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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday, April 5

6:30 pm Erev Shabbat of Song & Story

Saturday, April 6

10:30 am Shabbat Service

Bar Mitzvah: Lucas Sossa

5:30 pm Vav Shabbat Service

Sunday, April 7

10:45 am Sunday Minyan

Friday, April 12

6:30 pm Tot Shabbat

7:10 pm Holocaust Torah Dedication

7:30 pm Erev Shabbat Graduation Service

Saturday, April 13

10:30 am Shabbat Service

B'not Mitzvah: Isabella Saphir

Samantha Saphir

10:30 am Shabbat Chapel Service

5:30 pm Shabbat Service

B'not Mitzvah: Alexis Fiallo

Parker Ofner

Sunday, April 14

10:45 am Sunday Minyan

Friday, April 19

First Seder - No Services

Saturday, April 20

10:30 am First Day of

Pesach/Shabbat Service

11:30 am Pesach Family Festival Celebration

Sunday, April 21

10:45 am Sunday Minyan

Thursday, April 25

7:30 pm Erev Seventh Day of Pesach Service including Yizkor

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MESSAGE FROM Cantor Eschler



Passover asks us to review and to challenge our way of thinking about ourselves and our interactions

This year, the first night of Passover falls on Friday, April 19th. We won't have Shabbat services at the Synagogue that night since most of us will be gathering around our own family tables to share in the first seder. In our seder we include Shabbat prayers. On Saturday night, April 20th, the congregation will have a second night seder (see the website for registration). We hope you'll join us for this warm family event.

Did you know that our weekly Shabbat services include Pesach prayers? The G'ulah prayer, most commonly known as the Mi Chamocha, is a weekly reminder that we

came out of Egypt and, even in the Kiddush for Shabbat, it "recalls the Exodus from Egypt" i.e., zecher litziat Mitzrayim. So why is the Exodus from Egypt such a major theme in our weekly Shabbat and yearly Festival services? Here are two very powerful reasons.

Know where you came from – that you were a stranger once in a strange land.

Weekly at Shabbat, and for a week during the year, we're supposed to reflect upon the idea that we were once unsettled, cast from what we knew, and faced with a new situation. The

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HOLD THE DATE

Celebrate Joshana
At Picnic Shabbat, Friday, May 24
Details to follow

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MESSAGE FROM *Buzz Karpay, President*



Horseradish – From the Ground to the Table

Earlier in the year I wrote about trying new things, and how that resulted in our building a sukkah each year. Now I'd like to tell you about trying new things for Passover.

Like everyone, we are constantly struggling to find the balance between doing things the same way we've always done them versus trying something new. Everyone has one specific recipe that they really want served at the seder meal, but, if we only make the favorites, we would never try anything new. Occasionally we need reminding that those old favorites were once new and, if we hadn't tried something new that year, we would never have discovered this new favorite.

This isn't a story about a chicken recipe, or about a new, favorite dessert. Rather, it's one of the more overlooked items, but one which almost all of us have at some point during Passover - horseradish.

For years, we bought a jar or two of horseradish as part of our Passover pantry. We used it during the seder, and whatever was left over would sit in the refrigerator, often until the next Passover, when it would be discarded in favor of a new jar. The horseradish root that was on the seder plate didn't stay in the refrigerator nearly as long, but came to the same ultimate end as the jar of horseradish. But one year, Lynn thought it would be

interesting to do something else with the horseradish root after Passover. Just for fun, she put the root in water, waited for small shoots to develop from the main root, and then she planted it. We have a small area in the back yard that wasn't being used for anything, between a wood pile (now gone) and the house, and that is where she planted the supermarket horseradish root.

The following year, we saw a few leaves where the horseradish was planted, but I thought it would be better to give it more time rather than dig it up. So, we let it stay in the ground for another year. By the following year, it was clear that we had to start harvesting horseradish. This small, previously-unused area of about 20 square feet now had horseradish growing all over it. I looked online to find a recipe for preparing horseradish. That year, for the first time, we didn't buy any horseradish – neither a root nor a jar. I learned how to adjust the recipe to make the prepared horseradish hotter than what typically comes in the jar, and we all discovered that eating a solid piece of horseradish isn't nearly as hot as we expected.

Digging up horseradish is also an activity that I do with my grandchildren, even if all we're digging up is a piece to put on the seder plate. It has been years since we have purchased any horseradish, but we always have more than we need. We've even supplied some to friends and neighbors without any danger of running low. After I dig up the roots, I trim off the

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COMING

This Month**WTBA Book Club****Tuesday, April 2****7:30 - 9 pm**

All are welcome to attend and discuss The Two-Family House by Lynda Cohen Loigman. Questions? Contact Terry (301.926.0815) or steinberg_4@comcast.net.

**Network & Nosh****Friday, April 5****8 - 9:30 am**

Are you in business for yourself? A budding entrepreneur or a seasoned business owner? Join us for a light nosh and the opportunity to make valuable personal and professional connections at the Temple at our monthly get-together. Topic: Digital Marketing: Social Media marketing, SEO, PPC and so much more! Facilitated by Ed Samuels, Chief Technology Officer of Auxilium Technology. RSVP by 4/4 to SLG@bethami.org. Questions? Marcy Waxman (marcy-waxmanrealty@gmail.com) or Ellen Davis (edavis@lifehealthhome.com). Supported by the Innovation Fund.

**Sunday, April 7****2 pm**

Come by the Temple on Good Deeds Day for a variety of on-site mitzvah activities. The Tikkun Olam committee, with support from the Brotherhood, will facilitate assembling 100 'bake-less' lasagnas for Nourish Now (you must

register for a specific time slot through the Sign-up Genius in the Up to the Minute). WTBA will be organizing two projects (until 3:30 pm or until they're completed): packing stuff-a-duff bags for children entering emergency foster care and making cards and paracord bracelets to be sent to military personnel and First Responders for use in the field. Both of these activities are appropriate for all age groups and can earn SSL hours for MCPS students. Please contact Jeanne Kahn (jeannekahn@aol.com) for more information and/or to RSVP.

**Heading Home: The Tale of Team Israel****Sunday, April 7****5:30 pm**

The Brotherhood & Israel Matters proudly present a screening of the new documentary: Heading Home: The Tale of Team Israel, the David-and-Goliath story of Israel's national baseball team, as it competes for the first time in the World Baseball Classic. After years of crushing defeats, Israel finally ranks among the world's best in 2017; its roster including many Jewish-American major leaguers, most with a tenuous (at best) relationship to Judaism. Their odyssey takes them from the Holy Land to the tournament in South Korea. Their connection to Israel that the players forge pushes them to unexpected heights as they represent the country on the world stage. Enjoy the film "picnic" style, if you like: bring a beach chair to hold your favorite baseball refreshment (BYOB or wine), a blanket to sit on during the film, or feel free to use our chairs. Hotdogs (\$1) for sale; popcorn and soft drinks are complimentary. Cost: \$10 -adults; \$12 – guest adults and \$5 - kids under 18; \$6 – guest kids. Register online by 4/4.

