

The Voice

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM OF FLUSHING

MAY

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From the Rabbi's desk

As I write this article, I am munching on some matzah as it is still Passover. By the time you receive the May edition of The Voice, it will almost be time to celebrate Temple Beth Sholom's 75th Anniversary Gala, which will take place Saturday evening, May 3. I hope I will see you all there. It is not hard to believe that TBS has been a vibrant Jewish community in Flushing for 75 years, because this community is a very special one.

I knew at once, after my very first service with you, way back in 2009, that Temple Beth Sholom would be my new home—that you would be my new family. Over the years, I have seen your hard work and dedication to this synagogue, and that has been the force that has enabled us to survive for eight decades in Queens, when many synagogues have closed their doors. I am also celebrating more than 15 years with you. Our congregation may not have grown in numbers, but it has grown in so many other ways. We have truly become a caring community—we made it through COVID, and we have come out much stronger. This is due to our wonderful leadership—our Board of Trustees, led by our President, Joy Bobrow, our office and building staff, and of course my bimah partner, Cantor Jerry Korobow.

At my service of installation, I spoke about how I was entering into a covenant with Temple Beth Sholom, and that we would forge a holy partnership.

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We have become that and more. I have shared in your simchas and sorrows and every lifecycle event. We have learned together, prayed together and cared for one another. Our Gala celebration does not end with the Gala—Sunday May 4, is our annual Mitzvah Day and Blood Drive. Please do not pass by an opportunity to perform a Mitzvah!

May we go from strength to strength and may we continue to grow and have many more years together.

Shalom u'vracha,
 Rabbi Sharon Ballan



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Worship Schedule

Friday, May 2nd: PA Shared Shabbat Service **7:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Shimini
Candles: Karri Kaufman
Kiddush: Don Nelinson

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

Friday, May 9th: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Acharei Mot-Kedoshim
Candles: Lori Lustig
Kiddush: Eric Lustig

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

Friday, May 16th: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Emor
Candles: Geri Weiss
Kiddush: David Chenkin

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

Friday, May 23rd: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Behat-Bechukotai
Candles: TBA
Kiddush: TBA

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

Friday, May 30th: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Bemidbar
Candles: Fran Goldman
Kiddush: Sam Rosenberg

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

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Father of Amy Edelstein
Father-in-Law of Michael Gross
Grandfather of Ori Edelstein

From The President

To My Temple Family,

Hope you and your family had a sweet and happy Passover.

As I have mentioned in the past, we write our articles in the middle of the month prior to printing. So, I am writing this article as we get ready to have our final planning for the 75th Gala Dinner coming up in two weeks. I have no doubt it will be an incredible evening, and, in next month's Voice, there will be a recap of the most incredible weekend that TBS has had in a long time - from the proclamations received Friday evening from elected officials to the wonderful dinner and dancing at Marbella Restaurant in Bayside.

Thank you to all the members of the Gala Committee who worked tirelessly for many months to make this happen, and a special thank you to Barry Packer for doing yeoman's work to keep this on track.

As TBS celebrates its 75 years as a Reform synagogue in northeast Queens, we only wish we can be around for at least another 75 years. As a predecessor of mine said, "we are the little temple who could." And I second, Yes, we can!!

Remember, we have our Congregational Meeting on Wednesday, May 28. Please try to attend - since it's on Zoom, it's so much easier!! We have a lot of important and exciting topics to cover. Come and be a part of the decision making for your Temple.

Come home to Temple Beth Sholom - let's worship at Friday Night Services and share a morsel together.

Your President,
Joy A. Bobrow

Thank you to the Gala Committee!

We are excited about all the celebrations planned commemorating 75 years of Temple Beth Sholom serving the Jewish community in Flushing, and honoring Sharon Ballan as the Rabbi of our congregation.



