

TEMPLE BETH ABRAHAM

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday, September 6

5:00pm Tot Shabbat 5:30pm Pizza Dinner - by Reservation 6:00pm Family Shabbat Service followed by S'mores and campfire

Saturday, September 7

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service 11:00am Gavin White, son of Douglas and Andrea White, will be called to the Torah as a *Bar Mitzvah*

Friday, September 13

7:30pm Reform Shabbat Service with Torah reading

Saturday, September 14

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service 11:00am Jessica Monack, daughter of Jodie Lane, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzyah

Friday, September 20

7:30pm Reform Shabbat Service

Saturday, September 21

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service 11:00am Jonah Schneider, son of Sari & Michael Schneider, will be called to the Torah as a *Bar Mitzvah*

Friday, September 27

7:30pm Reform Shabbat Service

Saturday, September 28

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service 7:30pm Selichot Study and Service

The TBA Office will be closed Monday, September 2 for Labor Day



From Rabbi Holtz's Study

Dear Friends,

Thanks to the uniqueness of the Luni-Solar calendar (see my article from February, 2024), keeping our originally agriculture holidays at the correct time of year requires complex adjustments involving the

periodic insertion of leap months. The cycle, known as the Metonic Cycle, is actually nineteen years long, and over that period the years 3, 6, 8, 11, 14, 17, and 19 are the leap years. (To figure out where we are in the cycle, divide the current Hebrew year by 19. The remainder is the current year of the cycle. A remainder of 0 means it's year 19). The year 5784 divided by 19 = 304, remainder of 8. We're just finishing year 8 - a leap year – in the cycle.

What this means for all of us on a practical level is that rather than falling in August when we're generally not paying attention, as it does for twelve years of the cycle, this year the month of Elul falls in September. It gives us a nice block of time to truly do personal preparation of the High Holydays.

It's the obligation of all those leading services – clergy, lay-leaders, choir, accompanist, Torah readers and more – to put in the time needed in advance to make the Holyday services as beautiful and accessible as possible. AND it's your job to take advantage of what we're offering, and, more to the point, to do the personal work needed so that you arrive even more prepared to find meaning and spirituality in the experience.

So, in addition to your own introspection, this year we offer three different classes to aid you in Preparing for the Days of Awe. Dates and times appear elsewhere in this bulletin. Rabbi Pam Wax will be teaching the poetry of forgiveness and repentance. Cantor Lauren will be sharing different musical settings of *Hashiveinu*, the prayer of repentance and return, and explaining how these settings change our relationship to the prayer itself. I am sharing a variety of ideas for hacking the Holydays – making the time you spend in synagogue more meaningful.

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JEWISH MOMENTS FROM THE 2024 PARIS OLYMPICS

Most people watching the Olympics notice the impressive feats of strength, speed, and agility. When I watch, I pay

particular attention to the musical choices made by gymnasts, figure skaters, artistic swimmers, and others - especially when they serve to reflect the athletes' cultural heritage and identity.

The Paris Olympics were no exception. Although we are in the midst of challenging times for the Jewish community, these particular games marked many successes for Jewish and Israeli athletes - including the highest medal total ever achieved by Team Israel. Israel brought home one gold, five silver, and one bronze medal from the Paris Olympics, far surpassing their fourmedal haul from Tokyo in 2021. In fact, up until last month, Israel had only ever received 13 Olympic medals in total. To bring that number up to twenty and to hear the strains of Hatikvah as windsurfer Tom Reuveny celebrated gold medal in windsurfing was inspiring.

But that wasn't the only moment for Jewish music in Paris. In fact, three routines in three different sports - Rhythmic Gymnastics, Artistic Gymnastics, and Artistic Swimming - featured Jewish folk or liturgical music - and one even garnered a silver medal!

