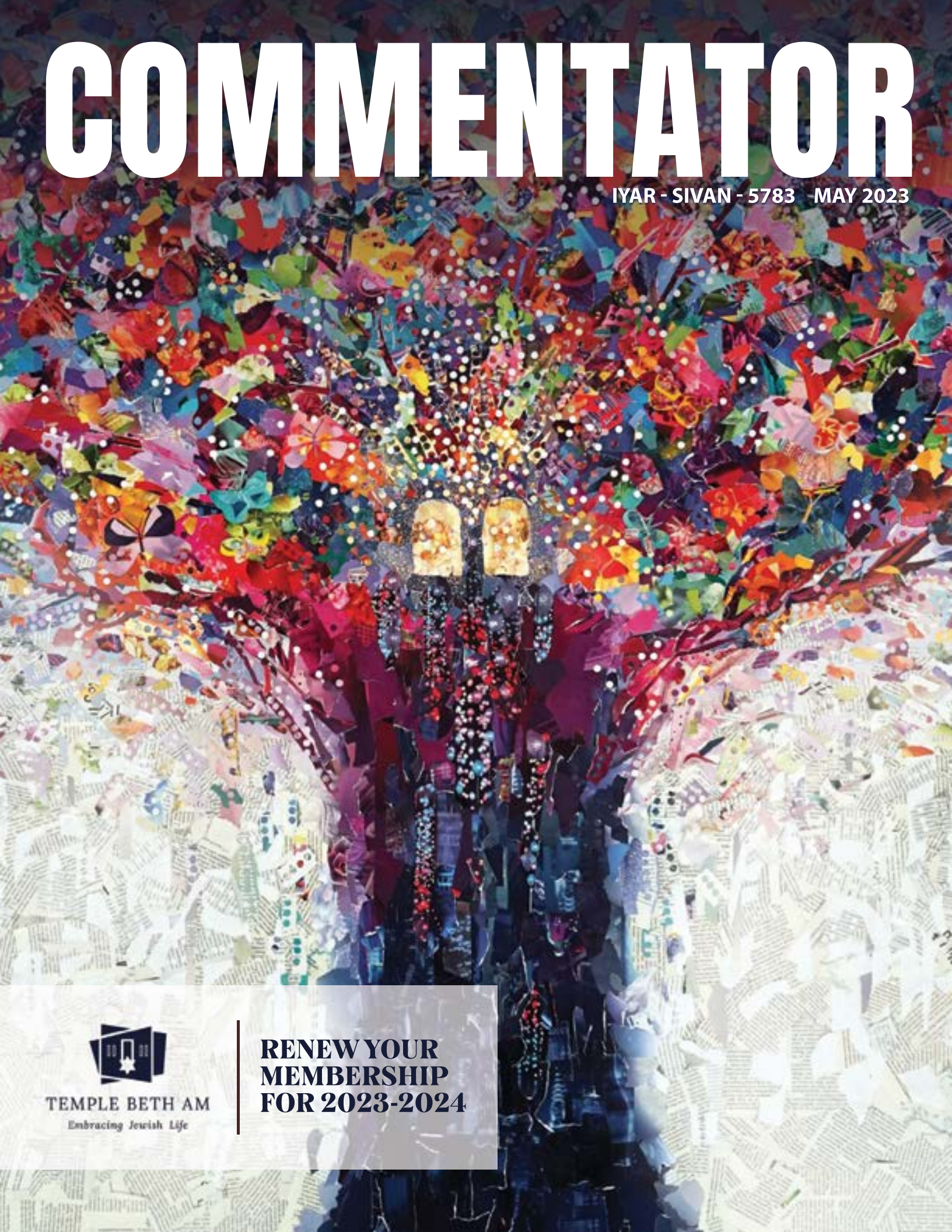


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SHABBAT

M A Y 2 0 2 3 S E R V I C E S

15 IYAR FRIDAY, MAY 5

5:30 PM
Special Extended Pre-Neg



6:30 PM
Teacher Appreciation Shabbat
Join us for a special Shabbat featuring Rambam Day School Kindergarden and 5th Grade students as we celebrate our Rambam and TBAM Religious School educators.

15 IYAR SATURDAY, MAY 6

9:00 AM
Torah Study
Parashat Emor

10:30 AM
Saturday Morning Minyan
Leviticus 21:1 – 24:23

10:30 AM
Bar Mitzvah of Isaac Saltzman
Haftarah: Ezekiel 44:15 – 31



5:30 PM
Bar Mitzvah of Henry Greengrass
Parashat Behar-Bechukotai
Jeremiah 16:19-17:14

22 IYAR FRIDAY, MAY 12

6:00 PM
Pre-Neg

6:30 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat Worship with blessing for High School Seniors.

22 IYAR SATURDAY, MAY 13



9:00 AM
Sensory Friendly Shabbat
Geared toward children with sensory processing disorders, but open to all! Join us for an abbreviated service featuring soft music, dim lighting and comfortable seating.



9:00 AM
Torah Study
Parashat Behar-Bechukotai

10:30 AM
Saturday Morning Minyan
Leviticus 25:1 – 27:34

10:30 AM
Conservative Minyan Service
The Frankel Family Performing Arts Center

10:30 AM
Bat Mitzvah of Harlee Rader
Haftarah: Jeremiah 16:19 – 17:14

27 IYAR THURSDAY, MAY 18

10:30 AM
Bar Mitzvah of Jaron Rosenberg
Parashat Bamidbar

29 IYAR FRIDAY, MAY 19

6:00 PM
Pre-Neg

6:30 PM
Confirmation Shabbat
Join the Temple Beth Am community as the 5783 Confirmation class leads the Kabbalat Shabbat service.

29 IYAR SATURDAY, MAY 20

9:00 AM
Torah Study



9:30 AM
Tot Shabbat Israel-Themed
Share the joy of Shabbat with your little ones at our last Tot Shabbat of the year! Join Cantor Coyot for Shabbat songs, crafts, and fun.

10:30 AM
Saturday Morning Minyan
Numbers 1:1 – 4:20

10:30 AM
Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Ferrer
Haftarah: Hosea 2:1 – 22

5:30 PM
Bat Mitzvah of Samantha Stone

6-7 SIVAN THURSDAY, MAY 25



7:00 PM
Erev Shavuot Service
Join our Temple Beth Am clergy for an evening of learning, worship, and song. Each of our clergy will offer a teaching in the spirit of Tikkun Leil Shavuot.

6-7 SIVAN FRIDAY, MAY 26

10:30 AM
Shavuot/Yizkor Service
Celebrate the giving of the Torah

6:00 PM
Pre-Neg

6:30 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat Worship

7 SIVAN SATURDAY, MAY 27

9:00 AM
Torah Study
Parashat Naso I

10:30 AM
Saturday Morning Minyan
Numbers 4:21 – 5:31

10:30 AM
Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Barnes
Haftarah: Judges 13:2 – 12



JEREMY BARRAS

SENIOR RABBI
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On the morning of The Hub's grand opening this past month, I remember telling someone that I felt like it was the High Holy Days. Walking onto campus that morning, I felt nervously excited, with butterflies in my stomach and a sense of unusual joy and happiness. I think I feel that way on the High Holy Days as well because it is so exciting to be with such a large cross-section of the congregation all at once. For me, seeing everyone together, enjoying each other's company, worshipping, and sharing traditions is the pinnacle of being a congregational rabbi.

Before The Hub was scheduled to open at 2:00 PM, I waited in The Hub lobby after I finished teaching Hebrew School at noon. I told anyone who passed by that this "feels like the High Holy Days." We were all excited to see the congregation walk through the doors and get a feel for what The Hub would mean for Beth Am's future. Just a few hours later, I felt pain in my cheekbones from smiling for several hours straight. Explaining to anyone who would listen how we plan to use The Hub was exhilarating, and I hope it will be transformative for our community.