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Celebrate Simchat Shabbat Friday, May 2, 2025

May Birthdays

Seth Bernstein	Ethan Harkavy
Joseph Dulberg	Mitchell Horowitz
Adam Fertig	Melanie Katz
Steve Fishman	Jacob Lothammer
Veronica Flug	Myra Pitt
Jeffrey Galub	Brett Reichler
Margot Gellerman	Gloria Shapiro
Laura Goldsmith	Ned Steele



May Anniversaries

Stuart & Vicky Belsky
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Sharon & Jay Haimer
Lori & Neal Kwait
Donald LaRosa & Carol Stern-LaRosa
Barry Packer & Renee Katz-Packer
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Temple Beth Sholom - Flushing

Sunday, May 4, 2025

9:30am to 3:30pm

Ballroom

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Cantor's Corner



My friends, we are living in strange times, to say the very least. Each day, the stock market makes precipitous jumps, whether up or down. Tariffs are on or off.

While folks are understandably worried about the cost of eggs, groceries, cars, gasoline, and pretty much everything else, there's another serious worry for some of us. And that is...what's happening to the arts? Here I quote from NPR (National Public Radio): "Wherever you live, it's likely that there's a theater or a children's museum near you that is being supported, in part, by the federal government. And if you've ever visited Washington, D.C., you may have been inside one of the free Smithsonian museums or attended a show at The Kennedy Center.

Funds have been, and are being, cut to arts organizations such as opera companies, orchestras, dance companies, museums, schools teaching and promoting the arts, and any number of other arts related organizations. Here I quote professional fine artist Nancy Reynor: "Art has always held a significant place in society, influencing and reflecting the culture and community it emerges from. From ancient cave paintings to contemporary digital art, the impact of art is profound and far-reaching. It serves as a mirror to societal values, challenges norms, and inspires change. Art bridges the gap between different cultures and time periods, offering a universal language that transcends words. It enhances our environment, making spaces more vibrant and meaningful. The creative process itself fosters innovation and critical thinking, essential skills in today's world."

I, and many others, could go on and on about the importance of the arts in our lives. But here is a short, non-exclusive list of 10 reasons to support the arts from the National Arts Administration:

1. Arts unify communities 2. Arts improve individual well-being 3. Arts strengthen the economy 4. Arts drive tourism and revenue to local businesses 5. Arts improve academic performance 6. Arts spark creativity and innovation 7. Arts have social impact 8. Arts improve healthcare 9. Arts aid the health and well-being of our military 10. Arts strengthen mental health.

All that I've said to this point merely scratches the surface of the value and importance of the arts to any society. It's no coincidence that various fine and performing art forms permeate virtually every society that has existed in human history. From cave paintings to famous graffiti artist Banksy, from Mozart to Phillip Glass, and from African tribal dance to Mikhail Baryshnikov, it's all art. And, it all matters. It all makes the world a better place, and our lives more livable.

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To quote the inimitable George Bernard Shaw, "Without art, the crudeness of reality would make the world unbearable." Old Georgie was so right. Along with all the other things we must worry about protecting is these strange times, let's not forget to protect the arts!

With affection,

Cantor/Artist Jerry Korobow



Sisterhood Chocolate Seder

On Thursday evening, April 3rd, 20 Sisterhood members gathered for a very different, and very fun Passover Seder. Almost all the items were made of chocolate! We drank four cups of chocolate milk or chocolate wine, ate chocolate eggs, dipped strawberries or parsley into chocolate hummus!

Join us for more fun events as they are announced.



Temple Beth Sholom
Religious School Celebrating
Mitzvah Day
Sunday, May 4, 2025
from 10:00AM – 12 Noon



Also happening on Mitzvah Day:



We are also taking donations for the Paper Products Drive (in conjunction with Ronald McDonald House Charities NY Metro). Please note only new and sealed products:

- Paper towels
- Napkins
- Toilet paper
- Paper plates
- Paper bowls
- Plastic cups
- Plastic cutlery

There will be boxes in the TBS lobby to drop off donations from Sunday, May 4th through Sunday, June 1st (closing exercises), during regular operating hours.



TBS BAKE SALE will be held in the front lobby from 10AM – 12Noon – this is to raise money for the TBS PA and for our kids. For Bake Sale donations, the donated baked items should be individually wrapped.



LUNCH BAG ASSEMBLY LINE

Our younger students will decorate brown bags for our older students to fill with lunches to donate to Commonpoint Queens' food pantry in Little Neck.

Don't forget to bring a donation for the Walk-a-Thon!

April Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees met on April 7 via Zoom.

