"I REMEMBER WHEN WE WERE YOUNG. UNCLE MORDY AND I HAD SO MUCH FUN. WHILE THE OTHER KIDS WERE ROCKING AROUND THE CLOCK...”

Purim, the loudest of all Jewish holidays, commemorates the saving of the Jews of Persia by Queen Esther. It has been the tradition in synagogues to celebrate this holiday with a fun-filled religious service that includes the reading of the Book of Esther (or the Megillah), that tells the story of how Esther, a Jewish queen in ancient Persia risked her life to save all the Jews in the land. It has been a tradition at Temple Beth-El, to follow the Megillah reading with a humorous musical version of the story, called a Purim Spiel (spiel is Yiddish for play).

And so, we celebrate by dressing up, eating hamantaschen, reading the Book of Esther, booing Haman’s name, drinking abundantly (adults only, of course) and producing a Purim spiel.

"I Guess That’s Why They Call It A Spiel" tells the inspirational story of Esther, Haman, Vashti, Ahashuerus and Mordechai through hilarious parodies of Elton John’s biggest hits, including “Rocketman,” “Your Song,” and “Crocodile Rock.”

This family-friendly spiel will keep you laughing with non-stop jokes, and bring our sacred scripture to life for the entire community.
OUR MOVEMENT’S CONVENTION, the Union for Reform Judaism (URJ) Biennial, was held this past December in downtown Chicago. Despite the chilly weather conditions, the spirit and enthusiasm of more than 5,000 dedicated Jewish leaders warmed both our hearts and our minds. This labyrinthine convention center was soon transformed into an old-fashioned shtetl, as we renewed old friendships, made new ones, and shared so many moments of Jewish wisdom, prayer, and song.

Before one program I sat down at a table and began to chat with three women I had never met before. Although we were all from different regions of the country, it only took a few minutes of playing “Jewish Geography” to discover that all of us had grown up in New Jersey, and one of the women had belonged to my childhood synagogue in Fort Lee. We shared our memories of the synagogue’s peculiar culture. She caught me up on all the news of our childhood rabbis, and without the aid of even a single app, we established a bond.

While I continue to be amazed by such moments of “Jewish kismet,” I also know that at every URJ convention there are hundreds, if not thousands, of stories just like this one. Indeed, a typical URJ convention is akin to spending time in our home state. No matter where you go, relationships and connections seem to find you. As TBE President Rob Stolzman enjoys reminding me, “Rhode Island is so small that we have less than one degree of separation; it’s more like 50 basis points.”

At this year’s biennial Temple Beth-El was well represented by its many different stakeholders, including clergy, senior staff, members of our board, faculty, congregants, and, of course, our youth. All of us spread out attending different programs, services, and seminars, then gathering together at the evening plenary sessions to discuss our days. We worshipped together, ate Shabbat dinner together, danced, jumped, smiled and sang at the top of our lungs during Shabbat “song session,” (the highlight of any biennial), and were moved and inspired by Rabbi Rick Jacobs’ sermons on what “audacious hospitality” really means in an age of division and rancor.

My days at the convention were devoted to the theme of congregational engagement. I attended various seminars on engaging different synagogue constituencies, including social justice activists, baby-boomers, millennials, and Generation Z, and how to develop interest groups (hikers, mahjong players, etc.) to enhance and deepen the connection to community. Although each seminar described outstanding programs that appealed to vastly different demographic groups, every presenter reached the exact same conclusion: a thriving Temple program succeeds through relationships. When we look forward to sharing our stories, not just in a public space, but with those to whom we feel truly connected, our Temple program transforms into our sacred community.

Just a brief glance at our Temple Beth-El calendar reveals a plethora of multi-generational educational and cultural opportunities, from RLYGRS classes to adult education, from daily minyan to Erev Shabbat services, from K’tantan to Beth-Elders, from conversations about Israel to conversations about injustice, from trips in New England to trips around the world, there are so many different ways to engage with our community. Each program offers the opportunity to be enlightened, to enlighten others, and to share a communal bond unlike any other in our lives. As we walk the path of our Jewish journey, may we find friends and guides along the way. May these relationships take us to unexpected places, and lead us toward understanding, wisdom, and holiness.
WORSHIP

פרשת תצוה
PARASHAT TETZAVEH
Torah: Exodus 27:10 - 30:10
Haftarah: Ezekiel 43:10 - 43:27
Friday, March 6
7:00 PM Shabbat Service
Saturday, March 7
9:00 AM Torah Study

פרשת צו
PARASHAT TAZAV
Torah: Leviticus 6:1 - 8:36
Haftarah: Malachi 3:4 - 3:24
Friday, April 3
6:00 PM Family Shabbat Dinner
7:00 PM Family Shabbat Service
Led by the RLYGRS third grade students.
Saturday, April 4
9:00 AM Torah Study - "Rebbe Nachman of Breslov and Jewish pilgrimage to Uman, Ukraine" Speaker, Shai Afsai
"Rebbe Nachman of Breslov and Jewish pilgrimage to Uman, Ukraine" Shai Afsai will join us for Shabbat morning to share his experiences making this pilgrimage three times, as well as its history and meaning.
How did it start? Why do Jews go to Uman? What takes place there now?

