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FROM THE RABBI'S DESK

by Rabbi Alan B. Lucas

My Last Bulletin Article



When I wrote my first article for a synagogue bulletin back in 1978 – it had a very different purpose and function than it does today. Back in 1978 – it was the main way that a rabbi communicated with his congregation other than through sermons.

In 2022, bulletin articles are almost relics of an old way of doing things. Today if a rabbi wants to communicate with his or her (also something that was not available

back in 1978) congregation there are so many ways other and better than a bulletin article.

There is email, Constant Contact, YouTube videos, Facebook posts, Twitter, Snapchat, Instagram and the list goes on and on. Even the bulletin article is read by most of our members online rather than in printed form.

What has not changed in all those years is the simple fact that the job of the rabbi is to teach Torah. The medium has evolved in ways I could not have dreamed of back in 1978 – but the message is the same one that has moved us and molded us for thousands of years.

As I survey the subjects we have explored together over the years in this space, I am amazed by the breadth of the issues we have explored together. *Living Once - Dying Twice* was the title of one article. It was about the art of memory of loved ones who have died. Another was on the power of looking forward and what could be learned from the humble Hebrew letter ב. Another was my thoughts on how to prepare for the High Holy Days in the age of Covid, and yet another on the power of words. One began: *we all know the speed at which bad news travels but I want to discuss the speed at which good news travels...* There was one on *The December Dilemma* and yet another where I tried to give advice on how to deal with a family member or friend who expresses intolerance for your way of life or beliefs. There were a lot of articles on Israel and even more on the various holidays and the

challenge of making them meaningful from year to year. One was titled: *Transactional vs relational Judaism*, another about *Parental Responsibility*. Several times I wrote urging you to vote and one was even an appeal for a kidney donation for one of our members who was in desperate need of a kidney.

I think of all the words written in all of these hundreds and hundreds of bulletin articles over the years and I wonder about what they accomplished. If you add the words of my sermons, the words spoken in thousands of classes, the *divre torah* delivered at countless meetings and dinners – I can only wonder about their impact.

That is why one of the articles that was most meaningful to me

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is one I wrote back in June of 2007. It was titled *Why do they do it?* and it was a tribute to all of the volunteers and dedicated leaders who make our shul – any shul possible. I began with a story – about a young boy who had to pass a haunted house each evening on his way home from school. He was deathly afraid of this haunted house. Many tried to help him overcome his fear, and each tried in his own way to give him courage. One person gave him a good luck charm to ward off the ghosts and of course, it did no good. A second convinced the city council to erect a street light on the dreaded corner. A third admonished the boy, *There is no such thing as ghosts, trust your God and be brave!* But for all their advice, the boy was no better off than when he began. He was still afraid to pass the house. Finally, one person came forward and said: *Come, give me your hand and I will walk with you past the house and show you that there is no reason to be afraid.* And only in this manner was the boy finally helped. Why?

Because all of the others were quick with advice, but the last person was willing to offer himself.

A teacher of mine at the Jewish Theological Seminary used to remind us that: *One kind act will teach more love of God than a thousand sermons.* There is no lack of people nowadays who are willing to stand on the side lines and tell others how the world's problems should be solved. It is easier and certainly safer not to get involved.

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Back in 2007 when I wrote this particular article my intention was to express my amazement at and gratitude for the volunteers of our synagogue. The volunteers who make everything we do possible. More than any sermon I have given from the pulpit is the power of someone who saw a new face enter our sanctuary and look a bit confused and unsure and approached them and took their hand and said come sit with me. Like the boy in the story – their simple act of kindness did so much more to advance the cause of Torah than a million words I could speak.

I have dedicated my career to the study and teaching of Torah – the Talmud teaches that the study of Torah is greater than all of the other commandments. (Shabbat 127A) And yet – so much of Judaism is obsessed with what we do, how we behave. How do I square that circle? Even Pirke Avot (1:17) teaches that *It is not study that is essential, but rather action*. So have all of these bulletin articles been a distraction? Would my time have been better spent doing more and writing and teaching less? Rabbi Akiva and Rabbi Tarfon debate this very question in the Talmud (Kidushin 40b) *Rabbi Tarfon and the Elders were once reclining in the upper story of Nithza's house, in Lod, when this question was posed to them: Which is greater, study or action? Rabbi Tarfon answered, saying: Action is greater. Rabbi Akiva answered, saying: Study is greater. All the rest agreed with Akiva that study is greater than action because it leads to action.*

Of course action is more important. Life is in the living, the doing. But how do you know what to do, what needs to be done and where to do it without the guidance of learning and torah? Of course the goal is to do but what needs to be done is the right thing. Action without purpose and direction is mere

motion. And torah is what gives our life meaning and direction – that is why we study it and that is why I have been teaching it all these many years.

So I think we have made a pretty good team these past 28 years. I have tried to teach you torah to the best of my understanding and ability – and you have translated that torah into deeds of loving kindness.

And in the process we have all learned one of life's most important secrets: **That the more things you care about, and the more intensely you care, the more alive you become.**

Although this is my last bulletin article – I hope it will not be the last time we study together and certainly not the last time to do good things together.

Rabbi Alan B. Lucas

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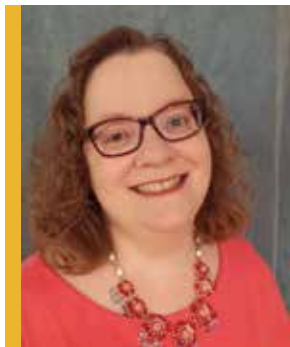
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FROM THE ASSOCIATE RABBI'S DESK

by Rabbi Cara Weinstein Rosenthal

We're Free! Now What?



