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PURIM FESTIVITIES

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019

PURIM SHPIEL 10:30 AM

CARNIVAL 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

**BRING FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO ENJOY
GREAT PURIM ENTERTAINMENT AND
CELEBRATION!**

Purim is a wonderful day to invite friends and
non-members to discover the excitement of our
warm and welcoming Temple!

Games, Prizes & Inflatables, Balloon Creations & Face
Painting, Lunch & Hamantaschen

**CARNIVAL TICKETS
SOLD AT THE DOOR**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 @ 7:00 PM
PURIM SERVICE & MEGILLAH READING

Hear the Purim story!
Make some grogger noise!
Come in costume!
(No Wednesday Religious
School Classes)



TEMPLE BETH DAVID



Rabbi's Message by Rabbi Beth H. Klafner

Perhaps, like me, you have seen the reality television series, **Undercover Boss**. Each episode follows a CEO, owner or upper-level manager of a company, as they hide their true identity to work with lower-level employees. Their intent is to understand how their business is actually functioning, including its successes and its faults. Along the way, the high-level executive meets employees; some of them are model staff members and others, not so much. At the end of each episode, their true identity is revealed, employees are evaluated and, often, outstanding staff members are rewarded with financial support and sometimes with deserving promotions.

Among the companies whose bosses have gone 'undercover,' are nationally known White Castle, Choice Hotels, 7-Eleven, Roto-Rooter and NASCAR. Mayors of Gary, Indiana, and Pittsburgh, PA, have also been featured. With many years on the air, the show has followed well over 100 bosses. I got to wondering, what if the greatest Boss of all, the CEO, founder and executive of the entire world, had the chance to go 'undercover' to investigate the state of the business which began 5779 years ago.

Scene One:

"Shalom, Boss," begins the costume designer, "I have some ideas about how to hide your identity. How about some wings." "Nope," replies the Boss, "I will look like Michael and Gabriel, my favorite angels." "How about a fancy jacket?" "Nope, they'll think I am Joseph." "How about giving you a whale on a leash?" "Nope, that whale belongs to Jonah." "OK, no costume then, just try to hide behind some trees and walls when you go undercover."

Scene Two:

"You need a pseudonym," explains the show's director, "What name would you like for the show?" "I have so many names already," the Boss answers, "There's YHWH, El, Elohim, Adonai, El-Shaddai, HaMakom, Baal, HaShem, Shekinah. My favorite is what I told Moses, 'I am that I am.' I'll use that one - it's sure to confuse them." "I've reserved a plane and a ship for you to take you to your first location." "No need, I can get myself anywhere, anytime - no planes, trains or automobiles necessary."

Scene Three: In Antarctica

"Hello, let me introduce myself. I am 'I am that I am.' Who are you?" "We're penguins." "Penguins, who named you that? You were supposed to be called, 'funny walking guys.' Oh well, what do you do?" "Our job is to walk like penguins, eat some ice, and stand still when those humans appear with their cameras." "Where are the jackets your boss left for you to wear in the cold?" "Jackets? We thought we look dapper enough in these suits." "Did the district manager give you good instructions?" "No, we still haven't figured out what our purpose is - but we sure do have a fun time anyway."

Scene Four: In Israel

At this location, the Boss is a little concerned about being discovered. It seems that there are a lot of people in Israel looking for this Boss. "Shalom," says the Boss to some cooks, "What are you making?" "We are cooking chumus. People here love this stuff. They just eat it up." "Great use of all those chickpeas," notes the Boss. "We've been getting creative," the cooks explain, "Now we make it in lots of flavors: Spinach & Artichoke, Sun Dried Tomato, Red Pepper, Chipotle, Basil Pesto, Olive Tapenade, Carmelized Onion and Lemon. We sometimes don't even use chickpeas. Now we use carrots and white or black beans too." "Oy vey," the Boss says to the camera, "And they still want to call all of this chumus. These sabras have gone too far."

