



# TEMPLE BETH ABRAHAM

## JUNE NEWSLETTER

### **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

#### **Saturday, June 1**

11:00am Joshua Surchin, son of Alan & Larissa Surchin, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah

#### **Friday, June 7**

5:00pm Tot Shabbat  
5:30pm Oneg/Pre-neg  
6:00pm Family Shabbat Service with Camp Blessings

#### **Saturday, June 8**

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service

#### **Tuesday, June 11**

7:30pm Erev Shavuot Reform Service, learning sessions and special dairy Oneg

#### **Wednesday, June 12**

9:00am Conservative Shavuot Service with Yizkor

#### **Friday, June 14**

7:30pm Reform Shabbat Service and Pride Shabbat

#### **Saturday, June 15**

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service  
11:00am Scott Kronick, son of Ross & Shara Kronick, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah

#### **Friday, June 21**

7:30pm Reform Shabbat Service and Chai Plus Shabbat and Installation of Officers

#### **Saturday, June 22**

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service

#### **Friday, June 28**

7:30pm Reform Shabbat Service

#### **Saturday, June 29**

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service



### **From Rabbi Holtz's Study**

Dear Friends,

It has been a very difficult year for the Jewish people. This is obviously true for Israelis, and it is true in a different way for those of us living outside the land of Israel. Here in America we have witnessed the difficulties primarily on college campuses, in social media and through increased acts of antisemitism around the country. One thing we now know for sure, if we did not realize it before: much of the world, including highly educated folks like college faculty, does not distinguish between Jews and Israelis. Whether we agree with it or not and whether we like it or not, people attack Jews around the world because of actions taken by Israel. This is the reason that I believe anti-Zionism is indistinguishable from antisemitism. Criticism of Israeli **actions or policies** is neither anti-Zionism nor antisemitism (though it is often hypocritical, as the same actions taken by other countries are routinely ignored). Calling for the end of the Jewish state primarily because it is a **Jewish** state is clearly and by definition antisemitic. Defacing Hillel houses on American college campuses because of what Israel does is antisemitism. Calling for the deaths of American Jews because of what happens in Gaza is antisemitic. In fact, any slur or attack on an American Jew because of what happens in the Middle East means that, in the perpetrator's mind, all Jews are responsible for what Israel does. If for these people Israeli equals Jew, then there is no doubt that their anti-Zionism equals antisemitism.

But things are not all bleak! Jewish life here and around the world is robust. Our community is more united than ever. We have many allies of many faiths and all walks of life. Politicians and law enforcement have been vocal and active in their support of Jewish communities nationwide. The government and indeed the very laws of our country are on our side. This by itself makes this moment in Jewish history very different from those that have come before. The haters are loud and getting a lot of attention, but they are very much in the minority. Please keep that thought front and center when you find yourself despairing of the future.

Here at Temple Beth Abraham we are in the midst of celebrating 125 years of Jewish life in the Rivertowns. Our founding families were much

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**Hurricane Eden**

Israel's participation in Eurovision this year was fraught with controversy thanks to the ongoing war with Hamas.

Its entry, a song that was ultimately titled "Hurricane," had to be revised several times before it would even be accepted into the competition. It's original title, "October Rain," represented an obvious reference to the events of October 7. That was deemed to be "too political" for the Eurovision organizers. After several revisions, "Hurricane" was turned into a heartfelt love song about a tumultuous relationship. This transition is not so farfetched if you're familiar with scripture, as the love poetry in the Song of Songs is said to be an allegory for God's love for Israel. And loving Israel is, indeed, complicated. Phrases like "Take me home and leave the world behind" were changed to be "Take it all and leave the world behind," - ostensibly, it's not okay to publicly refer to Israel as a Jewish homeland. The closing Hebrew lyrics of the original submission, translate to "We are all good kids one by one." Apparently, Israelis can't refer to themselves as "good kids" amidst the current crisis. Instead, the song ends with "You always leave me with one small light." At least it provides us with glimmers of hope and light during these seemingly endlessly challenging times.

