



TEMPLE BETH ABRAHAM

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday, September 4

5:00pm Tot Shabbat
 5:30pm Back to Shul ShaBBQ
 (dinner by reservation)
 6:30pm Reform Family Shabbat
 Service (note later start time)

Saturday, September 5

9:00am Conservative Shabbat
 Service with Torah discussion
 7:30pm *Leil Selichot* Program and
 Service

Friday, September 11

6:45pm Conservative Erev Rosh
 Hashanah Service
 7:30pm Reform Erev Rosh
 Hashanah Service

Saturday, September 12

9:00am Conservative Rosh
 Hashanah Day 1 Service
 9:30am Reform Rosh Hashanah
 Day 1 Service
 9:45am Junior Congregation (K-3rd
 Grade) Rosh Hashanah Day 1
 Service
 11:15am Junior Congregation (4th-
 6th Grade) Rosh Hashanah Day 1
 Service
 3:00pm Family Rosh Hashanah
 Service
 4:00pm *Tashlich*

Sunday, September 13

9:00am Conservative Rosh
 Hashanah Day 2 Service
 9:30am Reform Rosh Hashanah
 Day 2 Service
 11:15am Junior Congregation (K-6th
 Grade) Rosh Hashanah Day 2
 Service

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From Rabbi Vaisberg's Study

Dear Friends,

My family and I are settling into life at Temple Beth Abraham, and being here, as your rabbi and simply as part of this community, has been a joy. What we have experienced here matches what we first saw

when our conversations began last Fall. People here are genuine and kind and interested in actively being part of an extended Jewish family, whether through practice, learning, good works, or simply being present with each other. As it is with the congregants, so it is with the staff. I have a team of talented, dedicated, and caring colleagues, and together they make this a place I am grateful to serve.

People often ask whether I grew up religious. The answer is no. Judaism was always central to my identity, but in Montreal, Jewish life meant holiday meals with a large extended family, preschool at the local Orthodox synagogue, Purim and Hanukkah programs, swimming lessons and art classes at the YMHA, and friends who were mostly Jewish. Montreal made that easy, one of the oldest and largest Jewish communities in Canada, where you could feel content in your Jewish life simply by virtue of where you lived and what surrounded you. As a kid, I felt no lack. I knew who I was, and I felt special in that identity.

And then we moved. My father took a new job outside Toronto, and we settled in Mississauga. Close to Canada's largest city and its largest Jewish population, Mississauga itself gave us everything but a Jewish experience. The bagels were rolls with holes, and if you wanted challah at the grocery store, you had to ask for "egg bread." In a city of 600,000 people, there was one synagogue, with roughly 300 families. My parents, feeling a deep need for Jewish community, joined Solel Congregation of Mississauga, and my world changed.

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- Monday, September 7 for Labor Day
- Monday, September 21 for Yom Kippur

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**Cantor's Notes****Birthright and A Walk on the Moon: Reflections on this Summer's Off-Broadway Jewish Theater Offerings**

This summer, I had the opportunity to see two wonderful pieces of Jewish-themed theater performed off-Broadway. Unfortunately, both of them will have closed by the time this article is published, but I'm hoping that at least one has a future life at a larger Broadway theater.

Birthright:

The MCC Theater's production of Jonathan Spector's *Birthright* chronicles eighteen years of relationships among six friends who met on a Birthright trip in 2006. Having traveled on Birthright myself in 2005, this play hit close to home, marking parallel eras in my own life – especially because I saw it with a dear friend of mine who traveled on Birthright with me. The play is more than three hours long, with the first act taking place a few weeks after the trip, the second act taking place just before the 2016 election, and the final act taking place in 2024, one year after the October 7 attacks.

During the first intermission, my friend and I looked at each other and laughed because so much of what the friends reflected on post-Birthright resonated with our own experience. We went on a Birthright trip with an organization that allowed us to see Israel at face value and to make our own informed decisions about Israeli politics, culture, and spirituality. The friends in *Birthright* presumably traveled with an organization with a similar mission, as illustrated by their diverse Jewish backgrounds and the different ways in which they were affected by their travels.

Lev (Hale Appleman) is a seeker who leaves the trip early to go exploring on his own. The reunion allows for him to catch up with his fellow travelers after his mysterious disappearance. Alona's (Molly Ranson) passion for Israel is deepened after she finds puppy love with an Israeli soldier. However, she later learns that her beau ostensibly also hooked up with several other girls on the trip. Izzy (Molly Bernard) starts to question the romanticized version of Israel she learned about in Hebrew School, while her childhood friend Chaya (Zoe Winters) affirms that Israel is an integral part of her Jewish identity. The unaffiliated Emerson (Nate Mann) winds up on the trip almost accidentally ("I didn't even go to a Reform synagogue!"), and visiting Israel unlocks a connection with spirituality that he had never experienced before. And then there's Noah (Eli Gelb), a budding blogger with a passion for politics who is energized by the complexities associated with Israel and Israeli society. My friend and I recognized distinct caricatures from our own trip and communities.

Act II takes us to the threshold of the 2016 election as the friends gather to celebrate Alona's wedding to an Israeli (decidedly not the soldier she had

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Friday, September 18

7:30pm Reform Shabbat Service

Saturday, September 19

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service with Torah discussion

Sunday, September 20

6:30pm Conservative *Kol Nidre* Service

7:30pm Reform *Kol Nidre* Service

Monday, September 21

9:00am Conservative Yom Kippur morning service with *Yizkor*

9:30am Reform Yom Kippur Morning Service

9:45am Junior Congregation (K-3rd Grade) Yom Kippur Service

11:15am Junior Congregation (4th-6th Grade) Yom Kippur Service

1:00pm Conversations and Meditations for Yom Kippur

3:00pm Family Yom Kippur Service

4:00pm Healing Service

4:45pm (approx.) Reform Yom Kippur Afternoon Service with *Yizkor* and *Neilah*

5:30pm (approx.) Conservative *Neilah* Service

Friday, September 25

6:30pm Pizza in the Hut Dinner (by reservation)

7:30pm Reform Shabbat & Erev Sukkot Service followed by Sweets in the Sukkah *Oneg*

Saturday, September 26

9:00am Conservative Shabbat and Sukkot Service with Torah discussion



Robin Goldberg Executive Director

Dear Temple Beth Abraham Families,

There is something about the beginning of a new year that makes us pause and take stock. We look back at where we have been, think about where we are, and consider where we would like to go next.

This year, the idea of “new beginnings” feels particularly personal to me.

Professionally, I am beginning a new chapter as the Executive Director of our synagogue. I am honored to join a community with a rich history, traditions, relationships, and institutional memory that long predate my arrival. I have much to learn, many people to meet, and much to discover about what makes this synagogue special. My hope is to build upon what has come before while helping us look toward the future.

