 & 24 at 11:00 am*

*Via Zoom only - no in-person attendance*

Explore Kohelet (Ecclesiastes) using the Tanach, and biblical and Rabbinic texts. Ability to read and translate Hebrew without vowels helpful but not required.

Learn more at [bit.ly/TItanach](https://bit.ly/TItanach).



### JOYOUS MOVEMENT & DANCE

*Sunday, June 5 & June 26 at 10:00 am*

Come move to the beat: Jewish and secular; US, Israeli and more. No dance experience or coordination required for this half-hour semi-guided dance party. Busy? Feel free to pop in for a few minutes of fun!

Learn more at [bit.ly/TIJoyousMovement](https://bit.ly/TIJoyousMovement)

## UPCOMING & ONGOING EVENTS - continued



### PARASHAT HA SHAVUAH CLASS

*Mondays June 13, 20, 27*

*Via Zoom only - no in-person attendance*

Meet online with Rabbi Werbow and a lively group of congregants to discuss insights from the weekly Torah portion. Bring your questions and an open mind; no Hebrew skills necessary.

Learn more at: [bit.ly/TIParashat](https://bit.ly/TIParashat).

## WEEKLY SERVICE SCHEDULE



### KABBALAT SHABBAT\*

*Fridays at 6:30 pm*

At TI, we love to sing, especially on Friday night! Join in TI's full evening service to bring in Shabbat with the community.



### SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES\*

*Saturdays at 9:00 am*

Services are traditional, egalitarian, participatory, and led by TI members in partnership with our Rabbi.



### ZOOMdalah!

*Saturdays after sundown, check calendar for times*

TI's virtual neighborhood gathers via Zoom for a warm and welcoming service to bring in the new week.



### SUNDAY MORNING MINYAN\*

*Sundays at 9:00 am*

Start the week by giving your spiritual life a lift! Services are lay-led, with Rabbi Werbow sharing insights into prayers and approaching holidays.

*\*Attend in the Sanctuary or via Zoom*

## SPECIAL EVENTS & SERVICES



### RISING SONG KABBALAT SHABBAT & DINNER

*Sponsored by the Ritual Committee*

*Friday, June 10 at 6:30 pm*

"Circle up" in song to a cappella tunes in live harmony. This uplifting and inspiring service will catapult our community into a soul-filling Shabbat. Dinner to follow. Learn more at [bit.ly/RisingShabbatJune](http://bit.ly/RisingShabbatJune).



### POOL PARTY FOR FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

*Sunday, June 12 at 12:00 pm*

Join fellow TI'ers with young children for a summer pool party at a local neighborhood pool. There will be Kiddie pool, swimming pool, playground... and pizza! RSVP for event location.

Learn more at [bit.ly/PoolParty22](http://bit.ly/PoolParty22)



### FAMILY SHABBAT

*Saturday, June 18 at 11:00 am*

TI families with young children are invited to another songful Shabbat morning. Singer-Songwriter Ben Pagliaro will use a mixture of songs and prayerful moments to create a fun and meaningful service for all.

Learn more at [bit.ly/JuneFamilyShabbat](http://bit.ly/JuneFamilyShabbat).



### UPTOWN SHABBAT

*Friday, June 24th at 6:30 pm*

Join in soulful song with Cantor Robyn Helzner, a leading interpreter of world Jewish music. Guitar will be played during Kabbalat Shabbat.

Learn more at: [bit.ly/TIUptownShabbat](http://bit.ly/TIUptownShabbat)

## *Tribute to Bernie Shleien*

*Postponed until fall when more people will be in town.*

# INSTALLATION SHABBAT

**Saturday, June 4**



Thank outgoing leaders and welcome new and returning Officers, Board Members & Trustees.

Learn more at [bit.ly/InstallShabbat22](https://bit.ly/InstallShabbat22).

