

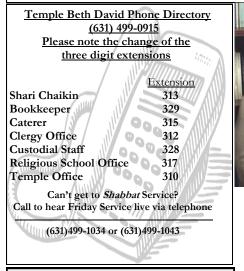
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Elul/Tishri 5779

# Rabbi's Message by Rabbi Beth H. Klafter

This season the High Holidays are arriving "late" on our secular calendar, with the *first* day of Rosh HaShana on the *last* day of September. The Hebrew month, Elul, precedes the Holidays. This year Elul and September correspond completely: the first of Elul and the first of September are the same day. (And October

first is the first day of Tishre, the month with all of our fall holidays!) The coincidence of the calendar offers us the opportunity to truly prepare for the new year of 5780.

Many of the arrangements around TBD are logistical, arranging of chairs and unpacking the *mahzors* (high holiday prayer books). For Cantor Halpern and me, and for our colleagues around the world, we are preparing in many ways, as well, crafting sermons and rehearsing musical pieces, coordinating the worship experience for our sacred community. Traditionally, preparing for the High Holidays is not only for places of worship and clergy. The custom is for all of us to turn our thoughts and our spirits to the themes of the holidays in these days and weeks.

In addition to hearing the blast of the shofar during this month, it is also traditional to read Psalm 27 twice daily at this season. Rabbi Nachman taught: "The regular recitation of Psalms will lead you to awakening: you will come to the gates of repentance and find the key to open its closed gates. In this manner you will attain complete repentance."

It is not entirely clear when this practice began; it is not a commandment found in the Torah or the early rabbinic teachings. By the mid-1700s the reading of Psalm 27 had become common. It is also not entirely clear why this, among the 150 psalms in the Hebrew Bible, was selected. Perhaps it is because the imagery and spiritual messages capture the complexity of our lives: we struggle and succeed; we sing and lament; we experience pain and joy.

Rabbi Debra Robbins offers a careful and insightful reading of these verses in her new book, *Opening Your Heart with Psalm 27* (CCAR Press). Her words have introduced this custom to me. I plan to include Psalm 27 in my own preparation for the Days of Awe during this month of September/Elul. Psalm 27 is included here if you wish to turn to its words this month as well. (Translation of the ancient Hebrew which Rabbi Robbins provides is also the version included on the next page by Rabbi Richard Levy  $\gamma'$ .)

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#### *Psalm 27 Of David*

Adonai is my light and my victory – From whom should I feel fright? Adonai is the stronghold of my life – from whom should I feel terror? When evildoers approach me in battle to feed on my flesh – My pursuers, my adversaries – They have stumbled, they have fallen down. If a camp encamps against me, my heart will not fear; If a war arises against me, in this I would trust: One thing have I sought from Adonai – how I long for it: That I may live in the House of Adonai all the days of my life; That I may look upon the sweetness of Adonai, and spend time in the Palace; That you might hide me in Your sukkah on a chaotic day, Hide me in the hiding places of Your tent / Raise me high upon a rock. Now my head rises high above my enemies roundabout, And in Your tent I'll offer offerings to the sound of t'ruah. I shall sing and chant praises to Adonai / Hear, Adonai, my voice – I am crying out! Be gracious to me! My heart has said to You: 'Seek my face.' I am seeking Your face, Adonai. / Do not hide Your face from me, Do not turn Your servant away in anger, / You have been my help – Do not forsake me, do not abandon me, God of my deliverance! For my father and my mother have abandoned me, Yet Adonai gathers me up. Make Your path apparent to me, Guide me in the upright road / Because of those up ahead who lie in wait for me. Do not hand me over to the lust of my adversaries – For false witnesses have risen against me, puffing violently! Had I not the faith / That I would see the goodness of God in the land of life ... Wait for Adonai – Fill your waiting with hope in Adonai; Let your heart be strong and of good courage, And wait hopefully for Adonai.

