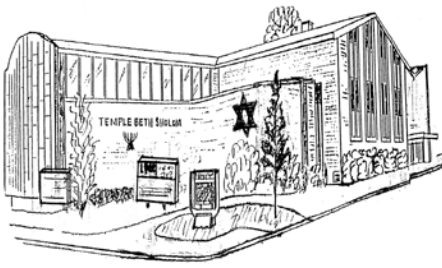


The Voice

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM OF FLUSHING



THIS MONTH:

BAZAAR

SATURDAY & SUNDAY
DECEMBER 3 & 4

BOWLING

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

PA ZOOM COOKING EVENT

SATURDAY DECEMBER 17

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

CHANUKARAMA

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

BUILDING CLOSED

SUNDAY & MONDAY,
DECEMBER 25 & 26

NEXT MONTH:

BUILDING CLOSED

SUNDAY & MONDAY,
JANUARY 1 & 2

HEBREW SCHOOL RESUMES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4

BOWLING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL RESUMES

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

VIRTUAL BINGO

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12

PA COOKING EVENT

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17

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PA GAME NIGHT

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

CONGREGATION MEETING

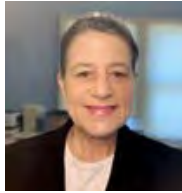
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

BOARD INSTALLATION SHABBAT

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29



From the Rabbi's desk

Chag Urim Sameach!

I am writing this article on Election Day. We just turned the clocks back—although I enjoy the extra hour of sleep, I really don't like the early evening darkness. It hasn't seemed much like fall, as temperatures have been very mild. I still have tomatoes growing! This is a first for me. Usually, my garden is done by mid-October. Nonetheless, I expect by the time you read this, it will be colder, and yes, much darker. This year, the Winter Solstice will fall during the holiday of Chanukah, which begins on the evening of December 18th. On the Hebrew calendar, Chanukah begins on the 25th of Kislev, and ends on the 2nd of Tevet. This means that we will celebrate a Rosh Chodesh (a new month and a new moon). So the days will be at their shortest, and the moon will be just a sliver if visible at all. No sun and no moon—it will be very dark indeed.

I am reminded of a *midrash* from the Talmud [Avodah Zara 8b] in which Adam, the first human, was afraid when he noticed the days getting shorter and shorter. He thought, "*perhaps because I sinned, the world is getting darker around me, and will ultimately return to chaos and disorder (of the universe before creation). This is the death that was sentenced upon me from Heaven.*" He then arose and spent eight days fasting and in prayer. Once he saw that the days were getting longer (since the winter solstice had passed), he realized that this is the way of the world, since the days would get longer and shorter throughout the year.

So the next year, instead of fasting and prayer, he set up an eight-day festivity, for the sake of Heaven."

This may have been the rabbis' explanation of why there are so many festivals of light during the dark time of the year and alludes to our current festival of Chanukah. Chanukah is a celebration of the miracle of the oil and the Maccabees' victory over King Antiochus. Both were miracles, yet simple things such as the ebb and flow of the seasons—the light and darkness we experience each year—are miracles, too. Chanukah gives us a chance to bring more light into our lives, acknowledge these daily miracles, and to sit by and admire God's works.

December brings lots of activity to Temple Beth Shalom. Bazaar!!! This year, we are having a special Shared Shabbat/Simchat Shabbat right before Bazaar on December 2nd. Please note the different time—services begin at **7:00 pm**, and if you come at 6:30, a pizza Shabbat dinner will be served. It will be an extra musical Shabbat, as we will have Maestro David Close joining us on keyboards, in addition to Karen Feit, Cantor Korobow and me.



