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9:00 AM	Torah Study
10:30 AM	Saturday Morning Minyan
10:30 AM	Conservative Minyan -
	Multi-Purpose Room

Parashat Tzav Leviticus 6:1 – 8:36 Haftarah Malachi 3:4 - 24

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 2023 14 Nisan

Erev Pesach - First Night of Passover

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023

First Day of Pa	ssover
15 Nisan	
10:30 AM	First Day of Passover Festival Service,
	Sanctuary
5:45 PM	Traditional Seder, Chapel, Lewis
	Family Religious Life Complex
	Family Seder, Kislak Family Social Hall

FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2023

16 Nisan	
6:00 PM	Pre-Neg
6:30 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat Worship

SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2023

9:00 AM	Torah Study
10:30 AM	Saturday Morning Minyan
10:30 AM	Bar Mitzvah of Vince Frankel

Chol Hamoed Pesach Exodus 33:12 - 34:26 Haftarah Ezekiel 37:1 - 14; Song of Songs is read

MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2023 19 Nisan

Seder in the Garden, Faircild Tropical Botanic Garden

TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2023

6:30 PM

20 Nisan

7:00 PM

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9:00 AM 10:30 AM 5:30 PM

Torah Study Saturday Morning Minyan Bat Mitzvah of Lainey Salomon

Parashat Shemini Leviticus 9:1 - 11:47 Haftarah II Samuel 6:1 - 7:17

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023

27 Nisan - Holocaust Remembrance Day (Yom Hazikaron Lashoah)

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2023

30 Nisan – Ro	sh Chodesh
5:45 PM	How 'Bout Shabbat
6:00 PM	Pre-Neg
6:30 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat Worship
	Service

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2023

Rosh Chodesh	
9:00 AM	Torah Study
9:00 AM	Sensory-Friendly Family
	Shabbat Service
10:30 AM	Saturday Morning Minyan
10:30 AM	Bat Mitzvah of
	Mikhaela Ramsay
5:30 PM	Bar Mitzvah of Devon Roy

Parashat Tazria-Metzora Leviticus 12:1 - 15:33 Haftarah II Kings 7:3 - 20 [historic: Isaiah 66:1 – 24]

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023

Israel Memorial Day (Yom Hazikaron)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2023

Israel Independence Day (Yom Ha'atzmaut)

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023

7 Iyar	
6:00 PM	Pre-Neg
6:30 PM	Shabbat Worship
	ft. Rambam 3rd Grade Students

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023

9:00 AM	Torah Study
10:30 AM	Saturday Morning Minyan
10:30 AM	Bat Mitzvah of
	Audrey Schwart

Parashat Acharei Mot-Kedoshim Leviticus 16:1 - 20:27 Haftarah Amos 9:7 - 15

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2-3 PM

Formal Dedication, Donor and Leadership Recognition Ceremony: The Frankel Family Performing Arts Center

RSVP is a must as seating is limited. www.tbam.org/hub



Ribbon Cutting Ceremony (3:15 PM) Festive Community Celebration Food, music, drinks, and family friendly entertainment! All new spaces will be showcased.

RSVP is a must. All ages welcome. www.tbam.org/hub

The Hub, dedicated by Richard and Colleen Fain, is our new state-of-the-art cultural, athletic and activity center, featuring:

- -The Frankel Family Performing Arts Center -The Poyastro Family Athletic Center
- -The Havenick Family Outdoor Basketball Court -The Lampen Sachar Outdoor Cultural Life Center

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FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH Rabbi Jeremy Barras

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If There is One Thing I Have Learned...

Looking back on twenty years in the rabbinate, my career has evolved, and I believe so have I. As a young rabbi in Charlotte, North Carolina, and then later in Ft. Myers, Florida, I yearned to be taken seriously as a teacher of Torah. I wanted my sermons and classes to be appreciated on a scholarly level, and I wanted to deepen my knowledge of Jewish text and tradition continually. I remember calculating my self-worth based on the comments and emails I would get about my performance and overanalyzing congregant reaction to my offerings. It was a frustrating process, but it ultimately helped me achieve some of my goals.

Today, two decades later, my approach to my career is much different. Of course, I want to do my very best each and every time I have the privilege of teaching or preaching, but my goals as I get older have shifted. The famed theologian Abraham Joshua Heschel once said, "When I was young, I admired clever people. Now that I am old, I admire kind people." I think this rings true for me as well. When I was younger, I was amazed by people who had achieved great things, attended elite academic institutions, built businesses from scratch, or took risks to achieve their professional dreams. Those qualities are still enviable to me, but not as much as those who exhibit kindness, compassion, and empathy.

Perhaps it is the climate we are living in these days. The national discourse has become so toxic and confrontational that its seepage into our daily lives is unavoidable. The advent of a social media society has exacerbated the situation. Anyone who writes a column in any online forum is told to ignore the comments because the responses are often unnecessarily vitriolic and mean. I am not sure at what point it became normalized to speak to each other in such heated and distasteful ways, but it feels as if the way we treat each other and each other's opinions has gone off the rails. Recently in Pinecrest, we saw an amendment that separated the neighborhood into "yes" and "no" people. It's normal for a community to debate governance, but the discourse online turned harsh and ugly, and there were even some moments of antisemitism that made their way into the conversation.

Quite simply, my goals have melded with the thinking of Heschel. I no longer yearn for compliments on sermons or classes like I did when I was younger. Now I hope that people will say, "He is kind." That, to me, is much more gratifying feedback than anything else. I hope that kindness and empathy will again become a prerequisite for entering local, national, or social discourse. Clever people are still needed to help solve our world's ills and serve as leaders of our communities. However, in place of large egos and personalities, we would do better to revere kind and decent people who make us feel good about each other and the milieus in which we live. I think all of us should yearn for people to say that we are kind. That is the best compliment you can get!

L'shalom,

Rabbi Jeremy Barras

Lunch 'n Learn with Rabbi Barras Tuesday, April 4 at 12:00 PM in the Chapel

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RSVP to Janice Baisman at jbaisman@tbam.org to let us know if you are coming! Light snacks will be provided, feel free to bring your own lunch!



CLERGY CORNER

Senior Cantor Tifani Coyot tcoyot@tbam.org

Making Passover Meaningful: Integrating our Personal Stories into the Seder

The Haggadah reads, "In every generation, it is our duty to consider ourselves as if we had come forth from Egypt." On April 5th, we will gather at our dining room tables and retell the Israelites' exodus from Egypt and journey toward the promised land. We are commanded to tell this story as if it happened directly to us. The themes of perseverance, renewal, and freedom are timeless messages relevant to every generation. We all have our personal and family stories of immigration and rebirth.

This year, I invite you to integrate your family story into your Passover Seder. Take a few moments and reflect or journal on the Have a discussion or use photos, collages, drawings, and following questions:

- 1. Where does your family come from?
- What did your parents overcome to give you and your 2. siblings/children a better life?
- What challenges do you hope to overcome to give your 3. children a better life?
- 4. What has your family left behind to reach the promised land?
- Was there a miracle or miracles that led to your family being 5. able to reach a promised land?
- 6. What legacy did your ancestors leave you? How will you continue their legacy?
- 7. What legacy do you hope to leave?
- 8. What family stories are passed on about your ancestors?
- 9. What traditions did your parents/grandparents/greatgrandparents pass on?

Now that you have some inspiration, think about places in the Seder where you can retell your family story.

What ten plagues did your family survive?

During the plague section, add the plagues that your ancestors survived and empty a few more droplets of wine to remember and honor their struggles.

Write a modern Dayeinu.

We sing Dayeinu at every Seder. Dayeinu means "it would have been enough." It would have been enough for the Israelites if they escaped freedom; God goes further and gives them Torah. It would have been enough if they were given Torah; God goes further and brings them to Israel. Reflect on what miracles happened to your family and add them to your communal recitation of Dayeinu.

