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Rabbi's Message by Rabbi Beth H. Klafter

Dear Friends,

Decades ago when I lived in Jerusalem for the first year of my rabbinic studies at Hebrew Union College, the fourth Thursday in November was a day like all other days at the College and in the city. For most of us, US citizens living abroad, it was still Thanksgiving. So we made our own holiday, preparing a festive meal, celebrating new friendships, and sharing that we all probably missed “home and family” that day.

Thanksgiving in New England developed as a blending of the cultures of the Native people of North America, the Pilgrims and Puritans. On Thanksgiving, they offered gratitude for a bountiful fall harvest and they prayed for blessings in the seasons to come. The concept of “giving thanks” is embedded in the Jewish tradition as well. One of the prayers included in our weekday and Shabbat worship is called, “*Hoda’ab*,” literally meaning, “thanks.” [There is a play on words because the Hebrew word for turkey is “*hadoo*,” which is actually a different word than *Hoda’ab* but it sounds similar!] The prayer begins, “*Modim anachnu lach*,” “We thank You for the numberless gifts and blessings that fill our days.”

In many ways, this fall has not been one of “blessings” for many in our nation and our world. Hurricanes, earthquakes and fires have dev-

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“We are the People of the BOOKS”

Join Rabbi Klafter for a three-session adult education class on November 21, November 28 and December 5, 7:00 – 8:00 pm, to learn about the many books of Jewish tradition. The class is designed for newer learners and those with some background. Taught entirely in English, we will begin with an introduction to types of Jewish literature and a chance to read selections.

Temple Beth David

invites you to join us to offer a warm

Thank You and Farewell

to our Temple Administrator

Camille Alviti

Camille has announced her retirement, in order to spend much-deserved time with her family.

When you visit our website or dial the temple phone number, you will see or hear the expression,

“... a warm and welcoming congregation.”

No one personifies these words more than Camille Alviti.

For more than 20 years, Camille has usually been the first person to greet visitors and callers to Temple Beth David. To say she has been the “voice” of our congregation hardly does justice to the immense role Camille has served at Temple Beth David.

As the ever-devoted administrator of our temple office, she has spoken to and welcomed hundreds of new and prospective TBD families. Her enthusiastic descriptions of our programs, clergy and families have even been described as “the reason we joined.”

Camille’s steady, calm and professional support of our day-to-day operations has enriched the overall feeling of our congregational family – our staff, clergy and temple members alike.

Please join us for a special Shabbat Service and Oneg to honor Camille

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2017 AT 7:30PM



TEMPLE BETH DAVID

SHARING JEWISH LIFE, FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION



Cantorial Notes by Rabbi/Cantor Audrey Halpern

Dear Friends,

As any of us who have celebrated milestone anniversaries know, they are an opportunity to reflect and also to express gratitude. This has never been truer than the anniversary we are commemorating on Friday, December 1, when we will honor our organist and musical director, Dr. Gary de Sesa.

When I was called to the pulpit as full-time Cantor of TBD in July of 1988, even before I began working, the first task I was charged with was finding the right organist. When Gary heard about the position, he contacted us. He came in and we met to talk briefly. I still remember bringing Gary into the sanctuary to the piano to hear him play. Quite simply, I was shocked! Right here in the middle of Commack I had found nothing less than a world class talent. Not only was Gary a Julliard trained classical pianist with a Master's degree from Julliard and a doctoral degree from NYU in piano with impeccable credentials, he was also the associate director of the Columbia University Glee Club. How was this possible?!

In addition to his superb pianistic skills, Gary was incredibly gifted at transforming a single line of music into an arranged piece with beautiful accompaniment. There is no way to overstate his talents. From accompanying with the perfect sense of tempo and style, to his ability to rearrange music for choirs, conduct choral music and direct rehearsals - he had it all. As we like to say, there was no doubt from the very beginning that Gary was the real deal and so much more. From his perfect pitch to his impeccable musical taste, we have enjoyed the blessing of this rare treasure for thirty years!

