

TBS

May 2017
Iyar/Sivan 5777

THE WINDOW

mitzvah day is may 7th!



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The background of the poster is a collage of festive illustrations. At the top, two children, a boy in a blue cap and a girl with pigtails, hold Israeli flags. Below them, a Star of David is visible. The bottom right features a red food stand with a grill, a basket of food, and a fork. The overall theme is a Middle Eastern or Israeli celebration.

MAY 5, 2017

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Upcoming Events

Week of 4/30

Sunday, April 30	KT Religious School Open House, Men's Club Poker, 7pm
Wednesday, May 3	Mah Jongg at TBS, 1:00 pm; Midweek Hebrew , 4:00 pm; Women's PM Torah Study, 7:00 pm
Friday, May 5	Gesher Ceremony and First Friday Erev Shabbat Service with Dinner, 6:30 pm
Saturday, May 6	Tot Shabbat Spring Celebration, 10:00 am

Week of 5/7

Sunday, May 7	KT Religious School, 9:00 am
Wednesday, May 10	Mah Jongg at TBS, 1:00 pm; Midweek Hebrew, 4:00 pm
Thursday, May 11	WBS End of Year Happy Hour, 5:00 pm
Friday, May 12	Erev Shabbat Services and Confirmation Ceremony, 6:30 pm
Saturday, May 13	First Aliyah of Isabel Goldstein, 10:00 am

Week of 5/14

Sunday, May 14	KT Religious School, 9:00 am; WBS Mahj, 9:30 am
Tuesday, May 16	WBS Lunch and Learn, 12:00 pm
Wednesday, May 17	Mah Jongg at TBS, 1:00 pm; Midweek Hebrew, 4:00 pm
Friday, May 19	Shabbat Chai, 6:30 pm
Saturday, May 20	First Aliyah of Lily Belford, 4:00 pm

Week of 5/21

Sunday, May 21	KT Religious School Maccabi Games, 9:00 am; TBS Annual Meeting, 10:30 am
Wednesday, May 24	Mah Jongg at TBS, 1:00 pm; Midweek Hebrew, 4:00 pm
Friday, May 26	Erev Shabbat Services, 7:30 pm
Saturday, May 27	Simchat Shabbat Services, 10:00 am
Sunday, May 28	WBS Mahj, 9:30 am

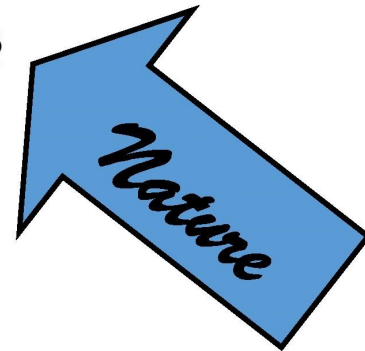
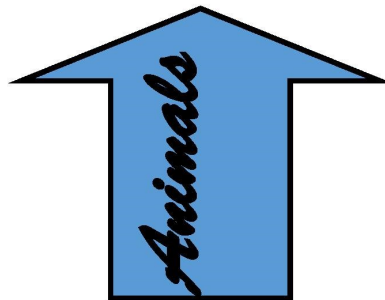
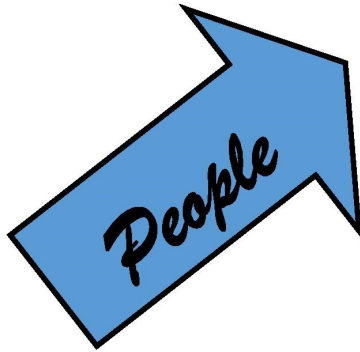


Mitzvah Day at TBS 2017

Sunday, May 7th | 9:00 am—12:00 pm

Get Together • Get Excited • Get Involved

People Helping



Sign-Up for Off-Site Activities Including:

- ◇ Ronald McDonald House
- ◇ Lifecare Alliance/Meals on Wheels
 - ◇ Hannah Park Project
- ◇ Ohio House Rabbit Rescue
- ◇ Habitat for Humanity/ReStore
- ◇ Village Coalition Against Hunger
 - ◇ And More!