But that's just the beginning. Outside of the Eurovision venue in Malmo, Sweden, protestors were relentless in their objection to Israel's participation in the contest. Naysayers claimed that the so-called human rights violations in Gaza were grounds for Israel's disqualification from the contest. Israel's Eurovision contestant, Eden Golan, was locked down in her hotel room outside of rehearsals and performances in order to ensure her safety. Nevertheless, Eden was a queen. In spite of significant boos and jeers (muted from the public broadcast by "anti-boo" technology), she performed with grace, strength, and passion. Objectively, I personally felt that her song and her performance was one of the strongest in the entire competition. Others agreed, and Eden managed to earn a very respectable fifth place showing!

How did Israel manage to place so high in spite of all of the controversy? Part of it was the fact that it truly was a beautiful song coupled with the fact that Eden's performance was so moving. In spite of this, Israel got very little help from the team of international judges, not one of whom gave their maximum votes to Israel. As I watched them announce their decisions, I thought about how much courage it would take for them to publicly state their choice of Israel - and sure enough, none of them did.

What really helped Israel was the voting of the general public - particularly those citizens of Western countries. Israel placed second in the com-

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less accepted in American life than are we, their spiritual descendants. We thrive here not in spite of being Jews, but **because** we are Jews. Repairing the world -*tikkun olam* - begins locally. Our tradition teaches us to lend our gifts, our talents and our resources to the community and the country in which we live. Jews have done that wherever we have gone. Here in the Rivertowns we have been doing this for more than a century and we are justifiably proud of our forebears' contributions. I hope that our spiritual descendants 125 years from now will look back on what our generation does with the same sense of pride!

Peace and blessings,  
Rabbi David Holtz

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petition's public vote, earning the top spot in the UK, Australia, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, San Marino, Sweden, and the Rest of the World (aka the United States and other countries not eligible for Eurovision). These results were likely impacted by the Jewish communities in these countries rallying together to vote for Israel and is an excellent example of how our communal strength can bring us out of the depths of despair.

May we continue to cultivate Jewish solidarity as we weather the hurricane of these tumultuous times. Let's continue displaying Israel's beauty to the world through her art, music, and culture as we work towards a return to peace and stability in the Jewish homeland.



The TBA Office will be closed  
Wed. June 12 & Thurs. June 13  
for Shavuot  
and Wed. June 19  
for Juneteenth



## STESSA PEERS DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

2023-2024 has been an absolutely incredible year for our Religious School and our four youth groups, ZEETY, ZEETY678, ZEETYTeeny, and ZEETYKatan. From Pre-Kindergarteners through High School Seniors and teen aides, we engaged so many youth at Temple Beth Abraham through our classes, programs, and services. This year, it felt like we really built more community at TBA, and I am so excited to see this wonderful upward trend continue.

This year, we held more school and youth events than we have ever held before! Each grade had a mitzvah project, and we added new ones like the 1st grade making bird feeders; we had over 80 youth programs, reinvigorated our curriculum-and added classroom middot (Jewish values) and Tzedekim (Jewish Heroes)-had an amazing 5th Grade Yom HaAtzmaut program, brought Puppetworks, Sprout Camp, the Bat Mitzvah of our ShinShinit, Liri, Hope's Door, Morah Kimberly (Pre-K) and her new book Frankenstein's Matzah, and a Sofer in, had many speakers, and welcomed the Purim Circus.

This year we added new programs: we piloted a very successful Pre-K program, TBA Café (a parent initiative), we held ten Sunday FUNDAYS, K-5 met for two family ed programs each, and the 6th grade met three times (plus seasons meetings) AND the 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th-12th all had shul-ins (sleepovers at TBA). I know it sounds like quite a mouthful, but it is TRULY only the tip of the iceberg!

I am beyond grateful to you all for entrusting me and our education team with your children and their Jewish Education; I am so excited for next year (can it be September already!?)

So, to help you check one thing off your schedule for the summer, here is the link to register for the [2024-2025 school year at TBA!](http://tba-ny.org/RS-Registration) (<http://tba-ny.org/RS-Registration>)

Our Opening Days this year will be:

Wednesday, September 4th  
6th and 7th Graders

Sunday, September 8th  
Sunday Funday - 6th Graders

Monday, September 9th  
7th - 12th Graders

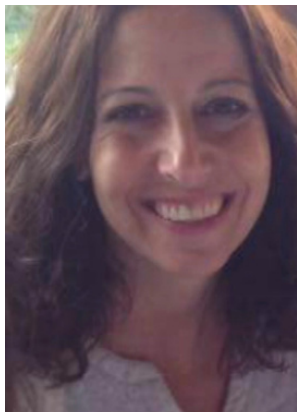


I hope you all have an amazing summer and I cannot wait to see you in the Fall!