פרשת יקוק
PARASHAT VAYIKRA
Torah: Leviticus 1:1 - 5:26
Haftarah: Isaiah 43:21 - 44:23
Friday, March 27
7:00 PM Joint Reform Service with Cantor Jeff Klepper (See page 18 for details)
Saturday, March 28
9:00 AM Torah Study - Rabbi Mack will share reflections on her recent trip to Guatemala with American Jewish World Service.

פרשת יקים
PARASHAT VAYIKRA
Torah: Leviticus 35:1 - 40:38
Haftarah: Ezekiel 45:16 - 46:18
Friday, March 20
6:30PM Hors d’oeuvres
7:00PM Shabbat Hallelu with Guest Speaker, Rabbi Reuven Firestone (see page 17 for details)
Abundant and filling hors d’oeuvres will be served at 6:30 PM followed by an uplifting musical Shabbat featuring our Temple Beth-El musicians and a short d’var Torah.
Saturday, March 21
9:00 AM Torah Study with Special Guest, Rabbi Ruth Sohn (see page 17 for details)

ROSH HODESH NISAN
Rosh Hodesh Nisan is Thursday, March 26. Look for the new moon on March 25. Nisan, the first month on the Jewish calendar, according to the Torah, coincides with March-April on the civil calendar. The Torah calls it chodesh ha-aviv—the month of spring, as it marks the beginning of the spring months.

On the first day of Nisan in the year 2448 from creation (1313 BCE), two weeks before the Exodus, G-d showed Moses the crescent new moon, instructing him regarding the setting of the Jewish calendar and the mitzvah of sanctifying the new month.
“This month shall be for you the head of months, the first of the months of the year” (Exodus 12:2). This ushered in the first Jewish month and commenced the lunar calendar that Jews have been following ever since. It was the first mitzvah (“commandment”) given to the newly-born nation of Israel, even before the exodus from Egypt.
The PURIM celebration marks the deliverance of the Jews of ancient Persia from the evil intentions of Haman, Prime Minister for King Ahashuerus. The joy and fun connected with drowning out the name of Haman during the reading of the Megillah of Esther has grown through the years and today the holiday has become a kind of nationwide carnival in Israel. Costumed revelers dance through Israeli cities and towns, while elsewhere in the world Jews celebrate Purim in their homes, synagogues and community centers with similar fetes. Purim and the reading of the Megillah of Esther commemorate a deliverance which may never have happened. It all begins in Exodus 17, which describes a bitter battle between the Israelites and the soldiers of King Amalek. Though Israel wins, the battle is so bitter that God blots out the remembrance of Amalek. And so the story is that Ahashuerus became displeased with his queen and held a beauty contest to replace her. Hadassah, whose Persian name was Esther, won the contest and became queen, though no one except Esther and her Uncle Mordechai knew she was Jewish. Later Mordechai overheard a plot against the king, told Esther and the plot was foiled. About then, Haman was named Prime Minister. He became furious when Mordechai would not bow down to him and Haman decided to kill all the Jews.

One night Ahashuerus could not sleep and ordered the royal minutes be read. There he learned how Mordechai had saved him. Later, he asked Haman how such a man should be honored and Haman, thinking the king had himself in mind, suggested an elaborate parade. Ahashuerus thought that was a good idea and ordered Haman to lead the horse that would carry Mordechai. That enraged Haman even more and slyly he persuaded Ahashuerus to sign a decree ordering all Jews destroyed. Queen Esther learned of Haman's plan and pleaded with Ahashuerus, telling him that she was a Jew. The king could not revoke his order, but he permitted the Jews to defend themselves and the result was that Haman's effort to exterminate the Jews was lost. The celebration of the Jews' deliverance became Purim.

The name was derived from the Persian word "pur" which means "lots" and which was how Haman picked the day for his planned execution of the Persian Jews. To blot out the name of Haman, Jews turned to noisemakers and the grogger, which means “rattle,” which came into being around the 13th century. Various noises and symbols were used, including writing Haman’s name on stones and banging them together, writing his name on shoe soles and stamping them. In at least one shtetl in the Pale of Settlement, the young boys slammed a log against the synagogue wall!

True to basic Jewish teaching, Purim also provides an extra opportunity for tzedakah. The Book of Esther tells us to “make days of feasting and gladness, and of sending gifts to one another (mishloach manot), and gifts to the poor.”
MINYAN

JOIN US FOR DAILY MINYAN

Saturday-Thursday at 5:45 PM in the Herman L. Bennett Chapel.
Not only will we be able to fulfill the important mitzvah of helping others recite the Mourner’s Kaddish, but it is also a wonderful way to open our hearts and minds allowing God’s presence into our lives. Dating back to 1955, our daily minyan is the oldest in the Reform movement. At each service, individuals say kaddish for the departed and offer solace and comfort to the bereaved. We invite synagogue members to call the Temple Beth-El office, at 401.331.6070, with the names of their dearly departed to be read at our services.