Sign-Up for On-Site Activities Including:

- ◇ Louie's Lego Art Project
- ◇ Reading to Therapy Dogs
- ◇ TBS Beautification
- ◇ Activities to benefit the Homeless Families Foundation
 - ◇ Challah Baking
 - ◇ Blood Drive
 - ◇ And more!



This year we will be holding a children's clothing and gas cards collection to benefit JFS New Job/New Country.

Please bring gently used/new clothes and gas cards to TBS on Mitzvah Day to help out!

6 The Buzz with Rabbi B



Grateful

I was cleaning up from dinner last night when I felt that familiar buzzing coming from my iPhone. I picked it up, expecting to read a text, but was instead reminded by the calendar app that today is the 14th day of the Omer. What is the Omer, you ask?

The Omer is a special period of time that we are in right now, which starts on the second day of Passover and goes all the way to the holiday of Shavuot on May 31st – 49 days. During this period of time, we are instructed to count each day and acknowledge our gratitude for the blessings of our day to day lives. Counting each day forces us to focus on mindful gratitude for 49 days in a row – a spiritual practice. If we can pause each day, open our eyes to the blessings

around us, and express gratitude for them, we will be able to more fully appreciate our lives.

I find myself acknowledging a lot of blessings these days, as I reflect back on this year in our Religious School, and on the nine years that I have been fortunate enough to run our school. As you likely are aware, when I transition to the role of Senior Rabbi this summer, Rabbi Lenette Herzog will take over as Assistant Rabbi, and will also be in charge of running our Religious School. Rabbi Lenette is truly wonderful and will significantly enhance our program and our congregation. She will bring creativity, dynamism, professionalism, a deep knowledge of Jewish content and Jewish schools, and a lot of fun and campiness. I'm so excited to see where she and our Religious School Committee take our school next.

During my tenure running our Religious School, I have been so fortunate to be surrounded by some of the best teachers, madrichim, and lay-leaders in existence. This past year we had a particularly healthy year in our school. School enrollment held steady at 255 students engaged in our weekly program. We have grown our school in the past nine years by more than a third, about 100 students, and have worked hard to maintain the sense of community and joy that drew people to TBS in the first place. This year, we have 26 dedicated, caring, knowledgeable, and creative teachers, who show up each Sunday morning to give our students a Jewish home-base. Over 50 madrichim and madrichim in training (7th grade - High School aides) enhanced our program this year, from helping teachers in their classrooms, to doing one-on-one tutoring, to helping with art projects, to taking pictures and videos, to even wearing our ridiculous animal costumes. The madrichim bring so much energy to every Sunday morning.

We are so fortunate to have the best teaching staff at Temple Beth Shalom Religious School. We have lots of veteran teachers who have been with us for a number of years. Their expertise and knowledge of Jewish education is so valuable. We also have a number of new teachers, who have brought enthusiasm and renewed creativity to our students each week. Thank you so much to Zach Abramowitz, Jordan Ankerman, Jodi Benningfield, Marvin Blank, Susie Blank, Bonnie Cram, Barry Daroe, Angelo Dunlap, Galit Golan, Marcie Golden, Brett Handmaker, Emily Hartman, Dani Hopping, Robin Leasure, Joe Malinger, Danielle Mormol, Meredith Paul, Gail Rose, Ben Rosen, Marc Rossio, Katie Schneir, Adrianna Schnider, Lauren Sferrella, Oren Shai, as well as Rabbi Apothaker, Rabbi Leigh Ann Kopans, Bonnie Abramowitz, and Kathy McGee, all of whom dedicate their Sunday mornings to educating our kids and imbuing them with a love of everything Jewish.

Throughout the years we have worked diligently with a fabulous Religious School Committee to make enhancements to our school. Since 2008 we have modified our program by adding Chugim (activities), by changing and modifying our Hebrew program (which is again being tweaked for next year), by adding specialty classes like Advanced Hebrew and Advanced Judaics for students interested in fast-paced learning, by reworking the entire Judaics Curriculum, and putting together our own outline of the most important goals for each grade, by adding Holocaust Education and trips to some of our older grades, by adding retreats to our program, by separating Hebrew grades into smaller classes to get better access to skill development, by adding a Torah chanting class to sixth grade, by enhancing our...

