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YOM KIPPUR *President's Remarks*

rochelle **NELSON**, *President*

Good Yom Tov. This is my second year that I have been honored and privileged to be able to address the congregation of Temple Beth El as your President. Last year my High Holiday speech was given virtually in my home. Not only did I spend a considerable amount of time working on my address to the congregation, I also spent time deciding where in my home would be the best place to position my laptop – on my dining room table, in front of my fireplace or on my sofa? What should be in the background? I eventually came to the conclusion that no matter where I was positioned in my home, I was not going to find that perfect place. The perfect place existed somewhere else. That place was up here where I am today – in our beautiful DeRoy Sanctuary.

When I began my presidency, I had a wish list of plans and ideas I wanted to pursue and hopefully accomplish with the help of the Board of Trustees, our Clergy and our members. However, to paraphrase . . . People plan and “God” laughs. Well, I want to thank “God” for the laughter and ask if the laughter could stop! It goes without saying that Covid has presented its challenges for these past 18 months.

Judaism is communally based. We pray in the communal, we say “Our God” not “My God.” To be able to say certain prayers or perform certain life cycle events, we require a physically present minyan. By not being able to gather communally, there is a real loss for us as Jews.

Our Clergy, along with our amazing staff, transitioned to online programming over Zoom. Our Clergy has given our congregation a sense that we were still a community where we could still worship together and study Torah together, where our children and grandchildren could continue to be educated, where our members could gather to celebrate the holidays together. And we adapted and survived. Our Clergy literally became our spiritual first-responders. As members of our congregation, we are deeply appreciative of everything they have been able to accomplish. The fear and social isolation that was forced on us has made so many of us value our spiritual community that much more.

Fast forward to today. These last 18 months have taught us a lot about ourselves. We’ve realized that we could adapt ourselves to these changes. However, some things remain constant. In Genesis 2:18, we are told “Lo Tov Heyot Ha’Adam Levado” - It is not good for man to dwell alone. We need companions and community support. Heeding the advice of our Temple’s Medical Advisory Panel, our Temple community is slowly and cautiously coming back. Friday evening Shabbat services continue to be in-person outside in the tent, as well as virtual. The ECC fall semester has begun with almost triple



the amount of students compared to last fall. Masa classes have begun with a higher enrollment. Our Clergy made the decision to hold the High Holiday services both in-person and virtually.

There are various reasons that our Temple members continue to renew their memberships and pay dues annually. Personally, I’m a member of Temple because I have found a place where I connect to something larger than myself – to a community. Your family may have joined because you believe in supporting Jewish institutions. Your family may have joined because you care about the future of Judaism for your family and your community. Your family may have joined because past generations have been members and you want to preserve this community for your children. If you relate to any of these reasons, then you see your yearly dues as a “value proposition” – one with tangible benefits.

We come to Temple on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur to review our past year – how we could have done things differently or better. Perhaps you think about things we didn’t do but should have done. However, what if we went a step further and thought about all the good things we’ve done throughout the year and what good we could be doing that we aren’t doing?

171 years ago, 12 families came together to form the Beth El Society. Throughout the 19th and 20th centuries, despite challenges, the congregation grew, prospered and adapted to change. The 21st century has also brought on a number of challenges for our congregational family. However, keeping our Temple Beth El community thriving for another 171 years is our responsibility.

This year, I’ve made it a point to add an additional amount to my dues, and I hope many of you will join me with an amount that is meaningful to you and your family. Also, it’s not too late to consider being a High Holiday Angel, if you haven’t already.

May this year, 5782, bring all of you here today, whether in our Sanctuary or joining virtually, a good and sweet year.

L’ Shana Tova.



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Look around and see how many people you can name!

A High Holiday Throwback!

laura GOTTlieb
Director of Cultural Resources

Can you spot the familiar Temple faces in these pictures? Do you see one of our Sisterhood presidents? What about a Masa teacher as a kid? Have pictures from Temple Beth El events? Donate them to the archives and add them to our Photograph Collection so generations in the future can see all the fun things we did!





A LOOK BACK AT JEWISH HISTORY DETECTIVES

It has now been long enough that the Jewish History Detectives program has its own history! The Rabbi Leo M. Franklin's Jewish History Detectives is now in its 15th consecutive year running.

Started back in 2007 by Temple Beth El's wonderful archivist, Jan Durecki, the program came from Jan's love of sharing "those pieces of history that get lost in the telling of the bigger story." Jan presented her idea to give a lecture of topics she uncovered in the Franklin Archives to the Archives Committee. They jumped at the idea. So, for a few years, Jan would keep track of her "finds" in the archives and used this passion to tell people's stories and create engaging presentations for Temple Beth El and the local community. After a few years, Dr. Robert and Joan Jampel stepped forward to sponsor the events, elevating their reach and providing support to the work of the archives.