Personally, my husband and I are beginning another new chapter: we are becoming empty nesters. Our older son is beginning his senior year at SUNY Geneseo, and our younger son is a freshman at Syracuse. For the first time in more than two decades, there will be no children living at home.

We are proud of them and excited for what lies ahead. And, if I’m being honest, we are also a little nervous about what comes next—for them and for us. Our home will certainly be quieter, and we may have to figure out what two adults are supposed to do with all that newfound free time!

In both cases, we are saying goodbye to one stage of our lives while beginning another. But neither requires us to leave the past behind. Perhaps that is what makes the High Holy Days such an appropriate time to think about new beginnings.

Rosh Hashanah marks the beginning of the Jewish year, but it does not ask us to simply turn the page and forget what came before. Instead, we reflect on the year that has passed—our successes and failures, our relationships, our choices, and the ways in which we have changed.

As I begin this new chapter as your Executive Director, I am grateful for the opportunity to become part of this community. And as my husband and I begin our new chapter at home, I am reminded that beginnings can be exciting and unsettling, hopeful and bittersweet.

But they are also opportunities.

May this Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur give us the courage to look honestly at where we have been, the wisdom to appreciate where we are, and the hope to embrace where we are going.

Shanah Tovah.

Warmly,
Robin



STESSA PEERS DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

Dear Temple Beth Abraham Families,

There is something really special about the beginning of a new school year.

As much as I love summer, I always look forward to seeing our hallways filled with smiling faces again, hearing children laughing with their friends, and welcoming both returning and new families back to Temple Beth Abraham. The High Holy Days always remind me that Judaism is about more than holidays and traditions. It's about community, connection, creating memories together, and living Jewishly.

Over the summer, I was on a call where Rabbi Vaisberg described *mitzvot* (commandments, or sacred obligations) not just as good deeds, but as living Jewishly. What does that mean? How do we do it? I think it looks different for each of us, whether practical or aspirational, whether we're children or adults. For whatever state and place of life we find ourselves, there are always ways through which we will already be living Jewishly, and other paths that we aspire to follow. Ultimately, it's up to us. And that's exactly what the High Holy Days are: something we do the work on, something it's up to us to "do."

That's one of the reasons I love the month of Elul (the month preceding Tishri, when the High Holy Days begin). Elul gives us the opportunity to slow down before the busyness of the holidays begins. It invites us to reflect, to prepare our hearts and minds, and to begin the work of *teshuvah* (returning to our best selves).

Then we enter the *Yamim Nora'im* (Days of Awe), the ten days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. These are the days when we continue that work through prayer, reflection, forgiveness, and growth. By the time we hear the final blast of the shofar on Yom Kippur, our hope is that we have not only welcomed a new year, but that we've also taken steps toward becoming the people, and the Jews, we want to be.

This year is especially exciting as we begin a new chapter together. I know many of our families have already had the chance to meet Rabbi Vaisberg, and I'm looking forward to watching our learners build relationships with him throughout the year. Whether it's during Jr. Congregation, Family Shabbat, holiday celebrations, or in our classrooms, I know he'll become an important part of our students' Jewish journeys.

Because of this year's calendar, and how the holidays fall, we have an interesting start to our year. Our school year begins on Wednesday, September 9th, when we welcome our 6th and 7th Grade learners back for Wednesday classes.

Then, on Sunday, September 27th, we'll gather together for our Sukkot Family Fun Day! Sukkot is often called *Z'man Simchateinu* ("The Season of Our Joy"), reminding us to celebrate together, welcome others, and appreciate the blessings all around us. This special morning is open to all of our families and learners as we celebrate through music, stories, crafts, decorating the sukkah, shaking the lulav and etrog, participating in a community mitzvah, and simply spending time together as a community. It is the perfect way to kick off the new year together and gives us the chance to gather in the sukkah with old friends and new, with new memories waiting to be made.

On Monday, September 28th, our 4th and 5th Grade Hebrew students and our HaMakom high school learners begin their year, and finally, on Sunday, October 11th, we officially welcome our Pre-K through 6th Grade learners back for the first day of Sunday School!

Throughout the year, our learners will experience Judaism in meaningful, hands-on ways. They'll celebrate holidays, ask big questions, create, sing, cook, volunteer, explore Jewish values, and build friendships that I hope will last far beyond their time in Religious School. Every program we plan is designed with one goal in mind: helping our learners discover that Judaism is something to be lived, celebrated, and shared, something they can find love and joy in.

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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 THE CGC

A Sweet Beginning to Our School Year at the Ian and Emily Cohen Children's Garden Center

As we begin our third school year at the Children's Garden Center, there is a wonderful sense of excitement throughout our school. We were so blessed to enjoy summer weeks with our little friends at the CGC camp. We explored water, animals around the world, mosaics, and gardening. Muddy fingers and smiles! Priceless!

Our classrooms are coming to life, and over the past several weeks, our teachers have been thoughtfully preparing inviting spaces filled with beautiful materials, open-ended activities, and plenty of opportunities for children to explore, create, and connect. In other words, the classrooms are ready—and our teachers are caffeinated!

It feels especially meaningful to begin our year during this season of the Jewish holidays. Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur encourage us to pause, reflect, and consider how we can begin again with intention. These are ideas that resonate beautifully with young children. At the CGC, we will introduce the holidays in ways that are meaningful and accessible to them, focusing on kindness, friendship, forgiveness, gratitude, and the excitement of a fresh start.

Through stories, songs, art, cooking, and hands-on experiences, the children will discover the traditions and symbols that make this season so special. We are especially looking forward to welcoming Rabbi V, Cantor Lauren, and Morah Stessa, who will join us throughout the fall to celebrate Shabbat and the holidays with our children.

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Services were fun. My rabbi played a 12-string guitar, told jokes, and was a great teacher. It turned out you could make great friends at religious school, and that sometimes the learning was even fun. Those friends were at services too, and I would sit with them, sometimes sneaking out to run around creating mild havoc. I found the home I never knew I was missing, an extended family of peers and adults who looked out for me.

Community is the foundation of Jewish living. It pulls us in, keeps us cared for and engaged, and when something needs doing, for ourselves or for others, we are already gathered and ready to act. A colleague once taught me that rabbinic work is leveraging relationships to do good. There is too much to do alone, and it is only in community that we have access to the knowledge and skills and gifts each person brings.

The rabbis taught that one should say a blessing on the rare occasion that we see a large crowd of Jews together: *Baruch chacham harazim*, blessed is the One who knows secrets. Not blessed is the One who gathered so many, but blessed is the One who knows each of them apart, because no two people share the same mind or face. That instinct is worth holding onto. A community is never a crowd.

