



TEMPLE BETH SHALOM  
JOYFUL · PERSONAL · ACCESSIBLE

November 2020

Cheshvan - Kislev 5781

# The Window

## Thankful For Our TBS Family!



4	Upcoming Events
5	The Buzz
8	Chai-er Learning
11	Cantorial Corner
14	The Game Plan
16	Simcha Station
18	Presidential Address
19	Mitzvah Corps
20	Yahrzeits
21	Donations

## Announcements!

☆ While the temple building is closed, you can still reach all of our staff members. Call the temple line and it will ring through to our cell phones.

TEMPLE BETH SHALOM INVITES  
YOU TO HONOR THOSE WHO  
HAVE SERVED OUR COUNTRY

# Virtual Veterans Day Shabbat

Friday, November 13th | 6:30pm

**SEND US A PICTURE OF YOUR VETERAN!**

In preparation for Veteran's Day Shabbat we ask that any active or retired military please send in a photograph of yourself or loved one in uniform so that we can honor them in our annual veteran's slideshow.

If you or your loved one was in last year's slideshow there is no need to send in another photograph.

Please email photos to Amanda Cohen at [acohen@tbsohio.org](mailto:acohen@tbsohio.org) by November 8th!

# 4 November Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 9am— Religious School 12:45pm— Jr Youth Group Virtual Fun	<b>2</b> 10am— Songs of the Soul with Angelo	<b>3</b> 10:30am— Boker Tov Song Session	<b>4</b> 10am— Doris Kearns Goodwin Masterclass 4:30pm— Midweek Hebrew	<b>5</b> 12pm— Live From Israel Tour 5:15pm— Quarantining Alone	<b>6</b> 9:30am— Shabbat Songs w/ Marc 6:30pm— Erev Shabbat Services (3rd Grade Shabbat)	<b>7</b> 10am— Miranda Benson FA 6pm— Havdalah w/ the Bar-Lev Family
<b>8</b> 9am— Religious School 1pm— BeSTY Event	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 10:30am— Boker Tov Song Session 3pm— Food Drive	<b>11</b> 4:30pm— Midweek Hebrew	<b>12</b> 12pm— Live From Israel Tour 8pm— Trivia Night	<b>13</b> 9:30am— Shabbat Songs w/ Marc 6:30pm— Virtual Veterans Day Shabbat	<b>14</b> 6pm— Havdalah w/ the Bar-Lev Family
<b>15</b> 9am— Religious School 12:45pm— Jr Youth Group Virtual Fun 4pm— Board Meeting	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 11:30am— Lunch & Learn: Gratitude in Judaism	<b>18</b> 10am— Yotam Ottolenghi Masterclass 4:30pm— Midweek Hebrew	<b>19</b> 5:15pm— Quarantining Alone	<b>20</b> 6:30pm— Erev Shabbat Services	<b>21</b> 6pm— Havdalah w/ the Bar-Lev Family
<b>22</b> 9am— Religious School 12:30pm— Reform Teen Event	<b>23</b> 10am— Yotam Ottolenghi Masterclass	<b>24</b> 10:30am— Boker Tov Song Session	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Thanksgiving	<b>27</b> 9:30am— Shabbat Songs w/ Marc 6:30pm— Erev Shabbat Services	<b>28</b> 6pm— Havdalah w/ the Bar-Lev Family
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>					



## Finding Hope in a Pandemic

*The following is Rabbi Benji's Rosh Hashanah Sermon*

For so many of us, the week of March 9 was surreal. Think back to your experiences that week as the pandemic unfolded here in Ohio. On Monday night we had more than two hundred people in the building for our annual Purim musical. And by Friday night of that week, our building sat empty for the very first time on a Friday night, as we led services in an empty sanctuary. We knew on that first Friday that we were entering uncharted territory.

And so, the quarantine began for all of us. In the Bar-Lev house kids all stayed home. Lauren cut down to two days a week in the office for a while. I worked mostly from home and we were so lucky to still have our wonderful nanny Emma helping us out on some days. While I was keeping close track of a couple of congregants who contracted COVID-19, our family has been very lucky and our problems stemmed more from a quarantine with two working parents than health problems. While this time has had its peaks and valleys, I'd say we were pretty deep in a valley at the beginning of the quarantine. The kids weren't used to being home all day for multiple days, and not having activities to go and do. As I heard from so many of you in the same situation, the virtual learning was a big struggle every day. And on top of that, the weather was very cold and rainy, so we couldn't even get outside. As if the days weren't challenging enough, in that first week of the quarantine, I was awakened by a thud one night, and found that Asher had figured out how to climb, rather, fall out of his crib. So here we were in the first weeks of quarantine with an angry elementary schooler, a bored pre-schooler, two very mobile two-year olds sleeping on mattresses on the ground, and parents that could both use a drink.

But then, March 25 happened. We woke up that morning and there was this strange light in the sky that we don't often see in March here in Ohio. Even the kids noticed - the sun was out! For the first time in many days, it wasn't raining or cold. The sun came out, the birds were chirping. It was a total game-changer. We played outside. We went on a walk. Some of the kids got a little muddy in the creek. And for the first time in a couple weeks, I thought to myself, maybe we will all get through this somehow. That night, Sammie and Jake and I went onto the Temple's Facebook page and sang a *schechyanu* prayer, thanking God for the first nice day we had seen in a long time.

The sunshine that day, combined with happy kids and the feeling that maybe we can actually figure this out stirred something inside of me that I didn't even know I had lost: hope. There was a glimmer of hope. Yes, there are likely many months remaining in the life of this pandemic. Yes, there is still the horrible tragedy that 190,000 people have lost their lives, and so many others are ill and slow to recover. Yes, the world still feels very dark, gloomy, and scary. But having a glimmer of hope, a reminder that perhaps one day we will return to life again is as important now as it was on March 25.

Hope. We have talked a lot about hope during this pandemic. In so many ways it has sustained us when our people were at our worst. We Jews are well acquainted with the power of finding the small spark of hope in the darkness of our lives. Hope gives us ability to take another step, the strength to put one foot in front of the other, to start again after unthinkable loss. Rabbi Leora Frankel teaches that another rabbi, Jonathan Sacks goes even further, asserting that in a sense the "Jews invented hope." For the ancient Greeks, everything was fate; the future pre-determined by the past. But Jews believe in free will. As Rabbi Sacks powerfully puts it, "The Greeks gave the world the concept of tragedy. Jews gave it the idea of hope. To be a Jew," Sacks teaches, "is to be an agent of hope in a world serially threatened by despair. Every ritual, every mitzvah, every syllable of the Jewish story, every element of Jewish law, is a protest against escapism, resignation, or the blind acceptance of fate.

There is a powerful story that I told a few years ago, written by Rabbi Hugo Gryn about his time as a boy in Auschwitz. One winter evening in the barrack, Gryn's father drew him into a quiet corner, explaining that it was the first night of Hanukkah. He watched in amazement as his father plucked a few threads from his prison uniform for a wick and lit them in the day's now melted butter ration. Then the boy became angry; how could they waste this precious food for a makeshift menorah? His father replied: "My dear son, you and I have seen that it is possible to live for a very long time without food. But Hugo, a person cannot live even for a day without hope."

A person cannot live even for a day without hope. How many of us have sat at the bedside of a beloved relative, whose hope sustained them long after the doctors' prognosis. How many of us have been stuck in a rut in life, unable to move out of the darkness, but that glimmer of hope has kept us trying our hardest. How many of us have lost a beloved partner or spouse or friend or parent or grandparent and wondered how will I go on, yet they find a way. How many of us have turned on the news to see our country in a state of chaos and pain and darkness and want to just give up. But we don't because we have hope for tomorrow that sustains us today. Things will get better. And not only, things will get better, but we will play a role in that. Optimism is the belief that things are

going to get better. Hope is the belief that we can make things better. Optimism is a passive virtue, hope is an active one. As Rabbi Sacks teaches, “It takes no courage to be an optimist, but one does need courage to hope.”

