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## Rabbi's Message by Rabbi Beth H. Klafter

*Purim* falls at the end of February. Though our celebration this year will not look and feel as it has in the past, the story of *Megillat Ester*, the Scroll of Esther, will remain the same. The plot and the characters in the story have much to teach us. (Watch for information later in the month about our observance and Purim activities.)

The Book of Esther is one of five scrolls within the third section of the Hebrew Bible, called Ketuvim. With ten chapters, it is one of the shorter books, and one of only two books named for a woman. (The other is the Book of Ruth.) Given its title and the narrative itself, we typically focus our attention on Queen Esther when we think about Purim. As you probably recall, she, along with Mordecai, was brave as they helped to save the Jews of Persia. To be sure, her role should be honored and remembered. At the same time, we should also note that she is the *second* queen of the story. She would not have appeared had it not been for the actions of the *first* queen: Queen Vashti.

Queen Vashi is mentioned briefly in chapter 1. She displays a different type of courage, speaking up for herself, risking her position and her life in doing so. We read that King Ahasuerus was "merry with wine [when he called] to bring Queen Vashti before the King wearing her royal crown to display her beauty to the peoples and the officials; for she was a beautiful woman. But Queen Vashti refused to come at the king's command." Some commentators suggest that she was to wear only her crown. The king's ministers advise that she be banished from the kingdom lest other women similarly refuse to follow the commands of their husbands. In just a few verses, we are introduced to a woman who maintains her own dignity and self-respect. Her behavior serves as an example for all of us today – and for girls and boys of every generation.

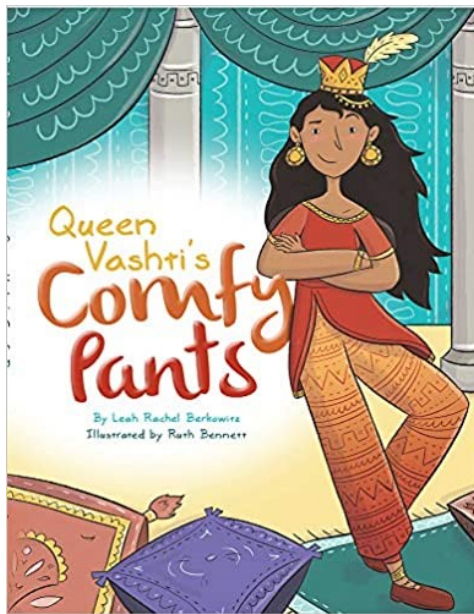
My friend and colleague, Rabbi Leah Berkowitz, has written a children's book which will be published on February 1, called, Queen Vashti's Comfy Pants, teaching this lesson for children and for all of us. Rabbi Berkowitz describes the book in her own words:

Queen Vashti's Comfy Pants is a comical, rhyming, feminist midrash on the Purim story, explaining why Vashti REALLY didn't want to go to the King's party. It celebrates friendship, wearing what you want to wear, and standing up for yourself. I like to think of it as Green Eggs and Ham meets The Paper Bag Princess.

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In the book, when asked to appear before the king, Vashti replies, “I will not don my royal crown or change into a fancy gown. I am not in the mood to dance for I am in my COMFY PANTS!”

Rabbi Berkowitz is the co-President of the Women’s Rabbinic Network, the organization I serve as VP; she is the spiritual leader of a congregation in the Philadelphia area. She has offered to write inscription stickers for anyone from TBD when they purchase a copy. If you purchase a copy for yourself or children in your life, please let me know and I will send her your information to prepare an inscription.

I am pleased to raise up the voice of Queen Vashti!

*Rabbi Beth H. Klapfer*

## Chai Club

We continue to support temple projects and want to be there when we are needed. Some of our members see one another on the Zoom chat before Friday evening services. It feels so good to see familiar faces and get a chance to say hello. We were fortunate to be able to light our Hannukah candles together on Zoom this year. It brought us together at a time when we needed one another’s smiles.