Community does not happen automatically, and it does not stay together automatically. Like any relationship, it needs to be nurtured and maintained. It means showing up for each other again and again, at the Temple or anywhere else, in person or online. It means pulling new people in, understanding that when someone joins our family, we are all better off for it. And it means being vulnerable, recognizing that real community only happens when we open up, when we trust, when we give others the chance to be there for us.

As we come to the High Holy Days and the start of a new year, my first with you, I will do all that I can to nurture and be part of this family. I ask the same of you, knowing how many of you are already deeply engaged in this work.

This means that I need time with each and every one of you, to better get to know you: your story, your interests, your concerns, and your dreams. Please be in touch so we can find a time to meet, whether it's over coffee or a meal, on a walk outside, or simply in my office at the Temple. Entering this new year of 5787, may we all experience a year abundant in goodness, sweetness, and community.

L'shana tova,
Dave

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met a decade ago on *Birtheright*). The ten years that have passed are summarized by projections of e-mails, texts, Facebook, and WhatsApp messages, signaling how the friends have kept up with each other in the ever-evolving age of technology and social media. They've experienced love and loss and remained connected through each other's triumphs and tragedies. The second act is arguably the slowest stretch of the play, with less focus on group dynamics and more attention to individual relationships and even some tension amongst the six friends. Chaya is a staffer for Hillary Clinton's campaign, and the liberal-minded friends are so sure that the next month will mark a history-making election of the first female president. Of course, we all know how that story materialized. The idealism of the world that they all were hoping was on the precipice of change is marred by Izzy's disapproval of the political affiliations of Alona's fiancé's family. Conflict ensues, and a schism between the friends is born as Alona prepares to make *aliyah*.

The interval between the second and third act shows the friends' concern for Alona in the wake of October 7, 2023. Alona is physically okay, but temporarily relocates her family to Chicago for their safety and sanity. The friends are now in the 40s, and a tragedy rocks their circle that brings them back together after years of separation. Their formerly faithful group chat is no longer a reliable way of keeping them together. Izzy cut off communication with most of her *Birtheright* crew because she no longer finds them to be people with whom she can politically or morally belong. In the post-October 7 world, Izzy becomes increasingly critical of Zionism and the political structure of Israel, especially after what she learns about Palestinians and the occupation. But she sees her position as coming from love and a desire for justice, rather than hatred of Israel. This puts a strain on Izzy's decades-old friendship with Chaya, who founded a Jewish-values based non-profit and strongly believes that rejecting Zionism ignores something fundamental about Jewish history and Jewish safety. Izzy and Chaya ultimately go head-to-head in an argument that involves significant googling of source material to back up their distinct points of view. Their research is showcased through the brilliant use of cell phone projections. The discussion that ensues is an incredibly brilliant non-partisan outline of the Israel-Palestinian conflict that demonstrates solid arguments on all sides of the coin. This delineation of the complex nuances at hand is worth the price of admission alone.

Birtheright's run was extended three times this summer and is sold out through closing, illustrating its rousing success. There is a strong possibility that it will make a return engagement in New York, maybe even at a larger Broadway house. However, to succeed on Broadway, it would behoove the creative team to consider some edits and to shorten the running time – particularly in the second act. And while earlier this summer there were a few individuals boycotting the play simply because its subject matter was Israel, those naysayers would do well by actually experiencing the play first hand. *Birtheright* is neither pro-Israel nor pro-Palestinian. It is pro-education. Like the *Birtheright* trip its characters experienced two decades earlier, it allows us to see Israel at face value so that we can formulate our own informed opinions about where we stand.

A Walk on the Moon:

If *Birtheright* was an homage to the politics and Jewish experiences of my generation, *A Walk on the Moon* does the same for my parents' generation. The female-driven musical, with music and lyrics by AnnMarie Milazzo with a book and additional lyrics by Pamela Gray, takes us back to that fateful summer of 1969, as man is about to walk on the moon and Woodstock descends upon the Catskills. The story takes place at a bungalow colony just miles away from Woodstock, which Jewish families flock to from Brooklyn. Our heroine, Pearl (Talia Suskauer) feels stuck in her life and marriage. Her mother in law, Lillian (Andrea

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Burns) reminds her that she should feel grateful to be able to summer in the Catskills because in Lillian's day, Jews were barred from many of such communities. Pearl's nebbishy husband, Marty (Max Chernin), spends the week at his job as a television repairman in Brooklyn, leaving Pearl in the Catskills to care for their two children, play mah-jongg, and shop the wares of the attractive and sexy "blouse man," Walker Jerome (Sam Gravitte), who becomes more than just a distraction for Pearl.

Meanwhile, Pearl's daughter, Alison (Sophie Pollono), discovers a first love of her own with a budding musician and songwriter named Ross (Oscar Williams). Ross fancies himself as somewhat of a Jewish version of Jimi Hendrix, and his opening song "Big Jewish Hendrix" allows us to see the awareness and pride he has in his Jewish identity and how it might affect change. Pollono's Alison delivers the stand-out performance in the show (in spite of her Brooklyn accent being a tad over the top). She is vehemently against the war in Vietnam and is not afraid of making her opinions known. Her partnership with Ross – and their eventual attendance at Woodstock – perfectly encapsulates the teenage counterculture of the time. This serves as an antidote to the predictability of the lives of the other female characters in the show – a world in which even her own mother feels unfulfilled. And yet, there's an awareness amongst the older woman about the ways in which the world is changing around them. The song "Hey Betty" (as in Betty Friedan of *The Feminine Mystique*) is essentially a comic, satirical song about the resistance of suburban housewives to second-wave feminism. With the exception of Pearl, the women seem to be perfectly happy with their lives. While they aren't disagreeing with Betty, they aren't ready to spark change in the same way in which Pearl and Alison are.

Some moments of the play seem a bit contrived, such as the implied seductive powers of tie-dye. Tie-dye has long been associated as a 1960s stereotype, but its influence in the play is elevated to the point where it feels inauthentic and far-fetched. There's even a whole song, "What Tie-Dye Can Do" that uses tie-dye as a metaphor for transformation and venturing out of one's comfort zone. Walker's love for tie-dye is in stark contrast with Marty's disdain for it, which creates an unrealistic and somewhat overt distinction between Pearl's current life and what she feels she could be missing. Walker's seductive prowess and free spirit could have easily won Pearl over in a more organic way.

Apropos of the upcoming High Holy Day season, the play brings up important themes of *teshuvah* and forgiveness. In Pearl's powerful final song, "Not Willing to Lose," she reflects upon her wrongdoings while exploring what she wants, what she has risked, and what she refuses to give up. She must decide whether to move forward or to retreat to the familiar, mirroring what we all experience as we stand on the precipice of a new year. In the musical, the moon landing functions as a metaphor for liberation and stepping into the unknown. As Jews, we get this opportunity each year. It's refreshing to see these Jewish values represented through art, not just conceptually but through the lens of Jewish characters navigating their way in a secular world.