In the next few months, we will all begin seeing how to use The Hub. In addition to our new home for basketball (and pickleball), Rambam Day School and YERS programs are already feeling at home in our performing arts center and youth lounge. Thanks to The Hub's incredible Executive Director, **Ellen Rusconi**, the scheduled cultural offerings are already off the charts. Please look carefully at The Hub monthly advertisements in the *Commentator* and the beautifully revamped Temple website. Signing up for events at the Temple online is easier than ever!

We hope you will also spend some of your time in our adult reading room, where you can read the daily newspaper, plug in your laptop and do some work, or sit back and read a book. Soon the Top Nosh Café will be up and running, and you can begin to see The Hub as a home away from home, a place to meet friends for coffee or a meal, or just a place to feel welcome in your spiritual home. And while you are here, keep your eyes open for the many mitzvah opportunities that Beth Am has to offer. Buy tickets for an event, sign up for a class, commit to learning Hebrew or studying Torah, take a yoga class, learn pickleball, or participate in a social action or justice project.

While scouting out other local Jewish cultural centers over the last few years, we visited one center in New York that had a pool underneath the synagogue. The director told me as we toured the building that people came to his center for a variety of reasons. Some came to swim; others came to pray. He told me his job was to get the worshippers to do a little more swimming and the swimmers to do a little more praying. The historic project we have just completed gives us all the opportunity to achieve so many of our goals here on campus. I think The Hub opening felt like the High Holy Days to me because it, too, has the potential to bring us all together, enjoy each other's company, and unite our congregation in this holy place.

L'shalom,

Rabbi Jeremy Barras

Lunch 'n Learn with Rabbi Barras Tuesday, May 2 at 12:00 PM in the Chapel

*Remembering the Holocaust in a World Without Survivors:
Some Reflections from my Trip to Poland*

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!



RACHEL GREENGRASS

RABBI

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"Blessed are You, Lord our God, Ruler of the universe, who has sanctified us with the sanctity of Aaron and commanded us to bless His people Israel with love."

If you don't recognize the blessing, it's the introduction to the Priestly Benediction. We bless using the Priestly Benediction at baby namings, B'nai Mitzvah, weddings, on the Festivals, The High Holy Days, and it's a tradition to bless our children with the Priestly Benediction on Friday nights.

You may notice that this isn't the normal formula for a blessing. Usually we say "who has sanctified us with God's commandments" to fill in the blank. So, why is the sanctity of Aaron found here? And a second oddity; why the mention of love at the end of the blessing, making this the only blessing before the performance of a mitzvah in which love is required?

The answer to our two questions is identical: Blessing depends on love. The Torah does not assign the priests the task of rote recitation. On the contrary, it calls upon them to love the people. In fact, the priest is not the one who does the blessing when giving the Priestly Benediction; the priest merely is serving as a conduit through which God blesses the people. So, what do we learn? That the only way to serve as a conduit of God, to truly bless another person, is to love that person.

I am sure that some of our parents have felt this. When they pause to bless their children on Friday nights, the love they feel as they bless their child is too big to embody - it's Divine, and they are

merely a conduit. I know, as a clergy person, that when I have the honor of giving this benediction, that I feel that love.

Then we begin the blessing. May the Lord bless you and keep you. Why "may?" Why not just say "God bless you and keep you?" R. Moshe Alsheikh (1507-1600) teaches that sometimes we are not open to receiving blessing. When we are closed up and unreceptive, blessing becomes impossible. According to Alsheikh, the task of the priests is to help the individual(s) be present to their blessing.

"May the LORD deal kindly and graciously with you!"

My teacher, Rabbi Larry Hoffman, taught me that grace always deals with unmerited Divine assistance. For Christians, grace comes through the sacrifice of Jesus. For Jews – grace comes through the Torah. Life is hard, but God has given us a roadmap for a better society, a more just world, a happier, more fulfilling life by giving us the Torah. On Shavuot, which begins May 25th, we celebrate receiving the Torah. The rabbis call it our ketubah, given with Divine love to help us live lives of blessing.

May we be open to love. May we find ourselves in Torah. May we bless others. May we be blessings. May the LORD bestow Her favor upon you and grant you peace!

Rabbi Rachel Greengrass



Where can I find support for my recovery?



TEMPLE BETH AM'S

Recovery Through a Jewish Lens

If you are in recovery, a loved one of someone in recovery or interested in getting help for your addiction, join us at our monthly support group. Every month we explore topics to help strengthen our recovery with the insights and spiritual guidance of our Jewish heritage.

Our support group meets on Tuesday, May 23 at 7:00 PM
Meeting Room 3 at Temple Beth Am, 5950 N Kendall Drive.

Open to the community, confidentiality is observed.
For more information contact Rabbi Jaime Aklepi at jaklepi@tbam.org.

**DAVID YOUNG**

PRESIDENT

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This is my last column as your president. I can't believe it has been two (very full) years since I was installed to help lead this exceptional institution.

These last two years have enhanced my understanding of Judaism, expanded my own feeling of spirituality, and inspired me to keep trying to make the world a better place. I hope you have had similar experiences.

I had the opportunity to work with many amazing people. They taught me to understand deeply what goes into running a synagogue of this magnitude. Everyone who works here chooses to because they love this place. That's truly amazing. For our clergy and staff, it's not a job but a passion. And it shows. Temple Beth Am is incredibly lucky to have them all.

Whether you are a congregant, clergy member, lay leader, staff member, student, or visitor, each of you plays an important role at Temple Beth Am. We are, as Rabbi Barras likes to say, a community.

As a community, we pray together, we fight antisemitism, we do tikkun olam, we educate our children to carry on our love of Judaism, and we are here for each other.

Look how much we have accomplished the past two years. We opened our new Rambam Day School building and our new cultural and athletic center, The Hub. How many presidents get to do TWO spectacular ribbon cuttings?

With our new and improved campus, we will continue to play an important role in your life and the life of our community, for many years to come. I love when congregants come up to tell me, with love and pride, about their personal history at Temple Beth Am. We are well-poised for the next generation to keep making these memories and connections.

It has always been my desire to leave the presidency having made Temple Beth Am a little better than when I started. I hope I have accomplished that. I know we've laid a great foundation for the future. Our Temple Beth Am family and our entire Jewish community will be relevant for many years to come.

I would be remiss if I did not thank my husband. Scott has been by my side, offering advice, comfort, and love during this incredible experience. I couldn't have done it without him.

With a tear in my eye and a lot of love in my heart, I thank you for the honor of a lifetime.

David Young

**Thank you
for your service.**
תודה רבה

FROM YOUR TEMPLE BETH AM FAMILY



TEMPLE BETH AM

Embracing Jewish Life

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.

Please join us immediately after the Annual Meeting for a festive
dinner to celebrate our outgoing Temple President, David Young.

RSVP at tbam.org/annualmeeting



Gators ARE BACK!

THURSDAY 7:30 - 9:00 PM

MAY 4

AT 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:
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TEMPLE BETH AM
Embracing Jewish Life



RITA DIAZ

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR
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Dear Temple Beth Am Community,

This is one of our most exciting years and we are thrilled you have chosen to share it with us. The Hub has opened and that will bring an array of programs and events that will exceed your expectations. If you haven't stopped by, please take a few minutes and drop in or better yet, attend the next event or program.

We have the most incredible clergy team, professional staff and lay leaders who work tirelessly to bring you enjoyable and innovative services and events.

I am so very grateful for these past 24 years getting to know you and your extended families. You have helped make Temple Beth Am a second home for me. If you haven't been here very long, please stick around, I promise you, the magic will happen. We have many different ways to help you find your special place here at Temple Beth Am, whether you've been a member here for 65 years or if this is your first year with us.

