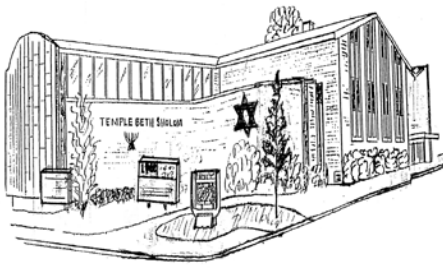


The Voice

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM OF FLUSHING



THIS MONTH:

PIZZA IN THE HUT
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

**WOMEN'S DISCUSSION
GROUP**
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

VIRTUAL BINGO
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

NEXT MONTH

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

BOWLING RETURNS!!!
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

**WOMEN'S DISCUSSION
GROUP**
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

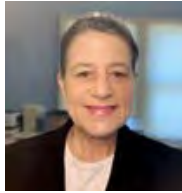
Social Action Committee

The Social Action Committee reminds you to vote! Here are some helpful links:

To Register to Vote in NY, go to:
<https://www.ny.gov/services/register-vote>

To check your voter registration status or Poll site go to:
<https://voterlookup.elections.ny.gov>

For general information on voter registration and safe COVID-19 voting guidelines go to:
<https://www.vote.org/state/new-york/>



From the Rabbi's desk

Shalom!

As of this writing, we haven't even begun the High Holy Days yet! By the time you receive this edition of *The Voice*, Sukkot will have just about started. I have told many of you before that Sukkot is my favorite holiday—I get to enjoy the outdoors, my yard, and the bounty of my own produce that was grown in my little garden. Everything about the holiday reminds me of our connection to the earth and of nature. The sukkah roof needs to be made of natural materials; we must be able to see the stars at night through it. We decorate it with fruits and vegetables; the lulav that we shake is made of date palm, myrtle and willow leaves, and of course an etrog (citron). We celebrate the holiday with all of our senses—sight, sound, smell, touch and taste.

And yet, our sukkot are intentionally fragile structures, reminding us of how impermanent our lives are. A strong wind or rainstorm can take them down, and we have to make other plans. Planning is one thing that has been challenging this year. I am hoping that some of us can get together outdoors for a Sukkot celebration in TBS's Sukkah, and that we can see each other in person (socially distanced, of course, and masked)! Regardless, I will be "zooming" from inside my Sukkah during the week.

Sukkot is the time when we are commanded to celebrate with joy—to be thankful for the abundant harvest, for what we have.

At the same time, the ancients worried about surviving the ensuing winter. Would nature, which was totally out of their control, be kind to them? We, too, are concerned about the future. But ultimately, we have the ability to choose how we look at things. We can be positive and upbeat, or frightened and anxious. I have seen TBS become a very strong and caring community—even if we haven't been physically together. I am confident that the future will bring many opportunities to celebrate with one another, and in person!

May we all be blessed to choose to experience better days in the coming year.

Moadim L'simcha

Rabbi Sharon Ballan



**OUR
CHAI HOPES
INITIATIVE
CONTINUES**

**BE AMONG THOSE
WHO PURCHASE
A LEAF
ON OUR TREE OF
LIFE**

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*As of September 22nd, all Services
in October are scheduled to be held
via Zoom*

Worship Schedule

<i>Friday, October 2nd: Erev Sukkot Pizza in the Hut</i>	Sukkot Shabbat Evening Service 6:00 pm Torah Portion: Leviticus 22:26-23:24
<i>Saturday, October 3rd:</i>	Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 am
<i>Friday, October 9th:</i>	Family/Simchat Shabbat 7:30 pm Torah Portion: Deuteronomy 14:22-16:17
<i>Saturday, October 10th:</i>	Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 am
<i>Friday, October 16th:</i>	Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm Torah Portion: Beresheet
<i>Saturday, October 17th:</i>	Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 am
<i>Friday, October 23rd:</i>	Shared Shabbat Service 7:30 pm Torah Portion: Noach
<i>Saturday, October 24th:</i>	Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 am
<i>Friday, October 30th:</i>	Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm Torah Portion: Lech L'chah
<i>Saturday, October 31st:</i>	Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service 10:00 am



From The President

To My Temple Family,

As I write this article, I am contemplating my remarks for Rosh Hashanah Eve, 5781. I hope that you will have joined us as I “Zoomed” before you as the President of this incredible Temple Beth Sholom Family on a most unusual first night of Rosh Hashanah.

I have decided that this article will be the remarks that I have written for Rosh Hashanah Eve service as I truly hope that they resonate with one and all.

We have much to be thankful for despite the fact that we are not gathering together in person.

We have a warm, vibrant community that has been able to host Zoom Services, Zoom Adult Education events, Zoom Sisterhood events and as important, Zoom Religious and Hebrew school.