What few people know, however, is the man behind the pony tail. Gary is a family man first. His devotion to his beautiful wife Kita is unparalleled and he is a proud and loving father to their talented and wonderful son, Garinka. Gary and Kita have been loyal friends of ours and they have both been there for me through thick and thin. Working with Gary is not only a pleasure, it is an honor. Our relationship has always been based on trust, respect and love - the cornerstones of any successful partnership.

The music that will be featured on December 1 are original compositions from Gary's full Friday evening service: Shabbat Joy, Shabbat Peace. This work has been performed across the country including a performance I was honored to be featured in at Lincoln Center. He brought the work to Moscow and it received international acclaim.

Although Gary is too modest to speak of his amazing achievements, this thirtieth anniversary is a time that we can tell you, our dear Gary, that we know just how fortunate we are to have been blessed to be able to listen to the beautiful music you bring to life each and every week. From junior choir to adult choir; from weekly Shabbats to Shabbat Under the Stars and the High Holidays - Gary, none of it would happen without you! Thank you from all of your friends and fans at Temple Beth David and from me - the new little cantor that listened to you all those years ago and never let you go!

B'Shalom,

Cantor Audrey Halpern
Rabbi/ Cantor Audrey Halpern

**November
B'nai Mitzvah**



November 4th

Bari Klein

Hannah Klein

Havdalah

Ryan Fenster

November 11th

Lily Dornfeld

SAVE THE DATES!

**Friday and Sunday
April 20 & 22, 2018**

**TEMPLE BETH DAVID
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US
AS WE CELEBRATE
30 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH**



Cantor Audrey Halpern

A WEEKEND CELEBRATION OF MUSIC AND DINING

In the Spring of 2018, Temple Beth David will celebrate the 30th year since Cantor Audrey Halpern began serving our congregation. Her magnificent voice has graced thousands of services in our sanctuary and brought deeper meaning to the life events of hundreds of families, spanning three generations.

Cantor Halpern's skilled, one-to-one pastoral counseling and support have helped countless members of our temple family, and her contributions to TBD's history – past, present and future are deeply appreciated.

Our celebration will begin with a Friday night Shabbat service guaranteed to stir your memories and warm your heart. On Sunday, April 22, we will host a Concert and Gala Dinner to honor Cantor Halpern for her continuing service.

More details will be announced soon!



TEMPLE BETH DAVID

SHARING THE SPIRIT OF JEWISH LIFE FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION



TEMPLE BETH DAVID

Fall 2017
Torah & Talk
With Cantor Halpern

Join us on Wednes-
days:
1:00 – 2:00 PM
Classroom #5

October 25
November 1
November 8
November 15

Light refreshments served

RSVP to Angela Barry
Clergy Office
(631)499-0915 x312
Angela@TBDCommack.org

Another First

I did not fast
Each *Yom Kippur* before
I did
Now, on extra meds
“*Unwise*,”
Rabbi agreed and said.

Still, I could hear
the inner calls
like my granddaughter, just 14
her need to be
to test herself, find meaning
perhaps road to soul
my husband chooses
his ritual fast
feelings sure and within him.

Friends seem slightly stoic
“No talk of food,”
they smile, confirm
not Isaiah’s jelly jars
peanut butter for sandwiches
to be assembled for the poor
not even the sea of brown paper bags
filled with cans, assorted stuffs
donations for those in need.

Each family member prays his way
break-the-fast a special time
blessings come with water, juice
sip of Kosher wine
Yes, they savor, relish more
new taste for *challah*, bagel, bread
tomato, lox—just passing plates
Better luck next year, I say
a whisper to myself.

5778—*May the New Year be inscribed*
for all the best of destinies

--Sandy Wicker

From the President's Desk

Watching football has always been one of my passions. It might surprise many of you to find out that I played varsity football when I was in college. When I attended college at the University of Pennsylvania they had and still do to this day a light weight varsity football team. As long as you weighed 156 lbs. or less the Thursday before Friday's night game you were eligible to play.

Unfortunately, this year watching football my enjoyment level has not been the same. My favorite team the NY Giants are having a miserable year which has not helped. But, I realize there are other reasons contributing. The start of nearly every game has turned in a political fire fight.