- While watching the women's qualifying rounds of gymnastics, I kept hearing strains of "Hava Nagila" and "Fiddler on the Roof." Turns out that it was Israeli gymnast Lihie Raz. While I did not see her routine broadcast able find Facebook was to (https://www.facebook.com/amanda.blanchard.315/videos/489489373 804982/). This routine was reminiscent of Aly Raisman's gold medal winning routine to a different arrangement of "Hava Nagilah" in 2012 (https://youtu.be/XSoHw6pmGN4?si=fcO7jKsEV0Yp41kv). It represents a significant nod to Raz's Jewish and Israeli heritage and gave her a chance to share her pride with the entire world on a global stage. Raz placed 33rd out of the 75 athletes who competed in the floor event.
- 2. Israel's Artistic Swimming Duet Team of Ariel Nassee and Shelly Bobritsky dedicated their technical routine to the hostages being held in Gaza. They swam with yellow ribbons in their hair to a mashup of the liturgical "Shalom Aleichem" and the Israeli pop song, "Chai" (an Israeli Eurovision entry made famous by Ofra Haza). You can watch their technical routine here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E0y2jvdge-0. In conjunction with their free routine, which served as an homage to Charlie Chaplin, the duo placed 11 out of 17 teams.
- Rhythmic Gymnastics involves intricate routines involving props such as balls, hoops, ribbons, and clubs. Israel's Rhythmic Gymnastics Team donned leotards adorned with the evil eye as they danced to "Echad Mi Yodea," a cumulative song that comes at the end of the Passover seder. The chosen arrangement takes the traditional Hebrew words and sets them amidst a techno-musical backdrop - a reminder that ancient liturgy can be reimagined for modern times. This routine helped them attain an impressive silver medal in this event. This particular recording is not from the Olympics. Instead, it comes from the World Cup competition in Sofia, Bulgaria earlier year: https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=gheqUFYT1jA

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STESSA PEERS DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

Dear Temple Beth Abraham Families,

One of my favorite things to teach is *shehecheyanu* moments. *Shehecheyanu* is the prayer we say to thank G!d for this moment in time. For the first time we have done

something in a long time. And soon, we will be able to say *shehecheyanu* together as we begin our new school year.

I would like us all to think about the 'Shehecheyanu moments' that have marked our lives: those special times when we feel compelled to truly thank G!d for bringing us to that specific moment. What made those moments so special? Would marking these moments bring more importance to them? I think that marking something new, or for the first time in a long time, makes it more special. I am acknowledging the moment, I am mindful of it, and I am taking the time to be grateful for it. These moments have become a roadmap, where I am able to see them as such, but I do not always think of just the moment, but the journey that got me there and even, the journey that it has led me to. Thank you, Adonai, for THIS moment in time.

Thank you to G!d for all of these moments, and thank you to every member of Temple Beth Abraham for sharing these moments with me. You have enriched my life and I am filled with intense, **immense** gratitude.

I am looking forward to hearing all about your *Shehecheyanu* moments that have gotten you to THIS point in time, **those moments that made your summer special.** From school, graduations, camp, new *madrichim* roles, new classes, new friends; I am so excited to hear all about the moments that were meaningful for you this past year. I am also looking forward to marking *Shehecheyanu* moments this year, at our Junior Congregation Services at Temple Beth Abraham as we mark the beginning of the Jewish New Year and the start of a new school year!

We will be meeting inside this year to pray, sing, and celebrate together with me and our Songleader, Adam Hart. I invite you all to join us as we welcome the new year, 5785, at Children's Services and honor shared moments of gratitude.

In this new season, and this new school year, I would like to also thank our educators for helping our learners grow in their love of Judaism and find their spiritual home at TBA. To honor and thank an educator, support the Religious School, or to help make Jewish Education accessible for all, the best way is to donate to one of the funds that support our school:

- The Pincus Fund awards scholarships to TBA learners and their families to help with tuition and make Jewish Education accessible to all
- The Religious School Fund helps fund programs and activities in our school
- The Teacher Appreciation Fund gives our school the ability to provide our educators with professional development opportunities
- The Youth Group Fund helps fund youth programming, special programs, and makes sure all of our youth groups are filled with Jewish joy at TBA
- The Fran Friedman Fund for the Enrichment of Children helps fund exciting Jewish educational enrichment programs for children
- The Harriet Verter Jewish Education Fund helps fund exciting Jewish educational programs



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And of course, don't forget to join us for *Selichot*, the official start of the High Holyday season. We'll enjoy a presentation by a remarkable musician and speaker, and then hold the brief *Selichot* service which reintroduces us to the melodies of the Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. It's a beautifully moving way to enter the Days of Awe.

