

THIS MONTH: WALK AWAY THE MATZOH SPONSORED BY MEN'S CLUB SUNDAY, APRIL 1

BOWLING THURSDAY, APRIL 12

MEN'S CLUB/ADULT EDUCATION BREAKFAST - "THE HEBREW HAMMER" SUNDAY, APRIL 15

> ADULT EDUCATION GAME NIGHT WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

ADULT EDUCATION BREAKFAST-"ZIONISM" SUNDAY, APRIL 29

> NEXT MONTH: BOWLING THURSDAY, MAY 3

BLOOD DRIVE/MITZVAH DAY SUNDAY, MAY 6

TBS PARENTS' ASSOCIATION SHUL-IN 2018 FRIDAY, MAY 11-SATURDAY, MAY 12

SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

> RUMMAGE SET-UP SUNDAY, MAY 27

MEMORIAL DAY RUMMAGE SALE MONDAY, MAY 28



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From the Rabbi's desk

Shalom and a *zissen* Pesach to everyone!

Once again, spring has returned and with it, the holiday of Passover. I love the repetition of the cycles and circles of life. I am comforted by the familiarity of beloved customs, foods and traditions. I enjoy looking back on my past experiences as I plan for the upcoming holidays.

As I was preparing for Passover, I came across an article I wrote some time ago about Passover and its connection to acts of loving-kindness. It reminded me that there are many different purposes for the *seder*. We re-enact our going forth from Egypt, in order to feel as if we actually experienced slavery and redemption. Yet I believe the seder also reminds us to work to perfect the world, fight for justice and perform acts of loving-kindness. When we spill 10 drops of wine as we recite the name of each plague, we remember the suffering of the Egyptians and promise to end the suffering of others. We eat *matzah*, the bread of affliction, as a remembrance of our own affliction, but we are also asked to open our homes to those less fortunate and to help others who cannot afford to eat. When we sing Dayeinu, we joyously remember how the Israelites sang as the Sea of Reeds parted, and vet God admonished the angels in heaven who wanted to sing and dance with the Israelites.

'The work of My hands, the Egyptians, are drowning at sea, and you wish to sing a song of praise?' [TB Meg. 10b]. We are reminded that we must not rejoice in the downfall of our enemies, but to do acts of loving-kindness.

We learn in the Mishnah [Avot 1:2]: Shimon Hatzadik (Simon the Just) would say, "The world stands on three things: Torah, Avodah (service), and Gemilut Chasadim (acts of loving-kindness)." We whv wonder tzedakah. charity/righteousness, is not one of the three pillars, especially since this was a favorite saying of Shimon Hatzadik, whose very "Righteous" name means (Hatzadik)! Perhaps this is because our sages believed that gemilut hasadim (acts of loving kindness) is greater than *tzedakah*. [B. Sukkah 49b], for *gemilut hesed* means to do acts of caring even if you are not rewarded or commanded.

TBS gives you many opportunities to offer *gemilut hesed:* I encourage you to join our Caring Committee; we are always looking for volunteers to help see to the needs of our community: those who are ill or in mourning, or need help in some other way.

Moadim L'simcha, Rabbi Ballan



Worship Schedule

Friday, April 6:	Shabbat Evening Service/ Yizkor 8:00 p.m.
	Torah Portion: Passover
	Candle Lighting: Gail Tishcoff
	Kiddush: Jim Kettig
	Host: Sisterhood
Saturday, April 7:	Torah Study &
	Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 a.m.

Tot Shabbat **6:00 p.m.** Jr. Congregation **7:30 p.m.** Shabbat Evening Service **8:00 p.m.** Torah Portion: Shemini Yom HaShoah Observance *Candle Lighting: Deirdre Weliky Kiddush: Alice Newman Host: Sisterhood*

Saturday, April 14: Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 a.m.

Simchat Shabbat/ Shabbat Family Service **8:00 p.m.** Torah Portion: Tazria/Metzora *Candle Lighting: Stacy Kroun Kiddush: Adam Fertig Host: Sisterhood*

No Torah Study

Host: Sisterhood

Saturday, April 21:

Friday, April 27:

Friday, April 20:

Friday, April 13:

Shabbat Evening Service 8:00 p.m. Torah Portion: Acherei Mot/Kedoshim Candle Lighting: Karen Carroscio Kiddush: Rebecca Carroscio

Saturday, April 28: Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 a.m.**



March Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees met on Monday, March 12th, 2018. President Fay Halpern Schildkraut discussed the great turn out we had at Shabbat Across America and another successful Purim Ball. She spoke of the need to replace the Ballroom windows and was optimistic that we will figure out how to finance this expensive project. She outlined new procedures for the use of Constant Contact in order to stem its over-use.