Obviously, the playing of the National Anthem is a political statement, so we shouldn't be surprised or upset that athletics have chosen this time to make a statement. As NY Giants Great, Perry Williams, stated at the Brotherhood Welcome Back Breakfast all lives matter. No one should accept or tolerate police brutality in any form, yet I believe most people recognize that the vast majority of police officers are professionals and deserve our respect and appreciation for what they do.

As we celebrate Thanksgiving with our family and friends this year, many of us have incorporated watching football as part the holiday's tradition, I would like us to remember what we are thankful for and why it is important to respect other people's right to protest. As great as our country is we can always strive to be better.



Neal Brandsdorfer

This article has not been edited by the HaKol Editors

From the Ways and Means Committee

The Ways and Means committee would like to thank the following companies for their generous donations helping to make our first annual Casino Night a success.

East Coast Energy
 Calray Gas Heat
 BP Elevator
 Daniels Norelli Cecere & Travel
 Robert Teitelbaum Inc.
 Pro-Tech Plumbing
 Sinacori Agency Inc (Allstate Ins)
 A. Michael Tyler Realty
 National Cooperative Bank, NA
 Dunwell Elevator Electrical Industries
 Bargold Storage Systems
 Avarga Contracting Corp.
 Sav-Mor Mechanical
 IJ Morris

We would especially like to thank Jay Cohen for his generosity and dedication to making this night a success. We also would like to thank everyone who made donations of time, money and goods.

Randy Klein and Ira Hecht
Ways and Means Co-Chairs



Shirley Offman Religious School News

It's hard to believe that it's November already; where has the time gone? We have been in a whirlwind of activity lately. Our "Pizza In The Hut" Sukkot celebration was a real hit. We had over 150 people in attendance! I'd like to offer special thanks to Neal Brandsdorfer and Jonathan Faust for their superior pizza distribution skills, to Diane Kraut and Debra Hollander for greeting our guests at the door, and to Joan Gilbert for helping to set up for the dinner and assisting the children in shaking the lulav during services.

Only a week later, we celebrated Simchat Torah and consecrated our new students into our Religious School! Thank you to Rabbi Klafter and Cantor Halpern for a memorable and meaningful service.

Our annual Book Fair will begin on Sunday, November 5. We will offer both adult and children's books for you and your child to purchase. If you like to cook, there are always good Jewish cookbooks available. If you like games, you should try Hebrew Sudoku. We also have wonderful Jewish holiday-themed books, as well as Chanukah toys. By supporting authors who write about Jewish subjects, we encourage the publication of more books of this type. We are so lucky today to have such a wide variety of Jewish literature available to us at all age levels (something I did not have as a child). I encourage you to support our Book Fair! Thank you in advance to our parent volunteers who help the students with their purchases.

November means Thanksgiving is upon us, and by practicing the Jewish value of *Tzedakah*, the Religious School is helping support the Isaiah 58 Committee in its annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. Please send your child to school with canned fruits or vegetables, stuffing, gravy, or any other non-perishable food so that we can provide a holiday meal for those that can't afford one otherwise. I thank you in advance for your generosity.

November promises to be an eventful month at TBD. I wish you the warmth of family and friends as winter approaches. Happy Thanksgiving!

Shirley Offman

Shirley Offman

Religious School Calendar Reminders:

- **Friday, November 3, Shabbat Dinner 6:15 p.m.**
7th Grade Service 7:30 p.m.
- **Sunday, November 5, Book Fair, begins and continues during Religious School hours through November 15.**
- **Tuesday, November 7-No classes-Election Day**
- **Sunday, November 12-Fourth and Fifth Grade PACT Foundation Pro-**

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS...

We are selling the valuable, family-friendly KidStuff Coupon Books this fall!

Families **quickly and easily** save more than the \$25 cost of the KidStuff book...especially if they keep books in their cars! Our school earns at least a 50% profit per book!

