

### THIS MONTH:

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

MEN'S CLUB/TGP VETERAN'S DAY VIRTUAL BREAKFAST SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

> **BLOOD DRIVE** SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

VIRTUAL INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

> **TURKEY TROT** FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27

### **NEXT MONTH:**

SOUP PICK UP DAY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16



**OUR** CHAI HOPES INITIATIVE CONTINUES

BE AMONG THOSE WHO PURCHASE A LEAF ON OUR TREE OF LIFE CHESHVAN-KISLEV 5781

### The Voice

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM OF FLUSHING



From the Rabbi's desk

We made it through the High Holidays!

We saw each other on Zoom, and we saw each other in person during our Tashlich and Shofar Service on the second day of Rosh Hashannah at the pond in Crocheron Park and at our Pizza in the Hut outdoor Sukkot Service. Slowly, (carefully and with caution) we are working towards limited in-person Shabbat Services in our sanctuary. Hopefully by the time you read this we will have had one service in the sanctuary. We still have to be very careful, because as of this writing there has been a slight uptick.

Nevertheless, I for one am glad that we have entered the month of Cheshvan. The rabbis nicknamed the "Marcheshvan" "bitter" or "sad" Cheshvan, because this is the only Jewish month without any holidays in it. To most modern rabbis and cantors Cheshvan is a time to rejoice—we get to relax a little from the taxing experience of planning and leading the High Holiday Services. This year was made even more stressful because we had to re-create everything on Zoom.

These are still tense and anxious times. I'd like to recommend a practice that I learned from Rabbi Michael Strassfeld—how to observe a little "Shabbat" every day or whenever you can. The shortest daily service is the afternoon service, or minchah. Minchah really means "gift."

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So, give yourself a little gift by spending a few minutes out of your regular day on yourself.

Here are some ideas:

Disconnect from your phone and computer.

Go for a walk.

Recall a moment of joy from the last few days.

Listen to a piece of favorite

Look at pictures of nature or of loved ones.

Sit and breathe – listen to the flow of life going in and out of your body.

If you can't spare the time every day, perhaps join us for our weekly Ma'ariv Healing and meditative service each Tuesday evening at 7:30 pm. We will be continuing the service on Zoom for the near future.

November also brings the season of Thanksgiving. The Pilgrims based this holiday on our festival of Sukkot, the fall harvest where festival. we express gratitude for all that we have. I encourage you to also begin a practice of being thankful for the good things in your lives.

am thankful for I the wonderful community here at Temple Beth Sholom, and I thank everyone who has worked tirelessly to ensure that Temple Beth Sholom continues to be a vibrant community.

May we go from strength to strength,

Rabbi Sharon Ballan

# As of October 22nd, all Services in November are scheduled to be held via Zoom. If you have Shabbat honors, they can be performed via Zoom as well!

### Worship Schedule

Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>:

Men's Club/ Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm** Torah Portion: Va-Yera Candle Lighting: Gail Tishcoff Kiddush: Jim Kettig

Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>:

Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am** 

Friday, November 13<sup>th</sup>:

Family Evening Service & Simchat Shabbat **7:30 pm**Torah Portion: Chayei Sarah Candle Lighting: Maxine Simon Kiddush: Charlene Metz

Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>:

Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am** 

Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>:

Limited capacity in-person Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm** Torah Portion: Toledot Candle Lighting: Robin Myers Kiddush: Ron Myers

Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup>:

Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am** 

Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup>:

Shared Shabbat Service 7:30 pm Torah Portion: Va-Yetsay Candle Lighting: Junior Congregation Kiddush: Junior Congregation

Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup>:

Torah Study & Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am** 



### From The President

To My Temple Family,

Now that fall is really upon us, we can reflect on the wonderful High Holy Day Services and what we can glean from them. I am trying (although not totally succeeding) to be more patient with my family despite some of the challenges we are facing. I hope you all are trying to do something special for yourselves and your families this year.

And your Temple Beth Sholom family persevered and made Zoom work for us! We had inspiring services and owe a thank you to everyone who participated in, and attended, the services; they were pretty darn incredible. The Rabbi and the Cantor provided great services, Geri Weiss worked so diligently making sure so many congregants participated and "taping" the opening of the arks (and thank you to those families who came into the sanctuary to be taped!) and for making sure it all went smoothly.

