

# The Voice

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM OF FLUSHING



## THIS MONTH:

**WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP**  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

**BOWLING**  
THURSDAY, MARCH 3

**SHABBAT ACROSS AMERICA**  
FRIDAY, MARCH 4

**RELIGIOUS SCHOOL/  
FAMILY EDUCATION/**  
SUNDAY, MARCH 13

**PA PURIM EVENT - ZOOM ONLY**  
SUNDAY, MARCH 13  
(PURIM IS MARCH 17)

**TANGO SHALOM  
MOVIE DISCUSSION EVENT**  
SUNDAY, MARCH 20

## NEXT MONTH:

**WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP**  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

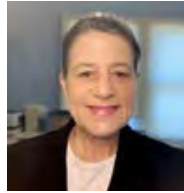
**BOWLING**  
THURSDAY, APRIL 7

**RELIGIOUS SCHOOL/  
FAMILY EDUCATION**  
SUNDAY, APRIL 10

**WALK AWAY THE MATZOH**  
SUNDAY, APRIL 17

**RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SPECIAL  
EVENT**  
SUNDAY, APRIL 24

**VIRTUAL BINGO**  
THURSDAY, APRIL 28



## From the Rabbi's desk

This year, Shabbat Across America coincides with Rosh Chodesh Adar II (March 4<sup>th</sup>). Because we are in a leap year, we add an entire month to the calendar. As was mentioned during February's Shared Shabbat Service the rabbis have a saying, "from the beginning of Adar, we increase our *"simcha"* — joy." [B. Taanit 29a]. It is doubly true, since we have two full months of Adar, and an extra month to get ready for Purim! There is also perhaps a little extra joy this year as we return to in-person services and celebrate Shabbat Across America. We won't be dining together, but we will be back in our sanctuary after a bit of a hiatus.

Purim is always interesting to me because of all the contradictions and absurdities surrounding it. On the one hand, we learn in the Talmud (Megillah 7b) "Rava said, 'It is a person's duty to intoxicate themselves on Purim until they cannot tell the difference between 'cursed be Haman' and 'blessed be Mordecai.'" We dress in costume, and we are permitted to be silly. The story itself can be viewed as farce, as everything is larger than life. Yet, on the other hand, it is very serious. It is a story (whether you believe it actually happened) about a plan to exterminate the Jews. And, as we approach the holiday in preparation, on Shabbat Zachor, we are obligated to read the passage in the Torah about what Amalek did to us when we left Egypt (Deut. 25:17-19); how he snuck up on the Israelites and cut down the infirm and weak who were in the rear.

*(continued from previous column)*

I often wonder why there are so many 'opposites' in this story. But perhaps that is the point. Life is a series of opposites as well. We are forced to laugh in the face of sorrow, pain and even fear. These times that we are living in are no exception. I suppose, it couldn't hurt to take to heart the words of Bobby McFerrin, "Don't worry, be happy!"

Once again, our Megillah reading will take place during Shabbat Services on March 18<sup>th</sup>. This way, everyone can participate, as this will be a Shared Shabbat Service. We have many people who will be chanting from the Megillah—the scroll of Esther, and through the magic of Zoom, all of you will be able to follow along and view the scroll as we chant! You will also be able to shout and make noise to drown out Haman's name (and we can mute you to stop at the appropriate times). And, Zoom has a built-in silly virtual mask feature as well. Of course, you can still make your own costumes!

In this year of ups and downs, light and darkness, joy, and sadness we are given permission to let go.

I am looking forward to celebrating with you all.

*Shalom U'vracha,*  
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, March 4<sup>th</sup>:* Shabbat Across America **7:30 pm**  
Torah Portion: Pekudei  
Candles: Barbara Gandelman  
Kiddush: Alice Newman  
*Sponsored by Alice Newman in loving memory of her mother, Sylvia Sandler*

*Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>:* Torah Study &  
**ZOOM ONLY** Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

*Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>:* Shabbat Evening Service  
Torah Portion: Va-Yikra  
Candles: Karen & Rebecca Carroscio  
Kiddush: Barry Packer

*Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>:* Torah Study &  
**ZOOM ONLY** Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

*Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>:* Purim/Shared/Simchat  
**ZOOM ONLY** Shabbat Service **7:30 pm**  
Torah Portion: Tzav  
Candles: Junior Congregation  
Kiddush: Junior Congregation

*Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>:* Torah Study &  
**ZOOM ONLY** Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

*Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>:* Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**  
Torah Portion: Shemini Parah  
Candles: Erica Bernstein  
Kiddush: Eric Bernstein

*Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>:* Torah Study &  
**ZOOM ONLY** Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

*Pre-packaged delicacies will be available "to-go", or stay and join us after in-person services for a coffee/tea Oneg Shabbat*



## *From The President*

To My Temple Family,

When writing these articles, I go back over previous ones so that I don't repeat myself. Well, don't you know it, when writing last March's article, it was a balmy 44 degrees out. Today it is 56 degrees out! Hmmm, must be something about writing the March Voice article!

