

The Voice

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM OF FLUSHING

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From the Rabbi's desk

As we march into March, so does the Hebrew month of Adar, the last month of the Hebrew calendar (it begins on March 1). The rabbis have a saying that “from the beginning of Adar, we increase our “simcha” — joy.” [B. Taanit 29a]. This year it will be especially true because our first Shabbat in March begins with Shabbat Across America, on March 7. This is always a special time at TBS as we celebrate together with our Temple Family. It will be a Shared Shabbat, with special guest pianist David Close. Please note that the service will begin at 6:30 pm followed by the dinner.

But the real reason we increase our simcha or joy is the holiday of Purim. It follows on the heels of our Shabbat Across America celebration. We learn in the book of Esther, “*And the month was turned from sorrow to gladness, from mourning to joy*” [Esther 9:22]. Everything is topsy-turvy; overturned. This year we are doing things differently, since Purim falls on **Friday, March 14** (and begins on the eve of the 13th). We will be celebrating on Friday evening, March 14 at 7:30 pm. Join us for our Megillah reading and Shpiel and a very silly Shabbat Service. Don't forget to come in costume and prepare for silliness!

Even though our Purim celebrations are light-hearted and full of levity, the actual story, if read literally, is a very dark one. After all, it is a story about an evil prime minister who vows to destroy the Jews. On Shabbat Zachor, (the Shabbat that precedes Purim) we are obligated to read the passage in the Torah about what Amalek did to us when we left Egypt (Deut. 25:17-19); how he snuck up on the Israelites and cut down the infirm and weak who were in the rear. It was an especially cruel act. Yet, we wonder why the Israelites let the infirm and weak to straggle in the back, unprotected. Perhaps it is a reminder that we must never forget those who are in need of support and help—the most vulnerable among us should always merit our protection. An important mitzvah of Purim is to send gifts to the poor. There are many ways to give *matanot l'evyonim* (gifts to the poor)—donate to a local food pantry; volunteer at a soup kitchen, give to a charity that supports the needy.

Shalom u'vracha,
Rabbi Sharon Ballan



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**All services are hybrid: in-person and Zoomed
unless otherwise indicated below.**

Worship Schedule

Friday, March 7th: Shabbat Across America **6:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Tetzaveh
Candles and Kiddush tableside at
Shabbat Across America Dinner

Saturday, March 8th: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Friday, March 14th: Shared Shabbat/Purim Service **7:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Ki Tissa
Candles: Junior Congregation
Kiddush: Robert Abrams

Saturday, March 15th: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

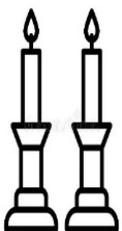
Friday, March 21st: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Vayakhel
Candles: Janet Krupit
Kiddush: Eric Bernstein

Saturday, March 22nd: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Friday, March 28th: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Pekudai/Hachodesh
Candles: Sharon Yontef
Kiddush: Shawn and Michael Susman

Saturday, March 29th: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Shabbat
Shalom



Volunteer to light the
candles or do the Kiddush
at Shabbat Services.
Contact Geri Weiss at
geriweiss1@gmail.com

From The President

I hope that you are all staying warm and safe. The snow and yucky weather are, I guess, what winter is all about. Last year, when I wrote my article, we had just had snow – well, I guess, we again had a winter wonderland!

Thank you to all who purchased Shalach Manot baskets for Purim and thank you to Geri Weiss and Lori Lustig and “company” for putting this together. Can’t wait to have the hamantaschen, we hope you all enjoy! I know that the Purim program will be wonderful, so please volunteer to be part of the spiel.

Shabbat Across America is almost upon us. I look forward to seeing you all there – thank you in advance to Lori and her team for putting together what I know will be a glorious evening.

And, don’t forget to RSVP to our wonderful 75th Anniversary Gala dinner. It will be lots of fun. The pictures being amassed by Eric Bernstein are phenomenal. You don’t want to miss the wonderful montage being put together by Jacob Fertig, and the food and dancing that will be superb. Please consider placing an ad in the Anniversary journal – maybe wishing TBS a very happy anniversary!

Please know that we so appreciate the efforts of all who volunteer to assist with all our wonderful various and sundry events at Temple. If you have **IDEAS** for events, and perhaps even spearhead the event, please let us know. Also, Sisterhood, Men’s Club and Adult Ed are always looking for new ideas so work with them and let the fun begin!!

