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SUCCESSFUL MITZVAH DAY!

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# A NIGHT HONORING GAIL ROSE

FRIDAY, MAY 18TH

6:30 PM

TEMPLE BETH SHALOM



Please join us for a musical Shabbat commemorating Gail Rose's **TEN YEARS** as Temple Beth Shalom's Cantorial Soloist and Music Director!

Featuring:

A special performance of Eric Whitacre's "Five Hebrew Love Songs" by Gail Rose, Arkadiy Gips, and Scot Ashton, The TBS Klezmer Band, and the Sharyonim Choir!

# 4 Upcoming Events

## 5/1 - 5/6

- Wednesday, May 2** Mah Jongg at TBS, 1:00 pm; Midweek Hebrew, 4:00 pm
- Friday, May 4** 2nd Grade Gesher/ Family Friendly First Friday Erev Shabbat Services and Dinner, 6:30 pm
- Saturday, May 5** First Aliyah of Eli Fox, 10:00 am
- Sunday, May 6** KT Religious School, 9:00 am; WBS Board Meeting, 9:30 am; Annual Meeting, 10:30 am

## 5/7 - 5/13

- Tuesday, May 8** Sharyonim Rehearsal, 7:30 pm
- Wednesday, May 9** Mah Jongg at TBS, 1:00 pm; Midweek Hebrew, 4:00 pm
- Friday, May 11** Confirmation and Ben Rosen Farewell Shabbat, 6:30 pm
- Saturday, May 12** First Aliyah of Jerry Merchant, 10:00 am
- Sunday, May 13** Closing Day of KT Religious School and Maccabia Games, 9:00 am

## 5/14 - 5/21

- Tuesday, May 15** Sharyonim Rehearsal, 7:30 pm
- Wednesday, May 16** Mah Jongg at TBS, 1:00 pm
- Friday, May 18** Gail Rose 10 Year Anniversary, Shabbat 6:30 pm
- Saturday, May 19** First Aliyah of Josh Goldman, 10:00 am
- Sunday, May 20** Shavuot Morning Service and Yizkor, 10:00 am

## 5/22 - 5/31

- Wednesday, May 22** Mah Jongg at TBS, 1:00 pm
- Friday, May 25** Meditation and Healing Service, 6:30 pm; Erev Shabbat Service, 7:30 pm
- Saturday, May 26** Tot Shabbat, 10:00 am; First Aliyah of Abby Kleinman, 4:00 pm
- Thursday, May 31** Lunch Bunch featuring Arkadiy Gips and Leonid Polonsky, 12:00 pm

YOU'RE INVITED TO

# Lunch Bunch

THURSDAY, MAY 31ST | 12:00 PM | \$7 LUNCH

Join us for a new TBS tradition, the monthly Lunch Bunch! This month TBS favorite, Arkadiy Gips, will be performing for us alongside the Columbus Symphony Orchestra's Associate Concertmaster, Leonid Polonsky. These incredible violinists are sure to wow those in attendance with their beautiful music!

## Featured Performers



Arkadiy Gips and Leonid Polonsky

\*LUNCH BUNCH WILL TAKE PLACE AT NOON ON THE  
LAST THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH\*

# 6 The Buzz with Rabbi B



## Counting the Omer and Counting Our Regrets

*Printed from a recently delivered sermon*

Late last year, a huge blackboard stood in a park in Brooklyn with the following question written on it: What is your biggest regret? For an entire day, New Yorkers opened up about some of the deepest, most intimate parts of their lives. As the day went on, the blank blackboard quickly filled. “Not saying I love you enough.” “Burning bridges.” “Not staying in touch.” “Not being a better friend.” “I focused on the wrong things.” “I didn’t call my grandma enough.” “I spent too much time working.” By the end of the day, the production team that was filming a documentary on regrets noticed a common theme among almost all the responses. The regrets people shared were about chances not taken, words not spoken, mistaken priorities and dreams never pursued. I would imagine that the regrets of New Yorkers are not dissimilar to our own regrets. We wish we would have done something differently – made that phone call, taken that job, learned that skill. We may also realize that having regrets, and addressing those are not necessarily bad things. Experiencing regret means that we are not so cavalier as to think that we have done everything right. That we have all the right answers. Having regrets also means we are a normal person functioning within our society. Writer Kathryn Schulz teaches, “The inability to experience regret is actually one of the diagnostic characteristics of sociopaths. It’s also, by the way, a characteristic of certain kinds of brain damage. So if, in fact, you want to live a life free of regret, there is an option open to you. It’s called a lobotomy. But if you want to be fully functional and fully human and fully humane, perhaps we need to learn to live, not without regret, but with it.” And perhaps, when we address our regrets, we can begin to move forward with our lives.

Did you know that there is a period of time within our tradition that asks us to engage in self-reflection? It doesn’t just happen in the Fall, there is another period of reflective time called the Omer. And we happen to be in that Omer period right now. You may be asking yourself, what is this Omer thing he’s talking about? Here’s the deal: between the second day of Passover, and the holiday of Shavuot, where we celebrate receiving the Torah, there are 49 days. We are instructed to count each of those 49 days and acknowledge them. An omer is a measurement of grain that was brought to the Temple after the second day of Passover. The Torah instructs us to count each day from the Omer offering to Shavuot. The big question is why? There is a great explanation from Rabbi Jacob Milgrom, who is probably the world’s greatest expert on the book of Leviticus (aside from Rabbi Apothaker). Rabbi Milgrom thinks the solution lies in the number of days that the Torah tells us to count. Shavu’ot is observed on the fiftieth day. The Hebrew word for fifty: Hamishim. The Arabic Word for fifty: Hamsin.