President Joy Bobrow thanked Lori Lustig and Geri Weiss for putting together the Shalach Manot baskets and delivering them to several members who aren't able to attend services or come to Temple. She reported that an additional Zoom account has been established to enable simultaneous meetings. She updated the Board on new TD Bank deposit requirements. She wished all a sweet Pesach and stated First Vice-President Joe deLeon will be chairing next month's meeting while she is on vacation.

The March Meeting Minutes were accepted as received. Robin Myers, Financial Secretary, reported we currently have 108 member units.

Cantor Korobow reported on Religious School and recent services. Rabbi Ballan reported the Purim Service and Shpiel was wonderful. Saturday morning Torah Study has been very nice. A group of about nine to 10 people signed up for Beginning Adult Hebrew Class after the Healing Service on Tuesday evenings. She wished all a Zissen Pesach.

Parents Association Co-President Erica Bernstein reported it met on April 2. It plans to visit the Ronald McDonald House to drop off pillows (a mitzvah project spear-headed by Matthew Cohen) and get-well notes made by Religious School Students arranged by Andrea Odintz. PA held its annual Passover Zoom cooking event on Saturday, April 5 and baked matzah crack. Parents assisted at the Religious School Passover Model Seder on April 6. It is planning a bake sale during Mitzvah Day and Blood Drive (May 4). She also reported the Religious School Board met. The Passover Model Seder was held on April 6 during Religious School and the Board thanked Rabbi Ballan and Cantor Korobow for running the service as well as the families who helped set up. Activities for Mitzvah Day (May 4) are being planned. The next Shared Shabbat Service will be held on Friday, May 2. It is planning a paper product drive during the month of May for the Ronald McDonald House. The upcoming trip to Anne Frank Exhibit (April 27) was discussed.

Barbara Gandelman, Sisterhood President, reported the Sisterhood Chocolate Seder was held on April 3 and she thanked everyone who participated and Geri Weiss, Janet Krupit, Joy Bobrow, and Kari Kaufman for all that they did to make it such a memorable and fun evening. The next book club will be held on Thursday, May 22 at 7:30 pm via Zoom to discuss *The Love Elixir of Augusta Stern* by Lynda Cohen Loigman. Rummage Sale set-up will be on Sunday, May 25 and the Rummage Sale will be on Monday, May 26 from 9:30 am until 2:30 pm. Sisterhood's new fiscal year will start on June 1. The Sisterhood Shabbat Service will be held on June 20 and will be an installation service of the Sisterhood Board.

President Joy Bobrow, Use of Building, reported on the ongoing contract agreement negotiation with TGP.

Jim Kettig, House Committee Chair, reported the HVAC equipment should be delivered to the contractor's yard this week, but demolition will not start immediately because we are still working on getting incentive/rebate money from Con Ed and/or state agency NYSEDA due to increase energy efficiency. Con Ed needs to perform a site inspection prior to demolition as part of that process. We do have a Con Ed visit scheduled. The installation contractor has promised to make himself available if any small repairs are required to get through the summer.

Eric Bernstein, Men's Club, reported the next bowling date is Monday, April 14 at JIB Lanes at 8:30 pm. It's been nine years of the league! The Walk off the Matzah will be held on Sunday, April 20 at 10:00 am at Little Bay Park (Under the Throgs Neck Bridge). It is organizing the plantings for Mitzvah Day, May 4. Yom HaShoah candles are available in the office for a suggested \$3 donation. The Lag B'Omer Picnic and Softball Game is set for Sunday, May 18.

Deirdre Weliky, Caring Committee Chair, reported Passover cards were sent to a number of older, more home-focused members. Appropriate condolence cards were sent. Some touch-base calls were made. The last Adult Discussion Group before the summer will be on Wednesday, May 12 via Zoom at 7:30 pm. The subject will be Life Lessons Through the Years.

President Bobrow reported the next pantry is on April 29. Gail Tishcoff, Blood Drive Chair, reported she met with the new NYBC representative David Blatt. Updated printed flyers were distributed into mailboxes and she requested everyone drum up interest to donate, as this will be the day after the Gala weekend, and we don't want to have our enthusiasm lag. Parental consent forms for 16-year-olds were also made available. Joy and Geri will meet with Gail on Monday, April 21 to make recruitment calls.