There have been some AMAZING presentations through the years. It is hard to highlight only a few (as some years even had multiple presentations) but some of them were so beloved I continue to hear about the moving lectures even today. This list would include "History on the Headstones" a look at the lives of those at Temple's Lafayette Cemetery, "Motown Menschen" which explored the Jewish connection to the musical phenomenon, and "Behind the Wheel," a survey of the contributions of Jewish investors and entrepreneurs of the automotive industry.

The research done for these lectures has continued to be

invaluable to the archives and its researchers. From Jan's notes and uncovered stories, we get to retell memories and details that would have otherwise remained hidden. Each tour of our building leans on the research from presentations like "Albert Kahn's Craftsmen" and "A Layman's Retrospective of Minoru Yamasaki's Synagogue Architecture," without which we would be missing a piece of the puzzle to our history.

Most recently, Robbie Terman, Director of the Leonard N. Simons Jewish Community Archives of the Jewish Federation of Metro-Detroit gave two lectures for the Jewish History Detectives Series. One talk focused on Jewish

activism and the other on the fight for the rights of immigrants in America. Both contributing more depth and understanding to the story and legacy of Detroit Jewry.

This year, I am using the gift of Jewish History Detectives to look back at a time in Temple's history that I find incredibly fascinating. Check out the description on page 25 to learn more about the 2021 Jewish History Detectives Lecture. Thanks to Jan Durecki, the Archives Committee, and the Jampel family, I have the opportunity to not only learn more about this topic myself, but will have a chance to share all the fascinating findings with you.

laura GOTTLIEB
Director of Cultural Resources



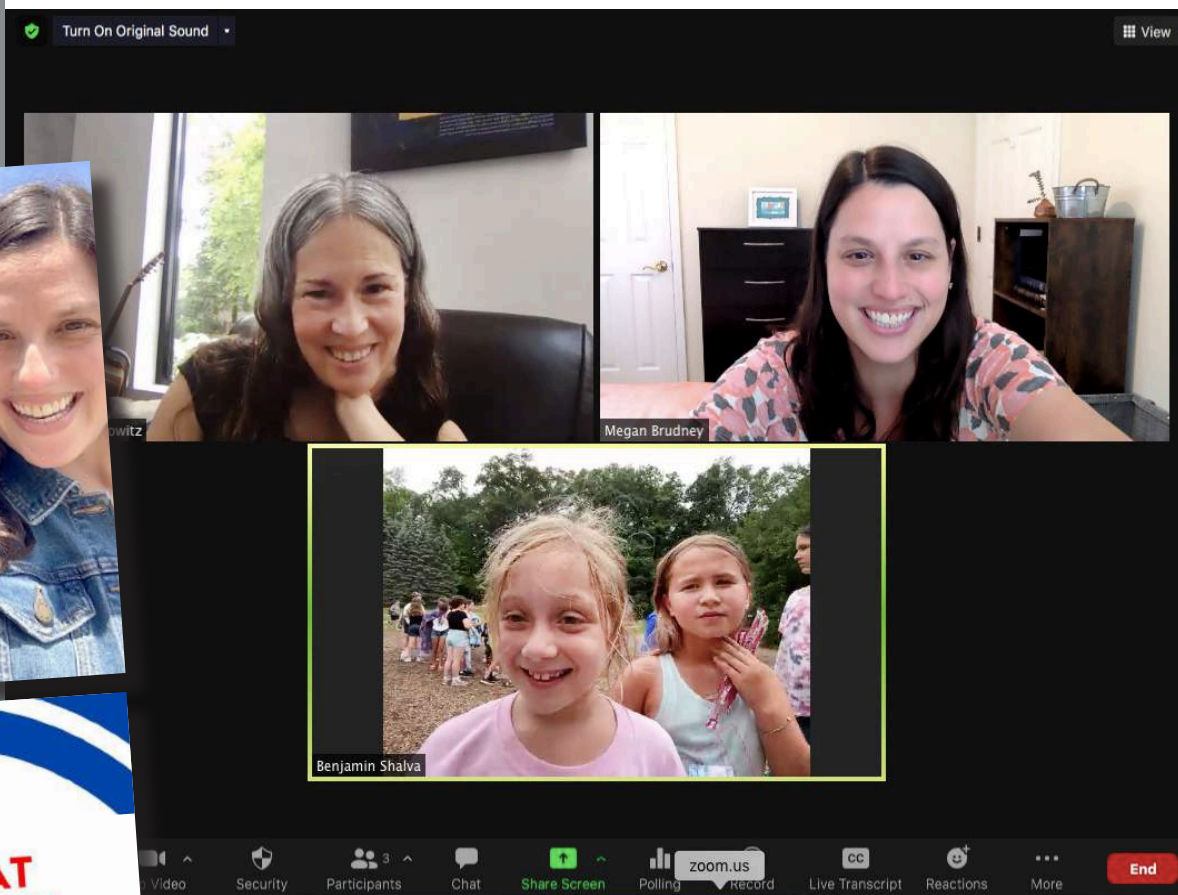
Dr. Robert (z"l) and Joan Jampel



Albert Kahn and family from the *Albert Kahn's Craftsmen* lecture

BACKGROUND PHOTO:

Robert Canvasser, Minoru Yamasaki, and Rabbi Richard Hertz looking at a model of a design for TBE, photograph from *A Layman's Retrospective of Minoru Yamasaki's Synagogue Architecture* lecture



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out more
summer
camp photos
on page 22.

