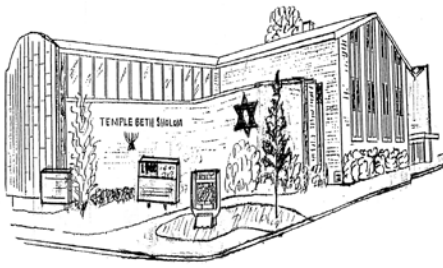


The Voice

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM OF FLUSHING



THIS MONTH:

BAZAAR AND BOOK BONANZA 2019

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

BOWLING - NEW DATE!!!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13

PA MOVIE NIGHT

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26

NEXT MONTH:

BOWLING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2

ADULT EDUCATION BREAKFAST & MOVIE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

FAMILY GAME NIGHT & HAVDALAH SERVICE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

**HAPPY
NEW
YEAR**



From the Rabbi's desk

Chag Urim Sameach!

As I write this, the temperature has dropped; we had our first frost, and we turned our clocks back. It is very dark, and each night it will get darker. As December rolls in, it coincides with the month of Kislev on the Jewish calendar. There are no holidays until the very end of the month, the 25th of Kislev, when we celebrate Chanukah (which begins on the 22nd of December). This year Chanukah almost falls on the Winter Solstice, which will occur on December 21, the day before. The days will be at their shortest, and the moon will be in its last phase as well. No sun and no moon—it will be very dark indeed.

I am reminded of a *midrash* from the Talmud [Avodah Zara 8b] in which Adam, the first human was afraid when he noticed the days getting shorter and shorter. He thought, *"perhaps because I sinned, the world is getting darker around me, and will ultimately return to chaos and disorder (of the universe before creation). This is the death that was sentenced upon me from Heaven."* He then arose and spent eight days fasting and in prayer. Once he saw that the days were getting longer (since the winter solstice had passed), he realized that this is the way of the world, since the days would get longer and shorter throughout the year. So the next year, instead of fasting and prayer, he set up an eight-day festivity, for the sake of Heaven.

This may have been the rabbis' explanation of why there are so many festivals of light during the dark time of the year, and alludes to our current festival of Chanukah. Chanukah is a celebration of the miracle of the oil and the Maccabees' victory over King Antiochus. Both were miracles, yet simple things such as the ebb and flow of the seasons—the light and darkness we experience each year—are miracles, too. Chanukah gives us a chance to bring more light into our lives, acknowledge these daily miracles, and to sit by and admire God's works.

Our Family Chanukah Service will take place on Friday, December 27th. I encourage you to bring your favorite *chanukiyah* so that we may we light them together. Each year when I see all the beautiful *chanukiyot* glowing, I am reminded of the miracles around us that light up even our darkest moments.

May our *chanukiyot* illuminate our days as well as our hearts,

Rabbi Sharon Ballan



Worship Schedule

Friday, December 6th:

Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm

Torah Portion: Vayetze

Candle Lighting: Barbara Gandelman

Kiddush: Joy Bobrow

Host: Sisterhood

Saturday, December 7th:

No Torah Study

Friday, December 13th:

Junior Congregation & Shabbat Evening Service in FSG Room 7:30 pm

Torah Portion: Vayishlach

Candle Lighting: Junior Congregation Members

Kiddush: Junior Congregation Members

Host: Sisterhood

Saturday, December 14th:

Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 am

Friday, December 20th

Shabbat Evening Service 8:00 pm

Torah Portion: Vayeshev

Candle Lighting: Fran Goldman

Kiddush: Sam Rosenberg

Host: Sisterhood

Saturday, December 21st:

Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 am

Friday, December 27th:

Family/Musical/Simchat Shabbat 7:30 pm

Torah Portion: Miketz/Hanukkah

Candle Lighting: Marchel and Valentina Gillin

Kiddush: Eric Lustig

Host: Sisterhood

Saturday, December 28th:

Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 am

This issue of The Voice is being sponsored by Joy Bobrow and Louis Fevola and family in loving memory of Iris Bobrow Davidson and Rosemary Fevola

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From The President

It may be getting cold outside but things are just heating up at Temple Beth Sholom!

For starters, how about the Jazz Shabbat? What an evening that was! I think I am still tapping my feet. Thank you Cantor, and to all who participated.