We encourage and welcome our congregants to attend the daily minyan service. Open to all, it offers an ideal opportunity for moments of prayer and reflection after a busy day and to support fellow congregants who are saying kaddish. Held in the Herman L. Bennett Chapel, service begins at 5:45 PM, ends at 6:00 PM, and is lay-led. Service is held every night except Friday for most of the year.

WHAT YOU CAN DO IN JUST 15 MINUTES!

How often do we wonder where our day has gone and what we have accomplished? It is easy to lose precious hours watching TV, reading a good book, playing video games or texting with friends. Every night (with the exception of Shabbat) a lay person from our congregation leads our Minyan Service held at 5:45 PM in the Herman L. Bennett Chapel. Conducting this 15-minute service is a mitzvah. Those walking through the doors of this intimate space are delighted to see a fellow congregant standing behind the podium, ready to lead them in prayer. They enjoy the opportunity to introduce themselves and see that their loved one’s name is read that particular evening.

We are sharing this with you because we need more people to come forward and learn how to conduct the short service, adding to the roster of those who participate on a regular or substitute basis. We also invite you to call the Temple Beth-El office at 401-331-6070, with the names of your dearly departed to be read at our services.

Please email TBEMinyan@temple-beth-el.org if you would like more information.
SISTERHOOD NEWS

WE HAVE PLANNED A VARIETY OF EVENTS FOR THIS SPRING to encourage you to join us in friendship and tikkun olam. The first event will be our panel discussion, “Women in the Rabbinate: A Local Perspective,” on March 1. We are grateful to our treasured coordinator, Marcy Cohen, for so adeptly planning this forum.

Next, be sure to RSVP by March 16 for Temple Beth-El’s biennial WOMEN’S SEDER, Tuesday, March 31 at 6 PM. This special evening is open to the greater Rhode Island community. Registration details follow on the next page and are also available on the Sisterhood page of the Temple website. Please invite friends and family to join our evening of praying, singing, dancing, learning, dining, and building friendships. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Jenn at the temple office.

As I reflect on our fall events, I offer special thanks to Rabbi Gavi Ruit, Sherry Cohen, Cheryl Greenfield, Barbara Brown, Nancy Riffle, TBE staff, and all members who helped plan and lead the Women of Reform Judaism Northeast Area Day on January 11. Debbie Barshay, Renate Sandgren, Rabbi Mack, and Cantor Seplowin deserve kudos for organizing the Sisterhood Shabbat. Listening to readings by our Sisterhood members and PROVTY teens was a joy. Chanting Torah by Cheryl Greenfield, Shandelle Kenler, and Suzanne Borstein made us kvell.

Rock-a-Baby, that talented trio of musicians, rocked the house at our PJ Havdalah Family Program on February 15.

We appreciate your membership dues and your donations to our upcoming Donor Non-Event, which helps fund programming to benefit Temple Beth-El and the needs of our greater community.

Elaine Sandy, President

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Watch for the Passover Raffle mailing and your opportunity to win a fabulous basket of Passover goodies from Zabar’s, Passover wine, or artistic matzah covers. Winners will be chosen on March 17.

Sunday, March 1 at 1 PM
“Women in the Rabbinate: A Local Perspective”
This panel discussion is free for Sisterhood members and $5 for non-members. RSVP to Marcy Cohen (marcycohen401@gmail.com) or Jenn in the Temple office: (401) 331-6070.

Monday, March 2 at 7 PM
Engage in lively conversation about the winter issue of Lilith magazine at our Lilith Salon. RSVP to Cheryl Greenfield: cherig23@gmail.com

Thursday, March 5 at 6:30 PM
Join us in the Temple kitchen to bake Purim hamantaschen for TBE clergy, staff, a senior center, and our families. Contact Elaine Sandy in advance for the dough recipe and what to bring, including your rolling pin and apron: elaineisandy@gmail.com

Tuesday, March 17 at 6:30 PM
Please join us or donate specific items for our annual Birthday-in-a-Box activity, where we assemble all items necessary for birthday parties for children who otherwise might not celebrate. Contact Elaine Sandy (elaineisandy@gmail.com) for the SignUp Genius link to donate items.

Tuesday, March 31 at 6 PM
Women’s Community Seder

Sunday, April 19 at 9:45 AM to 1 PM
Spring Bake Sale

Wednesday, May 13 at 6:30 PM
2020-2021 Installation of Sisterhood Officers
Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El

Women’s Community Seder

Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at 6 PM
70 Orchard Avenue, Providence, RI

Women of all faiths and girls 8 years and older…

Please join us for a festive Passover Seder, filled with singing and dancing, and other traditions. Bring an object of significance (actual or photograph) to share a life story with those seated at your table. A catered Kosher-style vegetarian dinner will be served along with a medley of ceremonial dips.