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Tot Shabbat Spring Celebration!

Saturday, May 6th at 10 AM
@ Temple Beth Shalom

Join Marc Rossio, Angelo
Dunlap, and Rabbi B for songs,
stories, snacks, crafts, and a ton
of fun for our younger friends
and their families!

Please contact Rabbi B at
rabbibenjy@tbsohio.org
for more info!



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May 5th — 2nd Grade Gesher Shabbat!

First Friday is our child centered Shabbat Service. It is always a special Shabbat Service because it provides an opportunity for parents, grandparents and other relatives to celebrate Shabbat with both their immediate and Temple Beth Shalom family. A child centered service is short, has a story instead of a sermon and includes many opportunities for the congregation to participate. Opportunities for participation include singing, playing an instrument, reading aloud, chanting prayers and yes, even dancing. We also have a basket of toys in the sanctuary for our younger friends!

Friday, May 5th at 6:30 PM is our Gesher Shabbat. That means our 2nd grade Kehillat Torah Sunday School class will cross the bridge during the Gesher (bridge) Ceremony thus signifying that the students' Hebrew Studies will begin next year in 3rd grade. The children will be leading several songs including everyone's favorite, "Alef-Bet" by Debbie Friedman. Dinner will be served immediately following the service and there will be activities for the children to enjoy after dinner.



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 Pam Lippy, Sherry Solomon, Nancy Tannenbaum
 May 29th — Jaime Newman
 May 30th — Devora Beatty
 May 31st — Rachel Elwood, Lori Feibel, Mark Glazman,
 David Kleppel, Mollie Meisterman

May Anniversaries

May 2nd — Brady & Nicole Berg
 May 5th — Robert & Rose Berk
 May 7th — Debbie & John Kish
 May 8th — Benjamin & Lauren Bar-Lev
 Kenneth & Caroline Green
 May 14th — Lori & Marc Rossio
 David & Josefina Taylor
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Even as empty-nesters, we notice the changing of schedules that happens this time of year. The school year is coming to an end. Some of you are celebrating graduations. Some of you are getting ready for camp or vacations. All of us are enjoying the longer days and warmer evenings. Looking outside, we're seeing masses of green where only recently were empty brown branches.

We're also entering a new cycle at Temple Beth Shalom. As our fiscal year nears its end on June 30, changes will abound. Most critically, Rabbi Apothaker will begin his tenure as our Rabbi Emeritus, giving him more time to study and write. While we're looking forward to the continuation of our friendship with Rabbi A and Marcie, we know that Rabbi Benjy is ready to step forward as our spiritual guide and we welcome him into that role in our lives. Rabbi Lenette will influence us as well, especially the younger members of the congregation.

It's a time for changes but so many things stay the same. We have accomplished much in the last year but there is much yet to be done. We sincerely hope to have commitments by June 30 which will enable us to pay off our mortgage. The incredible efforts of Michael Rothstein and Steve Herman have gotten us very close to this goal but we're not there yet. If your family has not yet made a pledge to the Capital Campaign, now is the time to do it. If you have already pledged, we would welcome a second gift to help us complete this task!

You can also give of your time. On Sunday, May 7, please come to TBS for Mitzvah Day. All age groups will have an opportunity to participate in activities both on-site and off-site. Please go to the Temple website (www.tbsohio.org) to learn more about how to sign up for these activities.

ANNUAL MEETING

**Please join us at the
New Albany JCC for the
Temple Beth Shalom**

May 21st at 10:30 am

**Please contact Bonnie
Abramowitz for more information:
babramowitz@tbsohio.org
Or call the Temple Office at
(614)855-4882**

May is also the month to let your voice be clearly heard by the Board of Trustees and the rest of the congregation. **On Sunday May 21 at 10:30 a.m., the congregation will hold its Annual Meeting at the JCC New Albany (150 E. Dublin-Granville Rd., New Albany, OH 43054.** For those of you with kids in Religious School, join us for an update on Temple Beth Shalom activities. You'll be asked to approve the 2017-18 budget and elect new Officers and Board of Trustee members for the upcoming term.