Financial Secretary Gail Olenick reported our current membership is 120 family units, with 2 family units about to move out of state. The February Financial Report was accepted by the Board as submitted by Treasurer Charlene Metz.

Rabbi Ballan reviewed recent services and the wonderful Saturday morning Torah service chanted by Chai Mitzvah graduate Deirdre Weliky. She said there were over 120 who attended the Shabbat Across America services and that the Saturday morning Torah study group has been growing.

Cantor Korobow read a thank you letter to Nigel Gretton, musical director of the Voices of Victory Gospel Choir. The Pulpit and Ritual Committee reported attendance has dropped off for Jewish Start services. There has been an anonymous donation to cover the cost of Organist David Close to play at the first service of the month.

President Schildkraut reported the Membership Committee mailed hamentaschen to our college students and coordinated with The Pulpit and Ritual Committee to send Purim bags to home restricted members. We had 50 people attending the Purim Ball with 15 visitors and netted over \$800. Shabbat Across America had 120 people attending including 15 (different) visitors.

The Fall Open House BBQ is scheduled for September 7th, 2018. Sisterhood, Men's Club, and Parents Association Presidents (Barbara Gandelman, Jeff Cohen, and Erica Bernstein, respectively) reported recent and upcoming events.

Ways and Means Committee Chair Barry Packer reported on further developments of the proposed Vendors' Showcase. Ilyne Rabinowitz, Chair of Social Action Committee, reported that TBS will partner with OFA-NY to sponsor a fun voter registration and education event coordinated with an Open Mic on June 2nd.

Respectfully submitted, Gail Tishcoff Recording Secretary





TBS Fund Acknowledgments as of March 18, 2018

The Weiss and Chenkin family in loving memory of Ruth and Burt Chenkin. Ruth Dorfman with love and appreciation to my Temple Beth Sholom family for the beautiful bag of Purim treats. Betty Zimmermann in memory of her father Meyer Tennenbaum on his Yahrzeit.

Belly Zimmermann in memory of ner fatner wieyer Tennenbaum on his Yahrzei

MOLLIE MEYER TRIBUTE & MEMORIAL FUND...... Diane Shtulman 718-224-3875 Betty Zimmermann to send get well wishes to Seymour Scharf.

Betty Zimmermann in honor of Deirdre Weliky to congratulate her on her reading the Torah and her wonderful contributions to Temple.

CULINARY FUND	Iris Bass 718-224-3009
JOSHUA SACKS - OPPENHEIM EDUCATION FUND	TBS Office 718-463-4143
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JEWISH START	
GENERAL FUND	
Ruth Dorfman in appreciation of the Temple Beth Sholom's birthday wishes to me.	
TORAH FUND.	TBS Office 718-463-4143
RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND	Rabbi Sharon Ballan 718-463-4143
Carl Rahinowitz	

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Eileen Lerea in memory of her mother, Barbara Lerea.

Deirdre Weliky in gratitude for the TBS community that works so tirelessly to keep TBS vibrant.

MUSIC FUND.....Cantor Korobow 718-463-4143 Betty Zimmermann in memory of Jamie Guttenberg, cousin of Cantor Korobow and Mrs. Zo-An Korobow.

When donating to <u>Pulpit Flower Fund</u>, please specify which Shabbat service that you wish it to be read on Thank you for contributing to TBS Funds!

Celebrate Simchat Shabbat Friday, April 20th, 2018

Alan Berck Ethan Borst Sheila Bueno Jeffrey Cohen Mona Fabricant Chelsea Fertig Charles Flug <u>April Birthdays</u>

Dr. Andrew Fradkin Greg Hofer Anne Horowitz Aviva Kaufman Andrew Larkin Carrie Levinsky Ronald Myers Steven J. Rosenberg Robbie Schecter Stanley Schecter Shawn Susman Myron Temares Irwin L. Weiss Elana White



<u>April Anniversaries</u> Mark & Kathleen Flug Adam Fertig & Stacy Kroun



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. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Gail Olenick, Financial Secretary at the temple office or by email, at sdg4@aol.com. Many thanks! -Temple Beth Sholom Executive Board

Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom Sistergrams: May/June 2018

If you wish to send a greeting to anyone on this list, please check the name(s) and return this list with your check (\$.50 per name - made out to SISTERHOOD, Temple Beth Sholom) by **April 15th**, **2018**. Lori Lustig and Robin Myers will be handling the Sistergrams so please write "Sistergrams" on the envelope so that they will be delivered properly.