Please RSVP by Monday, March 16, 2020

Reservation by mail to TBE or call (401) 331-6070
Questions to Debbie Gordon at (202) 957-8849 or email: dxgordon@gmail.com

The cost of the Seder is $36 per person for an open, unreserved seat. A table of 8 seats may be reserved for $360.

The Women’s Seder will donate a portion of our proceeds to Resources for Human Development-RI, a non-profit that enhances the lives of those with developmental disabilities through the arts. For more information: www.RHDRI.org

Please make your check payable to: “The Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El”

Mail the bottom half of this form with your check to:
Temple Beth-El Women’s Seder, 70 Orchard Avenue, Providence, RI 02906

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Women’s Community Seder 2020

Name of Person Making Reservation: __________________________________________

Phone number: __________________________ Email address: __________________________

Reservation Type:
_____ Unreserved Seat(s) @ $36 each  _____ Reserved Table(s) of 8 seats @ $360 each

List Names of all Persons in this Reservation (use back side for more space):

__________________________________________________________

Number of people for each beverage: _____ Wine____ Grape Juice

Dietary restrictions and food allergies: __________________________________________

Number of children hunting for afikomen: _____

I would like to top-up my contribution to help Sisterhood assist the above charity and provide financial assistance to Seder guests in the amount of: $__________________

* Financial assistance available upon request
BROTHERHOOD SPRINGS FORWARD

- The Temple Beth-El Brotherhood is proud to announce that the recipient of our 2020 Charles Lindenbaum Person of the Year Award is . . . . Temple Past President Fred Franklin. The award will be presented at our 97th Annual Meeting on May 30th. See more about this annual gala event below.

- On January 26th, Bill Rappleye was the speaker at the Harvey Michaels Memorial Breakfast. After 18+ years at Channel 10, Bill is now developing a news magazine show for PBS Channel 36. He discussed the changing face of the local news channels and how every story has been reduced to a 90 second sound byte. From fake news to tribal news to sound-bytes, Bill was right “on-point” and perfectly represented Harvey’s legacy. The audience was very engaged, peppering Bill with many questions covering a variety of topics. (See photos below)

- Anybody looking for a bagel and a shmear... perhaps a little lox or whitefish spread... maybe an individually wrapped muffin or donut... someone ask for some chips... and of course a fresh cup of the best coffee in the area generously donated by Coffee Exchange – Yes, my friends we are talking about the Bagel Café open every Sunday during religious school. Parents, students, teachers, clergy, and visiting guests enjoy our re-vamped Bagel Café atmosphere, menu, bistro-style tables, soft comfy chairs – a place to mingle, relax and nosh.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, March 29 at 8:45 AM
Annual Herbert Wagner Memorial Breakfast
We are planning another thought-provoking speaker, so keep an eye on your mailbox, your in-box with TBE Live, and updates on the Temple website.

Thursday, April 2 at 6 PM
Annual Brotherhood Passover Seder
Alan Moskoff is leading the committee to deliver another wonderful Brotherhood tradition, open to all area men who have reached 13 years of age. Last year we had participation beyond the walls of Temple Beth-El and hope to widen our net this year.

Sunday, April 26 at 3 PM
Annual Bowling Friendraising Event
Stay tuned as we roll out the details of this fun and fund-raising event, including lunch and prizes. Challenge the Rabbi Howard “strike force” and help underwrite Brotherhood philanthropic efforts and offset event security costs with prestigious Bowling Alley signage.

Saturday, May 30 at 6 PM
97th Annual Charles Lindenbaum Person of the Year Award Ceremony
As noted earlier, we are so proud to honor Fred Franklin as this year’s recipient, based upon years of unselfish service to the Temple and Brotherhood, as well as to our broader community. We have also enhanced our scholarship-selection process to include on-line application capability for our religious school 12th graders. We will present college scholarships to three eligible students, thanks to the generosity of our donors. Tell your neighbors and friends to join us and enjoy fabulous offerings from Catering Gourmet.

We hope you are having as much fun, learning, friendships, and community service as we are in Brotherhood. Don’t miss out... come participate in any event, stop by the Bagel Café, get involved... Or just stay in touch via our communications. If you have comments, suggestions, concerns or just want to get involved, do not hesitate to contact our President Elliott Pritikin (epritikin@teknorapex.com) or Activities Vice President Barry Schiff (seal11@aol.com).
PRIDE

On February 1st a lively group got together at TBE for a spirited evening of LGBTQIA Jewish Jeopardy. The event was produced by TBE’s PRIDE TEAM and raised approximately $400 for our Childhood Poverty Program. The game was created by Rabbi Howard and Jodi Glass, chair of the PRIDE TEAM. PLEASE watch the Shofar and TBE Live for upcoming events, which are open to ALL.