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All services are in-person and via Zoom, 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, Dec 2nd: Shared/Simchat Shabbat Service **7:00 pm**
EARLY START Torah Portion: Vayetzet
 Candles: Junior Congregation
 Kiddush: Ben and Matthew Cohen

Saturday, Dec 3rd: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Friday, Dec 9th: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**
 Torah Portion: Vayishlach
 Candles: Lori Lustig
 Kiddush: Joe deLeon

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

Friday, Dec. 16th: Shabbat Service **7:30 pm**
 Torah Portion: Vayeshev
 Candles: Maxine Simon
 Kiddush: Charlene Metz

Saturday, Dec 17th: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Friday, Dec. 23rd: Shabbat Evening Chanukah Service **7:30 pm**
 Torah Portion: Miketz/Chanukah
 Candles: Nancy Lothammer
 Kiddush: Neal Kwait

Saturday, Dec 24th: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Friday, Dec. 30th: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**
ZOOM ONLY Torah Portion: Vayegash
 Candles: Geri Weiss
 Kiddush: Deirdre Weliky

Saturday, Dec 31st: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

*Join us after Shabbat Services
 for an Oneg Shabbat and
 share some time with your
 Temple Family and Friends*

From The President

To My Temple Family,

It's that time of year where winter, Chanukah (and Bazaar) are just around the corner!

Yesterday definitely felt like snow - thankfully, although a definite chill in the air, we didn't have any. But, with that chill in the air, we will all soon be able to warm ourselves up with Chef Adam's butternut squash and/or mushroom barley soup! Don't forget to pre-order your soup and buy your chances!!

A shout out to our Religious School and Hebrew School students and post confirmands who have been stepping up to the plate and participating beautifully in our monthly Shared Shabbat. Thank you Karen Feit and Rabbi Ballan for coordinating the participation and helping to lead the services! I urge everyone to attend to be able to see our future leaders!

As I mentioned in last month's article, we were approved for a homeland security grant. The process to obtain the funds is quite complicated. Just as an FYI, the first step in the process is to submit an Environmental and Historic Preservation Screening Form which must include aerial and ground level photos of the building annotated with the improvements we will be making - Thank you to Eric Lustig for taking the necessary photos. These are due by January 6th, 2023. Joe deLeon has also agreed to help us prepare some of the Request for Proposals, etc.

Of course, I must remind one and all, for the umpteenth time, that Bazaar is only a few days away. We need Angels (\$\$\$) as well as all hands-on deck to set up and sell. Let's do this TBS; you know we can.

Remember to please be kind to one another and stay positive. As I mentioned last month, I look forward to seeing you all in person at our various events as well as Shabbat Services.

Thank you all for your continued support.

My family wishes a very Happy Chanukah to you and your families.

Your President
 Joy A. Bobrow



☆ **Zichronam Livracha** ☆

Carl Rabinowitz
 Former Board Member

Fred Shapiro
 Husband of Susan Ecker

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- PULPIT FLOWER FUND**TBS Office 718-463-4143
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- GENERAL FUND**..... TBS Office 718-463-4143
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- RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND** Rabbi Sharon Ballan 718-463-4143
Ruth Davidson in memory of Carl Rabinowitz
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Barry Packer & Renee Katz-Packer with condolences to Susan Ecker and family in memory of Fred Shapiro, a true mensch
Barry Packer & Renee Katz Packer to honor in honor the birth of Susanne & Bret Fertig and Ashley &.. Gabe Erlichman's new grandson and son Evan Dawson Erlichman
Isidore & Rose Katz, Barry Packer, Renee Katz -Packer and Ethan Borst in honor of brother, brother-in-law and uncle Frank Katz on his 100th birthday on Shabbat Chanukah
Isidore & Rose Katz wishing their Temple Beth Sholom Family and Happy Thanksgiving and Happy Chanukah
Deirdre Weliky to thank Rabbi for her extraordinary ability to combine Theology and Technology!
Geri Weiss & David Chenkin to remember Carl Rabinowitz
- MEN'S CLUB TEMPLE BEAUTIFICATION FUND**..... Eric Bernstein 917-902-4894
- MUSIC FUND**.....Cantor Korobow 718-463-4143
- BAZAAR BOOK ROOM.**..... TBS Office 718-463-4143
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- BUILDING FUND** TBS Office 718-463-4143
Alice Newman in memory of Carl Rabinowitz and Fred Shapiro
Deirdre Weliky to support the building that supports us
- COOLING TOWER FUND** TBS Office 718-463-4143

Thank you for donating to the TBS Funds!