May these weeks be meaningful! May the High Holidays be restorative and uplifting! And may the year 5780 be one of goodness and justice in our world!

From my home to yours, I wish you a sweet Shana Tova!

Rabbi Beth H. Klafter

Rabbi Beth H Klafter



HaKol

# Cantorial Notes by Rabbi/Cantor Audrey Halpern



**D**ear Friends,

It must have been about eight years ago that I first met Lila. Our son, Jonathan, had been dating her granddaughter, Jenny, for long enough that we were invited to come to family headquarters on East 56<sup>th</sup> Street where Lila's three daughters, Ricki (Jenny's mom), Lori and Carol were all buzzing around getting food prepared and served while their husbands chatted

and various grandchildren floated in and out. Lila fixed her gaze on me and was sizing me up-quite literally. "Come with me." She reached out her tiny hand, as she led me into her bedroom, handing me a pair of de-

signer jeans she was sure would fit. Ricki, Carol and Lori were trying clothes on too in Lila's bedroom, turned group dressing room. They were engaged in their ritual they called, "Rags." It was there, in my underwear, that I had my first introduction to the family who would come to be my own. (The jeans fit perfectly.)

Since that time Lila has become one of the most inspiring people in my life. At 93 years old, she has that hard-earned wisdom of the heart. After losing her beloved husband Milt and her dear sister, Sylvia, she understands loss but chooses life and continuously counts her blessings–and they are many. Her family is plentiful and they all adore and treasure her. Lila's grace defines her. The way she listens and remembers; the way she makes each person feel important and understood. Her youngest granddaughter is about to be married this Saturday evening. It will be a grand wedding in every way and I am excited, if not also a little nervous to be officiating! As this royal-like wedding approached, Lila suddenly suffered a fracture in her spine and has been staying at Carol and her husband Jay's home on Long Island where they happily gave Lila their bedroom and love having her with them. Her daughters continued to buzz around her; Ricki flying in and out of Denver as though she were commuting to the city, Lori stopping in and out to help continuously. It is as though Lila has a magic about her that makes everyone happy to be in her presence.

For me it began when she fixed her eyes on mine, zooming in on who I am and caring. When I came to visit, even in her extreme pain, she managed to reach out her arms for a hug as we laughed and talked. She was honest, but optimistic. I offered a short prayer on Lila's behalf and though her eyes became misty, she quickly said, "Well now I know I'm going to be better."

Lila's lessons are infinite. Still have some residual bad feelings about something that happened with someone? "Put it on a shelf."

How should you do your makeup? "Keep it simple."

Concerned that the food got cold? "It will warm up in your stomach."

Her philosophy transcends her words and translates into the way she lives her life. That's not easy at 93-or maybe ever.

Lila is now out of bed and will be walking down the aisle at the wedding this weekend. Her life continues to inspire her family and all around her. During Elul we are taught to reflect and begin to examine our lives. We each choose, not who the Holy One inscribes in the Book of Life, but what we write on its pages. Lila will continue to guide my inscriptions by her living legacy that I pray will go on for many years to come.

May we all choose wisely and lovingly in this New Year.

September B'nai Mitzvah	
September 14	Rachel Abzug
September 21	Reese Coughlin

L'Shana Tova Tikateivu. From my family to yours, Cantor Judrey Hilpern

Rabbi/Cantor Audrey B. Halpern





# 6<sup>th</sup> Annual End of Summer BBQ

Come One! Come All!

Date: Sunday, September 8, 2019

Time: 4:00pm-6:00pm

Place: Temple Beth David courtyard

We will provide the hamburgers, hot dogs,

liquid refreshments and Mr. Softee.

You will provide a side dish to share.

RSVP by September 1 to <u>dianekraut@optimum.net</u>

Please include your name and the number of adults and children





# From the President's Desk

This year as I start my second year as President of Temple Beth David and my second year of writing articles, I wondered if I would struggle to find things to write about. As a writer I always need to find something to inspire me and get my thoughts moving. This month like many of the months before, I have found a quote that inspired me, helping me pull my thoughts together in order to develop my focus.