As always, I am around and am happy to see you at TBA over the summer (you can also get in touch via email, cell, and, why not... even carrier pigeon!)

לשנת לימודים מדהימה , to an amazing school year!

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## Meet Melissa McHugh, the Director of our Early Childhood program at The Ian and Emily Cohen Children’s Garden Center at Temple Beth Abraham

Melissa McHugh holds a Master’s degree from Lesley University in Early Childhood Education with credentials in creative arts in learning and special education. She has a Bachelor’s degree in English and Theater Performance and has participated in many theater productions.

Melissa has been a teacher for twenty-eight years and taught in both the New York City and Boston private school sectors prior to her tenure at Village Nursery School in Cornwall where she served as the Educational Director for eight years. Melissa was raised in the Riverdale section of the Bronx and moved to Monroe, NY fifteen years ago with her husband (also an educator) and their three children. In addition to her career in early childhood, Melissa coached “Girls on the Run” for eight seasons, has served on numerous PTA boards, and is an active president of “PAGE” (Parents Advocating Gifted Education). She is an advocate for children and cherishes their energy, curiosity, and wonder.

## Reopening September 2024

### The Ian and Emily Cohen Children’s Garden Center at Temple Beth Abraham

25 Leroy Avenue  
Tarrytown, NY  
(914) 631-1770  
[cgcdirector@tba-ny.org](mailto:cgcdirector@tba-ny.org)



Open House June 2, 2024  
10:00am - 12:00pm  
RSVP to:  
[cgcdirector@tba-ny.org](mailto:cgcdirector@tba-ny.org)



Registration is now open  
for Fall 2024!  
18 months-5 years  
Half Day and Full Day Options

Come tour our beautiful classrooms, learn about our Reggio-inspired program and see what makes us unique!



# Temple Beth Abraham's 2024-2025 Religious School

**Enrollment is now OPEN!**

**Click Here To  
Register!**



[https://templebethabraham.shulcloud.com/school\\_enrollment.php](https://templebethabraham.shulcloud.com/school_enrollment.php)

For More Information, email Stessa Peers at [SPeers@tba-ny.org](mailto:SPeers@tba-ny.org)

Note: You will need a ShulCloud account to view registration. Please email [info@tba-ny.org](mailto:info@tba-ny.org) for login credentials

## Torah Readings

June 7	<i>B'midbar</i> : Numbers 1:1-4:20
June 14	<i>Naso</i> : Numbers 4:21-7:89
June 21	<i>B'haalot'cha</i> : Numbers 8:1-12:16
June 28	<i>Sh'lach L'cha</i> : Numbers 13:1-15:41



# JUNE YOUTH GROUP DAY!



A DAY FOR ALL YOUTH GROUPS TO MEET AND HAVE FUN!

**JUNE 9, 2024**

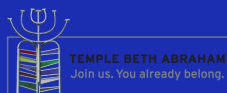
ZEETYKatan - 11:00am-12:00pm

ZEETYTeeny - 12-1:00pm

ZEETY678 - 1:00-2:00pm

ZEETY - 2:00-3:00pm

**WHILE THERE ARE DESIGNATED TIMES, THE WHOLE DAY  
(11:00AM-3:00PM) IS OPEN TO EVERYONE!**



FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL:  
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# Congratulations

## Temple Beth Abraham 2024 Graduates



### High School

**Hannah Andrela**  
**Rebecca Boritz**  
**Emma Friedman**  
**Tamir Goldberg**  
**Jason Goodwin**

**Jordan Kratz**  
**Hanna Reich**  
**Ava Rubin**  
**Justin Wachen**  
**Joseph Weitzen**

**Attending:** Binghamton University, Boston University, Northeastern University, Purdue University, Syracuse University, University of Michigan, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, University of Wisconsin-Madison

### College and Post Graduates

**Kimberly Chase** - Hamilton College - Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry

**Ethan Cott** - Colgate University - Bachelor of Arts in Peace and Conflict Studies & double minor in Political Science and Sociology