Meet our self-named teams:

The Transtikvahs

The Divine 7

The Ashkenazi Allies

Temple Beth El’s PRIDE TEAM is guided by a vision of a world where all Jewish organizations are strengthened by LGBTQIA-inclusive policy, programming, culture, and leadership. Join us throughout the year for topical Torah studies, conversations and more.

SAVE THESE DATES:
Details for all events will be in TBE LIVE as well as the SHOFAR.

May, 2020 Pre-training for PRIDE Fest shift (Date TBD)
Saturday, June 20 PRIDE Fest
Tuesday, July 14 Post PRIDE Fest event (Time TBD)

Check out our STONEWALL DISPLAY in the case across from the offices. Thank you, and be proud.
March is Women’s History Month.

As Reform Jews, we have much to be proud of.

Sunday, March 1 at 1 PM, Temple Beth-El in Providence is sponsoring the panel, “Women in the Rabbinate: A Local Perspective,” featuring Rabbis Sarah Mack and Avital Engelberg. (The panel is free for Temple Beth-El Sisterhood members and $5 for non-members.)

Sunday, March 22 at 4 PM Temple Sinai in Cranston hosts a concert entitled “Kol Isha: Women Cantors Sing Jewish Songs, Then and Now.” Featured vocalists will include Cantor Judith Seplowin (Temple Beth-El, Providence), Cantor Deborah Katchko-Gray (Shir Shalom, Ridgefield, CT), Cantorial Soloist Tami Cherdack (Kol Haverim, Glastonbury, CT) and Cantor Deborah Johnson (Temple Sinai, Cranston, RI) with a repertoire including songs from Bimah to Broadway. Honor Kol Isha by experiencing a “seductive” afternoon of glorious music!
The Sisterhood of Temple Beth-El Presents:

WOMEN IN THE RABBINATE: A LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

A panel discussion moderated by Rabbi Sarah Mack

Sunday, March 1, 2020 at 1 PM

SILVERSTEIN MEETING HALL

Free to Sisterhood Members/$5 Non-members

RSVPs/Questions: Marcy Cohen at marcycohen401@gmail.com or 401-497-3977

Rabbi Avital Engelberg currently serves as Rabbanit at Congregation Beth Sholom. Rabba Engelberg was a fellow of the Halakha program at Midreshet Lindenbaum and holds a B.A. in Theatre from Tel Aviv University, a master’s degree in Talmud from Bar Ilan University and a diploma in Group Facilitation. Rabba Engelberg taught Talmud at Maharat and has taught and facilitated groups at various Jewish educational institutions in Israel.

Rabbi Michelle Dardashti currently serves as the Rabbi of Brown RISD Hillel and Associate University Chaplain for the Jewish Community at Brown. Rabbi Dardashti was ordained and received a masters in Jewish Education from the Jewish Theological Seminary. After ordination, she served as Marshall T. Meyer Rabbinic Fellow at Congregation B’nai Jeshurun in Manhattan and Director of Community Engagement at Temple Beth-El in Stamford. She has also worked as a hospital chaplain.

Rabbi Jackie Satlow is the Jewish culture coordinator and director of the Center for Religious and Spiritual Life at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth. She was born in Yonkers, New York and lived there until the age of 10, when her family moved across the Hudson River to Westfield, New Jersey. After earning degrees from Barnard and Hebrew Union colleges, Rabbi Satlow spent five years studying in Israel.

Rabbi Gavi S. Ruit teaches adult education classes in southern New England and is the author of The Story of Dinah: Rape and Rape Myth in Jewish Tradition, published by Lexington Books/Fortress Academic. Rabbi Ruit was ordained by Hebrew Union College—LA in 2015. Prior to entering the rabbinate, Rabbi Ruit was a developmental specialist working with troubled children and teens.
TEMPLE BETH-EL HAS MUCH OF WHICH TO BE PROUD.

Annual grants from the Bernhardt Fund help us with the building’s infrastructure, all but eliminating the need for a preservation fund or special assessments. The Benefactors Fund provides funding for cultural programs which are always free to members and their guests. The Rabbi Leslie Yale Gutterman Religious School is thriving and has many named funds that offer scholarship assistance. Our beloved clergy and the entire staff of Temple Beth-El are a blessing to us all.

We are proud that Temple Beth-El serves the needs of its membership while continuing to be a leader in the community and promoting Jewish values. We are proud that our membership views the Temple as a priority for its philanthropy through the Premium Support Program. The Premium Support Program is a wonderful vehicle for annual gifts to the Temple. If you are able to step up to the Sustainer’s Circle or move up to the next Circle, you will help enable Temple Beth-El to continue to welcome all who wish to belong and participate, regardless of their financial situation.

