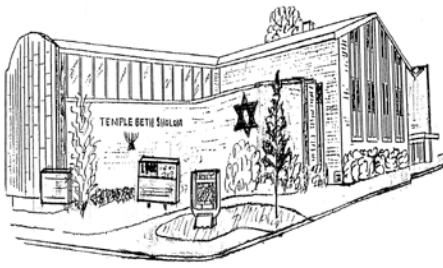


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THIS MONTH:

BOWLING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2

BAZAAR
SATURDAY DECEMBER 4
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5

FAMILY EDUCATION - CHANUKAH-RAMA
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5 VIA ZOOM

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

VIRTUAL BINGO
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15

BUILDING CLOSED
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

NEXT MONTH

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 1

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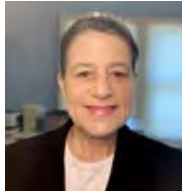
ADULT EDUCATION
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CONGREGATION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 29

HAPPY NEW YEAR
2022!



From the Rabbi's desk

Shalom!

By the time you receive this, we will be in the midst of Chanukah. This year, it coincides with the return of our annual Bazaar, as we light the seventh candle on Saturday night, December 4th. It is hard to believe that we went almost eight weeks without a major Jewish holiday to celebrate. Sometimes we focus so much on the next holiday or event that we forget to see the blessings in our every-day routines of life, and we often take them for granted. I, for one, am trying to remember to be grateful for the little things—the beautiful fall colors; being able to take a brisk walk on a cold winter morning; watching the sun set over the horizon. The days are much shorter now, and it is easy to focus on all the darkness that surrounds us at this time of year. Thankfully, we have our chanukiyot (Chanukah menorahs) to brighten our evenings.

As Rabbi Michael Strassfeld writes in his book, *The Jewish Holidays*, “By lighting the menorah, we ignite the flame in our souls, the sparks that cannot be extinguished, that will burn not for eight days but for eternity. We place the menorah in our windows to be visible to those passing by, just as our inner light must shine against the darkness of evil and indifference and must kindle the spirits of our fellow humans. The menorah reminds us of the miracle that no matter how dark life may be, there remains a source of light deep inside us. The light in our souls reflects and refracts the light from the One who is all brightness.”

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Another way to spread light and warmth during these cold, dark days is to help repair the world—*tikkun olam*. You can help do this by participating in our Religious School's holiday gift drive. We are again encouraging all our students to donate a *Chanukah*/holiday gift to a child in need. Bring these new, sealed, unwrapped gifts to synagogue any time before December 13th so they can be picked up by The River Fund, who will distribute them to children in need.

Finally, the last two Fridays of the month fall on December 24th and December 31st (New Year's Eve). Please join us on Zoom and note the early service time on New Year's Eve—6:00 pm!

Chag urim v'sameach

Rabbi Sharon Ballan



Please see Friday "Rabbi's Message" emails for last minute winter Shabbat Service weather related updates!!

All services are now scheduled to be hybrid; in-person and Zoomed, unless otherwise indicated below. Saturday Torah Study/Morning Shabbat Services will be Zoomed until further notice. Shabbat honors can be performed via Zoom.

Worship Schedule

Friday, December 3rd: Family/Simchat/Shared
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Service **7:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Miketz/Chanukah
Candles: Anne Kupferberg Pepper
Kiddush: Ben Cohen
Sponsored by Jeff Cohen in memory of his father Gerald Cohen

Saturday, December 4th: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Friday, December 10th: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Vayigash
Candles: Lillian Tandatnick
Kiddush: Gail Tishcoff

Saturday, December 11th: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Friday, December 17th: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Vayechi
Candles: Renee Katz-Packer
Kiddush: Barry Packer

Saturday, December 18th: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Friday, December 24th: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**
ZOOM ONLY Torah Portion: Shemot
Candles: Sharon Haimer
Kiddush: Ron Myers

Saturday, December 25th: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Friday, December 31st: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**
ZOOM ONLY Torah Portion: Vaera
Candles: Joan Kavadlo Cohen
Kiddush: Isaac Cohen

Saturday, January 1st: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Please join us after in-person services for a coffee/tea Oneg Shabbat along with pre-packaged delicacies!

From The President

Dear Temple Family,

Chanukah (and Bazaar) are just around the corner! I hope you were able to watch the Bernstein family show us how to make potato latkes! Thank you Bernsteins!!