Happy New Year everyone! May 2021 bring good health and a return to a more normal way of life.

New members are always welcome.

For more information, contact Sheila Eisinger at [seising2@gmail.com](mailto:seising2@gmail.com).

## 2020

like even-Steven  
seemed a reasonable  
year in its offing  
but what ensued  
confused—infused  
our psyches ever since...

In the beginning  
warm and giving  
Florida offered  
pools and beaches  
moonlight reaches  
Our loved ones visited  
visited and visited  
Together we explored  
new venues, menus...

First week of March  
it stopped—dropped  
to phone calls, snail mail  
No theater, no films  
hub-bubs of clubs  
exercise classes  
sports played for the masses  
Dates with an old friend  
came to an end...

Be it Florida, New York  
California, Texas, Minnesota  
the girth and worth  
of Mother Earth  
Covid-19  
pandemicked...

To add to the spice  
roll of life’s dice  
politics emerged absurd:  
November’s voting  
questionable quoting  
erupted—corrupted  
our peaceable kingdoms  
ebbing and flowing  
with rants and rages  
affecting all ages...

However,  
lest we despair  
in this same year  
scientists conceived  
a new vaccine  
to immunize—  
quell the swell  
of illness  
breadth of death  
and with its distribution  
serve a contribution  
to the health of all peoples...

## 2021

We greet you  
meet you  
with open hearts...

## *Clergy Reflections by Rabbi Audrey Halpern*



**D**ear Friends,

By the time you read this, Purim costumes will on our minds and we will be ready to order our hamentashen. While this column is usually devoted to something lighthearted, I am not feeling very funny today and the second reminder that this article is due has already appeared in my inbox!

So as usual, I will speak from where I sit at this moment. The word I would choose if it were our Monday morning meditation would be *inspired*. You see, just after Purim when we celebrate the strength of the few over the many there will be another celebration – something more modern, almost an innovation if you will. On the first Friday evening of March, for the first time in a very long while, a group of our adults who have studied diligently and with true *kavanah* – intent, will take a very conscious step to each becoming Bar or Bat Mitzvah. I have seen them work with Rabbi Klafter, Dr. Gursky and with me as well. I loved listening to them learn Torah – understanding its message, finding its meaning in personal ways and yes, struggling with a new and difficult alphabet and language.

Each one of these individuals is taking this step for their own reasons and one of them is my own sister-in-law. They all inspire me, but I have been moved beyond words this year as I have seen Gloria as she prepared to become a Bat Mitzvah. She didn't do it for her children, her husband or our mother-in-law. She is becoming a Bat Mitzvah because it is meaningful to her. She has always been moved by our traditions and our sense of family, and this formal acceptance of the Torah is another step for her. Watching her now as she lives out the lessons of Torah by delivering food to the elderly or underprivileged, by calling our members to check on them, by teaching children with special needs and praying with our congregation has been such an honor.

To all of our B'nei Mitzvah students, every one of you is a rare jewel in the crown of our people. Each of you is an Esther or a Mordecai with the power to change the world. You have all inspired me with your dedication and tenacity. Mazel Tov on this enormous achievement. May all of your days continue to be filled with Torah and may you continue to be a blessing and an inspiration to every life that you touch. Kein Y'hi Ratson – may this be God's will.

B'shalom  
Rabbi Audrey B. Halpern

PS OK, it is Purim time, so here is a little something I wrote as a closing song for Christmas Day. (It was a Friday.) I didn't have the nerve to sing it, but here goes...