Scene Five: On Long Island

As the Boss approaches Long Island, the Boss notices that the land doesn't look like the original blueprint. The nice round, fluffy shape the Boss had planned got all stretched out. And there is even a fork in the Island. "Interesting," mumbles the Boss, "Note to self: find the spoon and smooth the edges." Then the Boss notices long, long lines of vehicles of all sizes. "What do you call that parking lot?" the Boss shouts to a driver. "This, it's called the LIE." "Oy, that's just wrong. It looks like they paved my paradise and put up a parking lot. Someone has to fix this." Next the Boss looks into a building with lots of young people and some taller children too. The taller children are teaching the

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Cantorial Notes by Rabbi/Cantor Audrey Halpern

Dear Friends,

In the past couple of months we observed the Jewish celebration of trees, Tu B'Shevat. It reflects a love of our Creator who is the ultimate giver of life to all the earth and all that grows. As Americans we also celebrated Valentine's Day – not so Jewish, but popular because we love romantic love and chocolate! I would argue that even as Purim approaches, beyond loving our sweets there is another common denominator and that is God's love for us as demonstrated time and again in our stories – our salvation from those who would oppress us and the love we find in human connections when we imbue them with holiness!

In Parshat Yitro, we read the Ten Commandments. It is believed to be, in many ways, like a Table of Contents for the Torah. At first glance the Ten Commandments may not really feel all that relevant to our daily lives, but when we look more deeply, there may be layers of meaning that can connect us spiritually.

Like any important document, the structure may tell us a lot. When we look at the first layer of structure we immediately think of the iconic two tablets. We can see one side as having to do with our relationship with authority figures (God or our parents, or our other creators, if you will) and the other side dealing with our relationship with our peers. Rabbi David Fohrman describes this as the first layer of structure. He goes on to explain that each side has five commandments and there may actually be a corresponding relationship to one another.

Rabbi Fohrman brilliantly goes on to extrapolate a relationship between the commandments and the ultimate definition of love – true love based on respect as opposed to a love based on control or self-aggrandizement. When we acknowledge and honor our Creator, the sacred becomes manifest within our human relationships and ultimately leads us to love – a true love based on respect.

The Talmud recounts a story of a prospective convert to Judaism who asked the renowned Rabbi Hillel to explain the whole to him as he stood on one foot.

"That which you hate, don't do to your fellow," was his wise response. He went on, "That is the whole Torah, all the rest is commentary."

It's the essence of Judaism; the actions and the attitudes we are taught to bring to bear on all of our relationships beginning with our relationship with our Creator.

As we celebrate the victories of our people, our kinship with one another, and our connection with God, may we see the many levels of meaning in our teachings as they reveal themselves through study, learning and action.

Cantor Audrey Halpern

**March
B'nai Mitzvah**



March 2

**Madison Clemens
Jordan Vogel**

March 9

Robert Motta

March 16

Samuel Radner

March 23

Sara Rahr

Emily Wolmetz



Margie Gursky

Religious School News

In February, Religious School was jam-packed with fun activities, even with a vacation in the middle of the month. We had an amazing turnout at the Shabbat Dinner and 6th grade Family Service. With the generous help from the Walsh and Levine families, we were able to do something different for dinner – Italian Night! *Kol Hakavod* to all our 6th graders who worked with Rabbi Klafter and participated in the Shabbat service.

Also in February, the 5th grade participated in a mock wedding. Since we have two 5th grade classes, we had two weddings. Their teachers, Ms. Gilbert and Ms. Ball, helped the students prepare their class wedding. Mazel Tov! See the beautiful photos on the next page.

We also had a great turnout for the Religious School Havdalah Experience where the families learned about Havdalah through arts and crafts projects. We made Havdalah candles and decorative spiced oranges. Finally, the second and third graders went on a field trip to the JCC's Discovery Museum where they were led through a wonderful interactive program that taught them how to be a mensch.

March is also filled with many fun programs. Keep an eye out for emails about PACT, 5th grade family service, Junior Choir, and the Purim Carnival. We also have two school fundraisers going on: Miss Chocolate Passover Candy, as well as the Hamentaschen sale. Please help our school by participating in these fundraisers.

And finally, don't forget, I will be holding a Religious School Parenting Workshop on Sunday, March 10 at 9:15 a.m. Please join us as we discuss the complexities of raising Jewish children in today's world.