Life at Summer Camp

Shalom and a shanah tovah to all! Way back in July I told you about how excited I was for summer camp season—and how even knowing I would not get to make my usual visits, we still had a plan to connect with our TBE kids who go to camp.

rabbi megan BRUDNEY

Like every year we prepared a postcard with pictures from the year, a word search (new this time!), and then all three clergy and Debbie Morosohk personally wrote and signed messages to each child. Next I made special plans with Tamarack and Walden, the two camps with the most TBE campers in attendance this summer. For first session at Tamarack we had a special ice cream party (and Cantor Rachel and I got to Zoom in!) and at Walden every child got a voucher for \$5 off at Walmart, their camp store.

It was all going according to plan when I got some exciting news: Tamarack's Camp Rabbi, Ben Shalva, invited me to spend five days up at camp! Just like everyone else I packed all my things and entered the bubble on the first day of the session. (The car was extra full since I also brought Dov Berg, then age 6 months, who became a third generation camper on his dad's side!) I was thrilled to get to spend time with our Temple kids, help out at JP (Jewish Programming), and lead Shabbat services.

We quickly settled into our new camp life and I found my favorite spot to see and be seen—outside the dining hall before and after meals. Many selfies were taken there but moreover our kids opened up to me about Foxfire dates, swim tests, and even fighting homesickness. I shared meals with other adults including Tamarack medical staff and Temple board members Erin Lewis and Erin Simmerman, who was there alongside her husband Neil. I observed the JP staff connecting with campers through Israel programming and did some teaching of my own as well. For Shabbat I got to collaborate with counselors to plan Friday night services for Shiffman and Hermelin and Saturday morning services for DeRoy and Specialty.

I even led two evening-time Disney sing-alongs, one with Fishman and one with Berman. It all provided me with such an amazing glimpse of camp and all that it can be.

And although Tamarack was the only camp I was able to experience in person this summer, they each have these kinds of highlights and offer so much to our kids. Camp provides a place to explore, a place to be part of something, a place to relax, a place to grow. A place where you can connect with people in a different, deeper way than in everyday life. In future summers I hope to re-expand my itinerary to include Walden and GUCI—and perhaps some others as well. Seeing Temple's kids in their summer homes is just amazing!

To a wonderful new year and to summer coming back again.





Engaging our Teens

debbie **MOROSOHK**
Director of Education

Recently, I had been interviewing prospective teachers and several of the candidates have been twenty somethings who grew up here at TBE and were very involved in our Temple community through their high school years. I love bringing these young adults back to teach because they are amazing role models. They can say to our kids, "I loved growing up here at Temple and being active at Temple is cool!" One of my goals is to raise up a new generation of teens who love being here at TBE and hope that some may want to come back and teach in 10 or so years.

The area of teen engagement is one that we have been putting a lot of emphasis on lately. Teens have different needs from our younger students and our offerings need to respond to them. There has been some important research conducted about Jewish teens and one important study by the Jewish Education Project suggests that we should measure our success by whether we reach some of these outcomes:

TEEN ENGAGEMENT

- Jewish teens have a strong sense of self and sense of pride about being Jewish.
- Jewish teens establish strong relationships with friends, family, mentors, and educators.
- Jewish teens have learning experiences that are both challenging and valuable.
- Jewish teens develop the skills and language that allows them to express their spiritual journeys.
- Jewish teens develop the desire and commitment to be part of the Jewish people now and in the future.
- Jewish teens are inspired and empowered to make a positive difference in the various communities in which they live.

At Temple Beth El, our mission is to offer opportunities for our teens to reach many, if not all of these outcomes. We do it by offering multiple entry points. Not all teens will be drawn in by the same activities, so we offer a variety of choices for how to be involved in Temple and the Jewish community.

Below are opportunities that we offer:

TEEN OPPORTUNITIES

- **Masa Teens** – Weekly classes on Sundays for students in grades 7-12. Masa Teens includes a half hour of food and socializing and one hour of learning with engaging teachers and content.
- **Madrichim** – Students in grades 8-12 can be employed as Assistant Teachers in our K-6 Masa program on Sunday mornings. They receive training and work with teachers in classrooms helping our younger students learn to love being Jewish.
- **Youth Groups** – JBETY for grades 6-8 and BETY for grades 9-12 are advised by our wonderful new youth advisor, Samantha Smetanin. Programming includes social activities, holiday celebrations, trips, community service, and opportunities to get together with other Jewish youth in the community.
- **Community Service** – we offer regular opportunities to perform community service for our teens and their families.
- **Community Offerings** – the Detroit Jewish community makes several opportunities available to our teens. We have had teens participate in the Jewish Fund Teen Board, Teen Mission trip to Israel, BBYO and more.