KidStuff Coupon Books help save hundreds of dollars on clothing, shoes, toys, books, electronics, sporting goods, activities, food and more! Most coupons are valid immediately and offer savings through the end of the year. Also, your family earns one FREE book worth \$25 for every 5 books you sell!

Buy your KidStuff Book in the Religious School or main temple office.



Let's Celebrate Shabbat

A Program for Families with Young Children
(Toddlers – Age 5)

Stories
Arts & Crafts
Snacks
Songs and
Blessings



November 3, 2017
February 2, 2018
May 4, 2018
@ 6:00pm – 6:45pm

NO CHARGE - All are welcome



News from Isaiah 58

With November upon us, we look forward to Thanksgiving, a time to gather with friends and family to celebrate our good fortune with food, football, and often the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade. The traditional feast begins with turkey, stuffing, sweet potatoes, green vegetables, and apple and pumpkin pies. In many households, Thanksgiving dinner is a time when families join to prepare sumptuous meals and calories do not count.

For Jews, Thanksgiving falls the month after Sukkot with its own traditional historic focus on gratitude and praise to G-d. At Sukkot, we are reminded how our ancestors celebrated the end of the harvest season and recall how G-d protected us when we fled from Egypt. Rabbi Elias Lieberman, leader of the Falmouth Jewish Congregation in Massachusetts, sees a strong biblical influence on the "celebrations of thanksgiving" that began in colonial New England and were formalized into a national holiday in 1864 at the height of the Civil War. From this common background, the celebration of both holidays has come to include coming together to express our gratitude by providing food to those in need.

Despite the wealth around us, many in our community do not have the money or resources to enjoy plentiful food, let alone a holiday meal. The Isaiah 58 Committee partners with food pantries and school districts to provide for those in need throughout the year; and each November, for over 20 years, we have conducted our Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. We sincerely thank everyone at Temple Beth David for donating to prior Thanksgiving Food Drives, and we ask that this year you continue to be generous. When you shop for your Thanksgiving table, please purchase additional canned goods and packaged items for our upcoming Food Drive. Isaiah 58 also welcomes monetary donations to help us feed less fortunate families both this Thanksgiving season and throughout the year.

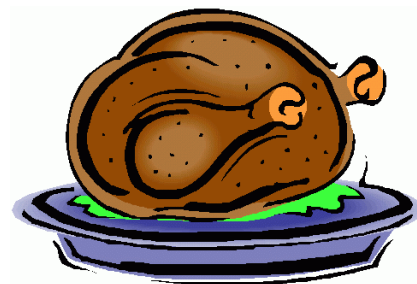
Beverly Horowitz

Thanksgiving Food Drive

*sponsored by Temple Beth David's Isaiah 58
Social Action Committee*



NEEDS YOUR HELP



**We are planning to package and distribute
holiday foods to needy families in our community.**

**Please help us by DONATING one or more of the following items to
the temple by Sunday, *November 19th*.**

(We cannot accept frozen turkeys or food needing refrigeration.)

gravy

instant potatoes

instant stuffing

canned vegetables

desserts - cookies, cakes

cranberry sauce

canned fruit/applesauce

canned juice

Please put donations in the boxes in the Religious School hallway.

Monetary donations to the Isaiah 58 Committee to purchase food are also appreciated.

**If you would like to help package and/or help distribute foods contact
Beverly Horowitz, email: bhorowit@optonline.net, Tel. (631) 427-3074.**

We will bag groceries Sunday, November 19th at 12:00 in the Youth Lounge.

Spotlight on Sisterhood

Now that there is a chill in the air, we will be spending more time indoors with our good friends. Sisterhood has so many great activities planned for the late fall and winter; and we hope you can join us for one or all of them. There is something for everyone!

On Wednesday, November 8, Sisterhood will be holding its annual Paid-Up Membership dinner. Once again, we have fabulous vendors for your shopping pleasure and a tasty dinner to share with friends. The dinner will be held in the Social Hall from 7 - 10 pm. Please RSVP to Toni Spring at Toni.Spring@gmail.com. **It's not too late to join Sisterhood for the year.** Please contact Debra Hollander at beardeb@optonline.net for all membership information; **it's so easy to join!**

On Wednesday, November 15, we are hosting a special guest speaker and the entire TBD community is invited. Ms. Judi Talit will be facilitating a Jewish meditation and healing circle in the Social Hall at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Talit is the Co-director for the Center for Jewish Meditation & Healing; this promises to be an unforgettable evening. Please RSVP to Debbie Friedman at dfriedman02@gmail.com or Glenda Kresh at gkresh@hotmail.com.