## Donations

### A. Nathan Abramowitz Fund

Rabbi Ethan & Rachel Seidel

Joy & Leonard Baxt

### George Greenberg Building Preservation Fund

Jevera Temsky

### General Donation

Raymond & Rebecca Coleman

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Dudley Blevins & Ann Rosenthal

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Howard & Michele Sumka

Jevera Temsky

Jevera Temsky

### Marvin Caplan Social Action Fund

Esther & Gene Herman

Edward Koren & Claudine Schweber

Miriam Davidson

Myrna Goldman

Esther & Gene Herman

### In Memory Of

Malvina Miller

### In Support Of

New bimah lift

### In Honor Of

Stephanie Rubin

### In Memory Of

Alexandra Kincannon

Evelyn Jellinek

Bill Moyer

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Oscar Mann

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### In Honor Of

Jevera Temsky

Susan Catler

The Helping Hands team

### In Honor Of

Dinknesh Friedman's Bat Mitzvah

Esther & Gene Herman

### In Memory Of

Bill Moyer

Neil Tickner

Evelyn Salz

### New Initiatives Fund

David & Janice Mehler

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Myrna Goldman

Francesca & Joshua Kranzberg

Iris & Michael Lav

Gideon & Lisa Blumenthal

Joshua & Sara Goldberg

Alene Moyer & Aviel Roshwald

### Torah Repair Fund

Myrna Goldman

### Yahrzeit Donations

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Lawrence Gross

Roberta & Steven Jellinek

Judith Shapiro

Stephen Meltzer

Elaine Miller

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Maury Ostroff

Ivy Baer & Marc Rothenberg

David & Stephanie Rubin

Lawrence & Pearl Schinker

Shira Rubinstein Schechtman & Eric Schechtman

### In Memory of

Bill Moyer

Alan Mehler

### In Honor of

Rabbi Werbow

### In Memory of

Alexandra Kincannon

Bill Moyer

### In Honor Of

Eric Schectman's retirement

### In Memory Of

Samuel Meir Jaffe

Sarah Berlin

Mary T. Jeweler

Kate Goldman Katz

Esta Hare

Pauline M. Gross

Evelyn Jellinek

Lillian Pearlman Shapiro

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Eli Contract

Harriet Ostroff

Marcella Rothenberg

Bernard Rubin

Morris Krakover, William Schinker

Allan H. Schechtman

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## Kol Nashim Book Group - Jessica Weissman

At our May meeting we discussed *The Puttermesser Papers*, a novel by Cynthia Ozick. Some readers were enchanted by the novel and the ideas embodied in it, while others thought the author was pretentious. Many in both groups enjoyed the fresh and surprising language.

Book for June 21st: *A Rosenberg by Any Other Name: A History of Jewish Name Changing in America*, by Kirsten Fermaglich. The author examined many name-change petitions submitted by Jews, discovering patterns and reasons that contradict the false narrative of name changes at Ellis Island. May sound dull, but definitely is not. There are a few library copies, so grab one early, finish it fast (it's short) and pass it on.

We meet at 7:30, for now over Zoom. As the weather improves and COVID poses less of a threat, we will reconsider meeting in person. Meetings last until 9pm, or until we run out of things to say. This rarely happens. We are TI!

Our meetings are open to everyone interested in talking about books, not just TI members. So if you have friends who might enjoy the kind of books we read, bring them along. Also including those who have not finished (or even started) the book. We make no commitment to avoid spoilers, however.

If you are not on the evite list, please contact **Janice Mehler** (contact information in the TI directory) to be added. RSVPs are not absolutely necessary until we start meeting at members' homes, but being on the list gets you timely reminders and an email with the Zoom link.

Here's the secret: **we use the same Zoom link every month.** So save the link someplace, and you won't have to search for it every month.

### Funeral Practices Committee Always On-Call

*Chaverim* of the Funeral Practices Committee are on call to provide counsel and services to synagogue members and their dependents.

