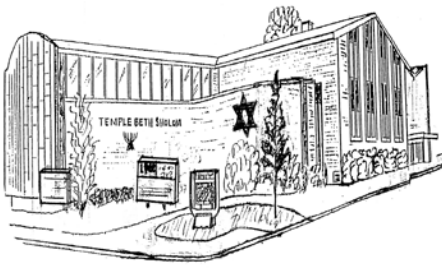


The Voice

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM OF FLUSHING



THIS MONTH:

BOWLING

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

SISTERHOOD PRE-PASSOVER EVENT

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

NO HEBREW SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL/ JEWISH START

MODEL SEDER

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

CHAI MITZVAH CLASS

MONDAY, APRIL 15

PA PASSOVER COOKING EVENT

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

FIRST SEDER

MONDAY, APRIL 22

OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, APRIL 23 AND

MONDAY, APRIL 29

WALK AWAY THE MAZTOH

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

PASSOVER/YIZKOR SERVICE

MONDAY, APRIL 29

NEXT MONTH:

BOWLING

THURSDAY, MAY 2

SISTERHOOD BINGO

THURSDAY, MAY 2

BLOOD DRIVE

SUNDAY, MAY 5

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB

THURSDAY, MAY 16

LAG B'OMER PICNIC & SOFTBALL GAME

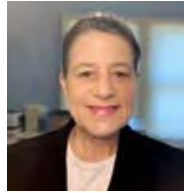
SUNDAY, MAY 19

CONGREGATION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

RUMMAGE SET-UP & SALE

SUNDAY, MAY 26 & MONDAY, MAY 27



From the Rabbi's desk

As I write this, my daffodils have just started to come up. By the time you receive this issue of *The Voice*, I believe they will be in full bloom. Yes, spring is in the air. Rebirth is here, or should I say, BIRTH! I am now the proud *savta* (grandmother) of Ori Noam, born last month to proud parents Amy Edelstein and Michael Gross. It was a joy to have his *brit milah* right here at Temple Beth Shalom. We thank all of you for your well wishes and blessings.

When spring arrives and with it new life and new beginnings, Passover cannot be far behind. Passover is known by many names—Pesach/Passover; Zeman Heiruteinu/the season of our liberation; *Hag HaMazot*/the festival of *Matzah*; and finally *Hag ha-Aviv*/the holiday of spring. We know that Passover celebrates our liberation from bondage while we were in Egypt, and that is why Passover is also known as “*zeman heirutinu*.” We are forbidden to eat anything leaven and are commanded to eat *matzah*—hence the name “*Hag Ha-matzot*.” The Jewish calendar is also set so that Passover must take place in the spring, and that is why we call Passover *Hag Ha-Aviv*. But is the connection between our celebrating freedom and spring intentional or coincidental?

I say it is intentional. The Israelites, who were enslaved by Pharaoh, and seemed destined for degradation and perhaps annihilation, break forth out of Egypt into a new life towards the land of milk and honey, just like new growth bursts forth from the hard, cold ground into the warmth of spring.

Rabbi Michael Strassfeld writes in *The Jewish Holidays*, “The watchwords of both spring and Pesah are *rebirth* and *hope*. Thus, the spirit of renewed optimism aroused by the sights and smells of spring are reinforced in a Jewish context by Passover with its trumpeting of the possibilities of liberation. Passover reminds us annually that no matter how terrible our situation, we must not lose hope.”

I also see rebirth and much optimism here at Temple Beth Shalom. We had a wonderful, joy-filled Shabbat Across America celebration. On Purim eve, our sanctuary was filled with much merry-making, mirth and laughter as we read the *Megillah* and booed the evil Haman. We have also welcomed many new members into our congregation.

Walt and I wish you a joyous and *zissen* Pesach!

Rabbi Sharon Ballan



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**All services are hybrid; in-person and Zoomed, unless otherwise indicated below.
Saturday Torah Study/Morning Shabbat Services will be Zoomed until further notice.**

Worship Schedule

Friday, April 5th: Shared Shabbat Service **7:30 pm**
ZOOM ONLY Torah Portion: Shemini
Candles:
Kiddush: Alice Newman
Service sponsored by Alice Newman
in loving memory of her father, Frank Sandler

Saturday, April 6th: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Friday, April 12th: Shabbat Evening Service
Service **7:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Tazriya
Candles: Sharon Yontef
Kiddush: Michael and Shawn Susman

Saturday, April 13th: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Friday, April 19th: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm**
Torah Portion: Metzora/Hagadol Candles:
Iris Bass
Kiddush: TBD

Saturday, April 20th: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

Friday, April 26th: Shabbat Evening Service **7:30 pm** Torah
Portion: Pesach
Candles: TBD
Kiddush: Charlene Metz

Saturday, April 27th: Torah Study &
ZOOM ONLY Shabbat Morning Service **10:00 am**

*Why not sponsor
an Oneg or a Shabbat Service?*

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

Call the office for details.