In Israel, a Hamsin is also a weather pattern. It is a rapid drop in the humidity, followed by a ferociously hot desert wind, so destructive that it can wipe out a crop overnight. Nowadays, meteorologists can predict a hamsin before it arrives. Now imagine a time when there were no meteorologists, and the dreaded hamsin could not be predicted. Farmers held their breath for the entire hamsin season, counting each day as a blessing if the hamsin did not come and their crops were not suddenly destroyed. That is why you had the counting, says Dr. Milgrom, and that is why you had the dread and the fear. The Sefirat Ha-omer was a period of fear and trepidation and a period of good behavior, lest God think us so cavalier about the great blessings of rain and dew and harvest that He gives us that divine punishment like hamsin, the hellish dry wind. That is why the Israelite farmer counted, and that is why the Israelite farmer was in semi-mourning, or, to be more exact, in fear and dread during these days. It makes sense. Each day that there is a chance your livelihood could be ruined and it’s not, should be counted and acknowledged. We thank God for our blessings during the Omer.

There’s another interpretation too. The kabbalists, the Jews who were into mysticism, explain that the 49 days that connect Passover with Shavuot correspond to the forty-nine drives and traits of the human heart. They understood it as a time of serious introspection and preparation that each person has to go through in order to receive the Torah anew on Shavuot. Each day of the counting represents a different aspect of our personality and of our relationship with God that we have to think about and set in order before we can receive the Torah. One of those Jewish values that we are asked to focus on confronting regrets to live a fuller life. This confrontation with regret takes courage and self-awareness. But our tradition argues that once we make peace with our past decisions and learn from them, we can begin the process of t’shuva, of turning back, then we will be spiritually ready to receive the Torah on Shavuot after the Omer period has ended.

Regrets require two things from us. It requires, first of all, some decision that we had to make in the first place. And second of all, it requires imagination. We need to be able to imagine going back and making a different choice, and then we need to be able to kind of push this imaginary scenario forward and imagine how things would be playing out in our

present. What if I had taken that job with that other company? What if I had made contact with my estranged family? What if I had been there when my loved one passed away?

During the omer, we are thankful each day for our lives. We are instructed to think: If a hamsin were to come and blow us away tomorrow, what would we want to make right? Who would we want to speak with today? How could we leave this earth with the fewest regrets possible? A number of years ago, Hopspice nurse Bronnie Ware, wrote an article that turned into a book about the five most common regrets her patients had as they were dying. In case you missed the original article, here is an abbreviated version of her list. 1. I wish I'd had the courage to live a life true to myself, not the life others expected of me. 2. I wish I didn't work so hard. 3. I wish I'd had the courage to express my feelings. 4. I wish I had stayed in touch with my friends. 5. I wish that I had let myself be happier. She goes on to say that every step of life is a choice. While it may sometimes feel like the universe is making decisions for us, that's not the case. It is YOUR life. Choose consciously, choose wisely, choose honestly.

I think one of the reasons this list is so powerful, is that it is authored by patients who know that they're near the end, who have the clarity to assess their lives meaningfully. Perhaps we can take their essential message and use it in our lives to make a change. We still have time to change. We can address our regrets. We can embrace the positive aspects of our lives, change what we can change, and improve ourselves in the coming year.

We must take the opportunity while we have it to ask for forgiveness if we think we have wronged somebody, or offer forgiveness if someone has hurt us. Maybe we regret spending too much time at work, and not enough time with our families. Maybe we regret treating somebody badly. Maybe we regret not standing up for someone when we should have. During the omer, we have not only the opportunity to make amends, we have a mandate to do so. Regrets between ourselves and other people who are still alive and accessible to us, *bein adam l'chaveiro*, can be mediated, but it takes patience and courage. Perhaps even in our healthy and happy relationships, we regret that we haven't spent enough time or energy telling the people closest to us how much they mean to us. We don't want to regret never having told them how we feel, or telling them too rarely or too reservedly. Sometimes the people we love most get the least of our attention. I suggest we need to say to them directly and unequivocally: "I cherish you;" "I am fortunate to know you;" "I am grateful for you, all you have done, and for all that you do for me." "I love you." We can reinvigorate the relationships that are the most meaningful, those in need of repair and those thriving – this day is meant to help us reflect on how to deepen all our connections.

We all have regrets, we are all imperfect, we are all human beings. The question we are instructed to answer during the Omer, is, are we going to address our regrets and deal with them? During this Omer period, may we have the strength and determination to make a real, substantial change in our lives. May we turn our regrets into lessons, our demons into angels, our shortcomings into our strengths; may we have the courage to confront our regrets, to address them, and erase them from our hearts and our souls whenever possible. May this Omer period inspire us to address our regrets, free ourselves from their chains, and be whole again.

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# 8 CHAI-er Learning with Rabbi Lenette Herzog



## Thank you for a great year!

In the midst of a snowy and rainy week, today we were treated to a sunny day. As I left the office and felt the warmth of the afternoon sunshine, I was reminded of a teaching by Abraham Joshua Heschel: that we should strive to find a minimum of 100 blessings in our lives every single day. Even something as simple as a sunny day can be a gateway to the spiritual practice of gratitude. 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 my very first year with our Religious School. It has been just over a year since I visited Columbus and spent a morning with our religious school and thought what an honor it would be to be a part of this incredible community of learners.