It has always been important for our members to feel comfortable with their level of giving to this community. For that reason, we have maintained low annual membership contribution increases, and our Fair Share program allows for multiple membership choices. This year has been a trying year for all of us, and for your Temple. If you are able, please consider giving within one of our Committee of 100 levels. Doing this makes it possible for families that have financial challenges to remain a part of our congregation. It is a wonderful act of tzedakah to help those less fortunate and it will help us to recuperate from the past two years. You will also help us to meet the financial obligations connected with maintaining consistent superior service by joining or re-joining one of our Committee of 100 levels this year. We are counting on you now more than ever!

I am looking forward to seeing each of you soon. Thank you for your continued commitment, your generosity, and support.

With gratitude and love,

Rita Diaz
Membership Director

Lawyers Without Rights:

Jewish Lawyers in Germany under the Third Reich

Special Exhibition

April 18-May 5, 2023

Tuesdays-Thursdays from 12-7 PM;
Fridays 9 AM-1 PM.

Chapel, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex

In association with the American Bar Association
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of Jewish Education

ADL

AJC
American Jewish
Committee

WEDNESDAY

MAY 3

7:00 PM

FRANKEL FAMILY AUDITORIUM,
THE HUB

Who
knows
one?
LIVE

IT'S NOT ABOUT
WHO YOU KNOW...
IT'S WHO
[WHO YOU KNOW]
KNOWS!

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!

RSVP AT
[TBAM.ORG/WHOKNOWSONE](https://tbam.org/whoknowsone)

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!

HAPPENING AT THE HUB

MAY-JUNE 2023



The Hub
TEMPLE BETH AM

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WHO KNOWS ONE LIVE

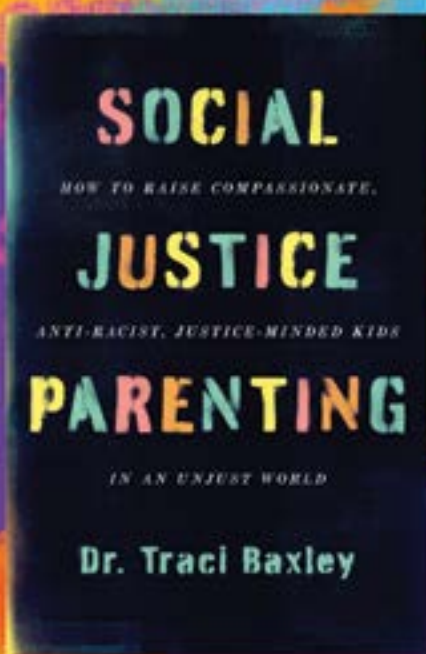
MODI
in Miami

HOSTED BY MAGEN DAVID ADOM
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH TEMPLE BETH AM



MAY
09

MODI IN MIAMI



MAY
23

SOCIAL JUSTICE PARENTING



JUNE
10

ELERI WARD

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TICKETS VISIT [TBAM.ORG/THEHUB](https://tbam.org/thehub)

We think of parenting as a blessing, as joyous, as exhausting, as demanding. What if we also thought of it as a form of activism?

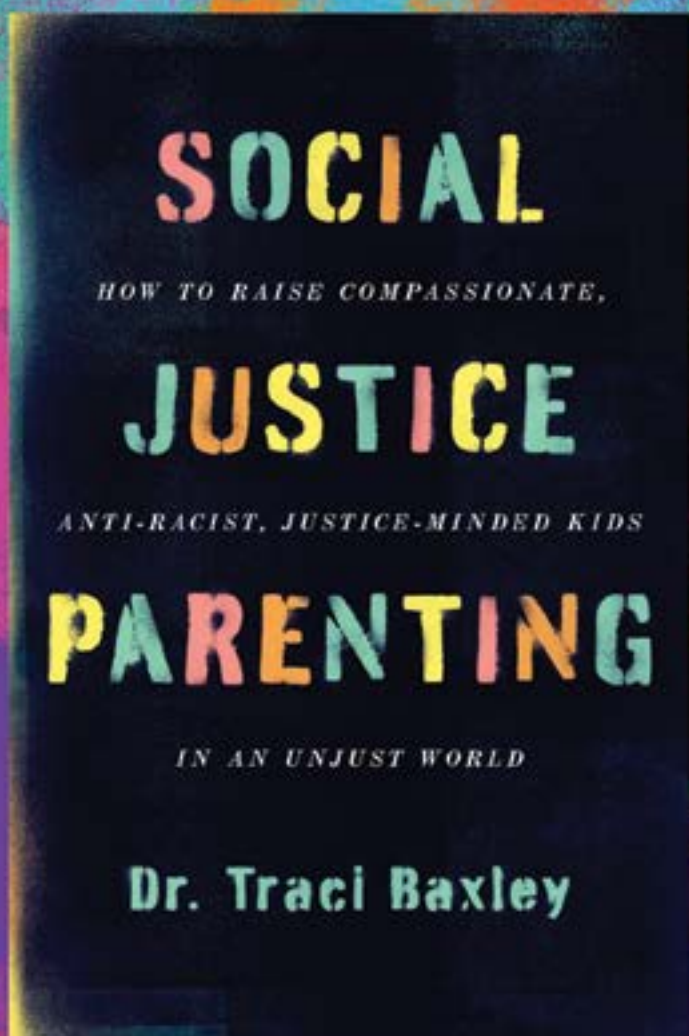
TUESDAY, MAY 23
7:00-8:30 PM

THE FRANKEL FAMILY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER,
THE HUB

In her book *Social Justice Parenting*, Dr. Traci Baxley—a professor of education who has spent 30 years teaching diversity and inclusion—offers essential guidance and a curriculum for parents to raise compassionate, socially-minded and aware kids. Dr. Baxley, a mother of five herself, suggests that parenting is a form of activism and encourages parents to acknowledge their influence over their kids and community.

How do our Jewish values affirm this work?
How do we foster a sense of belonging for our children as individuals and in relation to others?

Join us for a stirring conversation between Dr. Traci Baxley and Rabbi Rachel Greengrass as we explore - as parents, grandparents, educators, and community members - how to envision and put social justice parenting into practice.



DR. TRACI BAXLEY



RABBI RACHEL GREENGRASS

RSVP AT
tbam.org/socialjusticeparenting

ELERI WARD

Brings Sondheim to The Hub



**"A HARMONIOUS MARRIAGE
OF MUSICAL THEATER AND
INDIE FOLK MUSIC..."**

-Forbes

► For more information and tickets visit tbam.org/thehub

ELERI WARD, a New York City-based actor, singer, and musician, **makes her Miami debut at The Hub this June following sold-out performances at Sony Hall in New York and The Kennedy Center's KC Cabaret.**

Hailed for her critically-acclaimed indie-folk Sondheim album, "A Perfect Little Death," as "a harmonious marriage of musical theater and indie folk music, with hauntingly beautiful arrangements" by Forbes and "an incandescent new record" from American Theater Magazine. According to The New York Times, "Ward plumbs this deep well in a way that feels so intuitively right, it's remarkable no one has done it before."

Coming off a triumphant national summer tour opening for global superstar Josh Groban, Ward released "Keep A Tender Distance," the sublimely introspective follow-up to "A Perfect Little Death," on September 16th, 2022.

Ward will perform from both albums in an intimate evening performance at The Hub.

**SATURDAY
JUNE 10
8:00 PM**

THE FRANKEL FAMILY PERFORMING
ARTS CENTER, THE HUB



TAMARA DONNENFELD

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During spring break, Sumiko and I traveled to Israel with our eight 8th graders and other Jewish teens from Miami, Broward, Palm Beach, Cleveland, and Chicago. Together we explored interconnections between Israel's multiple historical, religious, political, social, and cultural dimensions.