And while there is definitely a wintry feel out there today, we will all soon be able to warm ourselves up with Chef Adam's butternut squash and/or mushroom barley soup! So don't forget to pre-order your soup!!

A shout out to our Religious School and Hebrew School students who have been stepping up to the plate and participating beautifully in our monthly Shared Shabbat. Thank you Karen Feit for coordinating the participation and leading the services; your stories are always wonderful! I urge everyone to attend to be able to see our future leaders!

On a wistful note, we wish a fond farewell to our long time bookkeeper, Rita Bellock! We hope you enjoy your retirement.

Of course, I must remind one and all that Bazaar is only a few days away. We need all hands on deck. Let's do this TBS, you know we can.

A very Happy Chanukah to you and your families.

Your President,

Joy A. Bobrow

Bazaar

Don't forget that this year, Bazaar will be on December 4th and 5th!!

Please send in your orders for raffles and soup. See the flyer in this issue of The Voice for details. Donate \$10, you will receive one chance. Donate \$20, you will get three chances! First Prize is 15% of the total amount collected, Second Prize is 10% of the total amount collected, and Third Prize is 5% of the total amount collected. The remaining funds (70%) will be donated directly to Temple. You have to be in it to win it!! Chef Adam WILL make 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's garden! \$5 for a small container and \$8 for a large container. The soup will be available for pick-up on Sunday, December 5th; please pre-order!!! We will also have books and As-Is on the lower level; clothing, One-of-a-Kind and jewelry in the ballroom. We are still seeking vendors for the ballroom. There will also be food to go for purchase - prepared and wrapped in the kitchen and sold at the entrance level.

ANGELS are welcome as we do need to purchase grocery items for the food and accoutrements that will be prepared by Chef Adam and crew!

Please come and volunteer to help out at Bazaar 2021!

Joy Bobrow and Barbara Gandelman
2021 Bazaar Co-Chairs

TBS Fund Acknowledgments as of November 18, 2021

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<i>The Gandelman family in loving memory of Dominic Cavallo</i>	
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<i>Deirdre Weliky to thank Rabbi for her extraordinary ability to combine Theology and Technology!</i>	
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<i>Deirdre Weliky with gratitude for the building that supports us!</i>	
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Celebrate Simchat Shabbat Friday, December 3rd, 2021



Eric Bernstein
Edward Carroscio
Beth Dulberg
Stacy Kroun Fertig
Suzanne Fertig
Max Fevola

December Birthdays

Kathleen Flug
Frank Galchus
Rachel Heisler
Seth Hellman
Joel Kaufman
Donald LaRosa
James LaRosa



Mikayla Ruth Lonborg
Jonathan Reichler
Miriam Scharf
Dr. Fay Schildkraut
Penny Schnitzer
Laurie Simon-Kutcher



December Anniversaries

Geri Weiss and David Chenkin



Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom Sistergrams: January/February 2022

If you wish to send a greeting to anyone on this list, please check the name(s) and return this list with your check (\$.50 per name - made out to SISTERHOOD, Temple Beth Sholom) by **December 13th, 2021**. Lori Lustig and Robin Myers will be handling the Sistergrams so please write "Sistergrams" on the envelope so that they will be delivered properly.



February Birthdays

Ronna Galchus	2/01__
Deirdre Weliky	2/05__
Stephanie Rosenberg	2/06__
Sharon Yontef	2/06__
Brenda Bernhard	2/13__
Ruth Dorfman	2/15__
I. Donald Weston	2/16__
Walter Costanza	2/18__
Eric Bass	2/22__
Steve Levinsky	2/24__
Nancy Goldwasser	2/27__



January Birthdays

Gail Tishcoff	1/02__
Francine Klimavicius	1/05__
Diane Shtulman	1/05__
Neal Kwait	1/07__
Elaine S. Trachter	1/07__
Amy Edelstein	1/13__
Rochelle Sarrantonio	1/16__
Eric Lustig	1/18__
Maggie Berck	1/19__
Jack Attar	1/21__
Karen Carroscio	1/24__
Isaac Cohen	1/24__
Barry Packer	1/27__



January Anniversaries

Jeannette & Steven Fishman
1/13__

February Anniversaries

Herbert & Margot Anker 2/14__

Andrea Odintz
& Michael Rosenberg 2/20__

Full Name: _____

Phone # _____



Cantor's Corner



I wonder what ever happened to....? How many times have you said that to yourself? About 10 years ago, a friend of mine from college crossed my mind. Kate Nesbitt and I had sung in a number of Gilbert and Sullivan productions together back at Oberlin, and we, along with our other musical friends, had shared many Sunday brunches together. Kate was a funny, feisty, bright and talented lady-a real character. She graduated the year before I did, and, like so many people, we simply fell out of touch.