Temple Beth Shalom is a family, and we want to work together so that we can be as vibrant and fresh as possible!

Again, I want to thank everyone for all of that they are doing and continue to do for Temple so that we keep on keeping on. Just a reminder that we want to be respectful of each other’s views. Remember to please be kind to one another and stay positive and stay safe. We are all in this together.

Your President,

Joy A. Bobrow



Purim is coming!

See more info on page 8!

Call the office and let Natalie know if you will be attending the dinner so we can be sure there is ample food for all!

TBS Fund Acknowledgments as of February 20, 2025

PULPIT FLOWER FUND.....TBS Office 718-463-4143
GENERAL FUND.....TBS Office 718-463-4143
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Deirdre Weliky in memory of Greg Hofer
TORAH FUND.....TBS Office 718-463-4143
RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUNDRabbi Sharon Ballan 718-463-4143
Deirdre Weliky to thank Rabbi for her extraordinary ability to combine Theology and Technology!
MEN'S CLUB TEMPLE BEAUTIFICATION FUNDEric Bernstein 917-902-4894
BUILDING FUND.....TBS Office 718-463-4143
Deirdre Weliky to support the building that supports us
COOLING TOWER FUND.....TBS Office 718-463-4143



Celebrating milestone birthdays or anniversaries

****Susan Ecker** **Jean Reichler****

****Lillian Tandatnick** **Cindy Weiss****

****Brett & Jean Reichler****



Celebrate Simchat Shabbat Friday, March 14th, 2025

March Birthdays



Norma Benvenuto
Dara Bernstein
Erica Bernstein
Joe deLeon
Susan Ecker
Ori Edelstein
Natalie Flug
Barbara Gandelman

Oliver Gellerman
Fran Goldman
Michael Gross
Valentina Hellman
Leora Kaufman
Jennifer Kwait
Matthew Kwait
Leza Lerea

Nancy Lothammer
Robin Myers
Milaya Pitt
Jean Reichler
Dorothy Rosenberg
Lillian Tandatnick
Cindy Weiss
Justin White

March Anniversaries



Maggie & Alan Berck
Suzanne & Bret Fertig
Jean & Brett Reichler
Fay Schildkraut & Don Nelinson



***2025 Temple Beth Sholom
Bowling League Schedule
First Monday of the Month at 8:30 PM***



\$15.00 for two games, shoes, competition, and fun
Amateur? Experienced? We welcome you all!

Jib Lanes

67-19 Parsons Boulevard, Flushing, NY

718-591-0600

January 6

May 5

February 3

June 2

March 3

July 7

*April 14

August 4

If you have any questions, please e-mail

MensClub@TempleBethSholom.org



Cantor's Corner



Over the years, music has brought me many wonderful friends. Some I get to see and play with often. Others I cross paths with only once in a while.

I've told people again and again that music is one of those rare activities that you can participate in and enjoy for your entire life. Music is a magical thing that can keep you engaged. The issue of remaining engaged is a topic I've touched on before in this column. While I know many folks very much look forward to retirement, I believe it's very important to find activities and opportunities to remain engaged.

Very recently, an old musical friend of mine passed away at the age of 96. While it's always sad to lose a friend, I certainly consider this friend to have been a stunning example of remaining engaged. His name was Drew Smith, and he was a virtuoso on the Autoharp, an instrument some may remember from elementary school. I learned of his passing through a note written by his son on Drew's Facebook page. Here, I quote:

"This is Scott Smith (Drew's son) along with my sister Sue. Sadly, our dad passed away today at the age of 96. He led an amazing, adventurous, long life and if you asked him, he'd tell you all about it for hours on end. He loved telling stories. Riding his bicycle as a teenager from East 85th Street in NYC all the way up to Bear Mountain...racing his motorcycles in off-road competitions winning hundreds of trophies and medals. Many road trip adventures from NYC to California and a few times up and down the East coast to Florida. And of course his Autoharp travels to hundreds of gatherings and festivals including teaching overseas in Europe. His love of music took him all over the world. This is the community he loved the most".

"He was a tremendous artist and graphic designer who worked on Madison Avenue for years and later worked for a few pharma companies creating their package designs. Our dad had two kids, my sister Sue and I, and was a grandfather to six".

"We should all be so lucky to live 96 years and have a smile on your face every day. He really loved life. Rest in peace Dad".