Add a family artifact or heirloom to your Seder table that exemplifies messages of freedom, legacy, and rebirth.

Reflect on what these items represent and symbolize in your family's story and how they have shaped who you are today.

Create an artistic interpretation of the Seder Plate.

Think about what each of these items represents and symbolizes in your journey.

journaling to recreate a family version of the seder plate.

- Beitza/Egg (Rebirth) What lifecycle moment impacted your family and allowed you to experience rebirth? What is new for you this year? What are you looking forward to?
- Maror/Bitter Herbs What difficulties exist in your family's story? Was there a moment when you felt bitter about an experience?
- Karpas/Parsley (Spring) When did your ancestors flourish? What is something you enjoyed and would like to bring back to your life?
- Chazeret/Lettuce What happened this year that was difficult or annoying?
- Charoset/Mortar (sweetness) What held your family together? What gifts and legacies do they have? When have you worked hard to build/create something?
- Zeroa/Shank bone (Sacrifice) What sacrifices did your ancestors make? What is an experience in which you gave up something in order to make way for the future?

I look forward to learning about your family's story. Please share any writing or photos with me.

Chag Pesach Sameach Have a Happy Passover!

This article is adapted from a teaching Rabbi Kempler and I led for the Beth Am Moms group.

Cantor Tifani Coyot

Commentator



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT David Young dyoung@tbam.org

One of the core principles of Reform Judaism is our yearning to repair the world. And here at Beth Am, we believe we can.

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks said, "Optimism and hope are not the same. Optimism is the belief that the world is changing for the better; hope is the belief that, together, we can make the world better. Optimism is a passive virtue, hope an active one. It needs no courage to be an optimist, but it takes a great deal of courage to hope."

Maybe it's fitting that Israel's National Anthem is Hatikvah, which translates to "the Hope."

Our hope at Beth Am is quite active. Throughout the year, we are constantly helping those in need. We feed the hungry, clothe the homeless, and arrange housing for those traveling from Pakistan and Ukraine; Beth Am has a social conscience. And there is one special day where all our actions merge: Mitzvah Day.

This year had an unfortunate twist. The day before our Mitzvah Day, antisemites around the United States declared a "National Day of Hate." Sadly, the number of antisemitic attacks has been rising at an alarming rate. We, as Jews, must always be vigilant. But we cannot allow those ignorant, hateful individuals to distract us from what we do best. And what we do best is work together to help those in need. And so we did, the very next day.

Many in our congregation embody what Rabbi Sacks discussed—having hope and, together, working actively to make the world better. A special thank you goes to our Tikkun Olam Committee and Mitzvah Day Chair, **Rebecca Holljes**, and co-chair, **Tina Forster**. Their extraordinary leadership made this year's Mitzvah Day the biggest one yet.

For the last four years, we have been blessed to have **Judy Cowan** as the Vice President of Tikkun Olam. She has given her heart to our community. Our current recording secretary, **Shelley Jacoby**, is the immediate past chair of the Tikkun Olam Committee. Shelley is the quintessential leader. Shelley and Judy deserve a great big thank you from all of us. **Rabbi Rachel Greengrass** is our constant guiding light, inspiring us all to make the world better. **Tamara Donnenfeld**, our Religious School Director, instills in her students the value of respect for our community and the world. Tamara encourages hundreds of young people to care and to hope.

It really does take a village to be so successful. And for Mitzvah Day, we had an outstanding village. Our team put together over 26 projects with over 500 volunteers. Wow!!! I want to acknowledge the following:

LEAP – **Jaimie Scheiner & Jillian Shepard** Patches – **Jennifer Resnick**

Food Rescue - Shelley Jacoby Ronald McDonald House - Judi Gampel Camillus House - Brittany Addams Chapman Partnership - Lisa Heller Green & Monica Warman Blood Drive - Susan Rosenthal & Pam Misrahi Book Donations - Jeff Rosenberg, Brenda Kilmer, & Janice Baisman Boys and Girls Club - Favi Budyszewick Buddy System - Jacki Altman Casa Valentina - Carol Flicker Deering Estates - Danny & Marty Elfenbein Friends of IDF - Hagit Fefferman & Miriam Zadock JAFCO - Jennifer Diemar, Melissa Ginsburg, & Stephie Goldman JCS Kosher Food Bank/Milam's Food - Rooney Brodie & Laura Greer Haim Lotus House - Caroline Miller Knit and Crochet - Anne Becker & Susan Fusfield Lighthouse for the Blind - Tina Forster & Rachel Turetsky Miami Rescue Mission - Rachel DeLevie-Orey & Brooke Laskin Miami Waterkeepers - Lindsey & Todd Friedman Redland Dog Sanctuary - Henry Greengrass The Garden - Gregory Frankel & Susan Fusfield Tikva Children's House - Jennifer Warren Medwin Voices for Children - Kadie Black Whispering Manes - Tori Andre & Stacy Andre

I would be remiss if I did not thank our custodial and facilities staff. I witness these remarkable men and women, under the leadership of Sharon Levi, coordinate all the activities in our synagogue. They are amazingly dedicated, and we are truly grateful.

Speaking of Sharon, he is an invaluable partner. His resources in law enforcement, and the training he does with our security team, convinced me that, whatever mishigas was going on with the "National Day of Hate," we would be okay. It was important to show our community (and prove to the world) that no one will stop the work we do so well here at Temple Beth Am. Remember, Rabbi Sacks said it takes great courage to hope. We have that courage (along with a great deal of security and advanced safety planning).

Giving hope to those in our community who are in need is the best way to combat evil and fight against those who want to oppress us. Love truly does win.

Way to go, Beth Am. Being president of such an actively engaged and hopeful congregation is an honor.

David Young

BAR MTZYAH

WITH MUCH JOY AND HAPPINESS WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US AS OUR SON HENRY GREENGRASS תיים יצחק IS CALLED TO THE TORAH AS A BAR MITZVAH RACHEL & JOHN*





TEMPLE BETH AM 5950 N Kendall Drive, Pinecrest, FL 33156



COMMITTEE OF 100

TUESDAY **APRIL 11, 2023** 6 PM - 8 PM

AT TEMPLE BETH AM THE HUB Join members of your community, clergy, and professionals for a cocktail reception in honor of the Committee of 100, President's Honor Circle, Rabbi's Honor Circle, Circle of Blessing and Circle of Life participants.

Please RSVP at tbam.org/committeeof100 or Rita Diaz at 786-364-9434 | rdiaz@tbam.org



Tzedakah is one of our most important traditions – an obligation to give, each in our own way, to help others. It is what makes us a strong, a united and a just people.

Thank you for supporting Temple Beth Am on the Committee of 100 levels and making membership affordable to all.

*All foods served will be kosher for Passover by Michael Meltzer Catering



HAPPENING AT THE HUB April-May, 2023

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ISRAELI CINEMA FEST







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GRAND OPENING OF THE HUB

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CELEBRATE ISBAELI CINEMA BRI 27-30

AT TEMPLE BETH AM WITH THE MIAMI JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL



KARAOKE Dir. Moshe Rosenthal Thursday, April 27, 7:30 pm





AMERICA DIR. OFIR RAUL GRAIZER Sunday, April 30, 3:00 pm



PARIS BOUTIQUE Dir. Marco Carmel Sunday, April 30, 5:30 pm

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND TICKETS VISIT TBAM.ORG/MJFF

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 8:00 PM THE FRANKEL FAMILY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Mames Babegenush unleash a sonic crossroads where east unexpectedly meets. . .north! The Danish band's unique musical fusion marries their strong Scandinavian roots and elements of jazz with the vibrant dance music and klezmer traditions of eastern Europe. From the contemplative ambiance of Nordic snowscapes to the lively weddings of Romania, the music of Mames Babegenush exudes poignant melancholy and danceable exuberance.

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7:00 THE HUB

WHO KNOWS ONE?

is a hilarious interactive game show that combines Six Degrees of Separation and Jewish Geography, coming LIVE to The Hub with game creator Micah Hart!