*(To the tune of Holly Jolly Christmas)*

*Have a chally jolly Shabbos  
It's the best time of the week  
Wear a mask, but bring a flask  
Your sweat suit now is chic.  
Have a chally jolly Shabbos  
'Cause the vaccine's coming soon.  
Cover your nose and don't get close  
We'll be safe by next June.  
Oy vey, what can I say?  
The temple feels so cold.  
We will just wait for you  
This is getting old.  
Have a chally jolly Shabbos  
And in case you're feeling blue,  
We are wishing have a Chally jolly Shabbos to you!*

## News from Isaiah 58



On March 27 Jews will celebrate the beginning of Pesach. We will share our story with family and friends and recall our journey from slavery in Egypt to freedom. We teach this story each year to our children so that each generation will learn and remember our history from degradation and slavery to freedom, and how we were sustained by God to achieve dignity for ourselves and our descendants. We share family traditions, ritual foods, and traditional recipes to link generation to generation and help bind us together as families and Jewish communities.

Haggadahs, written in many languages and styles express our Jewish diversity here at home and around the world. And they tell our story of bondage and of hope triumphing over oppression. Our story is an uplifting one that resonates with Jews and non-Jews and provides hope for people experiencing discrimination and oppression who seek freedom and dignity. It also asks us to remember the sacrifices of our ancestors, the need to continue to confront increasing challenges we face as Jews, and the discrimination many people continue to experience because of their ethnicity, race, religion, gender, or who they love.

As we give thanks for our freedom, let us strive to enable all to live in peace, with freedom and human dignity. And this year we continue to be grateful to our health care providers, essential workers, and all in our community who go to work each day to keep us safe.

To ensure safety, this year's 2021 Passover Food Drive will take place in Temple Beth David's rear parking lot on Sunday, March 14 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please donate kosher for Passover nonperishable food for needy Jewish families in our community. Isaiah 58 also gladly accepts Stop and Shop and Lidel gift cards and monetary donations to help us purchase food for our Food Drive and helps us feed those in need throughout the year.

Please wear a mask when you come to donate food. If you want to assist us, contact Beverly Horowitz at: [bhorowitz@optonline.net](mailto:bhorowitz@optonline.net). Wishing everyone a healthy and joyous Pesach.

—Beverly Horowitz

### MITZVAH DAY, MAY 2021 IS COMING!!

Yes, it's early. I know. Here it is February, the holidays recently ended, you finally have time to breathe, and you are reading about something not happening for another three months. I know. Thoughts of May are hard to focus on when the pandemic is still going on, it is cold outside and May is still so far, away. BUT...if YOU have an idea for a new activity for this year's Mitzvah Day 2021...coming this way on May 2...NOW is a good time to start thinking about it. Mitzvah Day 2021 will be a hybrid mix of virtual and in person activities following all CDC guidelines for safety. This time, we have three MONTHS, not three WEEKS to plan so we can really take our time to make it special.

Is there something YOU, or you and some friends or family, would like to do this year that has never been done before?

Would you like to be the leader or co-leader of a virtual activity that will bring happiness to a group of needy children, teens, adults, or seniors?

Do you have ties to a charitable organization that could use some extra help, especially now during these tough times?

Are you the parent of a high school student who needs to fulfill a community service requirement?

Do you want to get more involved at TBD, but don't know where to start? Volunteering at Mitzvah Day is a great place to start!

May 2 will be TBD's 24<sup>th</sup> Mitzvah Day! THAT is a mitzvah within itself!! If you would like to be involved, have an idea, or if you have any questions, please contact me.

B'shalom!

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Mitzvah Day Chairperson





## *Message from President Craig Cooper*

### **Four Days in January**

Is it too late to ask if we can start this new year over? By January 9, our family had experienced enough disgust with 2021 to last the rest of the year. I'd like to share with you some of the things that happened on each of four consecutive days – before we even made it to January 10.

#### **Tuesday, January 5, 2021**

Two rapid-result COVID tests – two different results. After learning two friends she hung out with on New Year's Eve tested positive, it became urgent to get our daughter Kenzie tested. I found a strange "rapid result" location in the Hauppauge Industrial Park, and 15 minutes after the swab circled her nostrils, we were thrilled to learn she tested negative. Our triumphant text messages and emails to the immediate world were premature.