We look forward to resuming in-person services this month. We appreciate the hard work and effort of the Rabbi and Cantor for working with us to develop protocols that we all believe will provide for the safety and well-being of the entire Temple Family.

With Purim coming up, thank you to all who purchased Shalach Manot baskets and thank you to Geri Weiss and Lori Lustig and "company" for putting this together. Can't wait to hear the Purim Spiel – it is always a treat!

Again, I want to thank everyone for all that they are doing and continue to do for Temple so that we keep on keeping on. Just a reminder that we want to be respectful of each other's views. Remember to please be kind to one another and stay positive. We are all in this together.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Your President  
Joy A. Bobrow



Dear Members,

As we begin the new fiscal year at Temple, we recently sent out the Temple dues statement. Thank you to those who have already paid!! For those of you who have not, we are asking that payment of dues/school fees be made as soon as possible! If you still have arrears, please pay those as soon as possible. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Robin Myers, Financial Secretary at the Temple Office or you may contact her directly via email at:

[robinl.myers@gmail.com](mailto:robinl.myers@gmail.com).

Many thanks!

**Membership Dues**

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<i>Diane Shtulman in loving memory of her uncle Joseph Yohay</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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MUSIC FUND.....	Cantor Korobow 718-463-4143
BUILDING FUND .....	TBS Office 718-463-4143
<i>Alice Newman in honor of Deirdre Weliky's February 5<sup>th</sup> birthday</i>	
<i>Deirdre Weliky to support the building that supports us</i>	
COOLING TOWER FUND.....	TBS Office 718-463-4143

**Celebrate Simchat Shabbat Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

*March Birthdays*

*Norma Benvenuto  
Dara Bernstein  
Erica Bernstein  
Susan Ecker  
Jared Eckman  
Natalie Flug  
Barbara Gandelman  
Oliver Gellerman  
Fran Goldman  
Michael Gross*

*Valentina Hellman  
Leora Kaufman  
Jennifer Kwait  
Matthew Kwait  
Leza Lerea  
Robin Myers  
Jean Reichler  
Lillian Tandatnick  
Cindy Weiss  
Justin White*



*March Anniversaries*

*Alan & Maggie Berck  
Bret & Suzanne Fertig  
Greg & Carol Hofer  
Brett & Jean Reichler*





# TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM

WELCOMES YOU

TO

JOIN OUR FAMILY

**IF YOU OR YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS LIVE MORE THAN 70 MILES FROM TBS, OR IN ANOTHER STATE OR COUNTRY, YOU CAN STILL BE A PART OF OUR TBS FAMILY.**

**JOIN TODAY AS A VIRTUAL AFFILIATE  
AND YOU CAN VIRTUALLY ATTEND:**

- ⌘ SHABBAT AND HOLIDAY SERVICES**
  - ⌘ HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES**
- ⌘ ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS**
- ⌘ BEGINNER HEBREW CLASSES**
  - ⌘ TORAH STUDY**
- ⌘ MANY OTHER PROGRAMS**

**YOU CAN ALSO:**

- ⌘ SHARE YOUR SIMCHAS**
- ⌘ OBSERVE YOUR FAMILY'S YAHRZEITS**

**PLEASE CONTACT THE TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM OFFICE  
AT 718-463-4143 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**





## Cantor's Corner



*I just came across this article I wrote back in 2010, and thought it was worth recycling. Perhaps it's an example of being able to "reach across the aisle" to someone who may see things a bit differently than you do.*

So, a guy walks into a bar. "Oh no" you cry, "he's not going to tell us some old joke, is he?" Well no, I'm not. Actually, the guy was me, and it wasn't exactly a bar-it was a diner in beautiful downtown Kings Park, Suffolk County, Long Island, NY (although they do serve alcohol).

A fellow I met who liked to play guitar had started to run an "open mic" night at the Hokey Pokey Diner on Tuesday nights. He asked if I might come down some time. If you've never been to an open mic, it's something you should experience. The name says it all. Anyone can take a turn singing and/or playing. Some people get up and read original poetry. As you might expect, the ability levels can vary wildly, but there's something sweet about people getting up and trying. Every now and then, you can watch a progression and degree of improvement in a performer that can be stunning.

Anyway, I stopped in on a Tuesday night about a month ago. Charlie, who runs the open mic, greeted me and asked if I would play a few tunes. I said I would later in the evening. After the regulars had taken their turns, I borrowed Charlie's guitar and began to play. As I worked my way through "Georgia on My Mind," I looked out into the audience, and saw a face I hadn't seen in years. Don Rynd, a fellow lawyer and bluegrass banjo picker, was smiling back at me from his table. When I finished the song, I told everyone that there was a terrific banjo player in the house, and that I had no intention of letting him leave without us playing some tunes together. After I'd played a few more songs, Don got out his banjo, and we played a set that lasted about 45 minutes (and this after we hadn't played together in perhaps 20 years). The people loved the music, and we had a gas. We really hated to leave at the end of the night, but we both had offices to get to early the next morning.