Our teens had a blast as they used their senses to smell the different fragrances of the shuk, taste the local cuisine, welcome new experiences, make new friends, and create long-lasting memories.



Through climbing Masada, floating in the Dead Sea, learning Hebrew sign language, meeting Yerucham teens, hearing from lone soldiers and Holocaust survivors, dancing and singing on Rothschild Blvd in Tel Aviv, volunteering in Leket, Israel, participating in a model Knesset at Begin Center, exploring Bedouin life and culture, and discussing the current protests in Israel, the teens came home with a different and stronger understanding of what Israel is.

Israel is a constant in our education; it is part of our identity—the land, the peoplehood, and everything it encompasses. It was the trip of a lifetime at a time when most teens begin to disconnect from their community. They learned that Judaism is not just a religion but a history, culture, place, language, and way of life! These conversations and daily reflections helped cement their Jewish identity, strengthen their connections with other Jews, and feel incredible pride in their heritage. Below are some of their reflections:

"This has been an insane week! I loved Beit Guvrin caves with the Yerucham teens. I loved cave crawling; it was so much fun. I am so grateful for the friends I made, and I love them all so much."

"This has been a life and soul-changing experience. We laughed and cried; we danced through Tel Aviv and bargained in Jerusalem. We learned that Israel is not just a desert with camels but a big technological marvel of the world. Israel is the soul of the Jewish people and the heart of people around the world looking for redemption. This experience wouldn't have been as amazing as it was without stepping out of my comfort zone and trying new things."

"IsraelNOW helped me broaden my ideas of Judaism. I feel more connected to my culture, and I no longer feel like a minority. Seeing a country with people walking around everywhere that share my beliefs makes me not feel alone. I love Judaism, and I am excited to come back to Israel many more times."



"IsraelNOW was really fun! I was really nervous because I had no friends going on this trip, but everyone was really friendly and welcoming! I was able to develop friendships, and by the end, I was actually sad to leave. I made so many friends and amazing memories of Israel!"



"Going to Israel has definitely changed me for the better. I was happy to be surrounded by people who were Jewish like me. I made friends with so many people, and I am so grateful and glad to have visited this beautiful country."



SUMIKO ZAYON

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT DIRECTOR
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Dear Temple Beth Am and YERS Families,

Summer comes with "down time" and before you head out on vacation, remember to enroll your child(ren) for the 2023-2024 Religious School year. The deadline for Early Bird discounted rate is June 30, 2023.

Take this opportunity to save \$100 per child! This discount is good for the following: Religious School, Monday Night CHAI and Confirmation.

Have a teen in 7th-12th grade? Visit tbam.org/youthengagement to learn about the amazing programs and opportunities we have to involve your teen next year!



Returning
students
register here



New TBAM
families
register here

Have questions?
Call 305.667.6667 x 124
We have your answers!

2023-2024 YERS

ENROLLMENT IS NOW OPEN

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNTED RATE BEGINS

MAY 1ST - JUNE 30TH

**NOW IS THE TIME TO SAVE YOUR SPOT
FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.**

SAVE \$100

Towards Religious School, Monday Night Chai
and Confirmation.

**You must be a Temple Beth Am
member to enroll your child
in Religious School**



BETH AM FEDERATION OF TEMPLE YOUTH

BAFTY meets each week 5:45 - 6:45 PM during
Monday Night CHAI
Programming is led by the fantastic teen leaders
of the BAFTY Board.

**REGISTER AT
TBAM.ORG/BAFTY**

Temple membership not required to join BAFTY.
BAFTY membership included in MNC tuition.



TEMPLE BETH AM



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THE 2023/5783 CONFIRMATION CLASS

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TEMPLE BETH AM
**YOUTH
ENGAGEMENT
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL**
A World of Opportunities

CONFIRMATION SHABBAT CELEBRATION
FRIDAY, MAY 19, 6:30 PM

TBAM COMMUNITY THEATER PRESENTS



PETER PAN

◇ JOIN US IN NEVERLAND FOR ONE OF OUR THREE PERFORMANCES ◇

THURSDAY
JUNE 1ST
7:30PM

SUNDAY
JUNE 4TH
10:30AM

SUNDAY
JUNE 4TH
2:30PM

◇ TICKETS: \$25 ◇
◇ FAMILY OF 4: \$85 ◇

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TOT SHABBAT

AT TEMPLE BETH AM

WITH CANTOR COYOT!

EARLY CHILDHOOD COURTYARD, RAMBAM DAY SCHOOL BUILDING

Share the joy of Shabbat with your little ones at our last Tot Shabbat of the year!

Join us for songs, crafts and fun, and connect with other families as we welcome Shabbat together.

This month, we'll be celebrating Israel with special Israeli snacks and songs!

RSVP at tbam.org/totshabbat

This program is geared toward children ages 4 and under, but big brothers and sisters are welcome!

SATURDAY
MAY 20TH
9:30 AM



Erev Shavuot

THURSDAY, MAY 25TH, 7:00PM
Chapel, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex

In ancient times, Shavuot was a pilgrimage festival during which Israelites brought crop offerings to the Temple in Jerusalem. Today, it is a celebration of Torah, education, and actively choosing to participate in Jewish life.

Join our Temple Beth Am clergy for an evening of learning, worship, and song. Each of our clergy will offer a teaching in the spirit of Tikkun Leil Shavuot.

Stick around after services for cheesecake from Fireman Derek's, White Russians, and more dairy delights!

RSVP at tbam.org/shavuot



TEACHER APPRECIATION SHABBAT

TBAM loves our teachers!

Join us for a very special Shabbat to celebrate the hard work and dedication of all of our Rambam Day School and Religious School educators!

We will honor teachers who are celebrating milestone anniversaries at Temple Beth Am with a special blessing on the bimah. Come celebrate the hard work, talent, and passion of our amazing faculty and staff!

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FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2023

5:30 PM Special Extended Preneg | 6:30 PM Service

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DAY SCHOOL

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The Harvard Business Review recently published an article entitled "Beware a Culture of Busyness" by Adam Waytz, which explores the adverse effects of the societal trend of valuing busyness and overwork. He notes that nowadays, "People who perceive others who are busy...to be important and impressive." Waytz argues that this culture of busyness leads to burnout, stress, and reduced productivity and ultimately detracts from our overall well-being. He suggests that we can combat this culture by prioritizing rest, making time for hobbies and personal relationships, and shifting our focus away from productivity and toward meaningful work.

It is essential to consider this mindset with regard to our children. Waytz argues that this culture has led to increased overscheduling for children, where they have little time for unstructured play, socializing, and downtime. This overscheduling can lead to stress, anxiety, and burnout for children and may not even lead to better academic outcomes.

I believe that parents and educators should prioritize balance and well-being regarding our children's schedules. We should allow for adequate time for rest, play, and socialization. This can help children develop critical social and emotional skills, reduce stress, and promote well-being.

Overscheduling can lead to stress. When children have every moment of their day accounted for, they may feel overwhelmed and stressed, which can lead to burnout. This can negatively affect their mental health and their ability to learn and engage in activities effectively. Children also need time to engage in unstructured play, which is critical for their cognitive, social, and emotional development. Children who are overscheduled may not have enough time for this kind of play, which can hinder their growth and development. When children constantly rush from one activity to the next, they may not have enough time to develop meaningful relationships with peers and adults. This can impact their social skills and ability to form healthy relationships. Finally, children need plenty of sleep and rest in order to learn and grow. A lack of adequate sleep can impact their academic performance and overall health.

Some believe that in today's world, children need to be busy in order to build a competitive edge. They believe having a wide range of extracurricular activities and experiences is necessary to stand out in college admissions. Others argue that keeping children busy can prevent them from getting into mischief or becoming bored and unmotivated. There is indeed benefit in routine, as it helps children learn time management skills and provides a sense of predictability and stability. But, I would emphasize Waytz's article and the importance of questioning the culture of busyness and promoting balance and fulfillment in all areas of life, including education and children's schedules. A culture that values balance and fulfillment is more sustainable and beneficial for both individuals and our community as a whole.