For the first time in a long time, I'm making travel plans. To be honest, I haven't gotten very far, so I guess it's more accurate to say that I'm *contemplating* making travel plans. The truth is, though, that after the past two years of pandemic living, even thinking about travel feels like a small victory and a big taste of freedom. I would imagine that many people feel the same

way I do – like we're slowly moving into a "post-pandemic" world and wondering what this new reality holds for us. As I write this in early April, we're all warily watching the news about the new COVID variant that's supposedly coming our way. Nevertheless, many of us are still feeling a sense of liberty that we haven't felt in a long time. Spring is here, our kids' masks are off at school, and we're feeling free. The question is – what are we going to do with this renewed freedom?

Between the holidays of Passover and Shavuot, Jews observe a period of time called the Omer. The term "Omer" (literally, "a measure") refers to a special grain offering prescribed by the Torah that was to be brought on the sixteenth day of the Hebrew month of Nisan. The Israelites were commanded to count seven full weeks from the day of this offering. At the end of this period of time, the festival of Shavuot was to be observed, with its own special practices. Jewish tradition identifies Shavuot as the anniversary of the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai. Thus, the Omer period acts as a bridge between two important festivals: Passover, which celebrates our freedom from slavery, and Shavuot, which celebrates our act of receiving God's commandments. Although we no longer bring sacrifices as in Biblical times, we still celebrate these two festivals, and it is still Jewish practice to count the weeks and days of the Omer between the two holidays.

What is the significance of this period of anticipation between Passover and Shavuot? Wasn't the Exodus from Egypt a joyous enough event for the ancient Israelites? Why were they commanded to begin looking forward to yet another holiday before Passover had even ended? I believe that Shavuot and Passover are linked in the Bible and in Jewish tradition because the events that Shavuot commemorates are the very events that

gave meaning and purpose to the Exodus. Although achieving freedom from slavery was a momentous event for the Israelites, their freedom would ultimately have meant nothing had they not had God's commandments to give shape and meaning to their new lives. Without the Torah, the Israelites would have been just another nomadic tribe, living out their lives in a struggle for subsistence. With the giving of the Torah, the Israelites gained a purpose: to live lives governed by ethical and spiritual principles and to model this lifestyle to the other nations of the world. The first Passover gave the Israelites their freedom; the giving of the Torah gave meaning to this freedom.



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I once heard a wonderful teaching about a violin string. When "free" and unconstrained, this simple object can do nothing. It just lies there, slack. However, when pulled taut by other objects, this same string has the power to produce beautiful music. Paradoxically, it is only within the context of certain constraints that this violin string can fulfill its purpose in life. So, too, is it with humans: it is only within the framework of God's commandments that we are truly free to live up to our potential and to bring goodness and meaning to the world.

I hope that this spring, we will be privileged to enjoy the gifts of freedom, peace, and good health, and that we will have the wisdom to use these gifts in ways that add depth and meaning to our lives and blessing to our world.

B'shalom – with wishes for peace,

Rabbi Cara Weinstein Rosenthal



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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

by Michael Schor



Thank You, Rabbi Lucas: Our Teacher and Our Friend



Dear Rabbi Lucas,
It is with a heart filled with gratitude, but also a bit of sadness, that I write this note of thanks to you on behalf of your Congregation. It is, indeed, a special privilege to write this note as the President of the Congregation to which you have given 28 years of exemplary service as Rabbi. Nothing I say can possibly express the good feelings that we all have for you on your impending retirement, but I will try, anyway.

The Mishnah in Pirkei Avot (Ethics of the Fathers, 1:6) states:

יְהוֹשֻעַ בֶּן פֶּרְחִיָּה אוֹמֵר, עֲשֵׂה לָךְ רַב, וְקַנֵּה לָךְ חֵבֵר, וְהָיִי דֵן אֶת כָּל הָאָדָם לְכַף זָכוֹת.

“Joshua ben Perahiah used to say: appoint for yourself a Rav, and acquire for yourself a friend and judge all people favorably.”

This proverb appears at the very beginning of the only book of the Mishnah that is solely concerned with Jewish ethics and not the laws of the Torah. I suppose that it was placed at the beginning by our Sages to highlight its importance, yet the connection between the three phrases in the proverb is not obvious. The first phrase speaks of the need to find for oneself a Rav, a teacher and spiritual guide. The second speaks of acquiring a friend, using the word “k’neh” which could be literally understood to mean to “purchase” a friend. And, the last phrase, while certainly an admirable goal, appears to be a non-sequitur, as what does judging a person favorably have to do with finding a Rav or acquiring a friend?

I recently read an article written by Allison Cook and Dr. Orit Kent which, for me, connects the dots between the phrases in this Mishnah and describes the wonderful relationship that we, as your Congregation, have developed with you, as our Rabbi.

“One interpretation of this teaching is that in order to learn Torah, one of the things a person needs to do in addition to studying with a teacher is to earn a friend, to engage with another person who is one’s peer and companion. Avot d’Rabbi Natan (8:3) asks:

“How does one acquire a friend? A person acquires a friend for themselves by eating and drinking with their friend, by studying Torah with their friend, by lodging with their friend, by sharing their private thoughts about Torah and other parts of life with their friend.”

In other words, we make friends by sharing in the most fundamental human experiences of life, which include the study of Torah and the revealing of our inner thoughts to another person in mutual entrustment. Torah-learning and life-living are

interconnected, and one way to access that connection is to make a friend by learning with them.

Taken together these sources suggest a generative circle of relationship: to learn Torah we must make a friend to share in life together; and to make a friend with whom to share in life, we must learn Torah together ... We should aim to engage with another human being not for our own material or personal gain but for the sake of the mutual nourishment, sharing, and companionship that is its own reward.”