90 minutes later, Kenzie told me she didn't feel well. She didn't look that great, either. I was able to arrange a second rapid test, and by 3:30PM, she joined the "Legion of CPP" - COVID-Positive Partiers. At the same moment, my wife Tammy and I joined the "Legion of PPWLTGD" - Pathetic Parents Who Let Their Guard Down.

Sometime around 4:00 pm, the Cooper family went on COVID High Alert. The doctor was called, school was notified, and I was able to schedule a single COVID test for either Tammy or me – but not until Thursday morning. We all began isolation, second-guessed every perceived and imagined symptom, and I had to compose an email telling our temple office staff I may have been infected when I stopped by and visited them on Monday.

Our Tuesday stunk, to put it mildly. By comparison with the next day, it was a walk in the park.

#### **Wednesday, January 6, 2021**

The day began with the incredibly good news that Rev. Raphael Warnock would become the first black senator in Georgia's history. Spirits high, the three of us masked up, divided up the house and planned to tune in later to watch the predicted high drama at the US Capitol as Congress voted to ratify the 2020 Presidential Election. Kenzie didn't seem overly symptomatic.

When news alerts started popping up about marchers heading to the Capitol, we sat down and along with millions of people around the world (including most of you, I'm sure), lost the ability to process what we were watching - the humiliation of our democracy and the ransacking of the most hallowed building in our nation. By our fellow Americans.

The announcement around 4:00 pm that Jon Ossoff would become the first Jewish senator in Georgia's history – flipping the Senate to the Democrats – was not enough to distract from the horror continuing to unfold at the Capitol.

Rioters who called themselves "Patriots" overpowered guards, stormed the building and terrorized hundreds of our elected officials, Capitol staff members and employees. They assaulted journalists, dragged and beat unarmed guards and murdered a Capitol Police Officer. A woman from California, a decorated Air Force veteran, was shot and killed as she climbed through a broken window. As the son of a decorated Air Force veteran, I naively asked myself how someone who had once defended our nation could end up storming our Capitol in defense of proven lies. (Days later, we learned a second Capitol Police Officer died by suicide, bringing to six the number of lives lost due to the riot.)

We would later begin to see images of anti-Semitic symbols worn or carried by the rioters – a hoodie celebrating "Camp Auschwitz" and a more obscure symbol I'd never heard of – "6MWE". The translation – 6 Million Wasn't Enough. A few days later, it was clarified that the 6MWE shirt was actually photographed during a "Proud Boys" demonstration in December. I'm sure you are as relieved as I was by this clarification.

#### **Thursday, January 7, 2021**

After catching up on more sickening reports about Wednesday's Capitol riot, the day began at the CVS drive-through COVID test site, where I swabbed myself in the driver's seat and put my sample into a metal box outside the building. This was for the highly reliable PCR test, with the tradeoff being a longer wait for the result.

When I got home from my self-administered test, I learned that Kenzie's symptoms had worsened tremendously, and she spent quite a while "hugging the bowl" in the bathroom.

Our doctor was able to arrange a PCR test at Winthrop Hospital for Tammy later in the day, and said I should get one at the same time -since their results might come back faster than my CVS test. She was right.

Amazingly, my result came back in just six hours. I was positive. After discreetly sharing the news with a few important people, including our office staff, I went to sleep that night scared witless, especially for Tammy, whose history of respiratory challenges put her at greater risk for problems if she should get the virus. The result from her test wouldn't arrive for another 12 hours. We all assumed she'd join the COVID club.

### **Friday, January 8, 2021**

With my positive test result, my advanced age (apparently 66 is the new 76) and a few underlying conditions, I was told by our doctor that I qualified for the monoclonal antibody "cocktail." As we waited on pins and needles for Tammy's test result (we were swabbed at the same time, in rooms across the hall from each other – how could her result take so much longer than mine?) we discussed whether I should accept the suggestion to go get "the good stuff" that the president got when he tested positive. Even though Kenzie was faring much worse than I was, the prospect of having this cocktail in common with the star of "The Apprentice" was intoxicating and made my decision much easier.