In this Google age, tracking someone down is much easier than it used to be. After a bit of "surfing," I found some information and a telephone number for a Kate Nesbitt in New Hampshire. Was it her? What the hell-let's give it a try! I called and, sure enough, it was "my" Kate. We talked for a short while, and she seemed more stunned than pleased. I came away from the conversation feeling somewhat disappointed, thinking that perhaps it had been a mistake to simply call "out of the blue." Within a week or so, I had pretty much forgotten about the whole thing.

Then, a short while after the High Holy Days on a Tuesday morning, I received a friend request on Facebook from Kate! I confirmed, and headed for my law office. No sooner had I taken off my coat than the phone rang. It was Kate. She said that she was coming to New York in the next few days for a meeting, and would be around through the weekend. Did I want to meet in Brooklyn or Manhattan for lunch or dinner? All this happened about a year after I had made my initial call.

We met in Brooklyn at a Thai restaurant, and spent about two and a half hours "catching up". It was great! Then, my wife Zo and my daughter Marisa along with her husband Adam met us, and we all went for coffee. It was really fun to see an old pal, to introduce my wife, daughter and son-in-law, and to rekindle a friendship. It had been perhaps 39 years since we had seen or spoken to each other...simply amazing!

So, it hadn't been a mistake to call Kate after all. Who have you not seen or heard from in a while? I wonder what ever happened to...? Hey, make the call...you'll be glad you did!

With affection,
Cantor Jerry Korobow



Parents' Association

Greetings to our Temple Beth Sholom Family. We cannot believe that the holidays are right around the corner. We can imagine in our minds all of the great food that we will be eating, and all of the family and friends who we will be seeing to celebrate the festive season.

Temple Beth Sholom's Parents' Association loves seeing our Temple Family support our children. We had an amazing Shared Shabbat Service on Friday November 5th. Many of our fabulous Religious and Hebrew students participated in running the service with Karen Feit on Zoom. We cannot wait to see what these talented children will be doing for the next Shared Shabbat on Friday night December 3rd at 7:30 pm when we will also be celebrating Chanukah on Zoom.

PA hosted a Zoom on November 27th event when we made latkes for one of our favorite holidays - Chanukah. It was a lot of fun and there was lots of laughter watching me cook this delicious food.

PA had a great meeting on Sunday, November 7th. We discussed possible future events that PA can have. We also started packing the Chanukah bags that we will be giving to the Religious School students. Thank you to Erica Bernstein and Elaine Larkin for getting the supplies and to all of our parents for helping us organize and decorate the bags. Our next PA meeting will be on Sunday, December 19th.

We hope that everyone has a happy and healthy Thanksgiving and a wonderful Chanukah. We wish everyone all the best for the holiday season.

Erica Bernstein
Elaine Larkin
Parents' Association Co-Presidents

Rummage

Success!

We had a great Rummage Sale on Election Day! The crowd may have been a little smaller than in past years but everyone came masked and we raised as much as we have in the past! Thanks to our Rummage Setup volunteers: Adam F, Barbara G, Larry G, Andrea O, Eric L., Lori L, Iris B, Geri W, Joy B, Sarah H, Paul K, Ben K, Eric B., and Diane S. Thanks also to those who volunteered on the day of the sale: Adam F, Bonnie W, Eric L, Geri W, Joy B.

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November Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees met on Monday, November 8th, 2021, via Zoom.

President Joy Bobrow distributed and discussed two draft documents on Zoom etiquette for meetings and for services. The minutes of the last meeting were accepted with corrections.

Robin Myers, Financial Secretary, reported membership is 112 member units.