Although I was not at TBS 28 years ago, I do know from speaking to you and to some of our “old timers” (sorry), that your arrival as Rabbi came with some trepidation on both sides. You were replacing a long standing Rabbi at a well established synagogue in TBS. You were coming to the unfamiliar North Shore of Long Island, with a young family, from a much smaller synagogue in Ventnor, NJ. Everyone was highly optimistic that the relationship would work out, but we both took a chance. You were appointed to be our Rav, our teacher and spiritual leader, but that, as Pirkei Avot suggests, was the easier part of our collective endeavor.

The more difficult and more meaningful part, however, is what happened over the past 28 years, when you, our Rav, became our friend, and we became yours. We learned from your inspiring sermons but, more importantly, we shared ideas and explored controversial subjects in the many classes you taught us. Our children benefited from your teaching and your genuine affection for them. I remember my own kids’ excitement when they received their “Rabbi Lucas Thinks You’re Great” googly eyed puff ball, or when they were invited to sit on the steps of the Bima next to you during Adon Olam.

We shared moments of happiness during simchas, including celebrating well over 1,000 Bar and Bat Mitzvahs on our Bima during your tenure. You stood with us under the Chuppah. Your children had their B’nei Mitzvah and weddings in our Sanctuary. We danced joyously on Simchat Torah, laughed at your costumes on Purim (but not always at the corny jokes in the Shpiel), and marveled at your performance in our “Dancing With the TBS Stars” event. Your happiness became our happiness, and our happiness became yours.

We shared sad moments where you were our shoulder to cry on at the funeral of a loved one, as we were there for you in sad moments in your life as well. We supported each other during times of illness, you at our bedsides in the hospital, and we, praying for your recovery from heart surgery. You listened when we had personal problems, and advised us how to go on in the face of difficult circumstances.

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

by Eileen Bohrer



Coming to Temple Beth Sholom I knew that one of my short-term goals would be to build a strong administrative team that could effectively collaborate, and work together to solve problems. Ideally, this group would be made up of individuals with different but complementary strengths, abilities & workstyles.

The creative Barbara Cooper, with 9 years of TBS history would be our anchor. The next step would be to find an accountant and an administrative coordinator. Fortunately, 25 years of work in the Jewish world provided people to call and ask, *Do you know someone special?* I was blessed with responses in the affirmative.

Allow me to introduce our new accountant, Ellen Unger. The majority of Ellen's career has been specifically in synagogue accountancy, most recently at Dix Hills Jewish Center where she spent 10 years. Ellen thought she was ready for retirement, but luckily for us she very quickly realized that she wasn't quite ready to stop working. Ellen's two children attended Solomon Schechter and she currently serves on the Board of her synagogue Temple Beth Torah in Westbury. She is a grandma of three which



includes her most recent grandson born on Friday, April 29th.

I had the pleasure of working with Dina Yakar at the Schechter School of Long Island while she was an associate in the Development Department. Subsequently, Dina was a Program Assistant at Park Avenue Synagogue, followed by three years as a Conference Coordinator for the JCC Association of North America. Most recently she was employed as the Office Manager of Temple Gates of Prayer. Dina's facility with social networking platforms, understanding of development and quick grasp of Shulcloud were just part of the skill set that made her a good fit for TBS.



As we learn from each other we appreciate what each person brings to the table. Though as a team we are in our infancy, we have already found common values, an easy camaraderie and agree that our desire is to create a real, enduring and quality product for the benefit of the Temple and the TBS community. Please join me in welcoming the new staff to Temple Beth Sholom.

You have my best wishes for a spring and summer that recharges your mind, body and spirit. I hope that participating in temple events and coming to services will be a part of that process.

Eileen

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Together, we persevered through so many hard times from 9/11 to Hurricane Sandy to economic crises to the COVID-19 pandemic. Your guidance and leadership were essential to TBS' ability to cope, to survive, and to thrive in the face of all of these challenges. And, yes, we did have quite a number of spirited debates through it all, but consistent with Pirkei Avot, you judged us and our intentions favorably. You understood that while we might not agree on how to get there, we were all acting with the best interests of TBS in mind. Our friendship never wavered even when we struggled.

So, what more can I say on your retirement other than thank you, Rabbi Lucas. Thank you for being our Rav, our teacher, and our friend. Thank you to Edy, to your children, and to your grandchildren for giving you the space to take us, your TBS family, into your heart.

Friends do not say goodbye, but rather "L'Hitraot" - meaning, we hope to see you soon. The doors of TBS will always be open to you and your family, and our Bima will be ready for a sermon if you ever want to give one. Or, you can just sit in the back of the Sanctuary in Edy's "reserved" seating area. Whatever you decide, we hope you will come back to see us often. In the meantime, as we say when we conclude reading a book of the Torah - Chazak, Chazak, V'Nitchazek. May you and TBS continue to go from strength to strength.

In friendship and admiration,

Michael



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daughter of Adrienne & Daniel
May 1



TAYLOR STEPHENS
daughter of Kimberly & Jeremy
May 7



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daughter of Anca and Andrei
May 19



MARCUS KRANZ
son of Anca & Andrei
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daughter of Kathrin & Robin
May 21



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daughter of Rabbi Cara & David
May 28



WYATT PER
son of Jillian & Ryan
June 11

BARNET & ANNETTE OSTROW EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

by Jennifer Schiffer, Director of Early Childhood Center



Endings and New Beginnings



I'm not quite sure how we got here, but we're nearing the end of our school year, and what a year it has been! As we look ahead to longer days, warmer temperatures and more time outdoors, the building feels alive and buzzing. Children's laughter and excitement can be heard in front of the shul where our sports classes with PeeWee Pros are held on the lawn. On the playground, the children run and climb and

ride bikes. Under our courtyard tent, classes take advantage of additional outdoor space and visit often for a snack, a story, or music class with Mr. Matt.