So many board members worked tirelessly behind the scenes to facilitate the zooming aspect of the services. All of their hard work and effort paid off as the results spoke for themselves. Thank you to Gail Tishcoff for the incredible flute playing, Ronna Galchus for the lovely piano playing and Renee Katz-Packer for the beautiful singing! And, of course, our resident Shofar blowers, Jennifer Schecter-Lonborg and Adam Galchus. All made for truly remarkable services.

Our Tashlich Service and our Sukkot Pizza in the Hut (thank you Eric Lustig for your technical assistance) were rousing successes and showed how the need to be together, even physically distanced, is so necessary to our spiritual well-being – thank you Rabbi and Cantor.

On that note, I am sure you all know by now that we were able to have limited capacity, in-person services on October 30<sup>th</sup>. How wonderful and spiritual it was! Hearing prayers and singing again emanating from within our four walls was an incredible experience. We hope to continue limited capacity, in-person services, at least once a month during the winter months.

As we work diligently to provide programming and events, albeit virtually, we continue to be a temple family. BUT, as a result of COVID-19, we have been unable to have several of our fundraising events and we have been unable to use our building for other events from which we derive income. Although circumstances preclude a traditional Bazaar, we are working on ways to have a mini Bazaar 2020. We hope you will all participate. Because it will not be the traditional Bazaar we will NEED your financial support, now more than ever. We will be selling raffles, but not the traditional raffles that you have come to know, so please buy "chances." We won't be having an Across-the-Board, so please consider sending in a donation that reflects what you would have spent on Across-the-Board.

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### TBS Fund Acknowledgments as of October 22, 2020

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PULPIT FLOWER FUND	TBS Office 718-463-4143				
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to Cantor& Zo-An Korobow on their 40th anniversary and a happy 95th birthday					
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\*\*When donating to <u>Pulpit Flower Fund</u>, please specify which Shabbat service that you wish it to be read on\*\*

Thank you for contributing to TBS Funds!

### Celebrate Simchat Shabbat Friday, November 13, 2020



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### November Birthdays

Joy A. Bobrow
Matthew Cohen
Ellen Coleman
Bret Fertig
Adam Galchus
Jay Haimer
Joshua Hellman
Shoshana Lonborg
Alice Newman
Ilyne Rabinowitz
Michael Rosenberg
Robert Schiffman
Reid Schnitzer
Lori Wansor

**Bonnie Wilichinsky** 

### November Anniversaries

Lloyd & Brenda Bernhard
Rabbi Sharon Ballan & Walter Costanza
Joy A. Bobrow & Louis Fevola
Stanley & Robbie Schecter
Michael Susman & Sharon Yontef



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### 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

### **Zoom Link:**

Meeting ID: 869 0717 3839 Passcode: 355905

Audio-Only Dial-In Number: 1-646-558-8656

### Parents' Association

School is in full swing and the kids are doing really well. Thank you to all the teachers for adapting to the new format we have for now and for continuing to provide a great education for our children.

Pizza in the Hut was a huge success! It was lovely seeing so many people in person. Taking turns decorating the Sukkah was a lot of fun. Many thanks to everyone who came and supported the Temple and to all involved in organizing.

We had our first PA meeting October 18th and we had a great call. There were a lot of ideas of fundraising options and planning other events for the year.

With the partnership of Parent's Association and Eric Bernstein, Game Show Night is returning and we need your help. Within the next few weeks, the office will be sending out surveys as part of the weekly newsletter. Please answer honestly to make the event enjoyable. Both the Parent's Association and Eric Bernstein thank you in advance for your participation.

Our next PA meeting will be November  $22^{nd}$  at 10:00 am. We will send a Zoom invite as we get closer.

Stephanie Rosenberg & Elana White PA Co-Presidents



### Men's Club

As regular activities begin to work their way into our lives, there is still the specter of a second wave of coronavirus. As a result, Jib Lanes has initiated a number of new protocols that have impacted Men's Club monthly bowling. Most importantly, we would have to move from Thursday nights at 8:00 pm due to conflict with other scheduled events at that location. This is why there has been no new "Bowling 2021" flier with definite dates. However, anyone interested in bowling should contact Jeff Cohen or Eric Bernstein and we will take your info and let you know directly what's happening.