The next Sisterhood board meeting will be on Thursday, November 16 at 7:30 pm in the Social Hall. We invite all members to join us.

The annual Sisterhood Chanukah Sale begins on Sunday, December 2 from 9:00-11:00 a.m., and continues on Tuesday, December 5 and Wednesday, December 6 during Religious School hours of 4:30- 6:30 p.m. Please remember to send your students with money so they can do some early holiday shopping for the family. I know I can never have enough Mom mugs or pens!

We must give a special thank you to our board members and committee chair people for all of the wonderful work they have done this fall. Thank you Elyse Wright, Diane Kraut and committee for running the Sukkah Decorating event in the Sanctuary. The kids had a great time and the Sukkah looked beautiful! Thank you to Marcia Karter and Toni Spring for organizing this year's Temple Beth David Sisterhood Breast Cancer Walk team. We raised more money for breast cancer than ever, and we had an amazing time walking with some inspirational and courageous women.

We look forward to meeting new temple members at these events and remember: **Sisterhood membership is free for the first year for all new Temple members!** Please don't hesitate to call, email or text us with any ideas or questions you may have. We hope to see you soon!

Warmly,
Holly Dornfeld (631-838-2084)
and Barbara Klein (531-543-6063)

Temple Beth David Sisterhood



**Invites you to join us for a
Jewish Meditation & Healing Circle
Facilitated by Judi Talit
Co-Director Center for Jewish Meditation
& Healing
Wednesday, November 15th, 2017
7:00 PM, Social Hall**

Judi Talit is a Stress Management Educator, Certified Reiki Master and Master Meditation teacher with more than 25 years extensive experience in Eastern, Western, Psychological Meditation, Guided Imagery/Visualization, therapeutic breathing techniques and other natural healing methods for dealing with specific illness, chronic conditions, stress, anxiety and loss.

All congregants are welcome.

PLEASE R.S.V.P to Debbie Friedman dfriedman02@gmail.com or Glenda Kresh gkresh@hotmail.com.

Temple Beth David
Sisterhood invites you to our
Annual Paid Up Membership
Dinner & Shopping Event



Get a head start on your
holiday shopping with our
many new and returning
vendors!



**It is never too late to become a member of Sisterhood and join us
for an evening of shopping and dining with friends!**

Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2017

Time: Open to all from 6:30pm-7:30pm

Dinner and Shopping continues from 7:30pm-9:30pm

Location: Temple Beth David Social Hall

R.S.V.P. by November 1st

Toni Spring (631)462-1576

Toni.spring@gmail.com

Nina Klag (631)544-6956

nklag@opotonline.net

Karin Brandsdorfer (631) 667-4795

Kbrandsdorfer@yahoo.com

Spotlight on Brotherhood

I'm not sure I ever completely understood the expression "from the sublime to the ridiculous." I know the word "ridiculous" – it's used in our family with great frequency, often in response to questions like, "How does this tie look with this shirt?" or "Can I stay up 'til midnight?" or "We don't need to hire a handyman to do that, if you'll hold the ladder."

But the word "sublime" isn't used as often. I had to look it up. According to the dictionary, the word is an *adjective* sub·lime \ sə'blīm 1: of such excellence, grandeur, or beauty as to inspire great admiration or awe. Like "Mozart's sublime piano concertos" or better yet, "The Rabbi's sermon was sublime."

Armed with this new wisdom, I feel more comfortable describing the Brotherhood's activities over the next few months with the expression "from the sublime to the ridiculous."