We have so much to look forward to in May. Yom Ha'Atzmaut, my favorite holiday, will be celebrated on Thursday, May 5th. Our TBS clergy and staff will be joining us for our annual imaginary trip to Israel. We will sample traditional Israeli food, march in a parade, and sing songs about Israel. On May 10th, our ECC tea for mothers and special others will be in person for the first time in over 2 years. We are so excited to welcome these important people in the lives of our little ones to join us under our tent for tea and company. To make the event extra special, we will have a special guest who will be joining us to do a 'food art' project with our ECC students and their VIPs. Just before Shavuot, we will be joined by Susan Remick Topek, author and Jewish educator, who will share a special book reading with our school.

June brings with it mixed emotions for me as I prepare to say goodbye to my TBS ECC family. I took over the preschool during the height of the pandemic, and it has been a truly unprecedented time to be a leader. I am immensely proud of all that I have accomplished during my tenure here, and I could not have done it without the support of my teachers, the clergy, the lay leadership and the Temple Beth Shalom Board of Education. The reason I come to work every day is for the children and the families who I have come to love as my own.

I am leaving the school in the hands of a colleague and friend, Kim Weinberg, whose tenure as ECC Director begins over the summer. The teachers in our school are truly the heart of our program. I will leave in June knowing that the school and community we have here at Temple Beth Shalom will continue to thrive under new leadership. I promise to keep in touch!

Mazal tov to the following Pre-Kindergarten students and their families as they "move up" to Kindergarten:

Hadley Berliner	Ariel Farhangian	Adelle Nejatheim
Perry Bernard	Riley Herman	Harrison Schaffer
Emma Bestak	Aiden Joseph	Mia Slavin
Jake Davoodi	Liam Klein	Khloé Soomekh
Zachary Eisakharian	Ted Mikhelashvili	Liam Zohar

Until we meet again, *Jen*



Pre-K students collaborate on an original construction project using our new STEM building blocks.

May / June Highlights

SAVE THE DATES!

Mon., 5/2 – Fri., 5/6	Teacher Appreciation Week
Tues., 5/3	Parent Teacher Conferences– NO SCHOOL
Thurs., 5/5	ECC Yom Ha'Atzmaut Celebration
Tues., 5/10	VIP Tea for Mothers & Special Others
Mon., 5/23	Book Reading with author Susan Remick Topek
Mon., 5/30	Memorial Day – NO SCHOOL
Mon., 6/6	Shavuot – NO SCHOOL
Thurs., 6/9	Last Day of School
Fri., 6/10	Moving Up Ceremony for Pre-Kindergarten
Mon., 6/13 – Wed., 6/22	Stay & Play Extension Week (Optional)

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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Educational Director - Community Engagement and Development



A School Year to Cherish & Remember



The sounds of children laughing through our TBS hallways, the sights of families dressed in Purim Carnival costumes, the crackling energy of students engaged in lively classroom discussions – needless to say, it has been a thrill to return to in-person learning here at the Temple Beth Sholom Religious School. Though COVID still provided its share of challenges and restrictions this year, I am proud of the ways in which our students, teachers and staff persevered, finding joy and meaning

through a series of extraordinary hands-on projects, field trips and events. From our Atria Buddies Program, Mishpacha Family Services and Mini Minyan activities to our charitable Tikkun Olam fundraisers and numerous esteemed guest-speakers, this truly has been a school year to cherish and remember.

And we're not done yet! Our TBS students and community have been working tirelessly to bring many incredible events and end-of-the-year projects to fruition. For example, Kita Dalet is completing its fascinating 'Cities of Israel' project, Kita Hay is excavating personal and cultural histories with its 'Family History' project, and Kita Vav is putting the finishing touches on its valuable 'Zionism Past and Present' project. Furthermore, we will be honoring our Kita Zayin students on Monday, May 9th with their Moving Up Ceremony. This important event will honor our students' achievements in Jewish learning as they progress to Makom High School.

On Sunday, May 15th at 10:15 AM, we are excited to celebrate Yom Ha'atzmaut with a very special Zimriya Song Festival. Amid the celebrations, we will also take the opportunity to honor our Rabbi Lucas, who will be retiring as Senior Rabbi of Temple Beth Sholom after 28 incredible years of service. Israeli education, culture and music have always been at the very heart of Rabbi Lucas's work and our mission here at Temple Beth Sholom, so it is only fitting that these two celebrations be intertwined. We encourage all families to join us as each class pays tribute to Rabbi Lucas by presenting him with a personalized work of art.

Later this month – on Friday, May 20th – we will host our Gan and Kita Aleph students for their special Kabbalat Shabbat service and dinner. All families are welcome to attend this delicious Shabbat gathering. To wrap up a busy and fun-filled month, we are excited to announce that TBS will be marching in the Celebrate Israel Parade on Sunday, May 22nd. Religious School classes will be held from 9:00-11:00 AM. Then at 11:30, a bus will take students and families to the parade. Please sign up soon as bus seating is limited!

Since this is the final bulletin of our Jewish school year, I must take a moment to express my deep appreciation and endless thanks to

my Education Team: Rabbi Lucas, Rabbi Rosenthal, Cantor Barnoy and my "right hand" Silvia Kogan, our Religious School Assistant Principal for aiding in all school and family education programs throughout the year. A special thank you goes to our devoted Mishpacha Leaders, Joseph Soffer and Roya Mizrahi, and to Zahava Rosenfeld, who trains our Kita Vav students to read Torah at our Mishpacha Family Service. Toda Raba to our Mini Minyan Leaders, Julie Gittlin, Stephanie Whelan and our talented song leader, Jonathan Kapilian.

Thank you to our Temple President, Michael Schor and our Executive Vice President, Dr. Debbie Dubowsky for all your support and encouragement throughout the year. Gratitude to our School Board: Vice President of Education, Carrie Gordon and Chair of Board of Education, Dr. Phyllis Fried Goldenberg for your guidance and dedication on behalf of our Religious School community. I also want to thank our Inclusion Co-Chairs, Pearl Halegua and Jocelyn Wasserman for your advocacy and support in ensuring that each and every student receives whatever special services they require.