We must all remember that we remain a place of gathering – we are a community.

We hold sacred space. Supporting a synagogue is completely different from utilizing a fee-for-service institution. Our value cannot be measured only by programs. It is precisely at this moment that members need to support the most important things in their lives. With all that is going on in the world around us, this is the moment to show up in larger numbers than ever before.

Synagogues are extensions of our homes where Jewish life is marked and celebrated. A place where ethics are upheld, and love and kindness prevail. Through our synagogues the world is healed. Synagogues bring families together to honor sacred time. During hard times, they are where we learn to handle challenges and where resilience is built.

We cannot hide the fact that synagogues cost money to run. Like many small businesses and nonprofits, during COVID-19 our doors have been closed, but our operations are running. Staff, and infrastructure all cost money and all are necessary to support Jewish life. Without membership dues, tuition from religious schools, and donations we simply would not exist. We cannot “take a year off.” It is our job to support the ongoing expenses of synagogues and not to wash one’s own hands of the obligation. When Rabbi Hillel taught, “Do not separate yourself from the community” (*Pirke Avot* 2:5), he reminded us that each is responsible for our community.

Jewish synagogue life is not here to add additional work or stress to one’s life. It is here to be a place that holds emotion, whether joyful or disappointing. Yes, it takes commitment. Those commitments come in the form of time, money, energy, and emotional investment. Ideally, what one gets out of belonging to a synagogue can’t be measured by any standard metric. It can only be measured in feelings of love, community, and connection to each other and to the Divine (or to something greater than ourselves).

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Deirdre Weliky with gratitude for the building that supports us!

Maxine Simon to honor the High Holy Days

Alice Newman to commemorate Yahrzeit for Debbie Newman and Ken Newman

Celebrate Simchat Shabbat Friday, October 9th 2020

October Anniversaries

Paul & Mindy Anichich
 Jeff & Karla Bonne
 Frank & Ronna Galchus
 Eric & Erica Bernstein



October Birthdays

Robert Abrams
 Iris Bass
 Matthew Dulberg
 Madison Fertig
 Emily Fishman
 Aviva Gellerman
 Karri Kaufman
 Emily Larkin
 Addison Lemmon
 Jennifer Schecter-Lonborg
 Maxine Simon
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*Mazel Tov to
 Cantor and Zo-An
 Korobow
 on the occasion of their
 40th Wedding
 Anniversary*

*Wishing you many more
 happy, healthy years
 together!!*

**HAPPY 95TH BIRTHDAY
 Isidore Katz!!**

**We wish you many more
 happy, healthy years!**

Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom Sistergrams: November/December 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 **October 15th, 2020**. Lori Lustig and Robin Myers will be handling the Sistergrams so please write "Sistergrams" on the envelope so that they will be delivered properly.



November Birthdays

Alice Newman	11/02__
Robert Schiffman	11/06__
Ilyne Rabinowitz	11/08__
Jay Haimer	11/10__
Lori Wansor	11/11__
Bonnie Wilichinsky	11/15__
Ellen Coleman	11/17__
Joy A. Bobrow	11/21__
Michael Rosenberg	11/25__
Bret Fertig	11/28__

December Birthdays

Penny Schnitzer	12/01__
Suzanne Fertig	12/07__
Kathleen Flug	12/07__
Donald LaRosa	12/07__
Eric Bernstein	12/09__
Miriam Scharf	12/09__
Laurie Simon-Kutcher	12/09__
Stacy Kroun Fertig	12/10__
Joel Kaufman	12/13__
Barry Bunkin	12/16__
Beth Dulberg	12/25__
Fay Schildkraut	12/26__
Mindy Anichich	12/27__
Frank Galchus	12/30__
Edward Carroscio	12/31__



November Anniversaries

Joy A. Bobrow & Louis Fevola	11/01__
Lloyd & Brenda Bernhard	11/05__
Stanley & Robbie Schecter	11/13__
Michael Susman & Sharon Yontef	11/20__
Rabbi Sharon Ballan & Walter Costanza	11/23__

December Anniversaries

David Chenkin & Geri Weiss	12/9__
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Full Name: _____
Phone # _____



Cantor's Corner



Just imagine it-the Hall of Fame. It's the ultimate...the top of the mountain. What is the cantor on about now? Am I talking about Babe Ruth, Ty Cobb, Mickey Mantle, Tom Seaver, etc.? Well, no. In this truncated (and incredibly frustrating) baseball season, that's not the Hall of Fame I'm here to discuss.

You see, I don't personally know anyone who's been inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame. But, I can proudly tell you that I have a good friend who has been inducted into the American Banjo Museum Hall of Fame. I'll bet many of you didn't even know that such an institution actually exists-yet it does. And, my wonderful friend, 90 year old banjo virtuoso Roger Sprung, became a member on September 11, 2020.