During this past year, I have been so fortunate to be surrounded by people who helped me transition into this role. First and foremost, I cannot thank Rabbi Benjy enough for his support over these last ten months. Rabbi Benjy has been the architect of this inclusive, joyful and thriving religious school community for the last nine years – following in his footsteps is certainly a tall order. But Rabbi Benjy has been supportive every step of the way, and has been instrumental in making this year a huge success – with excellent advice and lots of laughs along the way. I am so grateful for your mentorship and guidance – even when it involves wearing a kangaroo costume!

Angelo Dunlap has been an integral part of the TBS community and religious school for many years, and this year he has added even more to the success of our school as our full-time administrator. Angelo's passion for Judaism and engaging programming as well as his selflessness every Sunday morning – often running to and fro helping me and our teachers – is unparalleled, as well as coordinating youth group programs on Sunday afternoons. Thank you Angelo for everything you have done this year – we are so lucky to have you on our team.

We also welcomed Lori Baker to our staff as Inclusion Specialist. What we thought would be just a Sunday morning gig became an integral part of the success of our students and teachers. Throughout the year Lori has been observing classrooms, strategizing with teachers and families, helping with lesson plans, and so much more. Lori, thank you so much for your incredible insights and all of your efforts this year.

I would like to thank Mindy Agin and the Religious School Committee, who met with me multiple times over the course of the year. It has been a joy to meet with a committee that is so deeply invested in the success of our religious school, and discussing not only the brightest elements of our school as well as room for it to grow. I am looking forward to working with the committee and Rabbi Benjy to continue implementing a fantastic vision for Jewish learning at TBS.

This year we had an enrollment of 273 students, including over 50 madrichim. A huge thank you to our madrichim who gave their Sunday mornings to not only help our teachers run their classrooms, but most importantly, be amazing role models for our students.

And it goes without saying that 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; in particular, we are celebrating Susie and Marvin Blank, who have taught for us over an incredible 15 years; and Gail Rose, who has been imbuing our religious school with joyous music for 10 years. The joy and knowledge which they impart on our children 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 our whole staff: Andrew Altschuld, Jordan Ankerman, Kelsey Ankerman, Cody Ankerman, Jodi Benningfield, Jill Bradburn, Marvin Blank, Susie Blank, Aliyah Cohen, Kylie Gang, Galit Golan, Marcie Golden, Dani Hopping, Maddy Jobrack, Robin Leasure, Joe Malingier, Meredith Paul, Gail Rose, Ben Rosen, Marc Rossio, Katie Schneur, Lauren Sferrella, Oren Shai, as well as Rabbi Leigh Ann Kopans and Rabbi Benjy leading our adult education programming - all of whom dedicate their time to educating our kids and imbuing them with a love of everything Jewish.

I would also like to recognize Ben Rosen, who has been an incredible teacher for TBS for many years, as well as our Madrichim Coordinator and Youth Director this year. Ben, thank you for everything you have done for us – we will miss you and can't wait to see everything you will accomplish in rabbinical school and beyond.

Additionally, we are thrilled to announce that Robin Leasure is the recipient of this year's Torah Aura Award. Robin has been a teacher for us for five years, teaching both Hebrew and Judaics on Sunday mornings. Robin further gives to our community by helping to tutor Bar/Bat Mitzvah students, as well as leading our Wednesday midweek Hebrew program. Congratulations Robin!

Finally, I would like to thank the Temple staff, for all of their work behind the scenes in making this first year so wonderful (especially Bonnie, who joined us on Sunday mornings). Thank you to our students who arrived every Sunday mornings eager to learn and laugh. And I am so thankful to every parent who trusts their children's Jewish education in me and in Temple Beth Shalom.

When we end a book of Torah, we traditionally recite "Chazak chazak v'nitchazek!" which means "Strength, strength, may we be strengthened!" As we end this school year, may we be strengthened by all of the blessings in our lives, and go from strength to strength as we joyfully look towards the future.



# TBS KIBBUTZ KEF CAMP 2018!

## August 6th - 9th 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:

\$250 (includes program, snacks, admissions, and bus costs)

**Early Bird Discount by June 1:**

\$200

Contact the Temple Office / Rabbi Lenette for more details: [rabbilh@tbsohio.org](mailto:rabbilh@tbsohio.org)

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# Tot Shabbat Spring Celebration

Saturday, May 26th at 10 AM

@ Temple Beth Shalom

Join Angelo Dunlap, Rabbi Lenette and Rabbi B for  
spring-themed songs, stories, snacks, crafts, and a  
ton of fun for our younger friends and their families!





## TBS 7th Graders Learn About the Holocaust at The Maltz Museum

Thanks to a very generous grant from the Rolf Kaufman Memorial Fund for Holocaust Studies, on April 15th, 11 of our Religious School students and 2 teachers visited the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage. Our students delved into their shared heritage, which not only served to educate, but also to create an experience with their teachers outside their normal experience.

The trip culminates classroom learning of what happened during the Holocaust and why/how it happened. Our TBS students toured the exhibit called “Stop The Hate”, which integrates the Holocaust into the larger framework of a pattern of intolerance, ignorance, and hatred. Teacher Dani Hopping felt this exhibit “was the perfect way to end our focused discussion of the Holocaust and enter into a conversation about current national and global news”.