Religious School Calendar Reminders:

March 1	5 th Grade Family Service, 7:30 p.m. Hamentaschen orders Due
March 3	4 th /5 th Grades PACT, 9:15-11:00 a.m.
March 6	6 th Grade PACT, 6:15-8:00 p.m. Miss Chocolate Orders Due
March 10	Parenting Workshop, 9:15 a.m.
March 15	Junior Choir Service, 8:00pm
March 17	Purim Spiel, Purim Carnival, 10:30 a.m.
March 20	No Religious School Pizza Party, 6:15 p.m. Megillah Reading, 7:00 p.m.
March 31	2 nd /3 rd Grades Family Program, 9a.m

Religious School Parenting Workshop

Discuss the Complexities of Raising Jewish Children in Today's World.

Sunday, March 10th, 9:15am.

Bagels will be served.

PURIM HAMANTASCHEN ORDER FORM

You haven't celebrated Purim until you've eaten hamentaschen!

Name: _____ Teacher (if applicable): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Return form and payment by Friday, March 1st to the Religious School Office. Please order in whole dozens only:

\$9.00 per dozen

\$25.00 for any three dozen:

_____ lbs. Apricot _____ lbs. Poppy

_____ lbs. Prune _____ lbs. Raspberry

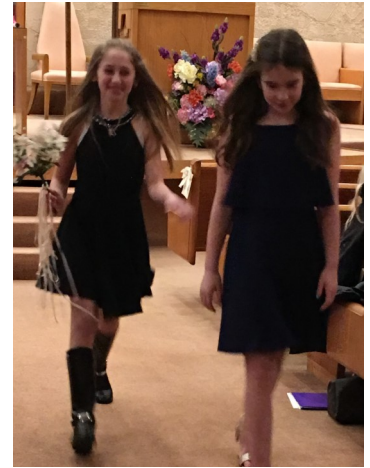
Enclose a check payable to Temple Beth David ("Hamentaschen" in memo line") OR Charge to MasterCard or Visa (\$25.00 minimum):

Card # _____

Expiration date: _____



Our Fifth Grade Weddings



From the President's Desk

In case you don't know this about me, I am a true summer baby. I was born in the summer, I love summer activities and if I had my way, every summer day would start at the beach. But now we are still in the dark cold days of winter. Each morning as I walk my dog I wonder when those beautiful beach days will arrive and when I will no longer need to bundle up in a coat, hat and gloves each morning as I walk my dog, Louie. Louie is clearly not a summer baby as he loves to be outside romping in the snow. I just don't understand why my little 8-pound fur ball thinks playing in snow deeper than he is tall is a fun way to spend a morning.

Now though as I sit to write my March *Hakol* article we are still in the throes of winter and I am trying to find signs of the promise that spring will soon be here. I take great comfort in the words of author, Jen Selinsky, when she said, "The promise of spring's arrival is enough to get anyone through the bitter winter." These words help remind me that the end of winter is near and spring is just almost here...meaning my dreams of summer beach days are just around the corner.

Spring is the season of new beginnings, a time when farmers prepare to plant, animals emerge from hibernation, and the earth seems to come alive again. Like the cycle of nature, March is when our temple also begins to emerge from its slower winter pace and the B'nai Mitzvah season begins again, along with a plethora of events that suddenly appear on the calendar.

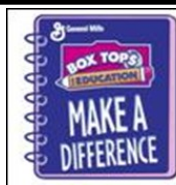
My message to you is to shed your winter attitude like you shed your winter coat, get up, get out and come to one of the many upcoming events here at Temple Beth David! Here you will find the warmth of friends and family and a reason to believe that spring is truly a season of joy.

Beverly Wolcott

TBD Chai Club

The Chai Club continues to be busy. Some of our members will be going to the Kings Park Heritage Museum for a docent-led tour on Wednesday, April 17. Of course, this museum outing will be followed by lunch out. We look forward to seeing our lucky snow birds soon; most are expected back in April. They'll be welcomed with interesting events which are planned for May and June.

New members are always welcome. For more information, contact Sheila Eisinger at seising2@gmail.com.