While finding hope might be tough in regular times, in 2020 it is a herculean task. There is just so much sadness and uncertainty in our country and our world right now. But our tradition gives us a number of tools to help us find hope in these dark times.

First, let’s discuss resilience, our human ability to bounce back from setbacks in life. We can demonstrate our hope through our resilience in the wake of tragedy. Jews are perhaps the most resilient people on the planet, given all the trauma our people have been through. But as Americans too, we have relied on our resilience to keep us going. Almost twenty years ago, a group of terrorists hijacked planes on September 11. Few people remember that day as vividly as Virginia Buckingham, who was the head of Boston’s Logan Airport, where the hijackers boarded planes headed to New York.

“On my watch,” she writes, “American Flight 11 and United Flight 175 were hijacked and flown into the World Trade Center. Within days, I was publicly singled out and blamed for alleged security weaknesses allowing the 9/11 attacks. The state’s governor forced me to resign, derailing my career. Then a grieving 9/11 widow sued me for wrongful death, asking a court to hold me personally responsible for her husband’s murder. My life was completely shattered.” In her piece from this summer entitled, “How to Find Hope in Dark Times” she discusses the difference between moving on and moving forward.

“Over time, I discovered there is an important difference between moving on and moving forward. I learned that the experience of true resilience is far different than the societal expectation of “bouncing back.” I stopped pushing away the overwhelming feelings of grief in the interest of appearing “strong.” I found that showing — and receiving — compassion and empathy made all the difference.

The metaphor I use for resilience is sea glass. I’ve long collected the white, green and, if I am ever so lucky to find it, crystal blue smoothed glass on New England’s beaches at low tide. The bottle tossed into the sea, broken apart by the motion of the waves, no longer resembles the form it had before.

After 9/11, I came to understand that, like that bottle, I was changed forever. Just as surely as the health care workers on the frontlines will be. Or the grown child unable to spare their elderly parent from a virus-ravaged nursing home. Or the governor making the hard call of shutting down businesses that may never reopen. We will all be changed forever by this pandemic, yet, like sea glass, what remains will be of great value, and capable of bringing meaning and joy. Might that not be a different way, a truer way, of defining resilience?”

We will carry these events of 2020 with us for many years. They will shape how we feel in the future, what we consider safe, what types of activities we choose. And that’s ok. In order to move forward we have to acknowledge the very real sense of mourning we are now feeling. The pain of not seeing loved ones, life’s milestones on hold, our expectations far outweighing our reality, the haunting images of our fellow citizens dying alone in hospitals, our own health scares and even hospitalizations. We must mourn for all of this. And then, as long as we have breath in our bodies, we take a small but hopeful step forward. We bring that loss with us, and perhaps it’s part of us now, but it need not solely define us. Every step we take is an act of hope. We are resilient. We are hopeful.

Another way that we can actively pursue hope in these trying times is to find purpose for ourselves. Many of us revelled in sitting around during the beginning of the pandemic, spending time reading, relaxing, and binging shows on Netflix. But for many of us, after a while, we needed to do something. That was how Melissa Berger was feeling in March of this year. In early April Melissa started organizing a Facebook group called Bubbie and Zaydie stay home. If you’re unfamiliar with the Yiddish, Bubbie and Zaydie means Grandmother and Grandfather. Her group started as a way to connect her grandparents who lived across the country from her with some of her friends who might go out and do some shopping for them. The group immediately took off and became a real operation. People from all over the country were volunteering to check in on each other’s grandparents. Melissa and her team built up a list of almost six hundred Jewish young adults, many of whom are still in contact with their adopted parents and grandparents on a weekly basis. The group also partnered with other online directories and combined they have thousands of young people who are ready to volunteer their time to help others.

When we are in situations like this pandemic and we’re overwhelmed by the enormity of the situation, one of the ways we can regain some control and hope is by getting out and doing something to help. Reach out a hand. Find an organization that shares your values, put on a mask and get yourself out there and get to work. One small issue to work on – that’s how it begins. Make calls for a candidate you believe in. Politics not your thing? Find a way to help a neighbor. Call a family member. Check in on a friend who is having a rough time. Make a meal for someone. Find

someone you can help guide to a better place. This can be so empowering. We don't have to be perfect people or solve all of the world's issues to make a difference and regain some hope.

When the JCC New Albany pre school closed, the teachers went above and beyond to make sure the kids still felt connected and loved. One day, we got a text from one of Jake's teachers that Jake should go and look outside. His teacher Ms Jessica had drawn a Spiderman scene and message on our driveway in chalk. She went to every single student's house over the course of a couple days and drew elaborate and impressive chalk murals on their driveways and sidewalks. She just wanted to do something kind for her students and feel useful. That kindness will impact our entire family for a long time. We looked outside and felt a glimmer of hope that we will get through all this.

Our final tool to help find hope is to be able to change our perspective. I have shared with you before, one of my favorite biblical stories is about Moses and the spies. Moses sends 12 spies to sneak into the land of Canaan, Israel, to scout it out. Ten of the spies come back with a negative report. "It's true that the land flows with milk and honey. Its fields are so plentiful that it took two of us to bear the one cluster of giant grapes. But it is also swarming with giants and the cities are fortified – we could never defeat them." Moses, they say, this is a no-go. Two of the spies though, Joshua and Caleb, share a different perspective. They say, "Let us by all means go up, and we shall gain possession of the land of Israel. We can do it, for we shall surely overcome it." All twelve spies saw the same situation, they had the same data. Most of them conceded to dwelling in the wilderness forever. But two of them held onto hope.

Cognitive psychologists Daniel Simons and Christopher Chabris produced an experiment. It is a 30-second film that shows six people playing basketball, three in white shirts and three in black shirts. Volunteers are asked to count how many times the white shirt team passes the ball. At the end of the film, they are asked if they saw anything unusual. Most do not. But there is something quite unusual that happens. About halfway through the film, a man wearing a gorilla suit walks onto the court, beats his chest to the camera, and then walks off.

The study says, "When shown the film again, people are utterly surprised to see the gorilla, and they often believe a different film has been substituted for the original one. Their focus on one task has blinded them to a truth, they couldn't open their eyes to even a gorilla walking in front of them. So often in life people see only what they want to see and don't see anything else. But when we open our eyes and our minds to other perspectives, we might see something we didn't expect."

Can we change our perspective to be more hopeful? Can we try to shift our focus to experience the positive aspects of our lives? Will we see only the quarantine, or will we see the hundreds of thousands of people who have volunteered to help out a neighbor by grocery shopping or checking in on them? Will we see our facemasks as another annoyance, or will we feel hopeful seeing stores full of people wearing them? Will we see only our pain and frustration at not being able to see our loved ones or will we picture the sweetness of our reunions when they finally happen? It's certainly not easy to change our perspective, but if we can try and focus on the goodness, kindness, and graciousness in our world, that perspective will inevitably lead us to hope.

Back at the Bar-Lev house, we are actively trying to change our perspective. The kids have just started back to school in a hybrid system. Sammie misses having lots of playdates and plans, but loves her new teacher and is adjusting well. I cried lots of very ugly tears as Jake boarded the bus for his first day as a Kindergartener. And Asher and Noah are back at their happy place at the New Albany JCC.

