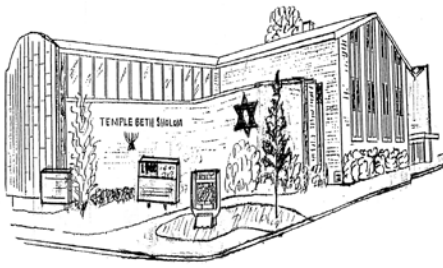


The Voice

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM OF FLUSHING



NOTE: THIS SCHEDULE REFLECTS WHAT IS PLANNED. STAY TUNED FOR UPDATES AS WE CHANGE/CANCEL EVENTS AS NECESSARY

THIS MONTH:

WALK AWAY THE MATZO
SUNDAY, APRIL 12

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22 (VIA ZOOM)

**CABARET WITH RENEE KATZ-
PACKER**
TO BE RESCHEDULED

NEXT MONTH:

MITZVAH DAY
SUNDAY, MAY 3

BLOOD DRIVE
SUNDAY, MAY 3

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

SISTERHOOD SHABBAT
FRIDAY, MAY 22

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

SISTERHOOD SHABBAT SERVICE
FRIDAY, MAY 22

RUMMAGE SET-UP AND SALE
SUNDAY, MAY 24 &
MONDAY, MAY 25

SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB
WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

PA FUNDRAISER
THURSDAY, MAY 28

CONFIRMATION
FRIDAY, MAY 29

CELEBRATE ISRAEL PARADE
SUNDAY, MAY 31



From the Rabbi's desk

The 11th Plague

The reasons for holding a Seder are numerous. We eat matzah, the bread of affliction, as a remembrance of our own affliction. When we sing Dayeinu, we remember how joyously the Israelites sang as the Sea of Reeds parted. The preparation for Passover often reminds us of our slavery in Egypt: All the hard work that goes into cleaning, cooking and shopping. Most importantly, the Seder itself is a re-enactment of our going forth from Egypt, to make us feel as if we actually experienced slavery and redemption. Never in my wildest dreams did I ever expect to actually experience a "plague." For that is what we are experiencing now with the Covid-19 coronavirus. As I write this, things are changing rapidly; NYC schools have closed for the month, people are advised not to go out unnecessarily. Many of us feel anxious, nervous and scared. We have never experienced anything like this before.

This must be a small taste of what it was like all those years ago in Egypt. Because things are so fluid right now and changing, I am not sure what decisions will be made by the time you read this about our communal Seder, the Shabbat service schedule and religious school. We have put video-conferencing in place, and will be communicating with you via e-mail and phone. If you do not have access to a computer or smart phone, please let the office know, so that we can communicate with you in the most effective way.

It is important to put things in perspective and stay level-headed, even though it can be difficult. I am reminded of a story about the wise King Solomon. This story often gives me comfort when things get tough. It goes like this:

King Solomon may have been our wisest king, but he wasn't very happy. He had everything—money, jewels, wives—but not happiness. One night, King Solomon dreamed that somewhere in the world there was a ring with magical powers. When one was sad, it could make you happy. When one was really happy, it could sober you up and bring you back to your senses. When one was joyful, it intensified your joy. King Solomon awoke from his dream convinced that this ring really existed. He offered a reward to the one person who could find this miraculous ring. Everyone searched the kingdom, high and low for this magical ring. No one could find it, and most gave up, except for Benaiah, Solomon's most devoted subject and friend. Benaiah found the ring and rushed to the palace to present it to the king. Solomon couldn't believe this was the ring. It didn't look very special at all. But then he noticed what was engraved on it: Three Hebrew letters, Gimmel, Zayin and Yud: "What does it mean?" Solomon asked. Benaiah answered, "Gam zeh Ya-avor—This too shall pass." Over time, the king came to realize the power of the ring. When he was sad, the ring would remind him, "this too shall pass," and he would feel better.

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Carol and Greg Hofer

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, April 3rd, 2020

April Birthdays

	<p>Alan Berck</p> <p>Ethan Borst</p> <p>Jeffrey Cohen</p> <p>Mona Fabricant</p> <p>Chelsea Fertig</p> <p>Charles Flug</p> <p>Dr. Andrew Fradkin</p> <p>Greg Hofer</p> <p>Anne Horowitz</p>	<p>Aviva Kaufman</p> <p>Andrew Larkin</p> <p>Ronald Myers</p> <p>Steven J. Rosenberg</p> <p>Robbie Schecter</p> <p>Stanley Schecter</p> <p>Shawn Susman</p> <p>Irwin L. Weiss</p> <p>Elana White</p>	
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April Anniversaries

Stacy Kroun & Adam Fertig
Kathleen & Mark Flug

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 Robin Myers, Financial Secretary at the temple office or email at robinl.myers@gmail.com. Many thanks!