Another successful Rummage... Joy Bobrow, Barbara Gandelman, Adam Fertig, office/custodial staff, all the volunteers and donors, bless you.

The 4th annual Chicken soup cook-off was piping hot. Our largest one yet! Great soups, prizes and fun. Thank you Barry Packer, the donors, the chicken soup team and all the TBS volunteers.

I can in no way do justice to all the exciting events going on at TBS; I would need a separate "Voice". So, for the sake of brevity let me just say "thank you all and keep up the incredible work."

I am pleased to officially announce that Temple Gates of Prayer will be sharing space with us starting next year, most likely around June, 2020. I will inform you of the exact date as soon as I know. They will be with us for approximately 2 years until their new synagogue is built. We look forward to welcoming them.

Bazaar is only a few days away. We need all hands on deck. Let's do this TBS, you know we can.

A very Happy Chanukah to you and your families.

Your President,
Fay Schildkraut

SAVE THE DATE



*Gala Testimonial Event
In Honor Of*

*Rabbi Sharon Ballan's 10th
Anniversary
and
Temple Beth Sholom's 70th Birthday*

*Sunday, June 14, 2020
Dinner and Dancing Begin at 4:00 PM*

Formal Invitations to Follow

TBS Fund Acknowledgments as of November 18, 2018

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Richard Roth and Mary Dale

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

Celebrate Simchat Shabbat Friday, December 27th, 2019

December Birthdays



Mindy Anichich
 Eric Bernstein
 Barry Bunkin
 Edward Carroscio
 Susan Druss
 Beth Dulberg
 Stacy Kroun Fertig
 Suzanne Fertig
 Max Fevola
 Kathleen Flug
 Frank Galchus
 Bari Gold

Seth Hellman
 Stuart Horowitz
 Joel Kaufman
 Donald LaRosa
 James LaRosa
 Mikayla Ruth Lonborg
 Jonathan Reichler
 Adam Rosenberg
 Miriam Scharf
 Dr. Fay Schildkraut
 Penny Schnitzer
 Jeff Sovern
 Ava Wolinetz



December Anniversary

David Chenkin & Geri Weiss



Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom Sistergrams: January/February 2020

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 **December 13th, 2019**. Lori Lustig and Robin Myers will be handling the Sistergrams so please write "Sistergrams" on the envelope so that they will be delivered properly.



January Birthdays

Gail Tishcoff 1/2___
 Francine Klimavicius 1/5___
 Diane Shtulman 1/5___
 Neal Kwait 1/7___
 Elaine S. Trachter 1/7___
 Rochelle Sarrantonio 1/16___
 Eric Lustig 1/18___
 Maggie Berck 1/19___
 Jack Attar 1/21___
 Karen Carroscio 1/24___
 Isaac Cohen 1/24___
 Barry Packer 1/27___

February Birthdays

Ronna Galchus 2/1___
 Deirdre Weliky 2/5___
 Stephanie Rosenberg 2/6___
 Sharon Yontef 2/6___
 Brenda Bernhard 2/13___
 Ruth Dorfman 2/15___
 I. Donald Weston 2/16___
 Neil Bueno 2/18___
 Walter Costanza 2/18___
 Eric Bass 2/22___
 Steve Levinsky 2/24___
 Nancy Goldwasser 2/27___

January Anniversaries

Jeannette & Steven Fishman
 1/13___



February Anniversaries

Herbert & Margot Anker
 2/14___
 Andrea Odintz & Michael
 Rosenberg
 2/20___

Full Name: _____

Phone # _____

November Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees met on Monday, November 11th 2019. President Fay Schildkraut conveyed the Board's condolences to the Fevola-Bobrow family for the loss of Rosemary Fevola, Louis' mother and Joy's mother-in-law.

Jazz Shabbat was remarkable, Chicken Soup Cook-Off was our biggest one yet, and our Election Day Rummage was another success.

The agreement with Temple Gates of Prayer has been approved by the Attorney General and they will be closing on the sale of their building in December. The current projection for them to move in to our building is around June. She reported progress on the Security Grant, with the help of JCRC. Temple Staff now has completed mandatory annual Sexual Harassment Training.