The teens’ experience was incredible, sobering, and meaningful. “Our students were particularly shocked to see a child-sized KKK uniform and voiced mature opinions about other examples of indoctrination into hate groups, such as the Hitler Youth” says teacher Aliyah Cohen

The Maltz Museum is dedicated to diversity and tolerance, it opened in 2005 with a simple mission: to build bridges of tolerance and understanding by sharing Jewish Heritage through the lens of the American experience.

This trip was funded thanks to generous donations in honor of Rolf Kaufman, of blessed memory, to create a fund to focus on Holocaust studies. Rolf was an active and valued member of Temple Beth Shalom for over 20 years, who served in many capacities as a board member, finance committee member, and usher. He went about his work in a very respectable manner, with patience, and with a big heart. The son of Holocaust survivors, Rolf was thankful to arrive with his parents in the United States when he was 3 year old. As a way of honoring Rolf’s memory, his wife Ellie understood educating our TBS students on this important history was something Rolf would feel good about.

If you’d like to make a donation to the Rolf Kaufman Memorial Fund for Holocaust Studies, or learn more about this trip, please contact the temple office at 614-855-4882.

## Dr. Hilda Glazer and Alyssa Schottenstein Honored at 12 Torches Ceremony



On Thursday, April 19th, Dr. Hilda Glazer and Alyssa Schottenstein were honored during the 12 Torches ceremony. The ceremony, a part of the Jewish Federation of Columbus' Israel @70 program, honored 12 individuals who demonstrate a strong connection to Israel and are involved in many aspects of the Columbus Jewish Community. Mazel Tov to Hilda and Alyssa on this incredible honor!

## Scholarships Available for Jewish Summer Camps!

Thanks to many generous donations to the Maryn Schwebel Been Campership Fund, TBS is happy to be able to provide need-based scholarships to children wishing to attend a Jewish summer camp. A limited number of scholarships are available. Please reach out to Rabbi Benjy at rabbibenjy@tbsohio.org or call the office at (614)855-4882 for more information!



Like the Temple Beth Shalom Facebook page for upcoming events, photos, silly videos, and more!

# 12 Celebrations

## May Birthdays

- May 1st — Hesh Green
- May 2nd — Jennifer Cuenot
- May 3rd — Michael Rothstein, Daniel Dolsky
- May 4th — Bonnie Greenball-Silvestri
- May 5th — Arlene Setnar, Courtney Solomon
- May 6th — Darren Resnick, Philip Josolowitz, Steve Seeskin,  
Katie Scheiner, Allison Kleinman
- May 7th — Susie Blank, Shani Bank, Shayna Levi, Brian Pinsker
- May 8th — Lisa Katz, Barbara Tobin, Linda Rubin, Randall Siegel
- May 9th — Sheri Benson
- May 11th — Victoria Litmanovsky
- May 12th — Neil Carron, Mark Epstein, Connie Freundlich,  
Randie Sass
- May 13th — Lori Steinman, Arnold Alpert
- May 14th — Steve Bank, Melissa Barnett
- May 15th — Amir Rubin, Charlotte Jobrack, Sheryl Heit
- May 16th — Dan Phalen, Jeffrey Angart
- May 17th — Konstantin Litmanovsky, Paul Lazar, Michael Popa,  
Joseph Slade
- May 18th — I. David Cohen, Constance Cantor
- May 19th — Robin Leasure, Robin Hammond, Bradley Goldman
- May 20th — Frederick Merchant, Sheryl Prichard,  
Marc Grossman, Sarah Hecht, Carolyn Mendel,  
James DeBold
- May 21st — David Cohen, Cathe Kobacker, Boris Sherman,  
Todd Goldman, Debbie Zrye, Bruce Wylie
- May 22nd — Susan Lazerwitz, Suzanne Segal, Daniel Cobey
- May 23rd — Brian Voronkov, Larry Mendel, Evan Cohn,  
Jennifer Richardson, Marlene Robbins
- May 24th — Lindsay Bergman, Ginna Rinkov
- May 25th — Jeremy Rycus
- May 26th — Carol Trowbridge-Neubauer, Billy Murray
- May 27th — Jean Krum
- May 28th — Sherry Solomon, Gary Dicker, Jordan Finegold,  
Pam Lippy, Nancy Tannenbaum, Phillip Angart
- May 30th — Davora Beatty
- May 31st — Lori Feibel, Mark Glazman, Mollie Meisterman,  
Rachel Elwood, David Kleppel

## May Anniversaries

- May 7th — Robert & Rose Berky
- May 8th — Benjy & Lauren Bar-Lev  
Kenneth & Caroline Green
- May 14th — Marc & Lori Rossio  
David & Josefina Taylor
- May 15th — Gary & Elaine Barnett  
James & Susan Bugenstein  
Stuart & Karen Keren
- May 16th — Melissa & Amiel Mansur
- May 19th — Jonathan & Yassamin Bleiweiss
- May 20th — Lynn & Eric Emerman
- May 21st — Todd & Sarah Odess  
Raul & Gabriela Weiss
- May 23rd — Marty & Heather Oppenheimer
- May 25th — Jenna & Randolph Schultz
- May 26th — Hesh & Leslie Green  
Nathan & Valerie Robbins
- May 27th — Herschel & Faye Sigall  
Zachary & Lisa Singer
- May 28th — Martin & Sally Daner  
Jonathan & Lori Feibel  
Michael & Christine Hecht  
Steve & Dawn Schneir
- May 30th — Jan & Cynthia Cohen  
Lori & Patrick Elwood
- May 31st — Nicholas & Marjorie Ciranni



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## 10 Years of Joyful Music at Temple Beth Shalom

I am so excited that Temple Beth Shalom is commemorating my 10th year Anniversary. I have been planning lovingly and diligently to make May 18th a musically memorable Shabbat. Instrumental and vocal musicians from all of our Temple's music groups will take part in the service. The Klezmer band, the Sharyonim Choir and the Shabband will add their distinctive sounds to the prayers and the musical arrangements will include modern Jewish composers, gospel, Broadway and ancient chants.