Finally, Tammy's PCR result arrived and wonder of wonders, miracle of miracles, she was negative! With all of the contact the three of us had had since Kenzie's exposure, we were relieved, amazed and a little skeptical. But she was (and has remained) completely asymptomatic and we opted not to question the highly-reliable PCR test result.

St. Joseph's Hospital's claim to fame is being next door to Zorn's chicken store on Hempstead Turnpike in Bethpage. Known years ago as Mid Island, then New Island Hospital, its other claim to fame is that both Tammy and Kenzie were born there. With my iPad in hand, I checked in through the Emergency Room and when I learned there would be a lengthy wait, I walked next door and ordered two pieces of chicken, corn and potatoes at Zorn's. (In hindsight, I had absolutely no business going anywhere outside the Emergency Room, and I added Zorn's to the list for the contact tracer when they called. As Forrest Gump said, "Stupid is as stupid does.")

An hour later, the nurse jabbed me, sent some blood to the lab and apologized for another expected wait. As consolation, she brought me a dinner tray of... two pieces of chicken, corn and rice (I guess they were out of potatoes.)

The Regeneron antibody cocktail is said to be quite expensive. Like the L'Oreal commercial from years ago, I wondered to myself "Am I worth it?" Yes, as long as I wasn't depriving someone else of getting it. They promised no side effects, no pain during the IV drip, and said it would take a couple of hours to complete the infusion. Promptly at 8:00 pm, my tube-free hand flipped open my iPad, I made certain the camera was turned off, and I logged in to Temple Beth David's Shabbat service on Zoom. It was the most surreal, awkward, uplifting and meaningful moment in what had been a surreal week. Boy, I needed that service.

Cantor Halpern spoke to the horrors our nation experienced two days prior, led a beautiful service and included the Hebrew names of TBD's President and his daughter during the mishebeirach. It was the first time for either of us, and it brought to mind just how many temple members' names have joined a growing list that is read before our prayer for healing.

For all I know, it was that prayer and celebrating Shabbat with our congregation that kept my symptoms from ever getting severe, and not Regeneron (or the second chicken dinner.) It should be noted that Tammy was a rock star—caring for two COVID-iots and keeping herself safe at the same time.

I don't recall if Cantor mentioned our beautiful country in her prayer for healing, nor do I remember anyone calling out the name "America" or adding it to the chat window during the Zoom service. Regardless, as the number of COVID cases continues to grow in our nation, our region and in our temple community, one thing that needs our collective prayers for healing right now, is The United States of America.

So, I'm calling for a 2021 "mulligan" (that's golf lingo for a do-over.) Please feel free to finish this sentence: "So far, 2021 has been\_\_\_\_\_."

I (still) wish each of you, my own family, and our nation the best possible 2021. May the next eleven months be better than the first one.

PS: Remember I said the PCR test is so reliable, and I ended up getting two done on the same day? The first result showed I was positive. When the result of the second PCR test arrived – it was negative. Happy New Year!



## Margie Gursky Religious School News

The Religious school has been very busy since school resumed after winter break. We have had something special for most grades in January. Kindergarten through third grade met on Zoom to learn about Shabbat. Our fourth and fifth grade PACT families continued their theme of *Kedusha* (Holiness), and seventh graders and their parents got the honor of meeting (on Zoom) with Werner Reich, a world-renowned speaker, Holocaust survivor, as well as TBD member.

February looks equally full as we begin with the sixth grade PACT Family program and then return from President's week vacation to start our Purim festivities. Although we will not have our usual in-person carnival and fun service with the clergy, we will offer alternative programs which will prove to be just as much fun and be as meaningful for our families. Keep an eye out for emails about Purim!