Celebrate Simchat Shabbat Friday, December 2nd, 2022

December Birthdays

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

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

Sharon & Roger Opstbaum



Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom Sistergrams: January/February 2023

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 15th, 2023**. Lori Lustig and Robin Myers will be handling the Sistergrams so please write "Sistergrams" on the envelope so that they will be delivered properly.



January Birthdays

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

February Birthdays

- Ronna Galchus 2/01__
- Deirdre Weliky 2/05__
- Sharon Yontef 2/06__
- Brenda Bernhard 2/13__
- Ruth Dorfman 2/15__
- Stuart Belsky 2/16__
- I. Donald Weston 2/16__
- Walter Costanza 2/18__
- Eric Bass 2/22__
- Steve Levinsky 2/24__
- Sharon Opstbaum 2/25__
- Nancy Goldwasser 2/27__



January Anniversaries

- Jeannette & Steven Fishman 1/13__

February Anniversaries

- Andrea Odintz & Michael Rosenberg 2/20__

Full Name: _____

Phone # _____



Cantor's Corner



I just ran across this article I wrote ten years ago at my previous temple in the wake of Hurricane Sandy. Here's why it's important to belong to a temple, and be part of a community.

I just wanted to take the opportunity to check in with you all. I hope that everyone made it through Superstorm Sandy OK. I know that some of you sustained considerable damage to your homes, cars or personal property. Hopefully, things are being straightened out, and life is getting back to normal. Please let us at Temple Am Echad know if there is anything we can do to help.

Folks at the Temple have really stepped up in reaching out to members in need, and to the community in general. That says a great deal about our Temple family.

I was very touched when I received a telephone call from my dear friend Cantor Lisa Klinger-Kantor about ten days after the storm. Lisa is the cantor at Temple Emanu-El of Long Beach. She told me that their building was seriously damaged, and that their congregation was spread out all over the place. They had received an invitation via Facebook from us to come on over for Friday night services, and for anything else they might need. I told Lisa that it would be great to see her and her husband Alan and their kids, along with any Temple Emanu-El congregants that would like to come.

Sure enough, on Friday, November 9th, Lisa came to our services along with her husband and twins. So too did Temple Emanu-El's Rabbi Bennett Hermann, along with a number of their congregants. It seemed as if everyone was very much in the mood to sit, worship, sing, chat and relax together. Certainly, there hasn't been a whole lot of time to relax recently in our area. As I write this article, I expect that we may see some of our guests again this coming Friday night. We don't know how long it may be before their building is usable again for worship purposes, so I sincerely hope that they will consider Temple Am Echad their home away from home in the coming days. I would ask that you all extend that invitation to anyone else you might know who might be similarly situated and in need.

We at Temple Am Echad are very fortunate. Our building never lost power, and sustained minimal damage. As we all know, others have not been so lucky. That's why it's so important to continue to be here for the entire community, whatever their needs may be. Thanks to all of you for being the community you are. You make me very proud to be a part of Temple Am Echad.



Cantor's Corner

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It's been ten years since Hurricane Sandy, and thankfully, we at Temple Beth Sholom are likewise committed to being here for our entire community. Indeed, I'm very proud to be a part of our Temple Beth Sholom family!

With affection,
Cantor Jerry Korobow

Men's Club

Hello members of the Temple Beth Sholom! The Men's Club hopes that all is well with everyone. Since this is the Thanksgiving season, there will be many thank yous.

On Friday November 11th, the Men's Club Service took place. Thank you to all of our participants who did a fabulous job: Elaine and Emily Larkin, Eric Bernstein, Eric Lustig, Barry Packer, Larry Gold, Mike Rosenberg, Ben Cohen, Jason Ehrlich, Roger Opstbaum, Walter Costanza, and Joe DeLeon. We could not have had this service run as well without your support. Thanks to Eric Bernstein who helped me create a cue sheet for our participants and make phone calls. Thank you, Eric Lustig, for moderating Zoom. Finally, thanks to Rabbi Ballan and Cantor Jerry Korobow for leading the service. You two do an amazing job every week.