Temple Beth Sholom Financial Committee

If you have moved, please let the Temple office know. And call to make certain the Temple Office has birthday and anniversary dates on file if you want to be acknowledged in our Sistergrams.

Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom Sistergrams: May/June 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 **April 15th, 2020**). You can pay for the remaining months of the year in advance (\$105), or monthly as before! Lori Lustig and Robin Myers are handling the Sistergrams so please write "Sistergrams" on the envelope so that the envelopes can be distributed properly.



May Birthdays

Roberta Kossoff	5/02__
Brett Reichler	5/02__
Rebecca Bunkin	5/04__
Gerald Maurer	5/05__
Mitchell Horowitz	5/06__
Jeff Bonne	5/10__
Gloria Shapiro	5/14__
Steven Fishman	5/17__
Gail Olenick	5/22__
Ned Steele	5/26__
Laura Goldsmith	5/29__
Adam Fertig	5/30__

William Fuentes	6/14__
Rabbi Sharon Ballan	6/15__
Salena Lee	6/15__
Karen Feit	6/16__
Jason Erlich	6/17__
James Kettig	6/20__
Eric Rosenberg	6/21__
Andrea Odintz	6/23__
Renee Katz-Packer	6/24__
Charlene Bina Metz	6/24__
David Chenkin	6/27__
Paul Anichich	6/29__
Larry Gold	6/30__

May Anniversaries

Caryl Stern-LaRosa & Donald LaRosa	5/02__
Eric & Stephanie Rosenberg	5/07__
Raymond & Elana White	5/14__
Jay & Sharon Haimer	5/17__
Edward & Karen Carroscio	5/24__
Al Eckman & Ilyne Rabinowitz	5/24__
Barry Packer & Renee-Katz Packer	5/25__
Neil & Lori Kwait	5/26__

June Birthdays

Louis Fevola	6/01__
Richard Hellman	6/02__
David Lonborg	6/02__
Lynn Goldenstein	6/05__
Geri Weiss	6/06__
Joan Kavadlo Cohen	6/09__
Zo-An Korobow	6/09__



Bar Mitzvah

Matthew Duhlberg	6/20__
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June Anniversaries

Matthew & Beth Dulberg	6/08__
Steven & Bonnie Rosenberg	6/14__
Rabbi & Mrs. Bruce Goldwasser	6/20__
Ronald & Robin Myers	6/25__
Isadore & Rose Katz	6/26__

Full Name: _____

Phone # _____

February Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees met on Monday, March 16, 2020. Televideo-conferencing accommodations were setup for some Board members who could not attend due to COVID-19 concerns. President Joy Bobrow requested that the meeting focus on only those reports essential to the business of Temple and then review necessary building closures due to COVID-19 concerns.

Robin Myers, Financial Secretary, reported after 2 resignations membership is now at 117 member units. The Board approved the February Financial Report as submitted by Treasurer Charlene Metz.

President Joy Bobrow reported that Paul Engel requested Food Pantry for next Monday 3/23/20. The Board agreed that we will allow this, as long as people picking up their food are not permitted in the building beyond the lobby.

The Ballroom window replacement work started on March 16 and is scheduled for the next two weeks.

The March calendar was reviewed: Shabbat services will be canceled through the end of March. Rabbi Ballan said she can live stream services with Cantor Korobow and it can even be recorded; she can send out directions for how to access the service on Constant Contact and on the website calendar.

Queens Oratorio will not be rehearsing and will probably be cancelling their season. Jubilee and LFCC Churches were not permitted to have services in the building this past Sunday (March 15th) and will be closed for the next 2 Sundays (March 22nd and 29th).

Religious School and Hebrew School will also be closed. Pulpit & Ritual will cancel their meeting and will meet via email correspondence/or conference call. Meetings of the School Board and PA and Bazaar meeting will be cancelled. Women's Discussion Group may be arranged via Zoom videoconferencing. The website will have the Zoom link address added to the calendar. The Sisterhood Charoset event is cancelled. Bowling will be cancelled. Passover Second Seder will be cancelled. Adult Education on April 5th will be cancelled.