Did you know that the TBD Religious School collects "Box Tops for Education?" Over the years we have earned hundreds of dollars to support our programs with donations of Box Tops. Please bring your Box Tops to the School Office or simply drop them in the folder outside our Religious School office door. March 1st Deadline!!!!

AA Meetings - "New Soil"

Sundays 11:30 a.m. Open meetings
Thursdays 6:30 p.m. Closed meeting

All meeting are held at: Temple Beth David



Temple Beth David Sisterhood Ladies Night Out Bingo

Ladies- Do you need a break from husbands, kids, jobs, or just want to have a great time with friends? Then you need to attend Sisterhood's Ladies Night Bingo for lots of fun and food! Information about this event is below.

When: Thursday, March 14, 2019

Where: Temple Beth David Social Hall

Time: 7:00pm- 10:00pm

Cost: \$10.00 pp (Sisterhood member)

\$12.00 pp (non-Sisterhood member)

+\$10 Gift card to anywhere-Think outside the box

Please note that dinner will be served!

Please send in check written out to "TBD Sisterhood" by March 7, 2019

Please RSVP that you can attend to:

Denise Jacobs at (631)543-7695 or jacobsrdd@optonline.net or text (516)356-4486 or

Cheryl Kaplan at (516) 238-3303 text or ekaplan6@optonline.net.

If you have any questions, please call Denise Jacobs at (631)543-7695.



Temple Beth David Sisterhood Presents Mah Jongg Education Classes



Learn to play this ancient game.
Beginners and experts are all welcome.
Tuesdays in March (12th, 19th, and 26th)
7:30-9:00pm
TBD Social Hall

It would be helpful, but not necessary to have current 2018 card.

Also, if you have a Mah Jongg set bring that, too!

RSVP to Denise Jacobs

(631)543-7695 or jacobsrdd@optonline.net

Spotlight on Sisterhood

*I*t's March- Spring is in the air (I hope)! After a long winter's rest, Sisterhood is ready for a busy month! As we mentioned in last month's *HaKol*, February was a quiet time in terms of Sisterhood activities. We held our board meeting where we discussed plans for future events. The Cultural Arts Committee organized a Plant Night on February 28. This was our "surprise" activity that we wrote about last month, and hopefully you were able to attend. We cultivated our creativity naturally, created a succulent arrangement, and had great fun while doing it.

This month the Sisterhood calendar is bursting with events, offering something for everyone! We start off with a board meeting on Monday, March 4 to firm up our plans for future events. All Sisterhood members are welcome to attend. We'd love to hear from you with new and exciting ideas. We continue with Mah Jongg education classes on Tuesdays, March 12, 19, and 26 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. Please join us to learn and have fun playing this ancient Chinese game. Beginners and experts are all welcome.

On Thursday, March 14, our annual Ladies' Night Out Bingo will be held in the Social Hall from 7:00-10:00 p.m. The cost is \$10 per person for Sisterhood members (\$12 non-Sisterhood members), plus a \$10 gift card to anywhere. Please send a check to TBD Sisterhood by March 7. A light dinner will be served. Take a break from husbands, kids, and jobs to have fun with the "Ladies!" You might also win a gift card or two.

March is also the month when we celebrate Purim, and it is a special mitzvah to send food baskets to friends and family for this holiday. Once again, Sisterhood is offering its *Shalach Manot* baskets filled with traditional treats. Please order your baskets by Friday, March 1. All proceeds from this fundraiser support the temple and community projects, including the Sisterhood Camp Fund.

Other upcoming events include Sisterhood Shabbat on Friday, April 12, our Cultural Arts bus tour to Ellis Island and the Jewish Museum on Sunday, April 14, and our Big Event/Fashion Show on Monday, May 6. Please join us for any or all of these activities. I look forward to hearing from you and welcoming you in person!

—Denise Jacobs

Temple Beth David Sisterhood presents

COMING TO THE NEW LAND

A guided tour of the Jewish immigrant experience -
Ellis Island and the Museum of Jewish Heritage



Sunday, April 14, 2019

Meet at 7:30 a.m. in the TBD (back) parking lot . Our coach bus leaves promptly at 7:45 a.m. Upon arrival at Battery Park in NYC, we will tour Castle Clinton, then board the Ellis Island Ferry. Our private tour of Ellis Island includes the Immigration Center, a movie, and the Family Research Center. We will then return to Battery Park and tour the Museum of Jewish Heritage. A Kosher lunch will be provided at the Museum Café with sweeping views of NYC harbor.