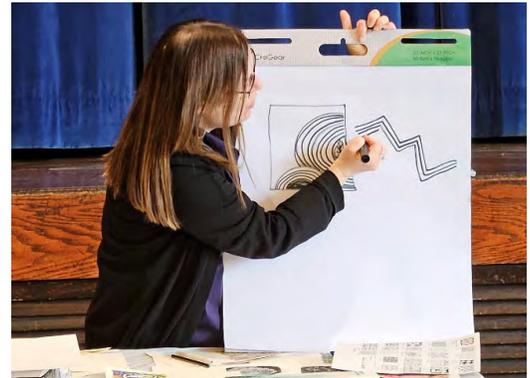
A sweet, touching tribute indeed. I met Drew when he was in his early to mid-80's, and he was still riding his motorcycle. And he was making music via Zoom, although homebound, until just a few weeks before his death. He truly remained engaged to the very end. We should all take a lesson from my old friend. And as his son so aptly put it, we should all be so lucky to live 96 years and have a smile on your face every day. Thanks for the friendship and for the music Drew-you're an example for us all!

With affection,
Cantor Jerry Korobow

Sisterhood "Zentangle" Event

Let's Hear it for Zentangle!
Thanks to Stacy Kroun, Sisterhood had an incredibly fun Sunday morning on January 26, 2025. She had us drop different colors of watercolor paints on a card, then blow through straws to make designs. When the paint dried, we learned different ways to draw zentangle art designs on the card.

Looking forward to "Part 2"!





Hundreds of synagogues across the continent will take part in an historic national Jewish event to celebrate that which unites all Jews- Shabbat! Everyone is invited... singles, couples, families, all ages. Let's celebrate together!

Friday, March 7, 2025 - 6:30 PM

Join us for Special musical guest Maestro David Close

Shabbat Service at 6:30 PM with dinner to follow.

Traditional kosher meal is \$37 per adult. \$15 per child (children's menu)

Reservations MUST be made by February 20, 2025

Yes! We'd love to join the celebration! Number of people in my/our party _____

Name: _____ Phone () _____ Email: _____

Enclosed check for \$ _____, covers \$37 Adult /\$15 Child for the traditional Shabbat dinner

Make checks payable to Temple Beth Sholom. Send this form to:

Temple Beth Sholom 171-39 Northern Blvd., Flushing, NY 11358 Attn: Lori Lustig

For further information, contact TBS office at 718.463.4143

February Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees met on Monday, February 10, 2025. President Joy Bobrow welcomed new Board members Larry Gold, Fran Goldman, Karri Kaufman, Andrea Odintz, Maxine Simon, and Geri Weiss. Per Temple by-laws she read Article III, Section 4 and stated that all Trustees need to be involved in at least one committee or Arm of Temple. President Bobrow asked all committee chairpersons to remain and continue their good work. With the assistance of Jim Kettig, Eric Lustig, Joe deLeon, and David Chenkin, we were finally able to complete the RFP for the security grant and we are hopeful that we will get a few good bids so we can complete the work by the September 2025 deadline. Service announcements will be edited for length. We need proofreaders for the Shabbat Program so that Geri Weiss has assistance. She thanked Walter Costanza for setting up remote access so that Robin Myers, Charlene Metz and Natalie can work remotely.

January minutes were approved by the Board as corrected. Robin Myers, Financial Secretary reported we currently have 110 member units. The outstanding dues balance as of January 31, 2025, is \$7,032.94. Donation receipts and statements were mailed out at the end of January. Charlene Metz, Treasurer, presented the Financial Report which was accepted by The Board as presented.

Cantor Korobow thanked Natalie and said he is grateful for all her help. He again requested more in-person participation in the sanctuary. The Saturday morning Shared Shabbat went very well with nice participation by both students and adults. Rabbi Ballan welcomed the new Board Members. She reported services have been going well. Our Shared Musical Shabbat on February 8 morning was nicely attended with many people participating. The Religious School Tu Bishvat Seder was lovely. Purim is March 14; please volunteer to read or chant the Megillah. She is possibly planning another Adult Hebrew Class and will be sending out an e-mail shortly asking if anyone is interested.

Lori Lustig, Membership Committee Chair, reported on preparations for Shabbat Across America on Friday March 7, 2025. Catering for the event will be from Ben's. Donations for beverages and desserts and any other input would be greatly appreciated.