**Lee Gelfand** - University of Maryland - Bachelor of Arts in History and Minor in Military Science; Received commission as 2nd Lieutenant in the US Army & will serve in the Medical Services branch

**Gillian Gold** - Yale University - Bachelor of Science in Cognitive Science with a concentration in Computer Science; will attend Carnegie Mellon University to pursue a PhD in Computer Science with a focus on education analytics

**Noah Heller** - University of Wisconsin - Bachelor of Business Administration in Real Estate & Urban Land Economics and Marketing

**Jenna Herzog** - Lafayette College - Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering

**Shira Holtz** - Muhlenberg College - Bachelor of Arts in Theater and Media & Communications

**Arielle Misrok** - Ferkauf School of Psychology at Yeshiva University - Doctor of Psychology

**Nicole Newman** - Pratt Institute - Bachelor of Fine Arts with honors; Major in Sculpture and Minor in Ceramics



# Congratulations

Temple Beth Abraham 2024 Graduates



## College and Post Graduates, continued

- Abby Osborn** – Ferkauf School of Psychology at Yeshiva University – Doctor of Psychology
- Marty Povman** – Tufts University – Bachelor of Fine Arts – School of Museum and Fine Arts
- Jeremy Roseman** – Vanderbilt University – Major in Economics with a Minor in Business
- Nathaniel Schochet** – American University – Master’s in International Affairs
- Rachel Shornick** – Hamilton College – Bachelor of Arts in Psychology
- Natalie Smith** – Binghamton University – Degree in Industrial Engineering
- Arianna Stassa** – University of Michigan – Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education
- Lexi Weintraub** – Lehigh University – Bachelor of Science in Behavioral Neuroscience
- Noah Ziluck** – Cornell University – Bachelor of Arts in Human Development

# Welcome

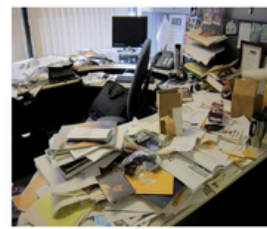
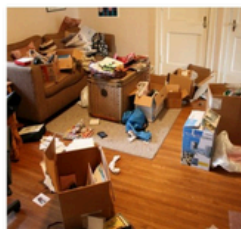
*TBA welcomes our  
new employees:*

*Maggie Lissy  
Bookkeeper*

*&*

*Melissa McHugh  
Director of Early Education  
Children’s Garden Center*

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Clients include but not limited to:  
seniors, those with disabilities, those relocating.

# Adult Education



## Torah Study

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

**Torah Study will not meet on June 12 (Shavuot) or June 19 (Juneteenth)**

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 Jongg

**Mondays, 1:00pm-4:00pm, in Person**

**Wednesdays, 7:00pm-9:00pm, in Person**

**Mah Jongg will not meet on June 12 (Shavuot) or June 19 (Juneteenth)**

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**

**Canasta will not meet on June 12 (Shavuot) or June 19 (Juneteenth)**

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.

# Books@Night



**Wednesday, June 26 at 7:00pm**

***The Matchmaker's Gift***

**by Lynda Cohen Loigman**

A scrappy Jewish teenager, newly arrived in 1920s New York, struggles to follow her calling as a matchmaker—seventy years later, her cynical divorce-attorney granddaughter realizes she has very inconveniently inherited the family gift for matching soulmates.

*No charge for Temple members. \$3.00 per person for guests.*

**Temple Beth Abraham's Adult Education  
Committee presents:**

# **Zentangle at TBA with Jill Greenbaum Ed.D.**

**Wednesday, June 5, 2024  
at 7:30pm in person**

**Email [AdultEd@tba-ny.org](mailto:AdultEd@tba-ny.org) to register  
Registration required. Space is limited.**

**Materials fee:  
\$5 each for TBA Members  
\$8 each for guests  
exact change appreciated.**

Step by step instruction. No artistic experience necessary. Discover the many ways to draw beautiful patterns with Zentangle, an easy-to-learn, relaxing and fun way to create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns. Zentangle helps increase your focus and create a different mood and state of mind. Zentangle can be enjoyed across a wide range of skills, interests and ages. Everyone is welcome to engage in this delightful journey.





# Women's Circle

at Temple Beth Abraham

## Potluck Dinner

Friday, June 21, 5:45- 7:00pm

We'll have raffles!  
Add to the fun!  
Bring something to raffle!