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Come see how we're all connected to each other, share a few laughs along the way - and maybe even be a part of the show!

IT'S NOT ABOUT

[WHO YOU KNOW]

YOU KNOW

TEMPLE BETH AM

The Hub





PASSOVER SERVICES, SEDERS & CELEBRATIONS

PASSOVER BEGINS AT SUNDOWN ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 2023 AND CONTINUES THROUGH SUNDOWN ON THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2023

Temple Beth Am will have various Passover services, Seders and celebrations throughout the holiday!

Please join us for one or all of them!



april 06 **FIRST DAY OF PASSOVER FESTIVAL SERVICE** THURSDAY, APRIL 6TH 10:30 AM Chapel, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex

SECOND NIGHT COMMUNITY PASSOVER SEDER

TRADITIONAL SEDER THURSDAY, APRIL 6TH, 5:45 PM Chapel, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex

For those looking for a more traditional Passover experience, we invite you to the Chapel for an engaging and educational Seder dinner led by Rabbi Jeremy Barras. FAMILY SEDER THURSDAY, APRIL 6TH, 5:45 PM Social Hall, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex

This interactive Seder features activities for children of all ages, but specifically geared toward elementary and early childhood-aged children. Make memories with the whole family as we find creative ways to fulfill the mitzvah of telling the Passover story.

\$54 for Adults, \$18 for Children ages 6-15, Free for children 5 and under **Register at tbam.org/passoverseder**





MIAMI JEWS SEDER IN THE GARDEN MONDAY, APRIL 10TH 6:30 PM Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden

This engaging Passover experience designed for young professionals includes cocktails (and mocktails), Passover-themed activities, and an interactive Seder with delicious food.

Follow us at @miamijews on Instagram for more info!



PASSOVER YIZKOR SERVICE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12TH 10:30 AM Sanctuary





TEMPLE BETH AM'S RECOVERY THROUGH A JEWISH LENS 3RD ANNUAL PASSOVER SERENITY SEDER CELEBRATION TUESDAY, APRIL 11TH 7:00 PM Chapel, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex

On Passover we celebrate our people's liberation from slavery. At Our Passover Serenity Seder, we celebrate with family and friends as we honor our redemption from addictions.

Join us for a meaningful, musical and delicious evening. Everyone is welcome.

\$20 for Adults Free for children 12 and under

Register at tbam.org/recoveryseder





What is unBIASed? Undoing Bias through | Education | Community Dialogue | Building Relationships

Here at Beth Am, we are committed to combating the waves of antisemitism growing in our society. In early 2022 Rabbi Barras started an initiative to begin exploring what role we, as a congregation, could play in addressing bias-related issues in our own community. With a group of dedicated volunteers, that exploration has brought us to today as we are now implementing a variety of related programs. We understand and acknowledge that Temple Beth Am is part of a community with organizations, entities, and individuals who also deal with mounting prejudice. As a result, we will focus on addressing bias of all kinds via our new unBIASed Initiative.

Based on recent surveys and academic analysis of research literature, the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) published a report in February 2022 showing that in the U.S. there is widespread belief in anti-Jewish tropes, at the highest rates seen in decades. Of course, this is of great concern as anti-Jewish and often anti-Israel sentiment as well, results in loss of the ability to work together as a community and as people with goals in common.

In surveys, respondents were asked to rate statements describing anti-Jewish tropes. These tropes reference

common anti-Jewish conspiracies theories that previous research has shown lead to hostility and violence. Some statements indicate Jews are viewed by many as being "clannish," with large numbers of respondents saying that Jews stick together more than others. When people see us as being insular, they feel resentment. Misunderstandings lead to fear and anger. Another trope related to the concept of "dual loyalty," saying that Jews are more loyal to Israel than the United States. Finally, there is also belief that Jews are too powerful in business and Wall Street.

EVERYONE WANTS TO KNOW - - WHAT CAN WE DO?

1- Educate yourself on the history of antisemitism and how it looks today. Look for suggestions we'll make regarding resources and classes, upcoming programs and speakers, here at Beth Am.

2- Speak up when you see or hear anything that is antisemitic, or anti-anyone: based on racism, Islamophobia, gender identity, or ethnicity.

3- Join our community dialogue team to meet with organizations and entities in our community to discuss our similarities and our differences.

HERE ARE A FEW RESOURCES TO BEGIN WITH

www.antisemitism.adl.org Antisemitism Uncovered: A Guide to Old Myths in a New Era (provided on ADL website)

> www.ushmm.org U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum



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Erosion of Rights: From the Holocaust to the Present – Can It Happen Here?

THURSDAY APRIL 13TH

7:00 PM THE FRANKEL FAMILY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER THE HUB AT TEMPLE BETH AM

As a part of Temple Beth Am's **unBIASed** Initiative, we are introducing thought-provoking programs designed to address today's issues relating to rising antisemitism and other forms of bias.

It is an honor to host this compelling new exhibit, the first to be featured at The Hub! In partnership with the American Bar Association and The Bundesrechtsanwaltskammer (*German Federal Bar*), the **Lawyers Without Rights** exhibit will educate our community about the erosion of the rule of law through the lens of the tragic fate of Jewish lawyers in Nazi Germany after 1933.

The 25-panel exhibit depicts the humiliation, degradation and purge of roughly 5000 Jewish lawyers from the German legal system.

Their only "crime" was their Jewish ancestry. Despite the fact that the German legal system had a long history of strongly supporting the rule of law, rampant antisemitism became the policy of the Nazi government, and German democracy was destroyed.

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When rule of law becomes replaced with rule by law, the rights and dignity of selected populations can be easily swept away. We must ask: how did this happen so quickly? What is the relevance of this exhibit to current trends in the free world? What are the lessons for us today?

PLEASE JOIN US on April 13 for the opening of the exhibit and an evening of interactive discussion with our experts.

RABBI JEREMY BARRAS Senior Rabbi, Temple Beth Am



HON. SCOTT BERNSTEIN Unified Children's Court Division Circuit Judge, Longtime Legal and Judicial Educator

FEATURING OUR ESTEEMED GUEST SPEAKERS:

WINE AND CHEESE RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY TO FOLLOW. RSVP at tbam.org/lawyerswithoutrights



EDITH OSMAN Former President of the Florida Bar, 2nd Generation Survivor, VP Events at Temple Beth Am, ADL Executive Committee



BRIAN SIEGAL Director, Miami and Broward American Jewish Committee (AJC)



ANDREAS SIEGEL German Consulate General of Miami

Temple Beth Am's unBIASed initiative seeks to address antisemitism and all forms of hate in our community through events, learning opportunities, partnerships, youth engagement, editorials in community newspapers, social media, and more.







Tamara Donnenfeld Director of Lifelong Learning tdonnenfeld@tbam.org

FEATURING OUR YOUNG LEADERS



Todah

My name is **Ellie Rosenwald.** I am a ninth-grade student and a part of the BAFTY board. Growing up in New York City, I had a dog. This dog became my best friend, as I took my first steps with him beside me and would read to him every night before I went to sleep. As I grew older, I learned that this special experience was not very common. I learned that there were animals in shelters who did not have a family to love and take care of them.

I wanted to try and make a difference and so my experience with philanthropy began. To "celebrate" my eighth birthday, I partnered with my local ASPCA to host a tour with friends of the facility and visit with the shelter animals. Instead of the usual birthday gifts, I asked my friends to consider making a donation to the ASPCA. Together, we raised over one thousand dollars! I realized philanthropy takes on many forms. Raising funds for important causes and also educating and motivating others to get involved as well. In the following years, there were many bake sales, garage sales, and work with several community organizations.