Rabbi Ballan reported on recent and upcoming services and events. She talked a bit about a Sunday School Family Education Program on "Our Jewish Names" open to all where she will discuss naming and labels. She talked about labels, names, and pronouns and how providing one's preferred personal pronouns (e.g. on one's Zoom name title) is a current and accepted method of helping those with alternative preferred pronouns feel welcomed. Cantor Korobow reported on Religious Services, Children's Services, and on Religious and Hebrew School progress. He feels the hybrid in-person/Zoom model is working very well.

Geri Weiss, Pulpit and Ritual Committee Chair, reported they are thinking of ways to improve the Zoom service experience by including more images of those attending in person and by bringing back the pre-recorded music for those in the waiting room before services begin.

Elaine Larkin, PA Co-President, reported they have put together Hanukkah bags to distribute to the children in a few weeks and planning for their Hanukkah Zoom cooking event, featuring Dara Bernstein on Saturday November 27th, 2021.

Andrea Odintz, School Board Committee Chair, reported on the progress of Religious School and Hebrew School, upcoming monthly Family Education, and recent Shared Shabbat Services.

Vice President Dr. Fay Schildkraut, Membership Chair, clarified intended definition of the proposed category, which the Board agreed to call "Virtual Affiliation." Virtual Affiliates would not be official TBS Members, have no voting rights and be affiliated with TBS only virtually. They would be permitted to attend virtual Shabbat Services, Torah studies and High Holiday Services. They would be invited to participate in TBS' virtual activities, observe yearzeits, and celebrate their special events with TBS members. They would have access to the clergy for questions and advice. Virtual TBS Affiliates would be required to make a donation of \$180.00 per year per family to TBS and would have to live out of state or 70 or more miles from TBS. The Board unanimously agreed to establish this Virtual TBS Affiliation. There is no need to amend the by-laws to do so.

Barbara Gandelman, Sisterhood President, reported on recent events including the annual Election Day Rummage Sale which raised \$1,000.00. She thanked Adam Fertig and Joy Bobrow and all volunteers who helped at this event, including some new members.

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Virtual Bingo will be on Wednesday, December 15th at 7:30 pm, Book Club on November 14th, and the Women's Discussion Group on Wednesday, November 17th, facilitated by Deirdre Weliky.

Nominating Committee met Monday, November 15th. Members are Iris Bass, Erica Bernstein, Karen Carroscio, Barbara Gandelman, Michael Gross, Jim Kettig, Lori Lustig, Maxine Simon, Diane Shtulman, Geri Weiss, and Deirdre Weliky. All Officers and five (5) Trustees will need to be nominated as a slate for presentation to the Board in December and to the Congregation for vote at the January Congregational Meeting.

President Joy Bobrow reported on Use of Building, requesting that all who need to use rooms in the Temple put in a room request prior to the meeting so that Jose Urbina can plan.

Jim Kettig, House Committee Chair, reported he continues to pursue potential contractors and engineers to do the work on the heating and cooling systems. It is increasing clear that we cannot afford all-new systems so he is trying to pin down a limited scope of work that we can afford and that makes sense.

Jeff Cohen, Men's Club President, reported monthly bowling continues at Jib Lanes and the Veterans' Day program will be on Wednesday, November 10th as part of Temple Gates of Prayer's event. Men's Club Service is Friday, November 12th. Men's Club will be holding its annual Super Bowl 50/50 pool, beginning in mid-December.

Marchel Gillin reported on the Food Pantry which continues to serve the community.

Gail Tishcoff reported that the Blood Drive is scheduled on Sunday November 21st from 9:30 – 3:30 in the Ballroom. Every presenting donor will receive a \$10 online gift card. Walk-ins are welcome but it's best to make an appointment so that they can better predict their staffing.

Ilyne Rabinowitz, Social Action Committee Chair, reported on the community outreach project to raise money and provide needed goods to children less fortunate. She has contacted the Met Council.

Barry Packer, Ways & Means Committee Chair, reported on replay of Renee's show on November 13 and reviewed other thoughts for future fund-raising events.

Eric Bernstein reported On December 12th at 10:00 AM - Chuck Weinstein of the Jewish Genealogy Society of Long Island will be giving a virtual presentation on Jewish naming practices and tombstone interpretation. On Sunday, January 16th, Michael Smook, a guest speaker on world Jewry & Israel will be providing a lecture on Scrolls of the Dead Sea and Jewish History.