Peace and blessings, Rabbi David Holtz



Cantor's Article Cont'd from Page 2

Here is Israel's complete medal count from the 2024 games:

Gold:

• Tom Reuveny, windsurfing

Silver:

- Sharon Kantor, windsurfing
- Raz Hershko, judo
- Inbar Lanir, judo
- Artem Dolgopyat, floor exercise (In 2021, he won the Gold in Tokyo in the same event, making him Israel's most decorated Olympian)
- Team Rhythmic Gymnastics

Bronze:

• Peter Paltchik, Judo

It's interesting to note that nine of Israel's 20 Olympic medals are now in Judo – given the course of history, it's no wonder that Israeli's have taken up and succeeded in disciplined self defense!

Wishing for continued victories, recognition, and peace for Israel, both in athletics and beyond.

L'Shalom, Cantor Lauren Phillips Fogelman



Stessa's Article Cont'd from Page 3

Thank you to the entire TBA community for uplifting me, for supporting me, and for giving me so many wonderful shehecheyanu moments of gratitude. I am so thrilled to celebrate the holidays with you as we begin another amazing year at TBA! If you have any questions about services, youth programming, or our school, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at SPeers@tba-ny.org

L'Shalom, to Peace! Stessa



Melissa McHugh Director of Early Childhood Education The Ian and Emily Cohen Children's Garden Center at Temple Beth Abraham

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CGC

The Ian and Emily Cohen Children's Garden Center at Temple Beth Abraham is reopening on September 9th and 10th for our "Meet and Greets," and officially on September 11th for our first day of school for ages 18 months to 5 years old. We are so very thankful to all of the wonderful people at TBA who have cheered on this important reopening project with great enthusiasm and grit. I am so thankful to be part of this beautiful community and aspire to many years of collaboration and learning.

Throughout my career, I have often been asked "Why do you continue to do the work that you do in the field of Early Childhood Education?" My response has never changed: "because it is the most important work there is to do!"

I believe children come into this world as capable beings. They teach us those "aha" moments in life which lead to a deeper understanding of the world in which we live. They come into the world with open arms, hands, and minds. They possess voices ready to share and ideas of adventures yet to be explored. I can't think of a better gift than to be able to support a young child's first learning experiences.

Wishing everyone a sweet and happy new year!

CGC's September Dates:

9/9 and 9/10: Meet and Greets

9/11: First Day of School

9/17: Children's Garden Center Back to School Night at 7 pm

9/21: CGC will have a table at the Tarrytown & Sleepy Hollow (TaSH) farmer's market at Patriot's Park

Melissa McHugh (914) 641-1770 x107 <u>cgcdirector@tba-ny.org</u>







Torah Readings

| <u>September 6</u> | Shof tim Deuteronomy 16:18-21:9 |
|---------------------|--|
| <u>September 13</u> | Ki Teitzei Deuteronomy 21:10-25:19 |
| September 20 | Ki Tavo Deuteronomy 26:1–29:8 |
| September 27 | Nitzavim - Vayeilech Deuteronomy 29:9–30:20, 31:1–30 |

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BACK TO SHUL 12A & S'MORES





FRIDAY, SEPT. 6

5:00PM TOT SHABBAT 5:30PM PIZZA DINNER BY RESERVATION 6:00PM FAMILY SHABBAT SERVICE S'MORES AND CAMPFIRE IMMEDIATELY **FOLLOWING SERVICES**

Please register and let us know how many people are attending so we may order properly: \$8/person \$20 max/family https://bit.ly/PizzaSmores09-06-2024



































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Back to Shul!

Come meet us at our annual Pancake Brunch Join us Sunday September 8 from 11:00am-1:00pm Pancake brunch - come meet current, prospective and new members See why we say: Join us, you already belong.



scan here to RSVP





Whoever you are, however you live your Jewish life, there's a place for you at Temple Beth Abraham



Help Support Literacy by filling a backpack!