When I first moved to Miami, it was hard to find ways to continue with philanthropy. It was post-pandemic, and I was new to the community. However, joining BAFTY opened me up to a wonderful community of eager and active peers and educators who share my enthusiasm for philanthropy. One thing I really love about BAFTY is that you are never alone. I gained not only friendships, but valuable leadership skills as well. I encourage all temple-members to join BAFTY! This year, I am also a part of the Camp Jenny campaign to help raise money to make the camp experience available to underserved children. Camp Jenny provides children with nutritious meals, encouragement for the future, love, and support, while they enjoy fun summer activities! As I continue to grow older, I hope my impact on the community grows with me.



A Sincere Todah...







A World of Opportunities

THE BENEFITS OF YOUTH PHILANTHROPY

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Youth Engagement Director

Every year our Temple Beth Am senior youth group, BAFTY, and other youth groups in other regions of the United States, have come together to raise money for Camp Jenny. "Camp Jenny was founded in the spring of 1988 in memory of Jenny Rosenthal. The purpose of this program would be to provide a weekend at Camp Coleman for underprivileged children who have never had the chance to go to summer camp."

Our teens are blessed with so many opportunities and we are grateful for that but as educators, we want our teens to embrace the concept of thankfulness by helping them to connect to something greater than themselves. Contributing to a larger cause will empower our teens and our society as a whole.

Our Youth group BAFTY is asking for your support. Your contribution will not only help make so many kids' dreams

come true but support us in teaching our teens important values such as *tzedakah*, *chesed*, and *tikkun olam*. If you can, support the youngest leadership of Temple Beth Am! Please read the philanthropic story of Ellie, one of our BAFTY Board members. At BAFTY we give our teens the chance to grow as leaders and to make a difference. Please support them and make your own difference in our community.

Sumiko Zayon







Save The Date for Our Next Sensory-Friendly Family Shabbat Service

Saturday, April 22, 2023 9:00 -10:00 AM Library in the Rambam Day School Building

Geared toward children with sensory processing disorders, but open to all! We invite you to join us on Shabbat morning for an abbreviated service featuring soft music, dim lighting and comfortable seating.

Questions? Contact Michele Kaplan at michelemkaplan@yahoo.com

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FRIDAY APRIL 21, 2023 5:45 PM

Enjoy a fun family Shabbat officiated by our very own Rabbi Rachel Greengrass and Cantor Tifani Coyot. This will be a special Disney evening. A delicious catered dinner, a wine bar for parents and grandparents, a special arts and crafts project for our little ones and special photo props for you to remember this Shabbat with your family.

> For more information, call Rita at 786.364 9434



MAZEL TOV B'NAI MITZVAH



Vince Frankel April 8, 2023

Vince is currently a 7th grader at Ransom Everglades. His passion for culture extends to music, art, food and sneakers! He's an adventurous young man who is always ready to try new cuisine, new locations and new sports. He's the captain of his own ship, and his parents **Alexandra** and **Greg**, and his younger brother **Ryder**, couldn't be prouder or more excited for what lies ahead.



Lainey Salomon April 15, 2022

Lainey is a 7th grade student at Ransom Everglades. She enjoys traveling, volleyball, spending time with friends and family and especially, her dog, Kiki. Lainey's mitzvah project theme was hunger – she prepared and delivered food to The Miami Bridge and the residents at Camillus House. Lainey is kind, smart, funny, social and a thoughtful sister and daughter. Her parents, **Wendy** and **Peter**, and brother **Max** are so proud of her and look forward to celebrating her special day.



Mikhaela Ramsay April 22, 2023

Mikhaela is a 7th grade student at Arvida Middle School. Her interests include reading, birdwatching, and hiking. Her accomplishments include establishing a Pine Rockland garden at Arvida Middle School. She hopes to be an ornithologist one day. Her parents, **Gita** and **David**, and her siblings, **Joshua** and **Ginella**, are very proud of her and excited to celebrate her Bat Mitzvah.



Devon Roy

April 22, 2023

Devon, a 7th grader at Gulliver Prep, has an immense passion for sports and has participated in Football, Track and Field, Beth Am Basketball and Howard Palmetto Baseball. He is a top student and a National Junior Honor Society member. For his Mitzvah project, Devon is volunteering at The Friendship Circle. He loves to have fun, but he also works hard and has a kind and respectful demeanor. His parents **Jamie** and **Dylan** and brothers **Rex** and **Trey** can't wait to celebrate his Bar Mitzvah!



Audrey Schwart April 29, 2023

Audrey is a 7th grader at GW Carver Middle. She is a wonderful student, friend, sister, and daughter. Audrey enjoys cooking/baking, traveling, basketball, and summers at Blue Star Camps. She adores her cat, Biggie. Audrey's parents, **David** and **Melissa**, and sister **Nathalie** are proud of her and excited to celebrate her Bat Mitzvah!



DAY SCHOOL

Nora Anderson, M.S., M.Ed. Head of School nanderson@tbam.org

Passover is a time in which we celebrate the liberation of the Israelites from slavery in ancient Egypt. It is a holiday that is steeped in history, tradition, and symbolism, and it is observed by Jews all over the world. For Rambam Day School students, Passover is a time for reflection, renewal, and redemption, and it provides an opportunity to explore the concept of courage and how it relates to the human experience.

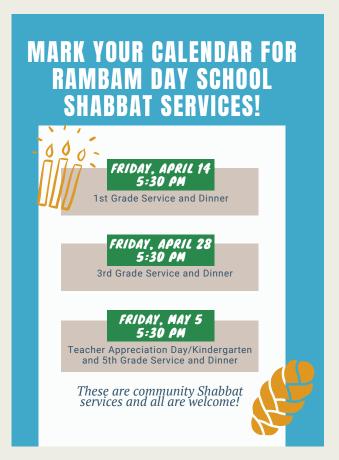
During the month of Nisan, Rambam students will study the *middah* of courage. Courage is particularly relevant to Passover. Throughout the holiday, we remember how Moses dared to stand up to Pharaoh and demand his people's freedom, even when it seemed like an impossible feat. We recognize the courage of the Israelites, who were willing to leave the familiar and venture out into the unknown despite their fear and uncertainty. They had the courage to trust in G-d and follow his lead, even when the path was difficult and fraught with danger. This theme of courage is reflected in many aspects of the Passover Seder as well. As we retell the story of the Exodus, our Seders include symbolic foods and rituals that highlight different aspects of the story and encourage reflection on the theme of courage.

Our students are at a stage in their lives where they are developing a sense of self and their place in the world. Children in both early childhood and elementary school are constantly being introduced to new concepts and situations that may be unfamiliar or intimidating. Encouraging them to be courageous can help them face these challenges with a positive attitude and a willingness to learn. It can help them build confidence, resilience, and determination.

As we know from Moses, it can often require much courage to speak up for oneself. As children interact with peers and adults, they, too, may encounter situations where they need to speak up for themselves or others. Having the courage to express their thoughts and feelings can help them build healthy relationships, develop social skills, and become effective advocates for themselves and others, just as Moses did. Additionally, young children often have fears and anxieties, such as a fear of the dark or a fear of trying new things. The Passover story teaches them that courage can help them overcome these fears and build resilience. Despite the harsh treatment they endured as enslaved people in Egypt, it took great trust and bravery for the Israelites to follow Moses out of Egypt and into the wilderness, leaving behind their homes and their sense of familiarity. By sharing these stories and encouraging our children to be courageous, parents and teachers can help children take healthy risks and explore new opportunities.

We can learn many lessons from the story of Passover. By instilling the value of courage in children at a young age, we can give them the skills they need to navigate challenges throughout their lives.

Nora Anderson





We'd like to express our sincerest gratitude for your continued support and record-breaking sponsorships for the 2023 Annual Auction! As a result of your Annual Auction contributions, the students benefit from continued enhancements to their state-of-the-art curriculum, technology, and security. Thanks again! We couldn't have done it without you!

It has been our pleasure to serve as your Annual Auction co-chairs for the past two years. We will never forget this experience and we thank you for sharing it with us.