COMING *This Month*



Rebuilding Together

Sundays, April 14, 28 & May 5

Grab a hammer, paintbrush, broom or rake and let's Rebuild Together. Volunteers (ages 14+) are needed to clean, paint, landscape and make necessary repairs to fix-up and brighten the home of a low income family in Montgomery County. Both skilled and unskilled volunteers are needed. This project is supported by the TBA Brotherhood and by the Temple. Please contact Roger Rothman (rothmania@aol.com) or 240.485.7642.



Women's Seder

Sunday, April 14

4 – 7 pm

Join WTBA for an all-new Women's Seder! Co-sponsored with the Women of Washington Hebrew Congregation, we'll welcome singer/songwriter Michelle Citrin to co-lead with our own Rabbi Weiss and WHC Cantor Susan Bortnick. We'll enjoy a delicious dinner catered by Windows Catering and a lively, interactive seder at the Julia Bindeman Suburban Center. The cost is \$72 for adults and \$36 for children ages 6-18. WTBA members and their minor children can take advantage of subsidies. (See the WTBA article in this issue for details.) RSVP online by April 8; no walk-ins. Contact Rhona Arbit at arbitfamily@gmail.com or Robin Temin at robin.temin@verizon.net for

more information.



Broadway Buzz with Steve Friedman

Monday, April 15

10:30 – 12 pm

Topic: The Juke Box Musical. Don't miss this popular Monday morning program, featuring footage, facts and, always, some live performance. Free for Temple members; \$10 for guests (cash or check only).



Live & Learn with Warren Marcus

Tuesdays, April 16, 23*, 30

10:30 am -12 pm

Topic: Holocaust Education and the "New Americans" Exhibit at the USHMM This 3 session course will be facilitated by Warren Marcus, TBA member and senior educator at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

Warren has presented workshops and conferences around the country and has been teaching about the Holocaust for over 35 years. On Tuesday, 4/23, the class will be held downtown at the Holocaust Museum (Warren will lead a tour of the "New Americans" Exhibit). Please RSVP to Shelly (SLG@bethami.org) with your name and \$10 by 4/16

if you would like to join us on the 23rd. See flyer for details about bus departure/return. No fee for classes on 4/16 and 4/30. Live & Learn is open to all who wish to explore a variety of topics during the daytime. The program is supported by the Sally Kera Live & Learn Fund and the Torah Fund for Adult Education.

**JUNE CHADASHOT
DEADLINE APRIL 25**



1st Day Passover Service
Family Passover Celebration
Matzah Brie Nosh
Erev 7th Day Passover Service/Yizkor
7th Day Passover Service/Yizkor

Saturday, April 20 10:30 am
Saturday, April 20 11:30 am- 12 pm
Saturday, April 20 12 pm
Thursday, April 25 7:30 pm
Friday, April 26 9 am



2nd Night Congregational Seder

Saturday, April 20

6 - 9 pm

The TBA clergy invite you to a catered, interactive, participatory, multi-generational, visual seder (most appropriate for elementary school age+). Cost includes full dinner, wine/grape juice, matzah, horseradish, hard-boiled eggs, charoset (nut free), Seder plate and coffee/tea. Dessert (kosher-for-Passover) is potluck. Register online by 4/11. Questions? Contact Shelly (SLG@bethami.org) or 301-340-6818 x227. The Congregational Seder is generously supported by the Jill Wolly Seder Fund.



LaBriyut – Maintaining Wellness

Tuesday, April 23

7 - 8 pm

Adults are invited for an hour of information and demonstration as we learn about Fitness after 50, Active Aging and balance and fall prevention. Presented by Fyzical Therapy and Balance Center (Rockville). No

fee to attend, but please RSVP by 4/22 to SLG@bethami.org. All are welcome.



Series: Conversations with Our Congregants in Congress

Sunday, April 28

4 pm

Join us for an informative and engaging conversation with Rep. Adam Schiff (Democrat representing California's 28th District), interviewed by Rabbi Pokras. Congressman Schiff has served in Congress since 2001. Throughout his tenure in Congress, he has focused on growing the economy, bolstering national security, strengthening our communities, helping small businesses, and improving education, safety and health care for our children. In his 10th term in the House of Representatives, Schiff currently serves as the Chair of the House Permanent Select Committee on

Intelligence. Our next conversation will feature Congressman David Trone; date to be announced. For more information, go to www.bethami.org

2020 TEMPLE ISRAEL TRIP

JULY 1 - 12, 2020

INFORMATIONAL MEETING - WEDNESDAY, MAY 22 @ 7:30 PM

See Temple website for itinerary

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Yom HaShoah Commemoration

Tuesday, April 30

6:30 pm

On a summer day in 1945, an Orthodox man and his grown son return to a village in Hungary while the villagers prepare for the wedding of the town clerk's son. The townspeople, suspicious, remorseful, fearful and cunning – expect the worst and behave accordingly. The film, 1945, presents a complex picture of a society trying to come to terms with the recent horrors they've experienced, perpetrated, or just tolerated for personal gain. Winner – Audience Award – Jewish film festivals in Australia, Austria, Washington, Berlin and Chattanooga. (2017). This screening is made possible by the Oscar Pohoryles Holocaust Education Endowment Fund.

TIKKUN OLAM *Community Service Projects*



LEND A HAND

Temple Beth Ami Community Service Projects

Thank you in advance for your support!
(For information on additional TBA

community service projects, visit bethami.org/groups/TO.)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- **Help Deliver Passover Goodies/Necessities Near the Temple, April 14** - TBA will again need volunteers to pick up and deliver Passover Baskets to those in need in the local Jewish community on Sunday, April 14, at the front entrance of TBA at 9:30 am. For questions or to volunteer, contact Tina Levine at je.tklevine@verizon.net, or Monya Cohen at mjcohen0636@gmail.com.
- **TBA Representative Needed for CMR's Advisory Group** - Our current liaison to Community Ministries of Rockville is leaving the area, and we're looking for someone to take her place and help provide input from the Temple to this invaluable agency that serves vulnerable residents of Rockville and Montgomery County. For more information, contact Lynn Goodman at lynngoodman13@yahoo.com, or Mark Joffe at marksjoffe@gmail.com.
- **Help Area Refugee Families With Their English Skills** - Volunteers needed to tutor newly arrived immigrant families in English, either in person or via the Internet. For more information or to volunteer, contact Emil Mendelavich at emiliomendelavich@outlook.com.

COLLECTIONS

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THESE DRIVES!

- **Paper/Cleaning Supplies** - Please bring the following items to the box in the Temple lobby during April: toilet paper, paper towels, all-purpose cleaners, disinfectant spray, antibacterial hand soap, and laundry detergent pods. The items will be donated to the Stepping Stones Shelter and Mansfield Kaseman Health Clinic, both in Rockville.
- **Sanitary Products for Area Women's Shelters** - The Women of Temple Beth Ami will collect sanitary products at this year's Women's Seder, Sunday, April 14, 4 – 7:30 pm, at the Bindeman Center on Falls Road. WTBA is co-sponsoring this Seder with the Women of Washington Hebrew Congregation.
- **Ongoing Food Drive** - Please bring cans (preferably 12 oz. or larger) of tuna, chicken, or salmon (no Spam, please) and fruits in 100% juice (not in syrup, please) to the box in the Temple lobby. Benefits families served by the Manna Food Center and Nourish Now.
- **Box Tops for Education (BTE) Labels** - Help needy area schools turn these little pink labels into cash for needed items and supplies. Bring your labels to the collection boxes in the Temple lobby, Religious School office & Nursery School office. Questions? Contact Bernard Silverstein at cynbern@verizon.net.