We are also hosting a Virtual Veteran's Day event on Sunday, November  $15^{\rm th}$  at 10:15 am. This meeting is being co-hosted by Temple Gates of Prayer, which is providing speakers connected to their congregation.

Book donations (as well as other Bazaar items except clothing) are being accepted through drop-offs at the temple. Contact Bazaar Committee for everything except media (books, records, video games, DVDs, etc.). Potential donors can call the temple office at (718) 463-4143 for more information.

Jeff Cohen Men's Club President



### Cantor's Corner



Things must have felt very different in 1918, during the Spanish flu pandemic. People were truly alone, scared in their homes, with limited forms of communication available.

I know-we feel scared and isolated as well. We feel frustrated, depressed, fearful, and uncomfortable. Yet, we're also extremely fortunate. As I said in my September column, through the "wonders of modern technology", I've been able to attend all sorts of online events, both musical and otherwise. I've attended webinars on subjects ranging from continuing legal education to New York State business reopening guidelines. I've interacted with musicians throughout the world-one as far away as Katmandu, Nepal! I've listened to live concerts sponsored by The Library of Congress, the New York Folk Music Society, The International Bluegrass Music Association and the Metropolitan Opera, to name just a few.

Interestingly, this "stay at home experience" has made me much more appreciative of many things-my spouse, my family, my home, and this wonderful Temple community.

Despite the pandemic, the Temple Beth Sholom community has remained strong, active and busy. We've conducted Shabbat Services, healing services, board and committee meetings, Hebrew school, special events, and a Bar Mitzvah. And we all participated in very fulfilling, engaging and interactive services on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. All of these activities were facilitated through ZOOM. While I am not particularly fond of or facile with technology, I am deeply thankful for ZOOM and other similar formats. They have made it possible for all of these activities to continue uninterrupted.

Do you remember the old television commercial "Is it real, or is it Memorex"? In that case, the audio tape company was implying that the sounds captured on their tape were so realistic and accurate that the listener would not be able to distinguish between hearing sounds live and sounds on a recording. In this case, however, we are hearing and seeing live. Events are unfolding in real time, and we are all participating. As a non-techie, I'm both mystified and delighted.

I know this all has been difficult and scary. But I also know that, given time, common sense, reasonable and prudent precaution, and patience, things will get better. Unlike many in 1918, we have a great deal to be thankful for, and to appreciate. We may not have everything we want, but we have everything we need. Temple Beth Sholom of Flushing remains strong-a family made up of families, a spiritual, communal, supportive home for all. Please be patient, stay safe, stay well, and stay strong!

With affection

Cantor Jerry Korobow

# TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM PARENTS ASSOCIATION

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- SUPPORT OUR RELIGIOUS AND HEBREW SCHOOL
- SHARE LEARNING EXPERIENCES
- PROVIDE ACTIVITIES AND ENTERTAINMENT FOR TEMPLE FAMILIES

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ATTN: STEPHANIE ROSENBERG

### October Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees met on Monday, October 12, 2020 via videoconferencing (Zoom) due to COVID-19 restrictions.

President Joy Bobrow opened by stating how wonderful the Zoom High Holidays were and acknowledged the hard work, coordination and creativity of the Rabbi, Cantor, and Geri Weiss, as well as to those who participated and to the musical additions by Ronna Galchus, Renee Katz-Packer and Gail Tishcoff. The plan is to re-open Temple for some in-person services hopefully by the end of October for 10-15 people to attend. The re-opening plan revisions were distributed to the Board for review after the meeting and will be shared with the Congregation soon. Temple Gates of Prayer (TGP) will be asked to prepare their own plan and to submit it TBS for review /approval.

We will need to come up with a plan to improve our finances somehow, given the barriers to the usual fundraising events we cannot do.

September minutes were accepted with corrections. Robin Myers, Financial Secretary, reported she removed a member unit for non-response and so we now have 113 member units. Treasurer Charlene Metz reported the September financial report, which the Board approved as presented.

Rabbi Ballan reported on the very successful and well attended High Holiday Services, including recent Sukkot, Simchat Torah and Yizkor Services. She reported on all the other events/services she has coordinated via Zoom as well as in local parks and in the Sukkah. Cantor Korobow added thanks to Eric Lustig for providing set up of the sound system to enable an audible Pizza in the Hut service in the Sukkah. Rabbi and Cantor plan to broadcast Zoom services in the next few weeks from the Sanctuary. Geri Weiss, Pulpit & Ritual Committee Chair, reported on the "amazing" High Holy Day Zoom services and she provided the attendance counts for all the services which were extremely well attended and well received.