With appreciation, *Melissa Kalman and Nicole Kaplan* Co-Chairs, Annual Auction





Temple Beth Am & Rambam Day School send a special thank you to our Annual Auction Co-Chairs, Melissa Kalman and Nicole Kaplan. Their dedication, perseverance and commitment ensured not just a successful event for the school, but an incredible night for our community to celebrate together.

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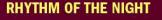








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Sunday, April 16 at 11:30 a.m.

Lummus Park (Ocean Drive and 5th Street) | Parade starts at 12 p.m.



Advance registration is required to march.

Register at tham.org/prideparade *Registration deadline: Thursday, April 13th*

Street parking limited Ride-sharing is encouraged

For more information, please contact David Leviev at **dleviev@gmjf.org** or call **786.866.8487**.

If you, a family member or friend requires special accommodations to attend this program, please let us know. We will do our best to assist you.

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BRATISLAVA

Learn about the history of the poignant Holocaust Memorial that stands in the center of Old Town, marking the site of the former Neolog Synagogue. You may also pay your respects at the Rabbi Chatam Sofer Memorial – exclusively available to custom groups.

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Visit Vienna's historic Jewish Quarter. Marvel at the contemporary Memorial Against War and Fascism designed by Austrian sculptor Alfred Hrdlicka and journey through time at the Jewish Museum in Palais Eskeles, where you will see the foundations of the medieval synagogue.

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Dear TBAM,

Thank you for all your hard work and contributions to this year's Mitzvah Day. Because of the more than 500 of you who volunteered and donated, our 41 captains who organized the programming and so many more volunteers, we were able to serve 26 distinct non-profit organizations and do so much good. Here's the briefest of recaps (addressed in no particular order) of what we can—and did!—accomplish when we come together:

- 1. Prepare, deliver, collect, purchase and serve food to approximately 1,000 people.
- 2. Write and decorate cards and prepare care packages for refugees and Israeli soldiers.
- 3. Prepare care packages for children in need headed to summer camp.
- 4. Paint fences and rec rooms at local therapy and community centers.
- 5. Knit and crochet blankets and booties for babies.
- 6. Collect so much food and supplies for rescued dogs.
- 7. Mentor and play with kids in need at Miami Children's Museum and TopGolf.
- 8. Collect trash and debris from our beaches, local parks and preserves.
- 9. Consult and lead a business course for women recently released from prison.
- 10. Plant and prune our TBAM Garden and learn how to be better stewards of our planet.
- 11. Donate hundreds of books, hundreds of pounds of clothing, hundreds of hygiene products and other basic life necessities.
- 12. Give enough blood for 57 future patients.

We connected as neighbors, friends, teammates and leaders and in so doing created a more just and kind world—the very essence of Tikkun Olam.

Mazel tov, thanks again, and we look forward to continuing to grow our positive impact with you throughout the year, Your Tikkun Olam Committee







RAC-FL UPDATE

CALLING ALL SOCIAL JUSTICE WARRIORS The Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism (the RAC) will be having its Days of Action in Washington, D.C. on May 10-11.

Join other Reform Jews from all over the country as we learn about various issues pending on Capitol Hill and then visit our Senators and Representatives to advocate for what is important to us as a Reform Movement.

More information and registration available at https://rac.org/calendar/dc-day-action-0.

All the best, Jeff Agron, RAC-FL



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EARTH DAY CELEBRATION in the TBAM Garden! No work! Just fun, friendly people and food! Join us for a Potluck Picnic & Plant-Based BBQ!

Join us Sunday April 23, 2023 11am-1 pm (special time!)

A Family Friendly BBQ and Picnic. Everyone is Welcome! Join the Garden Sanctuary and our friends from TBAM's PB&J (Plant Based & Jewish) Chavurah

Bring your smiles, picnic blanket, chairs, guitars, kazoos, tents, whatever!

Kindly RSVP and let us know what item you might like to bring to share (if you can) to garden@tbam.org

SAVE THIS DATE:

May 21, 2023 Garden Close Out and BYOB! Bring Your Own Bucket and take home a garden plant!

Dear Sisters & Friends



We are coming off of two months of extremely successful Sisterhood Programming: Ikebana and Torah Study, CPR, Members Mingle, Art and Lunch, Book Drive, Mitzvah Day at Casa Valentina, Book Club, Understanding Gender Identity, Writing and Poetry, and unBIASed. Thank you to all who participated with the creation and implementation of these Sisterhood events! We have a few more exciting opportunities with which to enjoy each other in the coming months! Please look at our programming and photographic display.

Congratulations to Kadie Black and Genia Neuhaus on their election to the National Board of the WRJ. We appreciate your dedication and commitment to Sisterhood at TBAM and to Jewish women throughout our country. We need the knowledge and skills that you are gaining, a result of networking and participation, that occurs at WRJ conferences.

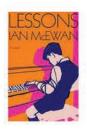
Wishing everyone a memorable, spiritual and festive Pesach as we celebrate this holiday with family, friends, and community.

Warmly, Gusan Jampen

Sisterhood President



Sisterhood Book Club



THURSDAY, MAY 4 AT 7:00 PM Chapel, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex "Lessons" by Ian McEwan Ricki Dorn will lead this discussion

RSVP at Lpfabry@gmail.com or gingerdurand@yahoo.com

Sisterhood Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19 AT 7:00 PM Social Hall, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex

THURSDAY, MAY 18TH AT 7:00 PM Location TBD All members welcome.

Mosaic Master Class

THURSDAY, APRIL 20TH AT 5:00 PM Social Hall, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex

Mosaic artist Robyn Abrams (Robyn worked with us last year to make gorgeous Miriam's Cups!) will teach us how to make a beautiful Hamsa to be completed in one evening. All levels of artistic abilities are welcome.

Cost: \$36 per person Bring your own dinner; Sisterhood will provide beverages. Space is limited to 20 participants. Register at tbam.org/hamsa



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SISTERHOOD END OF THE YEAR EVENT

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17TH

Let's Dine, Drink and Dance Y'all 36\$ per person **RSVP** at: tbam.org/endofyear



Celebrate National Poetry Month!

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5 AND WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12 10:30 AM **Temple Beth Am Meeting Room 3**

For more information and to register, visit: tbam.org/poetry





As you read this article, the Men's Passover Seder will have already been celebrated. Why would we plan the Seder before the actual dates of Passover? First of all, having Rabbi Barras there, just for the guys, is something special. We always have a great time and enjoy the camaraderie-not to mention that we can have dessert not allowed on Passover.

Every year we learn something new from Rabbi Barras, such as deeper meanings for certain prayers, traditional Passover foods, or how Jews from other countries celebrate Passover in unique and exciting ways. It's a wonderful way for the men of TBAM to come together in brotherhood...it's why we're here.

We hope you'll join us for upcoming April events hosted or co-sponsored by TBAM Brotherhood. These programs are open to men and women.

FAMILY SOCCER WATCH PARTY

Saturday, April 29 at 7:30 PM (See below for all the details)

SUNDAY SALON: SCREENING OF DOCUMENTARY: THE HUMAN TRIAL Sunday, April 23 at 10:00 AM

(See page 33 for additional information)

Please also save the date for the Brotherhood General Membership meeting on May 17 and a wine-tasting event on June 11. More details to come.

For more information on these upcoming events, to pay for membership, and to register for our programs, visit us at **tbam.org/brotherhood.**

Yours in Brotherhood,

JEFFREY ROSENBERG President TBAM Brotherhood



FAMILY SOCCER WATCH PARTY CALLING ALL SOCCER FANS TO JOIN US TO CHEER ON OUR MIAMI TEAM!



BOOKS = SPEAKERS MUSIC = CINEMA = ARTS Adult Reading Room

SUNDAY SALON

JOIN US at 10:30 A.M in the Chapel for a bagel, a coffee and a schmooze or live streaming on tbam.org/streaming

APRIL 23RD ALL OF US



The Brotherhood of Temple Beth Am

will join us and share their knowledge of the Network of the National Library of Medicine and its local chapter at the University of Miami. There, at UM, they are engaged in a remarkable Research Program called All of Us.