The American Banjo Museum, located at 9 East Sheridan Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK, "is dedicated to the history of the banjo. The museum's exhibits document the rise of the banjo from its arrival in North America via the Atlantic slave trade to modern times." It's a place I would genuinely like to visit some time.

Roger Sprung, a nice Jewish boy from Manhattan, NY, has made it to the top of the banjo mountain. According to the museum's website, "an argument could be made that Roger Sprung was the first progressive five-string banjoist. While his contemporaries in the bluegrass world were experimenting with swing in the 1940s and 50s, Sprung was expanding the acceptable banjo repertoire to include swing, ragtime, pop and classical styles as well. Credited with introducing bluegrass banjo techniques to the folk music world, Roger's eclectic musical influence is reflected in players such as Bela Fleck while Sprung himself continues to explore new and exciting musical possibilities for the banjo." By the way, Bela Fleck, a staggeringly virtuosic banjo player, is also a nice Jewish boy from...Manhattan, NY.

Roger celebrated his 90th birthday at the end of August, and unfortunately, as the result of a stroke, he can't play his beloved 1927 Gibson Mastertone banjo. But Roger is still teaching, and reaching out to musicians and music lovers. I'm very lucky to know Roger, to count him as a friend, and to have had the opportunity to play with him many, many times. It's not often that we get to work with a master, and a person deeply connected to a tradition. In the cantorial world, I've been fortunate to know, study and work with some great cantors. And in the folk music world, I've been equally fortunate to know and work with people like Roger Sprung.

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These folks are masters, and master teachers. I've written about Roger before in my columns, holding him up as an example of remaining engaged as we get older. I'm doing the same again this time around, and tipping my musical cap to a valued friend who's made it to the Hall of Fame! Bravo Roger-how's the weather at the top of the mountain? We banjo players and musicians in general, owe you a deep debt of gratitude-thanks so much for the music, friendship, and corny jokes!

With affection,
Cantor Jerry Korobow

Parents' Association

This year has certainly been a year filled with lasting memories. It will be a time in our lives that we will always remember. We hope that everyone had a wonderful Rosh Hashanah and spent the Days of Awe reflecting on your lives. We certainly are all grateful to be alive and thankful to be healthy. The High Holy days are always a special time in our spiritual lives. May this New Year bring everyone countless blessings.

We hope the children enjoyed their bags for the beginning of school and Rosh Hashanah. Being in person together would have been preferred, but we know that time will come and we will all be overjoyed to be together. We never thought we would miss hugs and cheek kisses so much!

Thank you to everyone on the school board for working so hard to get school off to a wonderful start. We will miss Karen and we are looking forward to this year.

We will have our first virtual PA meeting on Sunday October 18th. We will send out a Zoom link as we get closer.

Best,
Stephanie Rosenberg & Elana White

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From The President

Some families may still consider pausing and taking "a year without a synagogue." But we hope this is not the case because if families do pause, then we can only hope that when they are ready to return, our synagogue will still be here, having weathered the harsh realities of the pandemic. In the meantime, synagogues will persevere by teaching, praying, grieving, celebrating, and hoping. We will continue to be places of thriving Jewish life.

We must all look deep within ourselves and go that extra mile and make that effort of being kind and loving to one another, and as generous to our synagogue as possible.

My family wishes you all a happy, healthy, sweet and safe New Year!

Your President,
Joy A. Bobrow

September Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees met on Monday, September 14, 2020 via videoconferencing (Zoom) due to COVID-19 restrictions. President Joy Bobrow reported on optimistic progress in the state but urged all to remain vigilant to guard against COVID-19 infection. Revisions to the re-opening plan are close to completion.

Temple Gates of Prayer (TGP) is nearly done with their renovations to the FSG room, kitchen, and their office. We are upgrading the alarm system to accommodate their request to access the building via Auburndale Lane. She and her family wished all a happy and healthy New Year.

August minutes were accepted with corrections. Robin Myers, Financial Secretary, reported resignation of one member who has moved out of state. We now have 114 member units. School fees were updated and will be sent out soon. Treasurer Charlene Metz reported the August financial report, which the Board approved as presented.

Rabbi Ballan reported on High Holiday service preparations for the first Rosh Hashanah Zoom service. Many thanks were given to the Pulpit & Ritual Committee, Geri Weiss, Chair, and to President Bobrow for their hard work. Rabbi outlined the many upcoming services and events to be held virtually and in the community. She conveyed her good wishes for the New Year.