Scan the QR code  
or go to [bit.ly/TBA-WC-06-21-2024](https://bit.ly/TBA-WC-06-21-2024)  
to register



**Members and Prospective Members are welcome!**

No charge, but please bring a dairy dish for six  
appetizer | salad | main course | dessert | wine



## BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR!

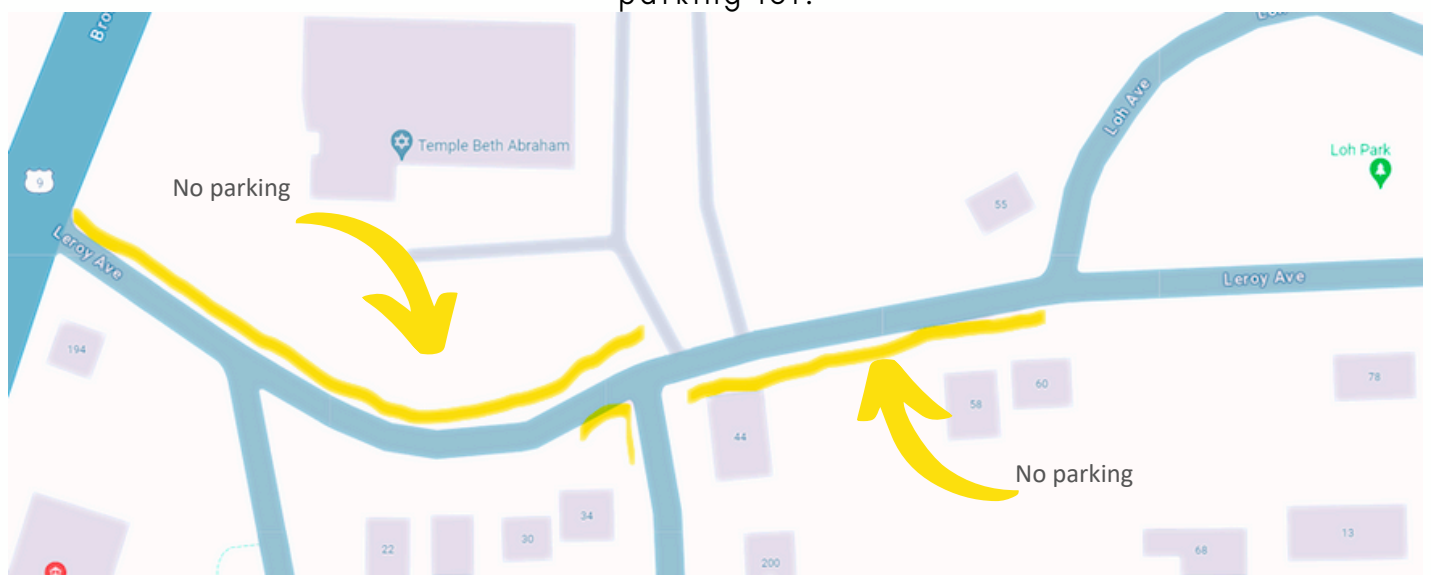
As we celebrate our 125th birthday, let's also cherish that we have enjoyed being part of the Loh Park neighborhood on Leroy for over 70 years.

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.

Please make sure you are observing all parking signs and be especially careful not to block any fire hydrants.

Do not speed - there are many children playing in our neighborhood, and some of the nearby driveways do not have great sightlines around the curve.

Do not idle on Leroy - pick-ups and drop-offs should be from within our parking lot.



PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE AREAS ABOVE HIGHLIGHTED IN YELLOW. **THANK YOU!**

# Pride Shabbat

**FRIDAY, JUNE 14  
AT 7:30PM**



Ilan Rikon (he/him), the child of Rebecca Rikon, is a TBA congregant and student. He is a proud Jewish Trans-Man, and recently had his *Bar Mitzvah* at TBA. Ilan will be speaking at Pride Shabbat about the positive impact that Temple Beth Abraham has had on him as an LGBTQ+ inclusive, friendly, and safe space.

He will share how Judaism and TBA have supported him and how both Judaism and TBA can continue to support Trans youth. Ilan is so proud to be a TBA-er and that TBA is “his place” and is excited to share his story with our wider community.