Robin Myers, Financial Secretary, reported we now have 119 member units. The Board approved the October Financial Report as submitted by Treasurer Charlene Metz.

Rabbi Sharon Ballan reported on recent services. This year's Interfaith Thanksgiving Service will be held at St. Andrew Avellino Church on Monday, 11/25/19. Cantor Jerry Korobow reported on the very successful Jazz Shabbat and stated all the musicians who participated said they would be happy to do it again. He thanked all who helped to make it a success and those who have contributed to the Music Fund.

Geri Weiss, Pulpit and Ritual Committee Chair, reported 10 book plates for the new siddurs have been purchased. They are looking forward to coordinating "No Shush Shabbat" service in the spring with Suzanne Fertig, to accommodate children with special needs. A committee has been formed to plan a Gala Event in June to celebrate Rabbi Ballan's 10 year anniversary with TBS which coincides with TBS' 70th Birthday.

Stephanie Rosenberg, Parents' Association President, reported the Rummage Bake Sale raised \$78.00. Pancake Breakfast planning is underway for 11/24/19. Geri Weiss will be manning the Religious School Book Sale on that date as well.

Membership Committee Chair, President Schildkraut, presented new member Wendy Yasgur, who is returning to TBS, to the Board and the Board approved her.

Sisterhood President Barbara Gandelman reported the Election Day Rummage sale raised over \$1,300.00. Men's Club President Jeffrey Cohen reported close to 18,000 books have been sorted for Bazaar. Men's Club made a \$250.00 contribution to Temple towards the Ballroom window renovations.

Religious School Board Committee Chair Andrea Odintz reported on an initiative to encourage donations of used WIFI-enabled tablets and laptops for school use. The students are preparing for the upcoming Pancake Breakfast.

Social Action Committee Chair Ilyne Rabinowitz reported they welcomed new members in October and are working on a Queens immigration activity and providing holiday gifts/supplies for refugees and border detainees.

House committee chair Jim Kettig reported on progress toward the Ballroom windows renovation project. He and Eric Lustig are looking into ways to repair the stair lift. He is in correspondence with NYC DEP which contacted TBS regarding installation of a "rain garden" along one of our street frontages. This was attempted last year and they determined we do not qualify, so he will re-send that correspondence for clarification.

Ways and Means Committee Chair Barry Packer and committee member Suzanne Fertig reported on the highly successful November Chicken Soup Cook Off. Significantly higher attendance was recorded this year (over 200) and this year's gross was \$3,577.00. We had good media coverage and the community was well represented.

Bazaar is in need of volunteers and merchandize, and they are looking for vendors. Adult Education had a successful Veteran's Day event and is looking forward to the next event in January.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Tishcoff
Recording Secretary



Sisterhood Corner

We had another successful Rummage sale on Election Day. I would like to thank Adam Fertig and Joy Bobrow and their team of volunteers for all of their hard work. We had a book club event on November 17th. It was great to see so many Sisterhood members at this event. We read the book to the moon and back by Lisa Kohn. We heard her speak about her book and her story. Thank you to Suzanne Fertig for arranging this event for us.

The Pancake breakfast was a great success. Thank you to all who were involved in this yearly tradition, especially Joy Bobrow who made sure every detail was taken care of. I would also like to thank Adam Gandelman who always does the shopping for this event.

Our monthly Women's Discussion group will take a break for the month of December. Thank you to Deirdre Weliky for being so flexible. We will resume again in January.

I hope that you all enjoyed the Thanksgiving Holiday with your family. As you are reading this, we are coming together as one Temple family to make sure that Bazaar is once again a success. Please let Joy Bobrow or I know the days and times that you are available. As we have mentioned before, we need as many volunteers as possible to help for set up as well as during that weekend.

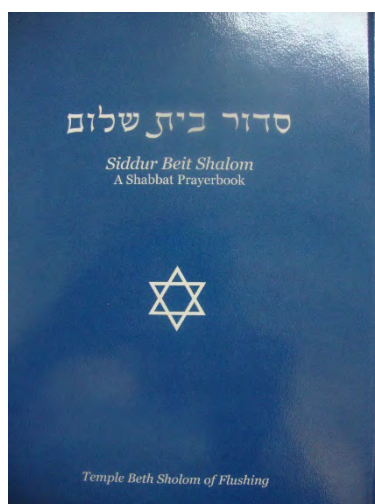
I would like to take a moment to thank everyone who was able to get a certificate or merchandise for Bazaar. Your help is truly a mitzvah!!