IN THE COMMUNITY

- **Attend CMR's "Broadening the Reach" Gala**, Saturday, April 27, 6 – 11 pm, Lakewood Country Club - Help support CMR's many programs for the vulnerable in Montgomery County. Contact Andrea Kempner-Wink at andreakwink@cmrocks.org for more information or to volunteer to help organize, sponsor, or staff the event; and/or to donate items, gift cards/certificates, etc. for the auction.

BROTHERHOOD

News

Greetings TBA Brothers and Temple members. The Brotherhood enjoyed a great brunch and presentation from Reid Cherner this February. We had a nice turnout of Brothers, Reid's storytelling thoroughly entertained us, and Attman's deli spread was delicious, as usual. For those who missed it, Reid was the first sports reporter at USA Today. He chatted about high school and college sports, NBA, NFL, bowling and horse racing. He even collects Bill Bradley memorabilia -- wow!

Very cool event in the planning stages for all of TBA! The TBA Brotherhood and TBA Israel Matters is reserving the rights to air the film **"Heading Home: The Tale of Team Israel"** on April 7th at 5:30 pm. "Heading Home" is the Tale of Team Israel -- the David-and-Goliath story of Israel's national baseball team as it competes for the first time in the World Baseball Classic. After years of crushing defeats,

Israel finally ranks among the world's best in 2017. Its roster includes many Jewish-American major leaguers, most with a tenuous relationship to Judaism, barely any ever having set foot in Israel. Trailer: <https://youtu.be/GmILVsxSKEs>

Admission will be \$10 adults and \$5 children. This movie is really cool and interesting, and is open to all TBA members and guests. Baseball-type fare will be available at very reasonable prices: hotdogs, popcorn, etc. We'll provide non-alcoholic refreshments, but BYOB and wine.

Other Brotherhood events coming this spring include and beyond:



Brotherhood Golf Tournament – May 14. Please contact Pete Cantor with any questions pghcantor@yahoo.com.



Brotherhood Softball – please be sure to have joined the Brotherhood in anticipation of opening day two weeks after

Passover! Contact Rob Shapiro shapiro0504@yahoo.com

Yet to be scheduled Brotherhood Brunch featuring Josh Rosenblatt (YES, our Janice's son!) author of the highly rated and reviewed book, "Why We Fight: One Man's Search for Meaning Inside the Ring". Please pick up his book at your retailer of choice (i.e. Amazon). We're planning for this in the fall of 2019 – stay tuned!

As always, please feel free to reach out to me with any ideas or suggestions.

Steve Roberts



Brotherhood Brunch



Bagel Bar

WOMEN OF TEMPLE BETH AMI

News

Women's Seder

As we gear up for Passover, we begin to think about planning for our seders. In addition to the traditional seder, many synagogues, including Temple Beth Ami, have hosted a Women's Seder, echoing the struggle for women's recognition and equality with the Exodus story of oppression and freedom.

In 1976, the very first Women's Passover Seder was hosted by Esther Broner in New York City. She, and other feminist activists including Gloria Steinem and Letty Cottin Pogrebin, created a women's Haggadah. This Haggadah, which included the Wise Women, the Four Daughters, the Women's Questions, The Women's Plagues, and a feminist version of Dayenu, was then published in Ms. Magazine so that other women could also celebrate Passover in this way. Today, Women's Seders may also include a cup of water for Miriam and an orange on the Seder plate to symbolize the fruitfulness when we work to include people who are marginalized within the Jewish community.

Multiple generations of TBA women - grandmothers, mothers, daughters, and granddaughters - have gathered at Beth Ami for many years to celebrate Passover at TBA's annual Women's Seder. This year, we're trying something new and exciting! We are co-sponsoring the Seder with the Women of Washington Hebrew Congregation. Together we will welcome singer/songwriter Michelle Citrin to lead with our own Rabbi Weiss and WHC Cantor Susan Bortnick. Our joint Women's Seder will be held on Sunday, April 14 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm. We'll enjoy a

delicious dinner catered by Windows Catering and a lively, interactive seder at the Julia Bindeman Suburban Center, 11810 Falls Road in Potomac. The cost is \$72 for adults and \$36 for children ages 6-18. Thanks to a successful membership drive and fundraisers this year, WTBA is able to offer a subsidy of up to half the fee for WTBA members and their minor children. WTBA members can choose to pay \$72, \$54, or \$36 for themselves, and \$36, \$27, or \$18 for their children who are between the ages of 6 and 18. RSVP online by April 8. We hope you are able to join us for a fun evening! Please contact Rhona Arbit at arbitfamily@gmail.com or Robin Temin at robin.temin@verizon.net for more information.



Book Club

Join the WTBA Book Club on Tuesday, April 2 from 7:30 - 9 pm at the Temple. The book for discussion will be *The Two-Family House* by Lynda Cohn Loigman. Please contact Terry Steinberg at 301-926-0815 or steinberg_4@comcast.net with any questions or to be added to the WTBA Book Club group e-mail list.



Good Deeds Day

As part of Good Deeds Day on Sunday, April 7, WTBA will be organizing two mitzvah projects at the Temple from 2:00 - 3:30 pm. We will be packing Stuff-a-Duff bags for children who enter emergency foster

care, and we will also make cards and paracord bracelets to be sent to military personnel and First Responders for use in the field.

Both projects will have activities that are appropriate for all age groups and MCPS students can earn SSL hours for volunteering. Please contact Jeanne Kahn at JeanneKahn@aol.com for more information and/or to RSVP to attend.



Manna Food Center

Thank you to the volunteers who helped sort food for Manna in January: Nancy and Michael Yarvin, Rebecca, Michael and Jacob Reiser, Adam Abrahams, Cary Feldman, Dave Gavin, Robert Moses, Gary Rosen, Ed Prystowsky, Tom Schild, and Ellen Harrison. A special thank you goes out to Rhonda Gaynor for coordinating this family friendly Tikkun Olam activity! The February food sorting was canceled due to the snow storm, but will be rescheduled. Please contact Rhonda at Rhonda.gaynor@gmail.com if you are interested in future volunteer opportunities with Manna Food Center.

Mah Jongg Tournament

We had another successful Mah Jongg Tournament at the Temple in February. The day was full of good food, cash and door prizes, and lots of friendly competition! Mazel tov to WTBA members Jeanne Kahn and Heather Luxenberg for winning first and second places! A huge thank you to Rachel Maryn who organized the tournament. Thank you also to Rhona Arbit, Melissa Bauman,

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NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

*Paula Sayag,
Director*



How a Weekly Challah Changed Fridays in My House

The first four years of my tenure as a TBANS parent, I glanced at the Challah Club flier when it arrived in my inbox or child's school bag and immediately discarded it. I like challah just as much as the next person—probably even more (a vegetarian from a young age, I remember some Shabbat dinners at friends' houses growing up during which I *only* ate challah).