All inclusive price: \$ 85

This Trip is now open to all temple members & their friends!!

RSVP by February 14, 2019 to guarantee a spot.

Payment **MUST** be received no later than March 14, 2019

Checks are to be made payable to Temple Beth David Sisterhood.

For questions and concerns, please contact Toni Spring @ (631) 462-1576 or
toni.spring@gmail.com

Yes!! Count me in for *Coming to the New Land* Name _____

Spotlight on Brotherhood

With March here, Spring is around the corner and the change of seasons is a great time to be grateful for the things we have. This was brought home to us on Sunday, February 10, when we were introduced to guest speaker Chris Welch, a former Marine who enlisted when he was 17 and served 20 years in the military, including four tours of duty in Iraq. Chris lost almost 200 men in battle and faced personal struggles while in the service, including being served with divorce papers. Not surprisingly, when Chris returned to the US, he suffered from PTSD, depression and alcohol abuse. He was ready to give up and die; that is, until he got connected with his service dog, who he credits with saving his life. With the help of his dog, Chris turned his life around. Since then, he and his story have been featured on television. We all agreed Chris' story was an inspiration to us all and a reminder to be grateful to the people who have given us so much. After Chris spoke, we started to prepare for the annual favorite Brotherhood Shabbat Service, or as we like to call it—March Madness. If you are interested in participating, please contact Steve Swartz (stephenwswartz@gmail.com). The service is on Friday, March 8. Speaking about March, the Brotherhood is again doing its March Madness bracket for college basketball. If anyone is interested in participating, please contact Steve Swartz (stephenwswartz@gmail.com).


March is certainly a busy month for us. We also have our Third Annual Blues Night on Saturday, March 2, featuring the Kerry Kearney Band (a/k/a Blues, Brews and Jews). For those who have missed it in the past, you have missed a fantastic time. It is open to all, so bring your friends. The band is currently touring nationwide on the strength of their new CD, so we are thrilled that we could get them to play again this year. Tickets are available on Acceptiva for \$20, or \$25 at the door. We expect to sell out, so don't wait. A portion of the proceeds go to a fantastic charity—the Sophia Valsamos Foundation, which is doing some great things to empower young people to take a stand against bullying, find support around challenges, and embrace each other's differences. We hope to see everyone there!

The Brotherhood is again running the concession stand at the Temple Purim carnival. We could use all the help we can get, so if you want to join us, please let us know. Details will be going out over email and are available on the temple website and on Facebook.

Looking ahead, we have some great events coming up in April, including Beer Tasting at the temple, to be followed by a movie. Finally, on Sunday, April 28 at 9:00 a.m. we will welcome a speaker for Yom HaShoah.

If you haven't joined us at an event yet this year, please just come down for one and see how you like it. Most of our events are free and open to everyone. If you are not getting our emails, please email Adam Browser, our corresponding secretary (abrowser@yahoo.com). And of course, join us on Facebook.

—Dan Dornfeld
Brotherhood President



SAVE THE DATE!
MITZVAH DAY 2019
SUNDAY, MAY 5TH

A SPECIAL GIFT

Chicago's frigid winter warmed up a bit on January 18 when my family held a naming in that city for its newest member, Emily Sophia Herman, daughter of my son, Andrew and daughter-in-law, Carolyn. It's always a special pleasure to welcome a new grandchild, but this simcha was particularly sweet, as Emily is named for my father, known to all as "Grandpa Ernie."

