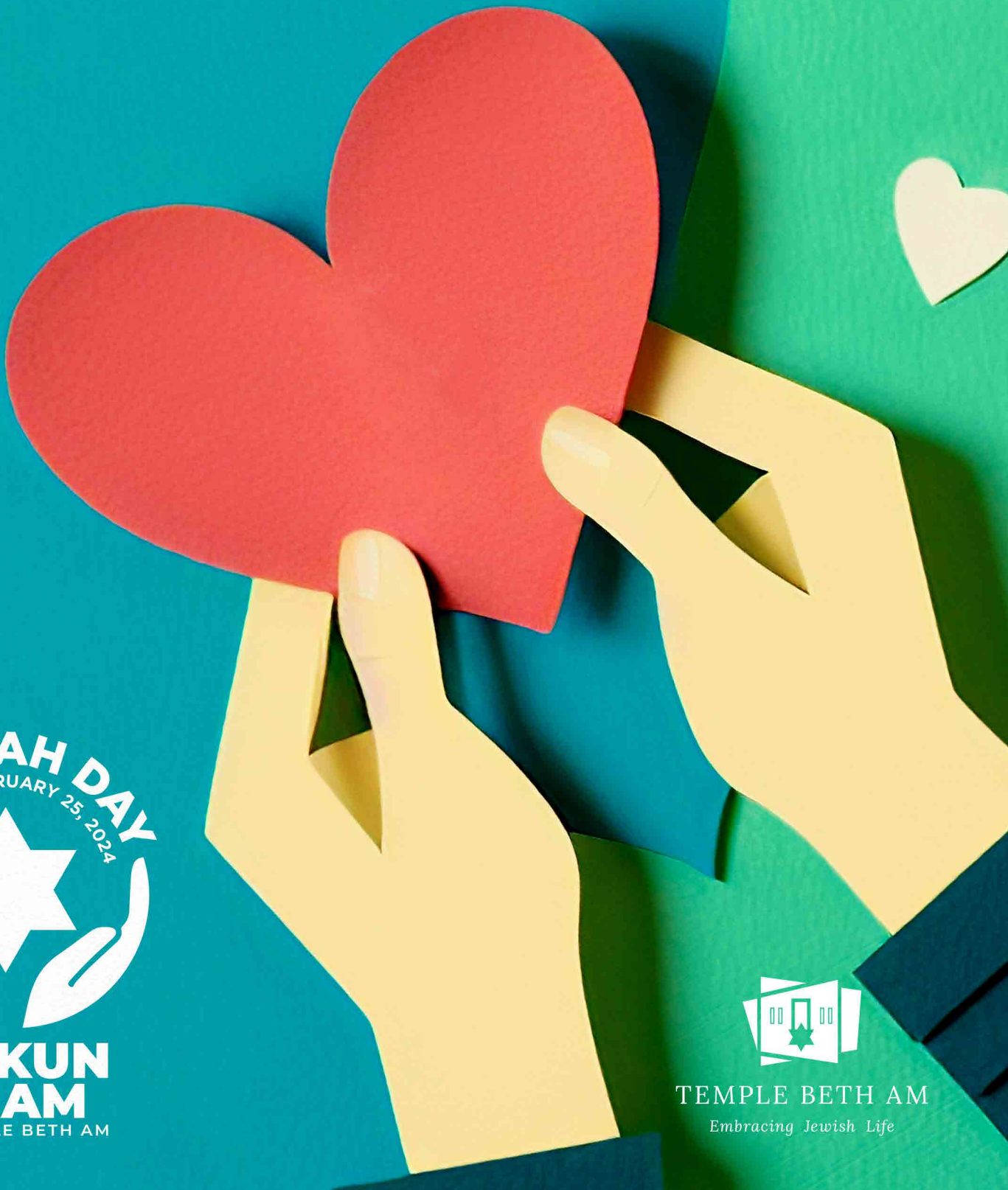


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Temple Beth Am embraces Jewish life through lifelong learning, spiritual growth and community engagement.

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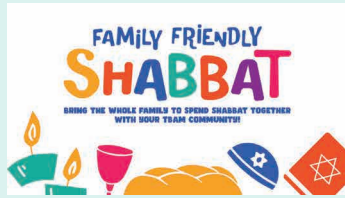
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6:30 PM  
Kabbalat Shabbat Worship

6:30 PM  
Family Friendly 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade  
Shabbat



## 24 SHEVAT SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

9:00 AM  
Torah Study

10:30 AM  
Saturday Morning Minyan



10:30 AM  
Bat Mitzvah of Arielle Tzur

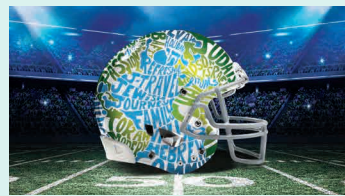
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Bat Mitzvah of Emmy Beraha

Parashat Yitro  
Exodus 18:1 – 20:23  
Haftarah: Isaiah 6:1 – 7:6; 9:5-6

## 1 ADAR I ROSH CHODESH FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

6:00 PM  
Pre-Neg

6:30 PM  
Super Bowl Shabbat: YERS Live



## 1 ADAR I SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

9:00 AM  
Torah Study

10:30 AM  
Saturday Morning Minyan

10:30 AM  
Bar Mitzvah of Jack Aboulhosn

10:30 AM  
Bar Mitzvah of Myles Goldman

5:30 PM  
Repro Shabbat Havdallah

Parashat Mishpatim  
Exodus 21:1 – 24:18  
Haftarah: Jeremiah 34:8-22;  
33:25-26  
[historic: Isaiah 66:1-24]

## 8 ADAR I FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

6:00 PM  
Pre-Neg

6:30 PM  
Kabbalat Shabbat:  
Presidents Day

## 8 ADAR I SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

9:00 AM  
Torah Study

10:30 AM  
Saturday Morning Minyan

10:30 AM  
Conservative Service



10:30 AM  
Bar Mitzvah of Ryan Hellman

5:30 PM  
Bat Mitzvah of Julia Diemar

Parashat Terumah  
Exodus 25:1 – 27:19  
Haftarah: I Kings 5:26-6:13

## 15 ADAR I FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

6:00 PM  
Pre-Neg

6:30 PM  
Kabbalat Shabbat Worship



## 15 ADAR I SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

9:00 AM  
Torah Study



9:00 AM  
Sensory Friendly Shabbat



10:30 AM  
Saturday Morning Minyan

Parashat Tetzaveh  
Exodus 27:20 – 30:10  
Haftarah: Ezekiel 43:10 – 27

For additional information visit [tbam.org/calendar](http://tbam.org/calendar)



## JEREMY BARRAS

SENIOR RABBI

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### THE WAR IN ISRAEL, THE HUB AND STICKERS

Since the High Holy Days, we have seen unprecedented activity and participation on our campus. Besides the bustling Rambam Day School and our YERS programs that are enjoying record numbers of students, three other things happened all at once. First, by completing construction and our Beyond the Curve Campaign, we were able to open our newly imagined campus this fall. Second, on Rosh Hashanah I challenged the congregation to prioritize Friday night Shabbat services and make every effort to come at least once a month. And finally, the tragedy of October 7th and the ensuing war in Israel created an urgent need for all of us to spend more time together. The result has been that when tragedy struck, so many of us found refuge here at Temple Beth Am.

This is a trend that we are seeing all over the country. As tensions rise on college campuses, Hillels and other Jewish campus organizations are experiencing huge increases in participation. Synagogue attendance across the country has skyrocketed. Virtually every congregational rabbi I have spoken to since October 7th has told me that their Shabbat attendance has seen sharp and sustained increases. This should not surprise us. It has always been our way. When the Second Temple in Jerusalem was destroyed by the Romans two thousand years ago, the rabbis were already looking to discover how our tradition would help us deal with adversity. It was in those days that they began to write the Talmud. And their leadership provided a way forward in a time of great tumult, tragedy, and exile. Ever since, Jews have continued

to seek inspiration and motivation to move forward from our faith, and from each other.

Eventually this terrible war will pass. Hopefully, it will come once the hostages are all released, and Hamas is thoroughly destroyed. Only then can peace be possible. When that day comes, I hope that we will remember how our Jewish faith and culture held us together through this challenging time. In many ways, we learned who our friends were and were not. But more importantly, we are learning how dependent we are on each other. And we are learning how strong we are when we stand united. This has always been our faith and the mandate of our Torah.

We are all likely familiar with the famous question that is posed from Cain to God in the Book of Genesis: Am I my brother's keeper? It is only later in the Book of Exodus when Moses sees one of his "brothers" being beaten by an Egyptian, that we get our answer. At that moment, according to the Maharal of Prague, Moses overcomes his Egyptian identity and finally sees himself as an Israelite. He realizes that, yes, he is his brother's keeper. And from that point forward he sets out on a course of uniting and freeing his people. Right now we Jews are as united as we have ever been. Let's keep it going. Let's strengthen the bonds even more. Let's continue to be here together at Temple Beth Am, the House of Our People.

L'shalom,  
Rabbi Jeremy Barras

## Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Jeremy Barras

### THE FUTURE OF ZIONISM IN THE REFORM MOVEMENT

**TUESDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 13, 12:00 PM**  
Chapel, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex



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

CANTOR TIFANI COYOT  
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### SOULFUL SHABBAT: A TRANSFORMATIVE PRAYER EXPERIENCE

The souls of every Jew- past, present, and future- stood together at Mount Sinai. Every soul was assigned a unique nigun (melody), which when sung gave light to his/her purpose on earth. At the moment of Revelation, each soul sang his/her nigun, as part of the holiest choir. Moses, the receiver of divine wisdom, captured these melodies within the Torah. Each melody blended with another creating harmonies that unified the souls of all those standing at Sinai. Some say that the music was so divine that the earth responded with thunder and lightning in order to be part of the majestic choir.

Rabbi Ron Wolfson emphasizes the centrality of music in a service, asserting that the three most important parts are music, music, and music. At Beth Am, our clergy sought to honor the profound power of music by intentionally crafting Soulful Shabbat. This unique service seamlessly weaves musical interludes between prayers, creating a soulful journey through Shabbat.

Commencing with a nigun—a wordless melody—Soulful Shabbat invites everyone to transition from their week into the sacred space of Shabbat. The nigun, serving as a meditative moment, allows for reflection, turning inward

toward peace and relaxation. Derived from the Hebrew word NiGuN, it embodies Nefesh (spirit), Guf (body), and Neshamah (soul), fostering a mind-body-spirit connection. The music in this service is a meditative practice, with melodies building through layers of harmonies, voices, and instrumentation.

Shabbat, a respite from the routine of everyday life, offers an opportunity to connect with the spiritual realm and the community. Soulful Shabbat, embraced for its beauty and inclusivity, seeks to become the norm at Beth Am. The participatory nature of this service is a key feature, aiming to transform Temple Beth Am into a singing community. Music serves as a unifying force, creating awareness of the larger community, as Cantor Benjie Ellen Schiller notes, “When all voices join to create a resounding chorus of prayer, a new expression of prayer is born. Even among strangers, we sense both a personal and spiritual connection.”

We extend an invitation for you to join us in this extraordinary experience.

L’shalom,

**Cantor Tifani Coyot**

*Soulful*  
**SHABBATS**

#### UPCOMING SOULFUL SHABBAT DATES

February 16

February 23

March 8

March 22



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## OUR CHILDREN ARE OUR FUTURE

I never imagined I would plagiarize Whitney Houston for one of my Commentator articles! Two points with regard to my plagiarism – one interesting, one important.

On the interesting front, this lyric was written by a songwriter named Linda Creed, who described herself as “a Jewish, middle-aged housewife and mother, and I happen to write songs”. From Philadelphia, she was best known for writing songs for soul artists in the 1970s including The Spinners, The Stylistics, Diana Ross and Marvin Gaye.

As for my substantive message this month, aficionados of mid-80s pop music already know that I didn’t accurately replicate the line from *Greatest Love of All*. The precise lyric is “I believe the children are our future”. My thesis this month is that I believe our children are our future. Specifically, the children of our Jewish community, both at home and abroad, are critical to our future as a community and as a People.

We should go out of our way to support our youth. Whether it’s attending a preschool play, contributing to a YERS fundraiser, or supporting college-aged members of the TBAM family in combatting the scourge of antisemitism, which is all too present, and has been allowed to fester, on college campuses across our country, our kids need us there. I am addressing, in particular, those of my ilk – those whose children are adults and out of school but who do not yet have grandchildren. We don’t (or shouldn’t) get to take a respite from supporting the youth of our community simply because we don’t have a family member that fits within that demographic at the moment.