From The President

To My Temple Family,

March is always a wonderful month at TBS; lively with excitement and activities. It was another truly wonderful Shabbat Across America where we celebrated in-person and with a catered sit-down dinner! Thanks to our young members, Lena, Hailey and Seth for their participation! Thank you to Dr. Fay Schildkraut and her team for organizing the event for the umpteenth year. Thank you to Rabbi and Cantor for arranging to have Akiva the Believer as a guest accompanist. And we had wonderful in-person Purim celebrations which were fun for all! As usual, the Shalach Manot bags were awesome – thank you Geri and Lori! Thank you to Rabbi for leading the Purim Service and Geri for the pizza party and taking the reservations for the pizza party.

Sometimes I wish that every Temple member would sit in on just one planning meeting for any event so it would be better understood how much work and effort goes into every event! If you have ideas for new events, please let us know.

Our in-person Shabbat Services continue to provide warmth and family – what a wonderful feeling that is. Tell your family and friends all about us and have them join us!

Spring has officially started and it is one of my favorites. To me it is a season full of hope, sunshine, blessings of rain and the start of baseball (hopefully a better season for the Mets - LGM!).

My family and I wish a sweet and Happy Passover to the entire Temple Family. May this be a time of joy and appreciation as you share this special holiday with your loved ones!

Our Temple remains vibrant, even as we continue to use Zoom as appropriate. We are having in-person B'nei Mitzvot, visitors at our events, new members joining, and our kids doing well in Religious/Hebrew School. So thankful for these blessings.

And of course, don't forget to be kind to one another and support each other as much as possible. We just need to continue to all work together as we in this together.

Thank you to my wonderful family for its continued support and to all of you for your continued support.

Your President,

Joy A. Bobrow



TBS Fund Acknowledgments as of March 18, 2024

GENERAL FUND TBS Office 718-463-4143

Mazel Tov to Amy Edelstein & Michael Gross, and Rabbi Ballan and Walter Constanza
 On the birth of Ori Noam from the Torah Study and Healing Services groups!
 Deirdre Weliky to wish Mazel Tov to Amy Edelstein & Michael Gross and Rabbi Ballan &
 Walter Costanza on the birth of Ori Noam
 Deirdre Weliky to wish Mazel Tov to Fay Schildkraut and Don Nelinson on their marriage!

TORAH FUND TBS Office 718-463-4143

Mazel Tov to Amy Edelstein & Michael Gross on the birth of their son Ori Noam

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND Rabbi Sharon Ballan 718-463-4143

Ruth Davidson wishing Mazel Tov to parents Amy Edelstein & Michael Gross and grandparents
 Rabbi Ballan & Walter Costanza on the birth of Ori Noam
 Sharon & Jay Haimer in honor of the birth of Ori Noam. Mazel Tov to parents Amy & Michael, and
 grandparents Rabbi Ballan & Walter Costanza
 The Kaufman Family in honor of Rabbi Ballan becoming a grandmother!
 Barry Packer & Renee Katz Packer in honor of Ori Noam Edelstein who made Amy Edelstein
 & Michael Gross parents, and Rabbi Ballan and Walter Costanza grandparents
 Barry Packer & Renee Katz Packer in honor of Fay Schildkraut & Don Nelinson. Mazel Tov!
 Deirdre Weliky to thank Rabbi for her extraordinary ability to combine Theology and Technology

BUILDING FUND TBS Office 718-463-4143

Deirdre Weliky to support the building that supports us
 Alice Newman in honor of Amy and Michael becoming parents
 Fay Schildkraut & Don Nelinson in honor of the birth of Amy Edelstein & Michael Gross' son
 and Rabbi Ballan & Walter Constanza's grandson, Ori Noam.

APRIL MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES!

****Aviva Kaufman** **Ron Myers**
****Roger Opstbaum** **Steven Rosenberg**
****Mark & Kathleen Flug********



Celebrate Simchat Shabbat Friday, April 5th, 2024

April Birthdays

Alan Berck	Ron Myers
Mona Fabricant	Roger Opstbaum
Dr. Andrew Fradkin	Dr. Mark Pepper
Valerie Gellerman	Steven J. Rosenberg
Greg Hofer	Robbie Schecter
Anne Horowitz	Stanley Schecter
Aviva Kaufman	Shawn Susman
Andrew Larkin	Elana White



April Anniversaries

**Stacy Kroun & Adam Fertig
 Kathleen & Mark Flug**



Sisterhood of Temple Beth Sholom Sistergrams: May/June 2024

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 **April 15th, 2024**). You can pay for the remaining months of the year in advance (\$105), or monthly as before! Lori Lustig and Robin Myers are handling the Sistergrams so please write "Sistergrams" on the envelope so that the envelopes can be distributed properly.