The interesting thing is that Don and I have never had anything in common to speak of but the music. Our politics, personal taste, friends, outside interests, and backgrounds are completely different. At times, I'm not even sure we could have been called friends. But somehow, now over the course of more than 35 years, we've kept running into each other, and the music remains. Don's not as conservative today as he used to be-you could say he's mellowed. Being married, having kids, working, and living life will do that to you. I've mellowed too. But after all, conservative or liberal, short hair or long, Republican or Democrat, young or old, there's the music. There's always the music!

With a wink and a smile,  
Cantor Jerry Korobow

## Men's Club

Men's Club monthly bowling continues at Jib Lanes in Flushing, depending on the extent of COVID variants. Join us on Thursday, March 3 and Thursday, April 7 for two games (shoes included) for only \$15. Masks are currently mandatory for ALL participants at Jib Lanes.

Did somebody mention books (oh wait, that was me)? Our world-famous Book (and Media) Room already has 3,000 pre-sorted books (and hundreds of DVDs and CDs) for Bazaar 2022, scheduled for December 3-4, 2022. We are looking for volunteers who can PICK UP materials from donors and drop the goods at the Temple, which can be coordinated with our stellar maintenance staff. We are currently seeking new (and gently-used) hardcover and softcover (paperback) books, as well as CDs, DVDs, Blu-Ray discs, LP vinyl records, and video games. Call the office at (718) 463-4143 to become a volunteer or if you want to drop off your donations.

At present, pre-sorts are conducted when there are a sufficient number of donations that need to be placed into storage. If you are available on a weekday morning to pre-sort materials, please contact me at (718) 755-5470 BEFORE you plan to show up at the Temple. We can coordinate your participation in our ongoing efforts!

Jeff Cohen  
Men's Club President



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

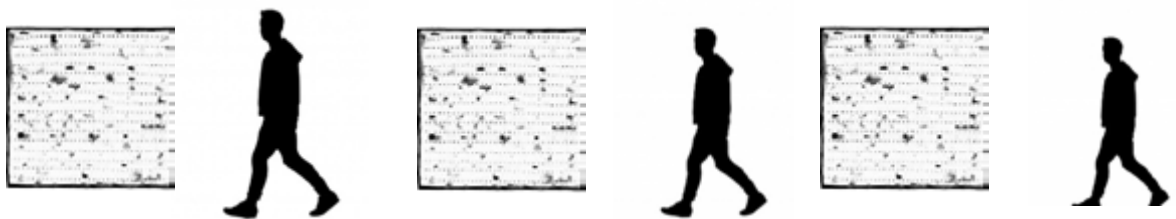
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Temple Beth Sholom Men's Club  
Proudly Presents



Come join Temple Members and help yourself to burn off the  
Passover carbs

Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>

10:00 AM — 11:00 AM

Little Bay Park (Underneath the Throgs Neck Bridge)

Please contact Eric Bernstein or Jeff Cohen or e-mail  
[mensclub@templebethsholom.org](mailto:mensclub@templebethsholom.org) with any questions

## February Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees met on Monday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, via Zoom.

President Joy Bobrow welcomed the new Board members: Deirdre Weliky, Elana White, Jim Kettig, Jeff Cohen, and Karla Bonn . She reported that in early March, with the assistance of Temple Gates of Prayer, TBS will have a joint one-hour virtual training with the Community Security Services on how to help protect our community and how to register for the program. She read Article III Section 4 of the By-Laws pertaining to the responsibilities of the Board of Trustees. The minutes of the last meeting were accepted with corrections.

Robin Myers, Financial Secretary, reported membership is 113 member units. All accounts were updated with the 2022-2023 dues billing and statements having been mailed out.

Treasurer Charlene Metz reviewed the February financial report, which the Board approved as presented.

Rabbi Ballan reported she and Cantor Korobow had recently received a draft of COVID safety plan for in-person services guidelines and she raised concerns. It was agreed that a follow-up meeting would be held to address those concerns.

Vice-President Dr. Fay Schildkraut, Membership Chair, presented Roberta Kossoff for membership as a returning member. Membership is working to increase our virtual affiliations. Shabbat Across America will be a hybrid service on March 4<sup>th</sup> and we will have an oneg "to go" and an oneg "to stay." They will be doing outreach to assisted living communities, to see how we may involve their residents in Temple activities.

Geri Weiss, Pulpit and Ritual Committee Chair, reported in-person services will be resuming in March but the Purim/Shared Shabbat will be Zoom only. They will be asking members to review their loved one's names on the mi shebeirach list.