There are so many benefits to having our teens continue to be involved at Temple. After Bar/Bat Mitzvah, they are older and more sophisticated in how they learn and express their identity, so this is a critical time for them to be with us and grow with their Jewish community. If you know a teen, send them our way and let them know there are lots of different entry points or ways to be involved. If you're at Temple and you see a teen, say hello and let them know how happy you are that they are here!



NEW STAFF FOR OUR YOUTH DEPARTMENT



Samantha Smetanin
JBETY and BETY

Sam will be advising JBETY (6th – 8th Grades) and BETY (9th – 12th Grades) and she is so excited to be taking on this new role at TBE. Sam grew up here and graduated from our program in 2012. She has previously been on our staff as a Music Teacher, Assistant Youth Choir Director, and ECC teacher. Working with tweens and teens is a new and exciting challenge for Sam and our youth are so lucky to have her on their team this year!



Carly Taub - BETY35

Carly can't wait to be the new BETY35 advisor. She attended TBE religious school starting in kindergarten and graduated in 2014. After graduating from the University of Michigan, she taught 4th grade in Masa, and is currently a 4th grade teacher in Novi Community School District and also teaches dance at The 8th Count Dance Studio. She's looking forward to a great year!

Temple Beth El Little Learners

forest LEVY WOLFE
Director of Early Childhood Center

CAMP BETH EL

Summer is a favorite time of year for so many children and families, and camp can be a fabulous part of a child's summer. Parents want an environment that is filled with healthy activities and happy, smiling faces throughout the summer, and there were many reasons for smiles at **CAMP BETH EL** this year. Our Camp Director, Michelle Kroll, led our camp team with great success and made special summer memories for all. Michelle remembers how important camp was to her family, and wanted to make sure she created those experiences here for our families as well. We had such fun with special activities including a petting zoo, a Swag Gym visit, ice cream trucks, foam parties and so many more.

In addition to our primary camp program, we offer a one-week program called **Safety Town** for entering kindergarten students, and it is an annual favorite. **SAFETY TOWN** campers learn lots of ways to stay safe in our world. They learn about stranger danger, rules of the road, and how to be community helpers. We even had a visit from the Bloomfield Hills Police.

Also, this summer we welcomed **TEMPLE TOTS** parents, grandparents and tots back into our building for the first time since the pandemic began. Temple Tots is a weekly play group for toddlers with a loving adult, and it was so much fun to have them back playing together, participating in Shabbat, and making connections with each other.

It was an amazing summer at Camp Beth El! Thanks to everyone who helped to make it so special.



EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

Our **ECC** is back in session and running strong. It has been so great to bring many new and returning families back to our halls this school year. Our PTO Co-Chairs are Alex Wertheimer and Ali Smith, and they helped to welcome our teachers back to the new school year at our Staff Development week. They helped give our staff a parent's perspective of what they are looking for in communication from the teachers, and they are working closely with us to support great cooperation among our families, students and staff.

We started off our year with great High Holiday programming and then enthusiastically moved on to Sukkot celebrations in the Sukkah. We are looking forward to cooler weather, farms trips, and exploring fall as we get into our routines and the school year moves on. The halls are buzzing with little learners, and this is shaping up to be a wonderful school year at our TBE ECC.