Grandpa Ernie Elias was born in 1920 in the small town of Hoya in Northern Germany. His father owned a successful dry good business in town, and the family of four was considered "comfortable." Of course, all that ended when Hitler came to power. First, the business was forced to close since Jews were prohibited from being business owners. Ernie was a teenager at that time, and although he graduated from high school, he had to wear a yellow star, denoting his "Jewishness." After his father was arrested on Kristallnacht in November 1938, his parents managed to secure a visa for Ernie to emigrate to the US when a distant relative agreed to serve as his sponsor. Sadly, his parents and younger brother never made it, and all perished in concentration camps. Ernie served as a cook in the US army during WWII, where he also became a US citizen. After the war, Ernie used his new-found cooking skills to open a luncheonette in Queens. We all agree that Ernie made the best egg creams we ever tasted. He was a devoted Mets fan, and served as "master carver" of briskets and turkeys at all family dinners. Ernie married Kate, my mother, and together they had two children and spent more than 60 years together.

So, what made this day even more memorable? It was the realization that the descendants of that dark time, namely Ernie, my brother and me, our children, and now Ernie's great-granddaughter (and almost three-year old great-grandson Graham), are here to carry on our Jewish traditions, and in this case, the name, of one of the very people that hate tried to extinguish from this earth 80 years ago. Welcome to the world, Emily Sophia! Grandpa Ernie's Hebrew name was Eliahu; your Hebrew name is Eliana. Eliana means "my God has answered," and He truly has, not only to us, but, in your birth, to all the Jewish people.

—Joan Herman

Note: Thank you to Cantor Halpern who helped in selecting the Hebrew names. Emily Sophia is also named for Aunt Syl, a strong and loving woman in my daughter-in-law's family; ergo the Shoshana, meaning "lily or rose."



Ernie's family in Germany in 1932.



Private Ernie Elias during World War II.



Ernie with Granddaughter Sara on his 85th birthday.

SAVE THE DATE! COMEDY NIGHT

presented by the TBD Ways and Means Committee

March 30th 2019 at 7:00PM

starring

Dan Wilson

MTV, HBO, Comedy Central Star

and

Stone & Stone

"Last Comic Standing", truTV Stars



Don't miss TBD's annual laugh-fest! You supply your own desserts, snacks and "grownup" beverages. We supply non-stop fun, raffles, a 50/50 drawing and an evening of great comedy!

Just \$40 per person - guests welcome!
Watch for the Acceptiva link on the TBD website.

TBD Comedy Night.
It's a Religious Experience.



TEMPLE BETH DAVID



Matzah on Wheels

Sponsored by the Isaiah 58 Social Action Committee
NEEDS YOUR HELP

to provide Passover foods to needy Jewish families

Please help by bringing one or more of the items below to Temple by Sunday, April 14th.

Matzah Ball Soup

Canned Vegetables

Matzah Meal

Grape Juice


Tea Bags

Macaroons

Cakes or Cookies

Gefilte Fish

Applesauce or Canned Fruit

All items must be marked with  AND labeled “Kosher for Passover.”
Please place Passover Food Drive items in identified plastic bins in the rear
of the Temple. We cannot accept food that requires refrigeration.

Monetary donations to the Isaiah 58 Committee are greatly appreciated.

Members interested in helping to bag groceries on Sunday, April 14th at noon
can contact Beverly Horowitz (631-427-3074; email: bhorowit@optonline.net).
Additionally, please consider joining our Isaiah 58 Committee meeting at
11:00 a.m. in the Youth Lounge before we bag groceries.


We wish you and your family a wonderful Passover.

News from Isaiah 58

I am proud to say that the Isaiah 58 Social Action Committee has achieved our main goal: to feed the hungry in our community. Through your efforts and donations of food in the lobby bin, plus the congregation's participation in our Passover, Thanksgiving and High Holiday food drives, collections were distributed to our local food pantries and needy school districts which helped hundreds of people! Our ongoing monthly projects are continuing, but we are in need of monetary donations to continue at the pace of 2018. We will continue food donations to our community even if we have to give less each month we donate.

More and more families are struggling to make ends meet and so your donations are deeply appreciated. When we buy supplies such as peanut butter, jelly, bread, juice boxes or applesauce cups, that money has to come from our funding. Sometimes it is hard for us to keep up with the demand! Please consider a small part of your monthly budget and generously donate to Isaiah 58. The cost of a haircut, a lunch or dinner out, a movie or a tank of gas may seem like a small donation to you, but, for those in need, it is the difference between being hungry and having food.