Erica Bernstein, PA Co-President, thanked TBS member Larry Gold for donating a laptop for the school's use. Their annual Purim event will be held on Zoom on March 13<sup>th</sup>.

Andrea Odintz, Religious School Board Committee Chair, reported on Shared Shabbat, which continues to be well attended, and the next one will be combined with the Purim Service on March 18<sup>th</sup>. Returning TBS member Roberta Kossoff will be offering a Religious School session on anti-Semitism awareness on Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup> to coincide with the week of Yom HaShoah.

Barbara Gandelman, Sisterhood President, reported the Book Club that was postponed on Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup> will be rescheduled. Rummage will be in May and will need volunteers. She reported Bingo is very popular and gave the dates for the next Bingo events.

The Women's Discussion Group will be on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and April 6<sup>th</sup> and she thanked Deirdre Weliky, who has also introduced an Adult Discussion Group for all on Monday February 21<sup>st</sup>.

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President Joy Bobrow reported on Use of Building and clarified the Temple Gates of Prayer renewal arrangement with TBS. Parties continue to be booked in the ballroom.

Jim Kettig, House Committee Chair, reported he has not been able to follow up this month but hopes to have building walk-throughs with potential contractors for the HVAC repairs in the coming months.

Jeff Cohen, Men's Club President, reported monthly bowling continues at Jib Lanes. He announced the winners of the 2022 Super Bowl pool. Men's Club will coordinate with Parents Association on a children's activity for Purim. He has already counted 3,000 book donations for Bazaar 2022.

Deirdre Weliky reported on Caring Committee activities to support ill and bereaved members. She reported the Women's Discussion group will be on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and a new co-ed Adult Discussion group on February 21<sup>st</sup>.

President Bobrow reported the Food Pantry continues to serve many local families.

Ilyne Rabinowitz, Social Action Committee Chair, reported they plan to organize a clothing and feminine product/household use drive for victims of domestic violence in coordination with the Jewish Met Council. Volunteers will be needed to donate and sort.

Barry Packer, Ways & Means Committee Chair, reported on plans to coordinate take-out meals from A&A Caterers for Shabbat Across America. Deadline to order is February 27<sup>th</sup>. He sent out payment for the application for the TBS field day in the summer. They are working with Cascarino's to provide food for the "Pizza Before Pesach" fundraiser again this year. They are planning another Zoom concert in connection with the release of Renee Katz's second album.

Eric Bernstein, Adult Education Chair, reported on "Tango Shalom" viewings to be available between March 1<sup>st</sup> through March 20<sup>th</sup>, available only to TBS Members for donation of \$10.00.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gail Tishcoff, Recording Secretary



*Many thanks to Ilyne Rabinowitz  
for the NY Project Hope  
information, shared in this issue and  
Monday morning email!*

Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood Presents

# WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP



*Join us on  
Wednesday evening, March 2, 2022  
7:30 pm via Zoom  
TOPIC: Spring is Coming!*

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

**The Zoom link will be provided in the email blast on Monday morning,  
February 28, 2022**

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](mailto:dwang1@gmail.com)**



# Religious School News

Take the opportunity to learn alongside your children at this month's Family Education program, which will be in person on Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup> during school hours. We'll be learning all about Purim. It's also a great opportunity to pick up any Shalach Manot baskets that may be waiting for you.

Afterward, go home for lunch and then sign onto Zoom for the Parents' Association's Purim event, featuring bingo, hamantaschen preparation and a costume contest – with prizes! The online gathering is from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. The flyer with is in this issue of The Voice.

Shared Shabbat will remain on Zoom for now. This month's student-led service will be different in that it will also be the Purim service, on Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. Rabbi Ballan and Karen Feit will have a variety of parts to give out, including English translations of the traditional Megillah readings and parts in a "silly service."

This month also sees the return of progress reports for Religious School and Hebrew School students. Teachers should be emailing them to parents during the first half of March.

Jumping ahead to April, please take note of another flyer in this issue, for an anti-Semitism awareness workshop led by TBS member Roberta Kossoff, a retired teacher. Held in person on Sunday morning, April 24<sup>th</sup> to coincide with the week of Yom HaShoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day, younger students and their families will participate in a craft about Jewish identity, while older students and their parents will discuss Art Spiegelman's graphic novel Maus. Copies of the book are being provided to those older students who attend the event, courtesy of the TBS Ackerman Memorial Library Fund. Anti-Semitism will be presented through a historical perspective as well as how it still appears in modern times. Please join us for this important event.

## March – Sunday Religious School is back in person!

Religious School	Family Education
03/06	03/13
03/13 + P.A Purim Event 1:00 – 3:00 pm	
03/20	
03/27	
Hebrew School	Shared Shabbat
03/02	03/18 - Combined
03/09	with Purim Service
03/23	
03/30	

Looking forward to seeing you all soon.