This article is inspired by a quote from Charles Kettering, an American inventor, engineer, businessman, and the holder of 186 patents. "Every time you tear a leaf off a calendar, you present a new place for new ideas and progress." This year as I start entering commitments in my new academic year calendar at work, I am once again reminded about the reality of new

beginnings.

As an educator, I know of no other profession where you live in a world of summer vacation, twelve glorious weeks where school is closed and where the day-to-day pressures seem to have disappeared. The end of summertime for me is often a time of sadness intermingled with a time of joy. Sadness, as I bid goodbye to enjoying those lazy, hazy days of summer, the chance to sit on the beach for long hours soaking in the sun and the end to easy breezy mornings minus the hustle and bustle of the school year. Joyful, as I have had time to relax, recharge and get ready to begin anew, starting over without the mistakes of the last year. Ready to open to a clean fresh page in a new notebook full of possibilities.

As Jews, we also start the fall with a time of joy and a time of sadness. Joy, that we are beginning a new year where we are free from mistakes. Sadness, as we remember loved ones no longer with us. Like in education, the start of a new year marks the time where we can correct our mistakes and begin with a clean fresh page ready to begin anew. I am ready, and I hope you are as well, to begin a new year, one that is filled with hope and promise for all of the wonderful happenings yet to come.

Shana Tova

Beverly Wolcott, President

#### **Raise The Roof**

Many thanks to the following families for their generous donations to our Raise The Roof campaign. Congratulations to Lisa and Sanford Glantz on holding the winning raffle ticket for the \$500 dues discount.

Robi & Jay Bart Chai Club Lois & Allan Chait Sheila & Frank Eisinger **Deborah & Jonathan Faust** Michael & Michelle Fenton Phyllis & Harvey Finkelstein Lisa Wilks-Gallo & Bill Gallo Joan & Roy Gilbert Lisa & Sanford Glantz Mort & Iris Glick Joan Herman **Beverly & Stuart Horowitz** Marian Kent Allen & Teresa Leon Jodi Maisel

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# Enriching our Jewish Knowledge



Please join us on Saturday mornings for an informal Shabbat service, followed by a friendly, inclusive discussion of the weekly Torah portion. Make new friends as we enrich our Jewish knowledge together. Bagels provided. Casual dress, or come as you are. No prior knowledge of Hebrew or Torah is necessary.

Service begins at approximately 9:15 am in Room 5. Shmear a bagel and schmooze with us!

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# There is still time to contact us about the Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Program!

Geared for Jewish adults in our Temple family who have not already become Bar or Bat Mitzvah, we will focus on learning the Hebrew alphabet and Hebrew reading. Each adult Bar or Bat Mitzvah will work towards reading/chanting from the scroll of Torah and chanting the traditional Aliyah blessings. The service will be held on a Friday evening during Shabbat worship next year for all participants.

Rabbi Klafter, Cantor Halpern, and Dr. Margie Gursky will be the teachers of the class. We are in the preliminary stages of planning because we first want to hear from interested adults. Please contact Rabbi Klafter at <u>RabbiBHK@tbdcommack.org</u> or by phone at 631.499.0915 x 319. (You will not be making a commitment just by reaching out to me to express your interest.)

# Margie Gursky

Religious School

**F**acebook, Instagram, Snapchat, and the list goes on. As parents we try to limit our children's exposure to social media. But as adults, we are consumed by it. Both kids and adults alike are desperate to be "liked." Before social media, back in the 80's and the 90's, we would only know if we were liked if our friends and family told us so. Now with social media, we are constantly "liking" every photo displayed, every comment made.