Geri Weiss, Pulpit & Ritual Committee Chair, reported we have been receiving donations for acquiring new technological equipment for Zoom capabilities. The Shabbat Morning Service was lovely. We look forward to Shabbat Across America and our Purim/Shabbat Service in March. There is a possibility of having a Tot Shabbat Service in the spring, to include the students in the younger grades who do not attend the Shared Shabbat and possibly open it up to the community. Please make sure to tell anyone who lets you into the building that you are from TBS as sometimes it is non-TBS people who are at the door.

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Parents Association Co-President, Elaine Larkin, reported on Saturday, January 25, PA held their annual game night at Temple, run by Eric Bernstein. PA hopes to have this event in the springtime next year. PA Zoom Passover cooking event is planned for April 5 to make matzoh crack. Elaine Larkin reported the Religious School Board met and discussed efforts to involve more parents in Temple events. The Shared Shabbat was a great success on Saturday, February 8. The next Shared Shabbat service will be held on Friday, March 14. The Tu Bishvat Seder was held on Sunday, February 9 and she thanked all who participated and who helped to set up. Upcoming events include events for Purim (March 16), Model Seder (April 6), Mitzvah Day (May 4), and the Lag B'omer picnic at Cunningham-Park (Sunday, May 18).

Barbara Gandelman, Sisterhood President, reported Book Club will be held on Thursday, February 13 at 7:30pm via Zoom to discuss *Leaving Eastern Parkway* by Matthew Daub. Shalach Manot bags will be on sale. The next Bingo will be on Sunday, March 9 at 10:00 am. Breakfast will be available. Thank you to Deirdre for running the discussion groups.

Jim Kettig, House Committee Chair, reported we are waiting on a specific delivery date for equipment to start HVAC project sometime next month. In the meantime, we have advertised, as required by Homeland Security for the work we want to do under their grant. We received many responses from potential bidders, had a walkthrough at the building, and are in the process of responding to Requests for Information. Our goal is to complete that work by September 2025.

Andrew Larkin, Men's Club President, reported on the winners of the Super Bowl Boxes and said this earned \$250.00 for Temple. He thanked Eric Bernstein for organizing this event. There was bowling last Monday, February 3. The next bowling date will be Monday, March 3 at JIB Lanes 8:30 pm. Walk off the Matzah will be held on Sunday, April 20 at 10:00 am in Little Bay Park (Under the Throgs Neck Bridge). Yom HaShoah Candles are available in the office for a \$3 suggested donation.

Deirdre Weliky, Caring Committee Chair, reported the Women's Discussion Group will meet on Wednesday, March 12. The topic will be *Hope*.

President Bobrow reported the next food pantry is on February 11. Past President David Chenkin gave a brief update on the Security Team. Barry Packer, Ways & Means Committee Chair reported on the Gala plans; invitations should be mailed soon, after the QR Code for the ad journal is revised. He requested coordination of carpools for the event. He reported on efforts to collect ads and journal checks.

Eric Bernstein, Adult Education Committee Chair, thanked Max Fevola for his informative and engaging lecture on "Financial Planning: Plan, Protect, and Prosper" in January. Good and Welfare was discussed, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Tishcoff, Recording Secretary



ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND TBS Sisterhood's HYBRID BINGO!



Sunday, March 9, 2025
Join us in person in the TBS Ballroom!
or virtually by Zoom

Brunch noshes start at 10:00 am
Bingo will start at 10:30 am prompt!

Bingo Card Cost – \$2 /1 card; \$5/ 3 cards

Gift Card Prizes Awarded to Winners

Please RSVP by Wednesday morning, Mar. 5

**See the tear-off below for important
RSVP Information**



Cards can be emailed or sent to you via the USPS.

Questions? Contact Natalie at 718 463 4143

OR Email: natalie@templebethsholom.org

If You Don't Have A Computer You Can Play By Phone

Name _____

RSVP before
Mar. 5, 2025

Check either In person Hybrid

Number of Bingo Cards Wanted _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____ or use zelle!

Email Address _____

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!!

Telephone number _____



RSVP

****If coming in person – do you need your cards printed?*****

Men's Club

Welcome to the month of March! Spring is almost here!

Congratulations to our winners of the Super Bowl boxes! Fran Goldman won the 1st quarter; Joseph deLeon won the 2nd quarter; Robin Myers won the 3rd quarter; and Jerrold Lubliner won the final score! Thank you to all who participated. I would like to thank Eric for organizing this event.