Stay safe and healthy,  
Andrea Odintz  
Religious School Chairperson



# Sisterhood Corner

I hope that you are enjoying the winter months. Although we had a few snowstorms, the weather has not been too cold. Soon it will be spring and the flowers will be blooming!

We had our book club on Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022 where we discussed *Eternal* by Lisa Scottoline. We enjoyed sharing our opinions on the book. Next, we will be reading *The Star and the Shamrock* by Jean Grainger. We will be meeting on Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.

We hope that you are able to send Purim baskets to the people you love! Thank you to Geri Weiss and Lori Lustig for taking care of this event for Sisterhood.

Our Virtual Bingo has been a great success! Thank you to Lori Lustig for making sure that this event runs smoothly. Thank you to all of our Temple family and friends who have supported the event. Our last two bingos will be held on April 28<sup>th</sup> and June 9<sup>th</sup>. Come join us for a fun evening!

Our Women's Discussion Group has grown in popularity. The next meetings will take place on Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> and April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm via Zoom. Thank you to Deirdre Weliky for her continued dedication to this program. There was also an Adult Discussion Group on February 21<sup>st</sup>. We hope that this event will grow in popularity as well.

Rummage is coming!! Please donate your gently used, clean clothes. If you are able to volunteer, Please call the office to let us know if we can count on you for this fundraiser for Temple. Please check The Voice and your email for details.

I hope that you and your family have a very Happy Purim!

Barbara Gandelman  
Sisterhood President



## Rummage

**We are gearing up for our Annual Memorial Day Rummage Sale!**

**We are currently accepting donations of gently used, clean clothing.**

**Help support this Temple fundraiser!**



# TBS Religious School Event

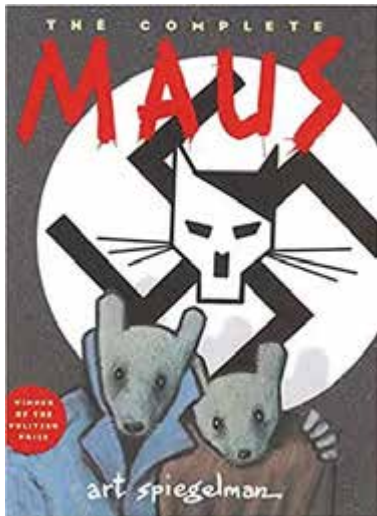
Sunday April 24, 2022

## Anti-Semitism Awareness Workshop

By Roberta Kossoff

Roberta Kossoff is a retired teacher and member of TBS. She has offered to lead age-appropriate workshops about anti-Semitism awareness for our students. Her resources include a curriculum developed by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and online resources provided by the Anti-Defamation League.

The program will include the history of anti-Semitism from Medieval times to current events. Then, the younger kids will work on a craft about Jewish identity, while the older students will engage in a brief discussion of the graphic novel "Maus" by Art Spiegelman.



DATE:

SUNDAY APRIL 24, 2022

TIME: 10:30AM - 12:00 PM

IN-PERSON EVENT

The TBS Library has generously ordered copies of this book as a gift to the students. Once you RSVP to this event, your copy of the book will be available for pick up in the temple office.

All are welcome. If parents or other Temple Beth Sholom members wish to join in the discussion, the book is available on Amazon and Barnes & Noble. There is no charge for this program.

Kindly RSVP to [parentsassociation@templebethsholom.org](mailto:parentsassociation@templebethsholom.org)  
by Sunday, April 17, 2022

## Adult Education

As the spring season is vastly approaching, I am looking forward to the upcoming outdoor Temple events including "Walk Away The Matzo" and Lag BaOmer. In the meantime, Adult Education has indoor activities to keep you entertained, one of them being a new movie event.

For \$10, you can support the Temple, support entertainers, and watch a Romantic Comedy "Tango Shalom" starring Jos Laniado, Lainie Kazan (My Big Fat Greek Wedding), Renee Taylor (The Nanny), and other celebrities. Please review the flyer in this issue of The Voice with details of the movie. After members have the opportunity to rent the movie, TBS will be having a virtual meeting with the production crew and cast on Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>. Please reach out to me with any questions.

You can watch the trailer to the movie here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R6w9qkvKca8>

If you have an Adult Education topic that you think would be of interest to the community, please reach out to me at [adulteducation@templebethsholom.org](mailto:adulteducation@templebethsholom.org) or call my cell phone (917) 902-4894.

Stay healthy,  
Eric Bernstein

## Parents' Association

Hello Temple Family! We hope that everyone is doing well and has had a great start to 2022. Parents' Association would like to thank congregant Larry Gold for donating a laptop that will be used during Religious School. We would also like to thank the families who gave donations for our Religious/Hebrew School teacher Ruth Kessler on the loss of her mom. Food and tree donations were provided with the generous donations.

Parents' Association had a great turn out on Zoom for the paint afternoon that was held on February 1<sup>st</sup>. Thank you to TBS congregant Sarah Hene for bringing out the artist in us while we painted beautiful Hamza portraits. Hopefully this will inspire budding artists to continue creating beautiful works of art.