Some of this digital world is very helpful. We no longer have to remember anyone's birthdays. Facebook reminds us. So no hurt feelings when we mix up a day (though we never train our memory to learn details like birthdays). We learn about big milestone events in each other's lives – births, deaths, illnesses, b'nai mitzvah, weddings, etc. We are able to find an online community of people with similar interests whether that be a religion, a hobby, a sports team, even a medical condition. We can raise money to help out a friend or family member in need or a major organization that helps others. We can use navigation in the car so we don't get lost (though we never learn how to get anywhere without digital help).

But at what cost is all this help? When we go to our child's play or sporting event, how much of the event do we miss when we spend the whole time recording and posting it on social media? At the dinner table with family, we have such a hard time letting go of our phones. Such a hard time listening to each other. Such a hard time talking to each other. Of course, we shouldn't use our phones while driving because it is dangerous. But what else do we lose out on when we use our phones in the car, even as passengers? Parents lose out on the perfect opportunity to talk to their children and teens about difficult topics when the phone is front and center. The car ride was where the birds and the bees conversation was initiated by my daughter. No one had to look at anyone else during this uncomfortable discussion. The car ride was where my daughter tearfully told me she broke up with her boyfriend and then gave me a list of all the criteria she worked out for her next boyfriend whom she had already picked out. The car ride is where both my kids learned to respect each other's space. The car ride is where they learned to love Bruce Springsteen, Billy Joel and the Beatles. And the car ride is where they were able to practice their Hebrew school prayers without distraction.

While social media can be helpful in many ways, it is not only important that, as parents, we limit our children's exposure, but also limit our own. The art of conversation will always be valued in our digital society, and that is a hard skill to improve if we spend our time texting and posting selfies.

As such, when you are on Facebook and Instagram, check out TBD's pages. We post info about events and registration. But I also answer my TBD phone and love to chat in person. So feel free to stop by and tell me about your summer or any concerns or questions you have about the upcoming year.

L'Shana Tova!

#### **Religious School Calendar Reminders:**

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September 15	1st Day Sunday Religious School 9:00 am
September 17	1st Day Tuesday Religious School 4:30 pm
	1st Day 7th Grade Religious School 6:40 pm
September 18	1st Day Wednesday Religious School 4:30 pm
September 24	4/5 Grade PACT 6:15 pm
September 29	No Religious School –Rosh Hashanah
September 30	Rosh Hashanah
October 1	No Religious School-Rosh Hashanah
October 4	Grandparent Shabbat 7:30 pm
October 8-9	No Religious School -Yom Kippur

Your cell phone has already replaced your watch, camera, calendar, and alarm clock. Don't let it replace your family.

# A Warm Hello! Sisterhood's Welcome Back Nosh Sunday, 9/15 beginning at 9 AM in the Social Hall



## We will have breakfast for you to enjoy, with coffee, tea & juice

During & following breakfast, we will: -review our calendar of events for the year -explain our committees to join for new ideas -participate in designing a honey jar for Rosh Hashanah

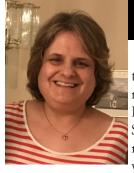


Delicious local honey will be available for purchase. Don't miss out!

Please email & RSVP to: Deborah Faust, deborah@fausthouse.org.

Again, a warm hello from Sisterhood, and we hope to see you at our Welcome Back Nosh!





# Spotlight on Sisterhood

I hope you all enjoyed your summer-the hot sunny weather, vacations, etc., and are ready to return to your routines as we celebrate the High Holidays and look forward to new beginnings. I want to welcome back our Board and introduce you to the Executive Board: President: Denise Jacobs (beginning my second year), Vice Presidents: Debra Blatt, Marcia Karter, Irma Sarisohn, Treasurer: Audrey Krostich, Recording Secretary: Aviva Megibow, Corresponding Secretary: Holly Dornfeld, Past Presidents: Holly Dornfeld, Barbara Klein. Thank you, ladies, for your continued dedication to Sisterhood.