Security Team Update was provided by Past President David Chenkin. Members of the team received active shooter training and are scheduled to finish the CSS training, discuss what is involved in a security shift on event and non-event dates as well as funding issues and how to encourage congregants to keep security in mind. He plans to attend CSS training on how to manage a team. He hopes that beginning in September we will be prepared to provide robust security for Temple Beth Sholom.

Barry Packer, Ways & Means Committee Chair, reported so far, the Gala has 84 people attending and close to 90 ads for the journal. State and Local Government officials will be in attendance to issue proclamations at the Oneg. Eric Bernstein, Adult Education Committee Chair, reported Adult Education will be hosting a lecture in June with material on how to empower our community on Cyber Threats. President Bobrow, Bazaar, described the three notecard themes that were designed by Stacy Kroun and produced on nice card stock for sale by Beth Dulberg.

Good and Welfare was discussed. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Tishcoff, Recording Secretary



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Temple Beth Sholom Sisterhood Presents

ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP



Join us on

Wednesday evening, May 14, 2025

7:30 pm via Zoom

TOPIC: Life Lessons Throughout the Years

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

**Zoom information will be provided in the email on
Monday morning, May 12, 2025**

Join with women of all ages and life experiences, Temple family and friends alike. As women, we seek to learn about ourselves and others and explore our similarities and differences in a caring and supportive environment.

The group will be facilitated by Dr. Deirdre Weliky, LCSW, a member of our Temple family and social worker with more than 25 years experience.

**For more information, contact Deirdre at
dwangel1@gmail.com**

Men's Club

Hello Everyone. I hope that you had a Happy Pesach!

On Sunday, May 18, during the Lag B'Omer picnic, there will be softball games at our reserved field, the Pink Ballfield in Cunningham Park from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. It's the same field as last year, parking beyond our old spot. If you have your own bats or gloves, please bring them. We have some equipment, but it's limited. Everyone is welcome: bring your family and friends!!

On Sunday, July 27, at 11:00 am, we are taking a trip to Caumsett Park. We will have a picnic lunch together. Please provide your own lunch. We will be able to walk around the historic grounds. If you are interested in fishing, please bring your fishing pole. Bait will be provided. If you are interested in fishing, please contact Eric Lustig (ericlustig10@gmail.com).

Come out to the Long Island Ducks on Sunday, August 3 for our annual game night! It's the perfect chance to enjoy a minor league game, get some fresh air, and spend time with friends and family. The flyer in the Monday morning emails will have all the details. RSVP to Eric Bernstein at EricDBernstein@gmail.com by June 22 to reserve your tickets.

Please read The Voice and/or Monday e-mail blasts for upcoming events.

Our next two Men's Club meetings will take place on Thursday, May 8 at 8:00 pm via Zoom only and Sunday, June 8 at 11:00 am (hybrid - in-person and via Zoom). Zoom information will be emailed to you during the week of the meeting.

If you are interested in attending our meetings, please email us at mensclub@templebethsholom.org. We will make sure that the invitation gets you. Let's enjoy our spring!

Andrew Larkin
Men's Club President

Bernstein Bowling Blog

Due to health issues and scheduling conflicts, our April Bowling League meeting was cancelled. However, after we celebrate the 75th Gala of Temple Beth Sholom, you can still attend our May Bowling League event on Monday, May 5 at 8:30 pm.

We're looking for bowlers of all skill levels to join our league. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned pro, we'd love to have you. Contact David, Larry, Joseph, or myself with any questions. Let's keep this fantastic league, established in 2016, thriving!

See you on the lanes!
Eric Bernstein



Sisterhood Corner

The flowers and trees are blooming. We had a cold April, but the weather is now beautiful!

We had a new Sisterhood event on April 3 where we tried many different kinds of chocolate during our Chocolate Seder. Thank you to Geri Weiss, Karri Kaufman, Joy Bobrow, and Janet Krupit for all their help to make this event a success.

The next book club will be held on Thursday, May 22 at 7:30 pm. We will be discussing *The Love Elixir of Augusta Stern* by Lynda Cohen Loigman. We will also be having a meeting at 7:00 pm to discuss events for next year as well as elections for our Sisterhood Board. We hope to see you there.