Elana White, PA Co-President, reported the Religious School students and their families are adapting well to the changed format and thanked all who helped to make the Pizza in the Hut event successful. Andrea Odintz, Religious School Chair, described specifics of how the school is being run adding that it seems to be going very well.

Barbara Gandelman, Sisterhood President, reported a new event – Virtual Bingo –will be starting on October  $28^{th}$  at 7:30 pm; details will be in The Voice. The new Book Club book is This Tender Land by William Kent Krueger. The next Women's Discussion Groups, moderated by Deirdre Weliky, are on October  $14^{th}$  and November  $18^{th}$ . There will not be a Rummage Sale this November.

Jeff Cohen, Men's Club President, reported on coordination with TGP for the Veteran's Day event on November  $15^{\rm th}$ .

Deirdre Weliky, Caring Committee, reported on the ongoing successful Zoom Schmooze program. The Food Pantry continues to provide much-needed food to the community once a month.

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Gail Tishcoff reported there will be a Pre-Thanksgiving Blood Drive on Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9:30 am – 3:30 pm in the Ballroom. Volunteers will be needed to assist in keeping donors safely distant.

Eric Bernstein, Adult Education Chair, reported Ron Schwarz will speak on Sunday November 1st at 10:00 am on Zoom to share his father's and grandfather's journeys during the Holocaust. He reviewed additional upcoming events coordinated with Men's Club and a weekly cooking event that is hosted by TGP.

We were reminded that there will be a Congregational Meeting on Tuesday October 20. The Board elected Barbara Gandelman, Jim Kettig, Andrea Odintz, Gail Tishcoff, and Geri Weiss as five members of the Nominating Committee. The remaining six members will be elected at the Congregational Meeting on October 20<sup>th.</sup> We will need to replace the five Trustees who will be completing their 3-year terms on Jan. 31, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Tishcoff Recording Secretary



### From The President

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Although we won't be having Chef Adam's scrumptious brisket and chicken, send in a donation that reflects what you would have spent. But we WILL be having Chef Adam's delicious butternut squash and mushroom barley soups so please pre-order! Although we won't be selling all the wonderful books that Jeff and company have sorted, send in a donation that reflects what you would have spent on books. Although we won't be selling all the wonderful bric-a-brac, jewelry, one-of-a kind, etc., consider sending in a donation that reflects what you would have spent in all those booths.

We must survive and not let outside forces get us down. I am asking for all those Angels out there to help us find our way through this difficult financial time we are experiencing so that when we can fully reopen, we will be stronger and better than we ever were.

Joy A. Bobrow Temple President

Instead of sponsoring an Oneg, why not sponsor a Shabbat Service?

It's a great way to celebrate a special occasion or remember a loved one!

Call the office for details

# YOU HAVE THE POWER TO SAVE LIVES.

## BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, November 22, 2020 9:30am – 3:30pm

### Temple Beth Sholom-Flushing

171-39 Northern Blvd, Queens, NY 11358

### **CLICK HERE TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT**

or

Scan the QR code, Follow the prompts on website Or call 1-800-BLOOD



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- May NOT donate if they are currently on self-quarantine restrictions

Please be aware that we
do NOT test for COVID-19. You should
contact your health care provider if
you want to be tested.



### Religious School News

As the season has changed and we all try to navigate the temporary new structure of school in an increasingly remote world, Religious and Hebrew School has found its footing on Zoom.

Hebrew School groups have been running consistently on Wednesdays in the late afternoon. Morah Ruth teaches two small groups, one at 4:30 and the other at 5:15, while Morah Beth teaches the other two groups at the same times. Students are using the Hebrew books they picked up at TBS during their classes at home, and there is much interactive participation.

After the opening day of Religious School on September 13<sup>th</sup>, there was a Sunday break for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Friday evening, October 2nd, saw a significant return to TBS with an outdoor service in the parking lot in honor of Sukkot, followed by our traditional Pizza in the Hut dinner. It was wonderful to see so many of our Temple families in 3-D instead of on a screen!