We kick off November in grand style on Wednesday, November 1 at 7:00 p.m. with our annual Member Dinner at Café Havana (not Sangria 71, as originally publicized.). Anyone who has dined there says the food is sublime. We've hired a comedian impersonator Paul Bond to entertain us, and we're all hoping his act will border on the ridiculous. For just \$36 for dinner and a show, the value is simply sublime.

A few days later on Sunday, November 5, we're hosting our (usually) annual Political Forum Breakfast with U.S. Congressman Tom Suozzi. As the flyer in this month's *HaKol* says, "He's seen everything, from the sublime to the ridiculous." Actually, it doesn't say that. But I think it's safe to say that the Congressman, who represents a district that includes a large portion of the TBD community, will have plenty to share, possibly extending from the sublime to the ridiculous.

But, dear *HaKol* reader, there is nothing sublime about the Brotherhood's annual performance of the Chanukah play. Nothing at all! Merriam Webster defines "ridiculousity" "ridiculousity" as a *noun* ri·dic·u·los·ity 1:the quality or state of being ridiculous; ridiculousness

2:the TBD (Commack, NY, USA) Brotherhood Chanukah play

Grown men in dopey costumes, making children laugh with faux accents and horrible acting. Join us Sunday, December 17 at 11:00 a.m. for TBD's annual "Chanukah Experience." And by "join us," I mean plan on putting on a dopey costume and acting out a role--preferably terribly.

And finally, two events that truly define the polar opposites of sublime and ridiculous....On Monday, December 25, we hope you and your family members will join us at the Gurwin Nursing Center. Every year on Christmas morning, TBD members visit the residents and host a number of activities. This allows many Gurwin staff members to spend some extra holiday time with their families. The kindness we bring with us and the gratitude we receive from the residents and staff are the purest form of a sublime experience.

Finally, on New Year's Day at 11:00 a.m., TBD Brothers and other temple members will participate in the annual Polar Bear Plunge at Steers Beach in Northport. What word would you use to describe the act of voluntarily running into winter-cold salt water next to a few hundred other people? If you can think of a better word than "Ridiculous," good for you!

Craig Cooper
Brotherhood President



Temple Beth David Brotherhood
Political Forum Breakfast
Sunday, November 5, 2017 9:00AM



Join us on Sunday, November 5th in the Temple Beth David Social Hall
for great food, great company and great conversation with guest speaker

Congressman Tom Suozzi
(former Nassau County Executive and 4-term Glen Cove Mayor)

From small-city Mayor to Nassau County Executive and now US Congressman, Tom Suozzi has “seen it all.” Tom will share his experiences serving constituents during a public service career that has spanned nearly 25 years. He will discuss the state of affairs in Washington, DC and his work during his first term as the US Representative serving the 3rd Congressional district, which includes much of the TBD geographic area.

We’ll be serving bagels, juice, hot beverages and plenty of fun!

**All current and prospective
Brotherhood members
(and of course TBD members)
are welcome!**



Temple Beth David Congregational

SHABBAT DINNER

FRIDAY, November 3rd at 6:45 p.m.



Dear TBD Families,

Please join us for a Shabbat Celebration!

On November 3rd, a Family Shabbat Dinner for the whole congregation will begin at 6:45 p.m., followed by Shabbat Service at 7:30 p.m. when our Seventh Grade students will participate.

The cost is \$5.00 for an individual adult and \$10.00 per family (for the main course of roasted chicken). Extended family is welcome to join us for an additional \$10.00. We are asking each family to also provide a side dish (dairy-free and nut-free please) or beverage according to these guidelines:

- Last names A – E: A starch dish (such as potato or rice)
- Last names F – J: Green vegetable
- Last names K – R: Two bottles of apple juice (or other non-carbonated beverage)
- Last names S – Z: Salad

Please return this form and payment to the School Office **As Soon As Possible** to secure your reservation.

Temple Beth David Religious School Family Shabbat Dinner & Service

FAMILY: _____

We will attend the Shabbat Dinner:

_____ # of Adults _____ # of Children

_____ Enclosed is payment of \$10.00 per family or \$5.00 individual adult.

Reservations are required **As Soon As Possible**.