To our PTA Presidents, Rachel Friedmann and Jill Zarin, we are so grateful for your leadership and commitment to enhancing programming at our school.

I always say that our educators and staff are the backbone of our Religious School. This year more than ever, they have carried us to unprecedented heights. To our amazing teachers and office staff, our Madrichim and Madrichot – TODA RABA! Your hard work, heart and genuine dedication to our TBS students truly makes all the difference:

Gan	Fran Kohn
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Hay/Vav/Makom	Chaim Moskowitz
Hay/Vav/Office/ B'nai Mitzvah Tutor	Janet Jeddah
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Zayin	Rabbi Steve Moskowitz
Resource/Reading	Shmuel Baumvall
Resource	Karen Scheier
Resource	Lean Biton

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FROM MAKOM

by Sharon Solomon,
Educational Director - Community Engagement and Development



We read in the Talmud (Bava Metzia 71a): *The needs of your city and your people take precedence.*

The Talmud demands that we prioritize giving to those closest to us, reminding us, as the saying goes that charity begins at home. Indeed, most of us feel a greater sense of both emotional connection and moral responsibility, to those to whom we are closer to, either because they are part of our family, our community, or our

people. The Torah and halakha's understanding of our ethical

During this last year we delivered more than 400 packages through TBS2U. Our Makom-High school students were in charge of packing and delivering the goods, creating a sense of community and teaching them that, as it is written in the Torah, *For this commandment which I am commanding you today is not too difficult for you, nor is it far away* (Deuteronomy 30:11).

I'm sure you are familiar with the saying "Think globally; act locally." While we should care for the well-being of the entire planet and all people, we only have a limited amount of time, money, and resources. We cannot fix all the problems of the planet and we have to start somewhere. The best way to address the global problems is for each community to focus its efforts

locally, while remaining conscious of and sensitive to the larger, global issues.

Now that the COVID-19 concerns have somehow lessened and that the doors of many organizations are opening up to the public, at Makom we will start moving to the next concentric circle, bringing goodness and kindness to our neighbors. On May 1st we will volunteer at the Community Garden in North Bellmore. The experience promises to be an uplifting and transformative one for all of us. I look forward to telling you more about it next time. Stay tuned!

And last but not least, we look forward to our end of the year dinner on Monday, May 5th, location TBD. We will celebrate the end of another successful year for all our high school programs. A special tribute and gifts will be given to the High School Seniors who participated in Makom through Limud, Activ8!, madrichim and J-Teen. Our clergy, educators and lay leaders will join this evening.

Have a restful summer!

Sharon & Silvia

Makom High School program with Dr. Zohar Raviv

obligations is consistent with this intuition: the greater the degree of connection, the greater the obligation towards that person.

The last two years of COVID were very difficult. On a medical level, we were all concerned about our health and physical well being. On a spiritual level, many of us were fortunate to live surrounded by family and friends, to whom we could turn if we felt lonely or needed anything. However, many members of our own community were not as fortunate. TBS responded immediately to a new normal by putting together a system that connected all those in need with hands that could help them.

...Religious School article continued from page 9

It is with endless gratitude and a touch of sadness that I say thank you to Rabbi Lucas, our beloved mentor, teacher and friend who will be retiring this year. It is written in Pirkei Avot (The Wisdom of the Fathers) that one should Ahseh l'cha Rav "find for yourself a teacher". Rabbi Lucas, for these past sixteen years you have been my teacher, and I could not have wished for a better one. From your weekly Shabbat and holiday services to your strong, generous leadership, I speak on behalf of everyone in our synagogue and religious school community in expressing appreciation for your

wisdom and guidance over these past 28 years.

And finally, thank you to YOU—our parents, our families, our congregants, our community! Your support and faith in us means everything. You remain the lifeblood of Temple Beth Sholom and I wish you all a wonderful, relaxing and joyous summer break!

Sharon

SISTERHOOD SCOOP

by Sherri Warshavsky & Rose Gole Warshawsky, Sisterhood Co-Presidents



We're Back!!!



With live programming back at TBS, Sisterhood has been busy. The last event before COVID became our first event back. Hamantaschen Baking on March 9th, brought out many families for a fun filled evening with tasty treats to take home. Thanks to Debbie Agulnick and her squad of

volunteers for making this event a reality. And thanks to Sisterhood's fundraising team of Cindy Katz & Amy Magid for the Purim cards.

After catching our breath, more elbow grease was needed. Our

the table setting and the seder plates. It took pounds of *Charoset*, both Persian and Ashkenazi, to feed this crowd. And the food, catered by Bobby of Majestic Caterers was delicious. A wonderful evening was had by all.

April is known for its showers and flowers. The flowers from the book event were reused for the Women's seder and have found new homes in some of our members homes. Sisterhood Spring Plant Sale brought you flowers from Long Island growers and was a wonderful way to *enjoy the colors of spring and support Sisterhood*.

Join us for upcoming events: Installation in May and Sisterhood Shabbat on June 4th as we celebrate 100 years since the first Bat Mitzvah.

Rose & Sherri



silver ornaments are brightly shining due to the labor of love, silver polishing, led by the incomparable Cindy Feldman on March 21st. Thank you to the team of women who helped out – the silver looks great!

And on to the next event we went! Sisterhood was the proud co-sponsor of the inaugural *Rabbi Lucas Book Series* on March 24th, when we hosted Dara Horn, the author of "People Love Dead Jews," for dinner and a stimulating discussion of her book. Thanks to Wende Jager Hyman and the committee who made this such a successful event.