**In the event of a death, before contacting the funeral home please contact one of the following chaverim or the TI office (202-882-1605).**

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## Donations continued

### Yahrzeit Donations

Roberta Schery  
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Lesley Zark  
Diana Zurer

### In Memory Of

Mitchell Stein  
Lenore Simon  
Rose White  
Judith Zark Kress  
Joseph Furman,  
Misha Woll

### Yizkor

Yvonne Shashoua &  
Yochanan Sullivan  
Yvonne Shashoua &  
Yochanan Sullivan  
Lee & Brenda Footer  
Rachelle & Stephen Heller

### In Memory Of

Alfred Salim  
Shashoua  
Sonya Rozansky  
Shashoua  
Bill Moyer  
Ethel & Sanford  
Heller, Esther &  
William Silverman

## Nayes un Mechayes- Melissa Perera

### Travel and Accomplishments

**Myrna Goldman** attended the Bat Mitzvah of her grandniece, Sylvie Rubin, in New York in late May. It was a lovely service, and it was a treat to visit with relatives from Seattle, Boulder, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey, in addition to the New York clan.

The Association of Government Accountants DC Chapter gave **Simcha Kuritzky** their 2022 Lifetime Achievement Award for authoring the column Inside the Black Box in every issue of their chapter newsletter since 1998. In addition, Simcha placed three exhibits in competition at the Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists show. His Israel Coin Designs exhibit took first place in world coins, his feline paper money took third in paper, and his Heh Amulets did not place in tokens and medals.

**Zoë Friedman**, daughter of **Arthur Friedman**, will graduate from Emory University and from Emory's Goizueta Business School in May.

TI member **Delanie Ostrow** received her Master's degree in Professional Studies, Design



Management & Communications from Georgetown University.

**Adam Perera** entered 2 black & white photos in the Nora School Photography Festival open

to schools in DC and MD. Both photos won awards (honorable mention and first prize).



Photo by Adam Perera

There were over 200 entries from 10 schools judged by independent photographers.

### Joyous News

Congratulations to Daniella Bardack, daughter of **Eti** and **Paul Roitman Bardack**, and Alan Tarab on their recent wedding. Daniella is a mem-



ber of the human resources office of the US Department of Defense, and Alan is a high school math teacher in Loudoun County, Virginia.

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## Nayes un Mechayes - continued

They look forward to melding her American Ashkenazic traditions with his Argentinian Sephardic ones.

### High School Graduating Seniors

**Aviva Blumenthal**, daughter of **Lisa** and **Gideon Blumenthal**, is graduating from Sandy Spring Friends and will be attending Tulane University in the fall.

**Zachary Bressler**, son of **Rachel** and **Steven Bressler** is graduating from Montgomery Blair HS where



he was in the Communication Arts Program magnet. He is planning to attend Grinnell College in the fall and is interested in majoring in Philosophy.

**Cramer Gotthelf**, son of **Rachel Vile** and **Michael Gotthelf** is graduating from Bethesda-Chevy Chase HS this year and will be attending Brandeis University.

**Andi Gunther**, daughter of **Lisa Goldberg** and **Stefan Gunther**, graduated in May from Vermont Academy. After interning at a DC law firm for the summer, Andi will move to Brooklyn, NY in August to start a creative writing major with a focus on poetry at Pratt Institute.



Andi Gunther

**Vera Hershberg**, daughter of **Annie** and **Jim Hershberg**, is graduating from The Field School, and will be attending Bennington College in Vermont in the fall.

**Ari Kefer**, son of **Jennifer** and **Josh Kefer**, is gradu-



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## Nayes un Mechayes- Continued

ating from Walter Johnson HS and will be attending Case Western Reserve University in the fall. He is considering a major in biomedical engineering and business. In high school, Ari was recognized as a scholar-athlete for all four years, was a member of the National Honor Society, Varsity wrestling team (captain and state-ranked), Powerlifting club (captain, ranked third nationally for his weight class in 2021), and the Junior Varsity Baseball team. He will be returning to the Ramah Sports Academy as a counselor this summer, and continuing to wrestle with the CWRU Spartans next year.