We will be having our annual Purim event on Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 - 3:00 pm on Zoom. There will be Bingo, a costume contest and baking fun. Upon receipt of your R.S.V.P. to [parentsassociation@templebethsholom.org](mailto:parentsassociation@templebethsholom.org) (by Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>), we will send you the Zoom link. Please see the flyer for more details.

Please join us either in person or on Zoom for Shabbat Across America on Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. We will be also having a Zoom Shared Shabbat Service on Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. Please join us as the Religious School students and their families help run service that night.

Our next Parents' Association meeting will be held on Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. It will be a blended (in-person and Zoom) meeting.

We hope that the spring brings us more beautiful weather. Be healthy and be safe.

Erica Bernstein  
Elaine Larkin  
PA Co-Presidents

## Pulpit & Ritual

### Our Weekly Mi Shebeirach (Prayer for Healing) List

Temple Beth Sholom is honored to provide the service of praying for those in our community who are ill or in need of healing every week during our Shabbat Service. We encourage those who have asked for names to be placed on the list to attend services and be a part of the prayer process. Please be aware that the Mi Shebeirach list is ongoing, continually changing and we would like it to be as current as possible. Therefore, when your loved one's situation changes, please update the Rabbi, or Natalie in the Temple office, so the list can be updated.



Many thanks to  
Larry Gold  
And  
Bonnie Wilichinsky  
for their assistance in keeping  
The Voice mailed on time  
and keeping the  
office paperwork up to date!

## Monthly Mensch

Thank you to those  
who have recently  
responded to our  
Monthly Mensch  
campaign.



Iris Bass & Family  
Charles & Judy Braunstein  
Linda M. Ramirez

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SUNDAY March 13 2022  
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GREAT PRIZES! FUN FOR ALL!

## Scoop's Schmooze

For those of us of a certain generation, close your eyes and hear the voice of Johnny Olsen saying "thank you for playing... and you get the home version of Jewish Geography--a game the whole family can play."

I won the coin toss; so I'll go first.

For instance, who would have known that my mother-in-law, Rose Katz, and our Temple matriarch, Betty Zimmerman, both spent part of their childhoods in Cincinnati, Ohio - where a familiar connection or two somewhere along the way is almost inevitable? Or that Betty spent time at Brookline, New Hampshire's Camp Tevya; which happens to be the same place that my mother, my sister and I spent the summers of our youth. It's not just knowing the same people; as documented in two reports issued by the Pew Research Center last May, entitled *Jewish Community And Connectedness and 10 Key Findings About Jewish Americans*, it's an endless array of unique connections.

My college roommate, Merrill, and I met at a Hofstra University Open House in the spring of 1980 at the Boston Marriott Newton. Upon arriving, my parents and I were told to go to *that* table and sit with *that* family--the Dubrows. Little did the six of us know when we introduced ourselves that both of our fathers had served as Presidents of their synagogues, had been deeply associated with nursing homes during their professional endeavors and that Merrill and I were, and still are, diehard Boston sports fanatics. And, most importantly, that more than 40 years later, we would still be brother-like friends.

With a mother who is a ballerina and a wife who is a classically trained vocalist and a Manhattan cabaret star, it has to be serendipity that I share my January 27<sup>th</sup> birthday with Mozart, Jerome Kern and Mikhail Baryshnikov. Or that, with my Holocaust-surviving father-in-law; January 27<sup>th</sup>, 1945 was the day that those who remained at Auschwitz-Birkenau were liberated, and then in 2005, January 27<sup>th</sup> became International Holocaust Day.

And, that brings me full circle back to Betty Zimmerman. For she, so graciously, shared one of her personally-owned chuppahs with Renee and I, for us to be married under. Thus, we will proudly be connected with Betty for eternity.

And, speaking of Cincinnatians, it has to be more than irony that as our invaluable administrator, Natalie, is putting this edition of *The Voice* to bed; much of her work on said document will begin around February 14<sup>th</sup>. And, while Valentine's Day is not a holiday appearing on the Jewish calendar, this year it holds special significance. In the winter of 2016/2017, after spending a week-and-a-half at North Shore University Hospital and a month-and-a-half at the Stern Family Center For Rehabilitation; it was five years ago this month that my mother-in-law, Rose, came home. Amazingly, she returned to Fresh Meadows on Valentine's Day after having a life-saving procedure - literally - with the implantation of a pacemaker.

Jewish Geography - now it's your turn.

Barry Packer  
Third Vice President, Ways & Means Chairman

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On Friday March 4, 2022, thousands of Jews across America and Canada will come together and celebrate that which unites us all:  
**SHABBAT!!**

Now is your chance to join the 26th Annual Shabbat Across America and Canada.

It is our tradition to invite guests to this service. Please consider reaching out to family/friends who may be thinking of affiliating with a synagogue to join us for this special service.