Cantor Korobow echoed Rabbi's comments and added the reminder that the technology may or may not work as planned and that all need to be patient and understanding. He reported on the opening of Religious School via Zoom, using break-out rooms successfully. He conveyed his good wishes for the New Year.

Geri Weiss, Pulpit & Ritual Committee Chair, reported on High Holiday Zoom services preparations and acknowledged the work and coordination of Rabbi Ballan and all who are working on this endeavor.

Stephanie Rosenberg, PA Co-President, reported on upcoming Rosh Hashanah bags for students to receive little treats for the holidays.

Andrea Odintz, Religious School Chair, reported that Karen Feit will continue to lead the monthly shared Shabbat services. Ruth Kessler will be the new Religious/Hebrew School Coordinator – a position that will add some administrative responsibilities to her current teaching responsibilities.

VP/Past President Fay Schildkraut, Membership Committee Chair, thanked Lori Lustig for creating and implementing the informative New Year's cards that were sent this year.

Barbara Gandelman, Sisterhood President, reported on the successful Sisterhood Auction which raised \$649.00 for Temple. She thanked Iris Bass, Joy Bobrow, Fay Schildkraut, and Geri Weiss for their hard work and dedication to make it work out. She reported on a new program – Virtual Bingo – which will be starting soon. The new Book Club book is *This Tender Land* by William Kent Krueger and the next Women's Discussion Group, moderated by Deirdre Weliky, is on October 14th.

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There will not be a Rummage Sale this November. President Bobrow, Use of Building, reported on TGP renovations progress and clarified that there will be a Day Care Center, not a Nursery School, starting to use our building as soon as they are able to get final approvals.

Jeff Cohen, Men's Club President, reported on efforts to coordinate with TGP for Veteran's Day event planning. Deirdre Weliky, Caring Committee, reported on successful Zoom Schmooze program and said the next Women's Group topic will be "Loose Ends" (of all kinds).

The Food Pantry continues to provide much-needed food to the community once a month and will be using the refrigerator donated by TGP in the lower lobby.

Ilyne Rabinowitz, Social Action Committee Chair, reported links for voting registration have been submitted to the Voice.

Eric Bernstein, Adult Education Chair, reported Ron Schwarz will speak on Sunday Nov. 1st at 10:00 am on Zoom to tell of his father's and grandfather's journey during the Holocaust. He reviewed additional possible upcoming events coordinated with Men's Club and possibly TGP.

We were reminded that there will be a Congregational Meeting on Tuesday October 20th.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Tishcoff, Recording Secretary

MAZEL TOV TO SANTOS AND JOSE

Santos and his wife Nora welcomed son Matthew Jose on June 26th. Matthew is settling in nicely with his parents, big brother Jonathan (13) and big sister Daniela (5).

Jose and his wife Carolina joyfully announce the birth of their son Ethan Josue on Monday, September 21st. Big brothers Elias (7) and Jeremiah (4) are thrilled!

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Religious School News

School has started! Thank you to all of our students and parents who have returned their forms, paid their tuition, and participated in classes on Zoom. Although Religious and Hebrew School is technically remote for now, our families have maintained a closeness that can be felt through the computer screen. There are also some noteworthy tweaks to our format.

Religious School began on Zoom on Sunday, September 13th, with a welcome-back segment introducing the topic of Rosh Hashanah by the Rabbi and the Cantor to the entire school, before enabling breakout rooms for teachers and their classes. The whole school came back together for a few minutes at the end of the session. This differs from last spring's one-room-schoolhouse format. Sunday's remote classes duplicate the classrooms in person, by grade.

Hebrew classes began on Wednesday, September 16th with a significant change. Morah Ruth and Morah Beth are teaching two groups each at separate designated times. The idea behind this decision is to promote shorter but more intensive sessions. Each group contains between three and five students, so there is more opportunity for participation -- and less room to hide!

Along those lines, the School Board and teachers developed Zoom Etiquette Guidelines that were sent out to the parents to read and review with their children. These guidelines remind students that Religious and Hebrew School are virtual classrooms, not free time, and spell out behavior expectations.

In addition to these virtual classrooms, all of our teachers and Geri Weiss collaborated to choose textbooks and workbooks for each class to use at home. Michael Rosenberg and I compiled packages of those books – plus back-to-school apples – for each student to pick up before the High Holy Days.

On this year's school registration forms, I included a parent survey about the possibility of starting Religious School classes in person on Sundays later this fall. The most common answer so far is "It's too soon to decide."

Meanwhile, we welcomed back Karen Feit to co-lead our first Shared Shabbat service of the season on Zoom on September 25th.

I realize this is a time of transition, albeit temporary. I try to keep in mind that our own reactions to change set an example for our children, who are always watching us (even if it's via a sideways glance while they're on their screens). Let's maintain a positive attitude toward continuing their Jewish education, whether on Zoom or – hopefully before the school year is over – in person. Our kids will rise to our expectations of them.