I also encourage you to not always take the “easy” way out when supporting our youth. What’s the easy way? Writing a check and doing nothing more. I can hear you – “it’s not so easy to write a check”. In actuality, the exertion required to write a check is quite easy; what’s hard is the time, effort and determination that is required to enable you to have the resources to write that check – that’s what our youth need to witness, from people that have walked in their shoes. So while a generous donation (or any donation for that matter) will always

be appreciated, demonstrating your support of our youth by being present, by being an active participant, is invaluable in demonstrating to the youth of our community that we see you, we hear you, we respect you, and we will be there for you whenever needed.

What’s in it for us (assuming, rather safely, that not a single member of TBAM’s youth is reading this column!)? Supporting our Jewish children is of paramount importance to our Jewish community as it embodies the commitment to preserving and nurturing the rich cultural and religious heritage passed down from generation to generation. Our children represent the future custodians of our traditions, values, and the unique identity that binds us together. By investing in their well-being and spiritual growth, we ensure the continuity of our vibrant legacy. Moreover, supporting our youth fosters a sense of unity, solidarity, and shared responsibility reinforcing the notion that everyone plays a crucial role in sustaining the collective strength and resilience of the Jewish people. Our commitment to our Jewish youth is not only an investment in their future but is also a dedication to the enduring strength and vitality of our entire Jewish community.

So did the Jewish housewife and songwriter from Philadelphia have Jewish children in mind when penning her iconic song? Sadly, we will never know as she died from breast cancer in 1986. Nevertheless, when the first verse of the song refers to “teach them well”, “let them lead”, “show them all the beauty they possess” and “give them a sense of pride”, I can think of no more appropriate audience for these impactful words than the children of our Jewish community.

L’Shalom,  
**Rich**





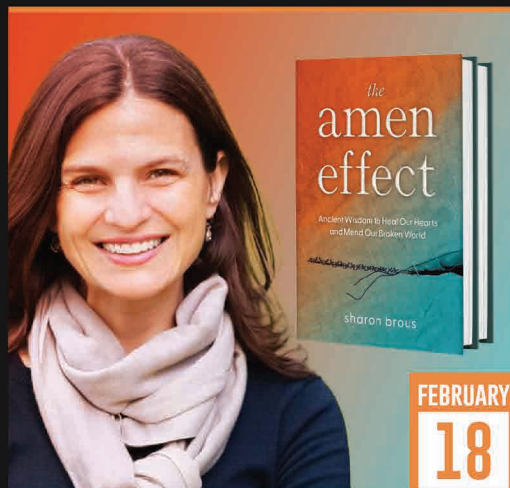
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**SUPER BOWL SUNDAY!  
OUTDOOR TAILGATE AND WATCH PARTY**



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PRESENTED BY BOOKS & BOOKS**



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**FILM SCREENING SUPERNOVA:  
THE MUSIC FESTIVAL MASSACRE**



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**JODI RUDOREN AND ILENE PRUSHER:  
JEWISH JOURNALISM IN A TIME OF CRISIS**



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**FROM GIZA TO GAZA PART 2:  
HON. ROY ALTMAN & EUGENE KONTOROWICZ**



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**SURVIVING WAR THROUGH HOPE FOR PEACE:  
THE JEWISH JOURNEY OF TIKVA CHILDREN'S HOME**



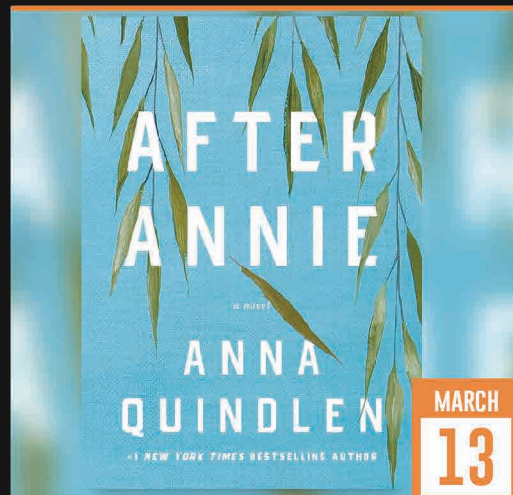
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**CANTOR AZI SCHWARTZ  
IN CONCERT**



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THE JEWISH MATCHMAKER**



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**SUPER BOWL SUNDAY!**  
**OUTDOOR TAILGATE AND WATCH PARTY**  
Watch the game on the big screen!

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

Kickoff at 6:30 PM

The Lampen Sachar Outdoor Cultural Life Center

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## RABBI SHARON BROUS: THE AMEN EFFECT

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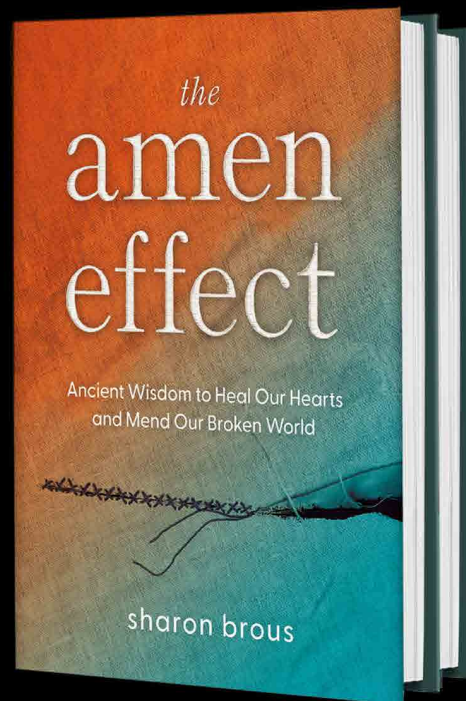
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**FEBRUARY 18, 11:00 AM**

The Frankel Family Performing Arts Center

Tickets: \$41 including fees

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From one of our country's most prominent rabbis, an inspiring book about the power of community based on one of her most impactful sermons. In a time of loneliness and isolation, social rupture and alienation, what will it take to mend our broken hearts and rebuild our society?



**RABBI SHARON BROUS** is the senior and founding rabbi of IKAR, a Los Angeles-based Jewish community that launched in 2004 to reinvigorate Jewish practice and inspire people of faith to reclaim a soulful, justice-driven voice. Her 2016 TED talk, "Reclaiming Religion," has been viewed by more than 1.5 million people.

In 2013, Brous blessed President Obama and Vice President Biden at the Inaugural National Prayer Service, and in 2021 returned to bless President Biden and Vice President Harris, and then led the White House Passover Seder with Second Gentleman Doug Emhoff...She was named #1 on the Newsweek/The Daily Beast list of most influential Rabbis in America, and has been recognized by The Forward and Jerusalem Post as one of the fifty most influential Jews.





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**ISRAELI DIRECTOR DUKI DROR**

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**The Hub @ Temple Beth Am**

**FREE RSVP**

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## JODI RUDOREN & ILENE PRUSHER JEWISH JOURNALISM IN A TIME OF CRISIS

Presented by Temple Beth Am

Wednesday  
**FEBRUARY 21, 7:30 PM**  
The Frankel Family Performing Arts Center  
FREE OF CHARGE  
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Join us for an illuminating conversation about how *The Forward* and the rest of the Jewish news ecosystem is covering the Israel-Hamas war and its repercussions in the U.S., including rising antisemitism and clashes over free speech on college campuses. Both Ilene and Jodi have spent years living in and reporting from Israel, and will discuss the crucial role Jewish journalism plays in this critical time.

## ROY ALTMAN & EUGENE KONTOROWICZ From Giza to Gaza Part 2

Sunday  
**FEBRUARY 25, 4:00 PM**  
The Frankel Family Performing Arts Center  
FREE OF CHARGE  
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Following up on our fascinating conversation from the fall, we welcome back The Honorable Roy Altman in conversation with Eugene Kontorovich, Professor of Law and Director of the Center for the Middle East and International Law at George Mason University's Antonin Scalia Law School. Together, they will put the latest developments of the current war into context given the broader lens of Jewish and Israeli history in the Middle East.



The Honorable  
Judge Roy Altman  
PANELIST



Professor of Law  
Eugene Kontorovich  
PANELIST



Nicole Vahlkamp-Louis,  
2L at the University of  
Miami School of Law,  
MODERATOR





# HAPPENING AT THE HUB



## **SURVIVING WAR THROUGH HOPE FOR PEACE: THE JEWISH JOURNEY OF TIKVA CHILDREN'S HOME**

**Presented by Temple Beth Am**

**Wednesday,  
FEBRUARY 28, 7:00 PM**  
The Frankel Family Performing Arts Center  
FREE OF CHARGE  
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The short documentary, *Surviving War Through Hope for Peace - the Jewish Journey of TIKVA Children's Home* transports the viewer not only through time, but also to the battlefields of today's Ukraine where members of a small Odessa Jewish community - supported mostly by generous American and British donors - bravely help defend the principals of freedom and Jewish life. This Children's Home has been supported in part by Temple Beth Am.

Odessa's Jewish community, the 3rd largest in the world prior to World War II, was nearly wiped out by the Nazi Germans. After 30 years of TIKVA reviving the Jewish life in Odessa and rebuilding a community, the survival of the community seemed to be at risk.

As the full-scale Russian invasion of the Ukraine began, a decision was made to evacuate everyone but a group of Jewish Ukrainian men. It was a painful decision - but one that had to be made. Little children, hundreds of orphans, had to be taken to safety until the war ended.

On February 24th 2022, thousands of Odessa's children and most vulnerable made a dramatic escape to the safety of bordering NATO countries. TIKVA's community ended up in a small Romanian town along the Black Sea. The question now became how to house, feed and financially support this community in exile.

**This half-hour documentary will be followed by a Q & A with the filmmakers, Jody Benyunes and Yanna Begelman.**



## CANTOR AZI SCHWARTZ IN CONCERT

Sponsored by Melvyn and Carolyn Miller

Sunday

**MARCH 3, 5:00 PM**

The Frankel Family Performing Arts Center

Tickets: \$41 - \$77 including fees

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World-renowned cantor and vocal performer Azi Schwartz is bringing uplifting, inspiring music to our community. Deeply rooted in the rich tradition of Jewish liturgical music, his program transcends genres and style to bring new life to both favorites and hidden gems.

Cantor Azi Schwartz is the Senior Cantor of Park Avenue Synagogue in New York City and a celebrated vocal performer and recording artist with an astonishing online following. His music reaches both Jewish and interfaith audiences. Born and raised in Israel, Cantor Schwartz is passionate about bringing Jewish liturgy to wider audiences.

He has performed at Carnegie Hall, the United Nations, Madison Square Garden, the US Capitol Rotunda, and at Pope Francis' visit to New York. Don't miss your chance to see him at The Hub!





# HAPPENING AT THE HUB

## ALEEZA BEN SHALOM

THE JEWISH MATCHMAKER

AS SEEN ON **NETFLIX**

**WEDNESDAY**  
**MARCH 6, 7:00 PM**

The Frankel Family Performing Arts Center

Tickets: \$44 - \$70 including fees

Premium Package: \$185 including fees

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**ALEEZA BEN SHALOM IS THE RENOWNED GLOBE-TROTTING JEWISH MATCHMAKER, CAPTIVATING AUDIENCES WORLDWIDE.**

With her highly popular Netflix show, “Jewish Matchmaking,” reaching millions of viewers across 130 countries and being translated into 37 languages, she has become a true international sensation. Aleeza finds immense joy in hearing herself dubbed in Swahili, further solidifying her global impact.

As the founder of Marriage Minded Mentor, an esteemed platform connecting singles worldwide with expert dating coaches, Aleeza and her dedicated team navigate individuals through the intricate journey of finding love, irrespective of age, affiliation, or life stage. Their mission is to empower singles and assist them in achieving meaningful relationships.

Aleeza’s expertise has earned her widespread recognition in the media. Her insightful relationship advice has been sought after by prestigious outlets such as *BBC World News*, *NPR*, *Rolling Stone*, *People* & *Women’s Health*.

Join us after the program for a dessert reception sponsored by Hadassah.