Our Shabbat service will be hybrid, in-person and Zoom. Guests, however, will only attend services via Zoom, starting at 7:30 pm.

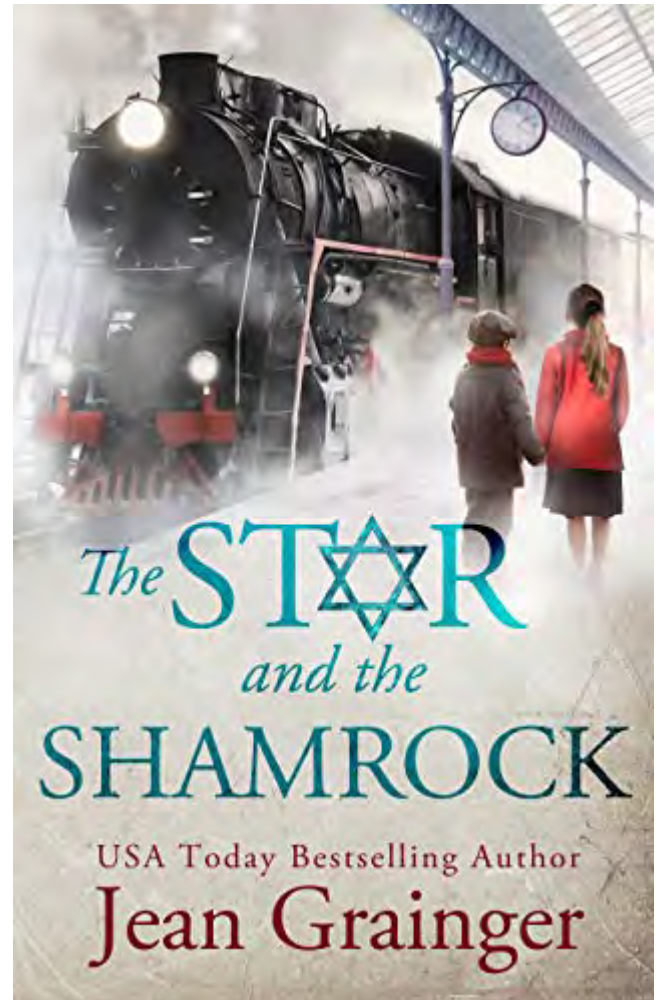
Please do not forward the Shabbat link to your guests, rather send their name(s) and email address(es) to Natalie who will forward the information and maintain a guest list.

TBS SISTERHOOD PRESENTS:  
BOOK CLUB – Wednesday May 18, 2022

“The Star and The  
Shamrock” by  
JEAN  
GRAINGER

DATE:  
WEDNESDAY MAY 18,  
2022  
TIME: 7:30 PM

ZOOM INFORMATION  
TO FOLLOW



***Ariella Bannon has no choice: she must put her precious children, Liesl and Erich, on that train or allow them to become prey for the Nazis.***

**Berlin 1939.**


When her husband doesn't come home one day, Ariella realises that the only way she can ensure her Jewish children's safety is to avail of the Kindertransport, but can she bear to let them go?

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.Please read the book and come to our book club meeting with your opinions If you are using Amazon, don't forget to order through  to make donations to Temple Beth Sholom!!! and comments.

# ☆ UPCOMING YAHRZEITS *March, 2021* ☆

## *Week of February 25<sup>th</sup>*

Morton Alperin      Father-in-Law of Iris Bass  
 Margot Gold        Mother of Larry Gold  
 Murray J. Goldwasser      Father of Rabbi Bruce Goldwasser  
 Sidney H. Koorse      Father of Nancy Goldwasser  
 Sam Ostrofsky        Father of Lillian Tandatnick  
 Anna Pomerantz      Observed by Ned Steele  
 Meyer Tennenbaum      Father of Betty Zimmermann  
 Alvin Wilichinsky      Husband of Bonnie Wilichinsky

## *Week of March 4<sup>th</sup>*

Fred Gandelman      Father of Adam Gandelman  
 Bernard Gary        Brother-in-Law of Lillian Tandatnick  
 Eric Kroun            Brother of Suzanne Fertig and Stacy Kroun Fertig  
 Sylvia Sandler        Mother of Alice Newman  
 Marla Silver          Sister of Susan Ecker

## *Week of March 11<sup>th</sup>*

Albert Abnrans        Father of Robert Abrams  
 Sidney Lang          Father of Susan Passaro  
 Gerald Rinkle        Father of Karen Carroscio  
 Louis Rosenberg      Father of Sam Rosenberg

## *Week of March 18<sup>th</sup>*

Milton W. Blatner\*      Observed by Temple  
 Barnett Frank          Father of Miriam Scharf  
 Bertha Leef Gilson      Grandmother of Sandra Goodman  
 Rae Tishcoff            Mother of Herta Tishcoff  
                                   Grandmother of Gail Tishcoff