Before we move on, I want to thank some of the women who helped us conclude a very busy and successful June. For our annual installation service and dessert: Holly Dornfeld, Barbara Klein and their committee; thanks for a great job and for allowing us to forget about calories for one night! For the End of Year Bash, graciously hosted at her home by Jodi Maisel and to Glenda Kresh, thanks for assisting Jodi. We enjoyed relaxing and reviewing the past year's activities. Thank you to Toni Spring for planning the winery tour, which unfortunately had to be cancelled due to lack of interest. Remember, we are always open to ideas in planning new events and outings.

In September we turn to our new calendar filled with many exciting activities. Our first Sisterhood event of the new year is our Sisterhood board meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 10 in the Social Hall. We follow that with our famous Welcome Back Nosh on Sunday, September 15 from 9 to 11 a.m. At the breakfast, we will review our annual calendar, discuss committee functions, and ask for volunteers to sign up for something that may be of interest to you. You may also want to participate in designing a honey jar for Rosh Hashanah. Delicious local honey will be available for purchase, and you won't want to miss out on this opportunity. A "thank you" in advance goes to Deborah Faust, Marcia Karter, Karin Brandsdorfer, Barbara Klein, and Audrey Krostich for their planning and organizing an event that is not to be missed.

Finally, I want to share with you a personal story. I spent four days in July in the hospital with pneumonia (I know that you're thinking "How can you get pneumonia in the summer? Well, I've asked doctors and they have no answers for me). I recovered, thanks to IV and oral antibiotics. I want to thank the Sisterhood for their flowers and balloon (It brought a smile to my face) and all the "Get Well Wishes" I received via phone calls, texts, and emails from other Board members. (Although, I have to wonder whether it was concern for me or concern that something might happen to me as President, who you are not ready to replace-LOL.) It was greatly appreciated and guess what? The good wishes worked! I mention this because I want to express to you the value of friendship. Sisterhood membership can bring you lifelong friendships to share your simchas and your sorrows. My social life now revolves around the friends I have made through my years of being a part of Sisterhood.

We continue to reach out to all temple women to join us in our mission to help celebrate Jewish life both spiritually and informally. Sisterhood is a wonderful place to socialize and build friendships and Jewish identity. We hope you are able to join us for these upcoming activities, but even if you can't make them all, know that we still welcome your membership and attendance, even if it's only at one activity. Membership dues are currently being accepted. Remember, during your first year of temple membership, Sisterhood dues are free! Please also consider volunteering on a committee. If you don't know where your talents can be used, or what you have time to help with, just ask. Please contact a committee chair or Denise at jacobsrdd@optonline.net. I always welcome suggestions for new programs or improvements to old programs. L'Shanah Tovah! Looking forward to a productive, fun, and educational year!

> Denise Jacobs, Sisterhood President

#### 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 for in the lobby. We periodically empty the bin and bring these items to the food banks in Suffolk Contributed to the people who so desperately need them.



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# Spotlight on Brotherhood



This year promises to be another great year for the Brotherhood. Please join us on Sunday, September 22 at 9:00 a.m. We are very excited about our opening Breakfast Speaker, NY Giants great—Sean Landeta! Sean was on the '86 and '90 Super Bowl championship teams, and he currently works as a football analyst for several media outlets. Feel free to bring your friends. There is no charge and you don't have to be a member of the Brotherhood (or even the temple) to attend. Let's kick off this year with a great start (excuse the pun; Sean was

a punter for those who don't realize it was a pun!)

If you've been thinking about seeing what the Brotherhood is about, but just haven't gotten to it, now is a great time. We have scheduled another terrific year of events. In the fall, in addition to our opening break-fast, we have Football (playing and watching) and our political breakfast featuring NYS Senator Anna Kaplan. Anna emigrated from Iran and her recent election gave the Democrats the majority in the State Senate. Of course, in the fall, we also will be building the Sukkah and ushering for the High Holidays. Other activities planned for this year include Softball, Paintball, Wallyball, Blues Night, Movie Night and Cigar & Scotch Night.