Please consider donating to our annual, exciting "back to school" effort! This benefits Pre-K to 2nd grade students who are part of La Asociacion de Familias Hispanas de los Tarrytowns (AFHT).



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Donate here: bit.ly/TBA-Backpack
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Opening September 2024 Children's Garden Center Preschool

at Temple Beth Abraham



Registration is open!

18 months-5 years

Half Day: 9 am - Noon
Full Day: 9 am - 3 pm
Extended Day options available
Email cgcdirector@tba-ny.org to
schedule a tour!

www.tba-ny.org







TEMPLE BETH ABRAHAM

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At Temple Beth Abraham, we offer programs and classes for 2 year olds to High School Seniors! We promote a rich, vibrant Jewish culture that challenges learners to develop their growing Jewish identities through stimulating discussion of liturgy, Torah, and tradition. We also engage learners in an active, meaningful, collaborative religious school experiences; both formally and informally, which helps to reach, enrich, and support all learners. Our goal is to help all children, teens, and families find their love, and their pride, of Judaism.





Email for More Information SPeers@tba-ny.org

Our way of reminding our students and young adults who are...

Away@School & Beyond

...they are still in our thoughts and part of our congregational family

Packages and cards for the Jewish holidays and messages through the year are sent from Rabbi David, Cantor Lauren and the A@S&B Committee

register here: bit.ly/AwayAtSchool

For more info, contact Irene at clergyassistant@tba-ny.org

\$36.00 per participant







Adult Education



Torah Study

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:00am, in Person and via Zoom

Rabbi Holtz leads a class every Wednesday morning, which goes at its own pace through the *Tanakh* in English. No previous knowledge is required, and you can join in at any point in the cycle.

On Saturdays, join us at 9:00am for a lively discussion of this week's Torah reading during Conservative Services.



Mah Jonga

Mondays, 1:00pm-4:00pm, in Person Wednesdays, 7:00pm-9:00pm, in Person

Mah Jongg will NOT meet on Wednesday, September 18

Play Mah Jongg in a friendly, non-competitive (no betting) gathering at Temple Beth Abraham on Monday afternoons and Wednesday evenings. Nominal charge for guests.



Canasta

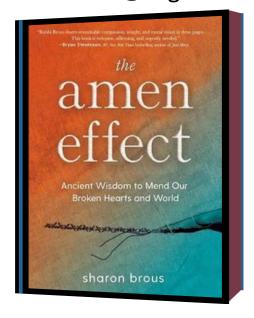
Wednesdays, 1:00pm-3:00pm, in Person

Learn the rules. Play the Game.

Meet new friends, spend fun time with old friends, or take a coffee break. Learn how to play from a knowledgeable instructor or brush up on your playing skills. Free for temple members, \$5.00 per session for guests.

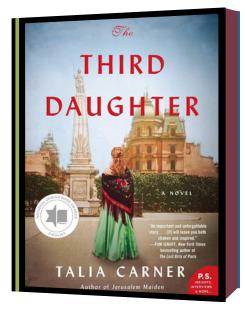
TBA Book Clubs

Books@Night



The Amen Effect by Rabbi Sharon Brous Tues., Sept. 10 at 7:00pm

Books & More



The Third Daughter by Talia Carner Fri., Sept. 13 at 10:00am

Temple Beth Abraham's Adult Education Committee presents:

Renew Our Days: Poetry for the Days of Awe with Rabbi Pamela Wax

Thursday, September 12 at 7:30pm on ZOOM

Click <u>HERE</u> to register or scan the QR code:



Session 1 of Preparing for the Days of Awe

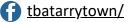
Session 2 - Wednesday, September 18

Session 3 - Tuesday, September 24

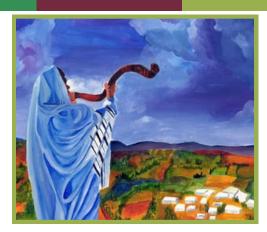
Join us as we read and discuss several Contemporary poems that reference the Experience of High Holy Day observation with themes of forgiveness and repentance.