L'Shana Tova,

Andrea Odintz
Religious School Chairperson



Sisterhood Corner

I hope that you all had a very happy and healthy New Year. I would like to thank everyone who was involved in the High Holiday services. They were very memorable events.

Our Sisterhood Auction was a great success! We raised \$649 that will be donated to Temple. Thank you to the following people: Iris Bass, Joy Bobrow, Fay Schildkraut, and Geri Weiss for their hard work and dedication to making this auction as successful as in years past. I would also like to thank all of the people who participated or who sent donations. Your support is very much appreciated.

Sisterhood will be holding a new event on Wednesday, October 28th at 7:30 pm----Virtual Bingo!!!! The cards will be \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Please send your money to Temple Attn: Bingo. Your cards will be emailed (or mailed) to you. See the flyer for all the details. We hope to see you at this great new event!!

We will be holding our book club on Sunday, November 8th at 10:30 am. We will be reading *This Tender Land* by William Kent Kruger. We look forward to seeing you there.

Our Women's Discussion Group has become a monthly event. The next two dates will be Wednesday, October 14th and Wednesday, November 18th. Thank you to Deirdre Weliky for continuing to run this program for our Temple.

At this time, it doesn't look as if we will be able to hold our Election Day Rummage Sale and, unfortunately, we have run out of storage room for additional donations. We are optimistic about being able to hold the next sale in May and will be sure to let you all know when we will be able to accept your donations of gently used clothing again.

If you have not already paid your dues for this year, please send them to Geri Weiss.

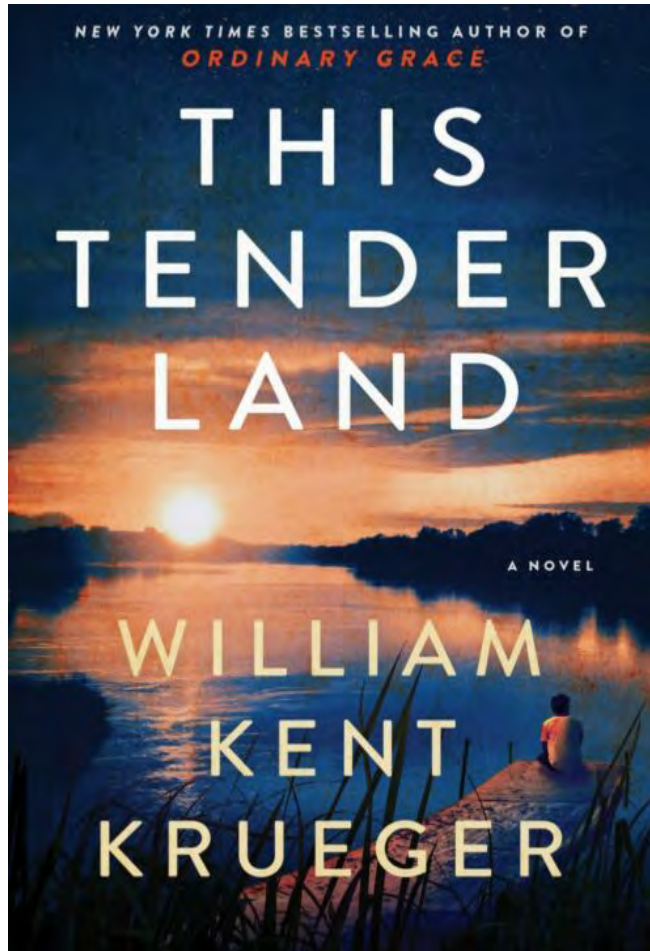
Looking forward to seeing all of you in person.

L'Shana Tova

Barbara Gandelman
Sisterhood President

Many thanks to Dara Bernstein for her time and effort into turning yarmulkes into face coverings. Each one completed helps us to increase our stockpile of supplies necessary for our eventual reopening. Thanks Dara! We all appreciate the donation of your valuable time and energy!

TBS SISTERHOOD PRESENTS:
BOOK CLUB – SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8, 2020




“THIS TENDER
LAND”
BY WILLIAM KENT
KRUEGER

DATE:
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8, 2020
TIME: 10:30 AM

ZOOM INFORMATION
TO FOLLOW

1932, Minnesota—the Lincoln School is a pitiless place where hundreds of Native American children, forcibly separated from their parents, are sent to be educated. It is also home to an orphan named Odie O'Banion, a lively boy whose exploits earn him the superintendent's wrath. Forced to flee, he and his brother Albert, their best friend Mose, and a brokenhearted little girl named Emmy steal away in a canoe, heading for the mighty Mississippi and a place to call their own.