I hope that you take a moment to enjoy this Holiday season with your loved ones. I am grateful for my family and my Temple family as well. May the New Year bring you peace, joy and health for 2020!!

Sincerely,
Barbara Gandelman, Sisterhood President

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Bazaar Corner 2019

Bazaar 2019 News

FINAL Bazaar Corner FOR 2019! We need your help now more than ever!

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE TBS!! DON'T FORGET TO Mark your calendars for Bazaar 2019:

- First weekend of December: Saturday, December 7th, Sunday, December 8th, and Monday, December 9th.
- Ask merchants for donations when you patronize their stores, businesses, restaurants, etc.
- Sell Raffles!!
- Bake for our Cake Booth!
- Call Natalie or Rita at the Temple office with the date and time that you WILL VOLUNTEER!
- Come and help make baskets for across the board and booths on Friday night and Saturday before Bazaar!
- Read your emails!!!
- Be an "Angel" so we can purchase supplies!

Help to make Bazaar 2019 even better than last year!
Again, Please, Please, Please!!
Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!!

Barbara Gandelman (adbarb1@aol.com) and Joy A. Bobrow (maxjolo@msn.com) Bazaar Co-coordinators
Bazaar 2019

Parents' Association

Thank you to everyone who joined us for Pizza in the Hut and Simchat Torah! It is always so wonderful to have so many families together. We also hope that you had an enjoyable Thanksgiving with loved ones.

We had two fundraisers in November. Thank you for dining at Uno's and buying goodies from our Bake Sale. We still need to raise a bit more money to reach our goal to buy a TV for Religious and Hebrew School instruction. If you haven't made a donation to the Parents' Association yet, it isn't too late! Please send in your donation and fill out the form that is included in this edition of the Voice.

Chanukahrama will be on Sunday, December 22nd and we will be putting together the bags at our December PA meeting the week prior. The bags will include candles, dreidels, stickers, chocolate gelt and other goodies.

We have one fundraiser in December which is a movie night at Great Neck Cinemas at The Squire on December 26th. Put that on your calendars as a fun activity to do while the kids are out of school. Please keep an eye out for more information as we get closer to the date.

Reminder... the Shared Shabbat/Junior Congregation is December 13th at 7:30 pm in the Frank S. Green Room. We will also be collecting toys at this service for our Annual Toy Drive, so start buying brand new toys now so we can make a substantial donation to the River Fund this year!

Our next PA meeting is December 15th at 10am. Please join us for bagels, juice and coffee! We look forward to seeing you there.

Stephanie Rosenberg & Elana White
PA Co-Presidents



Election Day Rummage Sale - A Great Success!

Sisterhood's one day Rummage Sale Election Day 2019 was a great success; we raised a more than \$1,300. There are a number of people to thank who helped to make this a success: all of the Temple members and friends who assisted in Rummage Setup, and the Temple members who assisted at the Rummage Sale on Monday. A special shout out to Barbara Gandelman who managed to get the Sunday setup done without the usual assistance. Thank you to our Custodian Jose, whose assistance setting up the tables always helps to make all of our events function smoothly. A shout out to all those anonymous donors who so generously donated their gently used clothing so that we had wonderful items to sell. Remember, our next Rummage Sale is Memorial Day; we need your **clean/gently used** clothing. If you can separate your bags so women's, men's, children's and linens are in their own bags that would be so helpful with our setup! Please don't forget to tell your friends and family, AND as important, we NEED your time to volunteer and set up the Sunday before the sale. If every temple family spends just one hour helping, we can get done setting up in no time! We also need your help to assist the day of the sale. While I always manage to leave someone out of the list (please let the office know if your name was omitted!), the following is a list of those volunteers, without whose assistance we could not have managed: Joy Bobrow, Chair, Adam Fertig, Iris Bass, Norma Benvenuto, Eric Bernstein, David Chenkin, Ellen Coleman, Barbara Gandelman, Lori Lustig, Eric Lustig, Andrea Odintz, Fay Schildkraut, Diane Shtulman and Geri Weiss.