Next up was our first annual Women's Seder on April 4th, led by Rabbi Rosenthal. It was an amazing event! Rabbi Rosenthal did a fantastic job creating a Haggadah from various sources that spoke to us in a way that the traditional Haggadah does not. The programming committee (Nadine Kesten, Cindy Feldman, Marvash Zarabi, Karen Spitalnik, & Janet Eider) did an unbelievable job with

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THE JOSHUA SOCIETY

In Proverbs 27:18 Joshua says:

“WHOEVER TENDS THE TREE WILL EAT ITS FRUIT.”

As the protégé and successor of Moses, Joshua was a dreamer and a doer - a visionary and leader who ultimately led the Jews into Israel.

CONTRIBUTORS TO THE JOSHUA SOCIETY WILL BE BOTH DREAMERS AND DOERS, LEADING AND STRENGTHENING FOR TOMORROW.

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Susan and Alan Zelman

Community Engagement

*by Sharon Solomon, Educational Director - Community Engagement & Development
and Rebecca Altman, Vice President of Community Engagement*

Engagement at TBS is in full swing as we prepare for all of Rabbi Lucas' celebrations.

We continue our parlor and individual meetings, and Rebecca and I are grateful to all the members who opened their homes to host a parlor meeting. Each meeting helps us understand more completely TBS' needs as we head into the future.

Our *farewell* committee chairs, Carolyn Canova and Ellen Walk, are working hard at planning all the celebrations for Rabbi Lucas.

To kickoff the Farewell Weekend, on Friday, June 10th at 6 pm we will have a BBQ dinner followed by Kabbalat Shabbat services.

Shabbat services, June 11th at 9:30 am is our *L'hitra'ot Shabbat: One Last Sermon* by Rabbi Lucas followed by a *L'Chaim Farewell Kiddush Luncheon* in honor of Rabbi Alan and Edy Lucas.

Our Grand Farewell Celebration is sure to be an evening of memories and tributes honoring and celebrating Rabbi Lucas.

We can't wait for everyone to join us on Sunday, June 12th at 5 pm as well as the other events as we pay a well deserved tribute to our beloved rabbi.

Sharon & Rebecca



TORAH FUND

by Janet Cohen Eder



This is now 2022, the end of our second year of B'Yachad, **together**. Please join us as we will begin to celebrate the 80th Torah Fund Anniversary. A new pin for the 2022-2023 campaign theme **CHAZAK V'EMATZ (Be Strong and Courageous)** will also be in celebration of our 80th Anniversary.

It has always been the goal of the Torah Fund Campaign of the Sisterhood of Temple Beth Shalom to be a major contributor to supporting Conservative/Masorti Judaism around the world. The time is always. The need is never ending. Your support is certainly valuable. **Thank you to all of you who have supported Torah Fund; and Thank You for supporting the future of our Conservative leaders!**

Since this is our last bulletin for the current season, it is my pleasure to acknowledge the contributions of our many Torah Fund donors:

Marjorie Adler; Anita Baron; Irving Chernofsky; Eileen Cohen; Jill Dee; Janet Eder; Cindy Feldman; Ellen Fingerman; Eva Gerber;

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A special thank you to a few of Sisterhood's past presidents Cindy, Rita, Shari, Rosalyn, Helaine, Nadine & Eva for an additional contribution to Torah Fund in memory of Leatrice Baron, a past Sisterhood President who was a special advocate for Torah Fund and who will be sorely missed.

Thank you all on behalf of Torah Fund. It is with your help that Conservative/Masorti Judaism flourishes around the world. Our new campaign will begin again during the summer, so please be mindful of the importance of continuing our major contribution to Torah Fund.

Janet

Send your tax-deductible donations to me at home:

Janet Cohen Eder
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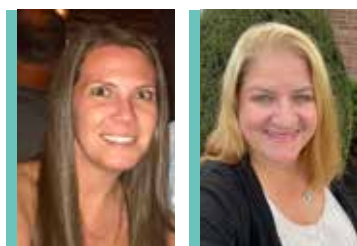
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DAY CAMP NEWS

by Becky Firestone, Day Camp Director &
Dee Dee Horowitz, Day Camp Assistant Director



It's that time of year again, flowers are blooming, we're shedding jackets and prep for summer 2022 is in full swing! We are counting down the days until we see those smiling faces pull up on the camp buses, to

what promises to be an epic summer at Beth Shalom Day Camp.

We have so many exciting new activities coming your way. 9 Square in the Air combines elements of volleyball and 4 Square but expands the court to 9 squares and raises it off the ground. We are excited to have Zumba this summer, which is a specially designed fitness program for children that incorporates movement, dance, and games. Each Zumba class is high-energy fitness instruction packed with specially choreographed, child-friendly routines prepared to accompany lively and upbeat music. We are also bringing back an oldie, Circus arts, where campers will learn clowning techniques and

juggling, hula hooping as well as acrobatic movement basics and playful partner work.

Staff hiring is ongoing and we are looking to recruit the strongest possible counselor and specialist staff for the summer. Temple high school and college students are always given the highest consideration but don't wait to apply, spots are filling up fast.

Our next Open House is coming up on May 15 from 1:00 – 4:00pm. All tours are by appointment only. If you would like to schedule your tour for the Open House day or for any weekday, please call the camp office at 516-621-9257. Temple members receive considerable discounts for children and grandchildren, so please consider your home, Temple Beth Shalom, as a viable choice for your kids.

We can't wait for summer 2022!