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astated lives and communities. Acts of racism, anti-Semitism and hatred have, sadly, filled many of our days. More privately, some of us have been facing personal challenges of all kinds. And yet we will still celebrate Thanksgiving and the message of our ancient prayer speaks to us. We are blessed in so many ways.

We are blessed to be a temple family, supporting one another at times of sadness and celebration. We are blessed with friendships – new friends and longtime companions. We are blessed with minds and hearts eager to learn. We are blessed with new generations of children and grandchildren, whether our own or those of this congregation and our world. For these gifts, I am grateful.

From my family to yours, I wish you a harvest of good health and joy! Happy Thanksgiving.

Rabbi Beth H. Klafter

Rabbi Beth H. Klafter



TBD Chai Club

The Chai Club is going to the theater! Members will be seeing the musical, *Company*, at the Five Towns College in Dix Hills on Sunday, November 19 at 2:00 p.m. We have some exciting winter activities, still in the planning stages, for those of us who are spending the winter in New York. We wish our snowbirds Happy Flying! Stay tuned for information on future events.

Sheila Eisinger



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.

AA Meetings - "New Soil"

Sundays 11:30 a.m. Open meetings
Thursdays 7:00 p.m. Closed meeting

All meeting are held at: Temple Beth David

Our Reform Movement offers several wonderful summer experiences for youth: **Eisner Camp**, **Crane Lake Camp** and **6-Points Sci-Tech**. See urjnortheastcamps.org for information. A brand new camp is opening this summer as well, **6 Points Creative Arts Academy**. See information below. Financial assistance is available through the camps and through Temple Beth David.



OPENING SUMMER in 2018!

6pointscreativearts.org

At 6 Points Creative Arts, the program staff, campers, and site work together to create a holistic, meaningful experience for artists in a living laboratory for learning and performing. Sample workshop topics:

- Culinary Arts
- Dance
- Theatre
- Vocal Music
- Music - Instrumental Ensemble
- Visual Arts

Instructors are specialists from their fields, weaving Jewish values, ethics, and tradition together with the spirit and excitement of a dynamic creative artistic community.

The Creative Arts Academy is thrilled to be housed at the Westtown School, a Quaker Boarding School on 600 acres located just 25 miles west of Philadelphia. Campers will find both an inspirational academic environment as well as a range of amenities that will serve their work as well as ensure they have the familiar and fun summer camp experience. Please contact the Camp office, (410) 609-9870 or email Creativearts@urj.org with any questions.

JOIN US ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 6:30 – 7:30 PM for

A TASTE OF CAMP!

Pizza, games and activities!

Camp Presentation with one of the camp directors.

For parents AND students (this is not a drop-off activity)

Camp is not just for kids and it is not just for the Summer! Many of our TBD families have enjoyed these family weekends too!

Gracious Gifts from Thoughtful People

Rabbi Klafter's Discretionary Fund

Josh Cherry-Seto & Kimberly Seto

In honor of Jacob's Bar Mitzvah

Laura Osrow

Jane & Marc Rubinstein

In honor of David & Chelsea

Fatima Kushner

Shirley & Charlie Offman

Daniel & Holly Dornfeld

In honor of Lily's Bat Mitzvah

Rabbi/Cantor Halpern's Discretionary Fund

Josh Cherry-Seto & Kimberly Seto

With gratitude for assisting Jacob to prepare to become a Bar Mitzvah

Paul & Elaine Bieber

In honor of Camille Alviti's wonderful years of service to TBD

Choir Fund

Gabey & Bernie Fenster

In memory of Harry Stern

Economic Crisis Relief Fund

Linda & Joel Evans

In honor of the marriage of Emily Prager & Keith Krimbell

John Camilo & Family

In memory of Caryn Camilo with gratitude to Cantor Halpern for all she did for our family