Events past the second week of April will be taken under consideration in a few weeks, given how rapidly public health regulations are adjusting to the COVID-19 virus.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Tishcoff
Recording Secretary



Rummage Sale

The Giant Memorial Day Rummage Sale is Monday, May 25th

We will need donations of new and gently used clean clothing, preferably presorted, and VOLUNTEERS!!! Pre-sorting helps with Rummage Set Up! For the moment, we have temporarily suspended accepting donations, but please remember to save your gently used, clean clothing for donations once we resume. Rummage Set-up is Sunday, May 24th and we need VOLUNTEERS!! Please contact Natalie or Rita at the Temple Office.

See you then!



Adult Education

First I am hoping that you and your families are staying healthy through these challenging times. As a community we should be reminded to look after the health of ourselves, our families, and community. Without looking after ourselves first, we will not have the ability to look after the ones we care about.

We started off March with a fantastic lecture by Paul Rabinowitz. I found the lecture to be insightful on the history and sites to visit in Israel. This lecture had motivated my family further to take this religious expedition.

The Purim Spiel was an honor to be a part of. I would like to thank Rabbi Ballan, Deidre Weliky, and the rest of the ensemble to allow my family to participate in this event. If you haven't had the opportunity to participate in this event in the past and if you want to build your confidence in performing, this annual program is a great way to be involved.

The Adult Education lecture by second generation holocaust survivor Ron Schwarz for April 5th has been postponed until the fall as we have to be mindful of the safety of ourselves and the community.

We are also going to reschedule the program originally planned for April 19th at which Retired Acting Justice and Temple Member Honorable Fred L. Shapiro was to speak. We will advise the new date as soon as it is confirmed.

Yom HaShoah candles are available for a \$3.00 donation to the Men's Club. With the candle, participants are provided with a meditation to read on the evening of the event. Please reach out to Eric Bernstein or Jeff Cohen for candle requests and meditation readings.

Stay healthy,
Eric Bernstein
Adult Education



Temple Beth Sholom's Adult Education Program
And the Reichheimer/Levin Adult Education Fund

Regretfully must cancel two of its programs scheduled for April 2020.

Ron Schwartz: The story of a second generation Holocaust survivor



and

Honorable Fred Shapiro

Acting Justice (retired) of State Supreme Court in White Plains



Will be rescheduled!

Bazaar Corner 2020

Another friendly reminder to make sure our Temple family and friends don't forget that Bazaar 2020 will be upon us before we know it. Unfortunately we had to cancel our next meeting that was to be held on Tuesday, March 24th. It will be rescheduled once we have a better sense of what is going on with the COVID-19 virus.

Another reminder ... please frequent the establishments listed in the previous issue of The Voice; use take out or delivery! When you do, remember to thank them for their support of Temple Beth Sholom and mention that you hope they will support us this year.

Sincerely,

Joy Bobrow
Barbara Gandelman
Bazaar 2020 Co-Chairs



Parents' Association

Spring is here! The weather is warming up, the sun is blessing us longer each day and the birds are singing!

We had an amazing time celebrating Purim at Jib Lanes. Lots of laughs, spares, strikes and only a few bowling balls in the gutter :) Thank you to everyone who joined in the fun.

We hope that everyone has a wonderful and Happy Passover with family and friends.

As all Shabbat services for the foreseeable future will be via Zoom, there will not be a Shared Shabbat this month. We hope to be able to celebrate the next one on May 15th. We look forward to sharing Shabbat services with you virtually before then!

Our PA meeting scheduled for April 26th has been postponed. Hopefully we can reconvene at the next scheduled meeting, May 17th.

Stephanie Rosenberg & Elana White
PA Co-Presidents



Men's Club

Men's Club is selling Yom Hashoah candles this year for \$3.00 each. See Eric Bernstein or contact mensclub@templebethsholom.org for details

Due to the COVID-19 situation, bowling for April 2nd has been cancelled. Hopefully, we can get back on track for the following scheduled session, Thursday, May 7th, 2020. Remember that fifteen dollars gets you shoe rental and two games. Guests are welcome...it's not just for men!