On Sunday November 13th, Men's Club sponsored the Veterans Day Breakfast. There were three veterans who took part in our program: Lt. Col. Thomas Larkin (U.S. Army), Sgt. Sam Fried (Israeli Army), and Sgt. Marc Heisler (U.S. Army). Each veteran shared his unique experiences from enlisting in their branches of the military through to their current life. Thank you for taking the time to share your stories. Thank you to all the attendees who joined us virtually and in person. And a special thank you to Eric Bernstein who did a tremendous job creating the slide show and set-up the Zoom.

I would like to also thank all our volunteers who have spent the last few weeks boxing books. What all of you have done has been an enormous *mitzvah*. The job is done...the books are in storage and ready for Bazaar!!

We are planning a trip to the Eldridge Street Museum. We are still working on a date for this event. Please stay tuned.

Thank you Temple Beth Sholom members for all you do. Enjoy the holiday season!!

Andrew Larkin
Men's Club President



November Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees met on Monday November 14th, 2022, via Zoom.

President Joy Bobrow began her report with a moment of silence to remember Carl Rabinowitz, long-time TBS member and past Board Member, who passed away this week. She updated the Board on the complicated process of obtaining the Homeland Security Grant funds that we were approved for.

October minutes were approved by the Board as presented.

Robin Myers, Financial Secretary, reported we now have 110 member units with one re-instated member and a new family that joined. The Board approved the October Financial Report as presented by Treasurer Charlene Metz.

Rabbi reported from Norwalk, CT at her rabbinic retreat on the topic of Building Community. She reported on recent services that have gone well. She has started some in-person tutoring for B'nei Mitzvah students and is happy to be back in person for Hebrew School on Wednesdays. She expressed her hope to continue to serve this Temple Community well into the future. Cantor Korobow reported on recent services and also said what a great job Aviva Kaufman and Justin White are doing volunteering to support Religious School students. He reported David Close, and Akiva the Believer, will each be joining us next month on December 2nd and December 23rd, respectively. He is in contact with Gathering Time, which wants to join us for a service in the spring.

Geri Weiss, Pulpit and Ritual Committee Chair, encouraged all to join Shabbat Services in the sanctuary. She said vaccination cards are no longer required. She asks that members please let the office know in advance when guests are expected, for security purposes.

Elaine Larkin, PA Co-President reported for both Religious School and Parents' Association. She reported on Shared Shabbat Services and an upcoming Chanukah Zoom event.

Fay Schildkraut, Membership Committee Chair, presented the Laniado family to the Board for membership and they were unanimously approved. The committee is starting to plan for Shabbat Across America in March. For Purim, they're planning to continue the tradition of sending Shelach Manot baskets to college students away from home whose parents are members.

Barbara Gandelman, Sisterhood President, reported the Election Day Rummage sale was a great success and raised \$1,200.00. The book club will take place on November 20th, discussing *The Push* by Ashley Audrain. The next Adult Discussion Group will be Wednesday, December 21st and the next Women's Discussion Group will take place on Wednesday, January 18th, facilitated by Deirdre Weliky.

President Joy Bobrow, Use of Building, reported on implementing security in our building. She will be following up with Temple Gates of Prayer's President to further clarify and explain the importance of building-wide procedures.

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Jim Kettig, House Committee, reported he continues the work on updating the HVAC systems.

Andrew Larkin, Men's Club President, reported the Men's Club Service and Veteran's Day Breakfast both went well, and he thanked all involved. He reported that the books have all been sorted and are ready for Bazaar shelving, thanks to amazing volunteers who stepped up.

Deirdre Weliky, Caring Committee Chair, reported condolence cards and check-in calls continue to be made to some congregants with limited mobility. Joy Bobrow reported the next food pantry is on November 22nd. Gail Tishcoff reported the November Blood Drive is Sunday, November 20th from 9:30 am – 3:30 pm. The flyer was sent to all members of the Board of Trustees with a request for everyone to do outreach to see if we can increase our donation numbers at this drive.