- ▶ VIP tickets include a meet and greet with Aleeza!
- ▶ **JUST ADDED Premium Package:** includes private pre-show reception with Aleeza and signed book

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## ANNA QUINDLEN: AFTER ANNIE Presented by BOOKS & BOOKS and TBAM

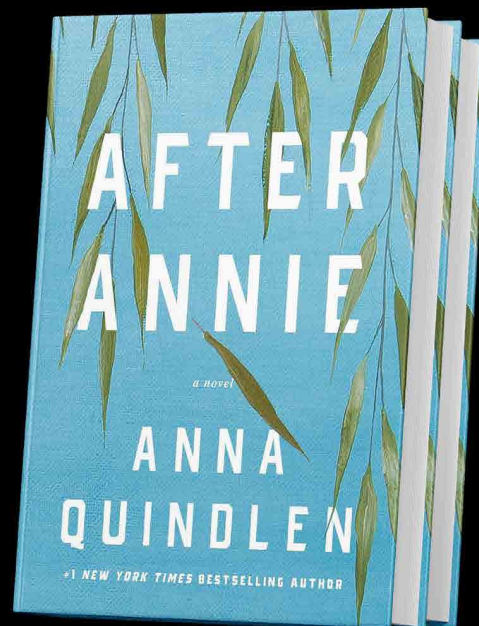
Wednesday

**MARCH 13, 7:00 PM**

The Frankel Family Performing Arts Center

Tickets: \$37 including fees

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Join us for a conversation with Pulitzer Prize winning columnist and *New York Times* bestselling author Anna Quindlen. Her trademark wisdom on family, friendship, and the ties that bind us are at the center of *After Annie*, her newest novel about the power of love to transcend loss and triumph over adversity.

When Annie Brown dies suddenly, her husband, her children, and her closest friend are left to find a way forward without the woman who has been the lynchpin of all their lives.

Over the course of the next year what saves them all is Annie, ever-present in their minds, loving but not sentimental, caring but nobody's fool, a voice in their heads that is funny and sharp and remarkably clear. The power she has given to those who loved her is the power to go on without her.

**“A wise and heartfelt novel of connection, of loss and love and the power of both.”** - Amy Bloom, author of *In Love*



Anna Quindlen is a novelist and journalist whose work has appeared on fiction, nonfiction, and self-help bestseller lists. She is the author of many novels: *Object Lessons*, *One True Thing*, *Black and Blue*, *Blessings*, *Rise and Shine*, *Every Last One*, *Still Life with Bread Crumbs*, and *Miller's Valley*. Her memoir *Lots of Candles*, *Plenty of Cake*, published in 2012, was a #1 *New York Times* bestseller. Her book *A Short Guide to a Happy Life* has sold more than a million copies. While a columnist at *The New York Times* she won the Pulitzer Prize and published two collections, *Living Out Loud* and *Thinking Out Loud*. Her *Newsweek* columns were collected in *Loud and Clear*.



**SUNDAY, MARCH 17**  
12:00 - 3:00 PM | ATHLETIC FIELD

# PURIM CARNIVAL

THE HAPPIEST PURIM ON EARTH



Connect with old friends and meet new ones as we enjoy this festive holiday together. Featuring games, attractions, face painting, food trucks, a costume parade, and more!

This year, our Pop Up Choir will present a special Disney-themed performance to help us tell the story of Purim. Come dressed as your favorite Disney character, or in any costume you like!

Purchase a wristband and get full access to all entertainment and attractions.  
\$20 in advance for children ages 3-17, \$30 at the door  
Free for adults and children under 3

**[TBAM.ORG/PURIMCARNIVAL](https://tbam.org/purimcarnival)**





**SAVE THE DATE**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23**

# PURIM

**AFTER DARK**

THE FRANKEL FAMILY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, THE HUB | [TBAM.ORG/PURIM](http://TBAM.ORG/PURIM)



# FAMILY FRIENDLY SHABBAT

**BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY TO SPEND SHABBAT TOGETHER  
WITH YOUR TBAM COMMUNITY!**

**5:30 PM - DINNER**  
**6:30 PM - SERVICE**

Our family-friendly Shabbat services will feature students in our **Day School** and **Religious School** showcasing their Jewish education and love of *tefilah* as they lead us in this abbreviated, interactive musical service. All families are welcome to join us for a dinner catered by Michael Meltzer with fantastic food, wine and beverages.

**REGISTER FOR MULTIPLE DINNERS AND SAVE!**  
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**FEBRUARY 2** - 2<sup>ND</sup> Grade

**MARCH 8** - 3<sup>RD</sup> Grade

**APRIL 12** - 1<sup>ST</sup> Grade

**MAY 3** - 4<sup>TH</sup> Grade & Teacher  
Appreciation

**MAY 17** - Kindergarten & Israel  
Celebration





# SAVE THE DATE

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN & TEMPLE BETH AM

# REPRO SHABBAT HAVDALLAH

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10**

5:30 - 7:00 PM at Temple Beth Am

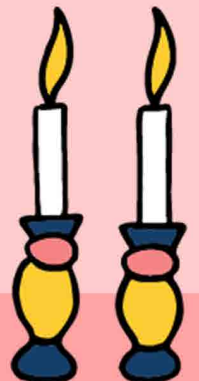
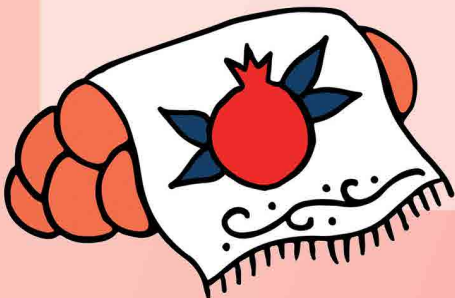
Join us for havdallah, appetizers, and a toast to celebrate the completion of part one of getting women's healthcare on the ballot (we collected over 1.3 million signatures!), and to hear what's next for our justice work in 2024.

To learn more about Repro Shabbat nationally, and the NCJW visit [ncjw.org](https://ncjw.org).

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To register go to:

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# REPRO SHABBAT

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TEMPLE BETH AM  
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# *Sensory Friendly* **SHABBAT**

TEMPLE BETH AM

**SATURDAYS,  
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  
WELCOME LOBBY, THE HUB**

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**FEBRUARY 24, 2024  
APRIL 27, 2024  
MAY 18, 2024**

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  
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**QUESTIONS?**

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**SAVE THE DATE**  
**BROADWAY**  
**SHABBAT**  
**FRIDAY, MARCH 15**  
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**Rambam Day School**  
TEMPLE BETH AM

## SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, JUDAISM, AND THE ARTS COME ALIVE AT RAMBAM DAY SCHOOL

For the past two years, STREAM Day has been a fantastic component of the Rambam curriculum in which students participate in an organized day of enrichment dedicated to exploring a new topic or skill through hands-on, collaborative projects. STREAM is an acronym for science, technology, religion, engineering, art, and mathematics. Our STREAM Days therefore integrate all of those subjects into one magical day. This past December, our first STREAM Day of the year allowed students to create projects addressing real-world crises. This was connected to our middah of that month, patience; it takes time to change the world.

Integrating science and technology with real-life problems is essential to success in today's world. Science and technology provide practical solutions to everyday problems and drive economic growth and competitiveness. This type of integration teaches people to be more efficient, productive, and innovative. The integration of science and technology with real-life problems also fosters a culture of continuous learning and adaptation, which is crucial for our students in this rapidly changing world. Therefore, this type of integration not only teaches them to solve immediate challenges but also prepares them for future complexities.

The grades worked on solving different types of problems. Kindergartners learned about invasive species and used their creativity and collaboration to build a trap to capture them. First graders made skimmers to help clean up algae blooms caused by bacteria. Second graders studied the effects of litter in our community. They designed and built a garbage can that can hold litter and withstand weather systems on the beach. Third graders explored sea wall erosion. They created their own sea walls that could withstand the effects of weathering and erosion. Fourth graders explored coral reefs and the importance they play. They designed and tested an artificial reef. Finally, fifth graders created water filtration systems to explore water cleanliness and learn how natural disasters can affect one's access to clean water.

Best of all, the students could share their projects with other grades. They proudly showed off their work product while exploring and learning about others' projects.

We also welcomed a speaker from MORAES of South Florida (Marine Order for Research and Action Through Environmental Stewardship). MORAES is an environmental research organization aiming to inspire and retain local marine ecologists and to protect our South Florida marine resources through collaborative community involvement and stewardship.

This STREAM Day was a fun, collaborative effort and inspired students to solve problems, organize their thinking, develop design strategies, test out different ideas, formulate a plan, and incorporate art and design.

STREAM Day is the perfect example of Rambam's educational philosophy on full display. Students collaborated and used critical thinking to solve problems and tackle the tasks at hand. Each child was able to contribute their unique strength, imagination, and voice to accomplish something they could be genuinely proud of. It was not only a fun, collaborative effort, but it inspired the students to work together to organize their thinking, develop strategies, test ideas, formulate plans, and incorporate art and design. We even integrated sing-a-longs and stories. And all of this was done while celebrating our Jewish values and honoring our beautiful planet through problem-solving. STREAM Day seamlessly blended general studies with Judaic studies while encouraging values such as industriousness, inclusion of others, respect, and protecting the environment.

A huge thank you to the highly innovative and creative STREAM Team: Ashley Reed, Lauren Bercuson, Jackie Berney, Jessica Bass, Daniela Gherardi, Maya Greenberg, Melissa Greenstein, Hilary Haber, Efrat Horwitz, Amy Kutell, Alyssa Macaluso, Michelle Malca, Daniela Maravankin, Mandy Pavuk, Shelly Rauchwerger, Debbie Roman, Eilat Schmalbach, Kevin Temkin, and Yanet Zalcborg. This was truly a day that we will never forget!



# STREAM

## SCIENCE

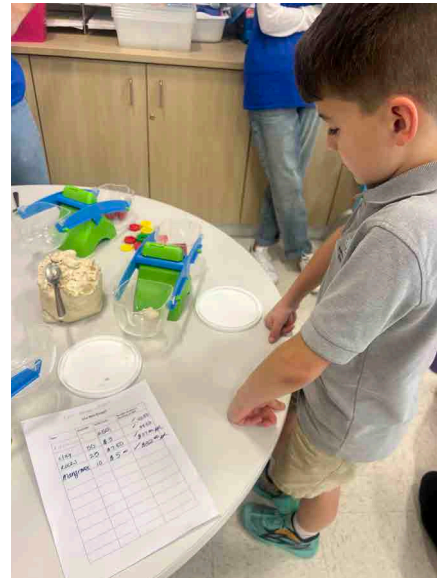
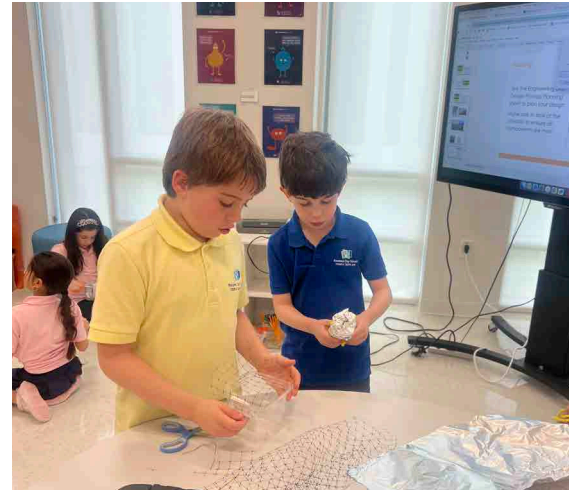
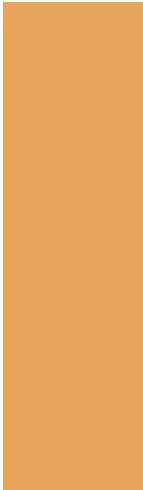
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ART

## MATHEMATICS





## SPRING SEMESTER 2024 INFANT & EARLY TODDLER CLASSES ON CAMPUS THROUGH OUR BABY BLUE J'S PROGRAM.

Please check our website  
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and to get registered.

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### BABY AND ME

#### 8-WEEK SEMESTER

Beginning Wednesdays, January 24

0-12 months class at 11:00 AM

12 months and older at 9:00 AM

We invite children birth to 24 months along with a parent or caregiver to join us for a weekly hands-on learning experience that will integrate gross motor skills, sensory integration, music, play and more!

### JAM WITH JAMIE

#### 8-WEEK SEMESTER

For children 0 - 36 months

Classes Tuesdays at 9:30 AM

Join us for a weekly interactive musical experience with a new theme each week: Blast Off, Under the Sea, Rainbow Colors, Animal Adventure, A-B-C, 1-2-3, Love and Friendship, Zoom Zoom and Rock and Rock 'n Roll party. Enjoy prop and instrument play, movement, story time, parachute and bubbles. Are you ready to JAM? Say OH YEAH!