Joy Bobrow reported on Bazaar plans on December 4th and 5th. There are currently 21,800 books plus at least 8,000 CDs, DVDs, and LPs for the Book Sale.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Tishcoff, Recording Secretary



BAZAAR BOWLS & BETS

This year, Bazaar will look a little different!



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Name _____

of chances _____

Phone # _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Religious School News

Last month saw a nice turnout for our Family Education workshop about our Hebrew names. It was a great bonding experience to learn about ourselves, our families and each other. Please check the Religious School calendar, as well as the office's weekly and Sunday-morning e-mail announcements, about such events.

This month, our Family Education session will be as convenient as you can get – in your own homes! That's because our December topic, Chanukah, falls during TBS' Bazaar weekend, when the building is occupied. Class on Sunday, December 5th, will be held on Zoom. Parents and other family members are welcome to join our students to participate in an online version of Chanukah-rama, with songs and games. There will be the popular Kahoot! Seventh graders and older are invited to be included as well.

Earlier that weekend, also during this year's early arrival of Chanukah, please continue to encourage your children to participate in Karen Feit's Shared Shabbat Service. This month's Service, on December 3rd, will be particularly festive, as it falls during the holiday. This serves as both our monthly student-led service and our Chanukah Family Service. It would be a lovely communal event to have our menorahs ready at home to light the candles together while on Zoom.

Meanwhile, please stop by the TBS lobby to drop off a new, sealed, unwrapped toy to donate to our holiday toy drive for the River Fund. Several years ago, I accompanied my older son, the Rabbi, and several other TBS members to the neighborhood of Coney Island to help this organization set up and distribute toys and food to families in need. It was a memorable, rewarding experience to see their joy and gratitude. While COVID safety protocols prevent us from handing out donations directly to the children, we still want to contribute – and include our children in the understanding of the spirit of giving. The deadline for the Toy Drive is Sunday, December 12th. Classes will be held in person that morning.

While you bring your children to altruistically donate a toy, stop by the TBS office to pick up their own Chanukah gift bag – if they did not receive it after the November 14th Religious School session – courtesy of the Parents' Association.

May the lights of Chanukah illuminate your hearts and shine within you each day of the year.

Please see the December school calendar at the bottom of the next column. Please note the Zoom session and days off.

Chanukah Sameach/Happy Chanukah!
Andrea Odintz
Religious School Chairperson

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It's Holiday Toy Drive Time!

Please join the Religious School with donating toys for the holiday season.

All toys collected will be donated to the River Fund.

Every year they are most appreciative, and especially this year that many people have experienced varying hardships.

Please bring your new, unwrapped gift to TBS by
Sunday, December 12, 2021



There will be a box for collection in the lobby if you come by during the day, Shabbat Services, or Religious School.



<u>Religious School</u> 12/05 on Zoom 12/12 12/19	<u>Family Education</u> 12/5 - Chanukah-rama on Zoom
<u>Hebrew School</u> 12/01 12/15 12/09 12/22	<u>Shared Shabbat</u> December 3rd

Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood Presents

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP



Join us on

Wednesday evening, December 8th, 2021

7:30 pm via Zoom

TOPIC: How I turned negative things to positive

Bring your favorite beverage and snack to enjoy as we chat!

Phone in: 646 558 8656 * **Meeting ID:** 850 3327 1193 * **Passcode:** 074790
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85033271193?pwd=NE9qcHk5K202aElONlZJcGRteTJ1dz09>

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
dwang1@gmail.com**

Adult Education

On Sunday, December 12th at 10:00 AM, Chuck Weinstein of the Jewish Genealogy Society of Long Island will be giving a virtual presentation on Jewish naming practices and tombstone interpretation.

On Sunday, January 16th at 10:00 AM, Michael Smook, a Guest speaker on World Jewry & Israel will be providing a lecture on Scrolls of the Dead Sea and Jewish History.

There will be a viewing of the meetings in the sanctuary for members who would be interested in participating in person. Please see the attached flyer for further details. If you have an Adult Education topic that you think would be of interest to the community, please reach out to me at adulthoodeducation@templebethsholom.org or call (917) 902-4894.

Stay healthy,
Eric Bernstein



Men's Club

Our world-famous Book (and Media) Room looks forward to seeing everyone when Bazaar happens on December 4th and 5th, 2021. We would like to thank Eric Bernstein, Jason Ehrlich, Ben and Matt Cohen, and Jim Kettig for helping with the pre-sort of media materials for Bazaar.