**Ari Levin**, son of **Susan Vitale** and **Henry Levin**, is graduating from Fusion Academy, DC on June 10<sup>th</sup>. He is very excited to go to Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Oregon, in August.

**Patrick Charles Moorehead**, son of **Alexandra Kincannon (z"l)** and **Paul Moorehead**, is graduat-



ing from St. John's College High School in June, where he was active in the Cadet Corps and affiliated entities like the Raiders. Patrick is active in the United States Air Force's auxiliary Civil Air Patrol, and has many hobbies including fencing

(sabre) and carving and using his own wooden bows and arrows. In the fall, Patrick will attend University of Aberdeen in Scotland, where he will study anthropology, archeology, and genetics.

**Eve Murdock**, daughter of **Stephanie Roodman Murdock** and **Jonah Murdock**, graduated from Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School in February 2022. She then joined 75 of her classmates for 3 incredible months hiking, volunteering and touring around Israel. This summer she will work as a camp counselor at Capital Camps. In the fall she will start as a freshman at Indiana University's Media School, majoring in advertising. She looks forward to the next chapter in her life.

In June, **Adam Perera**, son of **Melissa Perera**, is graduating from the Nora School. At the end of



the summer, Adam will move to Ohio, where he plans to vote in the midterm elections and study chemistry and Russian at Oberlin College.

**Kayla Pitch**, daughter of **Elaine Weiss** and **Michael Pitch**, is graduating from Einstein HS and will be attending the University of Vermont in the

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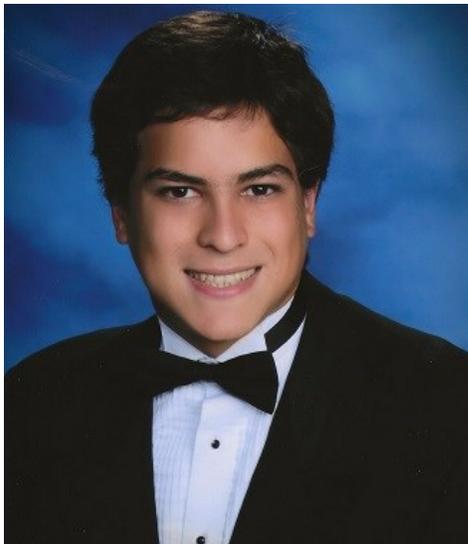
## Nayes un Mechayes - continued

Kayla Pitch



fall where she plans to study political science and sociology.

**Alexander Israel Wolfson**, son of **Dorthea** and **Adam Wolfson** is graduating from Walter Johnson HS



and will be attending the University of Maryland, College Park Honors College, where he will be majoring in chemistry. While at Walter Johnson, Alexander served as co-editor-in-chief of the print edition of the newspaper, The Pitch, which he greatly enjoyed. He was also on the varsity swim team and JV/Varsity

Baseball for four years. He was a member of the National Math Honor Society, National Science Honor Society, National Honor Society, as well as the WJ APEX Honors Program and the WJ ACES Honors Program. He is looking forward to attending UMD and joining his older brother **Thomas** there and getting involved in Hillel! Go Terps!

Congratulations to all of our high school graduates!

### Sad News

Tifereth Israel member **Alexandra Kincannon** died on May 16, 2022, 15 Iyar 5782, at the age of 53 after a long struggle with cancer. She is survived by her husband **Paul Moorehead**, children **Aidan**, **Patrick** and **Helen Moorehead**, mother **Lois Claire Green Kincannon**, and sister **Indya Kincannon (Ben Barton)**, and two nieces. Her father, **Charles Louis Kincannon**,



died in 2012.

Alex was a loving mother, wife, sister, friend, and good neighbor to so many people. She had an incredible intellect matched only by her humor and sweet heart. She was beautiful inside and out and her smile lit up every room and everyone she met. She is so loved and for those lucky enough to have her in their lives, she will always be in their hearts.