And yet still, each Saturday night, we turn on the camera, and light our Havdalah candle to signify the end of Shabbat. And when that candle is lit, the giant candle with multiple wicks, is so bright, and beautiful, and vibrant. But a short time later we gently extinguish the candle and allow ourselves to be surrounded by the darkness. Our blessing says thank you God, for distinguishing between holy time and the rest of the week. Thank you God, for enabling us to experience darkness. Because only when we have truly been in the dark, can we appreciate the wonderful sustenance of the light. May the candles of our pandemic life, though flickering these days, enable us to find the hope we seek. May this coming year bring us health, resilience, purpose, perspective, safety, and abiding hope. This is our prayer for 5781. Amen.

# 8 CHAI-er Learning with Rabbi Lenette Herzog

## Jewish Diversity and Our Commitment to Antiracism

*The following is Rabbi Lenette's High Holy Day Sermon*



Last December, author Marra Gad arrived at the URJ Biennial Conference in Chicago. She writes, "When I went to pick up my credentials, I was told that the "REAL" Marra Gad needed to pick up her badge. And when I replied that I was the real Marra Gad, I did not receive an apology. Instead, the person behind the desk said, "Really!?"

"When I was eventually given my very bright orange badge that clearly said PRESENTER across the bottom...I was assumed to be hotel staff. Twice.

"I was aggressively asked repeatedly WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? And when I would reply that I was a featured speaker on Shabbat afternoon, I was then asked what I could possibly have to speak about. I was in an elevator filled with attendees who elected to whisper about me. LIKE I WASN'T THERE."

"It all grew so uncomfortable for me...that I had to be escorted from place to place by URJ staff. When others were at Shabbat services...or dinner...or song session...I was in my hotel room alone. Crying. Because I did not feel comfortable and safe being out with my own people."



This was Marra's experience at URJ Biennial - a conference attended by thousands of Reform rabbis, cantors, educators, and lay leaders. This is how Marra, a Jew of color, was treated...by leaders in our Reform movement.

On Yom Kippur, we read a passage in Isaiah, in which God admonishes us for fasting but not changing our habits. God says, "On your fast day, you see to your business and oppress all your laborers...No, this is the fast I desire - to unlock the chains of wickedness, to let the oppressed go free...not to ignore your own kin."

God doesn't want our hunger. *God wants us to change.*

This year has been horrible in so many ways, but once again, this year we witnessed the senseless, violent deaths of too many Black Americans. The deaths of Breonna Taylor, George Floyd and others sparked a resurgence in the Black Lives Matter movement, and a renewed conversation about racism and white supremacy in America.

America's land was taken through genocide of Native Americans, and its wealth was built on generations of enslaved Black people. The ideology that white people are superior has been baked into US society since before its founding; while ever present in society through today, white supremacy is becoming even more mainstream and violent.

In Jewish spaces, we often focus on white supremacy manifesting as antisemitism. And that discussion is important now: last year had a 40 year record of anti-Semitic incidents. But Rabbis Jessica Rosenberg and Max Reynolds remind us that, while anti-Semitism is still present and harmful, "our systems and structures of power...don't currently perpetuate antisemitism in any structural way that has an impact on the day-to-day lives and freedom of movement of average white Jews. Anti-Black racism, however, is visible and present in every part of government and civil society: education, housing, health care, criminal justice: all of these institutions have inherited and manifest racism."

Jews with light skin pass in an American culture that privileges whiteness. White Jews weren't considered white several generations ago, but we now pass, even if it's conditional.

This heightens the fact that Jewish peoplehood spans every continent and a wide array of ethnic and racial identities, but we constantly center Ashkenazi or European Jewry as normative. (How often have we said a light skinned, dark haired person "looks Jewish?" Or referenced an Ashkenazi family name as a "Jewish name?")

This is painful, and can cause defensiveness, discomfort and shame. We might want to leave this conversation entirely - and leaving an uncomfortable conversation about racism is *privilege*. People of color, including Jews, don't have that option. I encourage all of us to sit in our discomfort, and not turn away.

Having light skin doesn't minimize our other difficult circumstances, the antisemitism we experience, or our meaningful work towards racial justice. It means we don't experience additional oppression because of our skin color. I am a victim of white supremacy as a Jew, and I also benefit from my light skin.

This year, we must sit with the renewed urgency around confronting and dismantling racism- not as something happening "out there," but right here, in our communities, right now. This could not be clearer from what Marra experienced at URJ Biennial. Leaders of Reform Judaism - who might all say they're committed to inclusivity, a global and diverse Jewish peoplehood, and the pursuit of justice - still treated Marra as if she didn't belong.

Twenty percent of the American Jewish community - *millions of American Jews* - are Jews of color. Even so, April Baskin, the Racial Justice Director of the Jewish Social Justice Roundtable, writes that “Jews of color are perpetual strangers in Jewish life...we unknowingly treat these people as strangers because of class, age or race.”

While these experiences are painful and important for us to hear, they’re also only snapshots within a full Jewish experience. And I’m fully aware that I’m a white Jew sharing their experiences with you.



April Baskin’s parents are an interracial and previously interfaith couple, who were turned away from two synagogues in California. When her family was accepted by a third congregation, they became involved in temple life - going to services, classes, and even serving on the temple and youth group boards. But April’s father was regularly assumed to be the janitor, was asked to clean up during various events, and was even accused of stealing temple property.

Rabbi Sandra Lawson shares, “I have never been in a Jewish space where my Jewish identity has not been questioned. I have been asked multiple times upon entering Jewish spaces if I belong. I have repeatedly been asked by strangers, how am I Jewish, when I converted, am I an ordained rabbi, “Don’t you have to be Jewish to be a rabbi?” and so on...Questions like these send messages to people of color that we do not belong and in order to belong, white people need to feel safe.”

Our tradition forbids us from asking, or bringing up someone’s conversion process - because we are all equally Jewish, adopted or otherwise. But people of color are assumed to be converts and are asked about it constantly.



Rabbi Shais Rishon was once a substitute English teacher, and he arrived at school wearing a kippah and tzitzit, or a small tallit. The principal told him, “I assume you’re a recent convert to Judaism,” even though Rabbi Rishon was not a convert - he’s Orthodox. Another time, a white Jewish woman told Rabbi Rishon he shouldn’t wear leather shoes. Rabbi Rishon responded that prohibition is only true during certain times, which is correct. She said he was wrong, and should “learn more.” Rishon says, “She knew that I was Black, and that’s all she needed to know to claim the authority that I was doing Jewish wrong.”

Finally, rabbinical student Donna Cephas shared this about her daughter, who is a Jew of color, “When my daughter was 11, a man wearing a kippah asked why she was wearing a Jewish star. My daughter replied, “I am Jewish.” This man told her how funny it was to him that she could be Jewish. That was the day she took off her Star of David, and she has not worn it again.”



It’s tempting, for those of us who are white, to reassure ourselves that we have never done these things; that we aren’t capable of such harm. But as our liturgy says over and over again this morning, we are not blameless. Racism doesn’t just manifest in huge acts, but in micro-aggressions too. We might not even realize we’re acting this way. We are responsible for our community as a whole.

For the sins we have committed by questioning the validity of Jews of color who should be welcomed in our synagogues and Jewish spaces; by staring, asking them to defend their Jewishness, by making them feel unwelcome and unsafe. For assuming white and Ashkenazi are the only way Jews should look and practice; by saying someone does or doesn’t “look Jewish” or have a “Jewish name.”

For centering antisemitism as the sole evil of white supremacy, by speaking empty words of inclusivity, and by refusing to admit that our Jewish communities aren’t inclusive as we believe. For solely celebrating white Jews of the Civil Rights Movement as if they absolve Jewish communities of racism, instead of learning from and lifting up the voices of Black Jews and Jews of color.