Arkadiy Gipps, violinist, Scot Ashton, pianist and I will be debuting three selections from Eric Whitacre's Five Hebrew Love songs. The lyricist of these exquisite poems is Whitacre's Israeli wife, soprano, Hila Plitmann. The selections which will be presented are: Temuna (picture), Kala Kalla (light bride) and Rakut (tenderness).

Another highlight of the evening for me will be when all of my former and current Bar and Bat Mitzvah students join me on the bima for V'ahavta. How wonderful to have them plus you, my Temple Beth Shalom family, together for this memorable, musical Shabbat.

Thank you in advance to the Sharyonim Choir plus friends for providing the festive oneg.



Friday, May 4th at 6:30 pm

## 2ND GRADE GESHER "BRIDGE" CEREMONY FAMILY FRIENDLY SHABBAT SERVICE & FIRST FRIDAY DINNER!

Join us at TBS for a family friendly Erev Shabbat featuring the Kehillat Torah 2nd Graders and stay after for a delicious Taco Bar dinner prepared by the Men's Club!

Everyone is welcome - Bring your friends!



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# TBS MITZVAH DAY WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

## On Mitzvah Day 5778 TBS congregants...

Braided & baked 150 Challah  
 Packed 150 Bags of Hope for Homeless Families Foundation  
 Assembled 200 sack lunches for Friends of the Homeless  
 Cooked and served dinner to 150+ people at Ronald McDonald House  
 Packed 20 goodie bags for the Bikur Cholim room at Children's Hospital  
 Planted 96 flowers  
 Created 70 pieces of art for Heritage House & Kensington Residents  
 Baked 200 dog treats for Pets Without Parents  
 Read to 7 Therapy Dogs  
 Collected 100s of books for Read to Succeed Foundation  
 Sold 36 pies for pediatric cancer research at St. Jude  
 Collected a dozen jerseys for Jerseys for Hope  
 Created artwork for 1 Pride Parade Float  
 Played with dozens of bunnies at the Ohio Rabbit House Rescue  
 Cleaned and organized shelves at the New Albany Food Pantry  
 Delivered dozens of Meals on Wheels  
 Donated pints of blood for American Red Cross  
 Printed dozens of Child ID cards with the New Albany Police Department



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Our very own Challah Boss, Inna Slabodkin

Emily Spector and the Read to Succeed Foundation

Jerseys for Hope

Our partners at Ronald McDonald House, the Ohio House Rabbit Rescue, LifeCare Alliance & Meals on Wheels, the New Albany Food Pantry & the Bikur Cholim Group at Nationwide Children's Hospital.

The entire Mitzvah Day Committee for all their hard work ~ Ginna Rinkov, Sheri Benson, Bethany Klynn, Julie Alpert, Mindy Agin, Deb Rycus, Craig Kleiman, Michael Griffaton & Rachel Murray



## Not quite gone, but almost forgotten?

Perhaps you're reading our column in time to attend Temple Beth Shalom's General Meeting on Sunday, May 6th at 10:30 am at the New Albany JCC/CJDS building at 150 E. Dublin-Granville Rd. If not, you might be one of our few members who was not in attendance for the sumptuous brunch that was served that morning.

In either case, we would like to give you a synopsis of the final remarks that we planned on making in our capacity as lame-duck co-presidents. At the beginning of our two-year term, the responsibility that you placed upon us and our Board of Trustees sometimes felt like a life-long mission. However, with the support of all three of our rabbis, our executive director and her staff, our officers and trustees and you, our members, the time has passed as quickly as the average Trump administration appointee's tenure in office.

We were honored to help complete our congregation's transition from Rabbi Apothaker to Rabbi Bar Lev and our addition of the very capable Rabbi Herzog. Beth Shalom's number of Bar and Bat Mitzvahs in 2016-17 was probably a record. Our religious school enrollment is the largest in central Ohio. Our first mortgage was paid off freeing our income to be spent on personnel and programming rather than on principal and interest. Our House of Peace has not been in such good condition since it was newly dedicated more than 20 years ago. Over \$100,000 was spent on security enhancements at our property in 2017-18. Our fundraisers in the last two years have exceeded our expectations in terms of both financial and spiritual commitments. Temple Beth Shalom's endowment, although much smaller than it should be, is larger than it has ever been.