May the family be comforted and her memory be a blessing.

# The Way They Were

Here are family photos of this year's graduating high school seniors when they were younger. Can you match the picture to the graduate? Answers below.



a: Ari Kefer b: Alexander Wolfson c: Adam Perera  
d: Andi Gunther e: Zachary Bressler  
f: Patrick Moorehead g: Kayla Pritch.

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### Happy Birthday!

6/1	Maayan Brandt Lautman	6/10	Steven Kalish		Samuel Mancoll		Bat Chen Sullivan
	Robert Lande		Ashley Young		Michele Siegel	6/26	Harold Gelfand
	Naomi Sullivan	6/11	Eloise Melsky Linden	6/20	Jeremiah Alterman		Lena Tulchin
6/2	Abraham Mancoll	6/12	Alison Acosta		Nancy Berman	6/27	Larry Bram
6/3	Helene Emsellem		Penelope Anderegg		Linda Turnowski		Ann Cohen
	Naomi Footer		Richard Kruger	6/21	Paul Goldstein		Stephanie Rubin
	Alexandra Gomes		Jacob Saletta		Dina Kraft	6/28	Aylat Lifshitz
	Hannah Perlmutter		Dov Weitman		Kelly Rickard		John Lister
	Adam Riker	6/13	Lionel Cherry	6/22	Joy Baxt		Melke Mengiste
6/4	Naomi Friedman	6/14	Rebecca Glaser		Stan Dorn		Jaelyn Shettler
	Matt Heller	6/15	David Emsellem		Monique Isaac		Randy Showstack
	Sylvia Horwitz		Martin Hood		David Kritz		Joshua Tuerk
	Ari Natter		Xiomara Lopez Roshwalb		Peter Trooboff	6/29	Dina Borzekowski
6/5	Amruta Fernbach		Neilah Rovinsky	6/23	Ari Kefer		David Fisher
	Samuel Handwerker		Benjamin Schainker		Daniel Kuhn		Ron Ghatan
	Martha Hare		Peter Winch		Rachel Peckham		Kim Levone
	Michael Heimowitz	6/16	Nicole Berns		Kayla Pitch		Susan Morse
	Aviva Taransky		Krayna Feinberg		Seth Zurer		Barbara White
	Ethan Wiener		Esther Roitman Bardack	6/24	Mark Lewis	6/30	Zachary Bressler
6/6	Stanley Grabia		Jeremy Steinberg		Joye Newman		Asa Doherty
6/8	Pearl Schainker		Michael Tilchin		Tania Peterman		Carol Klein
	Robin Schlesinger	6/17	Micah Goldberg		Sophia Shettler-Marx		Paul Laden
	Diane Thrush	6/18	Alisha LeVine		Rachel Stone		Uri Lopez Roshwalb
6/9	Abigail Dugan		Howard Rubin		Avi White		Alan Weitz
	Judith Herzog Murdock	6/19	Samuel Cohen	6/25	Katherine LaRiviere		
	Andrea Rosen		Rachel Dotter		Bob Mathis		

### Happy Anniversary!

6/2	Earl Dotter & Deborah Stern	6/19	Susan Catler & Keith Secular
	Samuel Isaacson & Amelia Karraker	6/20	Judah Flum & Lisa Itkin
	Sharon Moshavi & Eric Weiner	6/21	Mark & Mona Berch
6/4	Larry Greenfield & Melanie Gross Greenfield		David & Sara Handwerker
6/5	Linda Greer & Michael Tilchin	6/22	Rabbi Jane Berman & Adam Diamond
6/8	Catherine & Jonathan Tuerk	6/23	Cynthia & Jeff Peterman
6/10	Ann Baker & Christopher Zeilinger		Ivy Baer & Marc Rothenberg
6/11	Hedy & Lee Ohringer		Madge Lee Spector & Louis Spector
	Vivian Seidner & Marc Warshawsky	6/26	Joy & Leonard Baxt
6/12	Arnold & Naomi Revzin	6/27	Ken & Rachel Lemberg
6/14	Shelly & Stephen Heller	6/30	Rabbi Jason & Devora Kimelman-Block
6/16	Lisa & Tom Goldring		
6/18	Shira Rubinstein Schechtman & Eric Schechtman		
	Jeffrey & Julie Steinberg		
	Adele & Michael Sumner		