Ilyne Rabinowitz, Social Action Committee Chair, reported she has called Forestdale to arrange to deliver our donations for their family closet and determine other needs of the population they serve. They will need volunteers to help sort and deliver the goods we collected.

Barry Packer, Ways & Means Committee Chair, reported after a three-year break, he is planning for a 5th Chicken Soup Cook-Off sometime next November.

Eric Bernstein, Adult Education, reported Sunday, January 29th, the Rabbi will be providing an in-person/virtual lecture on the "History of the Reform Movement." He also continues to pursue a lecturer on Emergency Preparedness after the winter holidays are over.

Joy Bobrow reported that Bazaar 2022 will be the first weekend of December. We will have vendors, raffles, and Chef Adam's soup for sale. A total of 18,631 books were sorted. We need help to set up the book room after Thanksgiving. Clergy were excused. The Board unanimously approved the motion to negotiate with Rabbi Sharon Ballan for her contract renewal.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Tishcoff, Recording Secretary

From the Rabbi's desk

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But wait, there's more! Our Family Chanukah Service will take place on Friday, December 23rd, and we will be joined by Akiva and his many drums and percussion instruments. I encourage you to bring your favorite *chanukiyah* so that we may light them together. We haven't done this in a long while. I know that when I see all the beautiful *chanukiyot* glowing, I will be reminded of the miracles around us that light up even our darkest moments.

May our *chanukiyot* illuminate our days as well as our hearts,

Rabbi Sharon Ballan

Parents' Association

Hello TBS family. We hope that everyone is doing well and that your family enjoyed the Thanksgiving holidays.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Shared Shabbat event on November 4th both in person and on Zoom. The present Religious/Hebrew School Students and post bar/bat mitzvah congregants did a fantastic job.

PA will be hosting a Chanukah Zoom event on Saturday, December 17th. Please see the flyer in the upcoming Monday emails for more information.

PA will be having a fundraiser at Panera Bread on Monday, November 21st from 4:00 – 8:00 pm. Please see the blast email with the flyer and information on how to support PA.

We are organizing Chanukah gift bags for the Religious School students. They will be given out during Chanukahrama (Sunday, December 18th). Thank you Geri Weiss for locating many of the items for the Chanukah bags in the principal's office.

Our next Shared Shabbat will be held on Friday, December 2nd at 7:00 pm (*Notice the time change*). There will be pizza at 6:30 pm to eat before services begin. Please contact Geri Weiss if you want to participate in the pizza dinner. Right after services, TBS congregants will be setting up for Bazaar 2022. Please stay after services and help set up for this huge event.

PA will have their next meeting on Sunday, December 11th 10:30 am. It will be both in person and on Zoom.

May you enjoy the December holidays with your family and friends. See you all at Bazaar 2022!!!!!!

All the best,

Erica Bernstein
Elaine Larkin
PA co- Presidents



Sisterhood Corner

I hope that you enjoyed Thanksgiving with your families and were able to take 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 Shalom. My life would not be the same without them!

As we finish celebrating Thanksgiving, we are in full swing for another great Bazaar. Please consider volunteering for set-up or for the event or even for both! We always appreciate all of the help that we can get. The Bazaar will take place on Saturday, December 3rd and Sunday, December 4th. Please support Temple by buying Chef Adam's soup and getting raffle tickets. Please see the flyer for more details and call the office if you are able to volunteer. We look forward to seeing you at this yearly Temple fundraiser.

We had a book club on November 20th. It was great to see so many Sisterhood members there. We read the book *The Push* by Ashley Audrain. Our next book club will take place on Sunday, February 26th at 10:30 am. We will be reading *Rebel Daughter* by Lori Banov Kaufmann. The author will be joining us for this discussion!