## *Week of March 25<sup>th</sup>*

Brad Leffe              Brother of Debra A. Leffe  
 Martha Minton        Nana of Linda M. Ramirez

## *Week of April 1<sup>st</sup>*

Edith Anker            Mother of Herbert Anker  
 Brunnhilde Costanza      Mother of Walter Costanza  
 Marcus Goldschmitt      Father of Ruth Schorsch  
 Reba Levenberg        Mother of Bonnie Rosenberg  
 Abraham Levinsky        Father of Steve Levinsky  
 Albert Weiskopf        Father of Gloria Shapiro  
 Abraham Yontef        Father of Sharon Yontef

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The health and wellbeing of each of our members is of utmost importance to us. To that end, we are requesting that ALL members send a quick email to Natalie in the Temple office referencing the name(s) and the day/night and/or cell phone number(s) and email address of someone we may contact in the event that we cannot reach the member directly and our concern becomes serious. We will update our records accordingly.

If you have disconnected your landline or had a recent change in any phone number and/or email address, please be sure to include that information as well!

We look forward to hearing from you so that we can update our records.

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**Temple Beth Sholom along with the Richheimer/Levin Adult Education Program  
is pleased to present a virtual showing  
and Q and A discussion with the writers and cast of**

**“Tango Shalom”**



Cast: Lainie Kazan (My Big Fat Greek Wedding), Renée Taylor (The Nanny), Joseph Bologna (Blame It on Rio), Karina Smirnoff (Dancing With the Stars)

Director: Gabriel Bologna

Screenwriter: Joseph Bologna, Jos Laniado and Claudio Laniado

Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R6w9qkvKca8>

When a Tango dancer asks a Rabbi to enter a dance competition, there's one big problem—due to his Orthodox beliefs, he's not allowed to touch her! But the prize money would save his school from bankruptcy, so they develop a plan to enter the competition without sacrificing his faith, and the bonds of family and community are tested one dazzling dance step at a time in this lighthearted fable.

Here is how this will work:

- Viewing Fee (via Vimeo) is \$10.00 per viewing party.
- The viewing will be available between March 1<sup>st</sup> and March 20<sup>th</sup> only
- Remit your payment to Temple Beth Sholom via check or Paypal (@TempleBethSholomQns) ensuring that your preferred email address is provided
- Receive, via email, the link to the film
- You have 72 hours to watch the movie from the time you open the link



Join us on Sunday, March 20, for a Q & A and discussion with the writers and cast of Tango Shalom

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to Temple

Questions? Call Eric Bernstein (917) 902-4894.

# ADAR I – ADAR II

# MARCH 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Healing Service 7:30 pm via Zoom  Beginning Adult Hebrew Class 8:15 pm via Zoom	2 Hebrew School via Zoom. Classes at 4:30, 5:00 & 5:10 pm  Women's Discussion Group 7:30 pm via Zoom	3 Bowling Jib Lanes 8:00 pm	4 Shabbat Across America in-person and via Zoom 7:30 pm	5 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
6 Religious School/Family Education 10:30 am in person  Parents' Association 10:30 am via Zoom  Men's Club 11:15 am via Zoom	7 Pulpit & Ritual Meeting 7:30 pm via Zoom	8 Healing Service 7:00 pm via Zoom  *NO ADULT HEBREW CLASS"  Community Security Seminar via Zoom 8:00 pm	9 Hebrew School via Zoom. Classes at 4:30, 5:00 & 5:10 pm	10	11 Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm in- person and via Zoom	12 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
13 Spring Ahead – Change clocks  Religious School/Family Education 10:30 am in-person  PA Purim Event 1:00 pm via ZOOM ONLY	14 Membership meeting 7:00 pm via Zoom  Board Meeting 8:00 pm via Zoom	15 Healing Service 7:30 pm via Zoom  Beginning Adult Hebrew Class 8:15 pm via Zoom	16 *NO HEBREW SCHOOL*  Erev Purim	17 Purim	18 Shared/Family/ Simchat Shabbat/Purim Service 7:30 pm via Zoom only  Shushan Purim	19 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
20 Religious School 10:30 am in- person  11:00 am – Tango Shalom Discussion and Q & A	21 School Board Meeting 8:00 pm via Zoom	22 Healing Service 7:30 pm via Zoom  Beginning Adult Hebrew Class 8:15 pm via Zoom	23 Hebrew School via Zoom. Classes at 4:30, 5:00 & 5:10 pm	24	25 Shabbat Evening Service 7:30 pm in- person and via Zoom	26 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 am via Zoom
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Please indicate "TBS Voice" on the subject line!

The March Simchat Shabbat will  
be on Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>  
when we will celebrate the  
birthdays and anniversaries for  
the month of March !!



Anniversaries  
and Birthdays

**FYI - we just learned from our Mail  
Carrier that some bags of mail were  
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