Wishing you health, spirituality, and lots of good theater in 5787!
Cantor Lauren Phillips Fogelman

Director of Education and Youth Engagement's Article Cont'd from Page 4

The High Holy Days are where so much of that journey begins. Jr. Congregation is one of my favorite parts of the holidays because it gives our children a space that is really their own to find joy and fulfillment. Together, we'll sing, pray, hear stories, celebrate our traditions, and experience the joy and wonder of the High Holy Days. My hope is that every child leaves feeling proud to be part of our Jewish community, excited to come back for everything the year has in store, and inspired to continue living Jewishly long after the holidays have ended.

Thank you for allowing us to be part of your family's Jewish journey and community. It is a privilege to watch your children grow each year, and I am so grateful for the opportunity to learn, celebrate, and be in community together.

I can't wait to see you during the High Holy Days and throughout what I know will be another wonderful year at Temple Beth Abraham.

Wishing you and your family a sweet, healthy, and joyful New Year in the year 5787!

L'Shana Tova U'Metukah!
Morah Stessa

Director of Early Childhood Education's Article Cont'd from Page 5

Our Reggio Emilia-inspired approach reminds us that children are capable, curious learners and that play is an important way they make sense of the world. When we give children opportunities to experience traditions rather than simply talk about them, those traditions become personal and meaningful.

There is something wonderful about a child singing a blessing with friends, helping to bake challah, dipping an apple in honey, or creating a piece of art together. And, of course, we know that when you give a group of preschoolers apples and honey, you should be prepared for a little bit of stickiness! These simple, joyful moments become the beginnings of lasting connections to community, tradition, and one another.

As we welcome our families back, we are excited for all that this new year will bring. A new school year is always a little bit exciting, a little bit unpredictable, and occasionally filled with bittersweet tears. But it is also filled with new friendships, growing independence, wonderful discoveries, and countless moments that remind us why working with young children is such a gift.

May this school year—and this new year on the Jewish calendar—be filled with sweetness, growth, friendship, peace, and the joy of learning together. May our classrooms be filled with laughter, our challah be plentiful, and our honey jars stay (mostly) on the table. Sending all of our TBA family health and joy!

L'Shana Tova,
Melissa McHugh

Upcoming CGC Dates

- September 9: Meet & Greet
- September 10: First Day of School
- September 17: Back-to-School Night — 6:30 PM

Tikkun Olam: Repair the World



Hello! I am Audrey Gelfand and I am the chair of *Tikkun Olam* at TBA this year. I am so excited to be leading the synagogue in our efforts to repair the world. There are two kinds of work that *Tikkun Olam* will be undertaking this year. They broadly fit under the umbrellas of Social Action and Social Justice.

Our social action efforts will be to support community, national and global organizations that directly help the community. Our first effort will be to support the students and families in the Tarrytown Pre-K with school supplies. We have taken up this effort for many years because we know that having backpacks and supplies is essential for school success. Please keep an eye out in the next two weeks for a link to purchase supplies tax free. We will also put a group together to assemble the backpacks before the end of the summer.

Tikkun Olam will be working thematically this year fighting food insecurity, helping those who do not have adequate housing, helping immigrant families, caring for the elderly and in many other ways. We will be working on our annual Light One Candle gift program later in the fall. Please read all the way through the weekly eblasts for information going forward.

Our other task is social justice. Social justice is the fair and equitable treatment of all individuals and social groups, ensuring equal opportunities, inclusion, and protection of human rights. This year we would like to have conversations about what that means for our congregation. What do all of us care about? What keeps you up at night? What gets you up in the morning, ready to help? Rabbi Vaisberg and I will be leading these conversations and we hope this helps us to develop some ideas for a longer term project or theme for our social justice work. We will be expanding our understanding of this work through the lens of Jewish values. It's not political. It's value driven.

Lastly, this is not something that I can or want to do on my own. *Tikkun Olam* is a wonderful way to help others, become more involved at TBA and meet lots of new people. Do you have a *B-Mitzvah* coming up this year and need ideas for a project? Are you in honor society in your high school and want to do community service? Did you recently join TBA and are looking for a way to meet new people? Do you have something you care about and want TBA to help? Lets work together! I am interested in building this committee with anyone and everyone who wants to be involved. You could be very involved or come to an event. Come join us, you already belong!

Email me at tikkunolam@tba-ny.org and let me know if you want to be on my email list!



Pet Blessing & Food Drive

Bring your pet to TBA for a blessing.

October 25, 2026 at 11:15 am
(weather permitting)

If your pet doesn't travel well, please bring a photo instead.
All animals must be on a leash or safely contained.

Items to donate:
Amazon wish list: [amzn.to/3X1rEj0](https://www.amazon.com/?ref=astore&pf_rd_p=3X1rEj0)

Pet Food Drive supports Paws Crossed



Back to Shul ShaBBQ

Friday, September 4, 2026



- 5:00 pm - Tot Shabbat
- 5:30 pm - Barbecue dinner
- 6:30 pm - Family Shabbat Service
(note later start time)



Let's celebrate Shabbat together with a delicious kosher barbecue dinner!



\$18 per person
Maximum \$54 per family



Chicken - Hot Dogs - Veggie Burgers - Salads



PLEASE RSVP
by Tues., Sept. 1
bit.ly/BackToShulBBQ



SELICHOT

Songs *from Our* Jewish Journeys

Selichot marks the official beginning of the High Holy Day season. It helps us to frame the upcoming new year through a lens of renewal and reflection.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2026

7:30 PM - PROGRAM

8:30 PM - REFRESHMENTS AND HAVDALAH

9:00 PM - SELICHOT SERVICE

Rabbi V and **Cantor Lauren**

will share music that reflects their personal origin stories as Jewish professionals.

They will be joined by **Katia** on piano as well as **Cantor Margot** as they perform pieces that inspired them as well as ones that represent specific milestones along their journeys.



Rabbi David Vaisberg



Cantor Lauren
Phillips Fogelman



Katia Kravitz



Cantor Margot
Goldberg

Junior Congregation

HIGH HOLY DAY

SERVICES

5787

Led by
Stessa Peers
Director of Education
and
Youth Engagement

with
Adam Hart
Songleader

ROSH HASHANAH | DAY 1 - SEPT. 12

Kindergarten-3rd Grades: 9:45am-11:00am

4th-6th Grades: 11:15am-12:30pm

ROSH HASHANAH | DAY 2 - SEPT. 13

Kindergarten-6th Grades: 11:15am-12:30pm

YOM KIPPUR - SEPT. 21

Kindergarten-3rd Grades: 9:45am-11:00am

4th-6th Grades: 11:15am-12:30pm



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From the Rabbi Welcome Team

Informal Opportunities to GET TO KNOW TBA'S CLERGY



BUILDING THE OUTDOOR SUKKAH

Tuesday, September 22
10:00am



BYOL – LUNCH IN THE SUKKAH

Tuesday, Sept 29
12:00pm – 1:30pm
(in case of rain, TBA Lobby)



COFFEE WITH CLERGY

Tuesday, October 6
10:00am – 11:00am
TBA Lobby

Tuesday, October 20
10:00am – 11:00am
TBA Lobby



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 11
11:00am
Social Hall



SHABBAT 'DAY OF PAWS' FRIENDLY DOG WALK

Bring your friendly dog, or join us without a pet, as Rabbi V, with his pup Billie, takes a Shabbat walk on the 'wooded trail' at Tarrytown Lakes Park.