The Brotherhood allows you to interact with a great group of guys while advancing the mission of our temple. So if you haven't joined us yet, please come down and see how you like it. Most of our events are free and require no long-term commitment. You don't have to be a Brotherhood member to attend an event. Please take a look at the Brotherhood calendar and see what interests you.

Our Footballmania fundraiser is in full swing. Tickets are \$20 each. If you are interested in tickets, send me an email. For more information go to: <u>http://www.charitymania.com/ footballmania/</u>.

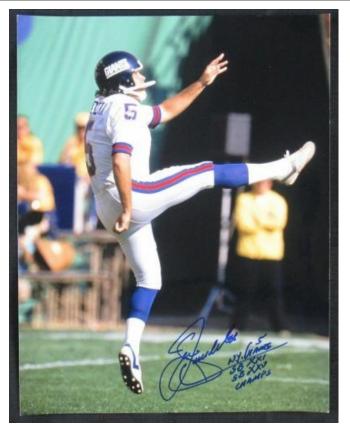
If you haven't been receiving emails from our most revered Corresponding Secretary, Adam Browser, send me your email and I'll make sure you are put on the distribution list. You can also join us on our Facebook page. And you can always email me if you have any questions, comments or ideas at <u>ddornfeld@rocketmail.com</u>.

Your humble servant, Dan Dornfeld, President





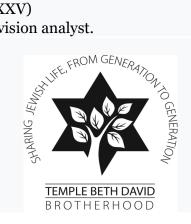
Did you know that the TBD Religious School collects "Box Tops for Education?" Over the years we have earned hundreds of dollars to support our programs with donations of Box Tops. Please bring your Box Tops to the School Office or simply drop them in the folder outside our Religious School office door.



# TEMPLE BETH DAVID BROTHERHOOD OPENING BREAKFAST

#### Sean Landeta

- 3x First Team All Pro Selection (1986, 1989, 1990)
- 2x 2nd Team All Pro Selection
- 2x Pro Bowl Selection (1986, 1990)
- 2× Super Bowl champion (XXI, XXV)
- Current CBS Radio and Fox Television analyst.



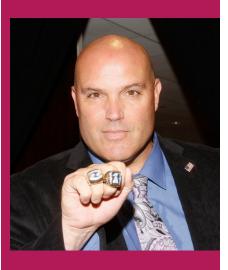
### LET'S TALK FOOTBALL!!

Don't Miss NY Giants Great SEAN LANDETA!

Sunday, September 22, 2018 at 9am at TEMPLE BETH DAVID

Bagels and Coffee will be served

> ALL ARE WELCOME!



# ONE DAY ONLY, DON'T MISS OUT

Rosh Hashanah Is Approaching ...

It's Time to Get Your Honey Now!





<u>Temple Beth David Sisterhood</u> is happy to announce that we will have honey available for purchase and pickup

on Sunday, September 15, 2019 ONLY\*

from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

In and outside of the Social Hall.



(\* Honey must be paid for and picked up in person. No telephone or e-mail orders will be accepted. If you are unable to attend, please send a friend to purchase in your stead.)

For those of you desiring to ship honey to your loved ones, Priority Mail packing boxes and envelopes will be provided to you at the time of purchase. Multiple purchases will be discounted. <u>This is your one and</u> <u>only chance to purchase local honey from Sisterhood this year.</u> Wrapping is available.

Wishing you all a local honey sweet New Year! Shana Tova !

# News from Isaiah 58

Happy New Year from the Isaiah 58 Social Action Committee! Isaiah 58 members invite you to join us as we celebrate the Jewish New Year together and renew our pledge to volunteer our time and effort to do good deeds in our neighborhoods. Leaders of Isaiah 58 have experience and know-how, but we are always looking for new ide-as! Come listen at our next meeting on September 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. and hear about all the ongoing projects that we

do.