Do you know anyone who would like to donate books? We are always on the lookout for book donations for our book bonanza. We have limited volunteers for pickups, so please ask or say that YOU can drop off books...in the future. Pickups are limited to elderly or infirm donors. We appreciate books from Manhattan or further than Nassau County, if they can be dropped off at the temple in the future

Please note, however, that we are temporarily suspending ALL donations to temple. For now, we are not accepting books, clothing or any other donations.



Jeff Cohen
Men's Club President

From the Rabbi's desk (cont'd from page 1)

When he was elated with joy, he would gaze upon the ring and know that, "this too, shall pass," and he was sobered. And when he experienced true happiness, the ring reminded him again that "this too, shall pass," and he understood the preciousness of special moments. I try to remember this phrase, in good times and bad.

In these uncertain and tough times, we need each other more than ever. Please reach out via phone or computer to those in our community and check-in with each other. May Temple Beth Sholom continue to be a doorway to friendship and love, to service to God and to our fellow human beings, through good times and bad.

Chag Kasher v'sameach,

Rabbi Sharon Ballan

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS

When you are in their establishments, be sure to let them know that you saw their ad in The Voice!

Erev Yom HaShoah is Monday, April 20th, 2020

Please join with members of Jewish communities all over America.
Light a Shoah Yellow Candle™ in memory of a victim of the Holocaust.



Temple Beth Sholom Men's Club
will be selling
Yom HaShoah Memorial Candles
(\$3.00 per candle)

**There will be a virtual Yom HaShoah service on Friday, April 24th at 7:30 pm.
Join the memorial service with candle lighting,
poems, and prayers.**

Light the candle to honor those in America's armed forces and the IDF who
safeguard our liberties.

Light the candle in memory of all victims of terrorism.

Put the candle in your window as a reminder that, if we ever forget,
another Holocaust may descend upon us again like another
plague of darkness.

Please contact Jeff Cohen or Eric Bernstein with any questions.

Religious School News

Dear Hebrew School Families,

I sure would prefer my usual issues in planning our Passover learning activities to dealing with the issues of Passover in the time of Corona quarantine! I hope that by the time this issue of the Voice reaches you, that the worst will be over and we will be looking forward to a return to normalcy!

The good news is that we are not slaves in Egypt, and that we have control over our own destinies. We may not like our choices, but we are free to protect ourselves and our loved ones. We are blessed with the technology that makes us able to learn together, to pray together, and just to keep in touch. Social media have offered us many virtual opportunities to be entertained and educated together. Apps like FaceTime, Zoom, and Skype let us visit in real time. Just this past Friday evening, I livestreamed a Kabbalat Shabbat service from a congregation in Jerusalem, which I discovered purely by chance. Then, purely by chance, a congregant there got up and walked to another part of the room....and I got to see her face...she was a beloved teacher from whom I had learned in Jerusalem nine years ago!

As of this writing, we do not know whether or not sitting together in each other's homes will be possible for Seder. Many of us are planning for the possibility of streaming in one way or another....There are wonderful online resources for enhancing our unusual celebrations. Try haggadot.com or jewishinteractive.com as places to start.

Above all else, I wish you health and joy as we navigate the waters of the Red Sea known as COVID-19. Please remember to give thanks for every day that we remain safe and strong with the ones we love.

B'shalom,
Karen Feit
Principal of the Religious School



Sisterhood Corner

Welcome to Spring! We have turned the clocks ahead and are looking forward to sunny days and blooming flowers! Although times have been very interesting and tough, we are pulling together as we always do-as one Temple Family.

I hope that you and your family have a Passover that is meaningful even through the challenging times that we are experiencing.

As we look forward to May we remind you that the Sisterhood Shabbat Service will be on Friday, May 22nd. We are hoping that we will be able to hold our annual Memorial Day Rummage Sale which is scheduled for Monday May 25th at 9:30 a.m. For the moment, we are not accepting donations, but please remember to save your gently used, clean clothing for donations once we resume. We also need volunteers for the set-up and the actual sale. Please contact the temple office if you are available to help with this event. All volunteers are welcome and needed.

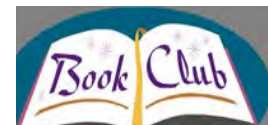
Our next book club will be on Wednesday May 27th at 7:30 pm. We are reading *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. I hope to see you all at this event.