From The President

These past few weeks have been hectic but WONDERFUL!

Despite all our colds, flu and the weather throwing fast balls at us, young and old came out to celebrate Purim, in many forms, and Shabbat Across America. It has been a successful and joyous few weeks. Thank you to all who led, shopped, schlepped, served, cleaned and donated. Your efforts are already paying off, our Temple is vibrant, we are having more and more visitors, and our kids are happy!

We have a lot of work ahead of us as a congregation, all of which will be made easier, and none of it impossible, if we continue to work together.

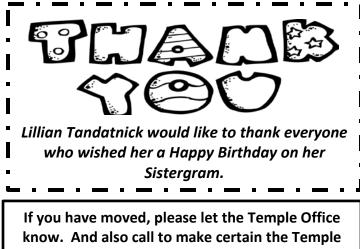
I wish for you and your family the sweetest Pesach ever!

Fay Schildkraut Temple President



Lt. Ackerman Memorial Library

"Jewish Stars in Texas: Rabbis and Their Work" by Hollace Ava Weiner was donated to the library by Lillian Tandatnick. Enjoy Texas history through rabbinical eyes covering a time span from the 1870s through the 1920s with stories told from the big cities and remote locales of Texas.



know. And also call to make certain the Temple Office has birthday and anniversary dates on file if you want to be acknowledged in our Sistergrams.



Sisterhood Corner

Welcome to spring! We have turned the clocks ahead and are looking forward to sunny days and blooming flowers!

We had a memorable Women's Seder on Tuesday, March 20th. Thank you to Karla Bonne and Lillian Tandatnick for taking reservations and for making sure everything was prepared. Thank you to Rabbi Ballan for running the Seder for us.

The Religious school is sponsoring the sixth annual Mitzvah Day which will take place on Sunday, May 6th. Please join the school on that day and do a Mitzvah!! Look for details in the flyer about sponsoring a child or a class for the walkathon to raise money for Temple and the Religious School. We will also be honoring the Temple members that have passed away this year. All monies that are donated benefit the school and Temple.

Speaking of May, don't forget to donate your gently used, clean clothing for our annual Memorial Day Rummage Sale, which will be held on Monday, May 28th at 9:30 a.m. We also need volunteers for the set-up on Sunday, May 27th and the actual sale on Memorial Day. Please contact Joy Bobrow at maxjolo@msn.com or Barbara Gandelman at adbarb1@aol.com. You can also call the Temple Office at (718) 463-4143 to let us know when you are available to help with this event!

Our next book club will be on Wednesday, May 16th at 7:30 p.m. We will be reading The Two Family House by Lynda Cohen Loigman. I hope to see you all at this event.

Please don't forget to keep the Sisterhood funds in mind when you want to honor a loved one. We appreciate the support by the other arms of Temple and are looking forward to working together on many more events. Hope to see you at our upcoming activities.

Barbara Gandelman Sisterhood President



TBS Men's Club presents Walk Away the Matzoh

LUL VI Sunday, April 1, 2018 Meet us at Little Bay Park at 10 AM (under the Throgs Neck Bridge)

You can meet us there or RSVP in advance by sending email to mensclub@templebethsholom.org or contact Eric Bernstein.

TBS Men's Club presents Bowling Schedule 2018



\$15.00 for 2 games, shoes, competition, and fun.

Whether you're an amateur or an experienced bowler, come support Temple Beth Sholom and improve your health.

Jib Lanes 67-19 Parsons Boulevard Flushing, NY 11365 718-591-0600

2018 Schedule

January 4	May 3	September 6
February 1	June 7	October 4
March 1	July 5	November 1
April 12	August 2	December 6

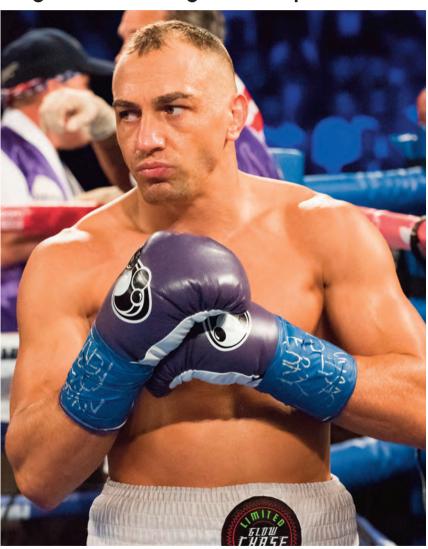
If you have any questions, please e-mail mensclub@templebethsholom.org Temple Beth Sholom Men's Club / Adult Education present

"The Hebrew Hammer" Former WBC Silver Light Welterweight Champion

New York's own Jewish boxing champion speaks about his career, his faith, and his life on Long Island.