If you will be going to Florida (or anywhere else) for the winter, please let the Temple Office know which months you will be away and your alternate mailing address!!



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Adult Education

As we wrap up the secular year, I want to thank everyone for their support for participating in the Temple Events including Adult Education, Men's Club, Sisterhood, and Parents' Association activities. With your participation, you have made Temple Beth Sholom a vibrant and active place.

On Sunday, January 5th, we invite you to stay in from the cold as Adult Education will be having Breakfast and a Movie. The movie, "when jews were funny", is a documentary on the history of Jewish comedy. You will hear interviews from Bob Einstein and Howie Mandel among others.

Other Adult Education activities and speakers are being planned for the upcoming year so keep an eye out for updates in future newsletters.

May you have a healthy, productive, and festive year ahead.

Eric Bernstein
Adult Ed



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How Can I Contribute to TBS without Spending?

1. If every TBS member and their family and friends open a new, non-interest bearing checking 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). TBS 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.
2. When you make a purchase through Amazon, make sure you use Amazon Smile by signing 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: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/11-1802826>.
3. Lastly, 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!

Men's Club

Join us on Presidents' Day, Monday, February 17th at noon for the Harlem Globetrotters at Madison Square Garden. Tickets are \$22 and payment must be made ASAP! Contact mensclub@templebethsholom.org or bring check to the TBS office. We also accept payment via Paypal and Venmo to MrJeff2000@aol.com.

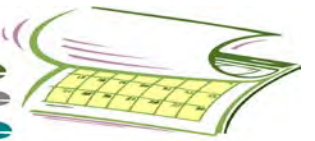
Men's Club bowling continues every month on the first Thursday evening. The December session moves to Thursday, December 12th due to Bazaar setup. The next two sessions are Thursday, December 12th and Thursday, January 2nd at 8:00 pm at Jib Lanes. For \$15, you get shoe rental, two games of bowling, and interactions with members of the congregation. We are not professional-level keglers! Come practice your bowling form with us.

If you can have a van or SUV and can help with book pickups in the future, contact Jeff Cohen at MrJeff2000@aol.com to be added to the "Bazaar Vehicle Volunteer" list. This would also help with other Bazaar merchandise as well.

Jeff Cohen
Men's Club President



Save the Date



Join us as we send warm wishes to Caryl Stern LaRosa as she embarks on a new venture in Bentonville, Arkansas. Caryl and Donald will maintain their home in Bayside and their membership with TBS. Share an oneg and special honors at the Family Shabbat Service on Friday, January 3, 2020.



Dear Members, Thank you to those who have already paid your dues or have entered into payment agreements! Please continue to pay as you have agreed! Please make sure to pay any Religious School/Hebrew School fees as soon as possible. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Robin Myers, Financial Secretary at the temple office or via email, at robinl.myers@gmail.com. Many thanks!

-Temple Beth Sholom Financial Committee

Temple Beth Sholom's
Adult Education
is pleased to present a Breakfast and a Movie
(Sponsored by the Richeimer/Levin Adult Education Fund)

“when jews were funny”



Learn about the history of Jewish comedy in America while learning about the exploration of what it means to be Jewish in America.

Date: Sunday, January 5th

Time: 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM

*Breakfast will begin at 9:30. The movie will begin at 10:00.

Where: Frank S. Greene Room

Breakfast will be served*

*\$3.00 Donation is suggested

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Cantor's Corner



Here we are in December. The weather is getting colder, and everyone's starting to bundle up. But in large part, I'm kept cozy by warm memories of Jazz Shabbat on November 1st.

It was truly a wonderful evening at Temple Beth Sholom. Those who were in attendance that night got to hear world class musicians from both the jazz and classical music worlds.

Anchoring the liturgical material was my friend Maestro David Close on keyboard. As always, David was masterful, tasteful, and a pleasure to work with. Joining us that night was another dear old friend, Wayne Sabella on keyboard, who brought with him Noriko Ueda on bass, and Charlie Busterna on drums. These three musicians demonstrated what jazz is all about, improvising in and around familiar Jewish tunes and liturgical pieces. They then gave a jazz "masterclass" by providing a gorgeous "sermon in song" that touched on the works of Irving Berlin and George Gershwin, among others. I consider myself very lucky to have the opportunity to work with musicians of this level, and it's very kind of them to let an old hacker like me play along.