May Birthdays

Roberta Kossoff	5/02__
Brett Reichler	5/02__
Mitchell Horowitz	5/06__
Laura Goldsmith	5/09__
Melanie Katz	5/09__
Gloria Shapiro	5/14__
Steven Fishman	5/17__
Jacob Lothammer	5/22__
Ned Steele	5/26__
Adam Fertig	5/30__

June Birthdays

Louis Fevola	6/01__
Richard Hellman	6/02__
David Lonborg	6/02__
Lynn Goldenstein	6/05__
Geri Weiss	6/06__
Zo-An Korobow	6/09__
Rabbi Sharon Ballan	6/15__
Salena Lee	6/15__
Karen Feit	6/16__

Jason Ehrlich	6/17__
Margaret Pasach	6/17__
Marla Tolson	6/18__
James Kettig	6/20__
Andrea Odintz	6/23__
Renee Katz-Packer	6/24__
Charlene Bina Metz	6/24__
David Chenkin	6/27__
Larry Gold	6/30__

Bar Mitzvah

Seth Bernstein	5/11__
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Bat Mitzvah

Melanee Heisler	6/08__
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May Anniversaries

Caryl Stern-LaRosa & Donald LaRosa	5/02__
Raymond & Elana White	5/14__
Jay & Sharon Haimer	5/17__
Vicki & Stuart Belsky	5/18__
Edward & Karen Carroscio	5/24__
Al Eckman & Ilyne Rabinowitz	5/24__
Barry Packer & Renee-Katz Packer	5/25__
Neal & Lori Kwait	5/26__

June Anniversaries

Amy Edelstein & Michael Gross	6/02__
Matthew & Beth Dulberg	6/08__
Jeffrey & Georgia Galub	6/13__
Steven & Bonnie Rosenberg	6/14__
Rabbi & Mrs. Bruce Goldwasser	6/20__
Ronald & Robin Myers	6/25__

Full Name: _____

Phone # _____



Cantor's Corner



I'm sitting down at my computer to write this article having had to stay home sick last Friday night, March 8. Earlier that same day, I had to cancel services at the nursing home I go to each week in Great Neck on Friday mornings. I'm not sure I can remember ever having to cancel my participation in a service before.

Somehow, what seemed like a cold turned into starting to lose my voice, being very congested, and then having some version of conjunctivitis. After a visit to an urgent care facility on Sunday, some Jewish penicillin (chicken soup), Mucinex, antibiotic eye drops and lots of liquids, I'm slowly improving.

While I was feeling generally lousy, I felt equally badly about not being at services, whether at the nursing home, or at Temple. It's not just that I felt like I was letting folks down. I really missed being there, sharing and engaging. I felt let down.

I guess what I'm saying is "thank you" to the communities I serve. I get as much or more from doing this than you do.

In some roundabout way, I began heading down this cantorial road some 35 years ago as cantor for High Holiday Services at a Reform synagogue in Old Bethpage. I've done all sorts of services in all sorts of places over the ensuing years. And with all that, I still enjoy the opportunities to engage with a congregation every week. It truly is a privilege.

I don't want to be overly dramatic. I'm going to be just fine-it's just a bad cold with some annoying side effects. But this gave me pause, and the opportunity to reflect on how fortunate I am to get to do what I do. Thanks for being such a supportive and wonderful Temple Community and Family. See you at services. Time to get back to singing!

With affection,
Cantor Jerry Korobow

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.

Many thanks!

**YOUR
MEMBERSHIP
MATTERS**

Men's Club

Hello Temple Beth Sholom members!! Spring is upon us!! We have some good seasonal events on the horizon.

On Sunday, April 28 at 10:00 am, we will have our annual Walk-Off the Matzah event. Our walk will take place at Little Bay Park (under the Throgs Neck Bridge). Bring your morning coffee or tea along with your loved ones and enjoy a walk with your TBS Family. Everyone is welcome!

Yom HaShoah candles are here!! They are available in the office. The suggested donation for a candle is \$3.00. Yom HaShoah is Friday, May 3.

Our annual Lag B'Omer picnic Softball Game will be on Sunday, May 19, from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm, at the Pink Ballfield (same as last year, parking beyond our old spot). We have reserved the field. Everyone is welcome; bring your family and friends!!

Our next meeting will be via Zoom only on Thursday, April 11 at 8:00 pm. See the Monday morning email blast on April 8 for Zoom information.



Bernstein's Bowling Blog

Our league has now played over 125 individual games!

There's a close race at the top! I'm currently leading David by a narrow margin of four hundredths (.04), but David has edged ahead in total wins with a four percent lead. Join us for some friendly competition! We welcome everyone to participate in our league on the first Thursday of every month. It's a great way to get some exercise and have fun.