For the sins we committed by not teaching Jewish multiculturalism and truly learning about and fully celebrating our diversity. By not confronting how those of us who are white Jews, contribute to racism in our Jewish community, and to America at large. **We must commit to real change.**

Ibram X Kendi, historian and leading voice on antiracism, writes in his book *How to be an antiracist*: “What’s the problem with being “not racist”? It is a claim that signifies neutrality, [meaning] I am not a racist, but neither am I aggressively against racism. The opposite of racist isn’t non-racist. It’s anti-racist.”

There are SO many ways to combat racism in our everyday lives. But we can’t be silent and complicit, because of this difficult and inescapable truth: *when white Jews are silent and not actively anti-racist, we contribute to*

*racism, and therefore to white supremacy.* If we're invested in *tikkun olam*, repairing the world, and if we believe that everyone is created *b'tzelem Elohim*, in the Divine image, then we must work to be anti-racist. Anti-racism is not feeling sympathy, or an abstract belief. We can't argue that we "don't see color," as it completely dismisses racism. Activist Rachel Cargle put it this way: "Anti-racist work is not over until Black peoples' lives are proven to matter."

Cargle says antiracist work stands on knowledge, empathy, and action. Knowledge means relearning history, like the NYT's 1619 Project; listening to Black peoples' voices and experiences; becoming aware of racist language, assumptions, and participation in racist systems. This is uncomfortable, necessary learning, but it's our job to educate ourselves, and confront our own racism. I've shared a page of resources online that has helped me through this learning and in November, the Columbus Jewish film festival will screen the film *They Ain't Ready For Me*, featuring Tamar Manasseh, a Black rabbinical student who leads the fight against gun violence on the south side of Chicago.

Cargle's second component is empathy. She clarifies this isn't "passive empathy" which is a response like, "I'm so sorry this is happening to you" - it's radical empathy: "I see you and I'm going to hold myself accountable for how I play into your pain." Radical empathy is a critical value in our tradition. We cannot insult the deaf or place a stumbling block before the blind. We must love and take care of the most vulnerable: the stranger, poor, and orphan. The very concept of *tikkun olam*, repairing the world, relies on our capacity to pursue justice for all, even when we aren't direct victims. Radical empathy takes time, but it can help us realize that dismantling racism doesn't just benefit people of color - it creates a just world for everyone.

Antiracism is made real in action: **to show up as antiracists in our everyday actions and choices.** We can discuss our newfound knowledge about racial justice around the dinner table; among family, friends, neighbors and colleagues. We can kindly help make others aware of racist assumptions and language, knowing that we're all works in progress as allies. We can educate our children with anti-racist resources for kids. We can expose them to diverse authors, shows and films, advocate that our schools teach accurate history, and teach them to not be just "good people," but active antiracists.

We can lovingly turn to our Jewish community, and commit to being better. We can intentionally adjust our language, and refrain from saying, for example, that someone doesn't "look Jewish," refrain from asking about someone's path to Judaism, and apologize when we do. We can intentionally commit to being welcoming to all people in our Jewish spaces without assumptions. We can become aware of assumptions that Ashkenazi and white are normative, and learn about Jews of different cultural and racial backgrounds.

Rabbi Benji, myself and the entire Temple staff also want to make sure our synagogue is inclusive and antiracist. Teaching antiracism through a Jewish lens, and multicultural Jewish learning, will be a higher priority in religious school. We are planning to start a TBS Racial Justice Task Force - our first task will be reading Ibram X. Kendi's book, *How to be an Antiracist*. Please reach out to me if you are interested in joining. We can also become more active in our chapter of the interfaith BREAD organization, which devotes time to apolitical projects that create equity in Columbus.

We can support Black owned businesses and restaurants. We can donate to anti-racist organizations and causes. For those comfortable attending peaceful protests - physically showing up is deeply meaningful. We can VOTE for anti-racist policies and representatives, and fight against voter suppression that disenfranchises people of color.

Rabbi Sandra Lawson describes exposure to racism - and other biases - as being constantly rained on since we were babies. Eventually, we must realize we're soaking wet, if we're ever going to dry off. She says, "the problem is that the rain returns over and over again, and we will have to continue to dry off." This commitment is not about today, or just for this month. We commit to being anti-racist is for life.

Black Lives Matter. It's a full sentence. Racial justice is a Jewish value. It's a human right. And George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and too many others have died. We must dismantle white supremacy, in every corner of our lives - racial justice must be our mission as much as dismantling antisemitism, no matter what we look like.

"This is the fast I desire - to unlock the chains of wickedness, to let the oppressed go free...and not to ignore your own kin." May we fast long after Yom Kippur and do our part to create a just world, a world free of antisemitism, racism, and all forms of white supremacy.

# Cantorial Corner with Gail Rose II



## TBS Veterans Day Shabbat, Friday, November 13th

Our Temple Beth Shalom Rabbis, musicians and staff have worked extremely hard in order bring *kedusha* (holiness) and *ruach* (joy) into your lives as you have engaged in weekly Shabbat and High Holiday Services either virtually or in your cars in our parking lot. We are not about to let a pandemic get in the way of our commitment to annually recognize, appreciate and celebrate our Veterans of the U.S. Allied Forces and Veterans of the Israel Defense Forces. Veteran's Day Shabbat will be held virtually on Friday, November 13th at 6:30 PM.

I will be leading (make sure to sing with me) the *Star Spangled Banner* and *Hatikva* and our Sharyonim Choir, directed by Debbie Costa, will once again make a virtual appearance to lead us (a reminder to sing with us) in *God Bless America* and *A Tribute to the Armed Forces*.

Righteous gentiles and Jewish prisoners of war will be honored by showing the touching World War II European Theater documentary, *Following the Footsteps of My Father*, which was produced by the Jewish Foundation for the Righteous.

We are asking all American and Israeli veterans to e-mail our marketing director, [ACohen@tbsohio.org](mailto:ACohen@tbsohio.org), a picture yourself or a loved one in uniform for our tribute slide show. These photos are due by November 8th.

Thank you to Steve Seeskin for co-chairing this event with me. Your untiring enthusiasm and dedication is inspiring to us all.

If you are a veteran, please join us to be recognized. If you are not a veteran, please join us to recognize our veterans.





### AFFINITY GROUPS... Find Your People!

Looking to meet other members who share your interests, passions, and life experiences? Want to build deeper relationships with individual members of this large and diverse congregation? Let us help you find your Affinity Group. In these member-led groups, participants come together on a regular basis for shared learning, experiences, and conversation. Join a group or have an idea for a group?

Contact Lesley Thompson, Engagement Coordinator, at [lthompson@tbsohio.org](mailto:lthompson@tbsohio.org) for more information.



### MODERN MIDDLE EASTERN COOKING MASTERCLASS BEGINNING WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH | 10AM

One of the most influential chefs working today, Yotam Ottolenghi creates dishes that layer color and flavor for maximum impact. Now the James Beard Award winner teaches you simple steps for making and mixing Middle Eastern-inspired recipes. Learn how to make generous platters—meze and brunch spreads to homemade condiments, stunning stand-alones, and delicious vegetables.