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this summer on
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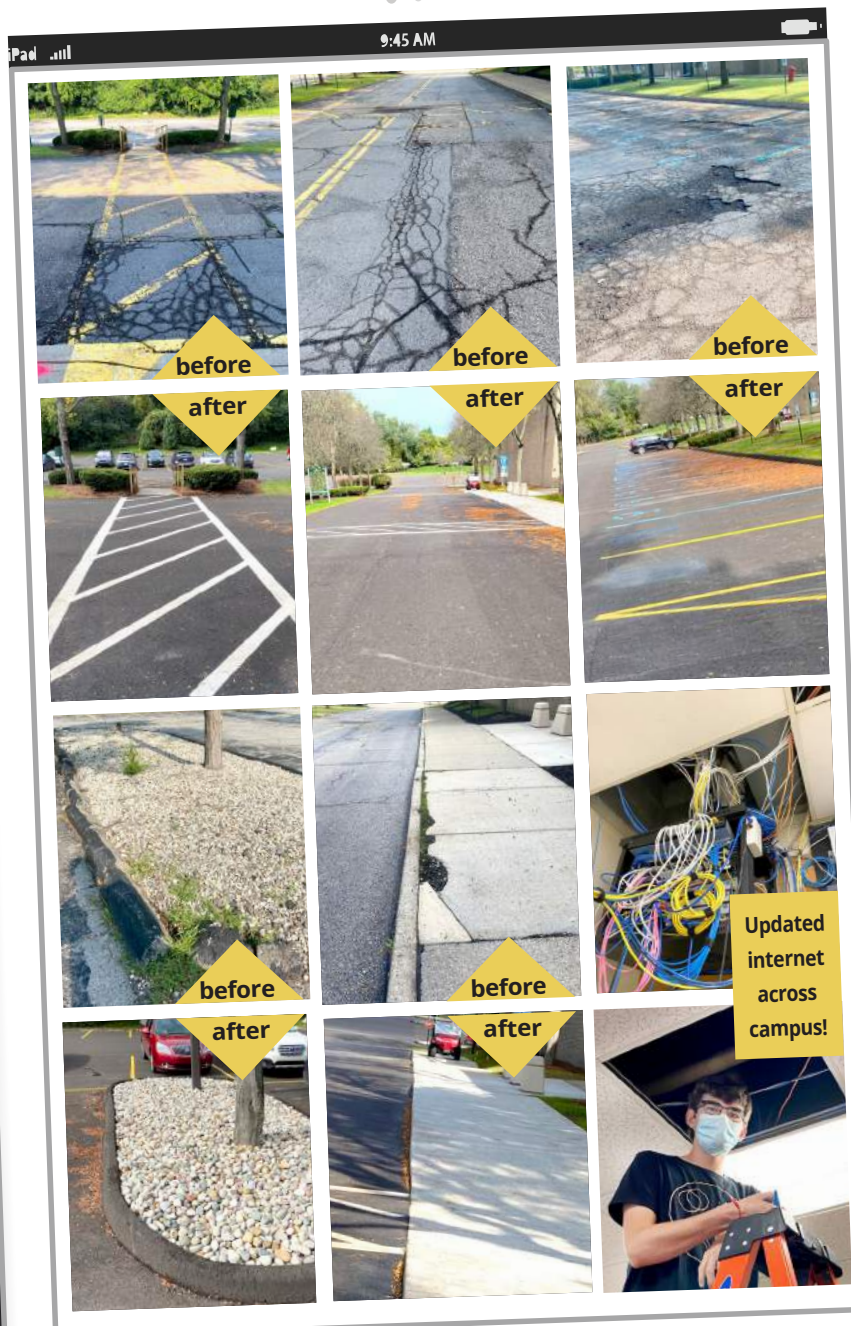
Building Improvement Projects

Hello friends, I hope you had a joyful Rosh Hashanah and meaningful Yom Kippur. Aside from High Holidays preparations – which obviously kept us very busy! – we’ve been working on some exciting and necessary building improvement projects.

rachel **RUDMAN**
Associate Director

If you’ve been to Temple in the last few weeks, you’ve likely noticed our brand-new parking lot and entry roads. The project included pulverizing the original parking lot (constructed in 1972), grading, compacting, and balancing the base, placing two courses of asphalt, and rebuilding the islands and the sidewalks – it was a huge project! We’re incredibly happy with the result. Our smooth new parking lot, road, and sidewalks make Temple safer and more accessible for everyone who visits.

Although less visible, another important project is the rewiring and installation of wireless internet at Temple. Over the past few years, we’ve completely redone the wiring foundation that supports the internet in our building. We are in the final phase now of rewiring, and once it is complete, wireless access points will be installed throughout our building. In the next few months, Temple will have consistent and reliable wireless internet across the campus. We look forward to seeing you at Temple and sharing these exciting improvements with you.



Brave

cantor rachel **GOTTLIEB**
KALMOWITZ

When my daughter, ilana, was little, she was afraid of escalators. So, whenever we were at the airport, as we were heading toward an escalator, I would belt out Sara Bareilles, “Say what you wanna say, and let the words fall out. Honestly, I wanna see you be brave.” And she would look at me with trepidation, grab my hand, and get onto the escalator.

Many of you know that between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, my hair went from half brown and half grey, hanging below my waist, to all grey above chin length. I actually got it cut the morning of Kol Nidre. A number of people commented to me that it was brave to make such a drastic change, particularly at a time when I would be so visible to so much of our community. Some wondered why I chose to take this step at the High Holy Days, my busiest and most stressful time of year. I felt ready to have my hair all my own color and yet, truthfully, I was worried that it would make me look “old”. Even though it was something I was (nervously) excited to do, I was afraid that if I waited until after Yom Kippur, I would lose my nerve. The adrenaline pulsing through my veins during this time of year helped me to make a decision that I was ready to make. And yes, it took courage.

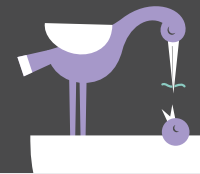
I am reading a wonderful book series with ilana called The Mysterious Benedict Society, by Trenton Lee Stewart. In the fourth book in the series, Mr. Benedict says to Reynie, “if you find yourself missing someone long before you have even decided to part, you should consider the possibility that you are suffering unnecessarily.” I find this advice remarkable, and my eyes welled with tears when I read it, because it made me realize that I do suffer unnecessarily. I feel pain when I even imagine losing my Mama, for instance, instead of giving all of my energy to absorbing every bit of her I am lucky enough to experience. Sometimes when I am snuggling with ilana my heart

hurts with the knowledge that at some point she won’t want me to hold her anymore (think teenaged angst). These anxieties waste precious moments of my life in fear over the future instead of being fully in the present. Even the fear of death can be thought of in this way. If we only have the courage to live our lives as fully as



we can, perhaps the fear of the cessation of that life has less power over us.