Over the course of one unforgettable summer, these four orphans will journey into the unknown and cross paths with others who are adrift, from struggling farmers and traveling faith healers to displaced families and lost souls of all kinds. With the feel of a modern classic, *This Tender Land* is an enthralling, big-hearted epic that shows how the magnificent American landscape connects us all, haunts our dreams, and makes us whole.

Please read the book and come to our book club meeting with your opinions. If you are using Amazon, and want to be able to make a donation to Temple Beth Shalom, please don't forget to use ... 

Adult Education

L'Shana Tova Members and Families, I am hoping that everyone experienced a healthy and happy New Year.

This year, my goal is to focus on co-hosting events with other congregations. I had a productive kick-off meeting with Temple Gates of Prayer Adult Education Representatives. We are looking forward to planning joint events starting off with our Men's Club Veteran's Day service. Jeff Cohen, the Adult Education Chairs, and I are in the planning process of this event.

Don't forget, on Sunday, November 1st at 10:00 am, Adult Education will be having its first virtual lecture of the Jewish New Year. Ron Schwarz (a second generation Holocaust survivor and brother of TBS member Larry Schwarz) will be Zooming from Dallas, Texas discussing his father's and grandfather's journey during the Holocaust. The Zoom information will be listed in the flyer.

May our families and friends remain inscribed in the book of life.

Eric Bernstein
Adult Education



Men's Club

Men's Club is excited to report that bowling will return. Players interested in participating should contact Jeff Cohen or Eric Bernstein, as we will look forward to sending a group to Jib Lanes on Thursday, November 5, 2020 - based on state guidelines as of that date.

We are also looking into a virtual event for Veteran's Day on Sunday, November 8th, 2020. If things do not come together in time for this newsletter, watch the emails from the temple for more information.

Book donations (as well as other Bazaar items i.e. household goods, small appliances, etc.) are being accepted through drop-offs at the temple. We are not able to accept any more clothing donations, however. Potential donors can call the temple office at (718) 463-4143 for more information.

Jeff Cohen
Men's Club President



Pulpit and Ritual Committee

We are an amazing congregation! We came together to present our High Holy day services in a manner that was available using the Zoom video conferencing platform. The TBS "Zoom Committee": Barbara Gandelman, Eric Bernstein, Eric Lustig, Fay Schildkraut, Joy Bobrow, and Rabbi, along with myself met many times to coordinate this effort.

Many of our members were able to participate by reading passages of the services, or acting as the congregation by reading responsively with the Rabbi. Extra thanks go to Gail Tishcoff for taping a video of her flute playing for Kol Nidre. For the healing service, we thank Ronna Galchus and Renee Katz-Packer for their recording of piano music and song. Let's not forget our resident "Shofar blowers": Jennifer Schecter-Lonborg & Adam Galchus.

It was wonderful that the following members got dressed up on a Sunday morning to come into temple to videotape opening and closing the arks: Marchel & Valentina Gillin, Brett & Suzanne Fertig, the Bernstein family, Sam & Steven Rosenberg, Eric & Lori Lustig, Andrea Odintz & Michael Rosenberg, Gail Tishcoff & Jim Kettig, Adam Fertig & Stacy Kroun, Iris & Eric Bass.

And now to mention all our member congregants who willingly took the opportunity to participate in the services via Zoom.

Eric, Erica & Dara Bernstein; Stephanie, Eric & Benjamin Rosenberg; Iris Bass; Karla Bonne; Andrea Odintz & Michael Rosenberg; Maxine Simon; Deirdre Weliky; Charlene Metz; Adam, Barbara & Danielle Gandelman; Ed, Karen & Rebecca Carroscio; Renee Katz-Packer & Barry Packer; Joel, Karri Kaufman & family; Sam Rosenberg; Robin & Ron Myers; Fred Shapiro & Susan Ecker; Gail Tishcoff & Jim Kettig; Jeff Cohen; Walter Costanza; Lori & Eric Lustig; Frank, Ronna Galchus & family; Christina & Steven Weinberg; Fay Schildkraut; Isaac Cohen & Joan Kavadlo; Matthew, Beth & Joseph Dulberg; Andrew & Elaine Larkin; Jennifer Schecter-Lonborg & David Lonborg; Michael Susman & Sharon Yontef; Fran Goldman; Caryl Stern-LaRosa; Amy Edelstein; and Sharon Haimer.

A last shout out to new member Larry Gold, who scanned the pages of the High Holiday prayer book to be available for screen sharing during the services.

Extra thanks go to Gail Tishcoff for taping a video of her flute playing for Kol Nidre, to Ronna Galchus for recording her piano music and to Renee Katz-Packer for recording her singing the mishaberot.