ZOOM ID: 293-825-0165

PASSWORD: TBS

### Get To Know Your TBS Executive Board!



**Deb  
Rycus**

Trustee  
TBS Member Since 2010

Occupation: Creative Director  
Residence: New Albany

**Husband:** Jeremy  
**Son:** Max  
**Son:** Leo

#### Family & Pets

**Birthplace:** Homestead, FL  
**College:** James Madison University

#### Background & Education

**Most Relaxing Activity:** Napping  
**Book:** *A Fine Balance* - Rohinton Mistry  
**Movie:** Good Will Hunting  
**Vacation:** Anywhere with Jeremy alone  
**Best Invention:** IMDB  
**Favorite TBS Event:** Anything with music  
**Historical Dinner Guest:** My mother-in-law  
**Little Known Fact:** My kids were born on the same day, 5 years apart  
**I'd Like Everyone To Know:** Black Lives Matter

#### Favorites & Extras

#### Reading

#### Hiking

#### Binge-Watching



#### Hobbies

To be a place of learning for all ages

Vision for Temple Beth Shalom



# 3RD GRADE SHABBAT

NOVEMBER 6 | 6:30PM

Join us for a fun virtual evening of songs and prayer featuring the TBS Religious School 3rd Graders!



## THE MOST DELICIOUS WAY TO FIGHT CANCER

It's that time of year again! We're getting set to Fry Out Cancer on Thanksgiving. In 2020, all proceeds will continue to benefit the Pediatric Brain Cancer Research Fund and the Ovarian Cancer Research and Education Fund in Gynecology at OSUCCC – James and will also donate turkeys to families in need. It will take a village to achieve this, and we appreciate your continued support.

SEE THE **EWINDOW** OR **FRYOUTCANCER.ORG**  
FOR MORE INFORMATION

# 14 The Game Plan with Bobby Covitz



## LIFE & LEGACY

*"I'm not wealthy and retired."*

*"It's too complicated."*

*"I want to make sure my family is cared for."*

These statements are some of the first things that people think about when it comes to legacy or after-lifetime gifts. These sentiments are also common barriers and misconceptions. Legacy or after-lifetime gifts consist of money or other donated assets that are invested, with the goal of growing the principal to provide additional future income. The starting point for any legacy giving conversation shouldn't be money, but questions such as:

- What are you passionate about when it comes to TBS and Jewish life?
- When you think about TBS 40 years from now, what do you envision?
- What is the most meaningful experience that you have had at TBS?

Fortunately, TBS is part of an exciting initiative that can help you and your family support a beautiful Jewish future for the Temple.

LIFE & LEGACY is an endowment planning initiative that has helped Jewish communities across North America raise \$1 billion in new legacy gifts. TBS is part of a local cohort of 18 Jewish agencies and synagogues that will spend the next four years securing Letters of Intent, which are non-binding commitments to make a legacy gift. The beauty of this initiative is it simplifies the process of taking this step:

- If you have already made TBS a beneficiary in your estate plans but have not notified the Temple, this counts as a LIFE & LEGACY gift!
- You can select multiple local Jewish organizations, and each will receive credit for one legacy gift. LIFE & LEGACY is a fantastic opportunity to support the future of Jewish life in Central Ohio!
- You do not need to know how you're going to make your legacy gift, or provide a percentage or dollar amount to fill out the Letter of Intent (e.g. insurance policy, gift in a will or trust).

You don't need to put any money down upfront or in the near future. Furthermore, you can take up to a year to solidify your plans. **If TBS secures at least 18 LOIs by January 31, 2021, TBS will receive \$5,000 from LIFE & LEGACY.** You can be a part of strengthening TBS's future!

Whether you're leaving 1% of your assets or gifting a \$500,000 insurance policy, you are making a statement that a strong and vibrant TBS for the next generation is important to you. It doesn't matter how young or old you are – **anyone can leave a LIFE & LEGACY gift.** If you are interested in starting your legacy giving journey, please give me a call at (614) 665-9520. I would be honored to discuss how you can make a beautiful gift in support of the future of TBS.



## Introducing Julie Alpert

My name is Julie Alpert, and I am the new VP of Fundraising. I am very excited to take on this role right now! While TBS has always done a great job of annual fundraising, we will now have the ability to also devote time and energy to long-term giving such as special projects, donor-directed giving and legacy gifts. With support from the Fundraising Strategy Committee, the Executive Director, and the Co-Presidents, I'm looking forward to outlining how TBS members can make gifts that are extremely meaningful to them. Together we are also going to develop a strong plan for ongoing appreciation and recognition of all of our TBS supporters and volunteers.



+



WHAT DO YOU LOVE  
ABOUT TBS?

HOW WILL YOU  
ENSURE A VIBRANT  
TBS FOR THE NEXT  
GENERATION?



ALL OF US, REGARDLESS OF AGE OR  
WEALTH, HAVE THE ABILITY TO  
LEAVE A LEGACY.

To begin your legacy giving story, please contact  
Executive Director Bobby Covitz at (614) 665-9520  
or [bobby@tbsohio.org](mailto:bobby@tbsohio.org)

# 16 Simcha Station

## November Birthdays

November 1st – Shira Ehrenberg, Juliann Zeidman  
November 2nd – Micah Harr  
November 3rd – Scott Kallenberg, Hannah Smith  
November 5th – Susan Bader, Scott Kleinman, Caitlin Stewart  
November 6th – Kathryn Adler, Paul Been, Michele Flickinger  
November 7th – Melissa Mansur, Adlai Neubauer  
November 8th – Karen Miner-Romanoff, Susan Wolkow  
November 10th – Angelo Dunlap, Richie Rathkopf  
November 11th – Melanie Butter, Eric Ross, Amy Stone  
November 12th – Jill Fortney  
November 13th – Nicole Berg, Ed Radin  
November 14th – Judy Ankerman, Alan Klodell, Michelle Waltman  
November 15th – Tracy Gilbert  
November 16th – Jodi Bering, Nancy Krasa, Jonathan Schaffir, Jay Sokol, Bobbie Weiler  
November 17th – Joyce Bronstein  
November 18th – Betty Hersch, DJ Scherzer  
November 19th – Ayesha Heffner, Tamara Malkoff, Charlie Miles  
November 20th – Patricia Pinto  
November 21st – Jonathan Cohen, Sandi Dubin, Greg Fortney  
November 22nd – Brad Eckes, Tera Kauffman, Dawn Schneir  
November 23rd – Barry Chapman, Art Rogovin  
November 24th – Shelly Bloom, Joel Marcovitch  
November 25th – Orlay Alonso, Gil Feiertag, Dustin Schmidt, Jason Zimmerman  
November 26th – Kriss Galloway  
November 27th – Nadav Cohen  
November 28th – Chance Nathanson, Sean Silver  
November 29th – Beth Goldstein, Patty Tumen  
November 30th – Laura King, Marci Meizlish

## November Anniversaries

November 3rd – Allison & Scott Kleinman  
November 5th – Katy & Larry Cowan  
November 6th – Alison & Jason Van Hulse  
November 10th – Andrea & David Kleppel, Lesley & Chris Thompson  
November 12th – Michael Barker & Dustin Mathias, Alisa & Neal Becker, Sandi & Alex Dubin  
November 14th – Amber & Michael Bloch, Holly Hobzek, Kenneth Goldberg  
November 15th – Becca & Jacob Foskuhl  
November 22nd – Sarah & Brian Phillips  
November 23rd – Hannah & Adam Smith  
November 27th – Jan & David Singer  
November 28th – Cathy & David Cantor, Wendy & Steven Cohen  
November 29th – Candy & Nissan Bar-Lev, Debbie & Timothy Leasure, Amy & Anthony Liccardi, Kathy & David Segal

## Miranda Benson



On Saturday, November 7th at 10'o'clock in the morning Miranda Raye Benson, daughter of Sheri and Brian Benson, sister of Max Benson, granddaughter of Robert Benson, (7"r)Gary and Ilene Kammer, and Linda and Raymond Russel (7"r)is called to the Torah for her First Aliyah.