Thanks to the Temple administration, Natalie Strauss and Rita Bellock in our office, my ever enthusiastic colleague and bima mate Rabbi Sharon Ballan, and to all of you.

And a very special thank you to our wonderful volunteer choir. You folks rose to the occasion brilliantly, and I love you for it. You truly were service leaders, and should be very proud of your contribution to and participation in our very first Jazz Shabbat service.

Here's to many more special musicals experiences together. Now, it's on to Chanukah!

With affection,
Cantor Jerry Korobow



Religious School News

Having moved through the cycle of Jewish Fall holidays, we are eagerly anticipating Thanksgiving and Chanukah as I write. Here at Temple Beth Sholom, we are re-energizing after our Rummage Sale and Chicken Soup Cook-Off while gearing up for Pancake Breakfast and Bazaar. Why do I mention ritual celebrations with fun raisers and fund raisers, you might ask? The answer is that both religious ritual and communal ritual set wonderful examples for our students on the importance of participation in Jewish community and Jewish life.

In the observance of religious holidays, students learn the history of our people, the lessons of Torah and the liturgy of worship. The lessons of the classroom come to life in the sounds of the shofar, the scent of an etrog, and the beauty of the Sukkah. The lessons of Shabbat become part of their lives at shared Shabbat and family Shabbat services.

Our students join with their parents in another set of mitzvah based activities as they help set up for Rummage, as they participated with the PA in the Election Day Bake Sale, and as they shared in the fun of the Cook-Off. They look forward every year to singing at the Pancake Breakfast. Many of them also help setting up and working at the Bazaar. In each of these non-religious activities, they are learning valuable lessons about what makes us a Jewish community. We live in a world where we recognize that "All Israel is responsible for each other." We need a place to come together to pray and to learn. Therefore we work to support our synagogue. As a song we used to sing at Solomon Schechter teaches, "Im en kemach, en Torah; im en Torah en kemach." (Without flour, there is no Torah; Without Torah there is no flour.) Substitute sustenance for the word kemach and we learn that we need resources in order to study, and we need to study in order to live a full life. Our parents who bring their children to the Temple for classes, for prayer, and for fundraising activities are raising children well-schooled in Jewish learning and Jewish life. They teach through their own examples. We believe in helping those in need. While our Rummage sale benefits Beth Sholom, it also provides a source of modestly priced clothing for lower income families.

My favorite teaching from Ron Wolfson, a pre-eminent Jewish educator and communal professional is that, "Ritual makes normal." What our children learn in class, at services, and in congregational activities such as those mentioned above and also including Mitzvah Day, Blood Drives, and the Chanukah Toy Drive, make doing acts of loving kindness and charity, prayer, and the study of Torah, the rituals of a normal Jewish life. Yasher koach to all who set such good examples for them! May it always be so!

Happy Chanukah! Best wishes for 2020!

B'shalom,
Karen Feit
Principal of the Religious School

Scoop's Schmooze

The night was November 9, 2019. And as I was able to watch the re-airing of WPIX Channel 11 News at 2:00 in the morning, newscaster Kaity Tong and Team Chicken Soup's Jeff Cohen echoed sentiments of what one of the main goals of Temple Beth Sholom's Annual Chicken Soup Cook-Off is. For as Kaity said, "organizers of this event say it's all about bringing people together" and Jeff shared that "it really fosters community." And both are so true.

For this event was founded years ago after my wife, Renee, and I saw the 2014 movie called, *The Deli Man*; a documentary showing the rise and fall of the Kosher delicatessens, and in particular following a Houston, Texas deli owner named Ziggy Gruber throughout his daily routine and many of the aspects of his personal and professional life, including him partaking in one of his local events called a Chicken Soup Cook-Off. I brought the idea to the Board, was told to run with it and see what developed. And, after building a team that, from the beginning, featured Jeff, Suzanne Fertig, Karla Bonne, Lori Lustig, and now, Sam Rosenberg, that was the start of bringing people together.