Happy Purim! *Chag Sameach!*



## Spotlight on Brotherhood



Brotherhood went to the movies! On January 3, a bunch of brave brothers (joined by a few sisters) went to a movie theater and watched *Wonder Woman 1984* (in a socially distanced format and having rented out the entire theater). We were brave not because we ventured into a movie theater, but because we sat through the entire movie. While the movie was not wonderful, it was wonderful to see one other face-to-face again and talk without the aid of a microphone.

With the recent covid surge and cold weather, we have decided to re-institute our virtual Happy Hour. By the time you read this, we most likely will have enjoyed several happy hours. Those of you who have not participated in past happy hours are welcome to join in our future ones. No prior experience is necessary. We typically start by discussing one's drink of choice for the evening and roasting anyone with an umbrella in his drink. We center our happy hour around a topic. Some past topics have been trivia night, famous movie quotes, and the ultimate obscure quarantine music playlist. As you can see, we stay away from controversial topics like politics, religion, who should have ended up on the Iron Throne and which end to open a hard-boiled egg. (For those who don't understand the last two references, see/read *Game of Thrones* and *Gulliver's Travels*).

We look forward to resuming in-person activities again and hope that the vaccines will allow that to happen soon. There are a lot of traditional events we put on hold (football, paid-up dinner, speakers, etc.) as we pivoted to new events that could be done with Covid safety in mind (golf outing, bike ride, ax throwing, etc.). We are always interested in new event ideas so feel free to share!

It's not too late for you to get involved with Brotherhood. If you are interested, please contact our Corresponding Secretary, Jay Bart ([drijbart@gmail.com](mailto:drijbart@gmail.com)). And if you need help, feel free to ask your brothers for assistance. That is our true purpose. Stay safe and stay well.

Adam Browser, Co-President



## Sisterhood

### February 2021 Hakol

I can't believe we are into the second month of 2021! This January we had an engaging book discussion organized by Debbie Friedman. Thank you, Debbie, for introducing us to the book, 688 by Robbie Woliver. At the end of February, we will celebrate Purim. To help celebrate this year, TBD Sisterhood is working on a surprise twist on our Purim baskets. Hopefully, we will be able to pull it off and you will enjoy celebrating Purim even more! In the meantime, here is a hamantaschen recipes for you to enjoy for the holiday. Have a Happy and Safe Purim!!  
Karin Brandsdorfer

Enjoy this hamantaschen recipe that is adapted from Joan Zoloth's Jewish Holiday Treats cookbook.

Here, the hamantaschen are stuffed with poppy seeds or your choice of filling to commemorate Queen Esther's fast, when she ate only seeds as she prayed for the repeal of the decree.

Yields approximately 20 pastries

Dough:

1/4 cup sugar

2 cups all-purpose flour

2 teaspoons baking powder

1/3 cup butter or margarine, cut into pieces

2 tablespoons water

1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract 1 egg, beaten

Egg wash:

1 egg, beaten

1 teaspoon water

Preheat the oven to 350° F. Grease a baking sheet.

Stir together the sugar, flour, and baking powder in a bowl. Add the butter pieces and mix in with a fork until crumbly. Add the water, vanilla extract, and egg. Mix until the dough comes together in a ball.

Sprinkle flour on a work surface and a rolling pin, then flour your hands. Pinch off a piece of dough and roll it into a ball about 1 and 1/2 inches in diameter. Using the rolling pin, roll out the ball into a round about 1/8 inch thick. Brush with egg wash. Put a teaspoon of filling of your favorite jam in the middle of the round. Fold up three edges of the dough and pinch them together to make a triangle. Brush the entire cookie with egg wash. Place on the prepared baking sheet. Repeat with the remaining dough. Bake until light golden at the edges, about 20 minutes. Let cool on a rack.



## HAMANTASCHEN VIRTUAL BAKING WORKSHOP

Sponsored by: TBD's Sisterhood

Join (*amateur*) baker & cookie enthusiast Deborah Faust on February 11th!  
Questions, email/call/text Deborah: 1-631-885-5718

**When:** Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM

**Zoom Info:** Please check The Whole Megillah

### Prior to the event:

Prepare (or buy) your favorite sugar cookie dough.