Sunday, April 15, 2018

10:00 AM –12:00 PM Frank S. Greene room



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Bazaar Corner 2018

Because of all of the wonderful events at TBS this March, we have rescheduled our first Bazaar 2018 meeting to Tuesday, April 17th. We need ideas and volunteers! For Bazaar 2018, we expect to concentrate our efforts on As Is, One-of-a Kind, Books and our Food Court. We want to try to create a festive and exciting mood. If anyone else has some ideas, please let us know: ideas for booths and even attractions are welcome. We NEED your help to continue to make Bazaar a financial success! Please let us know at maxjolo@msn.com or adbarb1@aol.com. We are looking forward to seeing you at our meeting but if you can't attend, please send us an e-mail with thoughts and ideas, we would love to hear from you!



Contribute to TBS Without Spending One Penny!

You can help TBS and your family when you open a new, non-interest bearing account at TD Bank. You can get \$25 AND Temple Beth Sholom will receive \$50 for every new checking account opened (that remains open for at least one year). Temple will also receive a small percentage of participants' annual average balances. If you are already a TD Bank customer, Temple will receive \$10 for every existing checking account. Visit any one of TD Bank's locations and ask to have your balance included as part of Temple Beth Sholom's Affinity Membership Program, or call the Whitestone branch at (718) 357-4310 for more information. Our code in the program is AF637.

We also want to remind everyone that we are on Amazon Smile. When purchasing goods at Amazon, sign up for Amazon Smile (you don't lose your Prime benefits!) and select Temple Beth Sholom. You can also type in the following URL link which will bring you to the right place so a portion of your purchase supports our Temple: <u>https://smile.amazon.com/ch/11-1802826</u>.

Also, if you are considering purchasing Judaica items, consider buying from the Judaica Webstore http://templebethsholom.org/judaica/ as Temple Beth Sholom will receive a percentage of the purchase!

Thank you for your continued support of Temple Beth Sholom!!



Parents' Association

Hello Temple Family,

Despite the Daylight Savings Time change, we had a good turnout at our PA meeting. Before you know it, we will be in full swing with fun spring PA events going on at Temple.

Both the Pizzeria Uno and Jib Bowling fundraisers were huge successes. Thank you to everyone who supported Temple at these activities. The money raised at the fundraisers will be going toward new Torah covers.

We will be having our annual PA Shul-in from Friday, May 11th until Saturday, May 12th. The children will be making pizza, enjoying fun activities, having breakfast and participating in a learning session with both Rabbi Ballan and Karen Feit. The cost of the event is \$20 per child. Please see attached flyer for more details.

On Sunday, May 20th, families will have the opportunity to enjoy some fresh air at our annual picnic at Cunningham Park from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. to commemorate the holiday of Shavuot. We will have activities for the kids and Parents' Association will be providing ice cream and water.

Please join us on Friday, April 13^{th} @ 7:30 p.m. for our Jr. Congregation.

Erica Bernstein and Elana White Parents' Association Co-Presidents





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TBS PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

PRESENTS

SHUL-IN 2018



When: Friday, May 11th – Saturday, May 12th Time: Starts at 6:30 p.m. before Jr. Congregation and ends between 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. Cost: \$20 per child (Includes Dinner, Breakfast, and Activities) Registration Deadline: Friday, April 27th

Saturday Morning – Special Morning Service with Rabbi Ballan and Karen Feit

To RSVP, please complete the permission slip on the back of the form. You can contact Erica Bernstein, Elana White, or e-mail <u>parentsassociation@templebethsholom.org</u> with any questions.

TBS PARENTS' ASSOCIATION SHUL-IN 2018

Permission Slip

Friday, May 11th – Saturday, May 12th

I ______ give my child(ren) permission to stay overnight at Temple Beth Sholom and take part in the Shul-in Activities.

Name(s) and age(s) of child(ren)*

Emergency Phone Contact _____

Food or other allergies_____

____ I volunteer to stay overnight to help supervise the activities

*Please note that if your child **is under the age of 8, he/she** will **require** an adult chaperone.