Nora Anderson



**Sensory-Friendly
Family Shabbat Service**

**Saturday, May 13, 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 michelemlkaplan@yahoo.com



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MAZEL TOV B'NAI MITZVAH



Isaac Saltzman
May 6, 2023

Isaac is a 7th grade honors student in the International Baccalaureate program at Herbert A. Ammons Middle School. He enjoys hanging out with friends, tennis, biking, and gaming and is diligent, caring, and has a great sense of humor. His parents, **Ken** and **Yvonne**, and his older sister, **Audrey**, are proud of his achievements and are excited to celebrate his Bar Mitzvah.



Henry Greengrass
May 6, 2023

Henry is a 7th grader at Ransom Everglades. He is a competitive soccer player for PSG and Ransom. A lover of animals, for his mitzvah project he collected donations for the Redland's Dog Sanctuary. His two homes away from home are Beth Am and Camp Coleman. His parents, **John Crary** and **Rabbi Rachel Greengrass** are beyond proud of him and are looking forward to celebrating him with his congregation, family, and friends.



Harlee Rader
May 13, 2023

Harlee is a 7th grade gifted student at Southwood Middle School in the Dance Magnet. She loves dancing, martial arts where she is almost a black belt, and volunteering at Friendship Circle with children who have special needs. She is fierce, determined, and compassionate and one day hopes to become a doctor. She loves spending time with her friends, family, and dog, Kona. Her parents **Michelle** and **Josh**, and twin brothers **Micah** and **Sawyer**, are extremely proud of Harlee's many accomplishments and excited to celebrate her Bat Mitzvah.



Jaron Rosenberg
May 18, 2023

Jaron Rosenberg is a 7th grader at Palmetto Middle School. He is an excellent student, caring friend and an amazing brother and son. His passion is soccer, and he enjoys traveling, spending time with friends, family and his two Bernedoodles. His parents, **Josh** and **Randi Rosenberg**, and sister **Shira** are extremely proud of all he has accomplished and are looking forward to seeing him flourish into a positive, handsome, and kind young man.



Jacob Ferrer
May 20, 2023

Jacob is a graduate of Temple Beth Am Day School. He is currently a 7th grade student at Ransom Everglades and a member of the Varsity Middle School basketball team. Jacob loves to travel, play basketball, and spend time with family and friends. His parents, **Yafit** and **Jose**, and brother **Noah**, are so proud of Jacob and excited to celebrate his special day.

MAZEL TOV B'NAI MITZVAH



Samantha Stone
May 20, 2023

Samantha is a 7th grade student at Palmetto Middle School. She plays an active role in her school as a member of the thespian troupe and basketball team. To engage and give back to her community, Samantha performs for residents in assisted living communities in a program she started with her sisters called Singin' for Smiles. Her parents, **Cristi** and **Andrew**, and sisters, **Addison**, Reagan and Melanie, are excited to share in this special journey with her as she becomes a Bat Mitzvah.



Jacob Barnes
May 27, 2023

Jacob is a 7th grade student at Palmetto Middle School. He has an immense passion for baseball, as a player and as a fan and plays pitcher for his team the Contenders. Last summer he and his team played in Cooperstown NY. Jacob is a member of the National Junior Honor Society. In his free time he enjoys spending time with his friends, fishing and time out on the boat with family in the Keys. For his Mitzvah project he is involved with Kristi House, volunteering and fundraising. Jacob's parents **Melissa** and **Stuart** and sister **Avery** can't wait to celebrate his Bar Mitzvah.

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UPCOMING EVENTS



FRIDAY, MAY 12

SING ALONG WITH CANTOR COYOT AND THE KIDS POP-UP CHOIR AT MIAMI LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND

10:30 AM - 1:00 PM

601 SW 8th Ave., Miami, FL 33130, Parking Garage

Join Cantor Coyot and the Kids Pop-Up Choir as they bring song to the Lighthouse for the Blind and enjoy a nosh. Please email tcoyot@tbam.org if you'd like to participate or attend.



TUESDAYS, MAY 2 & MAY 16

MITZVAH MAKERS

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

TBAM's mitzvah crafting club is gathering again! Bring your crochet hook, knitting needles, yarn, or start a new craft and make something beautiful and with love for our clergy to give to congregants and local charities to let them know TBAM cares.

For info regarding meeting dates, times, location and general questions and feedback, email Anne Becker at ajbwalks@aol.com.



TUESDAY, MAY 23

SOCIAL JUSTICE PARENTING WITH DR. TRACI BAXLEY
7:00 - 8:30 PM

The Frankel Family Performing Arts Center, The Hub

The Social Justice Speaker Series continues with a conversation between Dr. Baxley and Rabbi Greengrass to discuss the topic of activism, parenting and our Jewish values. Additional details on page 12.

Join us and submit questions ahead of time by email to Caroline Miller at c.lampen.miller@gmail.com



FRIDAY, MAY 26

RABBI GREENGRASS AND RAMBAM 2ND GRADERS VISIT THE PALACE

Rambam Day School second graders will spend Shavuot, our holiday of receiving Torah, hearing stories and sharing ice-cream with Seniors at The Palace.

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IT'S A BYOB AT THE TBAM GARDEN!

Bring Your Own Bucket & Take Home A Garden Plant!

Join us Sunday May 21, 2023

8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

It's the end of our Garden growing season and the last Garden meetup before everyone heads out for summer vacation!

We will be closing the Garden until September.

Volunteers are encouraged to take a plant to repot or plant in their home gardens.

Everyone is welcome to this family friendly event!

We will be harvesting, removing plants, mulching and covering veggie beds.

Bring your friends, energy, garden gloves, hat, water and of course...

YOUR BUCKET to take home some plants!

DO YOU DIG GARDENING?

Want to get involved in the Committee for next year?

Want to complete a Mitzvah Project?

Let us know of your interest and please RSVP at garden@tbam.org



JOIN US TO FIGHT FOR CLIMATE JUSTICE & REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

RAC and RAC-FL UPDATE

National News from the Religious Action Center

After months of research and participation from hundreds of individuals in the Reform Movement, the Religious Action Center is launching a Movement-wide campaign for Climate Justice. Power for Purpose: The Reform Movement's 2023 Campaign for Climate Justice is our opportunity to bring the full strength of our Reform Movement together to address the climate crisis and deliver a clean, healthy, and livable future for all communities, particularly those most impacted by climate pollution.

We have a significant opportunity this year to protect our health, air, land, water, and wildlife. We and our partners have identified 20 actions that the Federal Administration can take that would cut climate pollution in half by 2030 and advance environmental justice. While the administration has made progress on some of these protections, others are behind schedule. We also need to continue our work in solidarity to build support at all levels for policies that will advance environmental justice.

We all have a role to play: we can contact the Biden Administration, reach out to those who might influence the Administration (such as Members of Congress and people with power in our own community), and move those in our Beth Am community or networks into action with us. More information on specific actions that all of us can take will be forthcoming.

Even as we focus action in our communities this year on climate justice, we will continue our work on the many issues of importance to the Reform Jewish Community, such as voting rights, abortion access, LGBTQ+ equality, gun violence prevention, criminal justice reform, and combating antisemitism.

Florida Religious Action Center

As a state organization, RAC-FL will be working to protect reproductive rights in Florida in the face of ever diminishing rights. By the time you read this article, it is likely that Florida will have passed a 6-week abortion ban. We will be part of a broad and growing coalition of Jewish, other religious, and non-religious organizations. This will be a true statewide community organizing project and we need all of you to join us in this important work.