My current family of 5 wasn't in the habit of singing blessings or having a Shabbat meal though, so it didn't even occur to me to consider signing up for a weekly challah.

Until this year.

The flier arrived like clockwork, with a slew of forms for the approaching school year. A black and white, cartoon challah beckoned, informing me that my own delicious, braided loaf could be waiting in the preschool lobby every Friday morning. This time, I paused. Maybe I was just hungry, but my

immediate reaction wasn't to toss it. So, on a whim, I added it to the pile of forms to complete. The commitment was only the first half of the year.

The first Friday of the school year, I grabbed my challah off the cart in the lobby. Instantly, my almost 2-year-old was frantically reaching and screaming. "Challahhhhhhhh, Mommy!" I swore he'd eaten breakfast.

We shared some in the car on the way home, and that quickly became our Friday ritual.

Then my older kids would come home from TBANS and the elementary school bus stop, and they would see that tantalizing challah sitting on the counter.

It became their afterschool snack on Fridays.

Until one day, when one of my kids asked why we didn't say the blessing or light the candles. I didn't have a good answer.

I don't love to cook, and I'm not especially good at it, but if my children

were requesting more of a Shabbat observance, we'd need a decent meal to go along with it. So, my youngest and I added a grocery store stop to our Friday morning routine. (He's surprisingly delightful when I let him eat challah as we peruse the aisles.) I also pulled out the candlesticks and challah covers that my children had created during their preschool years.

Slowly, over the first months of the school year, Shabbat became something we do in my house. Let's not go crazy—it's not every week. Work schedules, bedtimes, and week-end crankiness sometimes get in the way. But the pride on my kids' faces as they joyfully sing (and botch) Hebrew words is addicting.

So for us, the Challah Club has been about much more than just bread. When the flier for the 2nd half of the year arrived, I didn't hesitate at all.

By **Jodie Fishman**, TBANS Correspondent



B'NAI MITZVAH

Profiles

Please join with us at Shabbat Services during the month of April as we celebrate with...



LUCAS ALEXANDER SOSSA, son of Genene and Ben, will become a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, April 6. He is a 7th grade student at Cabin John Middle School. Lucas has a younger sister, Sofia. For his Bar Mitzvah project, Lucas is making cards for kids at Shady Grove Hospital.



ISABELLA ANNE SOPHIR, daughter of Vanessa and Eric, will become a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, April 13. She is a 7th grade student at Julius West Middle School. Izzy has a twin sister, Sammy, and a younger brother, Joey.



SAMANTHA ROSE SOPHIR, daughter of Vanessa and Eric, will become a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, April 13. She is a 7th grade student at Julius West Middle School. Sammy has a twin sister, Izzy, and a younger brother, Joey.



LEXI FIALLO, daughter of Nancy Fiallo and Luis Fiallo, will become a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, April 13. She is a 7th grade student at Lakeland's Park Middle School. For her Bat Mitzvah project, Lexi is helping support disabled adults through the Jewish Federation of Group Homes.



PARKER OFNER, daughter of Robin and Steve, will become a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, April 13. She is a 7th grade student at Rocky Hill Middle School. Parker has a younger sister, Zoe. For her Bat Mitzvah project, Parker and a friend are planning and running a community service program at a

spring break camp.



JORDAN BERNSTEIN, son of Brad and Tanya, will become a Bar Mitzvah on Thursday, April 18 at the Hebrew Congregation of St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands. He is a 7th grade student at Lakelands Park Middle School.

Jordan has a younger brother, Sean. Jordan will be sharing his special day with his cousin, Ethan Bernstein.



MASON JAKE ROTH, son of Becky and Jamie, will become a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, April 27. He is a 7th grade student at Julius West Middle School. Mason has a younger brother, Jarrett. For his Bar Mitzvah project, Mason will be volunteering to help clean up the

environment in Montgomery County.



JUSTIN GOODSTEIN, son of Jennifer Goodstein and Ron Goodstein, will become a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday April 27. He is a 7th grade student at Lakelands Park Middle School. Justin has an older sister, Madison.

"There's Always Room for One More Around the Passover Table"

Our children learn to sing the song and you can hear it on Cantor Eschler's wonderful Passover CD (available in the Judaica Shop). The first seder is Friday, April 19. Can you set another place – or two- at your seder table? Do you need a place to go for seder? Please contact Shelly at 301-340-6818 or slg@bethami.org and we will try to make a match. Also, plan to attend the Congregational Second Night Seder on April 20 (more information to follow)

SIMCHAS*Mazel Tov to...*

Cooper Charkatz, Brady Cohen and Jonah Goldberg each on becoming a Bar Mitzvah

Julie Grossman and Ashley Hays each on becoming a Bat Mitzvah

Jeri and Jeff Berman on the engagement of their son, **Lee, and Laura Reff**

Catherine Copp on the engagement of her daughter, **Hannah Tishler, and David Heiss**

Phyllis and Mark Silverman on the birth of their grandson, **Leo Bernard Silverman.**

Robin and Tom Temin on the birth of their grandson, **Shmuel Aharon Temin**

Tikkun Olam for being honored by CMR for its dedication and service to the residents of the CMR housing program.

Celeste King, Principal of South Lake Elementary School, for winning the prestigious Dr. Edward Shirley Award for Excellence in Educational Administration and Supervision, and to **TBA's Community of Action and all TBA members** whose donations over the years have benefited South Lake. TBA's support of South Lake was referenced in the press release announcing the award.

Special Thanks To:**Our Shabbat Hospitality Committee**

The Cookie Brigade for our Oneg cookies

The Culinary Crew for our Shabbat challot

Matzoh Fundraiser

Celebrate Passover with printed matzoh – unique and fun – made with edible ink and certified kosher for Passover (baked by Aviv in Israel). Makes a wonderful hostess gift and/or something new for your seder table. www.matzohgram.com, enter TBA code RFM491 and the Temple earns 30% on each order of \$30 or more.

**How Did the Passover Seder Originate?**

In the book of Exodus, the Israelites are instructed to observe the anniversary each year of their escape from Egypt. All Jews were supposed to slaughter a lamb, eat it

with matzoh and maror, and smear some of its blood on their doorposts; this ritual was performed around the time of the Second Temple, about the sixth century BCE. As one of the pilgrimage holidays, Pesach was a time that Jews from around the countryside came to Jerusalem to offer sacrifices and dine together.

However, this celebration was much different from the modern seder and its Haggadah. The first references to a seder and Haggadah are found in the Mishnah, where there is a mention of Rabbi Gamaliel exhorting Jews to be certain to explain the pascal lamb, matzah and maror at the seder. He linked each term to biblical verses. Later scholars have noted the seder's parallels to the Hellenistic banquet, in which many foods and cups of wine are consumed while reclining on cushions. However, even if the Jews took the form of a Greek symposium, they turned the celebration into one that had the primary purpose of educating.