Men's Club monthly bowling continues at Jib Lanes in Flushing. Join us on Thursday, December 2nd and Thursday, January 6th for two games (shoes included) for only \$15. Masks are currently mandatory for ALL participants at Jib Lanes.

Our annual Super Bowl 50/50 Pool will start at the end of December. Simply pick any of the 100 empty boxes. After they are all filled, numbers for each row and column are randomly drawn from a hat. The boxes that correspond to the scores at the end of each quarter (and final score) win cash prizes. Half of the collected monies are donated directly to TBS. Boxes are \$5 each (you can buy more than one) through Paypal and Venmo. Contact Jeff Cohen at MrJeff2000@aol.com for more information.

Jeff Cohen
Men's Club President

We wish good luck to Ruth Davidson as she moves on - literally! After over 55 years in the same apartment, Ruth has built a new house in Virginia and now lives near one of her daughters. Thanks to Zoom, we can look forward to virtually sharing many Temple events with Ruth from afar! Best of everything in your new home, Ruth!



Sisterhood Corner

I hope that you enjoyed Thanksgiving with your family. I hope you had a moment to reflect on all that we have to be grateful for! Besides my own family, I am grateful for my Temple Family and Temple Beth Sholom. My life would not be the same without them!

Our virtual bingo continues to be a great success! I would like to send a special shout out to Lori Lustig for going above and beyond to continue to make this event so successful. Our next bingo event will take place on Wednesday, December 15th at 7:30 pm. I hope to see you all at this fun event!

We had a book club event on November 14th. It was great to see so many Sisterhood members at this event. We read the book *Beyond the Ghetto Gates* by Michelle Cameron. The author gave an interesting presentation and was on hand to answer our questions. Our next book club will take place on Sunday, February 13th at 10:30 am. We will be reading *Eternal* by Lisa Scottoline.

Our Rummage Sale was once again a great success thanks to the tireless efforts of Adam "The Man" Fertig, Joy Bobrow and all of the volunteers who came to help for set up and at the day of the Rummage Sale. We raised \$1,000 and Sisterhood will be donating \$2,500 to Temple. I thank each and every one of you because it could not happen without the people who volunteer.

Our monthly Women's Discussion group will take place on December 8th. I am so happy that this group has been so successful. Thank you to Deirdre Weliky for her dedication to the group and our temple.

As you are reading this, we will be coming together as one Temple Family to make sure that Bazaar is once again a success. Bazaar might look a little different but we still need volunteers for set up and the Saturday and Sunday sale. Please support Temple by buying Chef Adam's soup and getting raffle tickets. Please check out the flyer for more details and call the office if you are available to volunteer.

I hope that you take a moment to enjoy this Holiday season with your loved ones. As we say goodbye to 2021, my hope is that 2022 brings only good things to you, your family and our Temple Family!

Happy New Year!

Barbara Gandelman
Sisterhood President



Temple Beth Sholom's Adult Education
and the Richheimer/Levin Adult Education Program
is pleased to present virtually

Chuck Weinstein, Jewish Genealogist from the Jewish Genealogy Society
of Long Island



How to Read a Jewish Tombstone and understand Jewish Naming Practices

This meeting will be in-person and available via Zoom for those who are unable to attend.

Date: Sunday, December 12th

Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5169314530?pwd=bjF3WFJhQjRnVnlkRk45SUJXbVJpdz09>

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Please contact Eric Bernstein with any questions @
AdultEducation@TempleBethSholom.org

Scoop's Schmooze

As the Temple Beth Sholom Religious School is preparing for its special program about Hebrew names, and then on December 12th, the Adult Education arm of Temple will be holding a program about reading Jewish tombstones and understanding Jewish naming practices, it brought me to thinking about where our names come from and what they mean.

In the Jewish religion, we know that the names that we have are generally chosen after someone who is no longer with us by taking the first letter of their name; or their name itself. That way the memory and legacy of that special person are able to be carried on. And, depending on logistics, the Hebrew name could be the same exact name as in David or Sarah, a comparable translation such as Rebecca to Rivkah, or created by using the first letter of the name.

As for me, my first and middle names are Barry Steven. I am named after my mother's grandmother and my maternal grandparents' nephew.