Our Rummage Sale was once again a great success thanks to the tireless efforts of Adam "The Man" Fertig and Joy Bobrow and all of the volunteers who came to help for set-up and at the day of the Rummage Sale. We raised \$1,200 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 Adult Discussion group will take place on December 21st and the Women's Discussion group will take place on January 18th. I am so happy that these groups have been so successful. Thank you to Deirdre Weliky for her dedication to the groups and our Temple.

Virtual Bingo continues to be a success. Our next Bingo will take place on Thursday, January 12th! Please invite your family and friends to this fun filled event. You don't even have to leave your house!! See the flyer for details.

I hope that you take a moment to enjoy this holiday season with your loved ones. As we say goodbye to 2022, my hope is that 2023 brings only good things to you, your family and our Temple Family!

Happy New Year!

Barbara Gandelman
Sisterhood President



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Rummage

Rummage Sale November, 2022 ...

Another awesome success! We had a great Rummage Sale on Election Day! The weather cooperated and people came out to shop! We raised as much as we have in the past Novembers! Thanks to our Rummage set-up volunteers: Adam F, Stacy K, Al E, Ilyne R, Barbara G, Eric L, Lori L, Geri W, Iris B, Joy B, Bonnie W, Gloria S, Diane S, Farida N. Thanks too, to those who volunteered on the day of the sale: Adam F, Stacy K, Bonnie W, Al E, Eric L, Joy B, and Lori L. All unsold clothing has been donated, which enabled us to create some storage space. Now, we can again accept donations of gently used, clean clothing for the Memorial Day Sale 2023.

Temple Beth Sholom Presents

ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP



Join us on

Wednesday evening, December 21, 2022

7:30 pm via Zoom

TOPIC: The Joys and Challenges of the Holiday Season

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

**Zoom information to be provided
In the Monday morning email on December 19**

Join with adults of varying ages and life experiences, Temple family and friends alike, as we talk and learn about ourselves and others discovering 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**

Adult Education

Thank you to those who submitted responses to the Virtual Defensive Driving Program form. This form will allow me to send reminders to members who are due to enlist in the defensive driving course. If we reach a certain amount of participants, we will be eligible for a group rate. This course will allow participants to learn how to drive safe, receive insurance discounts and point reduction, and support Temple.

On Sunday, January 29th, the Rabbi will be providing an in-person/virtual lecture on the "History of the Reform Movement." Learn about the first religious movement in Judaism. See the flyer included in this issue of The Voice.

Adult Education has been working with the Community Emergency Response Team to provide a lecture on Emergency Preparedness which will take place in mid-late winter after all the fall/early winter holidays are done. All are invited.

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.

Thank you for everyone who supported Temple events this past year.

May everyone end 2022 with a healthy and festive note.

Eric Bernstein
Chairman, Adult Education

Bazaar 2022

Don't forget that this year, Bazaar will be on December 3rd and 4th!! 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 prepare his butternut squash and mushroom barley soups in the TBS kitchen...it's \$6 for a small container and \$10 for a large container. The soup will be available for pick-up on Sunday, December 4th; please pre-order!!!

We will also have books (over 18,600!!), and As-Is on the lower level; clothing, One-of-a-Kind and jewelry in the ballroom. There will also be vendors in the ballroom, and again this year, there will be food for purchase WITH eat-in dining! 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 2022!

Joy Bobrow and Barbara Gandelman
2022 Bazaar Co-Chairs

BAZAAR 2022

Religious School News

Greetings, TBS family. We hope that you enjoyed the Thanksgiving holiday with your families and friends.

There was an AMAZING turnout for our Shared Shabbat Service on Friday November 4th. Thank you to all of the present and past Religious School students who participated in the service. Thank you to the congregation who constantly supports the students.

Our next Shared Shabbat will be held on Friday, December 2nd at **7:00 pm**. Please come for a pizza dinner at 6:30 pm. Make reservations with Geri Weiss. Also, please stay after services to help set up for Bazaar 2023.

Religious School will be having its Chanukarama event on Sunday, December 18th at 10.30 am. We hope to have a lot of fun with the students and learn something new about Chanukah.

The next School Board meeting will be held on Wednesday evening, December 7th at 8:00 pm.