The seder for the first night of Passover will be held on Friday, April 19. Shabbat services will not be held that evening at the Temple. Shabbat and the first day of Pesach services will be held on Saturday, April 20, at 10:30am; the family Pesach celebration will take place at 11:30am; both are followed by a Matzah Brie nosh at noon. The second night congregational seder will be held on Saturday, April 20 (see information in this newsletter and on line at www.bethami.org). Chag sameach!

Check out our new mobile friendly website.
www.bethami.org

MACHANE TBA NEWS

*Kim Roberts,
Director*



Calendar

Tuesday, April 2

Mid-Week Gr 3 - 6 in session

TBAjrHigh in session

TBAHigh – Core 1 Night

Saturday, April 6

Vav Shabbat Family Experience

Gallery 4:30 pm, Service 5:30 pm

Sunday, April 7

Machane TBA In Session

Gr 3 - 6 Kehillah 12:30 - 2 pm

Bet Family Seder 9:45 - 11 am

TBAHigh Kehillah 2:00 pm

Tuesday, April 9

Mid-Week Gr 3 - 6 in session

TBAjrHigh in session

TBAHigh Chug 1 Night

(Confirmation, Cooking, HW

Hangout, Social Action, 3D Printing)

Friday-April 12

12th Grade Service 7:30-8:45 pm

Sunday, April 14

Machane TBA NOT In Session

Tuesday, April 16

Machane Hebrew, TBAjrHigh &

TBAHigh NOT in Session

Sunday, April 21

Machane TBA NOT in Session

Tuesday, April 23

Mid-Week Gr 3-6 in session

TBAjrHigh in session

TBAHigh – Core 2 Night

Thursday-Sunday, April 25-28

NFTY-MAR Spring Kallah

Sunday, April 28

Machane TBA In Session

Vav Death & Dying Family Education
during L'mata Session

Taste of Gan 11:30-12:30

Madrichim Meeting 12:30-1:15

Monday, April 29

Kayitz Pay in Full deadline &

End of regular registration

Pesach at Machane TBA is a very special time of year. Pesach is one of the three annual "Pilgrimage Festivals", or hagim, when ancient Israelites made pilgrimage to the Temple in Jerusalem to worship, bring offerings, and observe the festivals together as a community. It is not an accident that observance of these festivals also coincides with seasonal harvests, which harkens to an even more ancient agricultural past which dictated the year for ancient peoples. Pesach developed into one of the most remarkable traditions that we have in Judaism - it has a ritual service that is observed and performed AT HOME. The Pesach seder is a beautiful act of Jewish historical memory which asks EVERY person participating in a seder to view oneself as if SHE/HER actually came out from Egypt and moved from a state of slavery to one of freedom.

There are numerous other unique customs and rituals connected with Pesach and, at Machane TBA, we seek to teach our students about many of them so that they can actively participate in their sederim. This year, led by our clergy, TBAHigh will engage in a "Virtual Model Seder". We hope that this community experience will enable our students to both learn more about how to run a seder and to enjoy celebrating the communal aspect of the

upcoming festival together with their TBAHigh friends.

All of our other students will busily be preparing for Pesach as well. Primary grades have special music sessions with the Cantor and they work on learning the Four Questions. Gan (kindergarten) grows their own parsley and Alef (first grade) makes matzah covers. Bet (second grade) makes beautiful seder plates and they have a wonderful musical parent and child model seder. Our students in grades 3-6 have special lessons which include reviewing the Passover story, studying aspects of the Haggadah, reviewing the Four Questions and learning the order of the Seder, among other things. This year, grades 3-6 will also host the JCrafts "Matzah Factory," during which they will learn all about making matzah and taste matzah that is baked on the spot according to Jewish Law.

The special lessons and activities discussed above are some of the ways that we seek to prepare our students for a meaningful Jewish life outside of Machane TBA. We wish you and your family a Hag Sameach as we celebrate our special Spring holiday season!

Tuesday, April 30

Mid-Week Gr 3-6 in session

TBAjrHigh in session

TBAHigh – Chug 2 Night

(Aliyah Bet, HW Hangout, Sports & Jewish games, Leadership, Student Council Committees, Yoga)



Graduating Seniors on Civil Rights Trip

Congratulations to Our Graduating TBAHigh Students

Please join us as we honor TBAHigh's graduating seniors at Erev Shabbat Services on Friday, April 12 at 7:30 pm.

Harris Edenbaum, son of Gayle Friedman and Jonathan Edenbaum

Meredith Halperin, daughter of Judith and Kenneth Halperin

Jacob Kahler, son of Allyson and James Kahler

Jordyn Wagman, daughter of Julie and Jeffrey Wagman

Sydney White, daughter of Sherri Koch and Mark White

NFTY/TBAHigh



Ice Skating



PHOTO REVIEW

Hamentashen Baking and PJ Community Shabbat, Machane in Action





Making Mezzuzahs



Mitzvah Projects



COMMITTEE

News

IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT FINANCIAL AID FOR FY20

In March 2018, Temple Beth Ami's Board of Directors approved a new financial aid process developed by the Financial Secretary's Committee. The purpose of the change was to make sure that Temple Beth Ami can continue to provide aid to families who find themselves in situations of great financial need and who cannot afford the full cost of membership. The new process was put in place for FY19 and will be used again for FY20. Financial aid will be limited to the Temple's financial capacity and will change from year to year, as reflected in the budget. Each year the Budget Committee will allocate the funds available for financial aid. Due to yearly fluctuations in both the total pool of available aid and the total number of people and families requesting financial aid, this process may also impact the Temple's ability to provide financial aid to individuals from year to year (even if the applicant's situation has not changed).

As always, we will continue to do our best to provide assistance to those who need it. All Temple members will receive a letter in May listing the Board approved fees for the coming year. A worksheet will be available on line so you can compute your annual commitment (financial aid forms will be due before you receive the FY20 invoice in mid-July which will reflect this amount). Every applicant for financial aid must complete a Financial Aid Request Form in its entirety, whether or not they have requested aid in the past. The Financial Aid Request Form will be available on the web-site in May. **ALL FORMS MUST BE RETURNED BY JUNE 30 TO BE CONSIDERED.** The Financial Aid Committee will only be able to allocate the funds available, so meeting this deadline is critical.

Aid will be on a financial need basis with those in the most financial need receiving the most aid. All forms will be considered together at the same time in a blind process with all personally identifiable information removed. The Financial Aid Committee will rank the forms by demonstrated financial need. Consideration will be given first to those with the most demonstrated need. All ACCOUNTS MUST BE CURRENT FOR THIS CURRENT YEAR (FY19) TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FINANCIAL AID. Please understand that, while

it is always our goal to be accessible to every person seeking a Jewish community, the increasing amount of aid being distributed (over \$500,000 in FY18) and the on-going deficit (\$100,000) make it impossible for us to continue distributing aid to those families who cannot or will not demonstrate financial need. We are always here to assist you if you have questions or concerns.

Carol S. Martin, Financial Secretary
Burt Feldman, Assistant Financial Secretary

COMMUNITY OF ACTION: WHAT'S NEXT FOR MARYLAND SCHOOLS?