While our teachers observed Sukkot and Simchat Torah, the Rabbi offered whole-school Sunday sessions to learn about these holidays. On Sunday, October 4th, she Zoomed from her own Sukkah. She gave a fun and informative lesson for all ages, leading students in song, lulay shaking and a multiple-choice trivia game about Sukkot on a popular educational website called Kahoot. The students enjoyed learning in this game-show fashion so much that the Rabbi presented a Kahoot version for Simchat Torah the following Sunday, October 11th. The Cantor joined her for this Religious School session, starting with a singalong of several prayers sung at family services in celebration of the Torah. Once again, the students had such fun that they asked if there will be more Kahoots in the future. That is a possibility. I participated in both sessions and was thrilled to see so much enthusiasm!

Breakout rooms resumed with the regular teachers mostly in separate classes the following Sunday, October 18th. Unfortunately, as we were readying for in-person Shabbat Services, there was not a shared Shabbat Service in October, but we look forward to resuming that service later on in November. These Shared Shabbats encourage student participation and will continue monthly, as are our family-friendly Simchat Shabbat Services. Please join Friday-night services with your family whenever possible. The more often our children attend the more familiar and comfortable they are with the prayers and rituals that are a vital part of their Judaic education.

November follows a mostly consistent routine of classes, which will remain on Zoom for now. There will be an exception or two due to holidays, per the secular school schedule. Stay tuned for weekly emails about school, often via Constant Contact, regarding reminders and changes in the schedule. Thank you for remaining our partners in your children's religious instruction.

Andrea Odintz Religious School Chairperson



#### Sisterhood Corner

We have finished celebrating the Jewish Holidays and are well into the New Year at Temple Beth Sholom. Although these holidays were different from any holidays that we have celebrated in the past, they were spiritual and uplifting.

Our first Virtual Bingo event was a great success! Thank you to everyone who joined. Tell your friends about it and look for the next Bingo flyer!

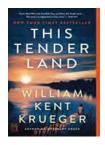
We will be holding a virtual book club on Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. We will be discussing the book *This Tender Land* by William Kent Krueger. We look forward to having you join us at this event which will be held on zoom.

We encourage all of our Sisterhood members to donate blood at the Blood Drive which will be held on Sunday, November  $22^{nd}$  from 9:30 am - 3:30 pm. This event will be held in the ballroom on that day.

Although circumstances did not allow us to have our Rummage Sale or our yearly Bazaar, we are looking forward to being together in the Temple and planning for future events.

I hope you all enjoy a very Happy Thanksgiving.

Barbara Gandelman Sisterhood President



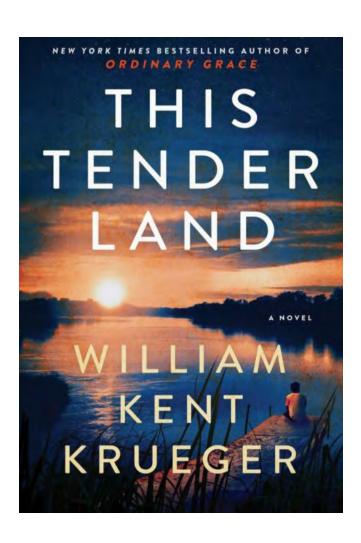
### **BOWLS AND BETS IS COMING!**

See the flyer in this issue explaining how we are keeping some of our annual Bazaar features alive this year!

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### TBS SISTERHOOD PRESENTS: BOOK CLUB - SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8, 2020



# "THIS TENDER LAND" BY WILLIAM KENT KRUEGER

<u>DATE:</u>
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 Sholom, please don't forget to use ... amazonsmile

### Adult Education

Hello Temple Members and Families,

I hope that everyone had a healthy and happy holiday season.

After many, many months of watching people thru a screen, my family was elated to see our temple family inperson for both Taschlich and Sukkot. Thank you to Rabbi, Cantor, and the services support team for making the High Holy Day Services possible and, more importantly, entirely enjoyable within the confines of our homes.

I would like to thank Ron and Larry Schwarz in advance for an informative session on their family's ventures during the Holocaust. We look forward to bringing additional events to the congregation.