We hope that the December holidays are joyous ones for you and your family.

All the best,
Erica Bernstein
Religious School Board Representative

VIRTUAL AFFILIATE

How would you like to worship and socialize, again or for the very first time, with your friends and family in another state or country? You can by inviting them to become a TBS Virtual Affiliate! This entitles them to virtually attend:

- Friday night Shabbat Services
- High Holy Day Services
- Adult Ed Programs
- Healing Services
- Sisterhood Book Club
- All Discussion Groups
- Virtual Bingo

And, celebrate simchas, observe yahrzeits and share every other virtual social event at TBS! This makes a great gift for your loved ones.

For more information
contact Fay Schildkraut at
917 509-1664 or
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Rabbi Sharon Ballan
“The History of the Reform Movement”

Dates: Sunday, January 29th

Time: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Where: Temple ballroom

*Breakfast will be served

Rabbi Ballan will be discussing the history of the Reform Movement.

...All are invited...



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Scoop's Schmooze

As I sit here authoring the 60th edition of Scoop's Schmooze, it is Thursday evening before the second Saturday in November.

In bygone days, up until 2019, this (or Wednesday) is when Team Chicken Soup would be polishing off the finishing touches on Temple Beth Sholom's Chicken Soup Cook-Off; before that November Saturday night, although the inaugural event was actually held on October 15, 2016.

This is the night we would be gathering at the abode of Suzanne and Bret Fertig; and Suzanne has been the "hostess with the mostest" for every one of Team Chicken Soup's meetings throughout the years---gracious with her time and space, snacks and drinks. Karla Bonne has always made sure that BaysideLive TV was going to be covering the event. Jeff Cohen, who we all miss deeply, was always there with his eagerness in making sure the media was informed of the happening. The banners that were Jeff's creations were displayed on TBS's front lawn so that they could be seen by passing motorists and pedestrians on Northern Boulevard, indeed were a work of art. And, speaking of art, the creativity of Lori Lustig, with her Chicken Soup aprons that have been worn by the team on "Souper Bowl" Saturdays proudly adorn one of the bookcases in my den. And, as I look to my other cabinet, there is a photograph from "Souper Bowl" II with Team Chicken Soup, accompanied by Rabbi Ballan, Cantor Korobow and three of the event's judges.

Over the years, there have been 74 different vendors---from restaurants, vineyards and hotels to stores, recreation and art; with 17 of the 74 having been there for all four years. And, lucky number 13 is for the number of different vendors who have won, placed or shown during the four years of the competition.

These people are not just proprietors or entrepreneurs or chefs. While some of the participants have been personal friends of mine for many years, all of them, with their time, generosity and culinary virtuosity have become "Friends of Temple Beth Sholom."

The event that has helped make a celebrity out of Chef Elvis, has also had its own luminaries from WPIX 11's Magee Hickey and the New York Post's Steve Serby to the trio of arbiters featured in that "Souper Bowl" II picture including BaysideLiveTV's Gregg Sullivan, Spanish Consulate Diplomat Lisa Arias and former Senator Tony Avella; who frequently said this was his favorite event of the year.

And Senator Avella may not be the only one with that opinion; as over the years the thousands of dollars that were netted as a result of the event and its raffles continued to increase year upon year as did the attendance, which, in 2019, brought in well over 200 people.

So, after a three-year hiatus, here's hope that in the middle of the week around this time next year, we will once again gather at the Fertig house to finalize details for that special Saturday night, when all of the "Friends of Temple Beth Sholom" will return for "Souper Bowl" V.

Barry Packer
Second Vice-President, Ways & Means Chairman

Pulpit & Ritual

Now that the Torah covers have been changed from white back to crimson, Temple Beth Sholom can say, "We're Back!" Friday evening Shabbat Services have been slowly but steadily growing in the number of congregants in attendance. We will keep our doors open through the winter while the weather holds up. Please refer to the Friday morning "Rabbi's Message" email message for last minute winter Shabbat Service weather related updates!!