As you review the list of those in the Premium Support Program, please note that as of today, eleven members have entered the Sustainer’s Circle and ten members have moved up to the next Circle. We hope you will consider stepping up, making a positive impact on our beloved Beth-El and consider joining those listed below by becoming a member of the Premium Support Program.

For more information how you can help, contact Ruby Shalansky 331-6070 or rshalansky@temple-beth-el.org

Temple Beth-El is grateful to the following families who have joined our Premium Support Program:

**PILLARS (18,000+)
**
JOSEPH A. CHAZAN
DOROTHY BENNETT LAMPAL
ANONYMOUS (1)

**GUARDIAN’S CIRCLE (10,000+)
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**DIRECTOR’S CIRCLE (7,500+)
**
BARBARA FEIBELMAN & KENNETH ORENSTEIN
JACK FEIBELMAN
JAINIE FEIBELMAN
JUDITH C. LABOSSIERE**

**RABBIS’ CIRCLE (5,000+)
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DONNA KIMMEL & MARYLIN NAPPEN**
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ANONYMOUS (3)**

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NANCY & KENNETH KIRSCH
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JANET & MELVIN ZURIER  
ANONYMOUS (2)  

**SUSTAINERS’ CIRCLE (2,500+)**  
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SHELLEY & JAMES BOTVIN**  
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NATASHA & JEFFREY BUCKLER  
JILL & ANDREW CASLOWITZ  
MARCY & RICHARD COHEN  
SHERRY & MARK COHEN  
LISA & LARRY DAVIS  
SUSAN DICKSTEIN &  
ANTHONY SACCONIE**  
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MARCY & RICK GRANOFF  
PAULA & LEONARD GRANOFF  
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Join us as we delve into this deep and meaningful Jewish practice that provides a road map for meaningful living. Mussar is an age-old Jewish practice that began with rabbinic sages and was crystallized in early modernity. The Mussar sages believed that in order to achieve greater Shalom (peace) in life – both individually and as a community – we must strive for greater Sh’lemut (wholeness). Our sages held that, whether we realize it or not, we all have a “life curriculum” that requires that we find internal balance in order to have the fullest life possible. Mussar practice is our tradition’s road map for realizing that personal curriculum and striving for greater Sh’lemut.

In this 10-week session, Rabbi Ruit will guide us in developing and continuing our Mussar practice. We will learn the mindfulness techniques developed by the Mussar sages to help facilitate the quest for wholeness (special meditations, visualizations, intentional journaling), and study the Mussar texts that illuminate the Middot (traits) which are part of our life curriculum.

The class is open to everyone, so feel free to share with anyone who you think might be interested – TBE members: $100; non-members: $125.

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K’TANTAN is a wonderful way to celebrate Shabbat and Holidays with children aged birth to 5. We gather for joyful singing and community dinner. All are welcome!

Monday, March 9, 2020 at 5:30 PM - Purim Party & Spiel
Friday, April 24, 2020 at 5:30 PM
Friday, May 15, 2020 at 5:30 PM

Location: Temple Beth-El Silverstein Meeting Hall

Temple Beth-El
Shabbat Hallelu

Experience the joy of Shabbat with Cantor Judy Seplowin and the Hallelu Band as we open the doors to worship through musical presentation and congregational singing.

Light refreshments and sangria served at 6:30 PM
Services at 7 PM

March 20, 2020
April 17, 2020
May 8, 2020 - 87th High School Graduation

Food sponsored by the Benefactors Fund

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Beth-Elders Dinner

Guest Speaker:
Artist Anthony Tomaselli
Friday, March 13, 2020

Anthony Tomaselli is well-known as both the owner of T’s Restaurants in East Greenwich, Cranston and Narragansett and as one of the most respected painters in Rhode Island. His work features familiar sites in Providence and New England shorelines, and can be viewed in his restaurants, at galleries and offices throughout Rhode Island, Maine, New York and Florida. Anthony’s studio is recognizable: the Fleur-de-Lis building on Thomas Street. At the Beth-Elders dinner, Anthony will speak about the life experiences that led to his art career.

Schedule of Events $20 per person

• 5:30 PM - Wine and Cheese with Anthony Tomaselli
• 6:00 PM - Catered Shabbat Dinner
• 7:00 PM - Shabbat Service
• 8:00 PM - Dessert Oneg

RSVP by March 8
(401) 331-6070 or
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Come join us for a weekend of learning

Rabbi Reuven Firestone, Ph.D.
“If Religions Call for Peace, Why Do They Practice War?”
Shabbat Service - March 20, 2020 at 7 PM

Rabbi Ruth H. Sohn
“For the Sake of the Righteous Women of that Generation, Was Israel Redeemed from Egypt” - Sota 11b
Torah Study - March 21, 2020 at 9 AM

Reuven Firestone is the Regenstein Professor in Medieval Judaism and Islam at Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles, and affiliate professor of religion at the University of Southern California. Author of eight books and more than 100 scholarly articles on Judaism, Islam, their relationship with one another and with Christianity, and phenomenology of religion, Professor Firestone lectures at universities in Europe, Asia and the Middle East as well as throughout North America. He is active on the boards of numerous scholarly journals and boards and commissions treating interreligious relations and dialogue. An ordained rabbi, Firestone received a Ph.D. in Arabic and Islamic Studies from New York University, served as Vice President for Program of the Association for Jewish Studies and as President of the International Qur‘anic Studies Association.