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Adult Education

I would like to thank everyone who attended Game Night. We started out playing games in small groups and then all participated in one of the games provided. Everyone had a great time. This event also gave the opportunity for members to meet the person behind the *Voice*, our editor, Michelle Papouchado. Because of the interest and feedback of the event, the next Game Night will be held on Wednesday, April 25th at 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$5 and food and drinks will be provided.

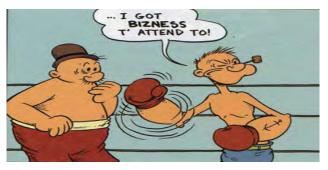
The "Celebrate Israel" parade is taking place on Sunday, June 3rd. This year's theme is "Sababa" which means "Awesome." The parade will honor 70 years of Israel being a state. Temple Beth Sholom had a great time last year, as the weather was perfect and there was great conversation with other congregations. If you would like to participate in this event and show your support for Israel, please fill out the form included in the *Voice*. The cost is \$18 per person. All participants will receive round-trip bus transportation from Temple Beth Sholom to the parade. Adults will also receive a Tshirt and snacks will be provided for everyone on the bus. Please be sure to register by Friday, April 6th to reserve your space.

On Sunday, April 15th at 10:00 a.m., Men's Club and Adult Education will welcome Professional Jewish Boxer Cletus "The Hebrew Hammer" Seldin. Cletus will be discussing his experiences in the ring and how Judaism has played a role in his activities.

On Sunday, April 29th at 10:00 a.m., Karen Feit will be providing an Adult Education lecture on "Zionism". Besides being Temple Beth Sholom's Religious School Director, Karen is also an Education Leader of Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America. It would be especially relevant this year is it will coincide with the 70th year of Israel being a state. This is a lecture not to be missed!

Thank you everyone for your continued support for Temple activities and events.

Eric Bernstein Adult Education



Men's Club

Spring is here (not as I write this, but soon enough). Next month the weather will warm up for Mitzvah Day (Sunday, May 6th) to plant flowers. But in the meantime, here are some things on tap for Men's Club:

Professional boxer Cletus "The Hebrew Hammer" Seldin is speaking on Sunday, April 15th at 10:00 a.m. in the Frank S. Greene room. The former WBC silver light welterweight champion, Seldin wears a Star of David on his trunks. We will conduct a Q&A with Seldin about his career, his faith, and his life on Long Island (and now Brooklyn). Breakfast will be served and donations are appreciated.

Men's Club hosts monthly sessions at Jib Lanes in Flushing, the first Thursday night every month at 8:00 p.m. Over the past few months, we have welcomed two new participants to the gatherings. For \$15, you get two games of bowling, free shoe rental and the opportunity to interact with members of the congregation—bowling is not strictly for Men's Club membership! The next bowling sessions are Thursday, April 12th (due to the last night of Passover conflicting with April 5th) and Thursday, May 3rd.

We will be organizing a group to attend the Long Island Ducks' Jewish Heritage Night on Sunday, August 26th at 5:05 p.m. Players sign autographs before the game, Jewish fare (like knishes) are served, and kids gets to run the bases after the game. Tickets are \$15. Contact Mike Shapiro at mikeshapiro@live.com for more information.

Men's Club is actively involved in hunting and gathering books for the Temple's annual Bazaar and Book Sale. So far, more than 4,700 books have been sorted. Another 25 boxes were then picked up the next weekend, so we are prepping for another sort either during Passover or shortly thereafter. If you know of anyone involved with an estate sale who wants to have the rest of their books picked up or can even drop them off, please contact the office and they will let Men's Club know!

Men's Club membership for 2017-2018 is a mere \$25. Incoming new temple members receive complimentary first-year membership.



Adult Education Presents Temple Game Night



Wednesday, April 25^{°°} 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM Frank S. Greene Room

- Games are provided (Scrabble, cards, chess) or bring your own
- Bring your friends
- Meet new people
- \$5.00 per person
- Refreshments will be served

Please RSVP to Eric Bernstein @ ericdbernstein@gmail.com

Temple Beth Sholom Adult Education

presents

Karen Feit, Temple Beth Sholom Religious School Director and Jewish/Zionist Education Leader of Hadassah

Learn about Zionism and our efforts to support the Jewish community in Israel



Date: Sunday, April 29th Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Where: Frank S. Greene Room Breakfast will be served*

*\$3.00 Donation is appreciated





🚵 Cantor's Corner

I'm sitting down to write this column a few weeks before Passover. About four years ago, we did a complete kitchen renovation in our home, and generally opened up the space. My wife Zo wanted to make sure that our more open, modern, clean and attractive main floor was ready for the Passover holiday.