Our "Open Window" is a guiding principle at TBS. On May 21st, we'll fling the doors open wide and ask you to walk through them. This year, let's enjoy the change of seasons together.

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Columbus Pride Parade

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June 16th and 17th — 36th Annual Columbus Pride Parade!

Help Temple Beth Shalom celebrate another facet of our diverse community by participating in the 36th annual Pride Parade march. We will have a float and a booth this year that will require some help from amazing people like yourselves to either be participating in the march or running the booth. We will be participating Friday, June 16th and in the parade Saturday, June 17th in Bicentennial Park in downtown Columbus. If you are interested in joining us in this wonderful tradition of TBS please contact Angelo Dunlap in the Temple office.

adunlap@tbsohio.org

Office phone: 614.855.4882



14 Letter from Camp



100 Days — A Message from Kibbutz Kef Camp Director, Ben Rosen

I am an impatient person by nature. As a child, when I decided I wanted something, I would strike deals with my parents to make sure I got it as soon as possible. A new video game would be released and I'd approach my dad with, "I know my birthday isn't for another three months, but how about we consider this an early birthday present? I'll even throw in a car wash for good measure!" Typically, I got my way; I would get the game when it came out, my Dad would get his car washed and everyone was happy.

Unfortunately, one can't bargain with Father Time. This concept was never more apparent and torturous than at the start of May. School would soon be out and, of course, my birthday would be a little more than a month away. Somehow, these waits paled in comparison to the one day that I dreamed of for eleven months out of the year – the first day of summer camp at Goldman Union Camp Institute in Zionsville, Indiana. I was (and still am) a Jewish summer camp fanatic, desperate to return to my home away from home (believe me, the Zionist/Zionsville metaphor was not lost on me). I longed for those mornings singing the "Na Na Song" around the old pool, afternoons spent in the sun (always protected by a good SPF 30+), and evenings spent in the serenity of camp-style t'filah. Aside from inventing time travel, nothing could fast-forward the days, and that was always the hardest part.

The lack of command that we have over the passing of time is frustrating. I'm sure that at one point or another, each one of us has wished that we could just skip ahead to the "good part". To gain some semblance of control, many of us resort to countdowns. We count down to the new year, to our well-deserved vacation, to the start of summer camp. While we can't strike a deal with G-d to make the world orbit the sun at a faster pace, we can come to an agreement with our calendars. We say, "I know this event is a ways off, but how about I put a big red 'X' on days that have passed and you get me a day closer to what I really want?" I, for one, really appreciate this agreement that I have with Father Time. It makes the wait a little more tangible and thus a bit more bearable.

For that reason, I've begun a countdown here at TBS: 100 days until TBS' Kibbutz Kef Camp 2017! 100 days until we start the fun-filled week of Jewish community that many of us in the congregation have come to treasure. After many years working as a camp staffer, I have the pleasure of directing the camp this year. As I begin to plan activities for these amazing four days in August, and hire the best staff in the world, I only get more excited! Registration is now open on the temple website (tbsohio.org/kibbutz-kef-camp.html). Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions (brosen@tbsohio.org).

I can't wait...although I know I must. 100 days!

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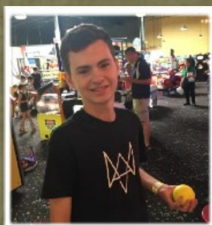
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No one cares more about our community and neighbors than someone that has made their home here. Trust your home to us. From landscaping and yard maintenance, aeration, fall and spring color to holiday lighting and snow removal, we do it all.



CONTACT US TODAY FOR MORE INFORMATION.

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TBS KIBBUTZ KEF CAMP 2017! August 7th - 10th at TBS!