The names of George Armstrong Custer (commanding officer at the infamous "Last Stand" in the Battle of Little Big Horn), Edward John Smith (captain of the short-lived Titanic) and Lord Cardigan (leader of the celebrated charge of the British Light Brigade at the Battle of Balaclava in 1854) are long remembered. The names of those who succeeded them and performed their duties adequately are lost to almost all of us. We hope that on July 1st few of you will notice that Dave Segal and Bonnie Cram have taken the reins of TBS lay leadership from our hands. Such a seamless transition would be the biggest compliment that could be bestowed upon us. We thank you for allowing us to serve our beloved Temple Beth Shalom for the last two years and look forward to Immediate Past Co-President status on our Board of Trustees.

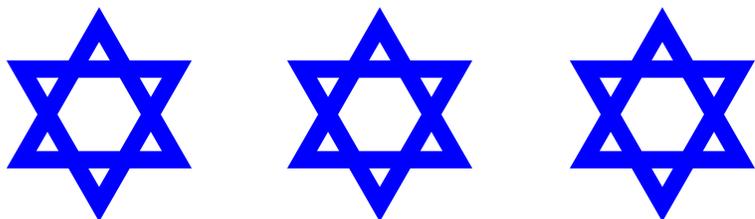
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**Sunday, May 6th at 10:00 am**

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- ◆ Rona Rosen, in honor of the birth of Dr. Lauren and her sons, Mazel Tavs to the family!
- ◆ Randall & Marian Cuenot, in honor of the bris of Asher Harrison Bar-Lev & Noah Daniel Bar-Lev
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- ◆ Daniel & Ann Lang, in honor of the Bar-Lev twins
- ◆ Harlan & Kelley Louis, in honor of the birth of the twins
- ◆ Adelaide Mentser & Barry Mentser, in honor of the birth of twin sons
- ◆ Leo & Janice Brillson, "Mazel Tov to the Bar-Lev family on the birth of Noah & Asher"
- ◆ Sheila F. Torch, in memory of Dave & Belle Lurie
- ◆ Steven & Dawn Schneir, in honor of the birth of the twins
- ◆ Bob & Nancy Schwartz, in honor of the birth of Asher & Noah, Mazel Tov!
- ◆ Mitch & Barbara Shifrin, in honor of the birth of Rabbi Benjy and Lauren's twins, Asher & Noah
- ◆ Alfred & Joyce Spiegler, in honor of the birth of twin boys for Rabbi Bar-Lev
- ◆ Maxine Weinberg, in honor of Asher & Noah
- ◆ Ann & Dan Lang, in honor of Rabbi Benjy in appreciation for all you did for Dan's recovery along with the thoughts and prayers of the TBS family
- ◆ Rabbi Howard Apothaker & Marcie Golden, in honor of Rabbi B's 10th Anniversary
- ◆ Rabbi Howard Apothaker & Marcie Golden, Mazel Tov for the birth of Noah and Asher Bar-Lev
- ◆ Dawn & Steve Schneir, in honor of Rabbi Benjy, Mazel Tov and Thank you!

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- ◆ Barbara & Marty Schuster, in honor of the Rabbis & our wonderful, loving and devoted friends for your concern for our son Mark during this difficult time
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# I8 WBS & Men's Club

## Women of Beth Shalom

The Women of Beth Shalom would like to congratulate Rabbi Benjy on his 10 years of service to our congregation! We would also like to thank all of the congregants that participated in WBS events over the past year - please stay tuned for more great programming!

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## Men's Club

Please join the Men's Club on Sunday, May 20th at 7:00 pm at TBS for the monthly Poker Night!  
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Also, be on the lookout for an email regarding the May Men's Club Dinner!

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Harold Resnick  
Henry Rozanczyk  
J. Kerry Rothstein  
Margaret Sindlinger  
Hattie Stetelman  
Raymond Tannenbaum  
Fred Thompson  
Libby Turner  
Jack Warner  
Robert Weinberg

## May 18th

Jerry Beery  
Marcel Benzakein  
Rosette Benzakein  
Jack Feinstein  
Ellis Finkelstein  
Ethel Garfield  
Florence Gordon  
Jean Katz  
Robert Mellman  
Wenceslas Neuwirth  
Dorothy Offenberg  
Samuel Opperman  
Harry Raab  
Herman Ringelheim  
Agnes Regueiro  
Ruth Siegfried  
Nathan Staman  
Morris Treger  
Audrey Wolpa  
Louis Yaillen

## May 25th

Libby Bushman  
Isaac Cohen  
Harry Cohn  
Carol Davia  
Sally Epstein  
Herman Friedberg  
Joseph Gould  
Elaine Haidt  
Rose Kaplan  
Shirley Katz  
Ross Knill  
Nancy Markle  
Leroy Matve  
Jean Nedelman  
Carol Pavlofsky  
Lillian Pies  
Sidney Rucker  
Arnold Sachs  
Henry Schulte  
Helen Shulman  
Ethel Solomon  
Gilbert Wunsch

## May 11th

Adell Coleman  
Bart Epstein  
Louise Glazer  
Pavel Glazman  
Irving Goldmann  
John Goldstick  
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# 20 Mitzvah Corps Central



## Featured Collection - School Supplies for Gahanna Residents In Need

GRIN believes a helping hand can change the world! GRIN is a community-wide, faith based organization committed to helping the residents of the Gahanna-Jefferson school district in a time of need with a "hand-up".

### HOW DOES GRIN serve the Gahanna community?

GRIN helps provide food, children's clothing, rent & utility assistance, school supplies, weekend help for children, holiday gifts & meals and summer lunches for Gahanna students!

Every year, GRIN collects school supplies and backpacks to give to those in need during their Back -To-School Fair. Please drop off any NEW school supplies at Temple during the month of May.