Saturday, October 17, 4:00pm,
Tarrytown Lakes Park
(201-209 Neperan Rd)



SPECIAL ONEG

Rabbi V and Miriam invite the community to Shabbat services and a special *oneg* in honor of their daughter Nava's upcoming *Bat Mitzvah*.

Friday, October 23, 7:30pm



HOST *in your* HOME

Interested in hosting a casual coffee or evening gathering at your home to get to know Rabbi V? Invite friends, neighbors or anyone interested in TBA. These informal, small-group get-togethers are a wonderful way to build personal connections and share meaningful conversations.



To schedule a convenient date,
contact Irene Metz at
clergyassistant@tba-nj.org.



OPEN YOUR HOME

for Shabbat

Consider inviting Rabbi V and his family to your Shabbat table. It's a meaningful way to welcome them into our community and spend some time together outside of synagogue.

Rabbi Vaisberg and his family don't yet live locally and commute from New Jersey, so hosting them for Shabbat dinner is a wonderful mitzvah, and a great way to get to know them too!

You don't need a kosher home or a fancy meal. Vegetarian, dairy, fish, and pasta are all easy options. If you're serving meat, it does need to be kosher. And if you have questions about their dietary needs, just ask—we're happy to help!



Contact Irene Metz, Clergy Coordinator, at
clergyassistant@tba-nj.org for
more info or to schedule.

Still to be scheduled!

LOOK FOR INFO IN FUTURE
TBA MONDAY EMAILS:



NATURE WALK
at Rockwood



BREWS &
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Questions? Ideas?

Contact the Rabbi Welcome Team at RabbiWelcomeTeam@tba-nj.org





Yom Kippur Food Drive

On Yom Kippur, we set aside food and drink to focus on prayer, reflection, and renewal. Our tradition reminds us, however, that fasting is not meant to end with ourselves. The hunger we feel makes us aware of those for whom hunger is not symbolic but a daily reality.

This year, we will not be collecting food donations at TBA. Instead, we encourage you to support those in need by donating directly to Feeding Westchester by scanning the QR code or at bit.ly/TBA-YK-FoodDrive



Join Us Yom Kippur afternoon at 1pm for **Conversations & Meditations**

Join Rabbi Vaisberg for a guided meditation designed to create a quiet space for reflection, renewal, and connection during Yom Kippur.

Join Cantor Margot Goldberg in an exploration of the song "Awaken" by Cantor Ellen Dreskin to discuss how we might awaken and enter the new year.

Time and space for private reflection in both the Chapel and the Sanctuary

SUKKOT

Family Fun Day

While our first official day of Sunday Religious School isn't until, October 11, we'd love to kick off the year by welcoming learners and their families to our Sukkot Family Fun Day! Join us for a morning of crafts, songs, stories, time in the TBA sukkah, and a family-friendly Sukkot service as we celebrate the holiday together.

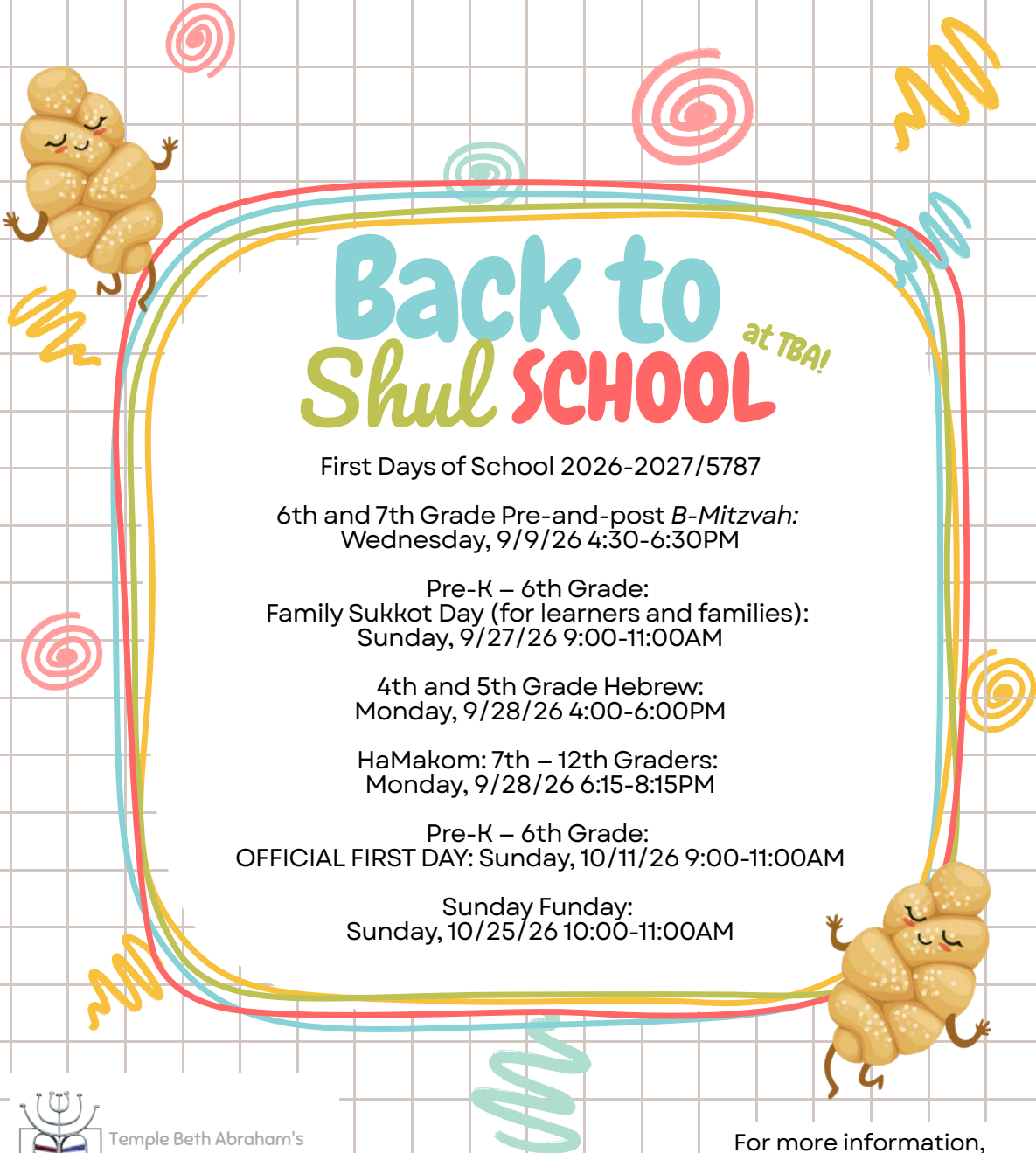
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September

To Register:
bit.ly/sukkotfamilyfun



9:00
to
11:00
AM





Back to Shul SCHOOL at TBA!