As part of its work to help narrow the opportunity gap in Montgomery County Public Schools, the Temple's Community of Action team has been advocating at the state and county levels for increased funding for school construction (South Lake) and for full funding of the Kirwan Commission recommendations. These policy initiatives include greater access to early childhood education, wrap-around services to combat poverty, mental health professionals in all schools, more resources for children with special needs, and higher wages for teachers, bus drivers and support personnel. We started advocating for South Lake students but quickly realized that the Kirwan Commission recommendations would improve all public schools in Montgomery County. A rising tide lifts all boats!! For more information see www.strongschoolsmaryland.org. To get more involved, see the Community of Action webpage at bethami.org and watch UTTM for upcoming advocacy dates!

MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME IN YOUR TEMPLE

Do you have a few minutes? Park your car, come in and say hello. We are always happy to see you. Make yourself comfortable in the lobby (our wifi is your wifi); stop by the library and enjoy a hot drink, wi-fi and a wonderful collection of books, CD's and DVD's to browse. Visit the Judaica Shop. Make the Temple your home.

TIKKUN OLAM IN ACTION

CMR Honors TBA for Shelter Meals Project



Community Ministries of Rockville (CMR) gave TBA and our volunteers its FY18 Housing Program Volunteer of the Year Award for providing dinners to residents of CMR's Jefferson and Rockland Houses one Sunday per month. TBA also provided Christmas Day dinners at both houses this past December. Amy Weinberg, the Tikkun Olam (TO) Committee member who coordinates the monthly meals project for these houses, accepted the award at CMR's Volunteer Appreciation Reception in January.

The Jefferson House provides permanent, supportive housing to six homeless men who have finished a recovery and/or treatment program but were unable to find clean, safe, affordable housing in Montgomery County. These men have stabilized their substance abuse and are employed, take college classes, or are in training for career skills. Similarly, the Rockland House provides a home, supportive services, and case management to five women who had been coping with homelessness.

A big THANK YOU to all of the volunteers who have made this project successful by bringing meals to one of these houses one Sunday per month since the project began in 2017. This project works well for TBA families and/or individuals because preparing and dropping off a meal for 5 or 6 people isn't overwhelming and the residents, who generally shop for and prepare their own meals on other nights, are so appreciative of our efforts. We're thinking of adding an additional Sunday per month to allow more

families/members to participate. For more information about this project, contact Amy Weinberg at zatsky@msn.com. To volunteer, watch for the SignUpGenius link that appears quarterly in TBA's Up to the Minute emails.

TBA and the TO Committee have been supporting CMR's work in the community for many years. Temple members regularly assist in such CMR projects as the Mansfield Kaseman Health Clinic, Language Outreach Program, Holiday Giving Program, and Rockville Emergency Assistance Program. For more information on CMR, its projects, and how you can help, visit cmrocks.org or contact andreakwink@cmrocks.org.

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Friday, April 26

9:00 am Seventh Day of Pesach Service including Yizkor

7:30 pm Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, April 27

10:30 am Shabbat Service

Bar Mitzvah: Mason Roth

5:30 pm Shabbat Service

Bar Mitzvah: Justin Goodstein

Sunday, April 28

10:45 am Sunday Minyan

Friday, May 3

6:30 pm Erev Shabbat of Song & Story

Saturday, May 4

10:30 am Shabbat Service

B'nai Mitzvah: Samara Ginsberg

Noah Sexter

Sunday, May 5

10:45 am Sunday Minyan

WELCOME HOME SNOWBIRDS

We missed you. Please email or call the office so we can switch your address back to your home address.

COMMITTEE

News

This is What Beth Ami Looks Like: The Community of Action's Hands-On Support at South Lake Elementary School

Art Club After-School Enrichment Program

This twice-weekly program was conceived by the Community of Action in 2016 and is run entirely by Temple Beth Ami members. It is a deeply rewarding experience for the 8-10 congregants who consistently volunteer over the course of a school year. In addition, at least 5 B'nai Mitzvah students and 2 teens have participated.

We estimate over the course of the three years of the program, approximately 135 children have benefitted from the program, albeit we have had some repeat customers. Enrollment is limited to 15 students and is on a first-come basis. The school tries to honor first-time students over repeats; there is always a waiting list. By the end of this school year, we will have run a total of 90 sessions (we began at 20 sessions and are now running 40 sessions).

Chess Club Enrichment Program

A TBA congregant and her high school age son have volunteered to run and support this once a week program that runs for 10 weeks. The family donated all supplies including chess set, boards, and other teaching supplies.

Spring Break "Camp"

In 2016-2017, working with the director of the Linkages for Learning program at South Lake, two Temple members supported the four-day, two-hour afternoon program by offering an art activity that was paired with an outdoor activity. Approximately 10 TBA teens also worked at the camp, especially with the outdoor component and earned school community service hours. South Lake asked us to repeat the program, but we have been unable to find adequate volunteers this year or last year. We hope to be able to conduct school vacation programming in the future.

Mommy and Me Parenting Program

This program was conceived by the Community of Action and is run entirely by two Temple Beth Ami volunteers. Working with the director of the Linkages for Learning program at South Lake, a parenting class for mothers and children ages infant to PreK is

offered to engage little ones, offer parenting education and companionship for mothers and a positive image for South Lake ES. The once a week (8 weeks) program began with 8 sessions and is now up to 16 sessions.

ESL Classes

For the past two years, Beth Ami congregants serve as assistants two mornings a week in ESL classes taught at South Lake for South Lake parents.

Lunch Time Reading Volunteers

For the past three years, Beth Ami volunteers have come in at lunchtime to read with South Lake students under the direction of the reading specialist at South Lake.

Other Temple Groups Support of South Lake

Tikkun Olam Committee

Book Drive: 2000 books were donated to South Lake students before Winter break 2017. Congregants went to South Lake to tie ribbons and cards around the books with South Lake staff members. Due to TBA's generosity, there were enough books for every child to receive two! (The second round was distributed at the end of the year)

Collections: The TO Committee has devoted a number of its collections over the past three years to South Lake. TO also collects unwrapped gifts for the South Lake Linkages to Learning families for Christmas. Many people in the congregation have been made aware of the Temple's "adoption" of South Lake, and its close proximity to the Temple and to the communities where we live. This fact alone has made the collections, the call for volunteers, even the monetary donation for art supplies meaningful. The congregation is understanding what need is in our own community and responding to it.

Box Tops for Education Drive:

The TO committee collects the Box Tops for Education and donates them to South Lake. Even though this is a very small amount of money and a very small job, it means a lot to South Lake and is another small gesture of caring from Beth Ami.

Critical Issues Forum

CIF's expertise in food insecurity has benefitted South Lake. Through CIF's advocacy, all students at South Lake are receiving free lunches this year. In the past, when the accounts of students on the "reduced fee" program ran out of money, the school absorbed the costs until parents could replenish their account. Doing so cut into the school's budget for field trips and other programming. Full field trip and programming funding will be available this year as a result of CIF's efforts in Annapolis.

Camp. The CoP connected Kayitz and TBANS with South Lake's principal. Several South Lake children have attended the Kayitz camp for a few weeks subsidized by the school.

TBANS has run collections to benefit South Lake.