#### A Thank you note from St. Vincent De Paul's

We thank our Jewish friends from Temple Beth David. The Isaiah 58 Committee under the direction of Jane Gaines has supported our SVDP Food Pantry for over 6 years. We are so very grateful for their most needed help. Every month they purchase bulk items from BJ's through our specific requests and it is delivered by their committee member Holly Wohl. Their mission is to assist and feed the needy in our community, which echoes the mission of the Society of SVDP.

How enormous! We are all children of God, adhering to His words in coming together to help our brothers and sisters in need.

The Society of SVDP thanks each and every person for their ongoing support... helping us help others!!

Begin the new school year by doing good things for our community and further the idea of "paying it forward." If this is the year for earning community service credit or if you find it uplifting to help others, come to the temple and help make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. Learn to loom a hat with our new leader, Bennett Vogel, or take time to spruce up our newly created temple gardens. Community Service certificates are given to show proof of volunteering. Remember to bring a canned good or shelf stable food item for our collection bin each time you come to TBD. Thanks to Holly Wohl for the generous donation of the lobby wagon for our food donations!

If you are interested in a particular cause that will better our community, please let us know your ideas. Our next meeting is in Room 5 on Wednesday, September 25th. We wish everyone a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year!

#### **TEMPLE BETH DAVID OFFICE HOURS** Bookkeeper .....Myra Shak Monday thru Thursday 9:00 am-2:00 pm Clergy Assistant ....Wendy Perry Monday, 12 noon-5:30 pm Tuesday, 10:00 am-5:30 pm Wednesday, 10:00 am-5:30 pm Friday, 9:30 am-1:00 pm Religious School .... Marjorie Gursky Sunday, 8:30 am-11:30 am Monday & Thursday, 10:30 am-3:00 pm Tuesday, 11:00 am-8:30 pm Wednesday, 11:00 am- 6:30 pm Thursday, 10:30 am-3:00 pm Temple Administrator ....Robin Kain Monday thru Thursday 9:00 am-3:00 pm Friday 9:00 am-1:00 pm

# SHABBAT Under The STARS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH AT 7:30 PM (Weather permitting, otherwise, join us in the sanctuary)

Join the Temple Beth David community for a special, family friendly outdoor service to welcome Shabbat. Bring your voices, family and friends.

Services begin at 7:30 PM, followed by our traditional Oneg Shabbat in the Social Hall.

Dress comfortably for the evening warmed by good company and *ruach* (spirit)

# **TEMPLE BETH DAVID**

**100 Hauppauge Road, Commack, New York** 

# Chai Club

Please join us on Sunday, September 22 from 12:00-3:00 for our annual Chai Club Welcome Back Brunch. We'll socialize with friends trade stories about what we did over the summer and catch up with members we haven't seen in a while. Our featured guest speaker is Dr. Razia Jayman-Aristide, an internist at Southside Hospital. In addition to inpatient teaching, she is involved in an outreach program instructing the community about how to take better care of themselves. She will talk to us on the timely subject of Heart Health.

We hope empty nesters who are not yet members will join us that day too. New members are always welcome. For more information, contact Sheila Eisinger at *seising2@gmail.com*.



**Call it curiosity** happenstance perhaps bershert (destined to be) the welcome we receive at the small Orthodox Synagogue Venice's Jewish Ghetto June, 2019 becomes part of treasured memory There, a narrow table waits laden with leftovers The Rabbi gestures "Please, help yourself-My son's bris, this morning" We're greeted, too, by two young men maybe Chasidic one born on Long Island Then, the question: "Have you laid tefillin today?" "No. I don't..." my husband stammers

Within minutes, he's assisted Leather strip bound round left arm Cubic box affixed to forehead Proper prayer chanted as role model ancient blending—mind and heart

Rabbi reappears baby son in arms, beaming He tilts him toward us I am asked "Can you recite the Shema?" *"Shema Yisraeil...*" a *mitzvah* for each soul.