Miranda is an 8th grade honors student at Gahanna Middle School East where she is a cheerleader and student mentor. In addition, Miranda is on the hip-hop, lyrical, and competition dance teams at Broadway Bound Dance Center.

When not in school or dancing, Miranda loves to bake, spend time with her friends and family, and binge-watch television shows.

For her Mitzvah project, Miranda created "Cookies for a Cure" which donated the proceeds from sales of home-baked cookies to The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center. Her donation was made in honor of her great aunt Nancy Greenspoon and her friend's mother, Christina Fitzer.

 **SoundTouch**  
*Massage Therapy*

**\$15 Off**

Your 1st Massage with Nick Ciranni, LMT  
with this ad

136 Granville St., Gahanna, Ohio 43230  
(614) 471-9800

www.sound-touch.com      nick@sound-touch.com



*Mazel tov*

# FOOD DRIVE

HEALTHY  
NEW ALBANY



## TEMPLE BETH SHALOM

November 10th 3-5 PM

### Most Needed Items

- Canned Pineapple
- Applesauce
- Canned Creamed Style Corn
- Canned Yams
- Pasta Sauce (in plastic jars)
- Diced Tomatoes
- Body & Hand Lotions
- Paper Towels

# 18 Presidential Address



## Finding The Silver Lining

During the early days of the pandemic, I, like many others, cleaned drawers, reorganized closets and shelves, and even went through old boxes in the basement. Through this process I discovered treasures – some easily remembered and others long forgotten. An old note from my late father-in-law, photos from family trips and celebrations, a TBS Board badge, a wedding gift that has now been reclaimed, and even “Zits” comic strips. In one way or another, these items tell part of my life’s story. This organizing frenzy gave me pause to consider the following “how will I tell the story of my pandemic experience? What will be my memories and mementoes?” For me, there are 2 competing narratives: my personal life and my work as co-president of TBS.

In my personal life, despite the chaos and sadness in the news, I found silver linings. During the summer, all 3 of our children lived at home which meant lots of walking, cooking, baking, movies, scrabble, and laughter. While confined to home, we enjoyed being together and had a fun time. I also set-up zoom sessions with extended family whom I normally see every several years, not to mention weekly zoom Shabbats and conversations with parents, in-laws, and siblings. In short, the pace of life for my family was slower, and that was positive.

My other narrative involves serving as the co-president of Temple Beth Shalom; leading during this pandemic has forced Michael Griffaton and I to confront challenging questions: What does it mean to be a congregation during the time of COVID-19? How do we reimagine our synagogue? How will living through a pandemic forever change TBS? How do we keep our rabbis, staff, and congregants safe?

During my Yom Kippur message, I shared the following thought by Oberlin College professor, Dr. Wendy Hyman: “We don’t get to choose when we were born. We don’t choose what natural disasters, epidemiological emergencies, stock market crashes, tyrannical regimes, or wars our generations face. We only get to choose how we react. We can use it as a way to pour our energy back into the world...”

In her advice lies a recipe for answers to these challenging Temple questions. The basic (and most important) ingredient of the recipe is “personal engagement.” The pandemic revealed that each of us took so much for granted. It was easy to come to services and connect or meet our friends at the Chanukah party. Now, our efforts need to be intentional. We have to reimagine our synagogue in ways that ask our partners to make purposeful and deliberate choices, which, in turn, enables us to remain “joyful, personal, and accessible” in ways that are different, yet no less meaningful and valid.

It means that as your leaders we are committed to working with and supporting the efforts our rabbis, staff and other lay leaders as they continue to offer opportunities for you to engage and connect. As congregants, you may be tempted to “zone out” or even experience a case of “zoom fatigue.” Fight the urge; as humans, we are incredibly skilled at connecting – in person and virtually. Through our committees, initiatives, and weekly programs, we offer a myriad of possibilities. Want to do an in-person mitzvah? Consider helping us deliver Chanukah bags later in November to congregants throughout Central Ohio. Study with the Rabbis. Join weekly zoom programs with your TBS friends. For us to be successful, each person needs to make a personal, intentional commitment to stay engaged.

Our Jewish lives and our synagogue may feel different, but the experiences and essence of what it means to be a joyful, personal and accessible congregation is no less authentic. Engage with us and together we can create rich mementoes and memories. Just as my family used our time this summer to reconnect, take this opportunity to engage with TBS to create memorable experiences that will be silver linings in your pandemic story.

In partnership,  
Mindy Agin, Co-President

## The Central Ohio WRJ Tzedakah Collective

You can join in a philanthropic organization of Reform Jewish women in Central Ohio who want to learn about the needs in our community. The Tzedakah Collective makes a difference by distributing grants to worthy non-profit groups that do excellent work to lift up and improve lives in the populations they serve by doing work consistent with our Jewish values.

Suggested tax deductible donation is \$60 per year (or more if you wish). Members will vote on grant distribution in December but please join us anytime in the calendar year.

The next meeting will be on Sunday, November 15, 4-5 PM via Zoom where we will learn about the local non-profit, MOMS2B.

For the Zoom link, contact Marsha Pond [marshapond@msn.com](mailto:marshapond@msn.com).

## Our TBS BREAD Rodef Tzedek Network Helps Build the Power for Justice

BREAD's current initiatives highlight dramatic disparities in employment, housing, health, wealth and quality of life for people of color in our local community. These underlying disparities have ravaged these communities so join us as we push to end racial and economic inequity in Columbus.

The Annual Assembly will be on Zoom this year at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 9. The Zoom link will be in the eWindow.

The next issue that BREAD will be working on will be selected at the Annual Assembly so let us know what serious community problem causes you the most concern.

Contact Laurel Zulliger for more information. 614-323-6410 [Lzulliger@gmail.com](mailto:Lzulliger@gmail.com)

## Members of the TBS Mitzvah Corps will be providing lunch at the YWCA Family Center on Thursday, November 12.

The Family Center is an emergency shelter for homeless families in our community.

## Temple Beth Shalom

5089 Johnstown Road  
New Albany, Ohio 43054  
614-855-4882 | 614-855-4689 fax  
[tbs@tbsohio.org](mailto:tbs@tbsohio.org) | [www.tbsohio.org](http://www.tbsohio.org)

### Board of Trustees

Michael Griffiton & Mindy Agin	<i>Co-Presidents</i>
Seth Becker	<i>VP, Finance</i>
Don Feibel	<i>VP, Administration</i>
Robin Williams	<i>VP, Programming</i>
Walter Hirschberg	<i>Treasurer</i>
Michelle Sabadash	<i>Secretary</i>
Bonnie Cram & David Segal	<i>Imm. Past Pres.</i>
Brett Handmaker	<i>Men's Club President</i>
Erica Goldman	<i>WBS President</i>

### Trustees-At-Large

Karen Altschuld	Marvin Blank
Amber Bloch	Evan DuBro
Nurit Friedberg	Phil Goldstein
Connie Hirsh	Jonathan Schaffir

### Executive Staff

<b>Rabbi Benjy A. Bar-Lev</b>	<i>Senior Rabbi</i>
<b>Rabbi Lenette J. Herzog</b>	<i>Assoc. Rabbi/ Edu. Dir.</i>
<b>Gail Rose</b>	<i>Music Director</i>
<b>Bobby Covitz</b>	<i>Executive Director</i>
<b>Rabbi Howard L. Apothaker, Ph.D.</b>	<i>Rabbi Emeritus</i>

### Temple Staff

Amanda Cohen	<i>Director of Marketing &amp; Com.</i>
Angelo Dunlap	<i>Religious School Admin</i>
Kathy McGee	<i>Office Manager</i>
Haneef Muhammad	<i>Facilities Manager</i>
Lesley Thompson	<i>Engagement Coordinator</i>
Penny Williams	<i>Bookkeeper</i>



Interested in a great mitzvah opportunity? TBS is looking for new volunteers to support its Sunday morning Meals On Wheels route. There are currently only two volunteers supporting this wonderful cause. If you'd like to lend a helping hand during this challenging time, please contact Lesley Thompson at [lthompson@tbsohio.org](mailto:lthompson@tbsohio.org) or (614) 665-9726.