Meryl & Glenn Rogers

TBD Board of Trustees

In memory of Beth Lipson's sister-in-law Diana Loery

Meryl & Glenn Rogers

In memory of Mannie Joseph

General Fund

Scott Douglas

In memory of Brett & Sally Douglas

Dr. Danny Joseph

The Golden Family

In recognition of Craig Cooper's service with the Red Cross for those in need

Joel Kurtz

In memory of Milton Kurtz

Stephen Weisberg

In memory of Robert Weisberg

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 1:00-2:00 pm Cantor Halpern Adult Ed Brotherhood Dinner Out	2 7:00pm AA meeting	3 6:00 pm Young Children Shabbat 6:45 pm Congregational Dinner 7:30 pm Camille Alviti Tribute & 7th Grade Shabbat Service with Birthday Blessings	4 9:15 am Torah Study & Service 10:00 am B'nai Mitzvah Service 6:00 pm Bat Mitzvah Service
5 RS Book Fair 11:30am AA meeting 6:30 pm NFTY 6,7,8th Inters Youth	6 RS Book Fair 6:30 pm Hebrew HS @BE 8:30 pm Executive Committee	7 No RS Election Day	8 1:00-2:00 pm Cantor Halpern Adult Ed RS Book Fair 6:30 pm 4,5 Juniors Youth 7:00-10:00 pm Sisterhood Dinner	9 7:00 pm AA Meeting	10 Temple Offices Closed 8:00 pm Shabbat Service	11 9:15 am Torah Study & Service 10:00 am B'nai Mitzvah Service
12 9:15-11:00am 4/5 Grade PACT RS Book Fair 11:30 am AA Meeting	13 RS Book Fair 6:30 pm Hebrew HS @BE	14 RS Book Fair 7:30 pm Budget and Finance Committee 8:00 pm Adult Choir 6:30 pm Spring '18 Dvar Torah Meeting w/Rabbi 6:30 pm 3rd grade-Freshmen Youth	15 1:00-2:00 pm Cantor Halpern Adult Ed RS Book Fair 6:30 pm Camp Presentation 7:00 pm Sisterhood Guest Speaker	16 7:00 pm AA Meeting 7:30 pm Sisterhood Board Meeting	17 Hebrew HS Conclave Weekend 8:00 pm Shabbat Service	18 9:15 am Torah Study & Service
19 11:00 am Isaiah 58 11:30 am Isaiah 58 Food Packing 11:30 am AA Meeting 6:30 pm NIFTY 6, 7, 8th Inters Youth	20 6:30 pm Hebrew HS @BE 8:30 pm TBD Board Meeting	21 6:30 pm 4,5 Juniors 7:00-8:00pm Rabbi Klafter Adult Ed 8:00 pm Adult Choir	22 No RS	23 Temple Offices Closed No AA Meeting	24 Temple Offices Closed 8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Anniversary Blessings	25 9:15 am Torah Study & Service
26 No RS 11:30am AA Meeting	27 6:30 pm Hebrew HS @BE	28 5:15 pm Jr. Choir 7:00-8:00pm Rabbi Klafter Adult Ed 8:00 pm Adult Choir	29 5:15 pm Jr. Choir 8:00 pm Ways & Means Meeting	30 7:00 pm AA Meeting	1 7:30 pm Shabbat Service honoring Gary DeSesa with Choir	2 9:15 am Torah Study & Service 10:00 am B'nai Mitzvah Service



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Friday, November 3rd

Shabbat Vayera

6:00 pm Young Children Shabbat Program

7:30 pm Shabbat Service

with Birthday Blessings

Saturday, November 4th

9:15 am Torah Study and Service

10:00 am Celebrate with us as

Bari Klein and Hannah Klein become B'not Mitzvah

6:00 pm Celebrate with us as Ryan Fenster becomes a

Bat Mitzvah

Friday, November 10th

Shabbat Chayah Sarah

8:00 pm Shabbat Service

Saturday, November 11th

9:15 am Torah Study and Service

10:00 am Celebrate with us as

Lily Dornfeld becomes a Bat Mitzvah

Friday, November 17th

Shabbat Toldot

8:00 pm Shabbat Service

Saturday, November 18th

9:15 am Torah Study and Service

Friday, November 24th

Shabbat Vayetze

8:00 pm Shabbat Service

with Anniversary Blessings

Saturday, November 25th

9:15 am Torah Study and Service

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