--Sandy Wicker



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# Gracious Gifts from Jhoughtful People

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<u>Capital Improvement Fund</u> Laura & Bill Joseph

Economic Crisis Relief Fund Merryl & Glenn Rogers In memory of Essie Rogers In memory of Jack Rogers In memory of Bill Zeitlin

New Soil

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#### 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





# What's Happening at TBD — September 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 11:30 am New Soil Meeting	2 TEMPLE OFFICES CLOSED	3	4	5 6:30 pm New Soil Meeting	6 7:30 pm Shabbat Service Under the Stars with Birthday Blessings	7 9:15 am Torah Study & Service
8 11:30 am New Soil Meeting 4:00 pm End of Summer BBQ	9	10 7:30 pm Sisterhood Meeting	11 7:30 pm Executive Board Meeting	12 6:30 pm New Soil Meeting 7:30 pm Budget & Finance	13 8:00 pm Shabbat Service	14 9:15 am Torah Study & Service 10:00 am Bat Mitzvah Service
15 9:00 am Religious School Begins 9:00 Sisterhood Welcome Back Nosh 11:30 am New Soil Meeting	16 7:30 pm High Holiday Quartet 8:00 pm Board Meeting	17 4:30 pm Religious School Begins 6:40 pm 7th Grade Begins 8:00 pm Brotherhood Planning Meeting	18 4:30 pm Religious School Begins	19 6:30 pm New Soil Meeting	20 8:00 pm Shabbat Service	21 9:15 am Torah Study & Service 10:00 am Bat Mitzvah Service 7:30 pm Collation 8:00 pm Musical Prelude to Selichot 9:00 pm Selichot Service
22 9:00 am Brotherhood Opening Breakfast 11:30 am New Soil Meeting 12:00 pm Chai Club Welcome Back Brunch	23	24 6:15 pm PACT for 4/5 grades	25 7:30 pm High Holiday Quartet 7:30 pm Isaiah 58	26 6:30 pm New Soil Meeting 7:00 pm PB&J Gang	27 8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Anniversary Blessings	28 9:15 am Torah Study & Service
29 NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL 11:30 am New Soil Meeting 7:30 pm Erev Rosh Hashanah Service	30 TEMPLE OFFICES CLOSED 9:00 am Rosh Hashanah Service A-K 12:00 pm Rosh Hashanah Service L-Z 3:00 pm Children's Service 4:15 pm Tashlich Service	1 TEMPLE OFFICES CLOSED 10:00 am Rosh Hashanah Service	2	3 6:30 pm New Soil Meeting	4 7:30 pm Shabbat Service with Birthday Blessings and Grandparent Shabbat	5 9:15 am Torah Study & Service



#### Worship Schedule

Friday, September 6 Shabbat Shoftim 7:30 pm Shabbat Service with Birthday Blessings

Saturday, September 7 9:15 am Torah Study with Service

Friday, September 13 Shabbat Ki Teitzei 8:00 pm Shabbat Service

Saturday, September 14 9:15 am Torah Study and Service 10:00 am Celebrate with us as Rachel Abzug becomes a Bat Mitzvah

Friday, September 20 Shabbat Ki Tavo 8:00 pm Shabbat Service

Saturday, September 21 9:15 am Torah Study with Service 10:00 am Celebrate with us as Reese Couglin becomes a Bat Mitzvah 7:30 pm Collation 8:00 pm Musical Prelude to Selichot 9:00 pm Selichot Service

Friday, September 27 Shabbat Nitzavim 8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Anniversary Blessings

Saturday, September 28 9:15 am Torah Study with Service

Friday, October 4 Shabbat Vayelach 7:30 pm Shabbat Service with Birthday Blessings

Saturday, October 5 9:15 am Torah Study with Service HaKol TEMPLE BETH DAVID 100 Hauppauge Road, Commack, NY 11725 (631) 499-0915 www.tbdcommack.org

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