## TI Social Action Projects - Bob Feron

*If I am not for myself, then who will be for me?*

*And if I am only for myself, what am I?*

*And if not now, when?*

- Rabbi Hillel

Over the past year, TI volunteers have continued to engage in direct action *Tikkun Olam* projects, some of which have been going on for decades. Before the pandemic, every year dozens of TI members prepared and delivered Christmas dinners to the homeless residents of four different large shelters on Christmas Day. This year, we delivered hundreds of bags of suitable holiday presents to a vast number of needy shelter residents in late December.

We will continue to provide opportunities for TI volunteers to engage in social action programs providing direct service to the less fortunate members of the community around us, while mitigating the health risk by prepackaging individual portions, both for shelter residents and those who live on the streets. One of these opportunities is our monthly ongoing Social Action project to provide dinners to over 120 needy community members on the first Sunday of each month at Shepherd's Table, in a team composed of TI volunteers.

This past year, Tifereth Israel commemorated both Tu B'Shevat and Martin Luther King Day on a single weekend, an event that required many weeks of advance coordination by a large team of volunteers from the Green Committee and the Social Action Committee, working with strong guidance and encouragement from both **Rabbi Werbow** and **Rabbi Kelley Gludt**. Similarly, our congregation benefitted from several Racial Justice programs and creative new ideas from our active member **Carolivia Herron**.

This June and July we have several more opportunities to act on these Jewish values. Many TI members have more free time in June and July than earlier in the year. This month we request your personal support to overcome the two main obstacles that so far have significantly delayed the launch of our TI Refugee Welcome Home Project.

- We need a few adult TI volunteers who are prepared to help physically move donated furniture on a Sunday in late June or July, or perhaps very late on one Spring weekday afternoon. One Sunday in the next two months would be most helpful. We've already received many offers of donated furniture in great condition that we haven't been able to accept because we haven't yet identified two or three able-bodied TI volunteers. This means that this summer we will need you as a volunteer.
- Ideally, we would prefer to identify a lead volunteer to coordinate this one-time furniture-moving team. This could be you. We've already identified coordinators for all donations of food, kitchen items and other household goods, but we still need someone who can coordinate the task of moving furniture.
- We have already received several hundred dollars of donated funds to pay for the short-term rental of a suitable storage space where we can hold the donated furniture and household supplies for a few weeks before moving everything into the designated apartment for a refugee family (or families). If we receive additional donated funds, this would pay for the rental of a truck or van to move everything, if necessary. Please login to the TI website, then click here to donate to this project through the Marvin Caplan Social Action Fund. We can also hire people to move the furniture.

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## Social Action Projects -continued

As background, we still intend to put our Jewish values into action by mobilizing to finally launch this TI Refugee Welcome Home Project, in cooperation with the International Rescue Committee (IRC). We intend to do this by mobilizing a team of TI volunteers who will collect and store all the essential furniture, goods and food to stock an apartment for one family of recently-arrived refugees. The IRC staff will locate and pay for this apartment for the first 90 days, probably in Prince George's County. After that, the family itself will pay the rent. IRC staff members provide support to job search efforts by the adults in recently-arrived families.

Our role as volunteers for the TI Refugee Welcome Home Project will be to fill the empty rental apartment with everything that a recently-arrived family of refugees needs to have to feel at home. We can do this and do it well.

Please contact us if you can help as a volunteer. If you can lend a hand, please email either Bob Feron or Gene Herman (or both) to express your desire to help. If you previously sent us an email, but haven't yet received a detailed response, please email us again this month.