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# Join us Friday, June 21st at 7:30pm for Installation and Chai Plus Shabbat

Join us as we officially install  
our new  
2024-2025 Board of Trustees.  
Wish *Mazel Tov* to our new  
board members and bid  
farewell to those stepping  
down from service.



Chai Plus Shabbat honors  
those who have been  
members of the Temple Beth  
Abraham community for  
18 years or more.  
They have been with  
us through  
celebration and challenges  
and we want to  
honor them!



Join us  
**June 7 at 6:00 pm**  
 with special blessings for  
 kids heading off to  
 summer camp

All campers are encouraged to wear their  
 camp shirts to this service!



## Shavuot: A Celebration of Learning

*Tuesday evening, June 11, 2024 at 7:30pm*

Join us for an engaging Shavuot evening featuring:

- A communal experience combining service elements, singing and teaching
- Breakout learning sessions led by Rabbi David, Cantor Lauren and a surprise guest or two
- Cheesecake, Cannoli & Ice Cream

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Also join us Wednesday, June 12th at 9 am for a Shavuot service, *yizkor* and a dairy kiddush!

# TEMPLE BETH ABRAHAM ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

## & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

TUESDAY, JUNE 18  
AT 7:30 PM

You are warmly invited and encouraged to join your fellow congregants as we conduct the Annual Meeting of the Hebrew Congregation of North Tarrytown and Tarrytown (Temple Beth Abraham's formal corporate name) on Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 7:30pm to transact the following business:

- President's Report
- Clergy Reports
- Annual reports of standing committees
- Director of Education & Youth Engagement contract
- Vote to Adopt TBA's operating budget for fiscal year July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025
- Election of Officers and Trustees
- Such other matters as may properly come before the Congregation according to TBA's Constitution and bylaws.



**The meeting will be  
followed immediately  
by an  
Ice Cream Social!**

*Please note that only members who are current in their financial obligations to Temple Beth Abraham are permitted to vote at the Annual Meeting of the Congregation.*

*This meeting is IN PERSON only*



## Calling all Music Lovers!

Add your voice to our  
**High Holyday Volunteer  
 Choir**  
 as we prepare for this season  
 of new beginnings.

Monday evenings at 7:30pm  
 beginning July 29.

Rehearsal schedule to follow.

If you are interested  
 or have questions  
 please email  
**Cantor Lauren Phillips Fogelman:**  
[cantor@tba-ny.org](mailto:cantor@tba-ny.org)

**Rosh Hashanah  
 is Oct. 2 - 4  
 Yom Kippur is  
 Oct. 11 - 12**

## A High Holyday Honor



## Be a Torah Reader

We're looking for congregants (over the age of *Bar/Bat Mitzvah*) to learn and read lines of *Torah* or *Haftarah* during the High Holyday Reform and Conservative Services. Basic Hebrew reading skills are all that's required - we will teach you everything else!

Please contact Clergy Coordinator Irene Metz at (914) 631-1770 or [clergyassistant@tba-ny.org](mailto:clergyassistant@tba-ny.org) for more information.

*Coming Soon!*

**TBA's own limited  
 edition 125th  
 Anniversary  
 Whiskey!**



### It's a Fundraiser!

**Brewed just for TBA!**

Custom engraved glasses,  
 available, too!

\$250 - 1-750ml bottle with  
 two souvenir glasses

\$125 - 1-350ml bottle

\$18 each -6.25 oz whiskey  
 glass



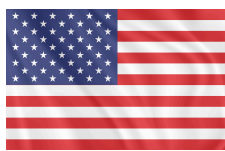
# VOTE

## UPCOMING ELECTIONS

FEDERAL,  
STATE, & LOCAL  
**PRIMARY  
ELECTION**

Early Voting Dates	Early Voting Hours
Sat. June 15, 2024	9am-5pm
Sun. June 16, 2024	9am-5pm
Mon. June 17, 2024	10am-8pm
Tue. June 18, 2024	8am-4pm
Wed. June 19, 2024	9am-5pm
Thu. June 20, 2024	10am-8pm
Fri. June 21, 2024	8am-4pm
Sat. June 22, 2024	9am-5pm
Sun. June 23, 2024	9am-5pm

- **ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY JUNE 25.**
- **POLLS ARE OPEN FROM 6AM TO 9PM**
- **EARLY VOTING PERIOD IS JUNE 15-23**



Judaism teaches us that voting is not just a civic duty. but a mitzvah, a Jewish imperative.