Join us for our next two bowling events on Thursday, April 4 and May 2 at 8:00 pm at Jib Lanes. Beginners, intermediates, and experts all welcome! Contact Eric Bernstein for more information.

Andrew Larkin
Men's Club President



IT'S A SISTERHOOD PRE-PASSOVER

RECIPE SWAP & RECIPE BOOK MAKING EVENT!

Sunday April 7, 2024 at 10:30 am

in the Temple ballroom

Passover Recipe Swap

Find your favorite, easy to make Passover recipe
Email it to Lori Lustig at lori_bl@yahoo.com by April 4th



Don't have a Recipe to swap?
Come and make a book
Enjoy brunch & Social Time!

At the event, we will make a little Recipe Book
with watercolor paints and quilling techniques!



While we munch and brunch on bagels,
copies of everyone's recipes will be made,
and put together in your personal recipe book.

Suggested Donation for this event- \$5.00

Please RSVP No Later Than April 4th

To

geriweiss1@gmail.com or lori_bl@yahoo.com



Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees met on Monday, March 11, 2024, via Zoom. President Joy Bobrow thanked Dr. Fay Schildkraut and the Membership Committee for again taking responsibility for the recent wonderful Shabbat Across America. She thanked Beth Dulberg and Elana White for the Bazaar basket campaign. She reviewed required procedures to assure that all accounting is maintained within the various Arms of the Temple and that meetings are scheduled without overlap.

The Board unanimously voted Beth Dulberg as Trustee for the vacancy created when Joe deLeon was elected as an Officer. Gail Tishcoff, Recording Secretary, presented the February minutes, which were accepted. Robin Myers, Financial Secretary, reported we currently have 110 member units as we added one family unit last month. There was no Financial Report this month.

Rabbi Ballan reported on the birth of her grandson, Ori Noam Edelstein, and the bris the next morning at Temple. Her daughter, Amy, is doing well and the baby is "wonderful and beautiful." Shabbat Across America was a wonderful, well-attended evening, and Fay and the Membership Committee outdid themselves. Purim preparations are underway, and volunteer Megillah readers to chant or read in English are still needed. Chai Mitzvah is March 25 on the topic, "Because We Were Slaves: The Jewish Struggle for Justice in Making America Home." Cantor Korobow submitted his report to be read; again urging all to attend in person. He wished the Rabbi, Walter, Amy, and Michael mazel tov on the birth of Ori Noam.

Fay Schildkraut, Membership Committee Chair, presented The Coester family, Rhoda Barth-Galawanji, and Dr. Donald Nelinson, (now Fay's husband). All three family units were unanimously approved by the Board. Shabbat Across America 2024 was most enjoyable with over 80 people at the service and 76 attending the dinner. She thanked Rabbi, Cantor, President Bobrow, Natalie, Jose, Santos, the Membership Committee and all Temple Members who baked, shopped, and donated, with special thanks to Chef Adam, who sponsored the Oneg and made the most amazing desserts.

Geri Weiss, Pulpit and Ritual Chair, reported next year the Shabbat Across America will not be a Shared Shabbat. It was agreed that Fay Schildkraut did another amazing job planning and running the dinner. Opening the back doors to the ballroom at the end of services for Rabbi and Cantor to greet congregants has been well received. The B'nei Mitzvah Parent Handbook has been updated, revised, and sent to the three upcoming B'nei Mitzvah parents.

Elaine Larkin reported the Religious School Board is planning a Purim event during Religious School on Sunday, March 24. This year, the students will be making Shalach Manot bags to give to one another. On Wednesday, April 10, Religious School Students will be going to the Forest Hills Community Center to help pack Passover dry goods.

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Attendance at this event will negate an absence that has occurred during the year. Elaine also reported the PA fundraiser at Blaze Pizza raised \$108.00. PA will make and distribute Purim bags for Religious School Students to receive during their Purim Event on March 24. On April 6 PA will hold a Passover cooking event on Zoom led by Nancy Lothammer on how to make Passover rainbow cookies.

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President Bobrow reported on Use of Building on her brief discussion with Temple Gates of Prayer's President on the status of their new building. They're still working things out. Jim Kettig, House Committee Chair, reported he expects to receive a proposal this week from the contractor currently working on proposals for partial replacement of our heating and cooling systems. He hopes his prices are close enough to our requirements that we can find a way to move forward on this. Assuming he gives us a relatively detailed scope of work as part of his submittal, we should be able to run that past a couple of other contractors so we can get comparative bids and then proceed with the work.