In this presentation, we will be introduced to some of the All of Us team and view the documentary The Human Trial, which follows a groundbreaking clinical trial that peels . back the headlines to show the sweat, passion,

and sacrifice behind every breakthrough cure.

We will have time for questions and answers, as well as much discussion.

PLEASE RSVP AT: tbam.org/sundaysalon



Precision Medicine Initiative

RSVP online for all events at tbam.org/sundaysalon

Adult Reading Room events are coordinated by Etta Gold MLS RJE, Congregational Librarian. Contact Etta at egold@tbam.org



Commentator

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Journey to Israel 75: Pioneers, Leaders, Builders

There have been many Prime Ministers during the past 75 years, beginning with David Ben Gurion in 1948 to Benjamin Netanyahu in 2023. Each one faced challenges and dilemmas to solve. The Israeli form of government is complicated. There are 120 seats in the K'nesset. There are many political parties. In order to become Prime Minister the leader needs a coalition of 61 seats. Some years have had clear majorities, other years required a combination of different parties to reach the minimum. One of those Prime Ministers was able to negotiate a first Peace Treaty with Egypt.

Menachem Begin, 1913-1992

His story is a controversial one. How was it possible that this ardent Zionist leader from Poland was able to survive the Nazi Holocaust, arrive in Israel in 1942, organize the militant Irgun organization that fought the British Mandate, and who was responsible for the bombing of the King David Hotel (headquarters for the British) to eventually become Prime Minister in 1977?

In 1948 Begin organized the right wing Herut Party and from that time forward he played an important part in the political life of the new nation. He was elected to the first K'nesset, and he remained a member for 35 years until 1984. As leader of the opposition party, in 1965, he agreed to merge with the Liberals, which later became the Likud Party. After the 1967 war, he agreed to form a National Unity government which lasted until 1970. After the 1973 War and the resignation of Golda Meir and Moshe Davan, the Likud Party won a stunning victory in 1977, and Menachem Begin became Prime Minister for six years. Begin was responsible for many advances in Israel's progress as a developing nation. He was committed to closing the gap between Ashkenazim and Sephardim communities. In Operation Moses, he encouraged Ethiopian Jews to immigrate to Israel. His most outstanding achievement was his ability to establish a relationship with Anwar Sadat of Egypt. He invited him to Jerusalem, and Sadat came. This was the beginning of the peace progress negotiations that led to the signing of the Peace Treaty, the Camp David Accords, September 17, 1978. Begin and Sadat were awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979. Unfortunately, Sadat was assassinated in Egypt for making peace with Israel. The Sinai Peninsula, which Israel had captured and controlled since 1967, was returned to Egypt. The details of that Treaty can be found in government documents. To this day, the Treaty holds between the two countries. In fact, Egypt and Israel cooperate in issues related to Hamas in Gaza.

Begin frequently quoted from *Pirke Avot:* "Who is a hero? The one who makes an enemy a friend."

Begin allowed the opening up of settlements in Judea and Samaria (the West Bank). There was much disagreement about this policy that still continues today. The Lebanon border was a constant issue of attacks in the northern communities. Begin ordered Sharon to enter Lebanon in 1982 to solve this problem with the PLO. Unfortunately, in this complicated battle, Sharon allowed the Christian Lebanese to kill those in the camps. Sharon and Begin were disgraced by this invasion, and they both resigned. Begin never recovered from that tragedy. Always a controversial leader, he was considered a man of principle who was dedicated to the survival of the Jewish People and the Jewish nation.

"I believe with all my heart that Israel belongs to the whole Jewish people and not only to those Jewish people who live in it." - MB

L'Shalom,

Lenore Kipper



Headlines from the 1980 Commentators

In February, Rabbi Alex Schindler, President of the UAHC (now URJ), was invited to speak on February 1, in honor of the 25th anniversary of Temple Beth Am. Rabbi Schindler was a strong voice for justice and peace. He was born in Germany in 1925, came to U.S. and served in the Army during the war. He was always a forceful speaker and never was afraid to speak out on controversial issues concerning Judaism, Israel and U.S. foreign policy.

The Beth Am Learning Center Building was dedicated on February 22. The many donors who supported this achievement were honored. The new two story building was needed to provide new space for the expanding day school enrollment of 610, K-6. Over 200 attended the Havurah Retreat. Rabbi Chefitz began the Havurah program. It continues to be a group of families that come together to celebrate, to study and become an extended family.

The Ćonfirmation class of this year was one of the largest, 80 students. It was also a peak year of 1750 families for the Temple. One of those students was Janice Baisman, who received the Jeremiah Award for Achievement in Jewish studies. Janice has been an administrative assistant at the Temple for many years. Rabbi Mitchell Chefitz was honored in June for his service to the Temple for five years. In addition to the Havurah Program, he was responsible for enlarging our Adult Education classes and has engaged in all aspects of rabbinic responsibilities during his time with the Temple. Part of the honor was requesting members to join ARZA, the American Reform Zionist Association that supports connection to the land and people of Israel through educational trips and projects.

Rabbi Morton Hoffman joined the clergy staff in August. His responsibilities included supervising the Hebrew Department of Religious School. He contributed to leading services as a cantor as well.

In December Rabbi Baumgard announced the publication of his book, *Loving What is Close.* It is a collection of talks he gave in the community during the 25 years of the history of Temple Beth Am. There is a copy in the Archives.



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TEMPLE BETH AM ANNUAL MEETING

SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023 1 SIVAN 5783 4:00 PM

Join us as we review the fiscal year and install our incoming Board of Directors.

RSVP at tbam.org/annualmeeting



THURSDAY7:30 - 9:00 PMAT THE HOME OF DAN AND APRIL STUZIN

A GATOR SOCIAL GATHERING...OF FOLKS WHO HAVE A PASSION FOR ALL THINGS GATOR AND MAKE THEIR SPIRITUAL HOME AT TEMPLE BETH AM.

Do you have a child at the University of Florida? Are you parents of graduates from the University of Florida? Are YOU an alumni of UF? Join members of your Clergy, professional staff, and lay leaders and schmooze with other Gators!



If you are interested in joining us for the evening, please contact Rita Diaz at: 786-364-9434 | rdiaz@tbam.org



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RABBI AKLEPI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Jerry Berger in appreciation for your officiating at the funeral of Shirley Berger and for Rylie Vento's Bat Mitzvah

The Cummings Family in memory of Ruth Leshaw, with our continued love and respect to an outstanding family. Our deepest sympathies and condolences Rhodele and Glenn Holzberg in appreciation of Rabbi Aklepi's officiating at the baby naming

Sandra and Herb Koross in memory of Harry, Leroy and Gerry Koross Martin Levinson in loving memory of Dr. Dana

Martin Levinson in loving memory of Dr. Dana M. Levinson

Joseph H. Lowe in memory of Henry Osdoby and in loving memory of Rae Lowe and Sam Lowe Frances Salbarrey

The Wolf and Leshaw Families with sincere appreciation and gratitude for officiating at mother's funeral

THE STEPHEN ARKY FAMILY CARING FUND

Marlin, Lisa and Todd, in loving memory of Steve Arky who is, and always will be, deeply in our hearts, with love and respect

LESLEE ARONOVITZ YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Shelly and Steven Brodie in loving memory of Ruth LeShaw

Adrian and Ken Dubow in loving memory of Ruth Leshaw

Adrian and Ken Dubow in loving memory of Joseph Harvest

Adrian and Ken Dubow in loving memory of Jocelyn Gerof

- Adrian and Ken Dubow in loving memory of Florence Farkas
- Paul and Judith Korchin in loving memory of Esther Korchin