## TBA SOFTBALL

Join our team!  
email  
Glenn Trieff  
if interested!



### Upcoming Games:

- June 2: 9:15am vs. Temple Israel Northern Westchester at Losee Field, Tarrytown
- June 9: 9:15am vs. Bet Am Shalom at Losee Field, Tarrytown
- June 16: 9:00am vs. Temple Israel Center White Plains at Gillie Park 2, White Plains
- June 23: 9:15am vs. Temple Israel Center White Plains at Losee Field, Tarrytown
- June 30: 9:15am vs Shaarei Tikvah at Crossway Field, Scarsdale

Place	Team	Wins	Losses	Games Back
1	Temple Israel Northern Westchester	3	2	-
2	Shaarei Tikvah	3	2	-
3	<b>Temple Beth Abraham</b>	2	2	.5
4	Temple Israel Center White Plains	2	2	.5
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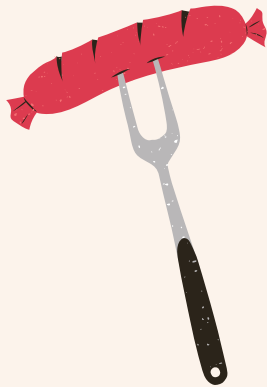
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## Friday, July 5, 2024

It's Summer, so let's celebrate Shabbat together with a delicious kosher barbecue dinner!

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- 5:00 pm - Tot Shabbat
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- **Charlie & Linda Kaplan**, Amy Bendell, and Rebecca Haase and their families on the death of their mother and grandmother, Betty Kaplan

### MAZEL TOV TO:

- **Diane Werner Osborn** and **David Osborn** on the engagement of their daughter Abby to Clint Frehill
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### BIMA FLOWERS

- In loving memory of Barbara Tanzer and Karl Snyder from **Sharon, Rachel & Laura Kirschner**

### CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

- To celebrate Brittany Smith's conversion to Judaism from **Don Kumka & Jane Silverman**

### CONSERVATIVE KIDDUSH FUND

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### FRAN FRIEDMAN FUND FOR THE ENRICHMENT OF CHILDREN

- In loving memory of Fran Friedman from **Michael Friedman**

### FUNDRAISING

- To celebrate a fun time at "Who Knows One?" from **Michael & Jennifer Povman**

### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

- To celebrate the end of year picnic from **Michael & Jennifer Povman**

### MISHLOACH MANOT

- From **Rochelle Kessler**

### ONEG FUND

- To celebrate the marriage of Sammy and Alli from **Glen & Judi Markowitz**

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### PINCUS RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

- In honor of Ethel Davidson from **Barbara Barak, Susan, Beth & Sander**
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### RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

- In loving memory of Dorothy Kimmel from **Ruda and Marvin Klein**
- In loving memory of Alex Daniels from **Susan Henick**
- To celebrate Brittany Smith's conversion to Judaism from **Don Kumka & Jane Silverman**
- To celebrate the Hebrew naming of Thora Ridler Hecht from **Paul Hecht**
- With gratitude for a hospital visit from **Marvin & Joyce Jeshiva**

### TBA CARES

- From **Peter & Amy Herzog**

### TEMPLE FUND

- In honor of Stessa Peers on receiving the 2024 Robert M. Sherman Young Pioneers Award from **Emma Baer**
- In loving memory of Irving R. Cohen from **Harry & Linda Lubell**
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- In loving memory of Robert Jacobson from **Audrey Jacobson**
- In loving memory of Michael Buitekant from **Barbara Barak**
- In loving memory of Martin Singerman from **Geri Singerman**
- In loving memory of Joseph Vandroff from **Lynda Solomon**
- In loving memory of Dasha Lifton from **Vicki Savitch**
- In loving memory of Billie Epstein from **Susan Bannon**
- With gratitude for celebrating Passover with Cantor Margot & her family from **Barbara Robertson and Lee Hirsch**
- With gratitude for use of the Interfaith Haggadah from **Stephen & Natalie Axelrod**
- To wish **Rochelle Kessler** a speedy recovery

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- to celebrate Ava Rubin's graduation from Irvington High School from **The Propper and Rubin families**

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