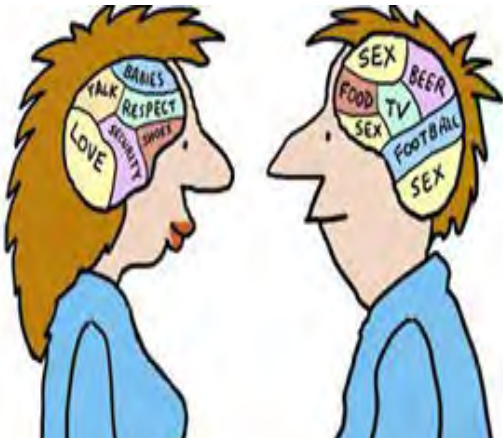
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Temple Beth Sholom Presents

ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP



Join us on

Wednesday evening, April 10, 2024

7:30 pm via Zoom

TOPIC: Men Are From Mars, Women Are From Venus...Fact or Fiction?

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

**Zoom information to be provided
In the Monday morning email on Monday, April 8**

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**

Religious School News

Shalom everyone. Thank you to all of the Religious School students who participated in the Shabbat Across America Service on Friday, March 1. It was a wonderful service with great company and food.

On Wednesday, February 28, the Religious School Board held a meeting on Zoom. We talked about the upcoming Purim event during Religious School on Sunday, March 24. PA will be giving out Purim bags to the students. This year, the students will be making Shalach Manot bags to give to one another.

On Wednesday April 10, Religious School Students will be going to the Forest Hills Jewish Center to help pack Passover dry goods around 4:00 pm. Attendance at this event will negate an absence that has occurred during the year.

Another upcoming event is our yearly Lag B'Omer picnic which will be held at Cunningham Park on Sunday, May 19 starting at 10:00 am. Please stay tuned for a flyer with more information.

The next Religious School Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 3rd on Zoom at 8:00 pm.

Be safe and be well.

Erica Bernstein
Religious School Board Member



Let us acknowledge
your child's success!



Has your child had a recent accomplishment?

Let them see their name in print!

Send an email to Natalie with your child's name and what has been achieved in the past 3 months (5 words or less) and we will try to give them a shout out in the next month's issue of The Voice!



Sisterhood Corner

Welcome to spring! We have turned the clocks ahead and are looking forward to sunny days and blooming flowers! It has been so great to see my Temple Family at services and at Temple events!

Please come to our Pre Passover Event on Sunday, April 7 at 10:30 am. We will be having breakfast, sharing recipes and making our own Passover recipe books. All are welcome! We are looking forward to a lively morning. Thank you to Geri Weiss and Lori Lustig for always coming up with fun, new events!

Our Book Club was held on Sunday, February 25. This was our first hybrid meeting. We had a great turnout and a great discussion. Thank you to Geri Weiss for making sure that we had breakfast at our meeting. The next book club will be held on Thursday, May 16 at 7:30 pm via Zoom. We will be reading It Starts With Us by Colleen Hoover; the sequel to It Ends With Us.

We will be having our Memorial Day Rummage Sale. Please donate your clean, gently used clothes. If you can volunteer your time, please let us know. If you have not paid your dues, please send them to Geri Weiss.

The Adult Discussion group will be held on Wednesday, April 10 at 7:30 pm. Thank you to Deirdre for running our discussion groups.

Thank you to Geri and Lori for their hard work and dedication to make the Shalach Manot baskets a huge success. Thank you to everyone who participated.

I wish you all a very Happy Passover filled with lots of good food!

Barbara Gandelman
Sisterhood President



Rummage

We continue to receive donations, almost daily, from Temple Members, and neighbors.

We are looking forward to our upcoming Rummage Sale being held on Monday, May 27. Please volunteer to help at the Rummage Sale Set-up on Sunday, May 26 and/or the sale on Monday, May 27!

RUMMAGE SALE



TBS Parents Association 2024 Zoom Passover Cooking Event Saturday, April 20, 2024 6:00 PM

RSVP to Parentsassociation@templebethsholom.org to get the Zoom information.

by Friday, April 19, 2024

Ingredients:

Ingredients For Cake

4 Eggs
1 Cube White Sugar
4 oz. Almond paste, broken into pieces or processed in food processor for 30 seconds
2 sticks (1 cup) unsalted butter or margarine
½ cup Matzah cake meal
½ tsp salt
½ tsp kosher for Passover Vanilla Extract
Red and Green food coloring
(about 8 drops each)

For Chocolate Glaze

1 cup dark or semisweet chocolate chips
1 Tbsp. vegetable shortening or oil
Pinch salt

Raspberry Jam

Special equipment: three square baking pans, offset spatula, food scale.