First Days of School 2026-2027/5787

6th and 7th Grade Pre-and-post *B-Mitzvah*:
Wednesday, 9/9/26 4:30-6:30PM

Pre-K – 6th Grade:
Family Sukkot Day (for learners and families):
Sunday, 9/27/26 9:00-11:00AM

4th and 5th Grade Hebrew:
Monday, 9/28/26 4:00-6:00PM

HaMakom: 7th – 12th Graders:
Monday, 9/28/26 6:15-8:15PM

Pre-K – 6th Grade:
OFFICIAL FIRST DAY: Sunday, 10/11/26 9:00-11:00AM

Sunday Funday:
Sunday, 10/25/26 10:00-11:00AM



Temple Beth Abraham's
Religious School
Tarrytown, NY

For more information,
email SPeers@tba-nY.org

Fall Festivals



Calling all Sukkah Builders and Decorators

Tuesday, September 22

- 10:00am Help build the outdoor sukkah!
- 7:30pm Help decorate the Indoor sukkah!

We need helpers to erect the walls and "raise the roof" on the outdoor sukkah and to help decorate the indoor sukkah in the Reform Sanctuary.

RSVP to Irene Metz at clergyassistant@tba-ny.org or (914) 631-1770 x106 or by scanning the QR code:



Join Us For Sukkot Services



Friday, September 25

6:30 pm "Pizza In the Hut" Dinner (by reservation)

7:30 pm Reform Sukkot & Shabbat Service
Special "Sweets in the Sukkah" Oneg following services (weather permitting)

Saturday, September 26

9:00 am Conservative Sukkot & Shabbat Service
Kiddush luncheon in the Sukkah following services (weather permitting)



B.Y.O.M. Bring Your Own Meal and eat in the TBA Sukkah!



It is a mitzvah to eat your meals in the Sukkah and ours is an open tent for all TBA members to enjoy.

Bring your own meal and enjoy it together with fellow congregants under the branches of the sukkah.

Saturday, September 26 – Friday, Oct 2, 2026

Please note: BYOM will be **unavailable** when in use by the Religious School, the Children's Garden Center, or for *Oneg* or *Kiddush* after Services

Please reserve your space - you may be sharing the space with others in our community

Get in touch with the office to secure your reservation and confirm availability - (914) 631-1770 or tbaoffice@tba-ny.org



Join Us For *Pizza In the Hut* Sukkot Dinner and Reform Sukkot Services

Friday, September 25

- ◆ 6:30pm Dinner (by reservation only) - \$18 per family
- ◆ 7:30pm Reform Shabbat/Sukkot Service followed by “Sweets in the Sukkah” *Oneg*



Scan the QR code to reserve online, go to bit.ly/PizzaInTheHut26 or contact the office at (914) 631-1770 or tbaoffice@tba-nj.org

***Sign up by September 22**



And Join us for Conservative Sukkot Services and Kiddush Luncheon

Saturday, September 26

- ◆ 9:00am Conservative Sukkot Service followed by a Kiddush luncheon in the Sukkah (weather permitting)

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Sept. 25 Pizza in the Hut Dinner RSVP

Name (First name/last name): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Adults (aged 13 and older): _____

Children (aged 2 to 12): _____ Total enclosed (\$18/family): _____

Please join us after services for “Sweets in the Sukkah!”
Return this completed form to the Temple Office - 25 Leroy Ave., Tarrytown

Celebrate Simchat Torah With Us!



It takes A LOT of people
to unscroll the Torah
Come lend a helping
hand!

Friday, October 2

- 5:00pm Tot Shabbat
- 5:30pm Dairy Dinner (by reservation*)
- 6:30pm Reform Family Shabbat and *Simchat Torah* Service and Dancing with the Torah followed by a festive *Oneg* - *note later start time*

Saturday, October 3

- 9:00am Conservative Shabbat, *Shemini Atzeret*, *Simchat Torah* and *Yizkor* (Memorial) Service
- followed by a dairy luncheon

*Dinner is \$18 per person, \$54 maximum per family.
Reservations required.



Scan the QR code to reserve online, go to bit.ly/2026-ST-Dinner or
contact the office at (914) 631-1770 or tbaoffice@tba-nyc.org

October 2 Simchat Torah Dinner RSVP

Name (First name/last name): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Adults (aged 13 and older): _____

Children (aged 2 to 12): _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

*Dinner is \$18 per person, \$54
maximum per family.

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Adult Education



Torah Study

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

Torah Study will not meet on Wednesday, September 9 or September 16

Rabbi Vaisberg leads Torah Study, 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, 6:30pm-8:30pm, in Person

Daytime Mah Jongg will not meet on Monday, September 7 or September 21

Evening Mah Jongg will meet on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month beginning September 23

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.

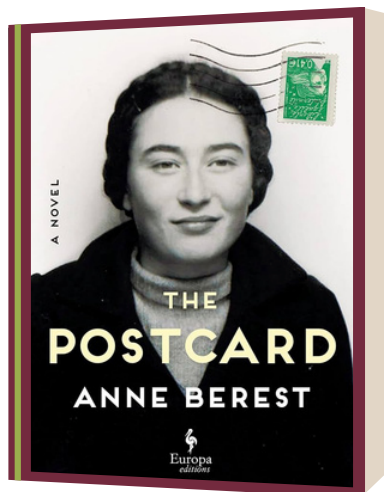
Meet new friends, spend fun time with old friends, or take a coffee break.

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.