Rabbi Pamela Wax is the author of the poetry collections, Walking the Labyrinth and Starter Mothers. Her poems have been published in dozens of literary journals and received several awards. In addition to offering spirituality and poetry workshops around the country, Pam has been a congregational rabbi, hospital chaplain, adult educator and pastoral counselor. She served as the staff rabbi at Westchester Jewish Community Services for 19 years until her retirement in 2022.

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The Holydays are Coming: Are You Prepared?

We have several opportunities for you to get spiritually ready for the High Holydays. Attend one, two, three or all four!



Thursday, September 12, 7:30pm-9:00pm Renew Our Days: Poetry for the Days of Awe with Rabbi Pamela Wax - On Zoom

Join us as we read and discuss several Contemporary poems that reference the experience of High Holyday observation with themes of forgiveness and repentance. Click <u>HERE</u> to register or scan the QR code.

Wednesday, September 18, 7:30pm-9:00pm Return Again: An Exploration of the Hashiveinu Prayer through Music and Text with Cantor Lauren Phillips Fogelman - In Person

Each year during the month of Elul, we return to a familiar text that literally means "return": "Hashiveinu adonai eilecha v'nashuva, chadesh yameinu k'kedem" (Turn us back, Adonai, to you, and we will turn. Renew our days as before!) During the year, we sing these words each time we return the Torah to the ark. We'll discuss the importance of the text and the various places in which it appears in our liturgy while learning new ways to elevate its meaning through music.

Tuesday, September 24, 7:30pm-9:00pm Hacking the Holydays: Easy Ways to Find Deeper Meaning in the High Holyday Experience with Rabbi David Holtz - In Person

I've always told my kids about school or any event, "If you're going to be there anyway, you ought to take as much as you can from the experience." In this final Elul prep class, I'll give you techniques and suggestions which you can use now to help you make this your most powerful and meaningful High Holyday season yet.

Saturday, September 28, 7:30pm-9:30pm Leil Selichot Program and Service featuring Dave Schlossberg - Hybrid (In Person with Livestream)

Dave Schlossberg presents his compelling program, "Facing the Music," the story of his journey through spinal cord injury to find his inner strength.

Available on our livestream and on Facebook.



2024/5785 Rosh Hashanah at Temple Beth Abraham

| | SELICHOT: Saturday, | September 2 | 28* |
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| 7:30pm Program and Study in Preparation for the Days of Awe (Atonement and Apologies): Speaker Dave Schlossberg: Facing the Music – Dave Schlossberg sustained a permanent spinal cord injury from a drunk driver in 2005. He constantly confronts his physical and emotional challenges. He will offer thoughts about reclaiming life following deep loss and how to find strength within oneself. 8:30pm Refreshments and Social Time Havdalah and Selichot Service | | | |
| | EREV ROSH HASHANAH: W | /ednesday, (| October 2 |
| 7:30pm | Reform Service | 6:00pm | Conservative Service |
| | ROSH HASHANAH Day 1: T | hursday, Oct | ober 3 |
| 9:30am | Reform Service | 9:00am | Conservative Service |
| 10:00am | Interactive Rosh Hashanah Service at TBA | | |
| | This lay-led service blends traditional and of to begin the heart-opening work allowing us. We will explore the story of Abraham, Sara of Ishmael. Led by Pam Barkley, Sharon De | s <i>to enter the l</i> ah and their se | Vew Year with a clean slate. ervant/handmaiden Hagar, mother |
| 3:00pm | Family Service* | | |
| | A fun and engaging service geared towards age. Hear the shofar, sing holiday music, and Cantor Fogelman | | |
| 4:00pm | Tashlich* | | |
| | During the Tashlich ceremony, which transl the sins of the previous year by tossing crur | lates to "casti nbs into the si | ng off," we symbolically cast off tream at Loh Park (next to TBA) |
| | ROSH HASHANAH Day 2: | Friday, Octol | ber 4* |
| 9:30am | Reform Service | 9:00am | Conservative Service |
| | ed Reform and Conservative Services take pl services are open to the community and the Bring your friends! Please be | re is no charge | e for non-members to attend. |
| | ROSH HASHANAH JUN | IOR CONGRE | GATION |
| | or Congregation services combining liturgy, s celebrate the holyc Congregation is led by TBA's Director of Edu Songleader, A | days for childication and Yo | en! |
| | Thursday, October 3 | | Friday, October 4 |
| 9:45am – 11:00am: K – 3rd Grades 11:15am – 12:30pm: 4th – 6th Grades | | 11:1 | .5am – 12:30pm: K – 6th Grades |