Frankly, the holidays take on a different and perhaps greater meaning as you collect life experience and family. We now have sons-in-law, in-laws, and four delicious grandchildren. We have more familial connections, branches and responsibilities. And, we sure don't want to miss our holiday chance. Holidays end up being parceled out—"this year we go to her parents, next year, to his."

By opening up the floor plan of our house a bit, we seem to have reignited a tradition. That tradition started for me many years ago during the *seders* at my maternal grandparents' apartment in Brooklyn. There wasn't much space, but there were plenty of people, lots of food, and tremendous warmth. When my grandparents were gone, my mom had people over for dinner, but it wasn't quite the same.

Then, at my mother's urging, I put together a *seder* service. After a rocky start, our *seder* started to work, and expand. There were sons and daughters-in-law and grandkids, we invited friends (many of whom weren't Jewish), and the holiday again took on a life of its own. My parents had a sizable home, and it became a large, rather hysterical (maybe historical) event. Everyone looked forward to receiving an invitation.

My parents have been gone since 2009. One year, we went to someone else's home for Passover. But after that, we basically re-launched the Passover tradition that makes me smile. You see, Passover, which commemorates the Exodus from Egypt, is that rare Jewish holiday that is principally celebrated in the home and not the synagogue.

I believe our current count for the *seder* is twenty-eight people. Zo is cooking madly. There's going to be fresh grated horseradish (my favorite)! We're still working on seating and table configurations, and I'm searching for that bag filled with *haggadahs*. In that bag are the scripts for the silly Passover play we read for all those years. It's from *Sedra Scenes:* "How the Israelites Really Left Egypt." Someone acts as casting director, and as many people as possible read parts. Who plays God, who plays Moses, who plays Pharoah? We'll see what happens. It's going to be a house filled with family, friends and food. We'll all celebrate freedom from bondage, and the freedom to reignite and enjoy our own sweet traditions and those of the Jewish people. By the time you read this, I hope you'll all have had a *zissen Pesach*, a sweet Passover.

Religious School News

Passover, a mere 2 weeks away as we go to press, is known as *Hag HaAviv*, the spring festival. And yet, as I write, we are in the throes of our third...or is it fourth, Nor'easter! Ugh!

beloved by Passover, many, dreaded by housecleaners and cooks, is one of the most celebrated of our annual festivals, perhaps because the celebration is home-based, not synagogue-based. Every year, the Internet is full of suggestions on how to enhance, extend, abbreviate, or otherwise modify our Sedarim. This year is no different. In that spirit, I stumbled upon a potential replacement for our very traditional Model Seder. By the time you read this missive, we will have experimented with our first game day learning activity for Seder preparation. Eschewing the mostly uneaten Model Seder foods, we played educational Passover-themed games: Headbands, Human Bingo, traditional bingo, etc., that review the symbols, ceremonies, and stories of the holiday. We munched some Passover treats, sang some Passover songs, and got in the mood for Seder.

Reviewing our previous month, we loved celebrating Shabbat with the adult members of the congregation, as Junior Congregation led prayers over MLK weekend. *Yasher koach* to all who joined in our well-received *Purimspiel*! Thanks to Geri Weiss, whose boundless energy and dedication to our school resulted in a successful and tasty Passover candy sale.

Looking forward to recognizing our dedicated parents from the PA at their special Shabbat this month. Our programs could not succeed without them!

B'shalom, Karen Feit Principal of the Religious School

The Pulpit and Ritual Committee

We hope you received your letter about updating your family yahrzeit list. Some members have already responded with changes, or just to state: there are no changes. We ask all members to respond even if you don't have any changes to the list. If by some chance you didn't get a letter, oy vey! Please be sure to call the office or email me and I will make sure you do.

Just a reminder, please read The *Voice* for when your loved one's yahrzeit will be read at a Friday night Shabbat service. We encourage you to attend, and/or to make a donation to the Sisterhood Pulpit Flower Fund, which is read from the pulpit during the announcements.

Contact Geri Weiss – TBS office: 718-463-4143 or geriweiss1@gmail.com

With affection, Cantor Jerry Korobow

Come and Learn to Dance!

Latin and Ballroom Dancing for Beginners! Walk-Ins Welcome!

Taught by our own professional dance instructor, Lenny Seasonwein Have fun (and exercise without knowing it!)