Geri Weiss,
Chair

Many thanks to Diane Shtulman for her time and effort creating face coverings from donated yarmulkes! It's a time consuming process and we are grateful for her contribution.

Temple Beth Sholom's Adult Education
and the Richheimer/Levin Adult Education Program
are pleased to present virtually from his home in Texas

Ron Schwarz: The story of a second-generation Holocaust survivor



Ron Schwarz is the son of Holocaust Survivor Charles Schwarz. As a boy, Charles lived in Nazi Germany before fleeing to France, witnessed the German occupation of France, and completed the treacherous mountain crossing of the French-Swiss border. Ron's grandparents endured the Nazis in Germany including internment at Dachau and the seizing of their personal property. As a second-generation speaker, Ron uses a multimedia presentation to share his father's and grandparents' daring journey and teach the lessons of the Holocaust.

Date: Sunday, November 1st

Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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Scoop's Schmooze

In May of 2017, this column, Scoop's Schmooze, made its monthly debut in *The Voice*. The reason for Schmooze in the title speaks for itself. And Scoop has been my nickname since more than 40 years ago when, during our freshman year in high school, my classmate, John Sullivan dubbed me that. At that time I was working with my Randolph High School sports teams and for the local newspaper, *The Randolph Herald*. And I was going to be the next Oscar Madison. But, through all of life's twists and turns, while the sports-writing ventures did continue for a while, my professional endeavors took me in a wide array of different directions. Yet, one way or another, the act of putting pen to paper, of pounding on the keys of my Smith Corona or of composing on my laptop, the ability to express myself in writing, to this day, has remained one of my deepest passions; as has my love for all things Temple Beth Shalom.

And, if one were to look back in the archives of *The Voice* over the last few years, around the October, November and December issues, the content of Scoop's Schmooze is either previewing the Chicken Soup Cook-Off or the recap summary of the event. So while the autumn of 2020 is void of this special event, this version of the Schmooze is still dedicated to it.

For those who don't know, the event was initially borrowed as a segment from the movie *Deli Man*, tracing the steps of Houston, Texas Kosher deli owner Ziggy Gruber competing in a variety of culinary competitions. As the idea, which we put our own spin on, was initially met with a bit of trepidation, the support through the years from Presidents Adam Gandelman, Fay Schildkraut and now Joy Bobrow; as well as the entire Board of Trustees, has been immeasurable. Team Chicken Soup of Suzanne Fertig, Jeff Cohen, Karla Bonne, Lori Lustig, Sam Rosenberg, and Marchel Gillin; along with far too many other members of the Temple Beth Shalom family to name, have been there to help---from set-up and serving to sales and clean-up. The detailed logistics of the event are always handled impeccably by Rita and Natalie in the office, and Jose and Santos throughout the building. And, our judges, who have given of their time in volunteering, have run the gamut, from TBS's own professional chefs Adam Gandelman and Brett Reichler to local politicians and media types, a New York Post sportswriter and a culinary educator.

The uniqueness of the event can be defined by the winners in the first year---a Kosher deli, a Greek restaurant and a Jamaican restaurant. And, by the fact that in the four years, 13 different vendors have either won, placed or shown; and they have included the previously stated Kosher, Greek and Jamaican restaurants, along with Italian and Caribbean, and soups from diners, grocery stores and pharmacies.

Yet, in reality, Temple Beth Shalom has been the real winner. For during the four years of the event, 72 different vendors---from restaurants, stores and hotels to recreation facilities, movie theatres and museums have all given of their time, their effort, their money, and their wares. They have been there with excitement and generosity.

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And, with so many of them we have been able to form genuine relationships with over the years; as I walk through their doors during the summer months, leading up to the upcoming Chicken Soup Cook-Off, when the proprietors see me, after exchanging pleasantries, I am greeted with "what's the date, what time, how much do you need, and what else can I do for you?"

And, while much has changed, much is different and we are missing this year's Chicken Soup Cook-Off, and missing being with each other; ironically, on the website for the Chicken Soup for the Soul book series, it describes what's in its books as "sharing happiness, inspiration and hope through its books."

So, as we gradually move on, may we all share happiness, be inspired every day and have hope for all that is good. And let the second Saturday night of November, 2021, be just like the last several second Saturday nights of November; with the aroma of chicken soup wafting throughout the filled to capacity Temple Beth Shalom ballroom with everyone enjoying delectable food, meaningful conversation, smiles and laughter, family and friends. Circle November 13, 2021 on your calendar.

Barry Packer

Third Vice President/Ways and Means Chairman

Bazaar Corner 2020

We are (maybe) getting closer to the possibility of being able to have Bazaar 2020 in December! As NYC is opening indoor activities to a maximum capacity of 25%, we can only hope that that percentage grows in the next couple of months! We are not prepared, yet, to completely pull the plug on this event.