Eric Bernstein Adult Education Chair

### Save The Date!



The Interfaith Thanksgiving Service will be

### VIRTUAL!

### Monday November. 23, 2020 at 7:30 pm

Join clergy from different Auburndale area churches & synagogues as they live stream from

The Church on the Hill

The zoom link will be sent via e-mail as the date approaches.

### Pulpit & Ritual

We are happy to report that for each evening and morning High Holy Day Service, approximately 60 families zoomed in. The Rosh Hashanah children's service had 33 families online, with about 30 people attending the outdoor Tashlich Service at Crocheron Park.

Rabbi and Cantor greeted about 40 members outside the Sukkah in the Temple parking lot for service and pizza, as well as 10 additional members joining via Zoom. Simchat Torah Service was held via Zoom including an interactive sermon with Rabbi discussing the importance of each of the five books of the Torah, and congregants sharing personal items as suggested.

We have been meeting to prepare the Temple and sanctuary for in-person services! With Eric Lustig's assistance, the sanctuary has Zoom capabilities, so that we can live stream, via Zoom, Shabbat Services from the sanctuary for those unable to attend in person. For those wishing to attend in-person services, everyone is expected to wear a mask and follow the directions of the ushers within the building to promote and maintain physical distance. Re-opening protocol plans as well as have been included in an email constant contact blast, and mailed to those without email where you can find the link to the online form that must be completed in order to attend in-person services. There is a limit of 10-15 people to start.

For your convenience, you can find the online form here:https://form.jotform.com/202746360715151.

Geri Weiss, Chair

### Rummage Sale

### The Giant Election Day Rummage Sale has been ....POSTPONED!!!

We realize that we will not be able to hold our semiannual sale as originally planned. We are optimistic about hosting our Memorial Day event. Keep your eyes open for news as we move closer to the May date. We have, during the past year, collected so many gently used items that we have had to temporarily suspend accepting additional donations due to lack of storage space. As soon as we know that we can move forward with the May date, we will again open the doors for donations and look forward to an epic Memorial Day Rummage Sale!

See you then!



## Temple Beth Sholom Proudly Presents









Come help yourself and support other temple members to burn off the Thanksgiving carbs

.....Come Masked.....

Friday, November 27th

10:00 AM — 11:00 AM

Little Bay Park (Underneath the Throgs Neck Bridge)

### Scoop's Schmooze

Harry Houdini. David Copperfield. Gale Sayers. Ervin Johnson. Two of these men are Jewish and considered among the most phenomenal illusionists the world has ever seen. And, two of them are enshrined in the football and basketball Halls of Fame, respectively. Either way, this quartet of individuals, who mesmerized everyone who watched them perform their crafts, is one who is either a professional magician, or who is also known by the name Magic.

And, magic is exactly what was displayed during the last couple of weeks of September, 2020. While the Temple Beth Sholom octet of Rabbi Ballan, Cantor Korobow, President Joy Bobrow, Vice-President Fay Schildkraut, Vice-President Eric Lustig, Eric Bernstein, Barbara Gandelman, and Geri Weiss bear no resemblance to any of the previously mentioned prestidigitators; and, despite nobody being physically present in our own "Home" of worship on Northern Boulevard for Rosh Hashanah or Yom Kippur, because of the extensive time and work put in by these eight individuals, these days and nights were truly magical.

The "Zoom Committee" that had to have spent endless hours putting together all aspects of the audio and visual logistics for these beautiful services that united all of us as one; deserves and A+ for both effort and for execution. For as Renee and I sat in our dining room, with dozens of family pictures surrounding us; we were also enveloped by a plethora of our Temple Beth Sholom family on my Toshiba laptop. We had our Gates of Repentance siddurim and the TBS's Book of Remembrance placed on the dining room table in front of us as Rabbi and Cantor so elegantly and enthusiastically led all of the services; while so many other members of the congregation were bestowed with a wide array of honors.

With the genius creativity that our Temple family is blessed with, we were able to sit and watch as Eric, Erica, Dara, and Seth Bernstein, Marchel and Valentina Gillin, Bret and Suzanne Fertig, Sam and Steven Rosenberg, Eric and Lori Lustig, Andrea Odintz and Michael Rosenberg, Gail Tishcoff and Jim Kettig, Adam Fertig and Stacy Kroun, and Iris and Eric Bass opened and closed the arks for, among other instances, the Torah Services. It was just like Renee and I had our usual seats on the left end of the third row on the Rabbi's side of the sanctuary. And, as Rabbi Ballan unfurled the Torah in front of all of the 75-plus participants, through talent and technology, we were amazingly able to follow her with her yad as Fay Schildkraut, Charlene Metz and Jennifer Schechter-Lonborg delivered such enchanted readings from the Torah. On Kol Nidre, Gail Tischcoff's playing of the flute, just as it has been for so many years, was done so with grace and beauty. And, the dulcet tones of Renee Katz-Packer's rendition of the Misheberach were beyond memorable.