Classes begin Wednesday, March 28 at 7pm Registration: 6:45pm

~Classes continue April 4, April 11, and April 18~ ~All 4 sessions only \$25 per person~ (Later date registrants accepted)

Where: **Temple Beth Sholom** 171-39 Northern Blvd. (Free parking in the Temple parking lot)

Come alone...or bring a friend or two! All are invited!

For more info call: Fay (917) 509-1664 or Lenny (718) 767-4458

*All proceeds will be donated to Temple Beth Sholom. מטמטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטטט

Temple Beth Sholom- Flushing Blood Drive



When: Sunday, May 6, 2018 Time: 9:30 am - 3:30 pm Where: Temple Beth Sholom-171-39 Northern Blvd, Flushing, NY

Your donation will help to save up to THREE lives. Our community hospitals need your help. Please share this lifesaving gift!

Eligibility Criteria:

- Bring valid ID
- Minimum weight 110 lbs.
- Age 16 75 (16 year olds w/parental consent form, 76 and older with a doctor's note)
 - Eat well (low fat) & drink fluids
 - No tattoos for past 12 months

Questions about eligibility? Call 1-800-688-0900

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call 917-238-2408

Scoop's Schmooze

May the Lord protect and defend you. May He always shield you from shame. May you come to be, In Israel a shining name. May you be like Ruth and like Esther. May you be deserving of praise. Strengthen them, Oh Lord, And keep them from the strangers' ways. May God bless you and grant you long lives. (May the Lord fulfill our Sabbath prayer for you). May God make you good mothers and wives. (May He send you husbands who will care for you). May the Lord protect and defend you. May the Lord preserve you from pain. Favor them, Oh Lord, with happiness and peace. Oh, hear our Sabbath prayer. Amen.

If the above words look familiar, they should. As these are the lyrics from the song *The Sabbath Prayer* from *Fiddler on the Roof*. And, if you close your eyes, picture the images and hear the melody, it, no doubt, gives you chills in imagining the beauty of Shabbat.

For all of us who were among the 120 in attendance at our own Temple Beth Sholom for Shabbat Across America on March 9th, the heartfelt warmth and joy, emotion and happiness of the entire night is indicative of why our Shabbat is so different from any other Sabbath.

Unlike most Sabbaths, our Shabbat starts at sundown on Friday night, and ends with a beautiful service at sunset on Saturday. Everything is clean and sparkling, pure and immaculate. We greet the Sabbath Bride by turning to the back of the sanctuary during the end of the chanting of Lecha Dodi; the prayer's first line actually translates into "Come my Beloved to greet the bride—the Sabbath presence let us welcome!"

And, with the pews in the sanctuary filled with adults and children, with the ballroom's presence both pristine and welcoming and with Rabbi Ballan, Cantor Korobow and Karen Feit leading the services, the prayers before the meal, the Birkat Hamazon after, and the endless singing—it is why our Shabbat is unlike any other. It is why our Sabbath, even though many things may be similar from one Friday and Saturday to the next, the uniqueness of our Shabbats help create unforgettable memories that are forever etched in our minds.

For me, spending nine summers at Camp Tevya in Brookline, New Hampshire, Shabbat was always so special. On Friday afternoon, it was making sure that the bunks were as spotless as a child's summer-camp residence could be; and the Friday-night bunk inspection was always for extra points in the cleanliness competition for a chance to go to Whitcomb's/Riverside for ice cream. Everyone, boys and girls, were always dressed in blue and white for Friday night and all day Saturday. Friday night's dinner of chicken soup, chicken and all of the accoutrements didn't end with grace after meals, but there was always extended singing with the piano and dancing around the dining hall. The Shabbat meals were the same: the typical Friday-night dinner, and then Saturday night was always deli. Saturday was not a regular activity schedule. It was relaxing for the afternoon or one bunk challenging another bunk to a water fight or a softball game. And then the day would end with a Havdalah service on the beach or the Riviera with one of the girls' bunks, dressed in white, walking down the docks carrying lit Havdalah candles.

As I am sure similar images, sounds, scents and feelings are ingrained in your mind, they are permanently a part of mine. As are the numerous times my group of friends from my neighborhood and I, dressed in our suits, would walk to junior congregation services every Saturday. As are the dozens of times that I would go with my father to Logan Airport to pick up Cantor Tom, on his flight from Pittsburgh to Boston, when he would stay at our house for the time that he was a commuting cantor. As was almost every Friday night or Saturday morning between mid-1974 and mid-1976 for all of my friends' Bar and Bat-Mitzvahs (including one that even had All-Star pitcher Luis Tiant and Grammy Award winner Art Garfunkel as guests), and mine that ended with a Havdalah service with eight of my closest friends—Dave, Eric, Kenny, David, Lenny, Ronnie, Rob, and Gerry—participating.