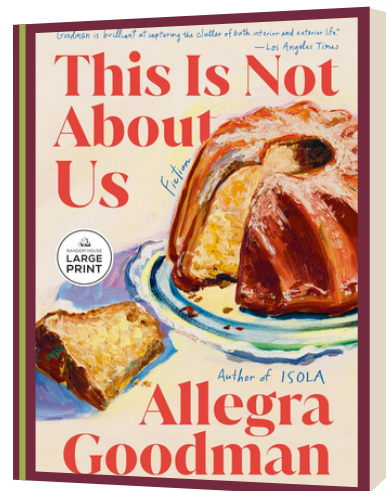
TBA Book Clubs

Books@Night



Wednesday, Sept. 16 at 7:00pm
The Postcard
by Anne Berest

Books & More



Friday, Sept. 18 at 10:00am
This is Not About Us
by Allegra Goodman

The Temple Beth Abraham Adult Ed and Tikkun Olam Committees

Invite you to a lecture

Wednesday, October 21, 2026, 7:30pm

followed by a "Coffee and Questions" Reception



The Erosion of Women's Rights in Westchester

Catherine Lederer-Plaskett
President, Choice Matters

The overturn of Roe has affected women's health and freedom of action in many, many ways. New York has some of the strongest protections for women, yet, the preservation of reproductive justice is not guaranteed. Join us to hear how women's rights are being jeopardized, and what we can do about it.



Members and non-Members welcome. Click here to register: tinyurl.com/ErosionWR
or scan the QR code:



Women's Circle at Temple Beth Abraham

Friday, October 16, 2026

5:45 pm

Join us at a potluck
as we
plan the year!
Sign up available soon!

Women's circle meets monthly on a Friday evening from 5:45pm to 7:15pm ending in time for Reform Shabbat Services.

Join us for presentations, activities and discussions.

Come spend time with us as we learn, explore and share!

Contact AdultEd@tba-nyc.org for more information or to share your ideas!

TBA FAMILY



THE FOLLOWING EVENTS REFLECT THE KNOWN
SORROWS AND SIMCHAS OF OUR TBA FAMILY SINCE
OUR LAST PUBLICATION:

CONDOLENCES TO:

- Diane and Larry Kaplan and David and Etta Biloon on the death of their mother, **Ruth Biloon**
- **Melissa Dickman and Maya and Jake Jordan** on the death of their father and grandfather, Gary Dickman
- Jacob Handszer and Karen Handszer-Haas on the deaths of their father and mother, **Bernardo Handszer, MD, and Ida Handszer**
- **Suzan Harrison** on the death of her mother, Arlene Ruffett
- **Barry and Jennifer Kratz** on the death of his mother, Arleen Kratz
- **Eric and Julie Last**, Nicole Bernstein, Aiden and Matthew Last on their mother and grandmother, Nita Last
- **Lawrence, Marianne, Justin, Bailey, and Samantha Levin** on the death of their mother and grandmother, Pauline Levin
- **Sheryl and Arthur Rosenberg**, Joshua (Ange), Michael (Ashley) and Bryan Rosenberg on the death of their mother and grandmother, Joanne Helene Friedman Solomon

MAZEL TOV TO:

- **James Fowler and Susan Weinstein** on the marriage of their daughter Sonya to Soham Mishra
- **Rabbi David and Dr. Renée Holtz** on the marriage of their child, Holly to Soledad Pérez
- **Neil Klein and Susanne Jones** on the marriage of their son Joshua to Jennie Blumenfeld
- **Robin Kolodzinski** on the marriage of her daughter Arielle to Joshua Rotenberg
- **Jodie Lane and Diane and Richard Lane** on the engagement of their son and grandson, Hudson to Dante Sasso, Jr.

MAZEL TOV TO (CONTINUED):

- **Donna and Rick Misrok** on the engagement of their daughter Arielle to Ely Masson and on the marriage of their son Ian to Abby Bernbaum.
- **Diane Werner Osborn** on the birth of her grandson Theo Ira Greenberger. Proud parents are Emma Osborn and Alex Greenberger.
- **Mark Polisar and Felise Milan** on the birth of their grandson, Asher Samuel Quint. Proud parents are Ariel Milan-Polisar and Jason Quint.
- **Maria Roglieri and Daniel Friedman** on the engagement of their son, David James Friedman to Bennie Lynn Weber
- **Leah and Robert Schiffman** on the engagement of their son Ben to Sarah Unowsky
- **Jared & Amy Zerman** on the marriage of their son, Adam, to Emma Bartlett

DONATIONS



THE DONATIONS LISTED BELOW WERE RECEIVED
AFTER MAY 16, 2026 AND PRIOR TO AUGUST 1, 2026.

ARZA

- **Barry & Jane Agdern**
- **Herb & Melissa Baer**
- **Sharon DeLevie & Steven Haber**
- **Ida Doctor**
- **David & Ina Bearak Helfand**
- **Peter & Amy Herzog**
- **Howard Jacobowitz & Patti Potash**
- **Marvin & Joyce Jeshiva**
- **Sharon Kirschner**
- **Leonard & Joanne Leven**
- **Brooke & John McDevitt**
- **Richard & Linda Okrasinski**
- **Lee & Pam Parker**
- **Liz Ross & Bernie Tolpin**
- **Steve & Roberta Rothkin**
- **Dietmar & Tammy Serbee**
- **Peter Stein & Danielle Barrocas**
- **Carol & Bradley Wank**
- **Ira & Harriet Weinbaum**

DONATIONS



BIMA FLOWERS

- **Rabbi David and Dr. Renée Holtz** in honor of Holly and Soledad

BOARD OF TRUSTEES -CHESED

- **David Frank & Bernice Rogowitz** in honor of Rabbi David Holtz

BUILDING FUND

- **David Frank & Bernice Rogowitz**
- **Howard & Honey Sackelman** in honor of Arnie Ecker

CARING COMMITTEE

- **Paula Lerer** in memory of Richard, Tulie, Norman Lerer, and Gladys and Ellen Plosky

CGC Fund

- **Howard & Honey Sackelman** in memory of Jody Angstreich

CONSERVATIVE KIDDUSH FUND

- **Barry & Jane Agdern** in memory of Ruth Krupp
- **Herb & Melissa Baer** in honor of Rabbi David Holtz
- **Susan & Jonathan Cember** in honor of the birth of Jacob Cember
- **Ida Doctor**
- **Donna & Richard Fleming** in memory of Murray Soson
- **Diane & Richard Lane**
- **Rick & Donna Misrok** in honor of Rabbi Holtz
- **Robert Rubenstein & Elsa Shapiro** in honor of their 25th Wedding anniversary
- **David & Beth Rubin**
- **Pearl Ann Schwartz**
- **Gordon Swartz & Deborah Doyle** in memory of Robert Swartz

DONATION FOR SCHOOL SNACKS

- **Emily & Michael Chazen**
- **Brooke & John McDevitt**
- **Kate Press**
- **Stacy Sadove & Richard Zbeda**
- **Jason & Melissa Stein**