This chapter of Covid has left a lasting imprint upon us all in different ways - we are forever changed by the isolation, the fear, and the determination to continue to live in the face of what could be psychologically crippling changes to our routines. At the moment, I also have a physical manifestation of this period, having grown out my gray hair. Perhaps it is a good time, as we begin 5782, to look at yourself and decide whether there are physical, emotional, or spiritual changes you’d like to make to become more authentically you. Try taking the time to enjoy the small moments, the little imperfections that make up each day. Then instead of missing people or experiences while you still have them, say what you want to say, live how you want to live, be the person you want to be. I want to see you be brave.



Bar Mitzvah of Bryce Alexander Toby

OCTOBER 2, 2021 @ 10:30 AM

Bryce is an 8th grader at Avondale Middle School where he is participating in the school band. He enjoys reading, Legos and video games. Bryce is a member of Scout Troop 7 in Auburn Hills and is currently earning his requirements for 2nd class rank. Bryce has been actively fundraising for the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life, and has earned recognition for being a active young participant. Bryce is the son of Alan and Jennifer Toby, and the grandson of Jack and Fran Gould, Melvin Toby and the late Rosanne Toby.



Bat Mitzvah of Cadyn Brooke Geller

OCTOBER 16, 2021 @ 11:00 AM

Cadyn is a 7th grader at Derby Middle School. Her passion is travel soccer where she plays the forward position for Liverpool International Academy ECNL. Cadyn also enjoys hoarding, reading, creating jewelry, snowboarding, watching Netflix, Instagram and making TikToks all day long. For her Mitzvah project, Cadyn has decided to make jewelry to put smiles on the faces of the kids in the hospital. She is especially proud to be able to deliver these necklaces and bracelets to kids with cancer and other illnesses. Cadyn is the daughter of Angel and Justin Geller and the granddaughter of Marilyn and Nathan Sanders, Doreen Blackburn and Sam Geller.



B'nai Mitzvah of Samantha Ruth Rosenberg

OCTOBER 30, 2021 @ 6:00 PM

Samantha is a 7th grader at Derby Middle School. She loves playing tennis, attending Camp Tamarack and spending time with her friends. For her mitzvah project Samantha participated in the Camp Tamarack Gear Share Program by collecting gently used camping gear. She also helped raise money for Camp Tamarack's Send A Kid To Camp Program to help other kids be able to attend camp. Samantha is the daughter of Emily and Darren Rosenberg, sister to Ryan and Charlie, granddaughter to Annie and Rob Cohen, Lenny Rosenberg, Susan Fayne and the late Michael Fayne. She is the great-granddaughter of Naomi Miller.



B'nai Mitzvah of Ryan Brayden Rosenberg

OCTOBER 30, 2021 @ 6:00 PM

Ryan is an 8th grader at Derby Middle School. He loves playing football, basketball, golf, video games and is a black belt in Choi Kwang Do. For his mitzvah project Ryan participated in the Tamarack Gear Share Program by collecting gently used camping gear. He also helped raise money for Camp Tamarack's Send A Kid To Camp Program to help other kids be able to attend camp. Ryan is the son of Emily and Darren Rosenberg, brother to Samantha and Charlie, grandson to Annie and Rob Cohen, Lenny Rosenberg, Susan Fayne and the late Michael Fayne. He is the great-grandson of Naomi Miller.



NOAH TADEO ACTIS-ROSENFELD

MARCH 12, 2021

Parents: Seth Rosenfeld & Diego Actis

Grandparents: Raymond Rosenfeld & Janelle McCammon, Mario Actis, Ana Fracassi



ELIANA LOUISE RIGER

MAY 22, 2021

Parents: Kristin & Eric Riger

Grandparents: Frayda & the late Donald Riger, Pat Myers, Donna & Jack Myers

Great-grandparents: The late Selma & Stanley Clamage



EDEN MIA ROSENBERG

JUNE 23, 2021

Parents: Amanda & Danny Rosenberg

Grandparents: Debbie & Sheldon Rosenberg, Sandy & Manny Kreitenberg, Star Tasker



ANYA LEE SMETANIN

JULY 7, 2021

Parents: Samantha & Dima Smetanin

Grandparents: Nicole & Herbie Jahr, Kristan Miller & Doug Ward, Tanya Kogen & Sergey Smetanin

Great-grandparents: Sally & John Jahr, Linda & Gary Phillippe, Janice & Greg Pence, Vera Smetanin, Bella Smotrakov