Vaccination cards are no longer needed to attend services. However, if you plan to have guests attend, please let the office know in advance. We are continuing to take attendance for security reasons. And, of course, please, if you are not feeling well, enjoy the services on Zoom from the comfort of your home.

Thank you to the Cantor for arranging extra musical accompaniment for our services. For the December 2nd Shared Shabbat, (at 7:00 pm) David Close will join us on the keyboard. The December 23rd Chanukah Service will feature Akiva the Believer and all his percussion instruments. Looking forward to mixing music with prayer!

Geri Weiss
Pulpit & Ritual Committee Chair

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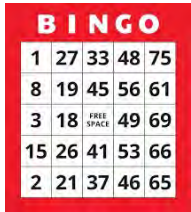


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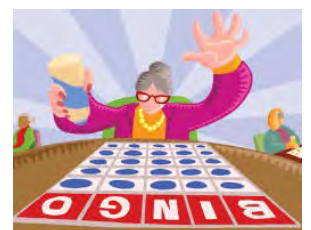
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Week of December 2nd

Bernice Berman
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James Goldstein
Gerald Kanengiser
Kenneth Kupferberg

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Grandfather of Benjamin and Matthew Cohen
Aunt of Diane Shtulman
Husband of Reva Hollander
Uncle of Nancy Goldwasser
Father of Anne Pepper
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Grandfather of Geri Weiss
Father of Susan Ecker

Max Weiss
Paul Woliner

Week of December 9th

Luna Haime
Constance Hofer
Ida Kaiser
Esther Maurer
Alice Shapiro
Carol Tishcoff

Grandmother of Karen Carroscio
Mother of Greg Hofer
Mother of Linda Fuentes
Wife of Gerald Maurer
Mother-in-Law of Gloria Shapiro
Daughter of Herta Tishcoff
Sister of Gail Tishcoff

Week of December 16th

Sadie Adler
Paul Edelstein
Irving Fertel
Pearl Fradkin
Louis Glanz
Dora M. Goodman
Milton Graff
Sidney Korsch
Benjamin Scharf
Dominique Severin
Bernard Simon
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Father of Maxine Simon
Mother of Andrew Fradkin
Grandfather of Robin Myers
Grandmother of Cantor Sandra Goodman
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Friend of Lillian Tandatnick
Brother-in-Law of Miriam Scharf
Uncle of Dr. Richard Severin
Father-in-Law of Maxine Simon
Mother of Michael Susman

Week of December 23rd

Joseph Attar
Gladys Bamberger
William Bruckner

Walter Bullock
Doris Krackow
Bernard Kwait
Tyrrell Mastropaolo
Louis Scharf
Flora Stein

Father of Jack Attar
Mother of Fran Goldman
Brother of Herta Tishcoff
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Grandfather of Nancy Lothammer
Mother of Brenda Bernhard
Father of Neal Kwait
Brother of Norma Benvenuto
Brother-in-Law of Miriam Scharf
Grandmother of Karri Kaufman

Week of December 30th

Hyman Feirberg
Jules Gillin
Max Kupferberg
Selma Kupferberg
Steven M. Kupferberg
Lillian Morris
Eva Myers
Miriam Weiner

Father of Lynn Goldenstein
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Week of January 6th

Sy Dipkin*
Frank S. Greene*
Edwin Hoffman
David Krackow
Deborah Jean Larkin
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11 Religious School in-person 10:30 am PA Meeting 10:30 am in-person/Zoom Men's Club Meeting 11:15 am in-person/Zoom	12 Membership Meeting 7:00 pm via Zoom Board of Trustees Meeting 8:00 pm via Zoom	13 Healing/Meditation Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	14 Hebrew School in-person at 4:30 pm	15	16 Evening Shabbat Service in-person/Zoom 7:30 pm	17 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study via Zoom 10:00 am
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25 NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL	26 BUILDING CLOSED	27 Healing/Meditation Service 7:30 pm via Zoom	28 NO HEBREW SCHOOL	29	30 Evening Shabbat Service 7:30 pm via ZOOM ONLY	31 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study via Zoom 10:00 am



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the month of December!**



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