Please plan for your incoming 3rd-8th grader to join us at Hebrew Camp this summer! We will spend part of each day doing Jewish Education in fun camp-like ways, doing a mitzvah project, making a movie and lots more! Each afternoon will be spent at someplace fun around Columbus like Zoombezi Bay Waterpark, Magic Mountain, the New Albany Swimming Pool, COSI, and more! It will be a great way to end the summer, make new friends, and have the time of your life!

Cost:

\$55 per day, \$220 for the program

TBS Member Discount: \$50 per day, \$200 for the program.

Contact Kibbutz Kef Camp Director Ben Rosen (brosen@tbsohio.org) for details.

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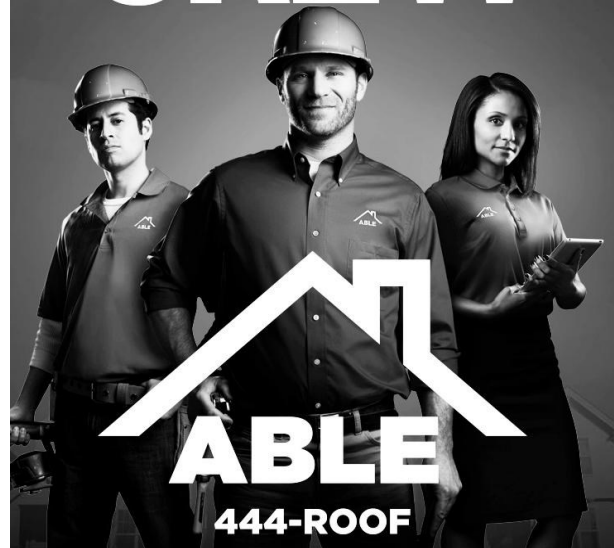
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Libby Turner

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Nathan Staman

Hattie Stetelman

Lucy Weisel

Stanley Wolpa

May 19th

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Marcel Benzakein

Jack Feinstein

Ellis Finkelstein

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Shirley Katz

Coleman Loochtan

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Samuel Opperman

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Raymond Tannenbaum

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Audrey Wolpa

May 26th

Libby Bushman

Jack Cohen

Carol Davia

Sally Epstein

Herman Friedberg

Max Gurevitz

Rose Kaplan

Helen Krantz

Julia Lewis

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To get started, sign up with your Plus Card at www.kroger.com/communityrewards, and select TBS as the organization you wish to support. (You can find us on the list under Temple Beth Shalom on Johnstown Road, or use the organization code 81105.) Once you're enrolled, you'll earn rewards for TBS every time you shop and use your Plus Card! Remember—all participants must re-enroll each year to continue earning rewards for their chosen organization.





TBS Mitzvah Corps: May 7th is Mitzvah Day!

A great opportunity for all ages to come together to make a difference in the community. We are encouraging all ages, young, old and everyone in between to attend. This event is NOT just for Sunday School kids. You can sign up for off-site activities and Reading to Rover by visiting the website below...

<http://tinyurl.com/nyg4f9r>

New this year, we are collecting donations for some of our on-site activities. You can follow the link below, which will take you directly to our Wishlist on Amazon. The items will be shipped directly to Temple. We thank you in advance for your generosity!

<http://tinyurl.com/mzbs6nj>

If you are interested in being an activity Captain or have any questions, please contact Mindy Agin enaiman@columbus.rr.com or Rachel Murray rachel.murray26@gmail.com.

MITZVAH DAY COLLECTION!

We will be collecting gently used/new children's clothes and gas cards on Mitzvah Day to benefit Jewish Family Services' New Country/New Jobs program which helps refugee families get their start in Columbus!