We will once again be holding our Memorial Day Rummage Sale. The set-up will take place on Sunday, May 25 starting at 10:30 am and the sale will be held on Monday, May 26 from 9:30 am until 2:30 pm. If you can volunteer, please call the office. We are always grateful for any time that you can volunteer. Please donate your clean, gently used clothing for our Rummage Sale.

If you have not paid your dues for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, please send them to Geri Weiss. Our new fiscal year will start on June 1.

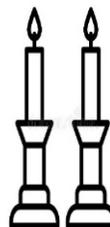
Our Sisterhood Shabbat will be held on Friday, June 20 at 7:30 pm. This will be a Sisterhood Installation. We are looking forward to our Sisterhood Members participating in the service as well as our Temple Members coming to Temple that night.

We will have our next hybrid Bagels and Bingo on Sunday, June 8 at 10:00 am. You can play in the ballroom or on Zoom. Please RSVP and let us know how you will be participating. Don't forget to invite your friends.

Please check The Voice and the Monday morning email for any other details.

Enjoy the spring weather!

Barbara Gandelman
Sisterhood President



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

TBS PARENT ASSOCIATION

Presents

Lag B'omer Field Day / Picnic



Sunday, May 18
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Cunningham Park
Fresh Meadows



Join us for a day of:

- Softball (kids and adults welcome!)
- Laughter and good company
- Shared food (please bring your favorite dish)
- Feel free to bring any other outdoor games you enjoy.

Please bring:

- Your own softball equipment (if you have it)
- Your own lunch

We will provide:

- Watermelon
- Snacks
- Water

Religious School will be held at the park starting at 10:00 AM

Directions: Enter the park through Francis Lewis Boulevard south of Union Turnpike. We will be set up at the far end of the large parking lot in the pink section.

Adult Education

In March, I successfully climbed 40 flights of stairs through a work event. Now, I'm eagerly anticipating the JP Morgan Corporate Challenge 5K run in May, where the simple act of participation brings its own reward.

Following the recent Passover holiday, which I trust was both fulfilling and perhaps rich in carbohydrates, I hope that you had the opportunity to participate in the Walk Away the Matzo Event.

Shifting focus to cybersafety, I encourage you to attend our Adult Education session on June 22. We'll cover essential topics like defining cyber threats, practical security tips, identifying online scams, and what to do if you suspect a compromise. This accessible, non-technical session offers valuable and immediately usable advice to strengthen your digital security.

Thank you to everyone who attends and supports our temple events.

Wishing you a peaceful Memorial Day weekend.

Eric Bernstein
Adult Education Chairman

Parents Association

Greetings to our Temple Beth Sholom Family! We hope that you had an enjoyable Passover holiday with family and friends.

The Temple Parents Association held its meeting on Wednesday, April 2, via Zoom.

On Monday March 31, 2025, some PA families visited the Ronald McDonald House where heart shaped pillows and get-well notes (created by Religious School Students during a Purim event) were donated to give to sick children. Thank you, Andrea Odintz, for arranging this visit.

PA had its annual Passover Zoom Cooking Event on Saturday, April 5. We had a great time making Matzo Crunch. Thank you to all who attended this event.

PA will be running a bake sale during Mitzvah Day which will be on Sunday, May 4. Come out and support PA (and donate blood at the semiannual blood drive).

The next PA meeting will be on Thursday, May 8, via Zoom at 7:00 pm.

We thank everyone for always supporting PA. Be safe and be well.

Erica Bernstein
Elaine Larkin PA Co- Presidents

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Religious School

Greetings everyone. We hope that you had a joyful Passover with your family and friends. Religious School Board had a Board Meeting on Wednesday, April 2. We discussed future events and activities that are coming up.

Religious School had a wonderful Passover Model Seder on Sunday, April 6. Thank you to Rabbi Ballan and Cantor Korobow for leading a great service. And, thanks to all the families who helped set up for this fun event.

On Sunday, May 4, Religious School will have its annual Mitzvah Day. Students will participate in various activities to help support our community. Please see the flyer in The Voice to sponsor Religious School Students during that day's Walk-a-Thon.