BECKETT BARNETT WERTHEIMER

JULY 13, 2021

Parents: Alex & Jordon Wertheimer

Grandparents: Ken & Mari Barnett, Michael & Jeannette Wertheimer, Nadine & Michael Zonder

Great-grandparents: Marilyn & Mel Barnett, Rosemary Collias, Jim Collias, Richard & Renda Hertz, Mary Louise Hertz, Phyllis & James Marks, Otto Wertheimer



LUCA VINCENZO LIPARI

AUGUST 6, 2021

Parents: Sawyer & Vincent Lipari

Grandparents: Randy & Nancee Weirman, Mario & Maureen Lipari

Great-grandparents: Doris Hasson, Eleanor & Robert Weirman



ALEXANDRA ERIN NAJOR

AUGUST 15, 2021

Parents: Erin and Matthew Najor

Grandparents: Sharon & Jay Adler, Anne & George Najor, Yvonne & Mike Ladd

Great-grandparent: Patricia Najor



CHARLY MAE KLAR

SEPTEMBER 22, 2021

Parents: Jenna & Aric Klar

Grandparents: Nori & Mark Klar, Deb Monkaba, Joey Krinsky

Great-grandparents: Muriel Warren, Shirley Klar



REMY HELENE PINES BERMAN

SEPTEMBER 22, 2021

Parents: Marissa Pines & Jared Berman

Grandparents: Nora & Brian Berman, Fran Krasnow & Seth Pines

High Holiday ANGELS

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 Elaine & David Brockman
 Denny L. Brown
 The Coden Family
 Dr. John & Miriam Cohen
 Janice Cutler
 Cathy & James Deutchman
 Elizabeth & Mark Dizik
 John Dolch
 Marjory Winkelman Epstein
 Aviva & Dean Friedman
 Elyse & David Foltyn
 Ralph & Erica Gerson
 Wolf & Stefani Goerlich
 The Goodman Family
 Fran & Michael Goran
 Elayne H. Greenspan
 Elliot & Sandra Greenspan
 Nancy & Jim Grosfeld
 Dr. Lucy Shields Henney &
 Raymond Henney
 Dr. Bruce Jacob
 Patti L. Kommel
 Alan & Karen Lowen
 Jo Ann MacWilliams-Wolf
 Howard Maloff
 Judy & John Marx
 Eileen Millstone
 Rae Nachbar
 Rochelle Nelson
 Wendy & Lenny Newman
 Rita Packard
 Dr. Elizabeth Pensler & Dr. Derek Hill
 Rick & Patti Phillips
 The Reitelman Family
 Judy & Scott Roberts
 Carol Ann & Warren Rose
 Audrey & Herb Saperstein
 Cathy & Mark Segel
 Kathleen Straus & Walter Shapero
 Lev & Bella Shleypak
 Ellen Lesser Siegel & Dr. Les I. Siegel
 The Sloan Family
 Gregg & Erika Solomon
 Buzz Turner
 Stephanie & Robert Wineman
 Saul Zipser & Hannah Zipser



A Year of Spiritual Rewards

rabbi mark **MILLER**

A deep reading of Jewish tradition would suggest that gratitude is perhaps the most important expression of human holiness. And after another High Holiday season that defied expectations, I am not only proud of our Temple ... but feeling an immense degree of gratitude for the huge number of people who made it all possible. So whenever you have a chance, please join me in saying thank you:

- Our beautiful facility was safe, clean, and prepared for a huge variety of events thanks to our Maintenance staff (Damon Kaigler, Victor Aguilar, JaJuan Jones) and our Security team (Morris Collins, Kenny Jackson, and Chuck Harthun).
- Information about the High Holidays, materials, signage, and more behind-the-scenes preparations than you can imagine were expertly managed by Rachel Rudman, our Administrative staff (Laura Lucassian, Susan Rice, and Jennifer Ritchie), and our Communications department (Lindsey Fox and Marie Curtis).
- Learning and deepening our connections is part of everything we do, and it is accomplished with great expertise by our Education staff (Debbie Morosohk, Forest Wolfe, Ilene Stone, Jen Goren), Program staff (Laura Gottlieb, Alan Lowen), and Youth staff (Sam Smetanin, Carly Taub).
- We wouldn't get very far without the yeoman's efforts of our Finance department (Claire Danaher and Amy Silardi).
- The stunningly beautiful music the uplifted us emerged from the incredible talents of Jim Gabriel, Ben Cohen, our choir, and numerous volunteer musicians.
- Technology has become much more important over the past two years, and our Audio/Visual production has been top-notch, with great appreciation to Gabe Banas, Justin Wedes, Curt Banter, and the entire team at Flow Video.
- Our Temple President, Rochelle Nelson, along with our Executive Committee and Board provided steady support and inspiring leadership.
- Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur would not feel complete without so many volunteers who graciously accepted honors throughout the holidays, and guest speakers who led us through various moments.
- Truly, we could not have accomplished all we did if not for the generous support of our High Holiday Angels – who are all listed in the adjacent box.
- Lastly, I feel blessed to work with such a dynamic, fun, and brilliant clergy team – Rabbi Brudney and Cantor Rachel continue to make magic around here.