## Saturday, June 16th - 2018 Columbus Pride For All Parade

Show your pride and march in the parade with Temple Beth Shalom! There are festivities all weekend long. Contact Angelo Dunlap at [adunlap@tbsohio.org](mailto:adunlap@tbsohio.org) for more info.

### DELIVER KOSHER MEALS TO CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL — SO IMPORTANT AND SUCH A MITZVAH!

Bikur Cholim translates to "visiting the sick," but the newly formed Bikur Cholim Society of Columbus does much more than visit. The society provides kosher meals to observant families who come from around the world to Nationwide Children's Hospital for treatment. We operate solely through donations and volunteers who pick up meals (already prepared) and deliver them to Children's and/or Ronald McDonald House.

## B.R.E.A.D. Rises!

The Nehemiah Action is on **Monday, May 7th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Celeste Center on the Ohio State Fairgrounds** (717 E. 17th Ave., Columbus, OH 43211) Registration begins at 6:15 p.m.

You are invited to join thousands of Columbus residents as together we fight for solutions to serious problems that affect our community.

This year B.R.E.A.D. is working on issues related to Youth and Family Concerns and a large turnout shows the public officials that we really care about the issues. **EVERY PERSON COUNTS AT THIS EVENT!**

The Nehemiah Action is about building power and holding public officials accountable. The changes that B.R.E.A.D. wins don't just happen. The B.R.E.A.D. team members have to put in a lot of work each year. They keep pushing to meet with our officials and keep pressing them to implement solutions until the officials agree to do what's right. At the Nehemiah Action on May 7, BREAD committee members will present community problems and researched solutions to the public officials in attendance and urge them to commit their support.

### **This is the Big Deal – Show our Power in Numbers! Every person counts at this event.**

Look for the blue & white balloons so that we can sit together.

Contact Laurel Zulliger [lzulliger@gmail.com](mailto:lzulliger@gmail.com) or 614-323-6419 for carpooling information.

### **B.R.E.A.D. Mission: People of faith building power to "do justice".**

B.R.E.A.D. Vision for Doing Justice:

Most congregations are very good at pursuing the humble walk with God and they are often strong at demonstrating kindness (or mercy). But when it comes to doing justice, most of those same congregations fall significantly short. One of the primary reasons for this shortcoming is that a single member, clergy or congregation does not have enough power to hold key decision makers accountable for protecting the weak from the strong. BREAD provides a vehicle for congregations to practice justice by joining together large numbers of people. These large numbers of people give us a chance to "do justice." Since congregations gather weekly (52 times a year) to remind themselves of their humble walk with God, we challenge them to gather that same number of people once a year to take action and "do justice" at the Nehemiah Action Assembly (52/1).

## Psalms

By Steve Seeskin, TBS Library Committee Chairperson



Recently, the TBS Library acquired *Songs Ascending: The Book of Psalms: A New Translation with Textual and Spiritual Commentary*, a two-volume set, by Rabbi Richard N. Levy and published by the Central Conference of American Rabbis (CCAR) Press. While cataloging this set and before putting the books in their rightful place on our library shelves, I browsed through these books. I learned somewhat like the Torah, there are Five Books of Psalms and the Psalms are numbered sequentially from 1 to 150. I then turned to Psalm 23 - A Psalm of David (Mizmor L'David). For most people, this is arguably the most familiar of all the Psalms, which begins: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. What I discovered is this often-recited Psalm is the King James Version (KJV) of the English translation from the original Hebrew. Rabbi Levy offers an alternative translation, which he claims is a more accurate translation. Let us side-by-side compare the two translation versions.

<u>Verse</u>	<u>The KJV Version</u>	<u>The Rabbi Levy Version</u>
1	The LORD <i>is</i> my shepherd; I shall not want.	Adonai, my shepherd: I lack for nothing—
2	He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.	In meadows thick with grass You lay me down, Across streams serene You guide me.
3	He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.	My life You restore, Leading me serenely in well-worn paths of justice To glorify Your name.
4	Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou <i>art</i> with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.	Even when I walk in a valley dark as death's shadow I shall fear no ferocity, For You are with me, Your staff and Your walking stick—they reassure me.
5	Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.	You set a table before me along with my enemies, You rain rich oils 'round my head; My cup? Overflowing!
6	Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.	For certain, goodness and the love of your covenant Will run after me all the days of my life, And I shall abide in God's house For long days, Long, long days.

I don't know about you, but I much more prefer Rabbi Levy's Version. It provides a Modern English translation (same as the way we talk and write, today) versus the archaic Old English translation in the KJV. I also appreciate the fine-tuned differences of Levy's more precise translation of the Hebrew text. I even prefer the third person pronoun "You" usage to the second person "He" because it sounds more like we are speaking to God; not about God. Moreover, the Rabbi Levy Version provides opportunity for us Jews to depart from the Christian tradition of the KJV when reciting the Psalm.

As he does for all 150 Psalms, Rabbi Levy provides an insightful Psalm 23 text commentary—verse-by-verse. Also, as is the same for the rest of the Psalms, Rabbi Levy provides a spiritual commentary including customs associated with the Psalm. In the Psalm 23 commentary, he mentions its recitation at funerals, houses of mourning and on Shabbat. Additionally, for those who enjoy studying text, he makes mention of the following recurring Psalm themes, which are suggested in Psalm 23: Awareness of God's presence, dealing with enemies (within and without), God's house, inner peace, justice, prayer, the nature of death, trusting in God, making the most of our lives, and the Sabbath.