Please come to Temple on Friday, May 29th, 2020 as we share in the Confirmation of Danielle Gandelman, Katie Galchus and Valentina Gillin. We are looking forward to celebrating with them.

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



ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

Many of you have been kept apprised of Temple policies during the COVID-19 outbreak via our informative email blasts. We will continue that practice as the situation evolves.

For the time being the office will remain open as usual. Houses of worship have not been ordered to close and we are compliant with all other recommendations as made by local government officials. This may change without notice.

For those of you who are not connected to the internet via computer, smart phone or tablet, please feel free to call the office during regular hours. The office staff is aware of the ever-changing events and policies as directed by the Board of Trustees. If you find that you call after office hours, please choose option # 1 on the Temple phone recording (Service information). It is there that you will be able to learn the latest information regarding cancellations or rescheduling of events. You will also learn the phone number to call to listen to Friday evening Shabbat Services and Saturday morning Torah Study. Please be prepared with pen and paper to make note of the numbers. They will remain the same moving forward.

.We urge you to continue best health practices; remaining a safe distance from others, washing your hands with lots of soap and hot water and going outside only when necessary. If you learn that you or anyone close to you has been infected, please advise the office immediately.

Know that we are all in this together, and we will all come out of it together!

Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood presents

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP



Wednesday evening, April 22nd, 2020

7:30 pm via Zoom

TOPIC: TBD

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**



Cantor's Corner



Why sing? What does singing do for me, or for anyone? What is it about music? I suppose that after all these years, I could write a very lengthy dissertation to try and answer those questions.

In my last column, I mentioned the rather draconian, medieval concept of "Larks and Listeners". According to people who experienced it, kids with "poor voices" in public school "back in the day" were told to simply mouth the words and make no sound at group events. While these "Listeners" remained silent, the "Larks" were encouraged to sing out. In that column, I insisted that everyone should sing, because singing is one of our most basic human inclinations.

Now, I want to get back to the questions at hand. Rather than trying to wax poetic, I thought I would pass on some interesting commentary sent to me over a period of time on Facebook. While I don't have attributions for most of them, they are all very much worth sharing.

Music-The other non-addictive, mood-altering non-substance. Ask your doctor if music is right for you. Common side effects include but are not limited to uncontrolled head bobbing, toe tapping, finger snapping, selective hearing impairment and persistent melody flashbacks.

"I would teach children music, physics, and philosophy; but most importantly music, for the patterns in music and all the arts are the keys to learning." Plato

Singing in a choir is an absolutely unique experience. It is one of the most important things in the world. Where else do you have everyone doing the same thing at the same time without the use of special equipment and for a greater purpose, and no one is sitting on the bench?

According to scientific research, singing improves your mood, releasing the same hormones and chemicals that are released during sex, or when eating chocolate! Singing gives your lungs a workout, stimulates circulation, and releases muscle tension. Singing in a group builds community, and creates empowerment, well-being, and confidence. Singing clears the sinuses and respiratory tubes. And, singing is wonderfully therapeutic, helping to release stress and other factors that interfere with your happiness.

Singing in a choir is cheaper than therapy, healthier than drinking, and more fun than working out.

Well my friends, I say Amen to all the above! If this sounds a bit like an advertisement, perhaps it is. Could you benefit from singing in a choir? I'll bet you could. Don't forget that we've got Peter, Paul & Mary Shabbat coming up on June 5th. And you could be singing in that service. Think about it.

As another anonymous source said, **I don't sing in the car. I perform.**

All the best, as always.

Cantor Jerry Korobow



Pulpit & Ritual

Spring is here, and that means it's time to plan for Shabbat Summer Service Leaders!

We like to give the Rabbi and Cantor a break...!

Before you make your summer plans, please consider signing up to be a Shabbat summer service lay leader. While we all help each other out through participation in the service, we also end up having a great time welcoming Shabbat at temple during the summer months. We welcome you to invite family and/or friends for assistance in leading your service. (We have instructions for you!)

Check your calendars, and sign up before it's too late for **any Friday night in July and August**. If you have a summer yahrzeit to observe, and want to know the exact date, contact me for confirmation... and thank you in advance!

Geri Weiss, Chair, TBS office, 718-463-4143
or geriweiss1@gmail.com

It's Gala News Time!