ENDOWMENT FUND

- **Herb & Melissa Baer** in memory of Sheldon Manspeizer
- **Ben & Audrey Gelfand** in honor of the wedding of Hannah Gelfand and Itai Rubin
- **Cantor Margot, Barry & Tamir Goldberg** in memory of Edward (Pete) Bermas
- **Cantor Margot, Barry & Tamir Goldberg** in memory of Pennie Bellard
- **Harryette Helsel** in memory of Sydelle Gordon
- **Harryette Helsel** in honor of Sheri Arnold's marriage to Jack Noland and Jeremy Swerling's 65th birthday
- **Harryette Helsel** in memory of Irving Helsel & Sheldon Manzpeizer
- **Peter & Amy Herzog**
- **Sharon Kirschner** in memory of Sheldon Manspeizer
- **Don Kumka & Jane Silverman** in memory of Ruth Biloon
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- **Larry & Nancy Lonky** in recognition of Rabbi David Holtz's 33 years of service
- **Susan Manspeizer**
- **Gary & Farron Roboff** in memory of Ruth Biloon
- **Gary & Farron Roboff** in memory of Dr. Shelden Manspeizer
- **Ira & Harriet Weinbaum** in memory of Bessie & Irving Yourke and Dr. Sheldon Manspeizer

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FRAN FRIEDMAN FUND FOR THE ENRICHMENT OF CHILDREN

- **Howard & Honey Sackelman** in memory of Mary Gordon

GALA DONATIONS

- **Keith & Debra Weintraub** in memory of Ida Lubchansky

HANNAH T. LEVY FUND

- **Barry & Jane Agdern**
- **Herb & Melissa Baer**
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- **Steven & Julia Gosset**
- **David & Ina Bearak Helfand**
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- **David Tabacoff & Sheri Bloom**
- **Carol & Bradley Wank**
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Member Services

- **Rabbi Justin Schwartz and Atlantic Tomorrow's Office** to sponsor TBA Fun Day in honor of Stessa Peers

Memorial Plaques

- **Sharon DeLevie & Steven Haber** in memory of Michael Haber
- **Phil Rothenberg** in memory of Harvey Rothenberg
- **Phil Rothenberg** in memory of Elaine Rothenberg

PINCUS RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

- **Jason & Melissa Stein** in honor of Emily Stein
- **Dr. Stephen & Linda Gerstman** in memory of Stella Lorenz & Dr. Gunter Lorenz

PRAYERBOOK FUND

- **Jerry & Marla Peers** in honor of Sarah Winston's Bat Mitzvah

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

- **Jaqueline Egelman** in memory of Jay Egelman
- **Ben & Audrey Gelfand** in honor of Rabbi Holtz
- **Dr. Stephen & Linda Gerstman** in memory of Dr. Sheldon Manspeizer
- **Charles & Linda Kaplan** in honor of Rabbi David Holtz
- **Jeffrey & Abby Reuben** in honor of Rabbi David Holtz
- **Robert Rubenstein & Elsa Shapiro** in honor of Rabbi Vaisberg
- **Howard & Honey Sackelman** in memory of Linda Angstreich
- **Nara Sandberg** in honor of Rabbi Holtz

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

- **Emily & Michael Chazen** in honor of Bennett & Camden Chazen
- **Jason & Alison Dolinger** in honor of Graham Dolinger
- **Jason & Melissa Stein** in honor of Emily Stein
- **Judy & Howard Zucker** in honor of Joyce & Marvin Jeshiva's 70th Anniversary

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TEACHER APPRECIATION FUND

- **Emily & Michael Chazen** in honor of Bennett & Camden Chazen
- **Jason & Alison Dolinger** in honor of Graham Dolinger
- **Brooke & John McDevitt** in honor of Dylan & Alexandra McDevitt
- **Kate Press** in honor of Gabriel and Levi Friedland
- **Stacy Sadove & Richard Zbeda** in honor of Benjamin & Lily Zbeda
- **Jason & Melissa Stein** in honor of Emily Stein

TEMPLE FUND

- **Barbara Barak** in memory of Benjamin Levine
- **Jim & Pam Barkley** in honor of Cantor Margot Goldberg
- **Stanley & Marcia Bell** in memory of Sheldon Manspeizer
- **David & Ina Bearak Helfand** in memory of Sheldon Manspeizer
- **Catherine & Kenneth Kaye** in memory of Ruth Biloon
- **Rochelle Kessler** for *mi shebeirach* prayers
- **Rochelle Kessler** in memory of Norman Kessler
- **Rochelle Kessler** in memory of Sheldon Manspeizer
- **Sharon Kirschner** in memory of Ruth Biloon
- **Don Kumka & Jane Silverman** in honor of Rabbi Vaisberg
- **Mark Mishler & Cynthia Barr-Pfeffer** in memory of Paula Mishler
- **Mark Mishler & Cynthia Barr-Pfeffer** in memory of Leonard Mishler & Jerry Pfeffer
- **Rosalyn Schechter**
- **Jerald & Gayle Seti** in memory of Ruth Biloon
- **Jerald & Gayle Seti** in memory of Sheldon Manspeizer
- **Phyllis Simpson** in memory of Philip Kleinman
- **Geri Singerman** in memory of Harry Yorkowitz
- **Geri Singerman** in memory of Max Yorkowitz
- **Geri Singerman** in memory of Diana Einsohn

TEMPLE FUND (CONTINUED)

- **Carole Thuor** in memory of George Thuor
- **Ira & Harriet Weinbaum** in memory of Joseph Weinbaum
- **David & Eileen Weiner** in memory of Joseph Weiner

TIKKUN OLAM FUND

- **Richard Weiner & Katherine Meinhold** in memory of Irving Weiner

YELLOW CANDLE

- **Wayne & Sherri Heller**
- **Marilyn Schwab**

YOUTH GROUP FUND

- **Cantor Dana Anesi** for the loan of our Torah
- **Jason & Alison Dolinger** in honor of Graham Dolinger
- **Jason & Melissa Stein** in honor of Emily Stein



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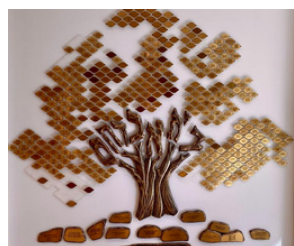

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Deadlines for upcoming issues:

September 8 for October, 2026

October 5 for November, 2026



LEAVES FOR LIFE CYCLE EVENTS ON OUR TREE OF LIFE

Our synagogue is proud to possess the *Etz Chaim*, our *Tree of Life*. This original sculpture by the noted synagogue artist, Sanford Werfel, is permanently displayed in the Temple Beth Abraham lobby. The branches of the tree contain leaves that may be inscribed to highlight or commemorate such joyous events as births, weddings, anniversaries, *b-mitzvot*, graduations or simply to honor parents, family, or friends. Share your happy occasions by inscribing your family *simchas* on our synagogue's *Tree of Life* as a permanent dedication to the meaningful and happy events that touch the lives of our community. **Please note that the creation of a leaf may take up to 8 weeks.**

The price per leaf is \$360.00 for members and \$450.00 for non-members.

For more information, please call the Temple office at (914) 631-1770

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