Ruth H. Sohn is a rabbi, spiritual director and writer based in Los Angeles. She directs the Spirituality Initiative and the Aronoff Rabbinic Mentoring program at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Los Angeles and teaches adults in local and national venues. Her articles, Biblical commentary, midrash and poetry have appeared in various anthologies and periodicals, including The Torah: A Women’s Commentary and Chapters of the Heart: Jewish Women Sharing the Torah of our Lives, ed. by Sue Levi Elwell and Nancy Fuchs Kreimer. In Crossing Cairo: A Jewish Woman’s Encounter with Egypt, Rabbi Sohn shares her compelling personal story of living in Egypt with her family in 2006, and explores the question of what it means to genuinely listen to the “other’s” narrative and use it as a lens for examining one’s own.
UPCOMING EVENTS

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CANTOR JEFF KLEPPER

TEMPLE BETH-EL
FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2020
7 PM

Every year, the Reform congregations of Rhode Island, Temple Beth-El of Providence, Temple Habonim of Barrington, The Newport Havurah of Newport and Temple Sinai of Cranston, come together to celebrate Shabbat.

Cantor Klepper has performed throughout the USA and Israel, as well as England, France, the Netherlands and Russia. His original songs, such as the universally beloved “Shalom Rav,” are known throughout the Jewish world.

One of a handful of contemporary Jewish musicians responsible for changing the sound of American synagogue music, Cantor Klepper is a champion of congregational singing in worship. His influence is demonstrated not only in the hundreds of cantors, song leaders, teachers, singers and musicians who regularly teach and perform his songs, but in the thousands of students, campers and shul-goers who sing them.

Please join us for this service with prayers, readings and music.

Hosted by Temple Beth-El
70 Orchard Avenue
Providence, RI 02906
www.temple-beth-el.org
Family Shabbat

Please join us for a very special Family Shabbat Dinner and Worship Service led by our RLYGRS third-grade students.

Friday, April 3, 2020
6PM dinner
in the Silverstein Meeting Hall
7PM service
in the Fain Sanctuary

Please rsvp online at:
https://www.temple-beth-el.org/event/family-shabbat.html

Donations welcome.

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BOOZE & SCHMOOZE

Saturday, April 4, 2020
7 PM
RHODE ISLAND SPIRITS
59 BLACKSTONE AVE - ENTRANCE B
PAWTUCKET, RI 02860
$30 per person
Cost includes light dinner and tastings

To RSVP:
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Sundays at 2 PM in April and May, 2020

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Everyone is welcome to join us in
the Temple Beth-El Silverstein Meeting Hall,
70 Orchard Avenue, Providence, RI,
for our exciting Film Festival.
Come and enjoy our films,
inspiring moderators and refreshments.
Admission is free.

Sunday, April 5: “Shoelaces”
This heartwarming feature film focuses on the complicated,
funny and moving relationship between an Israeli father
and his adult son.

Discussion with Gloria Quinn, Executive Director,
West Bay Residential Services

Sunday, April 19: “Chasing Portraits”
This fascinating documentary tells the story of
an American woman who searches for her
great-grandfather’s paintings that were lost during World War II.

Discussion with Mike Fink, Professor,
Rhode Island School of Design

Sunday, May 3: “Mamboniks”
This spirited and entertaining documentary depicts a group of
American Jews who enthusiastically embraced
the 1950’s music and dance of Cuba.

Discussion leader’s name is to be determined.
Temple Beth-El
Community Seder
Thursday, April 9, 2020
6 PM
Conducted by
Rabbi Howard Voss-Altman
&
Cantor Judith Seplowin
We provide:  You provide:
Seder plate, dessert to share
  dinner  (on a disposable
  and  plate please),
  community  friends, family
                        and neighbors.

Food is Kosher Style. Please label any dessert containing nuts!

adults $36
children 10 & under $18
RSVP with payment by April 1
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1. End Hunger RI Food Packaging event – Sunday, April 26, 10 AM–1 PM  Volunteer as part of a unique food packaging assembly line, preparing delicious, nutritious meals such as a rice-vegetable casserole, rice and beans, and pasta and cheese – all fortified with soy protein, nutrients and vitamins. The individual packages are carefully heat-sealed to ensure freshness, then boxed and distributed to local agencies and food pantries.