If you wish to be involved, please contact me at jagron@tbam.org

All the best,
Jeff Agron,
RAC-FL



Dear Sisters & Friends



We are reaching the end of a year of robust programming and have achieved many of our goals!

Thank you to each and every one of you who have enabled these programs to become a reality and to those who have attended and actively participated. We make a great team whether you are a Sisterhood Board member, Sisterhood member, or TBAM member. Your feedback on the Sisterhood Survey will help inform us. Most importantly, we have partnered with Brotherhood, DEI Committee, Patio, RAMBAM Day School Auction Committee, Social Action, Tikkun Olam, unBIASed and YERS to build ongoing programming relationships; we are truly one community.

Please join me in thanking our Sisterhood Board Members who have served our Board over many years: Sara Berkowitz, Debbie Brodie Weiss, Susan Rosenthal, and Rita Switchkow. We welcome their expertise and will appreciate their ongoing input and leadership skills as Sisterhood moves forward. All Sisterhood members are encouraged to attend our monthly board meetings.

Congratulations to our new Board Members: Drora Davis, Lynn Levine, Camila Luna Margolesky, and Monica Warman. Your collective ideas and vision will help ensure the ongoing success of our Sisterhood.

Please RSVP tbam.org/endofyear ASAP to our End of the Year Event:
Let's Dine, Drink and Dance Y'all on May 17th from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM.

Looking forward to celebrating with you!



Warmly,

Susan Lampen
Sisterhood President



Sisterhood Events

Sisterhood Book Club



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

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

Sisterhood Board Meeting

THURSDAY, MAY 18TH AT 7:00 PM
Chapel, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex
All members welcome.

Social Justice Parenting

PATIO, Sisterhood and Tikkun Olam are proud to sponsor the Social Justice Speakers Series: Social Justice Parenting (and Grandparenting) with Dr. Traci Baxley - See page 12 -



PATIO & Sisterhood present: Reconnecting To Your Joy led by Antoinette Beauchamp



**WEDNESDAY, MAY 31ST,
7:00 PM-9:00 PM**
The Frankel Family Performing Arts Center, The Hub

In this 75-minute interactive workshop, you'll get the opportunity to reconnect to yourself and all the ways you experience joy. Come prepared with presence and an open heart to explore your inner voice, creativity, and more. If you've been stressed, overwhelmed, or anxious - this workshop will be perfect for you.

RSVP
patio@tbam.org

SISTERHOOD END OF THE YEAR EVENT

LET'S DINE, DRINK & DANCE, 'Y'ALL

CO-CHAIRS

DANIELA ZANZURI-BEINER & MONICA WARMAN

WEDNESDAY
May 17th

6:30-9:00 PM

The Kislak Family Social Hall,
Lewis Family Religious Life Complex

Featuring

A bourbon tasting with Rambam Day School Parent and TBAM member Mike Avila, author and Emmy Award winning TV producer and whiskey aficionado.

A delicious dinner catered by Taylor Croft and Andrew Jacobs: MMP Provisions and Events

Dancing with Sisterhood members of Southside Stampede, Gloria Anderton and Missy Salzman.

\$36 PER PERSON

RSVP at tbam.org/endofyear by May 11th

JEANS AND DANCING SHOES
IF YOU WISH!



The unBIASed initiative at Temple Beth Am is off to an auspicious start. This initiative builds on Temple Beth Am's strong foundation of social justice work. For years TBAM has offered programs relating to bias and social inequity in our society including the Social Justice and Socol Speaker Series. unBIASed will enhance this important work, addressing antisemitism and related bias issues.

RECENT AND UPCOMING UNBIASED PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

ON MARCH 2, 2023 unBIASed, with AJC, hosted an informative discussion with two visiting international envoys, representatives of an interagency group formed to fight antisemitism worldwide. The program builds U.S. strategies addressing the recent rise in antisemitism. Prior to visiting Miami, the group met with presidential staff at the White House in D.C. where they held discussions with local elected officials and Jewish community leaders. At TBAM they led an enlightening discussion that shared program ideas regarding strategies effectively employed to fight antisemitism in their countries.



ON MARCH 15, 2023 the unBIASed initiative co-sponsored **Understanding Gender Identity**, a program hosted by the Sisterhood of Temple Beth Am. Representatives from Keshet provided insights and education relevant to bias related concerns.

ON MARCH 28, 2023 Break the Bias was a tremendous success. Please see the opposite page for more detail.

ON APRIL 13, 2023 unBIASed presented a thought-provoking program: **Lawyers Without Rights: Erosion of Rights From the Holocaust to the Present - Can It Happen Here?** The distinguished panelists included Andreas Siegel, Consul General of Germany; Brian Siegel, Director, Miami/Broward AJC; Edith Osman, Former President of the Florida Bar; The Hon. Scott Bernstein, Circuit Court Judge and Holocaust Educator; and our own Senior Rabbi Jeremy Barras. We held this program on the Opening Night of a 25 panel exhibit: **Lawyers Without Rights: the Fate of Jewish Lawyers in Berlin after 1933**. The Exhibit is open for viewing in the HUB until May 4th, 2023. See more about this program in the June Commentator.

ON MAY 23, 2023 unBIASed will co-sponsor a **Social Justice Parenting Program** with conversation highlighting the power and agency we have in raising the next generation of Jewish adults. This program aligns with unBIASed in addressing solidarity with people of all identities and in working for change across communities.



And that's not all -- we are currently developing small dialogue conversation groups that will interact with members of local churches and community groups. We are considering ways to add to our understanding and awareness of local diversity, culture, and needs with visits to sites in Miami, including guided tours at places such as the Black Archives at the Historic Lyric Theater in Overtown.

If you'd like to become involved, please e-mail us at dialogue@tbam.org

BREAK THE BIAS

KICK-OFF EVENT
unBIASed
a TEMPLE BETH AM initiative

With great enthusiasm, we share that the Break the Bias program held on March 28 was a tremendous success. A kick-off event for the unBIASed Initiative, there were over 140 people in attendance to hear a diverse, insightful group of panelists.

"The goal of this program is to help us reflect and learn from each other's experiences and identities so that we can live in a community, free of bias, where everyone can feel valued."

Sami Gitlin, junior at Gulliver Prep
Moderator for Break the Bias

"We all must be willing to sacrifice some of our own privileges so that humanity can have the opportunity to share more and bring solutions to the problems."

Rev. Jeremy Upton, Refuge Church in Homestead

"Whether aggression is large or small, racism is racism, and once it is normalized, we have to learn to break out of it as a society, and that is hard."

Ava McCabe, sophomore at Miami Killian
Senior High School

"If you meet people with an open mind, you will learn so much; it's OK not to know everything before talking with those of a different race."

Jordan Bankston, senior at Gulliver Prep

"The opening formula for fighting any bias is to be willing to say, 'Hello, my name is _; what's your story?' We need to listen to each other."

Rabbi Jeremy Barras, Temple Beth Am

"We need to realize that microaggressions add up and that we may be speaking in a way that unintentionally hurts others. Awareness is key."

Shannon del Prado, Councilmember,
Village Council of Pinecrest

"The best way to deal with bias is to truly just be yourself. If we hide who we are, we are hiding what makes us special and unique, and what we have to offer the world."

Johnathan L'Amoreux, senior
School for Advanced Studies, South Campus



SPECIAL THANKS TO THE COMMITTEE FOR BREAK THE BIAS:

EDITH OSMAN
Chair, unBIASed

JOE JACOBY

LISA GITLIN & PAMELA LEAR
Co-Chairs, Break the Bias

SUSAN LAMPEN

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BRITTANY ADDAMS

RABBI JAIME AKLEPI

CAROLINE MILLER



BROTHERHOOD



As our calendar year winds down, I would like to recap some of our wonderful events by passing the mic, using quotes from Brotherhood members.