And, speaking of sweet sounds that created memories during Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur of 5781; if you close your eyes, and listen closely, you can hear Jennifer Schechter-Lonborg and Adam Galchus blowing the final Tekiah Gedolah of the High Holiday season.

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And, as you continue using your senses other than sight; you can smell the spices of the spice box, taste the wine in the chalice and feel the warmth of the Havdalah candle as Rabbi Ballan finishes welcoming in 5781.

For our own Temple Beth Sholom of Flushing---even when the building is closed and vacant of people; the echoes of the Shema are so beautifully reaching to the heavens, the arms of our 115 family units are wide-open and embraceable inviting each other in, the love is always there and the soul and the heart, like its ner tamid, is always beating and glistening so brightly.

Barry Packer Third Vice President/Ways and Means Chairman

### Bazaar Corner 2020

#### **BAZAAR 2020 IS COMING!**

A Bizarre Bazaar?????

Although it does not seem that we will be able to have the traditional Bazaar this year, we will not let Bazaar weekend go by unnoticed or uncelebrated! We will still have raffles, but a little different than usual. See the flyer in this issue of The Voice for details, but essentially, you can donate \$10 (the cost of one raffle book) and you will receive one chance. If you donate \$20 (the cost of two raffle books that earned you a free – third - book), you will get three chances! First Prize will be 15% of the total amount collected, Second Prize will be 10% of the total amount collected and Third Prize will be 5% of the total amount collected. The remaining funds (70%) will be donated directly to Temple.

The best news of all is that Chef Adam **WILL** be making his butternut squash and mushroom barley soups in the TBS kitchen! Some of the butternut squash was grown in TBS' own Isidore and Rose Katz' garden! The cost will be \$5 for a small container and \$8 for a large container. The soup will be available for pickup Bazaar weekend, Sunday, December 6th, but you **MUST** preorder!!! The flyer has all the details!!

If anyone has any other ideas to keep Bazaar weekend in everyone's mind, please let us know!!

Joy Bobrow Barbara Gandelman Bazaar 2020 Co-Chairs





### BAZAAR BOWLS & BETS

This year, Bazaar will look a little different!



### Nothing is better in the winter than Chef Adam's soup

BE PREPARED TO PICK UP YOUR PREORDERED AND PREPAID SOUP ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>

PRE-ORDER CHEF ADAM GANDELMAN'S
BUTTERNUT SQUASH AND/OR MUSHROOM BARLEY SOUP BY DECEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>!

\$5.00 SMALL CONTAINER \$8.00 LARGE CONTAINER

Try your luck - buy chances to win cash prizes

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### **PRIZES**

FIRST PRIZE = 15% OF ALL MONIES COLLECTED SECOND PRIZE = 10% OF ALL MONIES COLLECTED THIRD PRIZE = 5% OF ALL MONIES COLLECTED

ALL REMAINING FUNDS WILL BE DONATED TO TEMPLE!!

COMPLETED CHANCE FORMS AND MONEY MUST BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>
DRAWING ON DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>

#### MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM

SOUP			<u>CHANCES</u>		
Name			Name		
Butternut Squash	# Small	# Large	# of chances		
Mushroom Barley	# Small	# Large	Phone #		
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### **☆ UPCOMING** *YAHRZEITS November*, 2020 **☆**

### Week of November 6th

**Ruth Greenberg Jack Haime Sidney Lubliner** Morris Haime

Mother of Robbie Schecter Uncle of Karen Carroscio **Grandfather of Erica Bernstein Uncle of Karen Carroscio** 

### Week of November 13th

**Louis Sommers** Cetera Severin **Frances Yohay Donald Odintz Sadie Sommers Betty Weston Ann Fertel** 

Great-grandfather of Elaine Larkin 4x Great-grandfather of Dr. Richard Severin Mother of Diane Shtulman **Uncle of Andrea Odintz** Great-grandmother of Elaine Larkin **Grandmother of Pamela Abrams** Mother of Maxine Simon