My great-grandmother was Bryna, who, with my great-grandfather, owned and ran the Charles River Summer Resort at the head of Boston's famed Charles River. And that resort was a magical place as it was actually where my grandparents met for the very first time. My grandfather's brother and his wife, Uncle Dave and Aunt Mildred, had a son, Stephen, who was a medical student in his 20's when he lost his battle with cancer. Thus, the B in Barry comes from Bryna and, obviously, Steven is from Stephen.


So, as one can see, my English names hold extremely sentimental meanings to me. Yet, when we look at my Hebrew names, there are also more deep-seeded emotions.

I guess the best way to describe it would be if you could step with me into Mr. Peabody's Wayback Machine; first to 6:40 PM on Saturday, January 27, 1962 when I was brought into this world and then to my birthday on the evening of Saturday, January 27, 1973. Around that time, my mother, who is a poet and who I inherited my writing talents from, authored a poem based on me and my Hebrew name. And as we were on our way to dinner to celebrate my 11th birthday, we listened to the news coming from Paris, France on our Oldsmobile's AM radio as the United States' Secretary of State, William Rogers, Nguyen Duy Trinh of The Democratic Republic of Vietnam, Nguyen Thi Binh of The Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Vietnam, and Tran Van Lam of The Republic of Vietnam gathered around the table at 7:00 Eastern Time to sign the Vietnam Peace Treaty/Paris Peace Accord.

With meaningful irony, the poem that my mother wrote about me and my Hebrew name was entitled Baruch Shalom, Blessed Peace.

So as Temple readies for these two programs, may we all learn, as I have, what's makes a name so much more than a name.

Barry Packer
3rd Vice President
Ways & Means Chairman



What's
Your Name?

Pulpit and Ritual

Now that we are returning to "Services in the Sanctuary," as well as continuing with Zoom ability, here are some reminders:

In the sanctuary:

- All congregants are to be masked at all times
- Congregants with honors are asked to speak directly into the microphone, facing the camera at the rear of the sanctuary

On Zoom:

- When keeping your video on, please be aware of how you and your surroundings appear on the screen. How you see yourself on your screen is exactly the way everyone else sees you!
- If you need technical assistance, please use the "Chat" box to communicate directly with the Temple Beth Sholom host who will be able to provide that assistance for you.
- Please be sure to remain muted for the duration of the service
- Congregants with honors need to be ready to unmute themselves to do their honor, and then mute again when they are done

As always, please let us know your suggestions to make the Zoom experience better!

We encourage congregants to worship with the Rabbi and Cantor in-person in the sanctuary. As the winter months begin, we may rely on "Zoom Only" Shabbat Services when considering the weather. Please always consult the Friday morning "Rabbi's Message" email blasts for last minute schedule changes.

We all send our sincere thanks and best wishes to our own Rita Bellock who recently stepped away from her long-time position of bookkeeper here at Temple Beth Sholom. We thank you for over 15 years of dedicated service and wish you the very best of health and happiness for the future.

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Week of December 3rd

James Goldstein	Husband of Reva Hollander
Luna Haime	Grandmother of Karen Carroscio
Kenneth Kupferberg	Observed by Temple
Bernard Kwait	Father of Neal Kwait
Fay Rabinowitz	Wife of Carl Rabinowitz
Louis Scharf	Brother-in-Law of Miriam Scharf
Flora Stein	Grandmother of Karri Kaufman
Paul Woliner	Father of Susan Ecker

Week of December 10th

Constance Hofer	Mother of Greg Hofer
Ida Kaiser	Mother of Linda Fuentes
Sidney Korsch	Friend of Lillian Tandatnick
Max Kupferberg	Observed by Temple
Esther Maurer	Wife of Gerald Maurer
Alice Shapiro	Mother-in-Law of Gloria Shapiro
Carol Tishcoff	Daughter of Herta Tishcoff
	Sister of Gail Tishcoff

Week of December 17th

Sadie Adler	Observed by Temple
Pearl Fradkin	Mother of Andrew Fradkin
Deborah Jean Larkin	Sister-in-Law of Andrew Larkin