Buy your preferred filling(s), such as:

Manischewitz Original Apple Butter Spread (& you can add raisins)

Simon Fischer Apricot Butter

Simon Fischer Prune Butter

Solo Poppy Seed Cake and Pastry Filling

### Have ready at event:

Dough

Fillings

Counter space, large cutting board

Flour

Rolling pin

Baking trays (2)

Circle cookie cutter (or I use the top of a plastic clear drinking cup)

Egg, small bowl, fork, baking brush



## *Gracious Gifts from Thoughtful People*

### Rabbi Klafter's

#### Discretionary Fund

**Marcy & Abe Kaplan**

*In honor of Lily & Addison's B'not Mitzvah*

**Gabey Fenster**

*In appreciation*

**Joanna, Marley & Darin Silberman**

*In appreciation*

**Gloria Rosenberg**

*In appreciation*

**Al Adelman**

*In memory of Arleen Adelman*

### Rabbi Halpern's

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**Nancy & Gary Bixhorn**

*In memory of Seymour Bixhorn*

*In memory of Gloria Bixhorn*

**Gloria Rosenberg**

*In appreciation*

**Al Adelman**

*In memory of Arleen Adelman*

**Brenda, Deborah, Susan &**

**Lyndsey Zweig**

*In memory of Eric Philip Zweig*

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**Donna & Ken Marenus**

*In memory of Richard Loman*

*In memory of Faye Marenus*

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*In honor of the naming of grandson Matthew*

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**Lois Feldman**

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**Kenneth Pasetsky**

*In memory of Dorothy Saltzer*

**Gabey Fenster**

*In memory of Joseph Berger*

*In memory of Dr. Morton Fenster*

### Isaiah 58

**Jane & David Gaines**

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**Donna & Ken Marenus**

*In memory of Richard Loman*

*In memory of Faye Marenus*

**Sandra & Harold Wicker**

*In memory of Hyman Levy*

*In memory of Benjamin Wicker*

*In memory of David Backer*

**Diane & Jeff Kraut**

*In memory of Ira Rubin*

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*In memory of Magda Greenberger*

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*In memory of Leon D. Lazer*

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*In memory of Harry Gutmaker*

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**Joan & Roy Gilbert**

*In memory of Franklin Lerner*

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**Robert Stearns**

*In memory of Estelle Stearns*

There are many ways to honor a loved one's memory, remember a joyous event, celebrate a special day such as a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, a wedding or a baby naming. Temple Beth David's permanent plaques give lasting remembrance and honor while helping the temple.