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2024/5785 Yom Kippur at Temple Beth Abraham

| KOL NIDRE (EREV YOM KIPPUR): Friday, October 11 | | | | | |
|--|---|--------|---|--|--|
| 7:30pm | Reform Service | 5:45pm | Conservative Service | | |
| | YOM KIPPUR: Saturday, October 12 | | | | |
| 9:30am | Reform Service | 9:00am | Conservative Service including Yizkor | | |
| 1:00pm | Conversations and Meditations* | | | | |
| | Conversations and meditations on High Holyday themes to enhance your Yom Kippur observance. Please join us for a deeper dive into the Rabbi's sermon; conversations on Forgiveness; or private reflection in both the chapel and the sanctuary. | | | | |
| 3:00pm | Family Service* | | | | |
| | A fun and engaging service geared towards families with children Pre-K through 8 years of age. Hear the shofar, sing holiday music, and listen to a Torah story. Led by Rabbi Holtz and Cantor Fogelman | | | | |
| 4:00pm | Healing Service* Communal prayers for peace and healing at this sacred time of the year. | | | | |
| 4:45pm | Reform afternoon, <i>Yizkor</i> (Memorial Service) & <i>Neilah</i> (Concluding) Service* | 5:00pm | Conservative <i>Neilah</i> (Concluding) Service* | | |
| *Combined Reform and Conservative Services take place for Conversations and Meditations, Family Service and Healing Services. These services are open to the community and there is no charge for non- members to attend. Bring your friends! Please be sure to register in advance. | | | | | |
| | YOM KIPPUR JUNIOR CONGREGATION: Saturday, October 12 | | | | |
| Junior Congregation services combining liturgy, song, connection, and learning, are a fun way to celebrate the holydays for children! Junior Congregation is led by TBA's Director of Education and Youth Engagement, Stessa Peers, and Songleader, Adam Hart. | | | | | |
| 9:45am – 11:00am: K – 3rd Grades | | | | | |
| 11:15am – 12:30pm: 4th – 6th Grades | | | | | |

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Selichot

Program & Service September 28

Program at 7:30pm.
Refreshments, Social Time, at 8:30pm.
Havdalah and Selichot Service at 9:00pm.

Join us for the official beginning of the High Holyday season!

Dave Schlossberg presents his compelling program Facing the Music, the story of his journey through spinal cord injury. Dave will offer his thoughts on how to reclaim life following deep loss to help us find sources of strength within ourselves.

Dave is an award-winning pianist and composer from Monroe, New Jersey and a lover of Jewish folk music and jazz.



The word selichot means forgiveness, and for 500 years Jews have held a service on the Saturday evening before Rosh Hashanah to start the process of seeking forgiveness. It is a brief, powerful and beautiful ritual, during which we put the Torah scrolls in their white mantles, introduce the musical themes of the Holydays, and prepare ourselves for the season of repentance.



High Holyday ushers needed





Help your TBA community by volunteering to usher for one (or more!) of the High Holyday services.

We ask you to fill a 2-hour shift to help welcome and greet Congregants and Guests and to assure the security and dignity of our services.

Security training meeting will take place on Sunday, September 29

Please volunteer to usher by going to: bit.ly/HHUshers2024 or scanning the QR code above.



Calling all Sukkah Builders and Decorators

Sunday, October 13 at 9:00am

Help build the outdoor sukkah! Help decorate the sukkah in the Reform Sanctuary! Learn some *midrash*/commentary!

Help Dismantle the Sukkah

Sunday, October 27 at 9:00am

Help us take down the sukkah and decorations and prepare them for storage until next year!