# 20 November Jahrzeits

## November 6th

Doris Bonfield  
Walter Bugenstein  
Raymond Cohen  
Clara Davidson  
Walter Deutsch  
Burton Fogelman  
Louis Garfield  
Rubin Halperin  
Joseph Harber  
Elizabeth Harm  
Milton Herskowitz  
Janice Pearlstein  
Milton Pinsky  
Julia Wasserstrom  
Mark Weisbaum  
Shirley Weisenberg  
Louis Wine  
Pauline Wurmbrand

## November 13th

Ronald Benjamin  
Ella Ciranni  
David Dobres  
Maria Johnson  
Eva Moss  
Diane Olsen  
Edwin Pearlman  
Herman Rogovin  
Ernst Rothschild  
Michael Segal  
Gussie Seiden  
Gitlia Shteingolts  
Alfred Spiegler  
Michael Strip  
Hilda Waltman  
Mike Young

## November 20th

Newman Baum  
Phyllis Bricker  
Herbert Cantor  
Arthur Cohen  
Malcolm Coleman  
Marsha Froelich  
Dolores Gelfand  
Rochelle Goldman  
Faith Goldstein  
Jean Herritt  
Gail Hollander  
Philip Josolowitz  
Rebecca Josolowitz  
Yelizaveta Kamenetskaya  
Fannie Kessler  
Mary Frances Klein  
Barbara Krum  
Jay Leibovitz  
Hyman Mandelbaum  
Isabelle Meyers  
Mary Janice Partridge  
Max Pearlstein  
Jonas Rosenthal  
Sheldon Rossio  
Betty Seicol  
Gilbert Seiden  
Stephen Solomon  
Alvin Solove  
Ben Zion Sosewitz  
Jack Tamarkin  
Edith Weinberg  
Helen Wright

## November 27th

Enrique Cuno  
Sandra DuBro  
Mark Goldman  
Doris Grossman  
Rosina Kohn  
Helen Krasa  
Thomas Leasure  
Brenner Levinson  
Anne Neubauer  
Gertrude Oppenheimer  
Abraham Pearlman  
Rachael Pollock  
Anne Reed  
Solomon Sacks  
Nathan Salon  
Daniel Seeskin  
Mollie Tannenbaum  
Elene Weiler  
Lillian Weinberg  
Cecelia Wolfand

## Looking to buy or sell a home?



**Sherri Resnick**

**CNE, REALTOR®**

Columbus Realtors \$10 million club

**COMPLIMENTARY  
STAGING WITH  
EVERY LISTING!**

P: 614.286.4481

E: [sherri@therealtyfirm.com](mailto:sherri@therealtyfirm.com)



## THE REALTY FIRM

PROVEN RESIDENTIAL ADVISORS



## INSURANCE

OFFICE OF CENTRAL OHIO

Professional Advice • Personal Service

*Serving Central Ohio Since 1927*



Personal and Business Insurance  
Homeowners & Auto • Professional Liability  
Commercial Property & Casualty • Life & Health  
Employee Benefits • Long-Term Care  
Excess Liability

*Jonathan Wolman*

165 W. Main Street • New Albany  
[www.ioco-columbus.com](http://www.ioco-columbus.com) • 614.939.5471

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

- ◆ Scott & Bonnie Abramowitz, in memory of Morlene Sanford
- 

## GENERAL FUND

- ◆ Dr. Daniel C. & Lori Shomer, in memory of our four fantastic parents
  - ◆ Phyllis Kessler, in honor of Drs. Connie & David Hirsh
  - ◆ Eugene & Sonja Shuman, in memory of Robert Ruskin
  - ◆ Madalyn & Roger Benjamin, in memory of Fern Fliegel
  - ◆ Mr. & Mrs. Gene Shuman, in memory of Sidney Shuman
  - ◆ Joel & Gerry Kent, in memory of Jean Stepp
  - ◆ Anonymous
- 

## HHD ANNUAL APPEAL

- ◆ John & Catherine Kobacker
- ◆ Alex & Sandi Dubin
- ◆ Joyce Spiegler
- ◆ Andi & Arnie Alpert
- ◆ Rona Rosen
- ◆ Mark & Elizabeth Epstein
- ◆ Laurel & John Zulliger
- ◆ Leah Miller
- ◆ Miriam & Ken Siegfried
- ◆ Paulette Lanzoff
- ◆ Yakov & Irina Kamenetskiy
- ◆ Herbert & Luba Shnider
- ◆ Sandy & Dan Phalen
- ◆ Tim & Debbie Leasure
- ◆ Mike & Sandy Roads
- ◆ Madalyn & Roger Benjamin
- ◆ Brian & Adriana Tomer
- ◆ Jerry & Lynn Dobb
- ◆ David Char, in honor of Marc Rossio and TBS for filling a void I felt during this holy day season
- ◆ Paula J. Bernard
- ◆ Erik Sanger
- ◆ Marvin Pate
- ◆ Ellen & Richard Shuldberg
- ◆ Drs. Harriet & Milton Parker Endowment Fund
- ◆ Beatrice Calascibetta
- ◆ Eric Naiman & Mindy Agin Naiman
- ◆ Marc & Alisa Carroll
- ◆ Seth & Julie Alpert
- ◆ Alan Klodell & Family
- ◆ Nicole Berg
- ◆ Rabbi Sam & Jenni Seicol
- ◆ Jody & Craig Ballas, happy to have attended services online with the TBS family. The sermons were meaningful and we especially found Rabbi Lenette's sermon on Yom Kippur inspiring
- ◆ Jacqueline Shulman
- ◆ Nancy Paul
- ◆ George & Nellie Nagy
- ◆ David & Patty Tumen
- ◆ Evan & Caroline Cohn
- ◆ Scott & Bonnie Abramowitz
- ◆ Stephanie Elias & Family

---

**MUSIC DIRECTOR'S FUND**

- ◆ Alan & Cheryl Meisterman, in memory of Abby Dobb and in memory of Liv Rose Meisterman
- ◆ Sandra & Bruce Wylie, in honor of Gail Rose performance in Holiday Services

---

**RABBI BAR-LEV'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**

- ◆ Alan & Cheryl Meisterman, in memory of Abby Dobb and in memory of Liv Rose Meisterman