Paul and Judith Korchin in loving memory of Dr. Leo Korchin

Steven and Cindy Rudin in loving memory of Arthur Rudin

Steven and Cindy Rudin in loving memory of Ilene Rudin Schneiderman

Sherry Solowey in loving memory of Ruth Leshaw, mother of Meredith Wolf

DR. MORTON M. AXLER SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE FUND

Wendy and Jonathan Baumgard in loving memory of mother, Selma Baumgard Wendy and Jonathan Baumgard in loving memory of

father, Milton Ungar

Neil and Malka Webman Family Philanthropic Fund in memory of Dr. Mark Webman, Dr. Harold Webman and Naomi Webman

RABBI BARRAS' DISCRETIONARY FUND

Claire Alpert Irma and Kalman Bass Andrew and Marla Berman in memory of Lillian Berman. Thank you for all you have done for us and our family. Peter and Kerrin Bermont in memory of Iris Cutler Lynn and Robert Bernstein in memory of **Richard Bernstein** Virginia Corin in memory of Morton Corin Vicki and Neil Einhorn in memory of Joseph Harvest Cheri Frantzman Eisenson in honor of Jeremy Balson's Bar Mitzvah Joe and Rose Falowitz in loving memory of Anna Faiwlowicz Sandy Halpern in memory of Charlotte Brodie Sandy and Jay Halpern in memory of Morris Rapport. Our condolences to Lily and family. Sandy and Jay Halpern in honor of Glenn Rozansky's birthday Barbara Havenick in memory of Jayusia Bernstein Susan and Edward Henkin with gratitude for your warm welcome to our spiritual home Jay and Joanne Koren with appreciation to Rabbi Barras for his support and officiating at Joseph Harvest's memorial service Joanne and Jay Koren in memory of Charlotte Brodie Betty McClaskey in appreciation to Rabbi Barras for officiating at the beautiful and spiritual wedding of Lisa McClaskey and David Kane Adrienne Messing in memory of Jocelyn Gerof, mother of Valerie Katz Joseph Rubin in honor of Chelsea Rubin's Bat Mitzvah Frances Salbarrey Jackie, Rich, Alison and Abby Siegel in memory of Hilda Berkowitz, mother of Cookie Simon; with deepest sympathy Karen and Robert Zinn in loving memory of Dr. Solomon Lanster **CARING COMMUNITY FUND**

Franci Keyes in memory of Ruth Leshaw, loving mother, grandmother and great grandmother Franci Keyes in memory of my parents, Jack and Vician Talbot

Pam and Richard Strassberg in memory of Jocelyn Gerof

CORNERS OF OUR FIELDS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Marlene Kaplan in memory of Hilda Berkowitz Richard Siegel in memory of Lillian Berman

CANTOR COYOT'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Shelly and Steven Brodie in honor of Cantor Coyot

THE JOAN KRAMER GALLANT AND MARTIN GALLANT CHILDREN'S FUND

In memory of our papa, Martin Gallant with love from Jane, Mack and Sunny Brian Gallant in loving memory of his parents

Tracy Gallant Brody in loving memory of her parents

GENERAL FUND

Helaine and Andy Bass and family in memory of Lillian Berman. May her memory be for a blessing.

H. Lee and Roberta Bauman in memory of Jocelyn Gerof.

We loved Jocelyn and will dearly miss her.

Susan Bush

Rich and Hinda Butin in memory of Lillian Berman

Charles Cassini with gratitude for Torah classes

The Cummings Family in memory of Dan Zubludowski. There are no words...We offer our love and support always, with our deepest condolences.

Esther and Glen Goldberg in loving memory of Michael Cassorla Dianne and Dr. Stuart Gottlieb in memory of Alan Homer

Dianne and Dr. Stuart Gottlieb in memory of Lena Homer

Debby and Bill Grodnick in memory of Charlotte Brodie. We

are so sorry for your loss. May her memory be for a blessing. Love, Debby and Bill.

Sandy and Jay Halpern in memory of Ruth Leshaw, with love Janet Kelfer in memory of Charlotte Brodie

Jon and Tina Kislak in memory of Jocelyn Gerof, mother of Valerie Katz

Joe McCrea

Wendy and Howard Perlman in memory of Susanna Schneiderman

Jeffrey and Lillian Rosenberg in loving memory of Arthur and Marion Rosenberg

Lisa Rosenthal in memory of Harvey Louis Rosenthal

Phyllis and Richard Sandrow in loving memory of

Dr. Alfred Dinert

Hope Schneiderman in memory of Susanna Schneiderman

David and Shelley Schwadron in loving memory of Ruth Leshaw

Rosanne and Ben Shore in memory of Jocelyn Gerof. You are in our thoughts. May your mom's memory be a blessing. With love, Rosanne and Ben

Michele and Robert Stone in memory of uncle of Michelle Krinzman

Yolanda Suarez in memory of Joseph Harvest. With our most sincere condolences to Joe's entire family, especially my dearest friend, Joanne Koren

Lisa Weiss in memory of Ruth Leshaw, mother of Meredith Wolf. With loving memories of your mother. My thoughts are with you. Love, Lisa Weiss

Meredith and Carlos Wolf in loving memory of Anna Leshaw

RABBI GREENGRASS' DISCRETIONARY FUND

John, Natalie, Tara and Jason Breslin in memory of Dr. Martin Glaser

Susan and Paul Fletcher in memory of Marty Glaser - husband, father, grandfather. May his memory be a blessing.

Greg Frankel in memory of Linda Frankel

Susan and Edward Henkin in honor of Rabbi Greengrass, with gratitude for your warm welcome to our spiritual home

Lani Kaskel in memory of Gloria Jean Wallens and in appreciation of the wonderful work of Rabbi Greengrass

Pam Suchman and Ruby Krekelberg with heartfelt gratitude for all the love, support and flexibility Rabbi Greengrass offered for Ruby's Bat Mitzvah. It was beautiful, meaningful and perfect.

The Moskowitz Family in honor of Serafina becoming a Bat Mitzvah, and with gratitude to Rabbi Greengrass

Terry and Marcia Reisman in loving memory of Charlotte Reisman

Frances Salbarrey

Elizabeth Suchman in loving memory of Clifford Suchman Jerry and Judy Wiskin in memory of grandmother, Gussie Pearl Renee Zwerner in memory of Dr. Martin Glaser

MARILYN HERSKOWITZ EDUCATION FUND

Greg and Jennifer Herskowitz in memory of Ferne Emas. May her memory be a blessing to the Emas Family and all who loved her.

THE SHEPARD KING SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Bernita King, Russell King and Tamara King Stark in memory of our beloved Shep, who continues to inspire us in everything we do

Bernita King in loving memory of Frances King, Bernita's mother-in-law

The King Family: Bernita, Russell and Tamara in loving memory of our sister and aunt, Muriel Marcus Breitkopf Paul and Judith Korchin in memory of Dr. Leo Korchin Paul and Judith Korchin in memory of Esther Korchin

LENORE KIPPER ENDOWMENT FUND

Lawrence Isenberg in loving memory of Marlene Price Isenberg

CANTOR NELSON'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Linda Cahan, Alisa, Hallie, and families in loving memory of Richard Cahan

Dr. Elliot Grusky and family thank you for officiating at the funeral of our father, Samuel Grusky. With deepest gratitude, we honor your commitment to serve our community, making each of us better.