On-Site Activities

Collection: Children's Gently Used or New Clothing Drive & Gas Cards - JFS New Country/New Jobs

Making & packing sack lunches for Friends of the Homeless

Packing Bags of Hope for Homeless Families Foundation

Challah baking

Arts & Crafts room creating art for residents of Wexner Heritage Village & Kensington Place

TBS Beautification Project

Red Cross Bloodmobile

...and more

Off-Site Activities

Ronald McDonald House Lunch & Family Activity

Ohio House Rabbit Rescue

Hannah Park Project

LifeCare Alliance/Meals on Wheels - Delivering Meals

Village Coalition Against Hunger - restocking shelves at New Albany pantry

Habitat for Humanity/ReStore

...and more

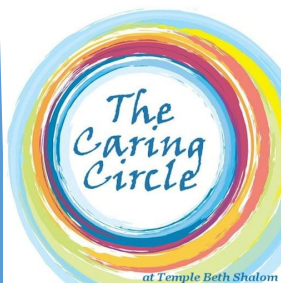
Upcoming Events

Thursday, May 4th — Mitzvah Corps to serve lunch at YWCA Family Shelter

Please contact Sue Lazerwitz at (614) 252-35534 or sjlazerwitz@gmail.com for more information.

June Monthly Mitzvah: School Supply Collection for Gahanna Residents in Need (GRIN)

Saturday, June 17th — Columbus Pride Parade



The Caring Circle Needs YOU!

Did you know the Temple Beth Shalom Caring Circle helps congregational members with everything from organizing rides for those who are unable to drive to doctors' and other appointments to meals for families with new babies. The Circle would love to have more volunteers! There is no obligation.

Interested members can add their name to the Circle's email list and volunteer if and when they are able to. Please send an email with your contact information to the tbscaringcircle@gmail.com.

Large Print Book Editions

By Steve Seeskin, TBS Library Committee Chairperson

The Kosher Bookworm has been asked a couple of times to do a feature on large print book editions. So, here goes! These books and their regular print editions can be obtained from the Public Library or your favorite bookseller.



The Bridge Ladies

By Betsy Lerner

ISBN: 978-0062467164



Irena's Children

By Tilar J. Mazzeo

ISBN: 978-1410493101



Moonglow: A Novel

By Michael Chabon

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Lilac Girls

By Martha Hall Kelly

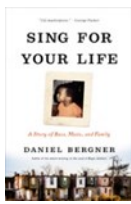
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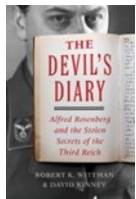
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Sing for Your Life: A Story of Race, Music, and Family

By Daniel Bergner

ISBN: 978-1410494498



The Devil's Diary

By Robert K. Wittman & David Kinney

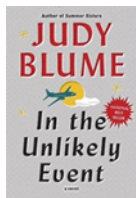
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In The Unlikely Event

By Judy Blume

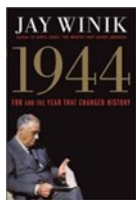
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The Two-Family House

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1944: FDR and the Year That Changed History

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The Nightingale

By Kristin Hannah

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Book Club Chavurot!

The library Committee Welcomes all TBS Book Clubs to join together and utilize available resources!

The Library Committee is available to bring guest speakers, provide space for book club meetings, and can provide outreach for book club membership!

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Announcement

The Oneg Shabbat on Friday, May 19 will be in the TBS Library. This is co-sponsored by Susan Bader, of the Library Committee in Yahrzeit Memory of her son Edward Michael (Mike) Faller, and Barbara and Marty Schuster, of the Library Committee, in Yahrzeit Memory of Barbara's mother, Helen Brody.



Isabel Anna Goldstein will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, May 13, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. She is the daughter of Beth and Philip Goldstein, granddaughter of Patricia and James Bacon, Robert (of blessed memory) and Bernice Goldstein.

Isabel is a 7th grade student at New Albany Middle School. She was born in Shaker Heights, Ohio, just east of Cleveland. Isabel participated, together with her parents, in the Temple Tifereth-Israel Shabbaton Religious School Program, on Saturday afternoons, for seven years. Along with attending preschool there, and parent-child Hebrew classes, Isabel always imagined her Bat Mitzvah at that Temple. Isabel, and her family, moved to New Albany, in January of 2016.

Grateful for the Hebrew teaching Temple Beth Shalom has provided and thankful for their welcoming transition, she is now looking forward to her Bat Mitzvah here at our new home.