Many charitable organizations want donations. Isaiah 58 assures you that if you participate in our activities, donate food or send a check, you directly help those in need. Our organization is fully funded by donations, and we need your help to make this year a success. In this new year, we hope that your charitable donations will come to us so we can double our efforts to help those in the community. Every bit counts!



TBD BROTHERHOOD IN SUPPORT OF

SOLES4SOULS

MARCH SHOE DRIVE

Spring is the time for clearing out your closets, shoe racks and storage bins. During March, the Brotherhood asks that you please go through your old shoes and donate anything you can. Shoes of any kind, for any age, will help someone walk miles in the fight against poverty.

We know how emotional it can be to part with that favorite pair of sneakers, boots, pumps, loafers, cleats, flats or wing-tips. But there are people in our Long Island community, across America and around the world whose feet would love to give your old shoes a new home!

Learn more at Soles4Souls.org and see how important your donation of shoes is to those in need. It also keeps shoes out of landfills, where they permanently hurt our environment.

Bring your shoes to Temple Beth David and put them in the donation bin outside the Religious School office. The drive starts March 1st and the final day is March 31st. Please make sure each pair is securely tied together or placed in its own plastic/grocery bag.

Call Rick Fink (631) 462-6332 with any questions!

GO GREEN
 with Soles4Souls
Save the earth by recycling your footwear

SOLES 4 SOULS

THE HUNGRY NEED OUR HELP EVERYDAY!

Please try to bring a non-perishable item with you when you come to Temple and place it in our food bin located in the lobby. We periodically empty the bin and bring these items to the food banks in Suffolk County to be distributed to the people who so desperately need them.





**MITZVAH DAY IS SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2019
WE NEED YOUR DONATIONS TO MAKE
MITZVAH DAY A SUCCESS!**

Help us get ready by donating these items. Please place them in the bins outside the Religious School office. Monetary donations are also very much appreciated. Please make checks payable to "Temple Beth David" and put "Isaiah 58" on the memo line.

- New or gently used adult or children's books
- New or gently used small toys (no larger than a quart-sized Ziplock bag)
- Cosmetic samples (unused)
- Toilet paper rolls
- Acrylic yarn
- Wrapped candies, including lollipops
- School supplies
- Pet supplies
- Prom dresses and accessories (**Bring only on Mitzvah Day.**)
- Dress for Success clothing and accessories (**Bring only on Mitzvah Day.**)
- Old eyeglasses and cell phones
- Loose change (Bring on Mitzvah Day.)
- Donations for Big Brothers/Big Sisters (**Bring only on Mitzvah Day.**)
- Gently used musical instruments/music supplies (**Bring only on Mitzvah Day**)
- Your time (Please come down and volunteer anytime between 9am-1pm)

Thank you for helping to support Mitzvah Day 2019!

Questions? Please contact Co-Chairs: Diane Kraut (dianekraut@optimum.net), or Andrea Reich (andrea129@optonline.net).

**MITZVAH DAY IS AN ISAIAH 58 EVENT!
JOIN US TO HELP OTHERS ON MITZVAH DAY AND ALL YEAR LONG.**

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younger ones, reading books and coaching them in long division. The Boss is fascinated, "Wow, those taller ones seem so smart and sweet. They took my commandment to teach schoolchildren quite seriously. I'll be sure to reward them."

The Boss arrives at a place called, "TBD." "Hey," asks the Boss, "When are you going to name this place?" "Name it, we did that a while ago, it's called, 'TBD.'" "I know, but when are you going to decide on the name?" "We told you. It's 'TBD.'" "TBD' has a nice ring to it. But when are you going to pick a name?" "We keep telling you. It's called, 'TBD.'" "OK," says the Boss, "I understand now. You are going to determine the name when the time comes." "No," the people explain, "We did that already. It's 'TBD.'" "Oy," shrugs the Boss, "Sometimes these humans do confuse me."

Now the Boss wanders around this unnamed building and opens really heavy doors into the place of worship. "I hope it's not too hot in here," the Boss says to the camera, "since the worship place should have a fire pit, some wood and a fire-starter log for all the sacrifices." Entering the space, the Boss finds the place a bit cold, not hot from fresh flames. Then the Boss notices the people reading from a long piece of paper; the Boss also notices that the people are having an awfully fun time. They are in costumes and laughing and making jokes. The two humans on the little stage are the funniest in the whole room.