We continue to try to be supportive of the restaurants in the area that have supported us in the past. Please try to frequent the establishments listed in *The Voice* when dining out or ordering in and remember to thank them for their support of Temple Beth Shalom and mention that you hope they will support us this year despite these difficult times.

Joy Bobrow

Barbara Gandelman

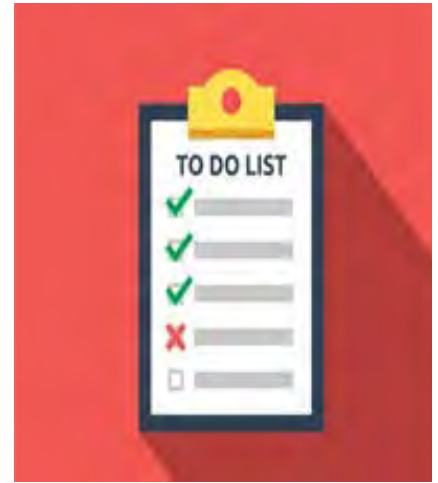
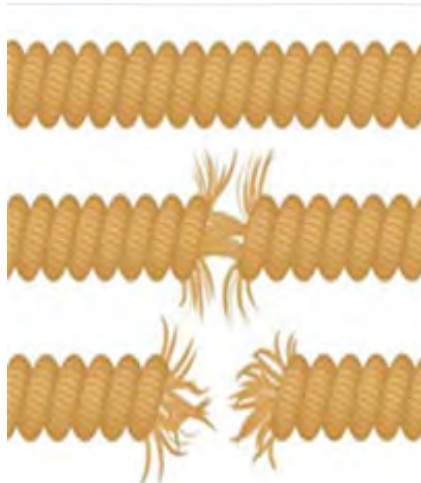
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TOPIC: Loose Ends*

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**For more information, contact Deirdre at
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Week of October 2nd

Felix Severin	Grandfather of Dr. Richard Severin
Ida Odintz	Grandmother of Andrea Odintz
Henry J. Fine*	By Temple
Camilla Cohen	Mother of Isaac Cohen
Isaac Optsbaum	Great Grandfather of Elaine Larkin
Debbie Newman	Daughter of Alice Newman
Isaac Susman	Father of Michael Susman

Week of October 9th

Fanny Goldschmitt	Mother of Ruth Schorsch
Louis Bohrer	Father of Elaine S. Trachter
Ken Newman	Husband of Alice Newman
Rose Lerner	Grandmother of Geri Weiss
Jack Tandatnick	Husband of Lillian Tandatnick
Felicite Baptiste	Great Grandmother of Dr. Richard Severin
Shirley Shufer	Aunt of Karen Carroscio

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Week of October 16th

Irene Dulberg	Mother of Matthew Dulberg
Kenneth L. Einsohn	Brother-in-law of Andrea Odintz

Week of October 23rd

Ben Bernhard	Father of Lloyd Bernhard
Rose Rosenberg	Mother of Sam Rosenberg
Judith Steele	Wife of Ned Steele
Jennie Levinsky	Grandmother of Steve Levinsky

Week of October 30th

Harry Trachter	Husband of Elaine S. Trachter
Lillian Nerenberg	Aunt of Diane Shtulman
Emanuel Dorfman	Father-in-law of Ruth Dorfman
	Grandfather of Eliot Dorfman
Hilda Weiss	Mother of Geri Weiss
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					Pizza in the Hut at 5:30 pm MASKS REQUIRED Erev Sukkot/ Shabbat Evening Service	Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
4 Religious School Class from Rabbi's Sukkah for all at 11:00 am via Zoom.	5	6 Zoom Schmooze 2:00 pm Healing/Meditative Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	7 Hebrew School 4:30 pm or 5:15 pm via Zoom. Check emails for your class time	8	9 Family/Simchat Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	10 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
11 Religious School - check emails for details	12 Membership Meeting 7:00 pm via Zoom Board Meeting 8:00 pm via Zoom	13 Zoom Schmooze 2:00 pm Healing/Meditative Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	14 Hebrew School 4:30 pm or 5:15 pm via Zoom. Check emails for your class time Women's Discussion Group 7:30 pm via Zoom	15	16 Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	17 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
18 Parents' Association 10:00 am via Zoom Religious School - check emails for details	19 Pulpit & Ritual Meeting 7:15 pm via Zoom	20 Zoom Schmooze 2:00 pm Congregational Meeting 7:30 pm via Zoom	21 Hebrew School 4:30 pm or 5:15 pm via Zoom. Check emails for your class time	22	23 Shared Shabbat Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	24 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
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