### Week of November 20th

Gertrude Goldberg

Leoinie Merise Dorothea Hoffmann Paul Edelstein Bess Neiderbach Geraldine Schwarz **Eddie Rosenberg** Gerald Kanengiser **David Lending** 

Mother of Ruth Dorfman **Grandmother of Eliot Dorfman** Great Aunt of Dr. Richard Severin Aunt of Fran Goldman Grandfather of Dr. Amy Edelstein Grandmother of Michael Rosenberg **Mother of Larry Schwarz** Grandfather of Eric Rosenberg **Uncle of Nancy Goldwasser** Grandfather of Ronald Myers

### Week of November 27th

Solomon Ducor

Father of Rose Katz

Grandfather of Renee Katz-Packer

Hannah Drucker **Aunt of Diane Shtulman** 

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

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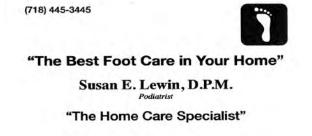


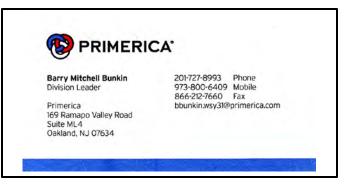


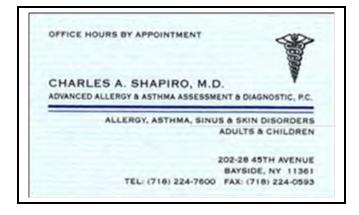














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### Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood presents

# WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP







Join us on
Wednesday evening, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020
7:30 pm via Zoom
TOPIC: Thanksgiving and gratitude in the time of
COVID-19!!

Please feel free to bring a snack and/or beverage of your choice to our meeting.

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

Temple Beth Sholom of Flushing Men's Club and Temple Gates of Prayer present



### Virtual Veterans Day Breakfast Sunday, Nov. 15, 2020

10:15 - 11:30 AM

Join us for a Zoom session honoring those who put their lives on the line to fight for democracy, freedom of speech, and freedom of religion.

For Zoom information, contact Temple Beth Sholom of Flushing at (718) 463-4143 or Temple Gates of Prayer (718) 359-1160

### CHESHVAN-KISLEV 5781

### NOVEMBER 2020

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Adult Ed program 10:00 am via Zoom Religious School 10:30 or 11:00 am via Zoom	2	Zoom Schmooze 2:00 pm  Healing Service 7:30 pm via Zoom  ELECTION DAY VOTE!!	Hebrew School 4:30 OR 5:15 pm via Zoom  Men's Club 8:00 pm via Zoom	5	Men's Club/Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	7 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
8 Sisterhood Book Club 10:30 am via Zoom Religious School 10:30 or 11:00 am via Zoom Academy Class 11:00 am via Zoom	9 Membership meeting 7:00 pm via Zoom Board Meeting 8:00 pm via Zoom	2:00 pm  Healing Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	Hebrew School 4:30 OR 5:15 pm via Zoom School Board 7:30 pm via Zoom	12	Family/ Simchat Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
Veteran's Day Virtual Breakfast 10:15 am via Zoom Incl. Academy and Morah Judith's class  Religious School 10:30 or 11:00 am via Zoom for Morah Ruth's Class only.	16 Pulpit & Ritual Meeting 7:30 pm via Zoom	Zoom Schmooze 2:00 pm Healing Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	Hebrew School 4:30 OR 5:15 pm via Zoom Women's Discussion Group 7:30 pm via Zoom	19	Limited capacity in-person Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm (Service also via Zoom)	Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
Blood Drive 9:30 am – 3:30 pm  Parents' Assoc. 10:00 am via Zoom  *No Religious School*	Interfaith Thanksgiving Service 7:30 pm via Zoom (link to follow)	Zoom Schmooze 2:00 pm Healing Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	*No Hebrew School*	THANKSGIVING DAY	Turkey Trot 10:00 am  Shared Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
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The November Simchat Shabbat will be on Friday, November 13<sup>th</sup> when we will celebrate the birthdays and anniversaries for the month of November!!



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