Call the office or email clergy assistant@tba-ny.org to volunteer!

Nosh on bagels and coffee! No Experience Necessary!

HIGH HOLYDAY PARKING INFORMATION

Recently, the Village of Tarrytown has designated parts of Leroy near our location as "No Parking" zones to ensure the safe passage of emergency vehicles into our neighborhood.

For the High Holydays, we will designate additional parking spaces for people with disabilities in the TBA parking lot on a first come, first served basis.

Plan to park on local streets if there are no spaces in the TBA lot.

"No Parking" signs will be clearly visible on one side of Leroy and Loh Avenues.

Please abide by all parking signs and regulations, and please be a good neighbor and do not block any fire hydrants or driveways.

We have obtained permission to use the parking lot at the **Medical Arts** building on the corner of Leroy and Broadway on the evening of Wednesday October 2 (Erev Rosh Hashanah), the evening of Friday October 11 (Kol Nidre). **Please do not park in this lot at other times, as this interferes with patient and staff parking.**

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Anita Lebedkin

As of this writing, we just gave a final sendoff (before she leaves for Israel) to Liri Tsurya, who was our *shinshinit* (Israeli youth emissary) for this past year. We will miss her dearly. She left an indelible mark on our TBA community. Everyone who attended her *Bat Mitzvah* will remember her, as will the many students here whose lives she touched.

As much as we are saddened by Liri's departure, we are excited to meet our *shinshinit* for the coming year, **Anita Lebedkin**. She will be at TBA on Mondays, and will be hosted by Anna and Jon Weiss, one of our very own TBA families. This is a first for us and we are so excited!

Anita is 18 years old and comes from Ashdod, a city in southern Israel, located right on the Mediterranean Sea. Because she grew up at the water's edge, Anita started surfing at an early age and even used to compete. She also enjoys skating, going on trips, and spending time with her family. She has been active in two youth organizations where she held leadership positions, helping to guide younger children and teens.

She is very excited to learn about our community and American Judaism. She is looking forward to sharing her point of view on Israel and Judaism, as well as exposing us to her Israeli culture.

As if this was not exciting enough, another *shinshinit*, **Mia Hazan**, will be hosted by Jessica Ross' family! We will be learning a bit about her, as well, in an upcoming bulletin article. Stay tuned!

In the meantime, expect to see both Anita and Mia at services and other TBA events. Be sure to embrace them and welcome them into our community!





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- Doug and Leah Bloom and family on the death of his sister, Melissa Bloom Brand.
- Jeffrey, Shephard, and Kevin Frankel and their families on the death of their mother, Myra Frankel.
- Patti Potash and Howard Jacobowitz and family on the death of Patti's father Philip Potash.

MAZEL TOV TO:

- Gayle and Neil Aaron on the engagement of their son Evan to Carli Betman
- **Neil & Wendy Bruckner** on the marriage of their daughter, Lindsay to Jason Castaneda.
- Susan and John Cember on the birth of a grandson, Noah Jun Nok Cember. Parents are Billy and Winnie Cember.
- Audrey and Ben Gelfand on the marriage of their daughter, Marissa to David Angelo
- **Don Kumka & Jane Silverman** on the marriage of their son, Ben to Brittany (Smith).
- Glen & Judy Markowitz on the marriage of their son, Sammy to Allison (Levine).

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- To celebrate the marriage of Lindsay Bruckner to Jason Castaneda from Herb & Melissa Baer
- With gratitude for the wonderful Tot Shabbat programs and family services from **Howard** Beltzer
- With gratitude for Mi Shebeirach prayers from Rochelle Kessler and Stuart Kessler
- With gratitude for our 14th anniversary working at TBA from The Valencia Family

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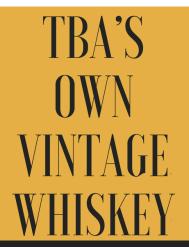


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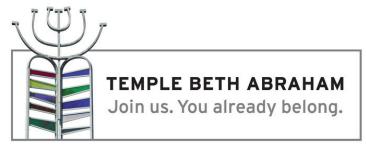


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