2. Donate to help purchase food – which feeds people in need in our communities. Donations can be made by sending your check to:
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Amazingly, it takes only $1 to provide one meal for an entire family of four. Our goal is to raise at least $10,000 and package 40,000 meals. The more you give, the more people we can feed!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Temple Beth-El of Providence
Jewish Roots Trip to Spain

Led by Rabbi Sarah Mack & Cantor Judy Seplowin
April 3-13, 2021
Optional Barcelona Extension April 13-16, 2021

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS:

- Toledo’s Ibn Shushan and El Transito Synagogues
- Kabbalat Shabbat experience with Madrid Reform Jewish Community
- The magnificent La Mezquita mosque in Cordoba
- Ladino concert and Flamenco show
- Lucena (Eliossana)-the Pearl of Sepharad
- The Alhambra fortress/palace and Generalife gardens
- Gourmet Sephardic Dinner
- Juderia and Alcazar of Segovia

- Visit the Jewish museum and synagogue in Belmonte, Portugal where generations of crypto-Jews kept their religion in secret

Optional Barcelona extension:

- The Medieval Call (Jewish neighborhood) and synagogue of Barcelona
- Mikveh in Besalu & Home of Nachmanides in Girona
- Meet members of Bet Shalom Reform community

For more information, contact Rabbi Mack: RabbiMack@temple-beth-el.org
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Summer Celebration and
Family Fun Day

Agawam Hunt
Rumford, RI

Agawam Hunt Camp for Kids – Supervised activities including swimming, corn hole, ladder, lawn games, lunch, kids’ dinner party and video.

July 20, 2020

Day Includes:
11th Annual Golf Tournament
Tennis Doubles (grass and clay courts)
Pickleball
Card Party
Dinner Party
Silent & Live Auctions
HONOR THY NAME PLAQUES

Honor Thy Name Plaques continue to provide members with an opportunity to remember a loved one or to honor someone dear. Inscribed plaques are affixed to a seat of your choice in either the Rosalie and Norman Fain Sanctuary or the Herman L. Bennett Chapel. Donations to establish a plaque enhance the Temple’s Endowment.

The following plaques have been inscribed:

In Loving Memory of our father Maurice Cohn
Given by Judi Labossiere & Family

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Given by Judith & Robert Mann

In honor of the 2017 & 2019 Wheeler School graduations of
Zachary & Justin Emanuel
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MEMORIAL TABLETS

Engraving a Memorial Tablet means that the name of your dearly departed becomes a permanent remembrance in our Temple. The tablet will stand on the marble wall inside the entrance to the Fain Sanctuary during the anniversary month commemorating your loved one’s passing.

NEWTON B. COHN by Anne Martha Pitegoff & Ellen Cohn.
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Let us welcome to the TBE Family:

Daniel Borden & Sarah Burrows of Cranston

B’NEI MITZVAH

JACOB DICKSTEIN  March 14, 2020

Parents:  Elizabeth Jacobs and Daniel Dickstein
School:  Barrington Middle School, 7th Grade
Favorite Activities:  Lego robotics, Boy Scouts, Dungeons and Dragons, Sailing

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Attorney ROBERT OSTER has recently been elected Vice President of the Rhode Island-Israel Collaborative (RIIC).

The CPCU Society of Rhode Island selected RICK COHEN as a 2019 RI CPCU Cares charitable giving grant recipient. In recognition a donation was made to the Rabbi Leslie Y. Guterman Religious School.

NANCY KIRSCH has been appointed to the Rhode Island Department of Health’s Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline.

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MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

We are pleased to honor members who are celebrating their 100th birthday, and beyond, as well as anniversaries of those who are celebrating their first, fifth, 10th, 25th and 50+ celebrations.

MARJORIE JAFFE 101 years

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

JANICE and JORDAN RICE 65 years

YIZKOR ELOHIM

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the families of

RENEE E. COHEN
26 Kislev 5780/December 24, 2019

HOWARD GOLDBLATT
27 Kislev 5780/December 25, 2019

META COHEN
30 Kislev 5780/December 28, 2019

ROBERT A. GLASHOW
19 Tevet 5780/January 16, 2020

ROBERT BERKELHAMMER
21 Shevat 5780/February 16, 2020

IN MEMORIAM

The congregation notes with sorrow the passing of

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RITA MAGIDIN
Cemetery Grounds/Facilities
FRANK MARTIN

Because of REGULATIONS PROTECTING PATIENT PRIVACY, hospitals no longer provide patient lists. If you would like to receive a visit from the Cantor or Rabbis, please inform the Temple Office, (401) 331-6070.
UPCOMING EVENTS

PURIM
Monday, March 9
6:30 PM - K’tantan Purim Party
6:30 PM - Community-Wide Costume Parade
6:45 PM - Megillah Reading
Followed by The Purim Spiel

BETH-ELDERS SHABBAT DINNER WITH ANTHONY TOMASELLI
Friday, March 13, 5:30 PM

JOINT REFORM SHABBAT SERVICE WITH CANTOR JEFF KLEPPER
Friday, March 27, 7:00 PM