### BABY AND ME SWIMMING WITH MOVEMENT WORKS

#### TWO 4-WEEK SESSIONS

1- Starting April 4

2- Starting May 2.

Classes are held on Thursdays at 9:30 AM

In this class, especially designed for a caregiver and child (don't worry, the pool is heated!), we take things slow. You will learn all sorts of ways to engage in the water, making your child feel safe and secure while having fun in the water!

This class is limited to five children and caregivers at a time.





# AFTER SCHOOL

BLUE J'S AFTER SCHOOL is back with new classes and full-day mini camps on professional development and conference days.

Open to Rambam Day School students and siblings, YERS students and Temple Beth Am members.

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## Have questions?

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Rambam Day School

**THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024**  
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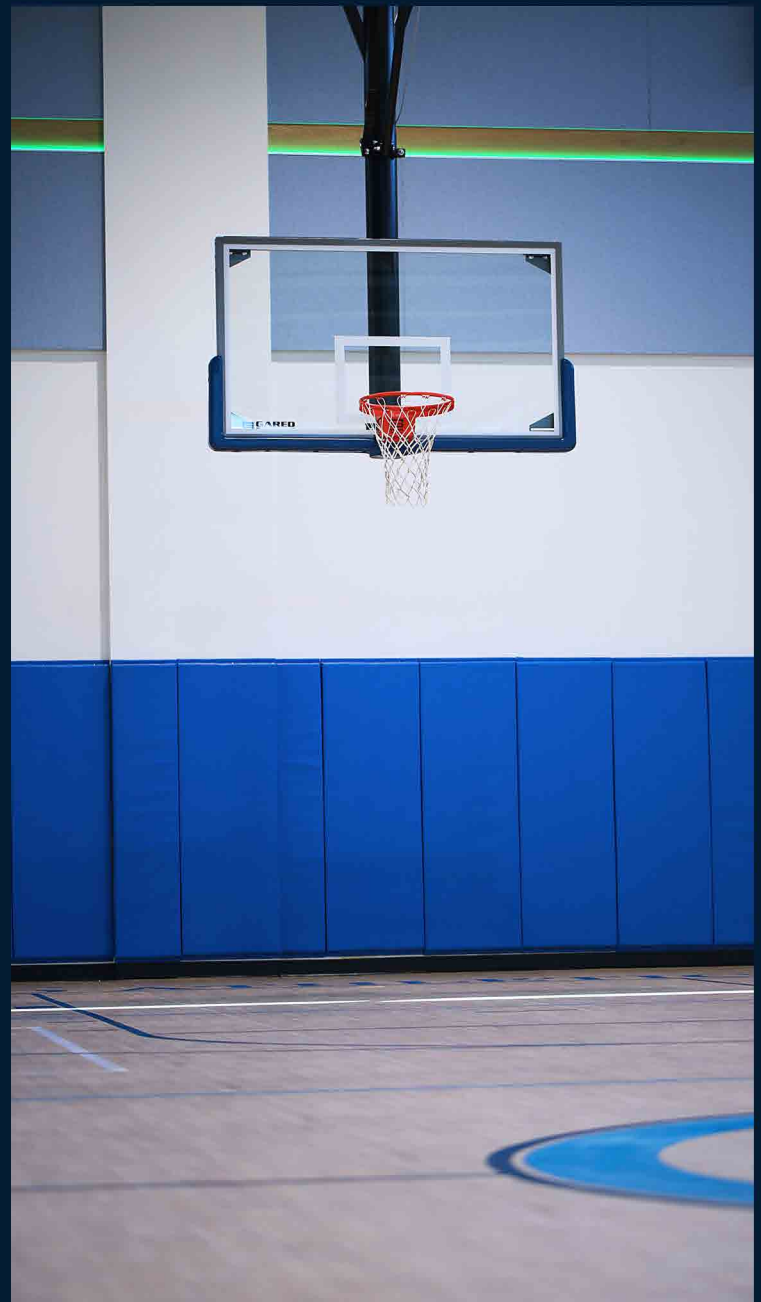


The Poyastro Family Athletic Center indoor basketball court is the home of the Beth Am Basketball League, the largest temple-based basketball league in the country. This beautiful brand-new climate-controlled court, opened in April, 2023, is available to rent for limited timeslots each week.

Rental price includes gate security and free parking for as many as 20 cars. Discounted rates are available for Temple Beth Am Members and for not-for-profit groups.

The Havenick Family Outdoor Basketball Court is also available to rent.

**FREE SECURE PARKING  
NEW INDOOR COURT**



# basketball rental

RESERVE THE COURT AT [THEHUBMIAMI.ORG/COURTS](https://thehubmiami.org/courts)

**6 TIMESLOTS  
AVAILABLE  
EACH WEEK**

Sunday: 7:00 AM – 8:30 AM  
Sunday: 8:30 AM – 10 AM  
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# Summer Camp is Back!



at Temple Beth Am

June 10– July 26

For campers from 2 years old through 3rd Grade  
**Space is limited!**

Plus, check out our Cool Camps and Blue J's Off-Broadway!

**LUNCH INCLUDED**

STEAM + Camp Shows + Swimming\*  
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[fbam.org/summercamp](http://fbam.org/summercamp)

\*Swim program for ages 3 and up



Registration opens  
February 5

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★ BLUE J'S ★  
OFF-BROADWAY  
CAMP

June 17 - July 12

For more information, please email us at  
[summercamp@tbam.org](mailto:summercamp@tbam.org)



# MAZEL TOV B'NAI MITZVAH



**EMMY BERAHA**  
**FEBRUARY 3, 2024**

Emmy is a 7th grader at Palmetto Middle School who enjoys travel, playing tennis, hanging out with her friends, and spending her summers at Camp Coleman. For her Mitzvah project, Emmy has been participating in the Young Lion of Judah Program, a program sponsored by the Holocaust Memorial in Miami Beach, where she has been paired with a Holocaust survivor for the purpose of learning his story so it can be preserved for future generations. Emmy is the daughter of Joanna and Bobby Beraha, granddaughter of Ellen and Dan Beraha and Andrew and Debbie Brickman, as well as an older sister to Caroline Beraha. Emmy's family is extremely proud of her and are very excited to celebrate her bat mitzvah.



**ARIELLE TZUR**  
**FEBRUARY 3, 2024**

Arielle is a 7th grade student at Gulliver Prep and a graduate of Beth Am Day School. She loves horseback riding, summers in Israel, family, Shabbat dinners, and spending time in and on the water. Her parents, Johanna and Tomer, and her siblings, Eden and Felix, are immensely proud of her and excited to celebrate her Bat Mitzvah.



**JACK ABOULHOSN**  
**FEBRUARY 10, 2024**

Jack is a 7th grade student at Palmetto Middle School. He loves playing basketball, fishing, and playing Fortnite with his buddies. He is the proud dad of a new puppy Winston and he loves playing with his three dogs. His parents, Kim and Joe, and sister Emily are looking forward to celebrating his special day.



**MYLES GOLDMAN**  
**FEBRUARY 10, 2024**

Myles is a 7th grader at Gulliver. He is sweet, compassionate and has an outstanding sense of humor. Myles enjoys playing basketball, running cross country, gaming, and biking around the neighborhood. For his Mitzvah project, he is babysitting for families and donating all his proceeds to the Lucy Project, an organization helping local children struggling to read. His parents, Stephanie and Evan, big brother Ryan and twin sisters Brooke and Joely could not be more proud and look forward to celebrating his Bar Mitzvah.





**JULIA DIEMAR**  
**FEBRUARY 17, 2024**

Julia is a seventh grade student at Palmetto middle school. Julia is extremely hard-working, kind and hilariously funny. She loves playing tennis, traveling, and spending time with her family and friends. For her mitzvah project, Julia is selling bracelets that she designed to support the FIDF and JAFCO. Julia's parents, Jenny and Kevin, and her brother Jack are so proud of her and look forward to celebrating her special day.



**KYLA LAM**  
**JANUARY 13, 2024**

Kyla is a 7th grade Drama Magnet student at Southwood Middle School who loves musical theater, dance, and drawing. When not performing, she enjoys spending time with her family, friends, and of course, her dog. For her Mitzvah project, Kyla collected allergy friendly and organic food for those in need. She is also selling products featuring her art to raise funds for anxiety reducing "Kyla Kits" that will be donated to pediatric cancer patients. Her parents, Brooke and Jeff, and sister, Brenna, are very proud of all of her accomplishments and are excited to celebrate her Bat Mitzvah.

# NAPLES FAMILY GETAWAY WEEKEND

WITH CANTOR TIFANI COYOT

PROGRAMS GEARED TOWARDS FAMILIES  
WITH CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES 3-12  
(SIBLINGS WELCOME).



For more information, please contact  
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**YERS**  
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*A World of Opportunities*



2024 is off and running at a fast pace. Every Religious School day is packed with so many programs!

Our school thrives thanks to the exceptional professionals on our team. Each staff member, clergy, and lay leader involved in the YERS program recognizes that a child's journey goes beyond simply preparing for a bar or bat mitzvah. They understand that, considering the numerous priorities in our children's lives, there are only limited hours before they head off to college. During this time, we aim to help them explore Judaism, instill Jewish values, and guide them toward realizing their unique potential not just as Jews but as human beings.

Every year, we meticulously plan and execute programs that cater to a diverse group of children, spanning from Pre-Kindergarten to 12th grade. To be effective, our programming includes a mix of traditional and non-traditional settings, tailored to each grade level and proficiency. As students progress, the programming may even vary based on individual areas of interest and commitment levels. Peer interactions, teacher guidance, and the support of madrichim create a nurturing environment where love is the driving force that connects us to our Judaism and to each other.

The exceptional quality, freshness, and diversity of our YERS programming set our program apart from others, making us a model that other institutions look up to. We are continuously refining, evaluating, and reinventing the YERS program, not just as teachers but as individuals who live and breathe Judaism. This is evident in our incorporation of Hebrew into everyday language, saying blessings before meals, celebrating Shabbat and Jewish holidays, performing mitzvot, caring for the environment, and fostering a culture of continuous learning.

While our elementary students lay the foundation of our rich tradition and history, our teens gather weekly for socializing, learning, and engaging in activities as well as usual travel as an education tool. This past month, our Confirmation class traveled to Washington DC to grapple with civic issues.

February brings two programs that I hold them dearly: YERS Shabbat and Mitzvah Day.

In every organization, there's a board that champions its mission and supports special programs that might otherwise be challenging. Volunteers are the backbone of YERS, and the YERS Board, alongside room parents and other parent volunteers, bring excitement to planning and organizing special events and fundraising initiatives.

Mark your calendars for February 9, 2024 – it's our annual YERS Shabbat and YERS Live! Our students will take center stage on the bimah, leading the community Shabbat service. Following this memorable Shabbat, everyone is invited to join the celebration at YERS Live! It's more than just a fundraiser; it's a chance for families to connect and socialize. This year's theme is Superbowl, transforming the Lampen Sachar Outdoor Cultural Life Center into a tailgate zone filled with games, dinner, music, and friends. I hope to see you there, making new friends, celebrating Shabbat, and supporting YERS scholarships, programming, and teen trips.

On February 25, Temple Beth Am celebrates its annual Mitzvah Day. This fantastic effort, led by incredible volunteers, brings the entire congregation together for a day of volunteering with social justice projects in the community. Mitzvot play a significant role in our schools, allowing us to engage in acts of kindness that have a positive impact emotionally and spiritually. Participating in mitzvot empowers us to contribute constructively to healing ourselves and the world. Whether it's giving time, expertise, or money to important causes, it's a way of putting love into action. I'm looking forward to spending February 25 with all of you, working together to repair the world.