---

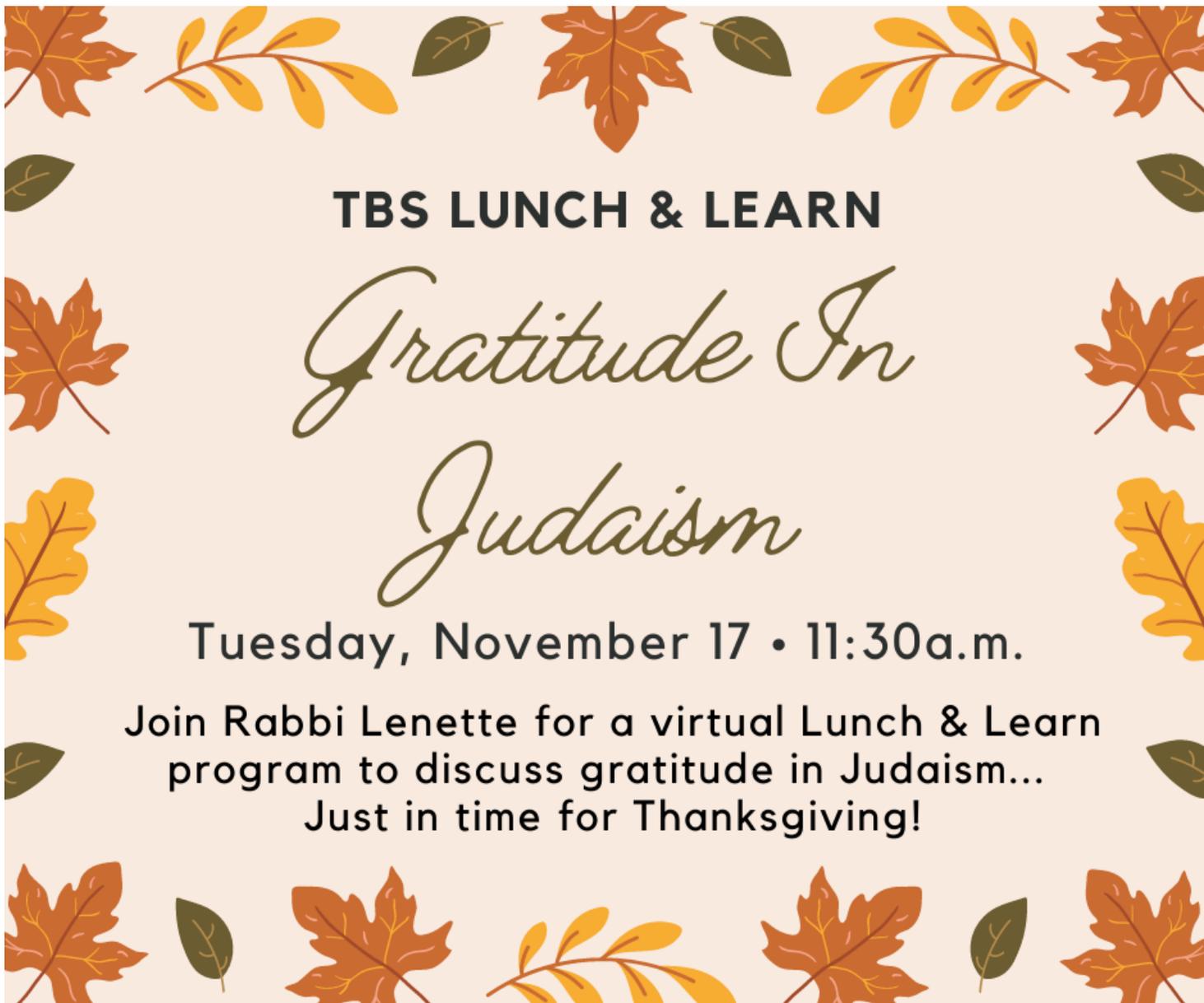
**RABBI HERZOG'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**

- ◆ Ann & Dan Lang, in memory of Ann's father Robert Jacobson

---

**SOCIAL ACTION & B.R.E.A.D. FUND**

- ◆ Neil & Marci Carron, in honor of Rabbi Lenette's Yom Kippur Sermon

**TBS LUNCH & LEARN***Gratitude In  
Judaism*

Tuesday, November 17 • 11:30a.m.

Join Rabbi Lenette for a virtual Lunch & Learn  
program to discuss gratitude in Judaism...  
Just in time for Thanksgiving!



## Rothstein & Associates

**Michael Rothstein, CRPC®, MBA**  
Private Wealth Advisor

**Rothstein & Associates**  
A private wealth advisory practice of  
Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc.

530 W Spring St  
Suite 150  
Columbus, OH 43215-5374

T: 614.643.1680  
TF: 800.261.2639  
F: 614.621.2400

michael.b.rothstein@ampf.com  
ameripriseadvisors.com/michael.b.rothstein

CA Insurance #OB74976  
An Ameriprise Financial franchise



## SAVE \$200 OFF MITZVAH DJ ENTERTAINMENT

Take advantage of **\$200 towards bar or bat mitzvah celebration DJ entertainment**, simply mention this offer when scheduling your event!

This coupon is valid on newly scheduled events only, must be mentioned at the time of scheduling and cannot be combined with any other offers or discounts. Must book event before March 31, 2019

## MAZEL TOV!

We had a **BLAST** at your b'nai mitzvah celebration

Alli Scolnick  
Josh Berzow  
Isabel Goldstein  
Aiden Shnyder

**MattRyanDJ.com**

**Matt Ryan**   
Mobile DJ Entertainment

## ABLE ROOF CREW



ROOFING • WINDOWS • SIDING • MASONRY  
[WWW.ABLEROOF.COM](http://WWW.ABLEROOF.COM)

## Carol Ann Fey

Attorney at Law

- ❖ Confidential Legal Advice
- ❖ Divorce & Custody Issues
- ❖ Wills
- ❖ Buying or Selling Real Estate

[CarolFey@CarolFeyLaw.com](mailto:CarolFey@CarolFeyLaw.com)  
614.232.9100



## Epstein Memorial Chapel

3232 East Main Street  
Columbus, OH 43213 614.235.3232

## Have a question or concern?

Get in touch with us!

**Temple Office** (614) 855-4882, [tbs@tbsohio.org](mailto:tbs@tbsohio.org)  
**Rabbi Benjy A. Bar-Lev** [rabbibenjy@tbsohio.org](mailto:rabbibenjy@tbsohio.org)  
**Rabbi Lenette J. Herzog** [rabbilh@tbsohio.org](mailto:rabbilh@tbsohio.org)  
**Gail Rose, Music Director** [grose@tbsohio.org](mailto:grose@tbsohio.org)  
**Bobby Covitz, Executive Director** [bobby@tbsohio.org](mailto:bobby@tbsohio.org)  
**Rabbi Howard L. Apothaker, Rabbi Emeritus** [drabbia@tbsohio.org](mailto:drabbia@tbsohio.org)  
**Kathy McGee, Office Manager** [kmcgee@tbsohio.org](mailto:kmcgee@tbsohio.org)  
**Penny Williams, Bookkeeper** [pwilliams@tbsohio.org](mailto:pwilliams@tbsohio.org)  
**Amanda Cohen, Marketing Coordinator** [acohen@tbsohio.org](mailto:acohen@tbsohio.org)  
**Angelo Dunlap, Religious School Administrator** [adunlap@tbsohio.org](mailto:adunlap@tbsohio.org)  
**Lesley Thompson, Engagement Coordinator** [lthompson@tbsohio.org](mailto:lthompson@tbsohio.org)  
**Haneef Muhammad, Facilities Manager** [hmuhammad@tbsohio.org](mailto:hmuhammad@tbsohio.org)



SAVE THE DATE

# CHANUKAH DRIVE-IN CANDLE LIGHTING

Friday, December 11th | 6:30pm

Get your sweaters ready for a brief drive-in service and  
candle lighting for the 2nd night of Chanukah!

[RSVP@TBSOHIO.ORG](mailto:RSVP@TBSOHIO.ORG)



*The Window*



TEMPLE BETH SHALOM  
5089 Johnstown Road  
New Albany, Ohio 43054

Standard Mail

U.S. Postage

PAID

NEW ALBANY, OH

Permit No. 58

New Albany, Ohio

**Dated Material**

### Monthly Publication

Articles for this publication are due into  
the Temple office no later than the 15th  
of the month prior to publication.

Submissions for The Window can be sent  
to [acohen@tbsohio.org](mailto:acohen@tbsohio.org)