Religious School is also doing a paper product drive for the Ronald McDonald House during the month of May. The drive will be from May 4 (Mitzvah Day) until June 1. (Closing exercises). More details will be forthcoming!

On May 18, Religious School will be having its annual Lag B'Omer picnic/softball game at Cunningham Park. Please see the flyer in The Voice for more information.

Shared Shabbat Service was held on April 4. Thank you to the students who participated in leading the service. The next Shared Shabbat Service will be held on Friday, May 2. This is also the annual PA Shabbat Service and the Shabbat Service leading to our Gala event, which is on Saturday, May 3. We hope to see you there.

The next Religious School Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 30 at 8:00 pm via Zoom only.

Enjoy the upcoming spring weather.

Erica Bernstein and Elaine Larkin
Religious School Board Members

Rummage

It's here! We will set up on Sunday, May 25 (starting at 10:30 am) will hold the sale on Monday, May 26 (from 9:30 am – 2:30 pm). Please volunteer! We need you!

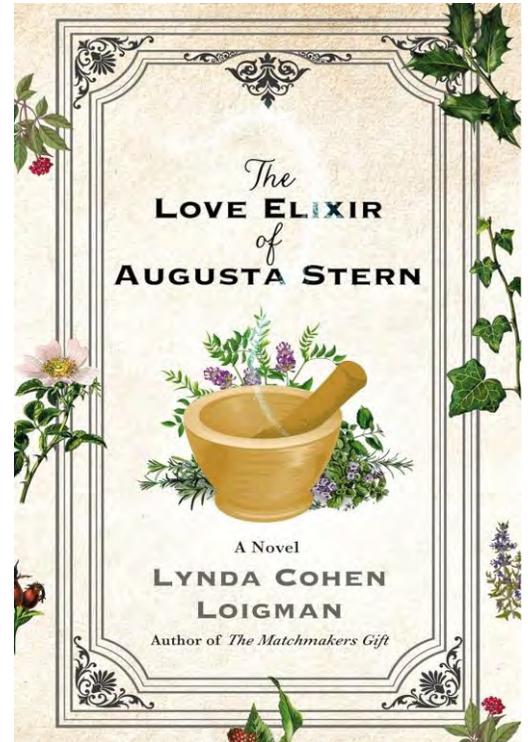
RUMMAGE SALE

**Sponsor an Oneg or Shabbat Service?
It's a great way to celebrate a special
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Call the office for details**

TBS SISTERHOOD PRESENTS:
ZOOM BOOK CLUB
Thursday May 22, 2025

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MAY 22, 2025
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On the cusp of turning eighty, newly retired pharmacist Augusta Stern is adrift. When she relocates to Rallentando Springs—an active senior community in southern Florida—she unexpectedly crosses paths with Irving Rivkin, the delivery boy from her father’s old pharmacy—and the man who broke her heart sixty years earlier.

As a teenager growing up in 1920’s Brooklyn, Augusta’s role model was her father, Solomon Stern, the trusted owner of the local pharmacy and the neighborhood expert on every ailment. But when Augusta’s mother dies and Great Aunt Esther moves in, Augusta can’t help but be drawn to Esther’s curious methods. As a healer herself, Esther offers Solomon’s customers her own advice—unconventional remedies ranging from homemade chicken soup to a mysterious array of powders and potions.

As Augusta prepares for Pharmacy College, she is torn between loyalty to her father and fascination with her great aunt, all while navigating a budding but complicated relationship with Irving. Desperate for clarity, she impulsively uses Esther’s most potent elixir with disastrous consequences. Disillusioned and alone, Augusta vows to reject Esther’s enchantments forever.

Sixty years later, confronted with Irving, Augusta is still haunted by the mistakes of her past. What happened all those years ago and how did her plan go so spectacularly wrong? Did Irving ever truly love her or was he simply playing a part? And can Augusta reclaim the magic of her youth before it’s too late?

MATTHEW'S MITZVAH PROJECT

Matthew's Mitzvah Project has come to fruition! Matthew wasn't content to ask people for money toward a general cause; he knew he wanted to contribute to a heart charity in memory of his father, Jeffrey Cohen, as well as in honor of his own cardiac procedure as a newborn. Some research brought Matthew and his mom, Andrea Odintz, to Mended Hearts Organization. One of the services it offers is the distribution of heart-shaped pillows for cardiac surgical patients. After heart surgery, patients can clutch these pillows to their chests to reduce pain when coughing, sneezing or laughing.