*B'ahava (with love)*  
**Tamara**





## **SUNDAY SALON**

### **A CENTENNIAL PERSPECTIVE OF 1924**

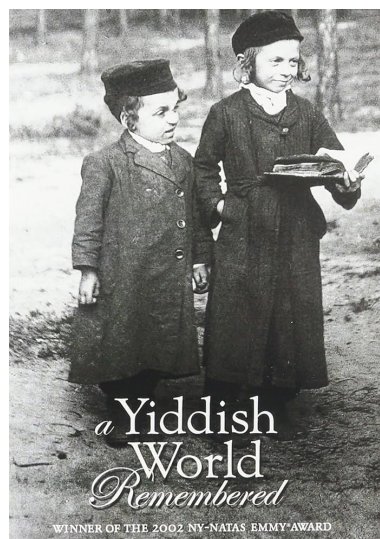
BY MARSHA COHEN

**FEBRUARY 11, 10:30 AM**

CHAPEL, LEWIS FAMILY RELIGIOUS LIFE COMPLEX

Join us as we welcome back **Marsha Cohen** for an outstanding presentation:  
**A Centennial Perspective of 1924**

Let's step back a hundred years into a time machine: President Calvin Coolidge slammed the "golden door," ending a century of Jewish emigration that had brought 2 million Jews to the U.S. from Europe. The Fourth Aliyah to Palestine had begun. In Russia, Lenin died, and the Soviet Union took shape. A secular nation of Turkey replaced the defunct Ottoman caliphate. In Germany, Adolf Hitler went on trial for treason after instigating the Munich Beer Hall Putsch. We will discover the many ways in which events of 1924 shaped the 20th century and our world today.



## **ISRAELI MOVIE**

### **A YIDDISH WORLD REMEMBERED**

(2002) AWARD-WINNING DOCUMENTARY

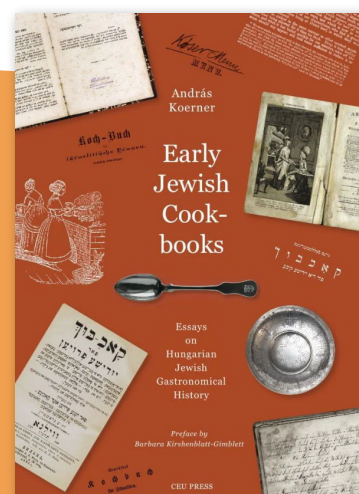
**FEBRUARY 27, 1:00 PM**

THE FRANKEL FAMILY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, THE HUB

A Yiddish World Remembered is a 2002 Emmy-award-winning documentary by Andrew Goldberg that looks back at the vanished Jewish way of life that existed in eastern Europe before World War II. Through never-before-seen archival films, vintage photographs, traditional cantorial and Klezmer music, and personal recollections, the once-vibrant cities and small towns (shtetls) come alive again. Narrated by Elliot Gould, the film explores everything from the fascinating language of Yiddish to the style of dress and more.

## **AJL**

Our library's professional connection is with the **Association of Jewish Libraries**, which recently announced its annual Bibliography Award given to András Koerner, author of **Early Jewish Cookbooks: Essays on Hungarian Jewish Gastronomical History**. Koerner's encyclopedic Jewish Cuisine in Hungary won the National Jewish Book Award in 2019, and one might wonder if the author has exhausted his topic. But with **Early Jewish Cookbooks**, Koerner proves there's always room for more. András Koerner continues his explorations of Jewish cookbooks in Hungary, this time focusing predominantly on the nineteenth century. In this ambitious work, Koerner uncovers "lost" cookbooks while also examining their vast interconnections with both local communities and distant publishing projects. **Come check it out!**



# unBIASed

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## A TEMPLE BETH AM ANTISEMITISM INITIATIVE

### A DIVERSE AUDIENCE OF 500 PEOPLE SOUGHT TO UNDO BIAS AT A PERFORMANCE OF 'LETTERS FROM ANNE AND MARTIN'

Oh, what a night!!! The buzz around town was exhilarating to hear. "Are you attending the big event at Beth Am on Monday night?" people asked one another. The "big event" on December 4, 2023, was none other than the unBIASed presentation of Letters from Anne and Martin, a two-person performance with actors portraying Anne Frank and Martin Luther King, Jr. as they brought their words to life for the audience. We were overwhelmed by the response we received. We had a sellout crowd of 550 people. We accepted 600 reservations, adding chairs to the sides of each row to increase capacity.

The audience was mesmerized as the actors depicted these historical figures by reading and performing excerpts from their writings: Anne from the Diary of Anne Frank and Martin from his iconic Letter from the Birmingham Jail. Each figure spoke poignantly as they reflected on their struggles with prejudices, hatred, and persecution. Although both Anne and Martin were born in 1929, Anne was only 15 years old, while Martin was 34 when they wrote these now-famous works. Each, in their way, expressed resilience and courage despite the adversity they faced. Through it all, each expressed an unabiding faith in humanity and shared hopes for a world free from discrimination, bigotry, and injustice.

**Bringing our teens to *Letters from Anne and Martin* allowed our students to grasp two realities in one space, learning about the challenges that both icons experienced during their lifetimes. A lesson of humanity, of questioning and challenging the status quo despite Anne Frank and MLK's personal limitations.**

**- Tamara Donnenfeld**

The play was followed by a dynamic discussion with the actors and the audience, led by producer Alexandra Gellner and Rabbi Jaimie Aklepi. Audience participation was robust, with many thought-provoking questions. At the following dessert reception, audience members continued sharing their thoughts, feelings, and reactions to the performance.

**This play is a timely reminder for our students not to forget their history and to learn about the history of a young Jewish girl's persecution in her own words.**

**- Latrice Thomas, Coordinator of Philanthropic Partnerships at the SEED School**

Beth Am's unBIASed Initiative had worked relentlessly for five months to make this historic evening a reality. We reached a

diverse adult and student audience with Beth Am's YERS students and 60 students from the SEED School of Miami in attendance. Clearly, Anne and Martin's insight inspired us to work together to become more educated, empathetic, and compassionate in our daily lives.

**"In our world today, the dialogue surrounding human rights, justice, and equality continues to be of utmost importance. The words and enduring struggles of Anne Frank and Martin Luther King Jr. were a testament to the enduring nature of these universal values. It is in recognition of their timeless relevance and the profound impact their messages have on shaping a more just and compassionate society that we found it imperative to bring the performance of 'Letters from Anne and Martin' to the community at this time."**

**- Edith Osman**

The overwhelming success of the evening was very gratifying to Temple Beth Am's unBIASed Letters committee, Judy Cowan, Joe Jacoby, Joanne Koren, and Susan Lampen; our committee partners, Matt Anderson, Mosaic Miami, and Reverend Tom Capo; the Unitarian Universalist Congregation; and me. It was a reflection of all of our tireless efforts.

Our team appreciates the support of our presenting sponsors, the Miami Center for Racial Justice, Weil, Gotshal & Manges, and the Office of Daniella Levine Cava. Thank you also to Dr. Marvin Dunn from the Miami Center for Racial Justice for his insightful introduction to the program.

**"My people were brought to America in chains. Your people were driven here to escape the chains fashioned for them in Europe. Our unity is born of our common struggle for centuries."**

**- Martin Luther King Jr.**

We look forward to presenting additional inspirational programs and to your participation.

Warmly,

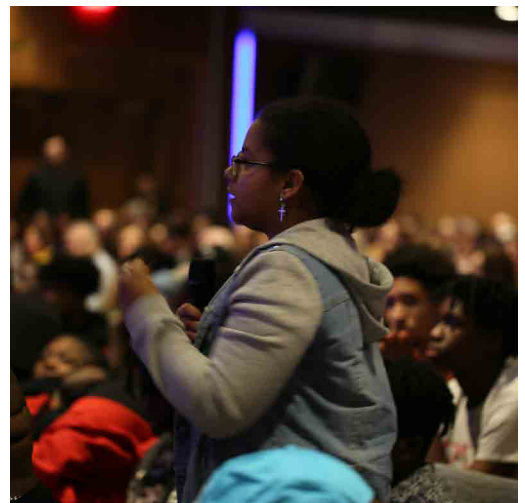
*Edith Osman*  
Chair, Temple Beth Am's  
Antisemitism Initiative (unBIASed)





# LETTERS FROM ANNE AND MARTIN

*Anne Frank*  
CENTER USA



## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Watch for our announcement about a historic Overtown Tour and a second interfaith potluck dinner.  
Please let me know if you wish to participate in planning these and other events.



# Dear Sisters & Friends



We are excited to present our robust schedule of programs below.

Although we are all engaged in doing mitzvot regularly, Mitzvah Day allows us to come together as a community and enjoy experiences with the greater Miami community, which can be so uplifting. Sometimes we need to nourish our own souls too, so Sisterhood will be working in the TBAM Garden Sanctuary to honor our support of Israel. TBAM families are encouraged to join us.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Ilie Hechtman and Linda Landy and their outstanding multigenerational Game Night Committee for creating a memorable and fun evening for all of the TBAM women. We were able to contribute the proceeds to support Rambam Day School Scholarship Fund, YERS, and American Friends of Magen David Adom. Oh, what a night!!!

It's not too late to join Sisterhood. There are many more programs that will interest you. [tbam.org/joinsisterhood](http://tbam.org/joinsisterhood)

We look forward to spending time with you.

With gratitude,

*Susan Lampen*  
Sisterhood President



## Sisterhood Events

### BOARD MEETING

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 7:00 PM**

Social Hall, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex  
All Sisterhood members welcome

### MITZVAH DAY

**CREATE MOSAIC GARDEN STONES WITH SISTERHOOD**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 9:00 AM**

Terrace, Temple Beth Am Administration Building

Let's infuse our TBAM Garden Sanctuary with words, symbols and the creativity of our TBAM families utilizing mosaics. Robyn Abrams, renowned Mosaic Artist, and experienced Sisterhood members will instruct us as we lift our spirits in support of Israel during these challenging times. Limited to 36 participants: ages 8 and above.

Sisterhood Mitzvah Day Chairperson: Carol Flicker  
[caroleflicker@gmail.com](mailto:caroleflicker@gmail.com)



### BOOK COLLECTION



Donate your gently used books!  
For more information see page 44.

### MITZVAH MAKERS

**1<sup>ST</sup> AND 3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH**

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Meeting Room 3

We also welcome anyone who wants to be in community with others while working on your own personal projects. This group makes handmade items for the Rabbis to give out during a home or hospital visit to an ill member of our congregation or a newborn baby.

For more information and to join the email list contact: Anne Becker at [ajbwalks@aol.com](mailto:ajbwalks@aol.com)

**MITZVAH MAKERS**  
is looking for members:

- KNITTERS
- SEWERS
- CRAFTERS





# Private Art Collections

View Private Art Collections  
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21**  
10:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Join Sisterhood as we view two private art collections. The collectors will share their journey into the acquisition of their pieces. We will meet at TBAM at 10:30 AM: carpooling a must.

Lunch and art visit will be at the Gables Club.  
Cost: \$36 per person. Limited to 25 participants.

**RSVP: [TBAM.ORG/ARTCOLLECTIONS](https://tbam.org/artcollections)**

Chairpersons: Nancy Billings, Fredi Cogan, and Marlene Kohn

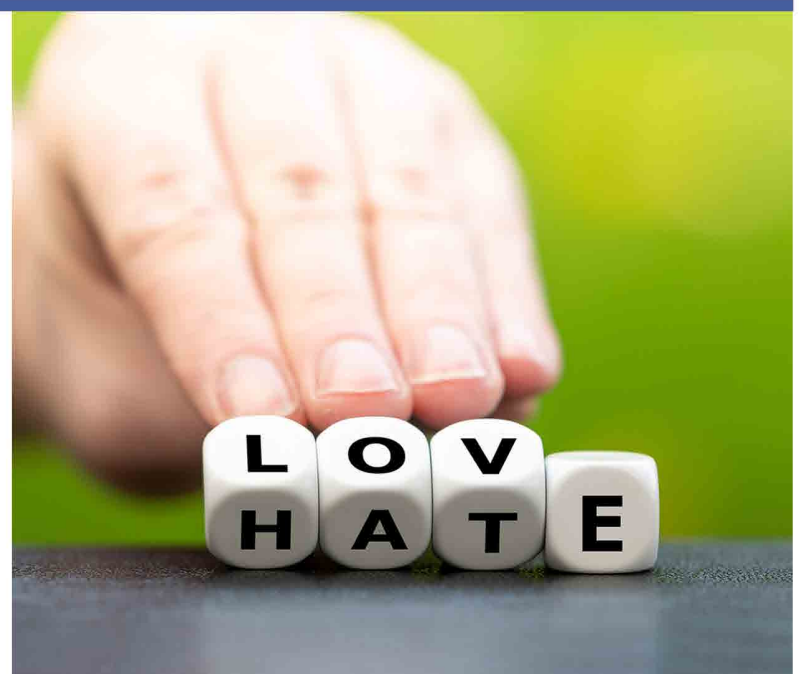


## **FINDING OUR VOICES: BUILDING AWARENESS AND INCLUSIVITY WITH THE LGBTQ+ COMMUNITY**

**FEBRUARY 29, 2024**  
At Temple Beth Am  
Noshes served 6:30 PM  
Program begins at 7:00 PM

Our Jewish values direct us to *Love your neighbor as yourself*. Why is it so hard to accept people as they are? Join us in partnership with Keshet for an experiential and educational evening.