Total Time: 30 minutes + chilling time **Yield:**18-24 cookies

Instructions:

- Preheat oven to 350F. Grease your pans. Add parchment paper to bottom of each pan. Grease again and add light dusting of matzah cake meal. Tap pan to remove any excess flour.
- Using a hand mixer (or whisk attachment to stand mixer), mix eggs and sugar until thick and yellow. Add crumbled almond paste and combine.
- Add melted butter (or margarine), matzah cake meal, almond flour, salt, and vanilla.
- Divide batter into three even amounts. (Try using a food scale if eyeballing is too difficult.) Leave one plain. Add green food coloring to one batch of batter. Add red food coloring to the other batch of batter.
- Pour batter into prepared pans. Bake for 10-12 minutes, or until just set and no longer wet in the middle.
- Allow to cool completely.
- Place chocolate, shortening, and pinch of salt in a glass bowl. Microwave for 30 second intervals until melted. Stir vigorously to ensure there are no clumps.
- Place a piece of parchment paper on top of a platter or baking sheet. Add red cake layer to parchment paper. Spread thin layer of raspberry jam. Top with white layer. Add another thin layer of raspberry jam. Top with green cake.
- Carefully spread half the melted chocolate on top. Place in refrigerator for 15-20 minutes or until completely hard.
- Turn over and spread remaining chocolate on other side. Place back in refrigerator for 30 minutes or overnight.
- Trim edges and slice into cookies.

Adult Education

Thank you to Dr. Jason Ehrlich for his presentation on Men's Health Screening and Prevention. It was very detailed and he was very patient in answering everyone's questions.

Several takeaways and peace of mind that I had learned from the event:

- Being prepared for a screening test leads to the most accurate results. Talk to your doctor beforehand about what to expect and any steps you should take to prepare.
- More cancers are treatable than ever before thanks to advancements in therapy.

With big events coming up like Seth's Bar Mitzvah and Dara's Graduation, taking care of my health feels more important than ever.

The good news is, our temple offers ways to stay healthy that are both informative and fun! Here's a sneak peek at what's coming up:

- Matzah Walk (April): A great way to get some exercise while celebrating Passover!
- Lag B'Omer Softball Game (May): Dust off your mitts and join the Temple Team for some friendly competition.
- Monthly Bowling League: A fun way to socialize and get active year-round.

These are just a few ways our temple is helping members stay motivated and healthy.

All the Best,

Eric Bernstein
Adult Education



Temple's Dollar Tree

Thanks to all of those who have thus far donated at least \$1 per person to have their name on a leaf on the tree! Like most trees in the spring, it's getting greener and greener!

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Purim!



Happy Purim!

We hope everyone enjoyed the holiday of Purim, either by attending the Purim service, ordering a Purim basket or bag of goodies, or by making a donation to Sisterhood.

Sending out our Purim greeting cards to all Temple Beth Sholom members

has become a wonderful tradition.

Sisterhood was able to raise \$600 and deliver Purim bags to many of our homebound members!

Parents Association

Greetings everyone. Thank you to everyone who came out to support PA at the Blaze Pizza fundraiser on February 21. It was a fabulous event and we were able to raise \$108.00 for Parents Association.

PA will be making Purim bags for our Religious School Students to receive during the Religious School Purim Event on March 24. Thank you to everyone who helped assemble the bags.

On Saturday, April 20 at 6:00 pm PA will have a Passover cooking event via Zoom led by PA member Nancy Lothammer. This year we will be making Passover rainbow cookies! Please see the flyer in this issue of The Voice for more information.

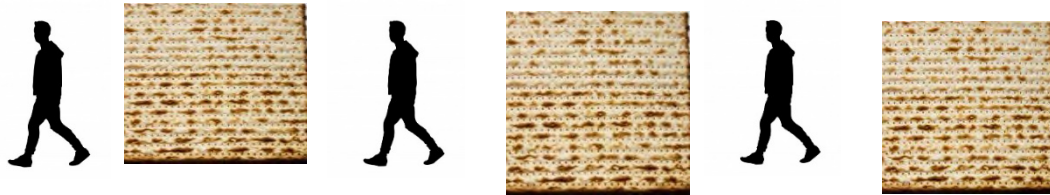
Another upcoming event is Lag B'Omer which will be held at Cunningham Park on Sunday, May 19 starting at 10:00 am. Please keep your eyes open for the flyer with all the details!

Our next PA meeting will be held via Zoom on Monday, April 1 at 7:30 pm. Please see the weekly email blast for the meeting information.

Have a great and safe month of April.

Erica Bernstein
Elaine Larkin
PA Co-Presidents

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

Sunday, April 28th

10:00 AM — 11:00 AM

Little Bay Park (Underneath the Throgs Neck Bridge)

**Contact Andrew Larkin or Eric Bernstein
with any questions**

Scoop's Schmooze

Bashert.

Sitting on the wall above the doorway that separates our living room, where Renee's piano resides, from my sports den, is a sign with the word Bashert and our wedding date, which unbelievably is 10 years ago next month. According to myjewishlearning.com "Bashert is a Yiddish word that literally means 'destiny.' Though it can be used to any fortuitous event perceived to be divinely ordained."

And, so the Shabbat weekend of May 2 and May 3, 2025 is Bashert. For that Shabbat will hold a very special meaning for the entire Temple Beth Sholom Family. It will be a fortuitous event divinely ordained.