Becky & Dee Dee

MAY 2022



Nisan-Iyvar-Sivan 5782

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Bat Mitzvah of Sophie Davidson	2 Bridge Sisterhood Plant Sale	3 Bridge Sisterhood Adult Education	4	5 Yom Ha'Atzmaut	6	7 Bat Mitzvah of Taylor Stephens Israeli Shabbat
8	9 Bridge Zayin Moving Up Ceremony	10 Bridge Sisterhood Adult Education Executive Board Meeting	11 Vendor Day	12	13	14 Mann Baby Naming Heroes Shabbat Mini Minyan
15 Mets Game for Rabbi Lucas Day Camp Open House Panel Discussion	16 Bridge	17 Bridge Sisterhood Adult Education	18	19 Board of Education Meeting	20 Gan/Aleph Shabbat	21 Bat Mitzvah of Jordin Rafimayeri Rotstein Baby Naming
22 Celebrate Israel Parade	23 Bridge Religious Affairs Meeting	24 Bridge Sisterhood Adult Education Lunch and Learn Last Day of School K - 5 Executive Board Meeting Board of Trustees Meeting	25	26	27 ECC Closed	28 Bat Mitzvah of Sara Rosenthal
29	30 Memorial Day Temple Office Closed	31 Sisterhood Adult Education				

JUNE 2022

Sivan-Tammuz 5782



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Rachael Spinner & Benjamin Levens Aufruf	3	4 Sisterhood Shabbat Erev Shavuot
5 First Day Shavuot	6 Second Day Shavuot	7 Sisterhood Adult Education Executive Board Meeting Congregational Meeting	8	9	10 ECC Graduation BBQ Shabbat Dinner	11 Bar Mitzvah of Wyatt Per Farewell to Rabbi Lucas Kiddush
12 Grand Farewell Celebration	13 Religious Affairs Meeting	14 Sisterhood Adult Education Sisterhood Installation	15	16	17 Board Installation	18 Jaron Mandel and Dana Palmieri Aufruf
19	20 Juneteenth - Office Closed	21 Sisterhood Adult Education Executive Board Meeting Board of Trustees Meeting	22 Sisterhood Dinner	23	24	25
26 Day Camp Orientation	27	28 Sisterhood Adult Education	29	30		

MAY 2022/5782 SCHEDULE OF SERVICES



Please Note: Schedule of Services are subject to change. Please refer to the worship section on the homepage of our website at www.tbsroslyn.org for up to date information.

Sunday Morning, May 1 Rosh Chodesh Iyyar Bat Mitzvah Sophie Davidson	9:00 AM 10:00 AM
Monday Morning, May 2 Rosh Chodesh Iyyar	7:00 AM
Friday Evening, May 6 Candle Lighting Time	6:00 PM 7:38 PM
Saturday Morning, May 7 <i>Parashat Kedoshim</i> Israeli Shabbat Bat Mitzvah Taylor Stephens	9:30 AM
Saturday Afternoon, May 7 Mincha	12:30 PM
Friday Evening, May 13 Candle Lighting Time	6:00 PM 7:45 PM
Saturday Morning, May 14 <i>Parashat Emor</i> Heroes Shabbat – Honoring our Health Care Workers, First Responders, Minyanaires and Volunteers who helped us get through this Covid period	9:30 AM
Saturday Afternoon, May 14 Mincha	12:30 PM

Thursday, May 19 – Lag Ba'Omer	
Friday Evening, May 20 Candle Lighting Time	6:00 PM 7:52 PM
Saturday Morning, May 21 <i>Parashat Behar</i> Bat Mitzvah Jordin Rafimayeri	9:30 AM
Saturday Afternoon, May 21 Mincha	12:30 PM
Friday Evening May, 27 Candle Lighting Time	6:00 PM 7:58 PM
Saturday Morning, May 28 <i>Parashat Bechukotai</i> Bat Mitzvah Sara Rosenthal	9:30 AM
Saturday Afternoon, May 28 Mincha	12:30 PM
Sunday, May 29 – Yom Yerushalayim	
Monday, May 30 - Memorial Day	9:00 AM
Tuesday Morning, May 31 Rosh Chodesh Sivan	7:00 AM

DAILY MINYAN SCHEDULE

Sunday Mornings 9:00 AM ♦ Monday - Friday Mornings 7:00 AM ♦ Sunday - Thursday Evenings 7:30 PM

JUNE 2022/5782 SCHEDULE OF SERVICES



Friday Evening, June 3 Candle Lighting Time	6:00 PM 8:03 PM	Saturday Afternoon, June 11 Mincha	12:30 PM
Saturday Morning, June 4 <i>Parashat Bamidbar</i> Sisterhood Shabbat	9:30 AM	Friday Evening, June 17 Candle Lighting Time	6:00 PM 8:10 PM
Saturday, June 4 Shavuot		Saturday Morning, June 18 <i>Parashat Beha'alotcha</i>	9:30 AM
Mincha	6:45 PM	Saturday Afternoon, June 18 Mincha	12:30 PM
<i>Tikun Leyl Shavuot</i>	8:00 PM	Friday Evening, June 24 Candle Lighting Time	6:00 PM 8:12 PM
Candle Lighting Time	9:12 PM	Saturday Morning, June 25 <i>Parashat Sh'lach</i>	9:30 AM
Sunday, June 5 First Day of Shavuot		Saturday Afternoon, June 25 Mincha	12:30 PM
Morning Service	9:30 AM	Wednesday Morning, June 29 Rosh Chodesh Tamuz	7:00 AM
Mincha	12:30 PM	Thursday Morning, June 30 Rosh Chodesh Tamuz	7:00 AM
Candle Lighting Time	9:13 PM		
Monday, June 6 Second Day of Shavuot			
Morning Service (<i>Yizkor</i>)	9:30 AM		
Mincha	12:30 PM		
Holiday Ends	9:13 PM		
Friday Evening, June 10 Candle Lighting Time	6:00 PM 8:08 PM		
Saturday Morning, June 11 <i>Parashat Nasso</i> Bar Mitzvah Wyatt Per	9:30 AM		

DAILY MINYAN SCHEDULE

Sunday Mornings 9:00 AM ♦ Monday - Friday Mornings 7:00 AM ♦ Sunday - Thursday Evenings 7:30 PM

Mazel Tov!