To learn more about Psalm 23 and the other 149 Psalms, borrow this set of books from the TBS Library. The Kosher Bookworm will be glad you did and so will you!

# 22 May B'nai Mitzvah



On Saturday, May 5th at 10 o'clock in the morning, **Elijah Daniel Fox** will be celebrating his Bar Mitzvah. Eli is the son of Leslie and David Fox, the grandson of Linda and Richard Rogovin, Charlie Fox and Charlotte Fox of blessed memory.

He is a seventh grader at New Albany Middle School and attends the Temple Beth Shalom Kehillat Torah Religious School. Eli is on his school's tennis team and in his free time he plays the guitar.



On Saturday, May 12th at 10 o'clock in the morning, **Jerry Merchant**, son of Frederick and Sherrie Merchant, brother of Sara Staud (Frank), Brianna Merchant, Kara Lowery, Grandson of Sandra Cohen and of blessed memory Jerome Cohen, Adelaide Merchant & Frederick Merchant, Sr., will be called to the Torah for his Bar Mitzvah.

Jerry is a 7th grader at The Wellington School and attends Temple Beth Shalom Religious School. He attended Columbus Jewish Day School from Kindergarten through 6th grade. Jerry plays travel football, travel basketball and travel baseball. He enjoys traveling and spending much time at his lake house fishing along with water sports.

For Jerry's mitzvah project, he plans on spending time volunteering this summer at the animal shelters helping out in any way he can, especially walking the dogs. Jerry's love of animals is the direct result of the happiness his family's rescued dog "Coco" brings to him.



On Saturday May 19, 2018 at 10 o'clock in the morning, **Josh Goldman**, son of Todd and Erica Goldman, brother of Emily Goldman, grandson of Joseph Rossman, Marcia Glaser, Joy Goldman and Leonard Goldman, both of blessed memory, is called to the Torah for his First Aliyah.

Josh is a seventh grader at Gahanna Middle School East and attends Temple Beth Shalom Kehillat Torah Religious School. Josh is active in all things sports and LOVES to ice skate and play hockey with his EYHA hockey team. Josh also loves to attend as many Columbus Blue Jackets games, as possible. In the summer, Josh attends GUCI summer camp in Zionsville IN.

For his mitzvah project, Josh incorporated his love of skating and hockey by working with children challenged with disabilities teaching them to skate and play hockey.



On Saturday, May 26th at 4pm in the afternoon, **Abigail Kleinman** will be called to the Torah for her first Aliyah. Abby is a 7th grader at New Albany Middle School and attends Temple Beth Shalom Kehillat Torah Religious School. She is the daughter of Scott and Allison Kleinman, sister to Daniel and Noah, granddaughter to Michael and Gerimae Bassichis and the late Ken Kleinman, granddaughter to Ej Jones, Nancy Smeltzer and the late Susan Jones.

Abby is actively involved in middle school cheerleading, dance at Broadway Bound Dance Center and music! Abby LOVES listening to music and learns the lyrics to all her favorite songs! Her favorite place to spend the summer for the past 4 years is at Emma Kaufmann camp. She would go all 7 weeks if she could!

For her mitzvah project, she is helping out local animal shelters by donating much needed supplies to help them run smoothly. She is also walking the dogs and giving them much needed love. A lot of them are uncared for and have been abused. She is so excited to become a bat mitzvah!

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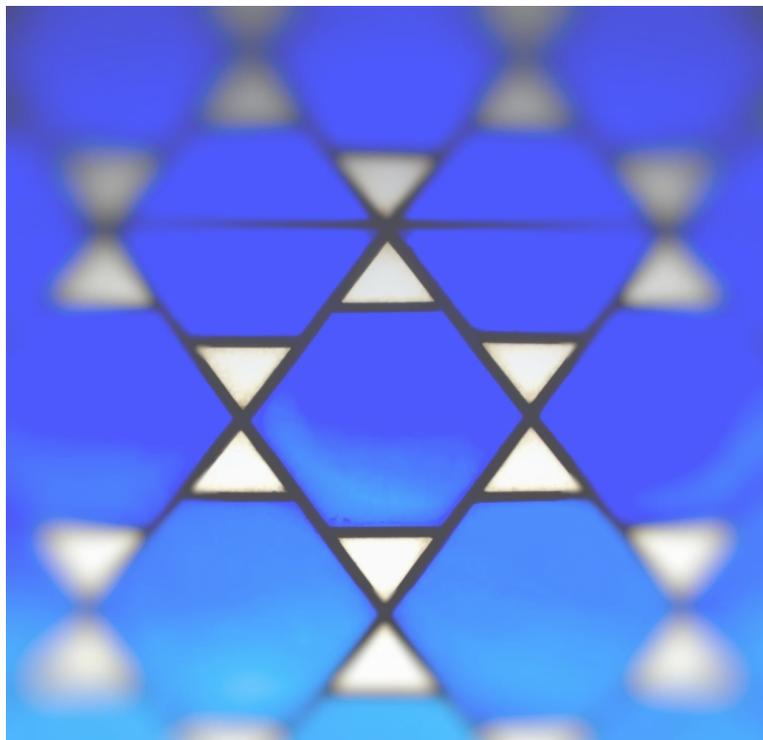
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