You see, on that weekend we will be celebrating the 15th anniversary of Rabbi Ballan assuming the TBS pulpit. It will also be marking the celebration of the 60th year of our existing building being dedicated. And when one---even us non-math majors---adds 15 + 60; no matter what is being taught in today's new arithmetic, you will always come up with 75. And, in true Bashert fashion, next year marks 75 years of our own Temple Beth Sholom.

We will be starting the weekend on Friday night with a fabulous Shared Shabbat, followed by a wonderful Oneg. Then, on Saturday night, we will be having a very special Dinner/Dance, with a beautiful Havdalah Service interspersed during the night; which will feature entertainment that will create beautiful and meaningful memories.

We have put together a team of dedicated and motivated Temple members whose involvement with TBS has literally spanned decades. Our guest speakers who have eagerly committed to being orators on this spring weekend are from multi-generational Temple Beth Sholom families. And, while details such as food, music, and other logistical components are still in the early planning stages, the enthusiasm that emanated from the 15+60=75 Anniversary Gala Team's first meeting is glimmering like a sparkling gem.

And, how apropos. For if you Google a 15th anniversary, in 0.28 seconds you will have 682,000,000 results that will tell you that celebration is represented by Crystal, while, ironically, the 60th and 75th commemorations both are equivalent of a Diamond Jubilee.

Thus, as we look 417 days into the future; which we encourage you to circle on your calendar, we anticipate, like the crystal and diamond---everything shining, starting with, what we hope will be the ear-to-ear smiles on a multitude of faces who will be there to share in the weekend. We know that the chalices and china will be glimmering, and the floors and windows will be glittering so as guests will see their joyful reflections.

BASHERT

(continued next column)

For as we look at that night, glance into the future and reflect on the past, one thing is for sure, wherever one is looking, the sparkles will be endless. As is stated on Chabad.Org, the Baal Shem Tov remarked "every Jew is a 'diamond,' because a Jew possesses the natural qualities of a diamond; he is hard and determined (a stiff-necked people), and unconquerable in his deep inner belief in the Almighty; the inborn Jewish traits and qualities shine like rays."

Barry Packer
Ways & Means Chairman

Board of Trustees Meeting

Deirdre Weliky, Caring Committee Chair, reported get-well cards and texts have been sent and calls have been made. The Women's Discussion Group will meet Wednesday, March 13 at 7:30 on Zoom. The subject is: How Technology Has Affected Me. President Bobrow reported the Food Pantry is on March 19. Barry Packer, Ways & Means Committee Chair, reported the committee has begun to plan next year's Anniversary Gala weekend for Friday and Saturday, May 2 and 3, 2025. Eric Bernstein, Adult Education Committee Chair, reported TBS Board Member Dr. Jason Ehrlich will have a presentation---Men's Health Disorders, with an emphasis on screening and prevention, Sunday, March 17 at 10:00 am. President Bobrow reported Beth Dulberg and Elana White continue to meet and brainstorm about ways to promote Bazaar. They are working diligently on the baskets. Beth will present her idea regarding baskets at the next Board Meeting. Good & Welfare was shared. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Tishcoff, Recording Secretary



**MAZEL TOV TO PARENTS
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ON THE BIRTH OF THEIR
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**AND MAZEL TOV TO GRANDPARENTS
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**There will be a Yom HaShoah service on Friday, May 3rd at 7:30 PM.
Come attend our memorial service with candle lighting, speakers, poems, and prayers.**

Light the candle to honor those in America's armed forces and the IDF who safeguard our liberties.

Light the candle in memory of all victims of terrorism.

Put the candle in your window as a reminder that, if we ever forget,
another Holocaust may descend upon us again like another
plague of darkness.

☆ UPCOMING YAHRZEITS *April, 2024* ☆

Week of April 5th

Doris Berlin
Selma Feirberg
Herbert Kestin
Abraham Levinsky
Frank Sandler

Mother of Deirdre Weliky
Mother of Lynn Goldenstein
Uncle of Karen Carroscio
Father of Steve Levinsky
Father of Alice Newman

Week of April 12th

Brunnhilde Costanza
Matilde Fuentes
Elliot Goldman
Dora Kupferberg
Israel Packer
Paula Radwin
Abraham Yontef

Mother of Walter Costanza
Mother-in-Law of Linda Fuentes
Husband of Fran Goldman
Observed by Temple
Grandfather of Barry Packer
Aunt of Anne K. Pepper
Father of Sharon Yontef

Week of April 19th

Abie Einbinder
Carol Germain
Carol Lowenstein*
David Platt
Mollie Rabinowitz
Orientus Severin
Helen Weiner