We understand everybody's concerns at this difficult time. While we are taking this seriously, we are still hopeful that we will be able to hold this celebratory event. We hope you will continue to send in your reservations and journal ads. If we have to reschedule until early fall, we will be glad to hold your reservation or send you a refund.

Invitations have been sent out to members and Temple friends for our upcoming celebration to honor Rabbi Sharon Ballan's 10 years of service, and Temple Beth Sholom's 70th anniversary. We look forward to an amazing gala to include:

***Cocktail hour & sit-down dinner catered by
A&A Gourmet,
(Kosher, including vegetarian dishes)
Music provided by jazz quartet,
Journal presentation to all dinner guests,
A Great Time with Lots of Fun!!!***

On Sunday, June 14, 2020 – 4:00 – 9:00 pm

**Please return your R.S.V.P.
and don't forget your journal ad!**

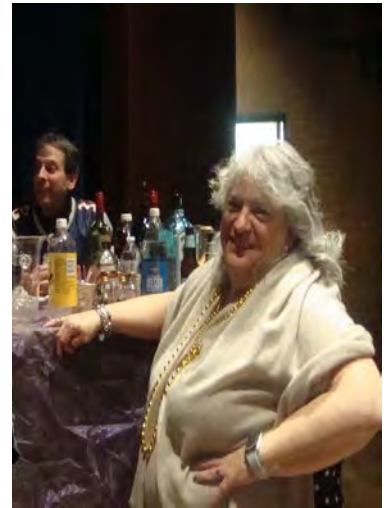
**The ads MUST be received by
Friday May 8, 2020 to make the booklet.**

**The Gala Dinner Committee –
events@templebethsholom.org**

SHABBAT ACROSS AMERICA



Purim





Temple Beth Sholom of Flushing presents

**Peter, Paul
& Mary
Folk Shabbat**



Featuring
Gathering Time
(folk harmony trio)
Cantor Jerry Korobov
Rabbi Sharon Ballan
Keyboard player David Close
TBS Volunteer Choir



Join us for a folk singalong
reception with refreshments
following the service!

Temple Beth Sholom
171-39 Northern Blvd.
Flushing, NY 11358

RSVP to Temple Beth Sholom at (718) 463-4143



Enjoy yourself and support our cause at a special fundraising event for:

Temple Beth Sholom Parents Association

May 28, 2020

5:00PM-8:00PM

Location: Blaze Pizza -Fresh Meadows

187-12 Horace Harding Expy, Fresh Meadows, NY 11365

Bring in this flyer or show it on your phone before paying. Blaze Pizza will donate 20% of proceeds from your meal back to our organization.



Donation amount excludes proceeds from tax and gift card purchases. Valid for dine-in and take-out only. Not valid for app, online, delivery or phone orders. Alcoholic beverages excluded. Event proceeds void if flyers are distributed in or near the restaurant.

Scoop's Schmooze

As in one of my favorite movies of all-time, Happy Gilmore, Adam Sandler's character, Happy Gilmore was told by his grandmother to find his "Happy Place." A place where everything in that part of the world is special and beautiful and perfect.

For those who have been to Renee's and my home, you know that my "Happy Place" is a 9' x 12' room that, aside from our Tree of Life entranceway, is virtually the first thing that anyone sees when they walk into the house. And, for those who have not yet been here, but who have gotten to know me through the years, I am sure you can envision what my "Happy Place" is. It is a sports lover's haven--complete with its television and radios, and is adorned with sports memorabilia and pictures, books and bobbleheads, balls, sticks and pennants that leaves no question as to where I am from and where my sports allegiances lie. There are also childhood memories from my bronzed baby shoes and my bar mitzvah album, pictures of family and friends, my portfolio of albums of my sports-writing clips and, yes, a glass candy bowl filled with assorted penny candy (that, as we all know, is no longer one, five or ten cents).

There is no way I could be anything but happy in this "Happy Place" of mine.

However, on Thursday, March 12th, 2020, with the television on, and me sitting in my "Archie Bunker chair" Renee asked what was wrong. I was just looking aimlessly with a gaze into nowhere, and I responded that things are just not right, just not the same, just not how life should be. It is so sad.

But, why? I had my windows open, the sun was shining, the plants were actually starting to come up outside. And for a sports fanatic like me, this is actually one of the best times of the year.