Open to the community.  
No cost but RSVP required: [tbam.org/LGBTQ](https://tbam.org/LGBTQ)



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# TRY YOUR HAND AT YOUR FAVORITE GAME, SHOP FOR A TREASURE AT THE BAZAAR

Have a drink and enjoy dinner catered by  
Michael Meltzer

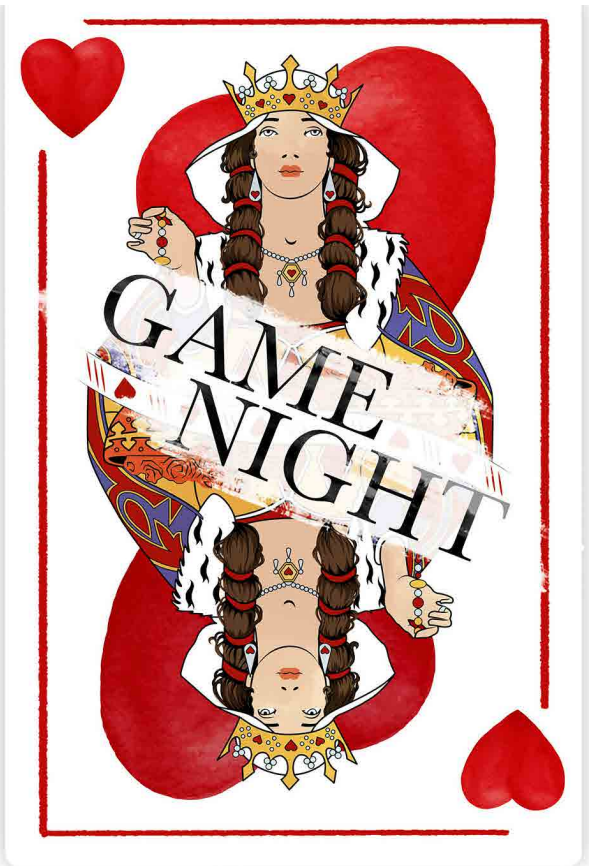
**WEDNESDAY  
FEBRUARY 7**

**5:30 PM - 9:30 PM**

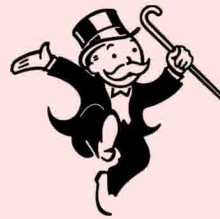
Social Hall, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex  
at Temple Beth Am

**COME TO MINGLE, COME TO PLAY**

Play Mah Jongg, Canasta, Rummikub and  
a host of board games.



**PLAYER \$54**



**MAVEN \$118\***

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Sponsored by Sisterhood in support of Rambam Day School Scholarship  
Fund, YERS and American Friends of Magen David Adom.

G A M E S

**BEGIN AT 6:30 PM**

**REGISTER AT  
TBAM.ORG/GAMENIGHT**







# BROTHERHOOD



## VISIT TO THE MEN'S CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

The Brotherhood of Temple Beth Am invites any adult TBAM members to join us in partnership with Exchange for Change to tour the Everglades Men's Correctional Facility and to have conversations with inmates who are graduates of the Exchange for Change Program. Those who have visited in the past have felt it to be a powerful and most worthwhile experience. To participate, please contact Jeff Rosenberg at [jeffreya.rosenberg@gmail.com](mailto:jeffreya.rosenberg@gmail.com).

Brotherhood members Jeff Agron and Arthur Miller, an Exchange for Change volunteer teacher, attended the Exchange for Change graduation for the participants, some of whom will be released soon from the correctional facility. Brotherhood is proud of the work we are doing in partnership with Exchange for Change.

## MONDAYS, 8:00 AM

Chapel, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex

# MONDAY MORNING MINYAN

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**Give a spiritual lift to the beginning of your week!**

Open to the entire Jewish community

If you would like to participate or volunteer to lead services, please email Ed Schwartz at [edschwartz56@hotmail.com](mailto:edschwartz56@hotmail.com) or Jeff Rosenberg at [jeffreya.rosenberg@gmail.com](mailto:jeffreya.rosenberg@gmail.com)

# GUITAR LESSONS

## *From Billy Whitman*

**FEBRUARY 8, 15, 22, 29**

**7:00 – 8:00 PM**

**Extended Social Hall, Lewis Family Religious Life Complex**

Learn how to play guitar from our own amazingly talented Billy Whitman!

The purpose of the class is to provide an hour of fun and exploration through learning basic guitar skills. Billy hopes to inspire and encourage those who attend to continue their life-long appreciation of music and learn to play songs and techniques on guitar.

Students must bring their own guitar  
(classical nylon string or steel string acoustic guitars).

**OPEN TO ALL MEN AND WOMEN, AGES 18+**

**\$100 FOR (4) 1-HOUR SESSIONS | RSVP: [TBAM.ORG/GUITARLESSONS](https://tbam.org/guitarlessons)**



## BOOK COLLECTION



## an initiative of **BROTHERHOOD SISTERHOOD TIKKUN OLAM COMMITTEE**

Donate your gently used children's books, young adult books, and adult books. Children's books will support the Read to Learn Books for Free literacy initiative of The Children's Trust. Young adult and adult books will support Exchange for Change, a program that offers educational and community skills-building courses to incarcerated individuals at the Everglades Men's Correctional Facility and the Homestead Women's Correctional Facility.

Drop off gently used books at the Temple Beth Am offices before Mitzvah Day or at the Sanctuary Covered Driveway on Mitzvah Day. No Jewish content, PJ Library books or textbooks, please.







**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024**

**Our annual, flagship day of mitzvot is coming!**

While we as Jews serve our communities year-round, Mitzvah Day is an opportunity to act together as a congregation to make positive change. On February 25th, learn about new ways to help, share your passion for service or reignite prior volunteer commitments all the while meeting and connecting with your fellow congregants. There's an opportunity for everyone at Mitzvah Day!

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24**

**TIKKUN OLAM MINYAN**

**10:30 AM**

Temple Beth Am Chapel

**FRIDAY, MARCH 1**

**MITZVAH DAY CELEBRATION SHABBAT**

Honoring Mitzvah Day Leaders and Participants

**6:00 PM**

Temple Beth Am Sanctuary

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25**

**MITZVAH DAY**

**8:00 - 9:00 AM** Come to TBAM and grab a nosh or head straight to your project.

**8:00 - 12:00 PM** On campus projects (includes donations drive-thru)

**9:00 - 5:00 PM** Off campus projects.

Start and end times are project-specific. Confirm scheduling details online and with project captains. All donations must be at TBAM by 12:00 PM.

**TO PARTICIPATE, REGISTER AND FIND PROJECT-SPECIFIC INFO GO TO  
[TBAM.ORG/MITZVAHDAY](https://tbam.org/mitzvahday)**

**MITZVAH DAY LEADERSHIP TEAM**

**Rabbi Rachel Greengrass**, *Clergy Liaison*

**Sharon Socol**, *Tikkun Olam VP*

**Caroline Miller & Jess Newberg**, *PATIO Liaisons*

**Phylcia Cook**, *Mitzvah Coordinator*

**Rebecca Hölljes**, *Chair of Tikkun Olam & Mitzvah Day*

**Jessica Steiner**, *Captain Coordinator*

**Ashley Tinstman**, *Tikkun Olam Socials*

*Mitzvah Day is made possible by Tikkun Olam at Temple Beth Am and has been an annual event since 1989.*

## PROGRAMS ARE ADDED AND UPDATED ONLINE AT TBAM.ORG/MITZVAHDAY

### 01 BLOOD DRIVE

**Captains:** Susan Rosenthal (educatorsusan@aol.com) + Pam Misrahi (pmisrahi@me.com)

**Location:** TBAM (Big Red Bus)

**Time:** 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

**Ages:** 16+

Donate blood to enhance the health and well-being of others through OneBlood's work with blood and stem cell products and by facilitating scientific research.

### 02 B'NAI MITZVAH PROJECTS & KIDS-IN-ACTION

**Captains:** Marty Elfenbein (marty.elfenbein@gmail.com) + Danny Elfenbein (elfencane@gmail.com)

**Location:** TBAM (Kislak Family Social Hall & drive-thru)

**Ages:** All ages

This year's b'nai mitzvahs along with past and future b'nai mitzvah kids will showcase those initiatives and causes they're supporting at Mitzvah Day. You can support these young philanthropists on their service journeys by donating requested items and purchasing their products to raise money for various causes.

### 03 BOOK DONATIONS

**Captains:** Brenda Kilmer (kilmer\_b@yahoo.com) + Jeff Rosenberg (jeffreyarosenberg@gmail.com)

**Location:** TBAM (drive-thru)

**Ages:** All ages

Donate your gently used baby books, young adult books, and adult books to support Exchange for Change and The Children's Trust's Read to Learn and Books for Free literacy initiatives.

### 04 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

**Captain:** Brittany Addams (britaddams@gmail.com)

**Location:** 9475 North Kendall Dr., Miami, FL 33176

**Ages:** All ages

Help spruce up and expand the Boys & Girls Club's community garden. The Club focuses on enabling all young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens.

### 05 BUDDY SYSTEM MIA

**Captain:** Jacki Altman (jacki.altman@weRepair.org)

**Location:** TBAM (Kislak Family Social Hall)

**Ages:** All ages (parent supervision required for children under age 13)

Support Buddy System MIA's initiative to combat food insecurity alongside the Social Justice Teen Fellowship by making sandwiches, engaging in a food justice reflection and restocking community fridges around Miami.

### 06 CAMILLUS HOUSE

**Captain:** Melissa Peerless (melissainparis@yahoo.com)

**Location:** 1603 NW 7th Ave (for lunch service) & TBAM (drive-thru)

**Time:** 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM for lunch service

**Ages:** 14+ (parent/guardian supervision required)

Camillus House provides tools, guidance, and a pathway to help those experiencing homelessness create a better future. Join us by preparing and serving lunch to CH residents and bringing donations to TBAM.

### 07 CHAPMAN PARTNERSHIP

**Captains:** Lisa Heller Green (lhglaw3@bellsouth.net) + Monica Warman (monwarman@gmail.com) + Alexis Newman (alexisrnewman@gmail.com)

**Location:** TBAM (Kislak Family Social Hall and drive-thru)

**Ages:** All ages

Donate hygiene necessities, prepare kindness cards, and help create individual bags with donations to give to the residents of Chapman Partnership.

### 08 CLEO INSTITUTE

**Captains:** Lindsey Wolfson (linds.wolfson@gmail.com) + Randi Wolfson (RandiWolfson@gmail.com)

**Location:** TBAM

**Ages:** All ages

Enjoy a family friendly morning to support The CLEO Institute, a non-profit that educates and empowers communities to demand climate action. Collect and donate essential hurricane supplies for vulnerable communities, then bring them to TBAM to create hurricane-preparedness kits for distribution.

### 09 CREATE MOSAIC GARDEN STONES WITH SISTERHOOD

**Captain:** Carol Flicker (caroleflicker@gmail.com)

**Location:** Terrace, TBAM Administration Building

**Time:** 9:00 AM

**Ages:** 8+

Infuse the TBAM Garden Sanctuary with words, symbols and creativity. Robyn Abrams, renowned Mosaic Artist, and experienced Sisterhood members will instruct us as we lift our spirits in support of Israel during these challenging times.

### 10 FRIENDS OF THE ISRAEL DEFENSE FORCES (FIDF)

**Captains:** Hagit Fefferman (hagit1@aol.com) + Miriam Zadok (miriamzadok@gmail.com)

**Location:** TBAM (Kislak Family Social Hall)

**Ages:** 8+

The FIDF provides for the wellbeing of the IDF, veterans, and families to protect the Jewish homeland. Support the IDF by writing cards, decorating pillowcases, and



recording supportive video messages to send to the soldiers.