New Brotherhood members Leandro Brufman, Brennan Gumerove, and Josh Schwartz:

"Not only did our kids have a wonderful time at the Chanukah Party, but the adults got to eat and mingle on the patio while the kids played with activities and games in the Extended Social Hall."

New member Jacob Zunamon's family enjoyed the Purim Carnival, while he made cotton candy in the Brotherhood's Food Booth. He also attended the Brotherhood at the World Baseball Classic and Men's Seder events:

"I feel very comfortable with the members of the Brotherhood...they do not put on airs and are fun to be around."

Board Member Daniel Cowan, while having a great time with the Brotherhood at the World Baseball Classic:

"I am surprised there are not more people here, this is an amazing event."

Board Member Arthur Miller who worked our Mitzvah Day project and collected books for incarcerated men and women. He also teaches a class at the Everglades Men's Correctional Facility and got to see firsthand the difference the books made:

"Thursday I checked into the Everglades Re-Entry Prison to teach my weekly class. As I walked down the long corridor to my classroom, I passed the library, and wondered about a long line of prisoners waiting in line to enter the library. I peered through the windows and my question was quickly answered. On two tables were 4 stacks of shiny new books, maybe 12 to each stack, with a

prisoner behind each stack browsing through the selection. Behind him were three other prisoners waiting their turn to browse. These were some of our TBAM newly donated books. When I got to my classroom, almost a third of the prisoners had a new book on their desk in addition to their class materials, which they had already checked out from the library. During the class they would steal a glance at the pages, anticipating this new adventure. The pure JOY on the faces of all prisoners, with this new opportunity, would be well enough to pay back any efforts on our part."

I look forward to planning for next year and would welcome all suggestions.

Yours in Brotherhood,

JEFF ROSENBERG

President
jeffreya.rosenberg@gmail.com



WITH MUCH ANTICIPATION, WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE ACTIVE OPENING OF OUR NEW LIBRARY SPACE IN THE HUB!



Etta Gold
Temple Beth Am Librarian

THE TEMPLE BETH AM CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY was first established in 1965 and has consistently remained a significant asset to our community.

As a Judaic librarian, I understand the importance and value of libraries, particularly synagogue libraries. One of the primary functions of a synagogue library is to serve as a source for Jewish texts and literature, including the Tanach, the Talmud, and other classical Jewish works; as well as modern Jewish texts and literature. Such resources are essential for those seeking to understand the basics of Judaism and expand their knowledge and practice.

In addition to traditional texts, our library also offers a wide range of resources on contemporary Jewish issues and topics. This includes books on Jewish history, culture, politics, resources on Jewish education, family life, personal development, as well as literary fiction and movies. These materials help us stay connected to our heritage and stay informed about current events and issues that are relevant to Jewish life today.

Our library plays a vital role in the Jewish community, providing access to a wealth of resources on all aspects of Judaism, as well as serving as a hub for educational and cultural events and fostering a sense of community. Our library is an invaluable resource, and I encourage everyone to take advantage of all that we have to offer.

MAZEL TOV TO...

Laurel and Steve Schwartz on the engagement of their daughter **Kaley** to Eli Levitt. Mazel Tov to Kaley's sister, **Jordan**, as well.

NEW MEMBERS

Fausto Andrade & Ali Coll
Sammy Gonzalez & Sherry Gurkin
***Louis & Patty Gurkin**
Brennan & Lauren Gumerove
Andrew & Erin Kayne
Matthew McKinney & Torie Crown
***Marc Tendler**

*Returning members

This list reflects new members through March 30, 2023.



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OUR JEWISH HERITAGE

By Dr. Lenore C. Kipper, RJE, Judaic Studies Director, Emerita



Journey to Israel 75: Pioneers, Leaders, Builders

Before and after 1948, there is a significant list of people who either made Aliyah or were born in Israel. Those who were born in Israel are called Sabras. This is a symbolic title, like the sabra plant, prickly on the outside but tender on the inside. Many political and military leaders were sabras.

Yitzchak Rabin 1922-1995

Rabin was a soldier and a peacemaker. He was a general who became a Prime Minister. He led soldiers in so many battles, but ultimately, he offered a peace agreement to the Palestinians, but unfortunately, Arafat at first agreed, then backed away from it. Rabin was born in Jerusalem to parents who made Aliyah from the U.S. and were active in political and social issues. The family was not religious, but they taught him the pride of being Jewish, and they established a sense of mission and loyalty to Israel and the Jewish People. He attended the Histadrut schools in Tel Aviv. At an early age he joined the Palmach, the elite strike force of the Haganah. His military leadership during the War of Independence, (1948-49) and other commands, led to his becoming chief of staff of the IDF (Israel Defense Force). Rabin was responsible for the stunning victory of the Six Day War, 1967. The famous photo of Rabin and Dayan entering the Ancient City of Jerusalem, standing before the Western Wall, which had been under control of Jordan, was a spiritual moment for Israel. This success has been described as one of the greatest achievements in military history. Rabin wrote: "Our soldiers prevailed not only by their weapons, but by their sense of mission...by their deep love for their country, and an understanding of the difficult task laid upon them, to ensure the existence of our people in their homeland, to protect the right of the Jewish People to live in their own state, free, independent and in peace."

Rabin retired from the army in 1968 to become Israel's ambassador to the United States, serving for five years. When he returned to Israel, he was elected to the Knesset. After Golda Meir resigned, he became Prime Minister for a short time, however, he was elected a second time, under the Labor Party in 1992. He believed he understood what would be necessary to do to achieve a peace agreement with the Palestinians, still under the leadership of Arafat. On September 13, 1993, he signed a Declaration of Principles with Arafat, at the White House, under the leadership of President Bill Clinton. There was a (reluctant) handshake between Rabin and Arafat. They received the Nobel Peace Prize for this agreement. The following year, 1994, Rabin signed a peace treaty with King Hussein of Jordan.

The Declaration of Principles

What did it include? And what happened after the signing? The following are some of the terms:

The PLO would have jurisdiction over the city of Jericho and the Gaza Strip.

The PLO would have jurisdiction over the police, fire, health, water and education.

Israel would have jurisdiction over the borders, the roads and the protection of Jewish settlements in the PLO enclaves.

A phased Israeli troop withdrawal would begin on December 13, 1993. Within nine months Israel would withdraw from all West Bank cities. Soon after that it would transfer all remaining land except the Jewish settlements to the PLO authority.

The final status of the territories would be settled at the end of five years.

There was some hope that the Declaration of Principles would move forward, but there were issues that needed more clarification, and there was one postponement after another.

In addition, a series of violent incidents began to occur by those who opposed it on both sides. The most tragic event happened in Hebron when Dr. Baruch Goldstein killed 29 Arabs in the Hebron mosque. Two weeks later, six Hamas terrorists, caught with a carload of weapons, were killed by Israeli police. The attacks continued. Both Israelis and Palestinians participated in violent opposition. But, there was a Peace Rally in Tel Aviv, with thousands of Israelis singing Shir LaShalom, when Prime Minister Rabin was assassinated by an Israeli. That was in 1995. It is now 2023. The rise of Hamas, the divisions within the Israeli society, and the constant struggle to bring about co-existence continues.

It's so complicated!

On my last trip to Israel, October 2018, our guide Yehuda, always answered, it's so complicated whenever I asked his opinion about the future. His family goes back 150 years in Jerusalem, under the Ottoman Turks. Rabin was a Sabra, a shy man, who earned the respect and trust of the soldiers he commanded, and the political leaders of the Knesset. He always believed that the risks for peace are preferable to the grim events that come with war. He belonged to a generation that fought and protected the new nation in the ongoing story of the many battles since 1948 to 1995. He will be remembered as the general who waged war, but fought for peace.