And, little could I have imagined that about five years after that initial proposal, and the first of many meetings over the years at the Fertig home, that on this November day, I would have walked in to TBS at 11:00 in the morning, and the incomparable team of Jose and Santos would have already had the entire ballroom fully set up; complete with 16 competitor and food donor tables, judges' tables on the stage, entrance tables outside the ballroom and a raffle table set up upon entrance into the ballroom. And then going on last year's premise of us having about 150 guests, and knowing that the number of people attending the event has grown from year to year, they set up 17 round tables with 10 chairs around each. However, as the night carried on, and the visitors kept coming, the seating for 170 was not enough as they needed to set up two more tables; which, when adding those who were standing and serving and walking, brought this year's event to well over 200 people.

200+ people being brought together for chicken soup, bagels and ice cream started with Suzanne always offering her home for meetings, Jeff designing all of the fliers and banners and executing the public relations and marketing efforts, Karla putting together the volunteer schedule and getting all of the decorative centerpieces, Lori creating the aprons and judges' gift baskets, and Sam acquiring raffle prizes. And, then, we were able to bring so many more people together by reaching out to our fellow Temple Beth Sholom family members and staff, who are always so generous with their time and enthusiasm, and who helped to transport and serve the soup, who sold the raffle and admission tickets, and who did the electrical set-up and photography of the event; all made the event more successful.

Fostering community. 33 of the 46 vendors who participated—whether by competing, by donating food or by contributing raffle prizes have been past participants; and several of the new ones have said that they will be back for year five. Fostering community. Of the 21 different raffle prize winners, more than one-third were not Temple Beth Sholom members; meaning that whether by advertising, marketing, public relations and media sources, repeat visitors, or word of mouth, guests, like the vendors, are coming from near and far.

And, as we congratulate the Judge's Awards, Harpell's Pharmacy and Natural Market, Tropical Revival and Chef Elvis and the People's Choice Awards in Ben's Kosher Deli, Tropical Revival and Chef Elvis for finishing first, second and third, respectively, we all know that chicken soup is not just "Jewish Penicillin," but that it also brings us all together; which is something we can always use.

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Ben's NY Kosher Deli	211-37 26th Ave	Bayside, NY 11360	718-229-2367
Bourbon Street	40-12 Bell Blvd	Bayside, NY 11361	718-224-2200
Cascarino's Brick Oven Pizzeria	152-59 10th Ave	Whitestone, NY 11357	718-746-4370
Chef Elvis Caribbean Cuisine	50 South Main St	Freeport, NY 11520	516-208-8395
Cooperage Inn	2218 Sound Ave	Calverton, NY 11933	631-727-8994
Donovan's	214-16 41 st Avenue	Bayside, NY 11361	718-423-5353
East End Rotisserie	34 South Etna Street	Montauk, NY 11954	631-668-6060
Fontana	200-02 Northern Blvd	Bayside, NY 11361	718-631-0147
Gyro World	194-21 Northern Blvd	Flushing, NY 11358	718 428-3800
Hotel Indigo	1830 West Main St	Riverhead, NY 11901	631-369-2200
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Jackson Hole	35-01 Bell Blvd	Bayside, NY 11361	718-281-0330
Jimmy's Trattoria	45-73 Bell Blvd	Bayside, NY 11361	718-229-5319
Kalamaki	29-06 172 nd St	Flushing, NY 11358	718-939-1616
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Maple Tree BBQ Smokehouse	820 West Main St	Riverhead, NY 11901	631-727-2819
Marbella	220-33 Northern Blvd	Bayside, NY 11361	718-423-0100
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Modern Snack Bar	628 Main Road	Aquebogue, NY 11931	631-722-3655
Mr. John's Pancake House	721 Montauk Highway	Montauk, NY 11954	631-688-2383
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Week of December 13th

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Ida Kaiser
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Week of December 27th

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15 Religious School 10:00 am Parents' Association 10:00 am Men's Club 11:00 am School Board 11:30 am	16 Membership 7:00 pm Board Meeting 8:00 pm	17 Confirmation Class 6:15 pm Sisterhood Meeting 7:30 pm	18 Hebrew School 4:30 pm Chai Mitzvah Class 7:30 pm	19	20 Shabbat Evening Service 8:00 pm	21 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am
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