Yet, in what seemed like almost in an instant, virtually everything changed and stopped. Coronavirus has brought almost everything to, what seems like, a sudden halt. No sports. No Broadway. No concerts. No travel. Schools are shuttered. Houses of worship are closed. Minimal restaurant dining opportunities. No large gatherings. And, overcrowded grocery stores with empty shelves of the staple items like pasta, canned soup, toilet paper, and paper towels. And nobody seems to have an answer as to how long this will last, how bad this will get, and aside from washing your hands until the skin virtually peels off and staying away from everyone, what the best solutions are. This has affected everyone.

My parents and my in-laws are all over 80, and while they are in fairly good physical shape considering, they are older---how do we make sure that my parents, who will celebrate their 59th anniversary on March 18th, and my in-laws, who will celebrate their 60th later in June, are able to stay safe—and not to spread any germs that we may pick up at the grocery stores or even on the street.

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My niece, Madison, is a high school softball star who was supposed to use this sophomore season as a catapult before she is able to be recruited on the first day of her junior year—her high school season is cancelled. One of my best friends, Larry, is only 53, yet has many underlying health issues. Our friends Freddie and Maria have family in Italy and Mario and Ivana are from Croatia. There are so many wonderful people in Manhattan's cabaret community, who I have gotten to know so well over the years who have either had to postpone their shows or close their venues. I am quite sure that all of our restaurateurs who have been the most integral part of our Chicken Soup Cook-Offs over the years have been faced with heartache challenges of what to do to make sure their businesses are able to come back from this time of despair and the people who they employ are taken care of. And, I am sure every member of our Temple Beth Sholom family has frustratingly and heartbreakingly been impacted one way or another.

So, for the foreseeable future, may we all stay healthy, communicate with each other the best we can, be there for each other, and find solace, compassion and even that little bit of happiness in our own "Happy Place."

Barry Packer

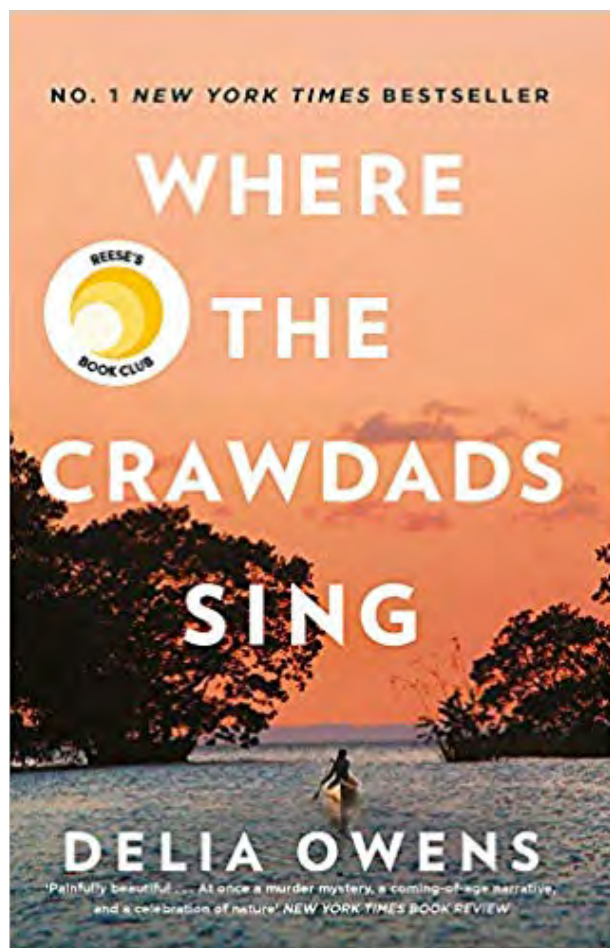
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BOOK CLUB – Wednesday May 27, 2020



“Where the Crawdads Sing”
By Delia Owens

Date:
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Time: 7:30 pm

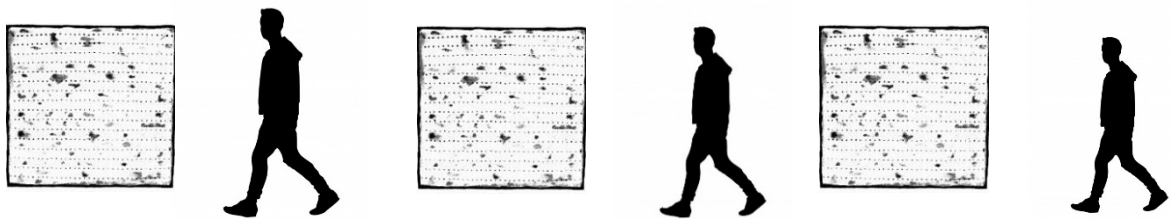
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Where the Crawdads Sing is at once an exquisite ode to the natural world, a heartbreaking coming-of-age story, and a surprising tale of possible murder. Owens reminds us that we are forever shaped by the children we once were, and that we are all subject to the beautiful and violent secrets that nature keeps.