Matthew's fundraiser was specifically to raise money to manufacture as many of these pillows as possible, in both pediatric and adult sizes. Incredibly, the donations — which included 1/4 of his own monetary Bar Mitzvah gifts — totaled enough to make 300 pillows, 150 of each size. Thank you to all of those at TBS who opened your own hearts to contribute to his special project.

The family's Mended Hearts contact delivered half of the complete product to TBS, and Matthew's stepdad, Michael Rosenberg, set up an assembly line at Religious School's Purim program to package each pillow with a postcard explaining how it was funded. Geri Weiss suggested that students create handmade cards of cheer to include in the packaging as well.

At the end of March, Andrea, Mike and Matthew delivered 50 of these pillows to Ronald McDonald House, who will house them for gradual delivery to Cohen Children's Medical Center next door. The children's hospital recently was approved to perform heart transplants, so the delivery was well-timed. The family was accompanied by Nancy, Walter, and Trevor Lothammer and Leza, Scott and Juliana Lerea.

A representative of Ronald McDonald House not only accepted the delivery but gave the three TBS families a tour of the facility. Ronald McDonald Houses offer comforting places to stay for families with children at nearby hospitals. Seeing and hearing about their services added another layer of inspiration to the students' blossoming altruism. The Religious School hopes to help the center in other ways. Meanwhile, Matthew's pillows are being offered to other medical centers in the New York area.





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Week of May 09

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Barry Donsky*
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Mother-in-Law of Miriam Scharf
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Celia Scharf
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Irwin Weiss

Week of May 23

Miles Coughlin
Henry Eiler
Ira Harkavy
Dr. Jeffrey Hollander
Victor Lowenstein*
Heather Rosenberg
Max Shapiro

Son of Fredi Weinstein
Father of Elana White
Father of Daniel Harkavy
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Week of May 30

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A link will also be sent out on the morning of the Event.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Shared Shabbat Evening Service hybrid 7:30 pm	3 Torah Study Zoom only 10:00 am Gala Dinner Dance
4 Blood Drive 9:30 am – 3:30 pm Religious School/Academy MITZVAH DAY 10:00 am	5 Pulpit & Ritual Meeting Zoom only 7:30 pm Bowling Jib Lanes 8:30 pm	6 Healing & Meditative Service Zoom only 7:30 pm Adult Hebrew Class Zoom only 8:10 pm	7 Hebrew School 4:30 pm	8 Parents Association Meeting Zoom only 7:00 pm Men's Club Meeting Zoom only 8:00pm	9 Shabbat Evening Service hybrid 7:30 pm	10 Torah Study Zoom only 10:00 am
11 Religious School 10:00 am	12 Membership Committee Meeting Zoom only 7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting Zoom only 8:00 pm	13 Healing & Meditative Service Zoom only 7:30 pm Adult Hebrew Class Zoom only 8:10 pm	14 Hebrew School 4:30 pm Adult Discussion Group Zoom only 7:30 pm	15	16 Shabbat Evening Service hybrid 7:30 pm	17 Torah Study Zoom only 10:00 am
18 Religious School Lag B'Omer Picnic Cunningham Park 10:00 am – 4:00 pm 	19	20 Healing & Meditative Service Zoom only 7:30 pm Adult Hebrew Class Zoom only 8:10 pm	21 Hebrew School 4:30 pm	22 Sisterhood Book Club Zoom only 7:30 pm	23 Shabbat Evening Service hybrid 7:30 pm	24 Torah Study Zoom only 10:00 am
25 NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL Rummage Set-up 10:30 am	26 OFFICE CLOSED Rummage Sale 9:30 am – 2:30 pm	27 Healing & Meditative Service Zoom only 7:30 pm Adult Hebrew Class Zoom only 8:10 pm	28 Hebrew School 4:30 pm Congregation Meeting Zoom only 7:30 pm	29	30 Shabbat Evening Service hybrid 7:30 pm	31 Torah Study Zoom only 10:00 am



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