Mrs. Susan Helfman in loving memory of her father Herbert Sherman

Joanne and Jay Koren and family in honor of Cantor Nelson for her support in the Joseph Harvest memorial service

ISIDOR OREN CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Mark Oren in loving memory of Belle Zuckerman Oren

DR. IRWIN PERLMUTTER ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Keeping the Legacy of Temple Beth Am Founding Member, Dr. Irwin Perlmutter, alive through Jewish Education

PRAYER BOOK FUND

The Fusfield Family in memory of Harry M. Becker, our dad and grandpa

Cindy and Jeff Gomez in loving memory of Linda Frankel Barry and Sheila Halpern in loving memory of Frank B. Halpern Laurel Kalser in memory of Barbara Margolin Kalser, our

beautiful mother and grandmother with all our love, the Kalser and Rinker families

The Klein Family in loving memory of Joseph Klein The Klein Family in memory of Pearl Rosenberg Richard and Susan Skor in memory of Henry Landen Sherry and Harley Tropin in memory of Sidney Magerer Howard Wallach, in loving memory of my brother, Gerald Wallach

SISTERHOOD OF TEMPLE BETH AM

Carol and Kenneth Flicker in loving memory of Hilda Berkowitz, mother of Cookie Simon

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Kate Lampen-Sachar in loving memory of Miriam Lampen

TIKKUN OLAM FUND

Jill Berman

Jackie Berney in loving memory of Dr. William Koblenz Sheila and Larry Forman in memory of Ruth Leshaw, mother,

grandmother, great grandmother of Meredith Wolf and family Susan and Glenn Fusfield thank you so much for our beautiful

High Holy Day honor

Susan Golinsky in memory of Morris Rapport, father of Lillian and Jeff Rosenberg

Franci Keyes in memory of Lois Kaufman, loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother

Susan and Ray Malca in memory of Ruth Leshaw. May your mom's memory be a blessing. Sending our condolences with love.

Lily and David Serviansky

Andrea Shosfy in memory of Ruth Leshaw, mother of Meredith Wolf

Allan and Toby Silvera in memory of Lillian Berman

Bruce and Mindy Wilner in memory of Ruth Leshaw

Bruce and Mindy Wilner in memory of of our dear friend Danny Zabludowski Mindy Wilner and Meredith's WISE friends in memory of Ruth Leshaw, beloved mother, grandmother, and great grandmother Meredith Wolf in memory of Ruth Leshaw

TIKKUN OLAM GARDEN FUND

Roney and Sofi Balson in memory of Linda Frankel Garrett Biondo in honor of Linda Frankel Nancy Kraemer in loving memory of Arthur Hirschthal Jacob Ratzan in memory of Linda Frankel Judy and Jerry Wiskin in memory of Robert Altman

UNBIASED FUND

Joanne and Jay Koren

YAHRZEIT FUND

The Cummings Family in memory of Jamie Zabludowski. Jamie eternally remains in our thoughts and in our hearts. With love always.

Goldie Gleiberman in loving memory of Albert Gleiberman Dolly Harris in memory of Louis Levick

Dolly Harris in memory of Ruth Leshaw, mother of Meredith Wolf

Michele Horovitz in loving memory of Betty Hilf

Judith and Richard Jacobs in loving memory of my mother, Rose Levine Tiplitz

Elizabeth Janowitz in loving memory of Irv Rafey

Sara Kapustin in loving memory of Charles Rabinovich

Dr. Starr and Michael Koslow, Dr. Sarah and Allan Serviansky, Drs. Jason and Natanya Mishal, Drs. Adam and Jennie Cohn and Dr. Morgan and Richard Shane in memory of Jocelyn Gerof. May her memory be for a blessing.

The Kronberg Family in loving memory of Marilyn Budner Ruth Krieger in memory of Seymour Krieger and Meyer Cohen Mrs. Helene Lanster in loving memory of Daniel Ressler Mrs. Helene Lanster in loving memory of Morris Ressler

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MESSAGE FROM Our Sister Congregation

As I write these words on March 1, it's very easy to get caught up in all the negativity regarding the crisis here in Israel regarding the judicial upheaval/revolution that the current Israeli government is striving to blitz through the Knesset, and the nationwide protests against it. It reminds me of your senior rabbi's favorite Torah portion, Shlach L'cha. Although all twelve spies saw the same sites and had the same experiences, ten focused on the negative, while Joshua and Caleb coined the phrase, "Yes, we can!" In that spirit, I'd like to share two important impressions from the past week.

First, it's truly heartening to see so many thousands upon thousands of people protesting and demonstrating on behalf of democracy, week after week (and now, daily). In particular, I look back at last week, when over 100,000 Israelis from around the country came to Jerusalem on a Monday afternoon to protest outside the Knesset. The following Saturday evening, over 160,000 Israelis protested in Tel Aviv (in addition to thousands of others around the country, including 30,000 in Haifa alone). Those protesting are of all ages and all walks of life, with a growing number of them (in particular in places like Jerusalem)

identifying as both right-wing (and Orthodox) but against the current government's policies. Rabbi Ada and I, together with members of Har-El and our movement, have been active participants in these demonstrations, including twice leading our movement's Havdalah service here in Jerusalem before the Saturday night protests, along with Rabbi Ada's joining in the "March of the Handmaidens," inspired by The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood (see the accompanying photo).



Rabbi Ada, Cantor Evan, and Israeli Reform Movement chairman Yair Lootstein at the 100,000-strong protest outside the Knesset.



Rabbi Ada participating in the "March of the Handmaids" in Jerusalem.

Second, the CCAR (the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the professional rabbinic organization of the North American Reform movement) was held here in Israel last week. As a matter of principle, the CCAR meets every seven years here in Israel, and the timing couldn't have been more appropriate to express their support of our struggle. Among the participants was your own Rabbi Barras, whose presence, together with 200 fellow Reform rabbis, expressed the unwavering support of the North American Reform Movement for both Israel in general and, in particular, for the nationwide protest movement. As an Israeli Reform Jew who has lived in Israel for almost 25 years, to see Rabbi Rick Jacobs, the Union for Reform Judaism president in North America, invited to address the protest in Tel Aviv was a true milestone for our movement in Israel. Something like this would have been unheard of in the past, with the fear that inviting a Reform rabbi to speak would be polarizing. But now, the opposite is true. Instead, it's a further testament to the continued growth and acceptance of our movement, on a grassroots level, as part of the Israeli mainstream.

Looking forward to welcoming you to your sister congregation here in Jerusalem on your next trip to Israel,

Cantor Evan Cohen

Week Ending

April 7, 2023

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Week Ending April 14, 2023

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Week Ending April 21, 2023

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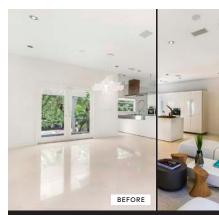
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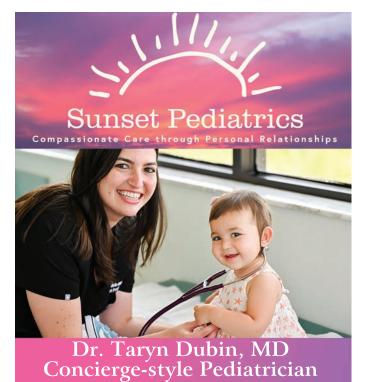
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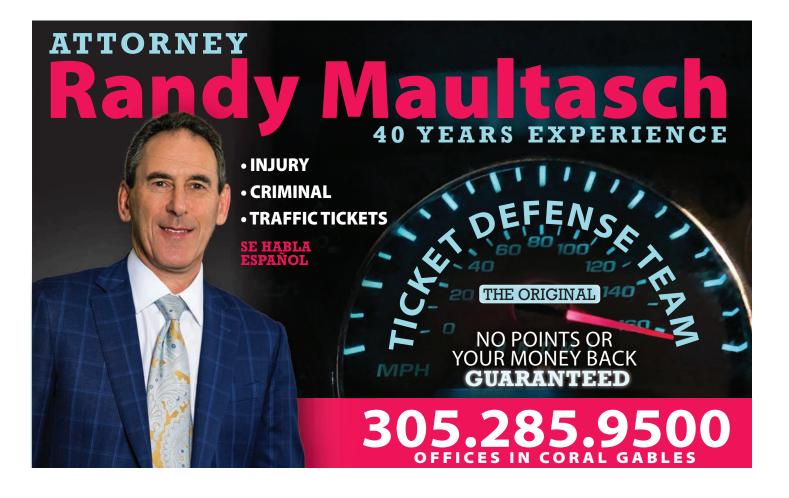
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