A few months from now, in the fall it should be possible for TI volunteers to work directly with Afghan refugees. Some tasks can be done remotely, but others will involve in-person visits. You can select whatever is most comfortable for you.

### Serving Dinner at Shepherd's Table - Gene & Esther Herman

Volunteering at Shepherd's table has been and will continue to be a successful ongoing TI social action project. TI serves dinner the first Sunday of each month. Participants have recognized the importance of this endeavor as a means of aiding the needy in our community. The number of dinners served has been well over 100 for the last several months.

Thanks to the May volunteers-**David** and **Stephanie Rubin**, **Joe** and **Paula Martin**, **Dina Borzekowski**, **Glen Graubart**, **Steve Garber**, **Dione Pereira**, **Esther** and **Gene Herman**. Our July serving date is Sunday, July 3rd. Each crew is limited to 10 volunteers so please sign up early. You can also sign up for multiple months.

If interested, register and log in at <http://tiferethisrael.shepherdstable.volunteerhub.com/>

## Jewish Rally for Reproductive Freedom

Photos by Susan Catler



## TI Wins! KN/Gevarim Game Night on May 14

Kol Nashim and Gevarim hosted the in-person Game Night on May 14th. There was an hour of games that did not require writing such as Charades. Good snacks plus an array of adult beverages supplied by Gevarim proved popular with the 40 or so attendees. Havdalah was followed by board games, puzzles, poker and other games people play.

The KN Board will meet on June 8th, location TBD. The next event is September 10th, featuring an Open Mic Night and Game Night the Sequel.

Happy Pride Month from Kol Nashim!



### Gevarim - Andrew Reamer

#### The Glass Plates of Lublin

**Sunday, June 12 -- 10:30 am-12:15 pm • via Zoom** (see TI calendar for link)

A special talk to celebrate publication of *The Glass Plates of Lublin*, selections from the 2,700 glass photographic plates discovered in the attic of a nineteenth-century apartment building in the former Jewish section of Lublin, Poland. Taken between 1913 and 1930, they capture the teeming life of Lublin before the war, at a time when Jews composed a third of the city's population. In a conversation with Leora Tec, the book's editors Aaron Lansky, Lisa Newman and Piotr Nazaruk talk about the fascinating history behind the glass plate negative collection of Lublin. (Recorded March 10, 2022)

#### Russia's War on Ukraine: Perspectives from Jewish History

**Sunday, June 26 -- 10:30 am-12:15 pm • via Zoom** (see TI calendar for link)

Four distinguished scholars of Jewish, Russian, and Ukrainian studies discuss how we can understand the war in Ukraine from the perspective of Jewish history and how the region's history may inform the future. Moderator: Jeffrey Veidlinger, University of Michigan, Chair of the Center for Jewish History's Academic Advisory Council. Panelists: David Fishman, Jewish Theological Seminary; Amelia Glaser, University of California, San Diego; Marci Shore, Yale University. (Recorded March 16, 2022)

## Game Night Photos



Top row photos by Julie Steinberg



Photos below by Jennifer Kefer



## Around TI



Barbecue at the Park - photos by Lillie Rosen



Hillel Tulchin, Rain Garden Volunteer of the Month. Photo by Carla Ellern

## June Yahrzeitn

*Editor's note: We list upcoming yahrzeitn based on ShulCloud records, under the Shabbat dates when the name is recited and by the yahrzeit date.*