An avid CAVS fan, Isabel has played basketball and softball for several years. She recently ventured to join the school track team. Isabel, who loves cuddling her three-year old yellow Labrador Retriever, Gracie, also enjoys cooking and baking. She has spent the last several summers at Camp Wise (Cleveland JCC) in Chardon, Ohio and is looking forward to another exciting summer there.

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music program with superb music staff, by implementing a training program for madrichim in seventh grade, by adding an Open Hebrew one-on-one learning space, by implementing a fantastic Mitzvah Day, and more. Our Religious School committee has consistently done a fantastic job of helping implement major improvements throughout our school in the past nine years, and God willing, for many more years to come.

This past March and April, our Religious School Committee surveyed a sample of the entire school, including teachers, students, and parents, to find out what people like about TBS Religious School and what need improvement. This was no small feat, and the committee collected valuable data, so that when Rabbi Lenette begins working, she is aware of the big picture of our school.

This past year marked our sixth year of Religious School at the JCC New Albany / Columbus Jewish Day School. It is almost hard to remember a time when Religious School was held at the Temple. While it may not be ideal to meet offsite, the space at the JCC New Albany is unbeatable, and much better than we could ever have at the Temple. Renting space helps us live out our vision of spending money on people and programs rather than on bricks and mortar. As one of our Past Presidents likes to remind us, “Fancy buildings don’t make people Jewish. It’s all about the people.” This year saw a change to our use of the building, as we have increased our security. During the majority of the school day, people have to be “buzzed in” to the building. We have also engaged a full-time security guard who is onsite during school hours. In addition, the New Albany police add extra patrol of our parking lot on Sundays, all of which helps us to feel more secure in these scary times.

As I transition away from leading our school, I am as aware as ever of the many people who have been blessings to me throughout the years I have held this position. I am thankful to our amazing teachers for their creativity, their energy, and their enthusiasm. I am thankful to Rabbi Apothaker for his mentorship, guidance, and friendship. I am thankful to our lay leadership for going along with my crazy ideas, knowing when to reign me in, and always having the school’s best interests at the forefront of their thoughts. I am thankful to our Temple staff who quietly, behind the scenes make sure the school always runs smoothly, and do it with kindness and compassion. And I am thankful to every parent who entrusts their children’s Jewish education to Temple Beth Shalom. May we go from strength to strength as we joyfully look toward the future.

During this Omer period, may we be open to the blessings in our lives, may we show gratitude for those blessings, and, during this Omer, may we count our days, and may we make our days count.



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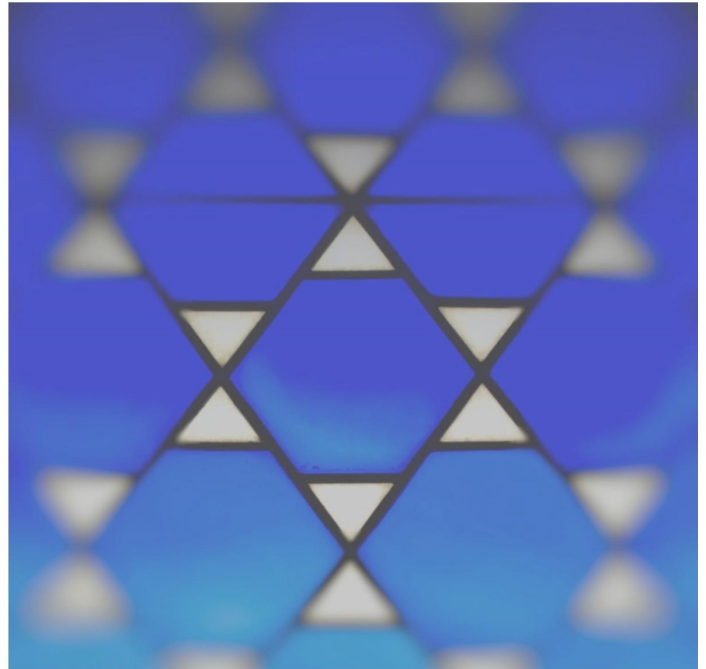
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