Teens. Inspired by Rabbi Weiss, the confirmation class has made sandwiches for South Lake. On Rosh Hashanah, teens made 100 snack bags for South Lake students to bring home for weekend consumption. At least five B'nai Mitzvah students have volunteered at South Lake.

If you would like to support our programs or have new ideas and suggestions, please contact: Debra (debrajacobs@comcast.net), Susan (sssterndragon@gmail.com) or Sue (foxdsgc@aol.com). To make a much needed and appreciated financial contribution, please donate on line (under Tikkun Olam, indicate South Lake) or send a check to the Temple.

SHABBAT MORNING MINYAN

On Shabbat mornings when there is not a service scheduled in the sanctuary, a short (10 – 20 minute) minyan service, including the recitation of kaddish, will be conducted by the clergy in the Yarden social hall immediately following Torah study at approximately 10am. If Torah study is still going on when you arrive, please feel free to come and listen.

COMING SOON IN MAY**Network & Nosh****Friday, May 3****8 - 9:30 am**

Topic: Presenting Your Best Self, featuring a panel of stylists and photographer

Broadway Buzz with Steve Friedman**Monday, May 13****10:30 am – 12 pm**

Topic: Great Broadway Producers & Their Musicals

Live & Learn with Sharon Tash**Tuesdays, May 14 & 21 10:30 am – 12 pm**

Topic: Looking at Anti-Semitism Today

Brotherhood Annual Golf Outing**Tuesday, May 14****11 am – 7 pm**

Location: Worthington Manor; registration online

Potluck Shabbat Dinner**Friday, May 17****7:30 pm***

*Following the "Spirit of Shabbat" Service; register online

**GREAT NEWS!!! YOU CAN SHOP AT
AMAZON AND SUPPORT TEMPLE
BETH AMI AT THE SAME TIME!**

Do you shop on the Amazon.com website? Do you know that if you enter the Amazon website from a link on the Temple Beth Ami website, TBA will earn at least 4% of your purchase price for every purchase you make? It is very easy and you will be helping TBA. You can access the Amazon site to earn money for TBA in one of two ways: Either go to the TBA website and click on the small Amazon.com link at the top of the home page, or use this URL which takes you directly to Amazon: <http://tinyurl.com/bethamishop>. BUT REMEMBER, TBA ONLY EARNS MONEY IF YOU GO TO AMAZON THROUGH THE TBA WEBSITE OR THIS URL!

Just imagine, you can "shop'til you drop" without leaving home and put some badly needed cash in TBA coffers. GO TO IT!

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small pieces and put them back in the ground. They'll be ready to harvest in a few years.

If you want to try it, I use the recipe below (adapted from Serious Eats), scaling it up or down, depending on how much root I dug up that year. Note that the time you wait after chopping the horseradish is the key to how hot it will be! And it helps if you can do this with a window open and a fan blowing across your work area.

Wishing you a happy Pesach, and hoping you'll try something new!

Ingredients

- 250 g (about 9 ounces) horseradish root, peeled and cut into 1-2 inch chunks
- 175 g (about $\frac{3}{4}$ cup) distilled white vinegar
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon kosher salt

Procedures

- Place horseradish in the bowl of a food processor and pulse until finely chopped, stopping to scrape down the side of bowl as necessary.
- Add vinegar and salt 1-2 minutes after horseradish is chopped for a mild horseradish, or 5 to 7 minutes for a hotter horseradish. Pulse to combine.
- Immediately move horseradish to an airtight container and store in the refrigerator.

Cleaned Horseradish roots



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Dona Deutsch, Flora Feldman, Judi Goozh, Jeanne Kahn, Holly and Ron Lobel, Jackie Manis, and Terry Steinberg for volunteering to help with the set-up and clean-up, meals and

registration.

Ongoing Projects



Kippot for B'nai Mitzvah, Brides and Grooms are available at discount prices through WTBA. View styles at www.kippah.com, then contact Eve Lader at evelader@gmail.com to place your order.

WTBA will present **TBA newlyweds** as a wedding gift the beautiful book *On the Doorposts of Your House: Prayers and Ceremonies for the Jewish Home*. Please email Barbara Ranhand at Barbara.ranhand@verizon.net if you have information about any Temple families who are planning a wedding.

Drop-in Mah Jongg sessions are held at the Temple every Monday afternoon from 1 – 3 pm when the Temple is open. We play for fun, so you can leave your money at home. Please contact Rachel Maryn at rmaryn@verizon.net for more information, to be added to the email list, or if you're interested in learning how to play.

WTBA E-mail Address

Please send an email with your questions or comments to womenoftemplebethami@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

Save the Date: **Welcome to Summer Celebration – Wednesday, June 12** (6:00 – 8:00 pm)

Elizabeth Joseloff

WTBA Chadashot article editor
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Torah recounts how some nations helped us and some hindered us – in some situations we stood our ground and fought, and at other times we changed our direction to avoid conflicts. Sometimes we followed our leaders and other times we lost faith and made false gods, and, through a lot of it, we complained. These travelogues are reflections of universal situations. In moving from a job, a relationship, or a home, there are some who will help, some who will hinder, and some who will just complain. By reflecting on how our ancestors handled their situations, we can reflect on decisions they made and decide if they handled their challenges wisely. Would we have done what they did or chosen differently? They could have reached the promised land in 40 days, but, due to their own inability to imagine what a new life could look like, a generation had to pass before progress could be made. Sometimes transitional time is necessary – sometimes it is not. These parables also challenge us to think not only at how the situations affect us, but also with the humility of asking ourselves are we the Pharaoh with a hardened heart, the hinderers, the non-helpers in our own lives? So, truly the question these inferences to the Exodus ask us weekly on Shabbat, and Passover, is: “Am I doing the best for myself, my family, my community, or am I hindering anyone from being the best they can be?”

These references to the Exodus also remind us to be gentle with each other and to strive to find our commonality. People are at different places – emotional, physical, spiritual – throughout their lives. Sometimes we understand where we are and where others are and we choose wisely. Sometimes we rebel against the past, sometimes we are passive, and sometimes we simply don't know enough to make an informed decision or ask a good question. We need humility and sensitivity to understand where we and others are in life's journey, and then find a way to connect with them and see our diversity as a positive thing. Obviously, we can't be wise in every situation. Let's allow ourselves to lead when we are more knowledgeable and follow when we have to learn.

You have been released from slavery.

I believe this is the most profound message from the Pesach story. It makes us confront ourselves and take ownership that the only one who enslaves us now -- is ourselves. We have the power to release ourselves from the slavery of a bad work environment, an unhealthy relationship, or from our own harmful habits. Change is not always comfortable; change is not always easy. The

Israelites went out into the desert, not into an oasis; it was not an easy time. They were led into a desert without structures and sustenance. They had to find it within themselves to first become a united people and then to build a better world for themselves and their children by using their imaginations and their talents. Somehow in the desert they were able to build the Mishkan; somehow they had the gold, jewelry, and dolphin skins (no idea where they came from) and the talent and leadership to bring it to fruition. Making a change can sometimes be liberating and sometimes be painful. Know that we, your clergy, are here during these transformations. We can help or at least help get you to those who can.