### May 27 & 28

6/1	Samuel Dublin Paul Niederman Jean Rosenthal Rosen Edith G. Weiss		Mary T. Jeweler Max Landau Aaron Margolis Morris Mestetsky Sabina Josephine Raimondo	6/16	Jean Moore Lester Robert Morss Adrienne Siegel Rothenberg Nate Sagalkin Paula Grace Cohen
6/2	William Garner Muriel Glaser Esta Hare Pearl Kabaker Kate Goldman Katz Joseph Aaron Lewis Vera Goldfischer Schweber	6/9	David Rubin Ida Sarah Selsky Nathaniel Weil Phyllis Finkelstein Mildred Lande Joel Levin Harold Morris Samuels Dolly F. Simmons	6/17	Louis Gilman Esther Miller Rose Jeweler Peres Gertrude Green Silverstone Gertrude Baum Hyman Eller Jacob Sodden Sarah Miriam Solomon
6/3	Sam Aronowitz Morris Epstein Solomon Hofberg Sam Hovis Anna B. Mayer Jonathan Mazal Nathan Sinel Stuart Voisin	6/10	Esther Borochoff Helene Cohen-Saffan Eva Gurewitz Ethel Heller Frank Albert Wine		
			<b>June 10 &amp; 11</b>		<b>June 17 &amp; 18</b>
<b>June 3 &amp; 4</b>		6/11	Morris Baron Jacob Cohen Joseph Furman Mamilda Gallun Arthur Galston Sarah Kahansky Esther Plotkin Misha Woll	6/18	William Frohlich Nathan Gandel Moses Snesil Rabbi Jacob Weitman Avi Dorot Gertrude Krick Albert Saks
6/4	William Berenter Morris Rovinsky Allan Schechtman		Doris Cadish Nettie Saltz	6/19	Moses Michael Bailin Edna Gorewitz Gerald G. Gross Lewis Leeds Sylvia Stahl Joel David Vile Hinde Wishnia
6/5	Morris Hoffman Milton Kahan Jennie Mostow Gerald Jack Nesse Lenore Simon Daniel Wial	6/12	Rose Blanco Eugene Freed Harriet Herr Fay Lehrer Jack M. Pollock Milton Rodberg William Sperling	6/20	Minnie Corman Rose Greenberg Sarah Schlossberg Louis Sugar
6/6	Mary Bernstein Brandel Eichenbaum Ruth Isicon Evelyn Jellinek Bernard Rubin Chaim Turner Judith Wilkenfeld	6/13	Walter Bell Max Blaser Mary King Boin Harold Cadish Samuel Friedlander Abraham Tunick	6/21	Solomon Friedenber Leona Greenstein Barnett Shapiro Sidney Stanger
6/7	Sidney Auerbach Izzy Feldman Ruth Felman Stanley Glabman Mason Irving Himelhoch Samuel Meir Jaffe Albert Kline	6/14	Rae Miriam Caplan Brenda Gerwin Bernard Golub Rabbi Julius Hess	6/22	Evelyn "Kiki" Kaplan Feyga Khakim Harry Moore Stuart Arnold Peres Morris Schwartzman Louise Libby Sidman Libbey Sussan
6/8	Lynn Weinstein Clarfeld Murray Jarett	6/15		6/23	

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## June Yahrzeitn continued

6/24 Sylvan Cahn  
Thelma Hecht  
Rose Stadler

### June 24 & 25

6/25 Ashur Baizer  
Murray Braverman  
Dick Davisson  
Lawrence Feldman  
Anthony Pitch  
Kenneth Steinberg

6/26 Rose Levine  
Sophie Sima Slatko

6/27 Jennie Alpert  
Rubin Finkelstein  
Augusta Herman  
Dorothy Keyser Heyman  
Sarah K. Mendelson  
Blanche Riker  
Morris Schweber

6/28 Seymour Berland  
Natalie Lewis  
Sarah Peters  
Saul J. Ritter  
Harry Seidman  
William Tenn  
Leah Weissman

6/29 Jay Steven Brown  
James Feron  
Rabbi Mordecai S. Halpern  
Edythe Lee Herman  
Francesca Hess  
Henry Isadore Hoffman  
Dr. James Krivo  
Abraham Loube  
Louis Mensh

6/30 Margaret Baxt  
Samuel Cohen Footer  
Kenneth M. Herman  
Samuel Marvin Smith

## Himmelfarb Foam Party - Photos by Gabriella Salomon





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