### 11 JCS KOSHER FOOD BANK

**Captains:** Rooney Brodie (rooney.brodie@gmail.com) + Laura Greer Haim (laurahaim1@gmail.com)

**Location:** Milam's Market, 11701 S Dixie Hwy, Pinecrest Plaza

**Ages:** All ages

Enjoy a family-friendly morning to support the Kosher Food Bank with this two-part activity perfect for families with young kids. First, grab your Milam's grocery cart and go on a scavenger hunt to stock-up on essential groceries to replenish the Kosher Food Bank. Once you find everything and pay, package the items at Milam's in a beautiful basket to distribute to local families in need.

### 12 LOTUS HOUSE

**Captain:** Caroline Miller (c.lampen.miller@gmail.com)

**Location:** Miami Children's Museum (980 MacArthur Causeway, Miami, FL 33132)

**Time:** 2:45 PM - 5:00 PM

**Ages:** Families with children 4-12 years old. Lotus House attendees will primarily be 4-10 years old.

Lotus House aims to improve the lives of women, youth and children experiencing homelessness by providing sanctuary, support, education, tools and resources.

Come be a kid again at the Miami Children's Museum alongside our Lotus House neighbors as we explore and enjoy the magic of the Museum through a craft activity, playtime in the museum exhibits and pizza.

### 13 MIAMI WATERKEEPER

**Captains:** Lindsey Friedman (lazopoulosfriedman@gmail.com) + Todd Friedman (toddfriedman3@gmail.com)

**Location:** Virginia Key

**Time:** 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

**Ages:** All ages

Volunteer with Miami Waterkeeper, a non-profit dedicated to clean water, ecosystem protection, and sea-level-rise resiliency, to learn about the negative impacts of marine debris and microplastics before embarking on a citizen-science, marine-debris beach clean-up.

### 14 MITZVAH MAKERS

**Captains:** Anne Becker (ajbwalks@aol.com)

**Location:** TBAM (Kislak Family Social Hall)

**Ages:** All ages

Bring your knitting needles, yarn, or whatever crafting project you're working on, which once completed is donated to our Clergy who give your works of art, love and comfort to congregants and local organizations to let them know that TBAM cares.

### 15 TIKVA HOUSE

**Captain:** Jennifer Warren Medwin (Jen@seekingempowerment.com)

**Location:** TBAM (Kislak Family Social Hall)

**Ages:** All ages

Create handwritten cards for the children from Tikva Children's Home who've been displaced by the war in Ukraine. We'll also make video messages offering words of encouragement to Tikva graduates living in Israel and serving in the IDF.

### 16 REDLAND DOG SANCTUARY

**Captain:** Steven Safren (ssafren@miami.edu)

**Location:** 25800 SW 182nd Ave and TBAM (drive-thru)

**Time:** 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Ages:** 9+ (parental supervision required for volunteers ages 9-17)

Redland Dog Sanctuary is a no-kill, nurturing animal shelter in Homestead that works diligently to rescue and rehabilitate dogs so they may be adopted into forever homes. Spend time with the dogs and participate in clean up and organization of the facility.

### 17 RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

**Captain:** Judi Gampel (gampel@aol.com)

**Location:** 1145 NW 14 Terr.

**Time:** 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM

**Ages:** All ages (children must be accompanied by parents) Prepare a home-cooked lunch and participate in a craft project for out-of-town families with children receiving treatment at Jackson Memorial Hospital. RMHC supports the well-being of critically ill children and their families by providing lodging, meals, activities and care.

### 18 SYLVANIA HEIGHTS

**Captain:** Yonah Janowitz (yonah.eveline@gmail.com)

**Location:** 5901 SW 16th St

**Time:** 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Join the TBAM Garden Sanctuary to service the school's sensory garden and food forest for neurotypical children while you prepare a play area and garden for students on the autism spectrum.

### 19 VOICES FOR CHILDREN

**Captain:** Kadie Black (kblack@beavoice.org)

**Location:** TBAM (drive-thru)

**Ages:** All ages

Help the children of Miami-Dade's foster system with the Voices For Children Foundation by purchasing and donating new pillows in their original packages and unused, full-size toiletries and sanitary products. Your donations will be assembled into a comfort kit for each child.

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# Friends of the TEMPLE BETH AM GARDEN SANCTUARY

**LOVE IS IN THE GARDEN!!!**  
**JOIN US SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2024**  
**8:30-11:30 AM**

Start your day at 8:30 am with **YOGA MOVES & MEDITATION**,  
led by congregant, Roberta Gold.

Followed by a family friendly morning of planting,  
harvesting and more garden projects!

Bring a yoga mat, towel or chair and your positive energy.

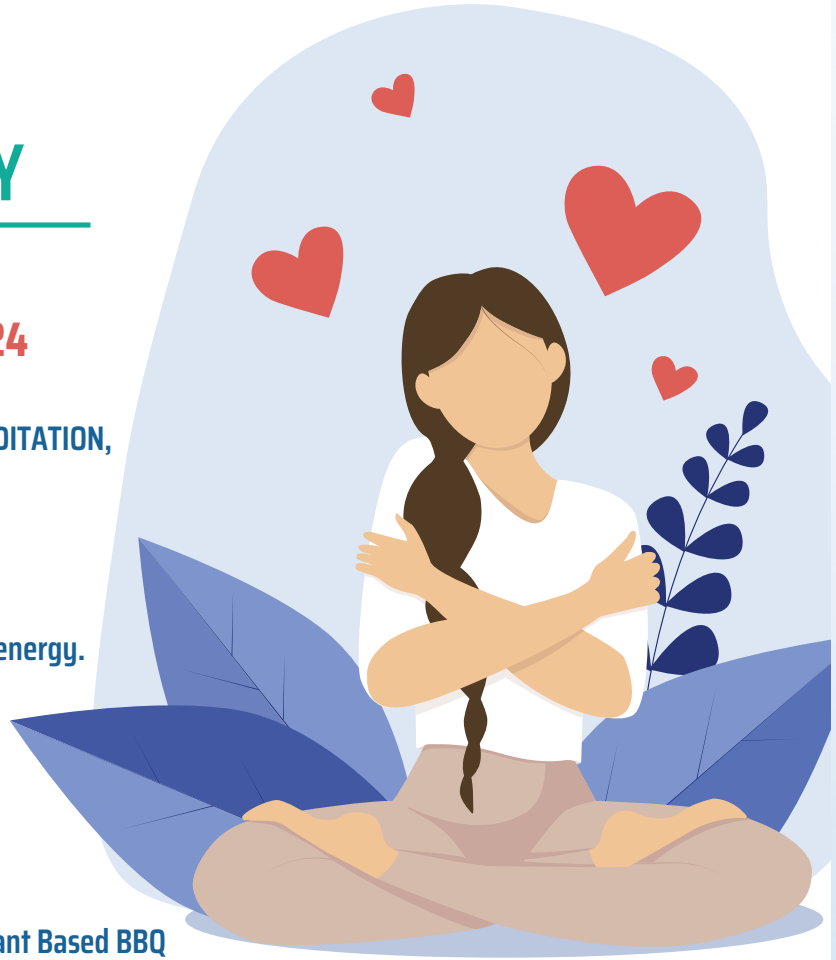
Kindly RSVP at [Garden@tbam.org](mailto:Garden@tbam.org)

## SAVE THESE DATES:

-February 25, 2024 - Join the TBAM Garden at  
Sylvania Heights Elementary on MITZVAH DAY!

-March 10, 2024 - Garden Projects

-April 21, 2024 - Earth Day Celebration & Annual Plant Based BBQ



## RAC-FL UPDATE RELIGIOUS ACTION CENTER

**"It Is Not up to You to Finish the Task, but You Are Not Free To Avoid It."**

- Pirkei Avot

We did it! But there is much work left to be done.

The fight to put reproductive freedom on the ballot for a Florida Constitutional amendment has passed its first hurdle.

As of January 5, 2024, according to the Florida Division of Elections, Floridians Protecting Freedom and its allies have collected **910,946 valid petitions, enough to get the right to abortion on the ballot in November 2024, so that the people of the state can decide. Of those petitions, RAC-FL reform congregational teams throughout the state collected 17,000, and our Temple Beth Am team collected over 1,800. This was all accomplished in just seven months!** That's huge and shows Florida voters overwhelmingly support Reproductive Freedom, regardless of party affiliation, religion, race, or location. We expect that by February 1, the State of Florida will announce that we have secured ballot placement. The next step is approval of the ballot language by the Florida Supreme Court, which will hear oral arguments on February 7. You can listen to the oral arguments at [youtube.com/c/FloridaSupremeCourtTallahassee](https://youtube.com/c/FloridaSupremeCourtTallahassee).

The proposed Constitutional amendments reads, "No law shall prohibit, penalize, delay, or restrict abortion before viability or when

necessary to protect the patient's health, as determined by the patient's healthcare provider."

There is much more work ahead of us in 2024! We will need many hands, voices, and feet to ensure the measure wins on election day 2024 and that reproductive freedom is enshrined in the Florida State Constitution.

Thank you to the many TBAM volunteers and staff who have helped us collect petitions, especially Judith Ratzan, who headed our amazing congregational team. We will continue to invite members of our community to join us as we prepare for the launch of RAC's Every Voice, Every Vote civic engagement campaign. We will work across our state to ensure that democracy rings from every corner and that every voice is heard and counted in November 2024. Join with us as we create history to ensure that Florida shines bright and that we become the next state in our nation to enshrine reproductive freedom in its Constitution.

Learn more at [floridiansprotectingfreedom.com](https://floridiansprotectingfreedom.com).  
If you want to get involved in the next phase of the campaign, contact **Judith Ratzan** at [rjratz@aol.com](mailto:rjratz@aol.com).

All the best,  
**Jeff Agron,**  
RAC-FL



To find out how you can get involved and about upcoming opportunities, check us out:



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# 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.

Each month we explore topics to strengthen our recovery with insights and spiritual guidance from our Jewish heritage.

Open to the community, confidentiality is observed. For more information or if you would like to participate via Zoom contact Rabbi Jaime Aklepi at [jaklepi@tbam.org](mailto:jaklepi@tbam.org).

## **OUR SUPPORT GROUP MEETS ON**

- Tuesday, February 27, 7:00 PM
- Tuesday, May 28, 7:00 PM

Meeting Room 3 at Temple Beth Am  
5950 North Kendall Drive,  
Pinecrest, FL, 33156



# **YOUR CLERGY IS HERE FOR YOU**

If you or a family member is hospitalized or ill at home, please contact us. We will make every effort to visit or help in any way we can.

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Please reach out to  
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786.364.9446 or  
[mrobbin@tbam.org](mailto:mrobbin@tbam.org)



# OUR JEWISH HERITAGE

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



## ISRAEL 75: KNOW THE PAST TO UNDERSTAND THE PRESENT

I am writing this just as we are expecting the first hostages to be released. The Israel/Hamas War has a long historical background. It is very complicated. It is my hope that in the next few months we will have all the hostages returned, there will be more negotiations, and the Palestinians of Gaza will begin to have leadership that will lead to peaceful co-existence with Israel. In the meantime, I will continue to write about the historical background.

### Benjamin Netanyahu elected Prime Minister in 1996

Netanyahu is a sabra, born in Israel, educated at MIT, served as Ambassador to the UN, and was deputy Foreign Minister. His victory over Shimon Peres was in part due to the people's dissatisfaction with the way the Oslo peace agreement process was moving. The Palestinian Authority backtracked on some of the promises that Arafat had signed. Nevertheless, on September 28, 1998, Arafat and Netanyahu met with President Clinton in Washington, and in October, they signed an interim agreement on conditions for Israeli military withdrawal from the West Bank (Samaria and Judea)

The Accord is known as the **Wye River Accord**. President Clinton and King Hussein intervened to move the process forward. What were the terms of the agreement?

It expanded self-rule on the West Bank territories. In November the Palestinians agreed that all articles in the PLO charter calling for the destruction of Israel were null and void. Israel military withdrawal from 13% of WB was to be completed in three stages over three months. The PA would increase anti-terrorism measures. The PA would arrest terrorist suspects and collect illegal weapons. Israel would release 750 Palestinian prisoners. An airport would open in the Gaza strip. A corridor would be open to allow Palestinians to travel between Gaza and the West Bank. With President Clinton in attendance, on December 14, 1998, the PA voted to cancel all articles in the 1984 Palestinian Charter that called for the destruction of Israel.

The terms of the Wye River Accord came under attack from all corners of the Israel political parties, especially from his right coalition. The K'nesset rejected the proposal because it appeared that Israel would be giving up security for promises of words. Netanyahu lost the election, and the new Prime Minister was **Ehud Barack**.