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

Week of December 24th

Beatrice Ain	Aunt of Bruce Goldwasser
Joseph Attar	Father of Jack Attar
Gladys Bamberger	Mother of Fran Goldman
William Bruckner	Brother of Herta Tishcoff
	Uncle of Gail Tishcoff
Madeline Daitch	Sister of Sharon Haimer
Edith Kavadlo	Mother of Joan Kavadlo Cohen
Doris Krackow	Mother of Brenda Bernhard
Julia Lustig	Mother of Eric Lustig
Moe Lustig	Father of Eric Lustig
Pearl Lubliner	Grandmother of Erica Bernstein
Tyrell Mastropaolo	Brother of Norma Benvenuto
Melvin Wexler	Grandfather of Michael Gross

Week of December 31st

Rosita Alexander	Grandmother of Larry Gold
Louis Volney Beausejour	Father of Dr. Richard Severin
Gertrude Bernstein	Grandmother of Eric Bernstein
Gertrude Farber	Grandmother of Eric Rosenberg
Hyman Feirberg	Father of Lynn Goldenstein
Jules Gillin	Father of Marchel Gillin
Leslie Hernandez	Friend of Joan Kavadlo Cohen
Ella Klein	Grandmother of Lori Wansor
David Krackow	Brother of Brenda Bernhard
M. Steven Kupferberg	Observed by Temple
Selma Kupferberg	Observed by Temple
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Lillian Morris	Aunt of Pamela Abrams
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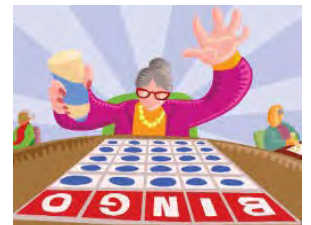
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Temple Beth Shalom's Adult Education
and the Richheimer/Levin Adult Education Program
is pleased to present virtually

Michael Smook, Guest speaker on world Jewry & Israel



Dead Sea Scrolls and Jewish History

Date: Sunday, January 16th

Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5169314530?pwd=bjF3WFJhQjRnVnlkRk45SUJXbVJpdz09>

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			¹ Hebrew School via Zoom. Classes at 4:30, 5:00 and 5:10 pm	² Bowling Jib Lanes 8:00 pm	³ Family/ Shared/ Simchat Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm via Zoom <i>only</i>	⁴ Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom BAZAAR 5:30 pm – 9:30 pm
⁵ Religious School/ Family Education program Chanukah-rama at 10:30 am via Zoom <i>only</i> BAZAAR 11:00 am – 7:00 pm	⁶	⁷ Healing/Meditative Service 7:30 pm via Zoom Adult Beginning Hebrew Class at 8:15 pm via Zoom	⁸ Hebrew School via Zoom. Classes at 4:30, 5:00 and 5:10 pm Women's Discussion Group 7:30 pm via Zoom	⁹	¹⁰ Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm In-person and Zoom	¹¹ Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
¹² Religious School at 10:30 am in-person	¹³ Membership Meeting 7:30 pm via Zoom Board Meeting 8:00 pm via Zoom	¹⁴ Healing/Meditative Service 7:30 pm via Zoom Adult Beginning Hebrew Class at 8:15 pm via Zoom	¹⁵ Hebrew School via Zoom. Classes at 4:30, 5:00 and 5:10 pm	¹⁶	¹⁷ Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm In-person and Zoom	¹⁸ Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
¹⁹ Religious School 10:30 am in-person Parents' Association 10:30 am in-person and Zoom Men's Club 11:15 am in-person and Zoom	²⁰ School Board Meeting 8:00 pm via Zoom	²¹ Healing/Meditative Service 7:30 pm via Zoom Adult Beginning Hebrew Class at 8:15 pm via Zoom	²² Hebrew School via Zoom. Classes at 4:30, 5:00 and 5:10 pm	²³ Thanksgiving Day	²⁴ *BUILDING CLOSED* Shabbat Evening Service 6:00 pm via Zoom <i>only</i>	²⁵ *BUILDING CLOSED* Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
²⁶ *NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL*	²⁷	²⁸ Healing/Meditative Service 7:30 pm via Zoom Adult Beginning Hebrew Class at 8:15 pm via Zoom	²⁹ *NO HEBREW SCHOOL*	³⁰	³¹ *BUILDING CLOSED* Shabbat Evening Service 6:00 pm via Zoom <i>only</i>	2 0 2 2

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Please indicate "TBS Voice" on the subject line!

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2021, when we will celebrate
December birthdays and
anniversaries!!**



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