On Sunday, April 20, we will have our annual Walk Off the Matzah event at 10:00 am at Little Bay Park (under the Throgs Neck Bridge). It's FREE! Bring family and friends! The more the merrier!! So please come!

Wednesday, April 23 and Thursday, April 24 is Yom HaShoah! Candles are available in the office. There is a \$3 suggested donation.

Our next two Men's Club meetings will be on Sunday, March 2 at 11:00 am following the Parents Association meeting at Temple and via Zoom and Wednesday, April 2 at 7:00 pm via Zoom only. Zoom information will be emailed to you during the week of the meeting.

Andrew Larkin
Men's Club President

Bernstein Bowling Blog

Our bowling league kicked off the year with a fantastic meetup in February! Congratulations to Eric Bernstein and Larry Gold for each taking home a win!

Calling All Bowlers!

Our league is growing and we're looking for new players of all adult ages and skill levels. Whether you're a seasoned pro or have never bowled before, we encourage you to join us! Feeling a little unsure? Don't hesitate to reach out to David Chenkin, Larry Gold, Joseph deLeon, or myself with any questions you may have. We're happy to chat and make you feel welcome. We're committed to keeping this great league, established in 2016, going strong!

Next Game! Mark your calendars! Our next game is on Monday, March 3 at 8:30 pm at Jib Lanes.

See you on the lanes!

Eric Bernstein

Dear Members,

As we begin the new fiscal year at Temple, we recently sent out the Temple dues statement. Thank you to those who have already paid!! For those of you who have not, we are asking that payment of dues/school fees be made as soon as possible! If you still have arrears, please pay those as soon as possible as well. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Robin Myers, Financial Secretary at the Temple Office or you may contact her directly via email at robinl.myers@gmail.com.

Thank you!



Sisterhood Corner

I hope that you are enjoying the winter. We have gotten more snow this winter than in recent winters but as cold and snowy as it is outside, it is always warm and cozy inside Temple Beth Shalom!

We had our Book Club on Thursday, February 13, 2025, when we discussed *Leaving Eastern Parkway* by Matthew Daub. We held the meeting on Zoom. Our next Book Club will be on Thursday, May 15 at 7:30 pm. Look for the flyer about the upcoming book. We will be holding elections for the Sisterhood Board.

We hope that you were able to send Purim baskets to the people you love! Thank you to Geri Weiss and Lori Lustig for taking care of this for Sisterhood.

We will have an in-person Sisterhood event on Thursday, April 3 at 6:30 pm. This will be a light dinner and then a Chocolate Seder. See the flyer in this issue for more details. *Everyone is invited!*

Our next Bagels and Bingo will be held on Sunday, March 9 at 10:00 am. Bingo will start at 10:30. We hope that you invite your friends to join us at our Bingo event! Thank you to Lori Lustig, and Geri Weiss for making sure that this event runs smoothly. Thank you to all our Temple Family and Friends who have supported Bingo for the past five years.

There is a Women's Discussion Group on March 12 at 7:30 pm and The Adult Discussion Group will be on May 14 at 7:30 pm. Thank you to Deirdre Weliky for her continued dedication to these programs. We are happy that we are able to continue these groups in our Temple.

Rummage is coming!! Please donate your gently used, clean clothes. If you can volunteer, please call the office to let us know if we can count on you for this fundraiser for Temple. Please check The Voice and your email for details.

I hope that you and your family have a very Happy Purim!

Barbara Gandelman
Sisterhood President

Rummage

We are accepting donations nearly every day! The cold of winter has kept many people indoors and they are taking advantage of the time by going through their clothing, table linens, shoes, accessories, etc. and bringing them to us for our Annual Memorial Day Rummage Sale!

**Bring your gently used, clean items to us!
Everybody wins!**



Present



Healing from Emotional, Anger, & Relational Trauma.

When: Starting Monday, March 10, 2025

Time: 1 – 2:15 pm

Where: On Zoom. Link sent after registration.

Cost: \$60 for 4-week series

Workshop Description:

Focus on healing with positive strategies to deal more effectively with anger and other emotions, coercive control, traumatic narcissism & gaslighting. Grief, forgiveness and releasing ourselves from pain are also part of the ongoing discussion.

Scholarships are available based on financial need.

Facilitators: Dr. Paul Engel, DHL, LCSW & QLICS staff

Please call: 516-547-4318 for more information.

Adult Education

Adult Education planning is paused while I focus on the Gala and other upcoming events.