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Brunhilde Cozanza	Mother of Walter Costanza
Brad Lefte	Brother of Debra A. Lefte
Abraham Levinsky	Father of Steve Levinsky
Albert Weiskopf	Father of Gloria Shapiro
Abraham Yontef	Father of Sharon Yontef

Week of April 17th

Warren Bellock	Husband of Rita Bellock
Yeffet Cohen	Father of Isaac Cohen
Elliott Goldman	Husband of Fran Goldman
Abraham Kavadlo	Father of Joan Kavadlo Cohen
Dora Kupferberg	Observed by Temple
Judy Myers	Mother of Ronald Myers

Week of April 3rd

Edith Anker	Mother of Herbert Anker
Selma Feirberg	Mother of Lynn Goldstein
Marcus Goldschmitt	Father of Ruth Schorsch
Reba Levenberg	Mother of Bonnie Rosenberg
David Platt	Stepfather of Penny Schnitzer
Mollie Rabinowitz	Mother of Ilyne Rabinowitz
Frank Sandler	Father of Alice Newman

Week of April 24th

Seymour Benstock	Brother of Glory Einbinder
Morris Fischbach	Father of Mona Fabricant
Jean Selma Gary	Sister of Lillian Tandatnick
Paul Gellerman	Father of Alan Gellerman
Eleanor Graff	Mother of Linda M. Ramirez
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Max Stein	Grandfather of Karri Kaufman
Marvin Tishcoff	Husband of Herta Tishcoff and Father of Gail Tishcoff
Julie Weil	Mother of Margot Anker
Freda Rachel Weiskopf	Mother of Gloria Shapiro
Trudy Weissman	Sister-in-Law of Ruth Dorfman

Week of April 10th

Doris Berlin	Mother of Deirdre Weliky
Abie Einbinder	Father-in-law of Glory Einbinder
Matilde Fuentes	Mother of William Fuentes
Hugh David Goldsmith	Son of Laura Goldsmith
Herbert Kestin	Uncle of Karen Carroscio
Elaine Lowy	Cousin of Isadore Katz
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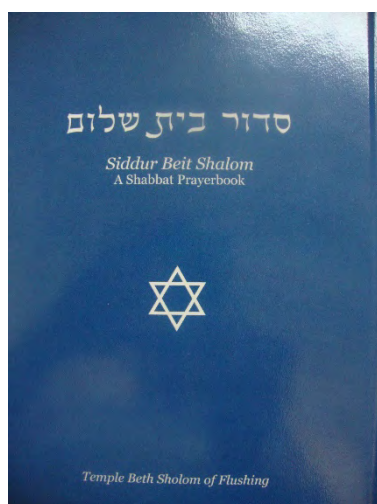
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5 * No Religious School * * No Academy *	6	7	8 * No Hebrew School * Passover – First Seder	9 * Office Closed * Passover – Second Seder	10 Passover Shabbat Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	11 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
12 * No Religious School * Walk Away the Matzo 10:00 am	13 Membership 7:00 pm via Zoom Board Meeting 8:00 pm via Zoom	14	15 * Office Closed * Passover Service & Yiskor 10:00 am cancelled * No Hebrew School *	16	17 Shabbat Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	18 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
19 Adult Ed program 9:30 am postponed * No Religious School *	20 Pulpit/Ritual Committee Meeting 7:15 pm	21 Confirmation Class 6:15 pm via Zoom	22 * No Hebrew School * Chai Mitzvah Class 7:30 pm via Zoom	23	24 Yom HaShoah Shabbat Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	25 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
26 * No Religious School * Parents' Association, Men's Club and School Board postponed	27	28	29 * No Hebrew School * Women's Discussion Group 7:30 pm via Zoom	30	<p style="text-align: center;">  </p>	

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the month of April !!



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