These are very powerful tenets: **Know where you came from – that you were a stranger once in a strange land and you have been released from slavery.** It's one of the reasons I believe that Passover is not just one seder – or possibly two – it is seven days, a week-long period that asks us every year to examine our world and how we exist in it. For me, the world can seem too big to feel I have enough influence, so I focus on my spheres of influence and ask myself: “Are the people who are in my life and the things I do reflect the values I believe?” Do we treat the people with whom we meet with respect and help in the areas we have expertise? Do we treat ourselves, psychologically and physically, with respect and attempt to move ourselves to a healthier space, physically, mentally, and emotionally? Are we seeking the help we need and are we giving the help we can?

These are the more important contemplations around Pesach. It's not the matzah - that's too easy and the focus on it only distracts us from the real work of the festival. Passover asks us to review and to challenge our way of thinking about ourselves and our interactions. That's harder and it takes more than one seder to do it. So this Passover, let the seder be the opening of both the internal and external conversations and contemplations – may each of us rise to the occasion and see ourselves as coming out from Egypt in order to create a world in which we all can live truthfully and thrive.

WE GRATEFULLY *Acknowledge*

A contribution to a Temple fund is a meaningful way to support the Temple community while honoring a birthday, recuperation, wedding, graduation, birth or any special occasion. Donations may also be made in memory of loved one. For a minimum \$10 donation, an acknowledgement will be sent to the person you wish to honor or the family of the deceased. If you have any questions about existing funds or wish to establish a fund, please call Janice Rosenblatt, Executive Director, at 301.340.6818.

CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In honor of:

COOPER CHARKATZ on becoming a Bar

Mitzvah by JL Levit and Paula Mintzies

JULIE GROSSMAN on becoming a Bat

Mitzvah by JL Levit and Paula Mintzies

ASHLEY HAYS on becoming a Bat Mitzvah by

JL Levit and Paula Mintzies

In memory of:

The Yahrzeit of ABRAHAM DAVID GLASS by Betty and Tom Loggia

HINENI FUND

In memory of:

RONALD BLOCH, husband of Mary Bloch, by Marge and Bob Winick

LES SAX, husband of Ronnie Sax, by Liz and Wayne Shore

HOLOCAUST EDUCATION FUND IN MEMORY OF OSCAR POHORYLES

In honor of:

NOAH MOATZ on becoming a Bar Mitzvah by the Gorenstein Family

In memory of:

BETTY ROSENZWEIG, mother and grandmother, by the Gorenstein Family
MORITZ AND LYDIA EINSTEIN, parents, and
SIEGBERT EINSTEIN, uncle, by Diane Castiglione

JILL WOLLY PRIMARY SEDER FUND

Donation by Peter Wolly

ONEG FUND

Amy Glaser and Michael Cohen in honor of their son, Brady, becoming a Bar Mitzvah

In honor of Rabbi Luxemburg's 70th birthday with love from Barbara Etkind, Daniel and

Michael Luxemburg

Laura and Rick Grossman in honor of Julie becoming a Bat Mitzvah

Lillian Caplan in memory of Steven Kaplan

Wendy and Scott Miller in memory of Jack Miller

Monya and David Cohen in memory of Ruth Fagan Cohen

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Pauline Walstein in memory of Sarah Schneider

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Angela and Walter Harris in memory of Edward Harris

Marilyn Lipowsky in memory of Herbert Bornstein

Lois and Roger Rothman in memory of Stanley Dosik

Michael Wolly in memory of Jill Lederman Wolly and Ryan Wolly

Karen Carp Callistein and Jerry Callistein in memory of Theodore Carp

Arlynn and Mark Joffe in memory of Barney

Snukals, Esther Striner Joffe and Abe Joffe
Debbie and Terry Korth and family in memory of Jack Stone

Harriet Reiter in memory of Rose Buchweitz
Elinor and Edward Sondik in memory of Freda and Max Missan and Leona and Paul Sondik
Gail and Arnold Brodsky in memory of Philip Deitchman

Adele and Sandra Narva and Stephanie Narva
Dennis in memory of Ellen Potts

The Shevitz and Roffman families in memory of Lawrence Emil Roffman

Michael, Cheryl, Rachel and Melissa Herman
in memory of William Kenneth Herman
Bonnie and Jeffrey Endick in memory of Thelma Lindner

Susan and Steven Lapidus in memory of Rachel Berman

Linda and Jim Burgin in memory of Mildred Burgin

Lisa and Stephen Paul in memory of Mindell Bricken

Glenna and Don Frost in memory of Elsie Sody

Tobi Printz Platnick and Geoffrey Platnick in memory of Nathan Printz

Ellen and Jonathan Bortz in memory of Rita Bortz

Joyce and Larrie Greenberg in memory of Leah Metchnick Godofsky

Elaine and Gerald Auerbach in memory of Abraham Auerbach

Catherine Copp and daughters in memory of Charlotte Powers Copp

Cheryl and Martin Frank in memory of Harold Motel and Sylvia Motel

Susan and Tom Schick in memory of Frank Schick

Betty Lichtenstein in memory of Harold Lichtenstein

Judy and Mitchell Glassman in memory of Harold Lichtenstein

Genevieve and Benjamin Sossa in memory of Fred Fisher

Glenna and Donald Frost in memory of Lillian Rose

Bernice and William Samuels in memory of Nathan L. Samuels

Allan Sull in memory of Samuel Sull

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Leslie Shapiro in memory of Alfred Shapiro
Flora and Burt Feldman in memory of Robert Taub

Anita Berns in memory of Milly Goldford and Ruth Goldman

Cali and Larry Tamarkin in memory of Shirley R. Tamarkin

Susan and Stuart Wohl in memory of Jack Wiener

Lisa and Stephen Paul in memory of Sylman I. Euzent

PRAYER BOOK FUND

STANLEY T. KAPLAN, father of Gail Kaplan Wassell, by David H. Brown

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In memory of:

LES SAX, husband of Ronnie Sax, by Deborah Henken and Bryan Fantie

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND – RABBI GARY POKRAS

Assist in repairing the synagogue in Israel by Jim and Sherri Lieberman

In memory of:

BRUCE RABIN, brother of Scott Rabin, by Jane and Dan Laibstain

BOB KAY, father of Debra Strickman, by

Norman and Karen Strickman

In honor of:

RABBI GARY POKRAS for officiating at the funeral of Ronald Bloch by Mary Bloch

RABBI GARY POKRAS for helping our future son-in-law, Eric Christensen's, transition into our community by Debbie Koss and Richard Goldstein

RABBI POKRAS for all the Friday night services and Torah Study on Saturday mornings I have spent at TBA by Ira Blumenreich

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND – RABBI BAHT WEISS

In honor of:

RABBI WEISS for officiating at Stanley Kaplan's funeral by Gail Kaplan-Wassell and Family

RABBI WEISS for supporting us through this hard time by Elon and Heather Walter

In memory of:

STANLEY KAPLAN, father of Gail Kaplan-Wassell, by Gail Kaplan-Wassell and Family

SUSTAINING (GENERAL) ENDOWMENT FUND

In honor of:

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TERRY KORTH and your many years of friendship by Michael Wolly

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