We wish a mazel tov and congratulations to our graduating seniors for a wonderful year together in all of our Makom programs (Limud, Madrichim, Activ8!, & JTeen). Each program had a fruitful year of experiences and we wish your seniors success in all of their future endeavors.

GRADUATING SENIORS

Dana Agulnick, Noa Behiri, Ron Behiri, Adi Bodner, Lilah Dicker, Bella Dubner, Natalia Hakimi, Garret Horowitz, Daniel Neutra, Marissa Pedretti, Ron Regev, Lilli Roth, Hannah Weiner, Amanda Weinman



PTA NEWS

By Rachel Friedmann & Jill Zarin

We felt grateful this year to be actively working on the Religious School PTA. For the past 2 years we and, more importantly, the kids, lost out on many of our favorite events



that connected us all to TBS and the larger Jewish community. We were thrilled this year to be able to provide the RS families with opportunities to see each other and to actively participate

in events related to the Jewish holidays and the synagogue.

This year we celebrated the start of school with an ice cream truck for all the kids, we gifted each student with dreidels, gelt and candles on Chanukah, we sponsored a Purim-A-Lot Puppet Show for our younger students, we pulled off a very entertaining Purim Carnival for the community and we were able to thank our teachers with generous gifts at Chanukah and at year end. We couldn't have done any of it without our parents' PTA dues and the help of some creative and hard working people: Sharon Solomon, Silvia Kogan, Amy Gortler, Cheri Dubner, Len Bergman, Felice Bergman, Rebecca Altman, Elaine Jacobs, Fanny Boneh & Lisa Rockfeld!

To you we say, "Todah Rabah!"

Rachel & Jill

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our **TEACHER** *our* **RABBI** *our* **FRIEND**

Rabbi Alan B. Lucas

**Honoring a Legacy
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Cantor's Concert featuring "Divas on the Bima"
Sunday, March 6th

4 female cantors alongside our own Cantor Barnoy
with musical serenade for Rabbi Lucas

Author Series Event
Thursday, March 24th

Renowned novelist Dara Horn will discuss her latest book
Special tribute to Rabbi Lucas

Religious School Zimriya
Sunday, May 15th

Songfest honoring Rabbi Lucas

NY Mets vs. Seattle Mariners Game
Sunday, May 15th

Because sometimes you just have to have fun...
Come on out to a ballgame at Citifield
with scoreboard shoutout to our favorite Mets fan, Rabbi Lucas

Farewell Kabbalat Shabbat & BBQ
Friday, June 10th

An opportunity to shmooze and celebrate

L'hitraot Shabbat & Festive Kiddush
Saturday, June 11th

One last sermon...

Grand Farewell Celebration!
Sunday, June 12th

PURIM BASKETS FOR HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS

This Purim we reached out to our TBS community to ask for your support in sponsoring Purim baskets for Holocaust survivors. We were deeply moved and touched by the outpouring of response. **Your generosity and empathy enabled us to prepare and deliver close to 130 Purim baskets to survivors all over Long Island and New York City.**



Although many of us have been able to ease back into a semi-normal pre-pandemic life, it is in no way so for the survivors. Due to their age and underlying medical conditions, they are still very much living the pandemic. Many spoke to us of the wonderful programs our Temple used to host for them and how much they miss attending them. The joy and smiles with which we were received were most often accompanied by thanking us for remembering them, thinking of them and caring.

One lovely couple just shy of 100 years old, placed the basket we had delivered on their kitchen table, and planned to open it and enjoy its contents on

Purim. Tragically, the night before Purim, just before they went to bed, a fire broke out in their kitchen, quickly consuming it and completely burning through the floor. They were both carried out by the police in their pajamas and rushed to the hospital. Thankfully they were unharmed. When recounting the horrific experience, they spoke of

seeing the beautiful Mishloach Manot going up in flames. Needless to say once we heard what had happened we immediately put together a new basket for them. We were received in tears and profound gratitude. Knowing that we care meant the world to them.

The residence of Gurwin Assisted Living in Commack couldn't thank our Temple enough for thinking of them and making their holiday joyous. The director of recreation wrote us as follows:

The residents and staff of Gurwin Fay J. Lindner want to thank Karin and Elaine

and the congregants of Temple Beth Shalom for once again choosing our community and the Holocaust survivors who reside here to be the recipients of the Mishloach Manot. This made the holiday extra festive and special. I also want to mention your generosity in time and spirit in bringing over an extra basket for one of our residents who came to the program but who was not originally on our list. It was a beautiful gesture. Thank you for thinking of us and we hope to work with you again in the future.

There are no words to describe how fulfilling and rewarding this experience has been. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for making this possible and being part of this true mitzvah!

A special thank you to Rebecca Altman, Eileen Bohrer, Barbara Cooper, Elaine & Michael Jacobs and Fanny Boneh for all their help.

Thank you,

Elaine Benlevi & Karin Naim



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In honor of Sabrina Putterman's Bat Mitzvah
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Rabbi Lucas commented about enjoying reading her novels, all of which have Jewish themes. The event was just one of several set for this spring to honor Rabbi's 29 years as our senior spiritual leader before his retirement.



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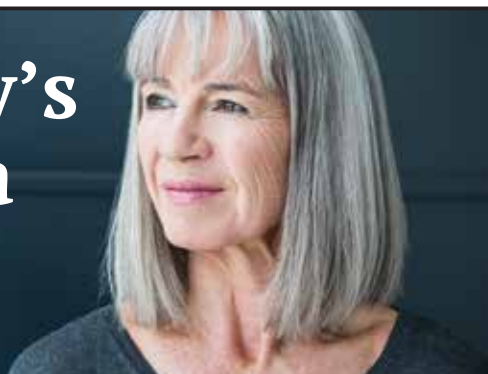
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