"Hey," interrupts the Boss, "What's happening here? Crazy parties like this are for birthdays and graduations and weddings. What's the occasion today?"

"Today," all of the Boss' employees say in unison, "Today? It's Purim!"

Roll the credits.

Rabbi Beth H. Klapfer

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What's Happening at TBD — March 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 7:30 pm Shabbat Service with 5th Grade and Birthday Blessings	2 9:15 am Torah Study & Service 10:00 am B'nai Mitzvah Service 7:00 pm Brotherhood Blues Night
3 9:15 am 4th/5th Grade PACT 11:30 am New Soil Meeting	4 6:30 pm CHHS@ Beth El 7:30 pm Sisterhood Meeting	5 1:00 pm Cantor's Adult Education 5:15 pm Junior Choir 8:00 pm Adult Choir	6 4:30 pm Hat Looming 5:15 pm Junior Choir 6:15 pm 6th Grade PACT	7 6:30 pm New Soil Meeting	8 8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Brotherhood	9 9:15 am Torah Study & Service 10:00 am B'nai Mitzvah Service
10 9:15 am Religious School Parenting Work- shop Youth Group 6/7/8 trip 11:30 am New Soil Meeting	11 6:30 pm CHHS@ Beth El	12 1:00 pm Cantor's Adult Education 5:15 pm Junior Choir 7:30 pm Maj Jongg Class 8:00 pm Adult Choir 8:00 pm Brotherhood Planning Meeting	13 4:30 pm Hat Looming 5:15 pm Junior Choir 7:30 pm Executive Board Meeting	14 6:30 pm New Soil Meeting 7:00 pm Sisterhood Ladies' Night Out 7:30 pm Budget and Finance Meeting	15 8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Junior & Adult Choirs	16 9:15 am Torah Study & Service 10:00 am B'nai Mitzvah Service
17 9:00 am Purim Baskets Distribu- tion 10:30 am Purim Shpiel 11:00 am Purim Carnival 11:30 am New Soil Meeting	18 6:30 pm CHHS@ Beth El 7:30 pm Cantor Bar Mitzvah Packet meeting 8:30 pm Board Meeting	19 7:30 pm Maj Jongg Class	20 No Religious School 6:15 pm Purim Pizza Party 7:00 pm Megillah Reading	21 6:30 pm New Soil Meeting 7:30 Isaiah 58 meeting	22 8:00 pm Shabbat Service	23 9:15 am Torah Study & Service 10:00 am B'nai Mitzvah Service
24 11:30 am New Soil Meeting	25 6:30 pm CHHS@ Beth El	26 7:30 pm Maj Jongg Class	27 4:30 pm Hat Looming 6:30 pm Youth Group 3rd/4th/5th	28 6:30 pm New Soil Meeting 7:00 pm PB& J Gang	29 8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Anniversary Blessings	30 9:15 am Torah Study & Service 7:00 pm TBD Comedy Night
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7:30 pm Shabbat Service with 5th Grade and
Birthday Blessings

Saturday, March 2nd

9:15 am Torah Study and Service

10:00 am Celebrate with us as Madison Clemens
and Jordan Vogel become B'nai Mitzvah

Friday, March 8th

Shabbat Pekude

8:00 pm Brotherhood Shabbat Service

Saturday, March 9th

9:15 am Torah Study with Service

10:00 am Celebrate with us as Robert Motta
becomes a Bar Mitzvah

Friday, March 15th

Shabbat Vayikra

8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Junior & Adult
Choirs

Saturday, March 16th

9:15 am Torah Study with Service

10:00 am Celebrate with us as Samuel Radner
becomes a Bar Mitzvah

Friday, March 22nd

Shabbat Tzav

8:00 pm Shabbat Service

Saturday, March 23rd

9:15 am Torah Study with Service

10:00 am Celebrate with us as Sara Rahr and
Emily Wolmetz become B'not Mitzvah

Friday, March 29th

Shabbat Shmini

8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Anniversary
Blessings

Saturday, March 30th

9:15 am Torah Study and Service

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