**Yahrzeit Memorial**

located in sanctuary vestibule

\$ 500.00

**Tree of Life**

located in sanctuary across from Yahrzeit plaques

Gold or Platinum Leaf \$ 180.00

Children's butterfly \$ 36.00

Foundation Stone \$ 450.00

**Sanctuary**

One seat

\$ 800.00

Two seats

\$1500.00

**Yahrzeits Febuary 2021**

2/1	Sally Brett Lilyan Senzer Theodore F. Levine	2/11	Herschel Turkiewicz	2/21	William Friedlander Morris Mankuta Arlene Lefkowitz Edward Sunshine Isidore Berman
2/2	Fannie Berger Alan Oberwager Shana Kant Caroline Shmagn	2/12	Howard Cooper Goldie Silver Alan Kaplan Mildred Korba Samuel Langsner Augusta Silberman	2/22	Alfred Gold Jake Schaffer Scott Wolfe
2/3	Irene Saltzer Alan Beberman Isidore Meistrich Manny Hubscher Bella Rosenkranz	2/13	Stan Best Hazel Siegel Shirley Freedman Sidney Itzkowitz Rose Jablon	2/23	Abe Lessow Jacob Reiss Estelle Chasan Ceil Kleinberg Nathan Pellman Benjamin Samuel Weiner
2/4	Herb Thal Theresa Rose Leonard	2/14	Philip Brofsky Charles Gross David Helfner Harry Warshaw	2/24	Barbara Barnett Renee Lazer Nathan Goldstein Sara Greenblott Lurie
2/5	Leslie Winston Melvin Bernstein	2/15	Theodore Holler Sally Gardos Alvin Gerstel Sam Polsky Freida Kaplan Sydell Kravis	2/25	Edward Freedman John McClafferty Leonard Orlan Nat Gold Florence Weinerman
2/6	Donald Heller Milton Lackowitz Molly Kay	2/16	Stephen Lippman Hattie Reich Mary Cipnic	2/26	Jerry Bromberg John Eisinger Dorothy Berkman Selma Lehrer Devin Wolcott Ken Glabach Oscar Gelfond Garson Turberg
2/7	Rose Solomon Barry Kaas Leonard Koval	2/17	Marcus Gluck Lee Goldstein Herman Kodack Pauline Yudin	2/27	Edythe Neiman Lillian Feldman Robert Knopp Dorothy Lent Louis Somerstein Barbara Stearns
2/8	Rose Lieber Evelyn Adler Nathan Kaplan Elliot Grant Isabel Login Norman Mason	2/18	Warren Simonoff Thelma Jacobs Benjamin Westervelt Irwin Isaac Weiner	2/28	Harriet Seidman Ina Blumberg Harriet Seidman Norman Berkowitz
2/9	Anna Derrow Beatrice Jaffe Sara Orlan Harriet Sperber	2/19	Abraham Rand		
2/10	Dorothy Saltzer Shari Ganz Bertha Henner Barbara Lemberg Selma Cooper	2/20	Raymond Silverman David Korpus Paul Stockser Louis Coren Abe Postman		
2/11	David Lerman Harry Perlstein Stephan Fleischman Melvin Gillman Jack Schoenfeld	2/21	Lester Bieber Herman Reich Bernard Fenster		



## What's Happening at TBD — February 2021

Please note all services and activities are remote unless otherwise noted.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 7:30 pm Shabbat Service with Birthday Blessings	6 10:00 am Torah Study & Service  4:30 pm RS PACT
7	8  2:00 pm Haftorah Study Group	9  7:30 pm Budget & Finance  8:30 pm Brotherhood Meeting	10	11  7:30 pm Sisterhood Meeting	12  8:00 pm Shabbat Service	13  10:00 am Torah Study & Service
14  No Religious School	15  TEMPLE OFFICES CLOSED  No Religious School	16  No Religious School	17  No Religious School	18	19  8:00 pm Shabbat Service	20  10:00 am Torah Study & Service
21  No Religious School	22  2:00 pm Haftorah Study Group  Religious School Resumes  7:00 pm Executive Board Meeting  8:00 pm TBD Board Meeting	23	24  7:00 pm Rabbi Klafter Meeting With March Bar/Bat Mitzvah	25	26  8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Anniversary Blessings	27  10:00 am Torah Study & Service  4:30 pm 4th & 5h Grade PACT
28	1  2:00 pm Haftorah Study Group	2	3	4	5  7:30 pm Shabbat Service with Birthday Blessings	6  10:00 am Torah Study & Service  10:00 am Bar Mitzvah Service



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## ***Worship Schedule***

*Please note all services are viewable via  
ZOOM*

Friday, February 5

***Shabbat Yitro***

7:30 pm Shabbat Service with Birthday Blessings

Saturday, February 6

10:00 am Torah Study with Service

Friday, February 12

***Shabbat Shekalim -Mishpatim***

8:00 pm Shabbat Service

Saturday, February 13

10:00 am Torah Study and Service

Friday, February 19

***Shabbat Zachor –Terumah***

8:00 pm Shabbat Service

Saturday, February 20

10:00 am Torah Study and Service

Friday, February 26

***Shabbat Tetzaveh***

8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Anniversary  
Blessings

Saturday, February 27

10:00 am Torah Study with Service

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