In the meantime, I want to highlight the wonderful community events our committees have organized. These events support our Temple and offer something for everyone, from our Monthly Bowling League and Parent Association Passover Cooking Event to Sisterhood's Hybrid Bingo and Adult Discussion Groups.

Don't see something that interests you? Reach out to our committees! Your feedback is valuable and could inspire new events for our community.

Thank you for your continued support.

Eric Bernstein
Adult Education Chairman

Religious School

Greetings Temple Beth Sholom Family. We hope that you are all doing well and enjoying the winter of 2025. The Religious School Board met on Zoom on Wednesday, February 5 at 8:00 pm.

The Shared Shabbat which was a great success on Saturday, February 8. Thank you to everyone who participated in person and on Zoom. The next Shared Shabbat Service will be held on Friday, March 14 at 7:30 pm.

The Tu Bishvat Seder that was held on Sunday, February 9. was enjoyed by everyone. Thank you to all families who participated and thank you to the adults who helped set up for this event.

Here is a list of the upcoming Religious School events:

1. Purim Event – Sunday, March 16 at 10:00 AM
2. Model Seder – Sunday, April 6 at 10:00 am
3. Anne Frank exhibit – Sunday, April 27
4. Mitzvah Day – Sunday, May 4 at 10:00 am
5. Lag B'omer picnic at Cunningham Park – Sunday May 18 at 10:00 am

Our next Religious School Board meeting will be on Wednesday, March 5 via Zoom only.

Be safe and be well.

Erica Bernstein and Elaine Larkin
Religious School Board Members

**Why not host an Oneg or sponsor
a Shabbat Service?**

**It's a great way to celebrate a simcha
or loved one!**

**Call the office for details
718 463 4143**

Parents Association

Greetings TBS Family. We hope that everyone is well and surviving the Winter of 2025. The Parents Association (PA) held its monthly meeting on February 2 as a hybrid meeting. Thank you to all who attended.

The annual game night was held on Saturday, January 25 at TBS. A special thank you to Eric Bernstein for organizing this enjoyable event. Despite a smaller turnout, those who participated had a great time. The PA is considering holding this event in the spring next year.

PA's annual Zoom Passover cooking event will be held on April 5. Participants will be making matzah crack. All are welcome to join this fun event. Please see the flyer for more details.

The next PA hybrid meeting will be on Sunday, March 2 at 10:00 AM. We hope that parents will be able to attend.

Be safe and be well.

Erica Bernstein and Elain Larkin, Co-Presidents

Tu Bishvat at TBS!



Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood Presents

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP



*Join us on
Wednesday evening, March 12, 2025
7:30 pm via Zoom*

TOPIC: Hope

Bring your favorite beverage and snack to enjoy as we chat!

**Zoom information will be provided in the email on
Monday morning, March 10, 2025**

Join with women of all ages and life experiences, Temple family and friends alike. As women, we seek to learn about ourselves and others and explore our similarities and differences in a caring and supportive environment.

The group will be facilitated by Dr. Deirdre Weliky, LCSW, a member of our Temple family and social worker with more than 25 years experience.

**For more information, contact Deirdre at
dwangel1@gmail.com**

Eva's Promise - A Holocaust Story

As this is the time of Holocaust remembrance, I recently watched an hour-long documentary on PBS titled "Eva's Promise." the Emmy Award winning documentarian Steve McCarthy, *Eva's Promise* tells the story of Eva, who promised her brother, Heinz Geiringer, that she would retrieve his paintings and poetry, hidden under the floorboards of the attic where Heinz and his father were hiding, if he should die in the concentration camps.

The documentary retells the story of how their ordinary lives were changed and how they ended up living in Amsterdam across the street from Anne Frank and her family. The program continues with Eva and her mother separating from her brother and father to go into hiding, and how they were eventually found out and sent to Auschwitz toward the end of the war. There is a lovely twist that happens after the war back in Amsterdam.

The presentation of the historical events and interviews were easy to follow and moving. It is not too dramatic to be inappropriate for teenagers to watch. This film showcased Heinz's artistry (Eva's brother), and Eva's dedication to be able to finally share his story.

It may be watched using the PBS Thirteen Passport under featured programs and is available on Direct TV. There are a lot of YouTube short videos, but I could not locate the full documentary anywhere else.