Father-in-Law of Glory Einbinder
Mother of Iris Bass
Observed by Temple
Stepfather of Penny Schnitzer
Mother of Ilyne Rabinowitz
Great grandfather of Dr. Richard Severin
Grandmother of Erica Bernstein

*Past President

Week of April 26th

Morris Fishbach
Jean Selma Gary
Jimmy Genovese
Hugh David Goldsmith
Elaine Lowy
Lawrence Raskin

Father of Mona Fabricant
Sister of Lillian Tandatnick
Father of Vicki Belsky
Son of Laura Goldsmith
Cousin of Rose Katz
Brother-in-Law of Andrea Odintz
and Michael Rosenberg
Uncle of Benjamin and Matthew Cohen
Cousin of Fredi Weinstein
Observed by Temple
Father of Ned Steele
Husband of Herta Tishcoff
Father of Gail Tishcoff
Mother of Margot Anker
Mother of Diane Weiner
Mother of Gloria Shapiro
Sister-in-Law of Ruth Dorfman
Aunt of Eliot Dorfman

Todd Rosbach
Ruth Schorsch
Abraham Steele
Marvin Tishcoff

Julie Weil
Beatrice Weiner
Freda Rachel Weiskopf
Trudy Weissman

Week of May 5th

Betty Arliss

Mother of Brenda Gold
Grandmother of Arlene Galub
Grandmother of Jeffrey Galub
Father of Alan Gellerman
Grandfather of Oliver Gellerman
Mother of Ronald Myers

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Judy Myers

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MAY 16 2024
TIME: 7:30 PM
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FOLLOW.

Before *It Ends with Us*, it started with Atlas. Colleen Hoover tells fan favorite Atlas’s side of the story and shares what comes next in this long-anticipated sequel to the “glorious and touching” (USA TODAY) #1 New York Times bestseller *It Ends with Us*.

Lily and her ex-husband, Ryle, have just settled into a civil coparenting rhythm when she suddenly bumps into her first love, Atlas, again. After nearly two years separated, she is elated that for once, time is on their side, and she immediately says yes when Atlas asks her on a date.

But her excitement is quickly hampered by the knowledge that, though they are no longer married, Ryle is still very much a part of her life—and Atlas Corrigan is the one man he will hate being in his ex-wife and daughter’s life.

Switching between the perspectives of Lily and Atlas, *It Starts with Us* picks up right where the epilogue for the “gripping, pulse-pounding” (Sarah Pekkanen, author of *Perfect Neighbors*) bestselling phenomenon *It Ends with Us* left off. Revealing more about Atlas’s past and following Lily as she embraces a second chance at true love while navigating a jealous ex-husband, it proves that “no one delivers an emotional read like Colleen Hoover” (Anna Todd, *New York Times* bestselling author).

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	<p>1</p> <p>Pulpit Meeting via Zoom only 7:30 pm</p> <p>Parents Association Meeting via Zoom only 7:30 pm</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Healing Service via Zoom 7:30 pm</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Hebrew School 4:30 pm</p> <p>Religious School Board Meeting via Zoom only 8:00 pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Bowling at Jib Lanes 8:00 pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Shared Shabbat Evening Service in-person and via Zoom 7:30 pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study via Zoom 10:00 am</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Religious School 10:00 am</p> <p>Sisterhood Pre-Passover Brunch in-person 10:30 am</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Membership Meeting via Zoom 7:00 pm</p> <p>Board Meeting via Zoom 8:00 pm</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Healing Service via Zoom 7:30 pm</p>	<p>10</p> <p>NO HEBREW SCHOOL</p> <p>Adult Discussion Group via Zoom only 7:30 pm</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Men's Club Meeting via Zoom only 8:00 pm</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Shabbat Evening Service in-person and via Zoom 7:30 pm</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study via Zoom 10:00 am</p>
<p>14</p> <p>Religious School Jewish Start Model Passover Seder 10:00 am</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Chai Mitzvah Class via Zoom only 7:30 pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Healing Service via Zoom 7:30 pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Hebrew School 4:30 pm</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Shabbat Evening Service in-person and via Zoom 7:30 pm</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study via Zoom 10:00 am</p> <p>PA Passover Cooking Event via Zoom only 6:00 pm</p>
<p>21</p> <p>NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL</p>	<p>22</p> <p>First Seder</p>	<p>23</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>Second Seder</p>	<p>24</p> <p>NO HEBREW SCHOOL</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Bowling Jib Lanes 8:00 pm</p> <p>Sisterhood Book Club via Zoom only 8:00 pm</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Shabbat Evening Service in-person and via Zoom 7:30 pm</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study via Zoom 10:00 am</p>
<p>28</p> <p>NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL</p> <p>Walk Away the Matzoh 10:00 am</p>	<p>29</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>Passover/Yiskor Service via Zoom only 10:00 am</p>	<p>30</p>				



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when we will celebrate the
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the month of April !!



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