### Try Again: Brack Becomes Prime Minister, May 1999

The Camp David Summit was convened by President Clinton to bring together Barack and Arafat for intensive negotiations for a final status

agreement. The summit began on July 2, 2000 and ended by July 25. Clinton announced that the summit had failed. He acknowledged that Barack had shown particular courage and vision, and an understanding of the historical importance of the moment. Barack came to the summit with an offer of 96% of the disputed territories in the West Bank. It also included the dismantling of some of the settlements, and 100% of Gaza. It included control over parts of Jerusalem and religious sovereignty over the Temple Mount areas. Arafat refused and did not make any proposals for negotiation. The full description of this meeting has been reported by several writers, Dennis Ross described it in his book, *Doomed to Succeed*.

Arafat died in 2004, and the PA leadership is still in control, continuing the pattern of calling for negotiations, then retreating from the process. In the meantime, school children read hate-filled ideas about Israelis and Jews. Families are paid to let their sons become terrorists. Hamas became the leadership in Gaza and continues its extreme ideas and actions about the destruction of Israel.

### The Rise of Hamas in Gaza

Hamas and Islamic Jihad are extreme Organizations. Its original leader was Amed Yassin of the Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt. Its ultimate goal is the establishment of a militant Islamic Palestinian State ruled by Islamic theocratic law. Since 1988 and especially after the Oslo agreements, they have continued to call for the destruction of Israel in their documents. They have positioned themselves as the opposition to the PA. They have been responsible for many suicide attacks in Israel. They rejected any peace agreements with Israel. Their attitude to this day has been no recognition, no negotiations no peace. Those who call for Israel to make a final peace agreement, with final borders, have to ask the essential question. When will the Palestinian groups, the PA, Hamas, and others, accept the right of Israel to exist as a Jewish nation? Who will be the partner for long term peaceful co-existence?

L'shalom,  
**Lenore Kipper**

## FROM THE TBAM ARCHIVES, HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 1989 COMMENTATORS

Rabbi Lyn Goldstein and Rabbi Mark Kram, associate rabbis, speak at services in January.

Celebrating Jewish Teachers Project with CAJE. Religious School and Day School teachers participated in a national study on the important role of Jewish Teachers for the communities.

The social action committee planned a project to collect 400,000 pennies for the assistance to the Soviet Jewry project.

The Day School leadership, Ceil Coonin, Director, and Lenore Kipper, Judaic Studies Director, attended the National Meeting of Reform Day Schools held in Toronto at the Leo Baeck Day School. They presented a session on integrating the curriculum.

David and Janice Stuart were honored as the Family of the Year for their many years of service to the Temple. David was the Executive Director for 16 years and retired in 1987.

A Beth Am graduate, Gayle Pomerantz, was ordained at HUC-JIR. She is presently the Rabbi at Temple Beth Shalom on Miami Beach. Since then there have been other students who became Rabbis and Cantors.

Rabbi Jonathan Kendall was selected to become the new Senior Rabbi, beginning in July.

The Maccabean Fund began after Rosh HaShanah. \$400,000 was raised toward the goal of \$650,000.

Temple Educators attended and participated in the NATE Conference held in Miami. Dorothy Herman and Marilyn Harrison from Religious School, and Ceil Coonin and Lenore Kipper from the Day School. One of the days was at Temple Beth Am.



# ISRAEL STRONG

100% profits go to Israel



## FEENY IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

When most teenagers are up late playing Fortnite or TikTok, Serafina Moskowitz, known as “Feeny” to her friends, is up late melting wax and making bracelets for her own business, where she ships thousands of dollars in merchandise **[sunnydaysahead.online](https://sunnydaysahead.online)**

Everything changed in October after the Hamas attacks in Israel. Started when she was just 10, Feeny has been making and selling homemade jewelry with her 9 year old sister Samantha, during summers at her home in Highlands, NC. After hearing about the Hamas attack, Feeny knew she had to do something more.

She always lives by the expression “actions speak louder than words”, so Feeny decided to dedicate part of her business to an “Israel Strong” division. She started making homemade bracelets and candles with her “Israel Strong” logo. It was important that 100% of all proceeds go directly to the victims of the attack and immediately her products were in great demand, selling out quickly.

“I needed a light to burn bright for all of the victims,” says 13 year old Feeny Moskowitz. My family and Temple Beth Am taught me that one person can make a difference. Feeny sells her products on-line and also sells at bazaars at local markets.

# WE GIVE THANKS

## **RABBI AKLEPI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Gary Alvo in loving memory of Haim Aklepi  
 Donna and David Buchwald in loving memory of Irving Ross  
 Susan Herman in loving memory of Steven Herman, beloved husband, father and grandfather  
 Barbara Myers in loving memory of Nyman Edward Myers  
 Sandra Margoluis  
 Susan and Robert Price in loving memory of Claire and Benjamin Blazer  
 Frances Salbarrey  
 Anne F. Shearer  
 The Spann Family with appreciation for helping prepare Violet for her Bat Mitzvah  
 Debbie (Brodie) and Ed Weiss in appreciation of Kelsey and Griffin's wedding

## **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**

Lenard and Susan Gorman  
 In honor of Bobby Schatzman receiving the Talmud Torah Award from Tod Aronovitz and Family

## **RABBI BARRAS' DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Irma Bass  
 Shari Wald Garrett in appreciation of Alicia's Bat Mitzvah  
 The Poyastro Family  
 Tom and Robin Ringel in loving memory of Edward Ringel  
 Frances Salbarrey  
 Andrew Wolf and family in loving memory of Joan Wolf.  
 Morris Futernick

## **BROTHERHOOD OF TEMPLE BETH AM**

Jeff and Lili Agron in support of YERS sponsorship

## **CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY FUND**

Carla and David Werner in loving memory of Catherine Werner

## **CORNERS OF OUR FIELDS SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Mr. and Mrs. David Hoffman in honor of Sara Karsenti and her family on her beautiful Bat Mitzvah  
 Glen and Joan Rozansky in honor of the birth of Sam David Schwartz

## **CANTOR COYOT'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Sheila Forman and Family with gratitude for Larry Forman's minyan service  
 David Hoffman and Donna Levine in loving memory of beautiful Anne Sheldon  
 Greg and Lauren Weintraub in appreciation of Jessica Bass for Chloe Weintraub's beautiful Bat Mitzvah service  
 Andrew Wolf and family in loving memory of Joan Wolf.

## **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**

Genia Neuhaus and Nathan Randal in loving memory of Masza A. and Ester Neuhaus  
 Carol Pozen in memory of Sidney Pozen  
 Linda Sands in loving memory of Ralph Cades  
 Hope Schneiderman in loving memory of Eugene Schneiderman  
 Eric Seiden  
 Bill and Marcia Silver in loving memory of Edward I. Silver  
 Linda and Bob Spiegelman in loving memory of father, Moses Wichner  
 Michael Weiser

## **RABBI GREENGRASS' DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Karen Cohen  
 Matthew and Suzy Gold in appreciation of Rabbi Greengrass for officiating the most beautiful and special wedding ceremony for us.  
 Brett Kaplan we greatly appreciate you being part of our wedding and making our day/ ceremony so special. We also thank you for helping to create our chappah at the last minute. We began our day with our mikvah and the cleansing continued through the rain deluge until we had our perfect rainbow. Thank you for everything during this process and look forward to seeing you in the future.  
 Brett Kaplan in loving memory of Brett's dad Ronald Edward Kaplan and Norma's dad, Roberto Espinosa.  
 Brenda Kilmer  
 Gail LeBoss in loving memory of Joseph Schmier  
 Terry and Marcia Reisman in loving memory of Linda Rae Mallinger  
 Steve Rossman in loving memory of Jonathan Rossman  
 Frances Salbarrey  
 Laurie Turner



# WE GIVE THANKS

Roberto and Ivonne Warman for Kathleen Warman and Chelsie Wallen's wedding and conversion. Thank you for everything you have done and directed them.

Andrew Wolf and family in loving memory of Joan Wolf.

## **ISRAEL SCHOOL BOMB SHELTER FUND**

David and Alison Bernstein

Morris and Micki Futernick

Don and Etta Gold

Ernst Renel Jacques

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Alan Stein

Hermine L. Taramona

## **MATTHEW KASS SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Debra Schottenstein to remember Matthew Kass

## **CANTOR NELSON'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**

Donna Cohen in appreciation of Cantor Nelson  
Shari Wald Garrett thank you for Bat Mitzvah of  
Alicia Garrett

Susan Herman in loving memory of Steven  
Herman beloved husband, father, and  
grandfather

Joan Johnson for Yahrzeit of Herman Berkley

Paul Lester in appreciation of Cantor Nelson

Mark and Lauren Saab in appreciation of Cantor  
Nelson

Steven and Susan Schwartzman in loving memory  
of Irene Trupkin mother of Susan Schwartzman  
and Alan Trupkin

## **DR. IRWIN PERLMUTTER ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

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

Wendy and Howard Perlman in loving memory of  
Eugene Schneiderman

## **PRAYER BOOK FUND**

The Klein Family in loving memory of Grace K.  
Brings

Richard Skor

Lynne and Alan Stein in loving memory of Ida  
Kaplan

## **PROGRAMMING AT TEMPLE BETH AM**

Sheila Forman

Leda Silver

## **RAMBAM DAY SCHOOL ANNUAL FUND**

Barbara Fishman in memory of Jerome Mittelberg  
father of Rickey Mittelberg

Lynna and Howard Zusman in loving memory of  
Aaron Rosenthal

## **LEWIS D. SILVERMAN M.D. SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Dr. and Dr. Marc Lederhandler in honor of the B'not  
Mitzvah of Sophia and Isabelle Sachar

## **SISTERHOOD OF TEMPLE BETH AM**

Donna Cohen in loving memory of Edythe Berman

## **SOCOL FAMILY FOUNDATION SPEAKERS SERIES FUND**

Sharon and Howard Socol in loving memory and in  
honor of my mother Rose Gurman's Yahrzeit

## **TIKKUN OLAM FUND**

Mark and Margie Buchbinder in loving memory of  
Linda Scott

Joanne and Jay Koren and Family in loving memory  
of Joseph Harvest

Robert and Mitchell Newman In Honor of Shelly  
Brody for all that you do and for all that you are.  
We love you.

## **YAHRZEIT FUND**

Rhoda and Jerry Berger in loving memory of Shirley  
Berger

Lorna Davis in loving memory of Jerry Davis.

Remembering my dearest husband, our amazing  
father, Jerry Davis, whose light still shines brightly  
for each of us. Lovingly, Lorna, Heather, Hilarie  
and Heidi

Helen Orlin Donaldson

Harvey Goldman in loving memory of Pearl  
Goldman

Susan Herman in loving memory of Steven Herman,  
beloved husband, father and grandfather

Judith and Richard Jacobs in loving memory of  
Peter Jacobs, brother of Richard and Eric

Wendy Kornfield

Esther Kramer in loving memory of father and  
grandfather, Max Zelmanovic and in loving  
memory of mother and grandmother, Lilly Jacob  
Zelmanovic

Ruth Krieger

Helene Lanster

Phyllis Lapidus in loving memory of my father,  
Bernard Berger who is, and always will be, deeply  
in our hearts. We all love and respect you, Phyllis  
Lapidus and family.

Sharon and Martin Rothberg in loving memory of  
Isadore Taylor

Terri Warhaft in loving memory of Joseph Keane

Myra Wolf in loving memory of my parents,  
Dr. Charles and Davida Lenhoff

# IN LOVING MEMORY

## Week Ending February 2, 2024

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Janet Goodman  
Roslyn "Ronni"  
Goralnick\*  
Bernard Greenberger  
Gretchen Grossman  
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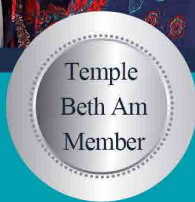
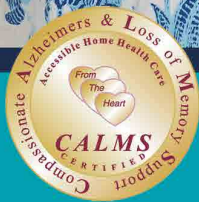
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Visit [tbam.org/basketball](http://tbam.org/basketball)  
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In addition, we are continuing our coed Peewee clinics for 1st and 2nd graders on Wednesday afternoons. Featuring skill-development instruction and training, these clinics include scrimmages at the end of every session, as we introduce the Beth Am Basketball way to our youngest participants. It's a great opportunity for children to develop their fundamentals, build confidence and have a blast with their peers.



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