Now, decades after living through all of those recollections, one of my best friends for over 30 years is a preacher in Maryland for the African Union Methodist Protestant Church. And there have been many times that I have been fortunate enough to be there on a weekend, have gone to his Sunday services and have listened to him preach. While his services are nice and enlightening and meaningful; and, I have been honored to have been there to be a part of it, it is not Shabbat.

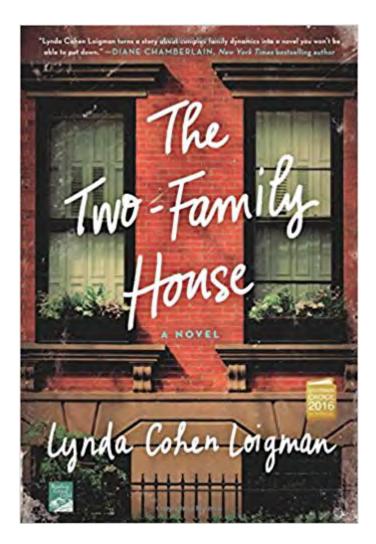
It is not our Shabbat.

The memories that have been formed in each one of our minds, by the synagogues we were part of, the family and friends we grew up with, the camps we spent our summers at or now, where within a span of less than two months we celebrated Shabbat Across America and the Havdalah Service with the entire Temple Beth Sholom family—these are memories that are so unique and so beautiful, that they will last a lifetime and it is up to us to continue to create them.

Barry Packer Third Vice President/ Ways and Means Chairman



TBS SISTERHOOD PRESENTS: BOOK CLUB – MAY 16, 2018



"The Two-Family House" Lynda Cohen Loigman Date: Wednesday, May 16, 2018 <u>Time:</u> 7:30 p.m.

Brooklyn, 1947: In the midst of a blizzard, in a two-family brownstone, two babies are born, minutes apart. The mothers are sisters by marriage: dutiful, quiet Rose, who wants nothing more than to please her difficult husband; and warm, generous Helen, the exhausted mother of four rambunctious boys who seem to need her less and less each day. Raising their families side by side, supporting one another, Rose and Helen share an impenetrable bond forged before and during that dramatic winter night.

When the storm passes, life seems to return to normal; but as the years progress, small cracks start to appear and the once deep friendship between the two women begins to unravel. No one knows why, and no one can stop it. One misguided choice; one moment of tragedy. Heartbreak wars with happiness and almost, but not quite, wins. Moving and evocative, Lynda Cohen Loigman's debut novel *The Two-Family House* is a heart-wrenching, gripping multigenerational story, woven around the deepest of secrets.

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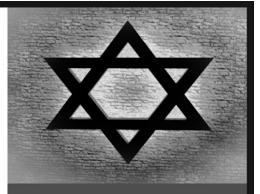
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Men's Club Matzoh Walk 10:00 a.m.			Come and Learn to Dance with Lenny Fundraiser 6:45 p.m.		Shabbat Evening Service/Yizkor 8:00 p.m.	Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Religious School 10:00 a.m.	Membership 7:oo p.m.	Chai Mitzvah 7:30 p.m.	Hebrew School 4:30 p.m.	Men's Club Bowling 8:oo p.m.	Jr. Congregation 7:30 p.m.	Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study
Parents' Association 10:00 a.m.	Board Meeting 8:oo p.m.		Come and Learn to Dance with Lenny Fundraiser 6:45 p.m.	0.00 p.m.	Shabbat Evening Service 8:00 p.m.	10:00 am
Men's Club 11:00 a.m.					**	
15 Adult Education Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Religious School 10:00 a.m. Academy Plus 10:00 a.m.	16 Pulpit and Ritual Committee 7:15 p.m.	17 Bazaar 2018 Kick-Off Meeting 7:30 p.m.	18 Religious School Board 8:oo p.m.	19	20 Shabbat Family Service/Simchat Shabbat 7:30 p.m.	21 *No Torah Study*
22 Religious School 10:00 a.m.	23	24	25 Hebrew School 4:30 p.m. Adult Education Game Night 7:30 p.m.	26	27 Shabbat Evening Service 8:00 p.m.	28 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am
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Articles should be e-mailed to: editor@templebethsholom.org Please indicate "TBS Voice" on the subject line!

The April Simchat Shabbat Service will be on Friday, April 20th, at 7:30 p.m. when we will be celebrating the birthdays and anniversaries for the month of April!!



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