Lenore Kipper



Highlights from the 1981 Commentators

In January it was announced that Mrs. Ceil Coonin was appointed as the new Director of the Day School beginning July 1981. Mrs. Sima Lesser, who was the Director of the Pre-School and Day School, resigned. Ceil Coonin was the first teacher of the first/second grade class in 1971-72, and taught at every level. Sandi Kramer was appointed to take over the supervision of the Pre-School.

In February, the Troubadors, Beth Am High School choir, was invited to perform in Daytona Beach Congregation, in preparation for their appearance at Disney World.

A special Art exhibit, called "Kaleidoscope of Jewish Arts" was planned for the first time for the community. The Arts Committee selected pieces from Jewish artists with a Jewish theme.

Sima Lesser was honored at services May 8, for her fifteen years of leadership of the Pre-School and Day School.

A special prayerbook prepared by Lenore Kipper, with interpretations written by students, was presented by the Day School graduating class.

Rabbi Stuart Weinblatt was honored for his years of service to the Temple as he leaves to become the rabbi of a congregation in Bowie, Maryland. He was very involved with guiding the Bafty Youth Group. Rabbi Robert Goldstein became the new assistant rabbi in August, 1981.

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Weinstein, with love to Aida from Sandy and Jay
Sandy and Jay Halpern in memory of
Wayne Lippman
Barbara Havenick in memory of Beila Malka
Weinstein
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Paul and Jolie Cummings in memory of Dan
Zabludowsky. To the dearest Zabludowsky
Family, there are no words...We offer our love
and support always. Our deepest of condolences,
The Cummings Family.
David Keyes in memory of Janice Levi, sister of
Michelle Sarason
Harriet Feinglass in loving memory of
Charles Wasserman
Benay and Allan Fishman in memory of Martin
Glaser. Your goodness will always remain in
our thoughts.
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Gail and Harry Blyden thank you for providing
a heartwarming and beautiful ceremony for our
children.
The Cummings Family in memory of Janice Levi
Dear Sarason Family, please accept our deepest
of condolences over the loss of your sister and aunt,
Janice. Our sympathy to your family. With love, The
Cummings Family
Susan and Alfred Feingold in honor of the marriage of
Jacki Altman and Cory Dorman
Brenda Kilmer in memory of Richard Kilmer
Michelle and Matt Mund in memory of Dr. Martin Glaser
Michelle and Scott Sarason in memory of Janice Levi.
Thank you for the beautiful service for my sister. It
brought a lot of comfort and healing.
Liz and Jake Schapiro Thank you from the bottom of our
hearts for officiating our wedding ceremony. You made
our day so incredibly special, giving us memories that
we'll have for the rest of our lives.
Rachel and Alex Schapiro in honor of the wedding of
Elizabeth and Jacob Ziegler
Brian Zwerner in memory of Dr. Martin Glaser. We were
so sorry to hear of Marty's passing.

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Happy birthday, Greg!

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Lapidus, with love
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Weinstein, with our deepest sympathy

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Janice Baisman in memory of Beila Malka "Marcia"
Weinstein, mother of Aida Littauer. May her memory
be for a blessing. Sending much love.
Joanne Bauling-Ciminero in memory of Marcia Weinstein,
mother of Aida Littauer
Judy and Daniel Cowan in memory of Beila Malka
"Marcia" Weinstein, mother of Aida Littauer
Jeffrey and Ricki Dorn in loving memory of David Fidler
Angela Durand in memory of Marcia Weinstein, mother
of Aida Littauer
Carol and Kenneth Flicker in memory of Marcia Weinstein,
mother of Aida Littauer
Karen Frost in memory of Marcia Weinstein, mother of
Aida Littauer
Andrea Kay in memory of Marcia Weinstein, mother of
Aida Littauer. Thinking of you, Aida, and sending my love.
Brenda Kilmer in memory of Marcia Weinstein, mother of
Aida Littauer
Pamela and Brett Lear in memory of Malka "Marcia"
Weinstein
Elizabeth McClaskey in memory of Marcia Weinstein,
beloved mother of Aida Littauer

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mother of Jackie Friesner Schatzman
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Margie and Mark Buchbinder in memory of
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The Cummings Family in memory of Marcia Weinstein.
To the Weinstein, Littauer, and Zezynski Family, please
accept our deepest of condolences and sincere sympathy
over the loss of your mother, grandmother, and great
grandmother Marcia. With love, The Cummings Family
Sheila and Larry Forman in loving memory of Lillian Stricoff
Sheila and Larry Forman in memory of Belia Malka Marcia
Weinstein, mother, grandmother of Aida Littauer and
Family
Lisa Heller Green in memory of Janice Levi, sister of
Michelle Sarason
Lisa Heller Green in memory of Ellen Osman, beloved
mother of Abbe Liebling
The Karsenti Family in memory of Elaine Friesner
Laura and Dan Koffsky in memory of Janice Levi
Joanne and Jay Koren in memory of Beila Malka "Marcia"
Weinstein. Dear Aida and Neil, we are so sorry to learn
of the passing of your mother.
Rochelle and Steve Lanster in memory of Marcia Weinstein.
May her memory be a blessing.
Barbara Merkle in memory of Marie L. Goldberg
Lisa and Gary Saul in memory of Ruth Leshaw
Lisa and Gary Saul in memory of Ellen Osman
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Dear Jackie and the Friesner family, we are sorry for your
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We will make every effort to visit or help in any way
we can.*

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THE CURRENT OF LIFE

We mourn the passing of

Terri Cobb, mother of **Jeff (Sue) Reamer**, **David (Jean) Reamer** and Ellen (Dr. Michael) Gaynor, stepmother of Bart (Kathy) Cobb, Melissa Cobb Leiger (Bill), grandmother of JD (Allie) Reamer, Jack (Michelle) Reamer, Shelby Reamer, Jeffrey (Jessica) Reamer, Sarah Wilcox, Leslie Gaynor, Rachel Gaynor, Shelly Gaynor and great -grand-mother to six great-grandchildren.

Elaine Friesner, mother of **Jackie (Darin) Schatzman** and Courtney (Larry) Hopkins and grandmother of **Ava** and **Zachary Schatzman**.

Dr. Martin Glaser, husband of **Suzzi Glaser**, father of Kimberly (Chandler) Paris and **Abbey Glaser Steiselboin (Alain)**, grandfather of Sabrina, Samantha, **Asher**, **Addison** and **Axel** and brother of Larry (Karen) Glaser and Sandy Elam.

Janice Levi, sister of **Michelle (Scott) Sarason**, aunt of **Samantha (Brett) Toister**, **Jordan (Chelsea) Sarason** and **Ben (Laura) Sarason**.

Wayne Lippman, father of **Andrea (David) Loeb** and Adam Lippman; grandfather of **Shelby**, **Laura** and **Alec Loeb**, Micah and Pacey Lippman; former husband of Penny Lippman, partner of Michelle Robinson, grandfather of Michelle's children Gabbi, Nik and Michael and great grandfather of Michelle's grandchildren Julia and Charlie.

Charles Pesin, uncle of **Isaac (Mariana) Pesin**, brother of Richard Pesin, and uncle of **Barnett**, **George** and **Victor Pesin**.

David Raska, father of **Audrey (Mitchell) Phillips**, husband of Nannette Raska and grandfather of **Jacob**, **Max** and **Aaron Phillips**.

Beila Malka "Marcia" Weinstein, mother of **Aida (Neil) Littauer** and Quique (Sharon) Zezynski; grandmother of Sara Littauer (Oren Schwartz), Craig (Erica) Littauer, Adam (Anna) Littauer, Ben (Shira) Zezynski and Lee Zezynski (Tzach); great-grandmother of five great-grandchildren and predeceased by her husband, Israel Zezynski.

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