This link will take you to a nice 2-minute video: <https://ryanreddingtonmcca.wixsite.com/evaspromise>

Geri Weiss



75th Gala News

If you've read any of my 84 Scoop's Schmooze columns, you know that whether it is my Boston sports teams or my Team Chicken Soup, teamwork leads to championships.

And, with our Temple Beth Sholom 75th Anniversary Gala about two months away on May 3, Team Gala comprised of Eric Bernstein, Joy Bobrow, Joe deLeon, Beth Dulberg, Jacob Fertig, Suzanne Fertig, Karri Kaufman, Roger Opstbaum, Fay Schildkraut, Geri Weiss, and Elana White, have all formed a winning combination. For as I am writing this, I know the beautifully crafted invitations were mailed today, appropriately on February 14; as our hearts will all come together.

Of our 110 families, we would love for everyone to be there; to relish in TBS's past glories and with hope, look ahead to our next 75 years.

And what could be a better way to do this than having delectable food and drink prepared by our friends at Marbella; along with music, dancing, guest speakers, and a retrospective video to be shown throughout the night. And, while we are doing it offsite so everybody including Natalie, Jose and Santos can be there without working; if there are people who have difficulty driving at night, we will coordinate commuting efforts so everyone can attend.

This memorable night will be played out in a fabulous ad journal. Buy a one-line greeting, a full-page ad or anything in-between. As a challenge, reach out to one family member or friend and see if they would match your donation.

Either way, celebrate with Team Temple Beth Sholom---the team made of heart and soul.

Barry Packer
Chairman, Ways & Means

**Put on your costumes
and join us Friday, March 14 for our Shared
Shabbat Purim Service!**

**The evening begins
with a pizza dinner at 6:30 pm!
Rabbi Ballan is looking for volunteers to
read a line of Hebrew and/or English
from the Megillah! The more the
merrier on the bima!**



**It's
Purim!**

COME ONE! COME ALL!

TBS Sisterhood invites ALL TEMPLE MEMBERS to celebrate Passover 2025 with a light dinner followed by a CHOCOLATE SEDER!!

Every year at Passover, we hold a seder (a meal with an “order”), retelling the story of the hardships the Jewish people faced in their escape from slavery to freedom.

Our Chocolate Seder is a special way to get ready for Passover and reminds us that freedom is sweet. The seder has 15 steps, and we are going to practice each one, substituting sweets for the traditional Passover foods!

And we plan on having lots of silly fun doing it!



Join us on Thursday, April 3
In the ballroom for our first ever
Chocolate Seder!

**Come at 6:30 pm for a light pizza dinner and appetizers
\$5.00 per person**

At 7:00 pm we begin our *Chocolate Seder* (dessert!)

Please return this slip or contact the Temple office or Karri Kaufman (prektrainer@aol.com) to RSVP!

Name _____

Email or Phone # _____

Amount Enclosed - \$5 per person _____

☆ UPCOMING YAHRZEITS *March 2025* ☆

Week of March 07

Bernyce Fertel Metz Mother of Charlene Metz
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 Eric Kroun Brother of Stacy Kroun
 Brother of Suzanne Fertig
 Rhoda Lamport Mother-in-Law of Fredi Weinstein
 Sidney Lang Father of Susan Passaro
 Esther Lipow Grandmother of Alan Berck
 Julina Merise Grandmother of Richard Severin
 Marla Silver Sister of Susan Ecker
 Gloria Wexler Grandmother of Michael Gross

Week of March 14

Albert Abrams Father of Robert Abrams
 Burton Chenkin Father of David Chenkin
 Ruth Chenkin Mother of David Chenkin
 Lillian Nelinson Mother of Don Nelinson
 Gerald Rinkle Father of Karen Carroscio
 Erma Rittenhouse Grandmother of Sharon Opstbaum
 Great Grandmother of Elaine Larkin
 Louis Rosenberg Father of Sam Roseberg
 Marlene Salomon Sister of Francine Klimivicius
 Joseph Shenkoff Grandfather of Steve Levinsky
 Rae Tishcoff Grandmother of Gail Tishcoff
 Mother-in-Law of Herta Tishcoff

**Past President*

Week March 21

Milton Blatner* Observed by Temple
 Stuart Cohen Godfather and Family Friend
 of Eric Bernstein
 Barnett Frank Father of Miriam Scharf
 Murray Goldwasser Father of Rabbi Bruce Goldwasser
 Ivan Joel Krupit Father of Janet Krupit
 Meuniere Merise Great Grandfather of Richard Severin
 Meyer Tennenbaum Father of Betty Zimmermann
 Morris Tragerman* Observed by Temple
 Sam Weiner Grandfather of Erica Bernstein

Week of March 28

Brünnhilde Costanza Mother of Walter Costanza
 Sidney Koorse Father of Nancy Goldwasser
 Brad Leffe Brother of Debra Leffe
 Abraham Levinsky Father of Steve Levinsky
 Charles Radwin Uncle of Anne Pepper
 Phillip Stein Grandfather of Walter Costanza
 Albert Weiskopf Father of Gloria Shapiro
 Abraham Yontef Father of Sharon Yontef

Week of April 4

Doris Berlin Mother of Deirdre Weliky
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TBS Parents' Association 2025 Zoom Passover Cooking Event

Saturday, April 5, 2025 6:00 PM

**RSVP to Parentsassociation@templebethsholom.org
to get the Zoom information by Wednesday, April 2, 2025**

Ingredients

- **2 ¾ Matzo squares**
- **1 cup unsalted butter**
- **1 cup packed brown sugar**
- **12 oz semisweet chocolate chips**
 - **Sea salt to taste**

Instructions

- 1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees and line a rimmed, 10x15-inch baking sheet with parchment paper. Place the matzoh on the sheet in a single layer.**
- 2. In a medium saucepan over medium-high heat, melt butter and brown sugar together and bring to a boil. Stir occasionally until combined and sugar is melted. Continue boiling, undisturbed for 5 minutes. Remove from heat and pour caramel mixture over the matzo layer. Spread out with a spatula to evenly cover the matzo.**
- 3. Transfer the sheet to the oven and bake for 5-6 minutes, or until just bubbly.**
- 4. Remove the sheet from oven and sprinkle immediately with chocolate chips. Return to the oven for 2 minutes until the chocolate begins to melt and becomes shiny. Remove from oven and spread the chocolate out over toffee with an icing spatula. Sprinkle with salt before the chocolate sets.**
- 5. Transfer the sheet to the freezer until the chocolate is firm, about 30 minutes. Break into pieces and store in an airtight container in the fridge for up to 1 week or in the freezer for up to 3 months.**

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6:30 - 10:30 pm
Dinner & Dancing

Invitation & Reservation Details
Coming Soon!

Looking forward to sharing the
celebration together!

We are preparing a journal for our 75th Gala Celebration.
Please see the Gala Journal advertising form in this issue of The Voice
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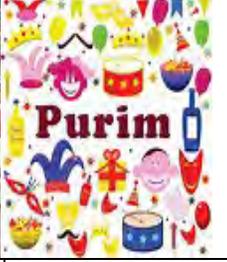
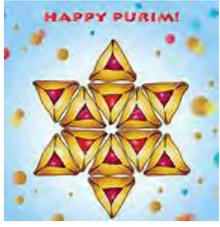
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Torah Study Zoom only 10:00 am
2 Religious School 10:00 am Parents Association Meeting 10:00 am Men's Club Meeting 11:00 am	3 Pulpit & Ritual Committee Meeting Zoom only 7:30 pm Bowling Jib Lanes 8:30 pm	4 Healing & Meditative Service Zoom only 7:30 pm	5 Hebrew School 4:30 pm Religious School Board Meeting Zoom only 8:00 pm	6	7 Shabbat Across America 6:30 pm	8 Torah Study Zoom only 10:00 am
9 Daylight Saving Time begins! Religious School 10:00 am Bagels & BINGO 10:30 am	10 Membership Committee Meeting Zoom only 7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting Zoom only 8:00 pm	11 Healing & Meditative Service Zoom only 7:30 pm	12 Hebrew School 4:30 pm Women's Discussion Group Zoom only 7:30 pm	13	14 Pizza Dinner 6:30 pm Purim Shared Shabbat Service hybrid 7:30 pm	15 Torah Study Zoom only 10:00 am
16 Religious School & Academy Purim Celebration 10:00 am	17	18 Healing & Meditative Service Zoom only 7:30 pm	19 Hebrew School 4:30 pm	20	21 Shabbat Evening Service hybrid 7:30 pm	22 Torah Study Zoom only 10:00 am
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Please indicate "TBS Voice" on the subject line!

The next Shared Shabbat will be Friday, March 14 when we will read the Megillah of Esther and celebrate the birthdays and anniversaries for the month of March.



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