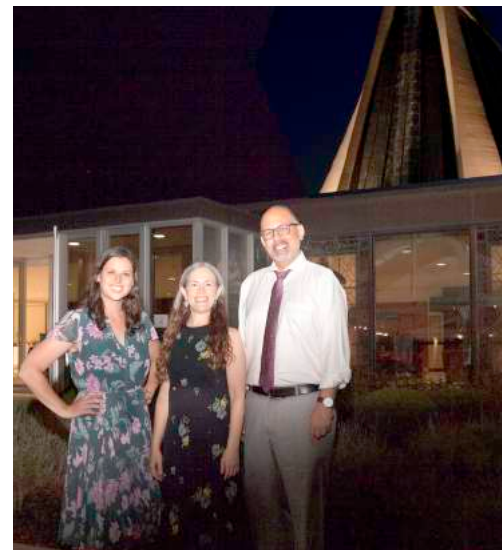
In order for any Temple to be successful, it must create synergy among clergy and staff, Board leadership, members, and the community-at-large. We strive to do just that – not only during the High Holidays, but throughout the year. If you are ever wondering how you can get more involved, please don't hesitate to contact me. Not only will we all benefit from your participation, but I am confident you will reap the tangible and spiritual rewards of deepening your own connection to Judaism and the Jewish community.

Shana Tovah!

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AUGUST 28 ▶



AROUND TEMPLE!



▶:HIGH HOLIDAYS TASHLICH -WB (HOSTED BY JUDY & JOHN MARX) SEPTEMBER 7

:FAMILY SUKKOT PROGRAM SEPTEMBER 26 ▶



AROUND TEMPLE!

:TBE KIDS
SUMMER CAMP 2021 ▼



▼ : EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER'S CAMP BETH EL - SUMMER 2021



october

- 15 10:30 AM
ECC Shabbat Toddlers & 2's (V)
10:55 AM
ECC Shabbat 3's & Pre-k (V)
7:00 PM
Sisterhood PINK Shabbat (V/IP)
- 16 10:00 AM
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish (V)
11:00 AM
Bat Mitzvah of Cadyn Geller (V)
- 17 9:30 AM
Masa (IP)
10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)
- 19 4:00 PM
Out of the Box: A Bisel of History (V)
- 21 7:00 PM
Bereavement Support Group (V)
- 22 10:30 AM ECC
Shabbat Toddlers and 2's (V)
10:55 AM ECC
Shabbat 3's and Pre-k (V)
7:00 PM
Shabbat Service (V/IP)
- 23 10:00 AM
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish (V)
- 24 9:30 AM
Masa (IP)
10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)
- 26 4:00 PM
Out of the Box – LIVE with Laura Gottlieb (V)
- 27 7:00 PM
PillowTalk: Life Lessons from a Sex Therapist (V) details below

- 28 NOON
Bites and Books: Dinner at the Center of the Earth by Nathan Englander (V)
- 29 10:30 AM
ECC Shabbat Toddlers and 2's (V)
10:55 AM
ECC Shabbat 3's and Pre-k (V)
7:00 PM
Shabbat Service (V/IP)
- 30 10:00 AM
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish (V)
5:00 PM
B'nai Mitzvah of Ryan and Samantha Rosenberg (V)
- 31 9:30 AM
Masa (IP)
10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)

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- 2 4:00 PM
Out of the Box: A Bisel of History (V)
- 3 7:00 PM
Jewish History Detectives Lecture (V) details below
- 5 10:30 AM
ECC Shabbat Toddlers and 2's (V)
10:55 AM
ECC Shabbat 3's and Pre-k (V)
7:00 PM
Shabbat Service (V/IP)
- 6 9:30 AM
Kid-ish Club Tot Shabbat (IP)
10:00 AM
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish (V)

- 11:00 AM
Bar Mitzvah of Logan Grant (V)
- 7 9:30 AM
Masa (IP)
10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)
1:30 PM
BETU Urban Farm Volunteering (IP)
- 9 4:00 PM
Out of the Box – LIVE with Laura Gottlieb (V)
- 11 1:00 PM
Jews of Syria with Beth Elders (IP)
- 12 10:30 AM
ECC Shabbat Toddlers and 2's (V)
10:55 AM
ECC Shabbat 3's and Pre-k (V)
7:00 PM
Shabbat Service with Quinquennial Celebrations (V/IP)
- 13 10:00 AM
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish (V)
11:00 AM
Bat Mitzvah of Sophia Beebe (V)
- 14 9:30 AM
Masa (IP)
10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)
4:00 PM
JBETU Glow Golf (IP)
- 16 4:00 PM
Out of the Box: A Bisel of History (V)
- 18 7:00 PM
Bereavement Support Group (V)
- 19 10:30 AM
ECC Shabbat Toddlers and 2's (V)
10:55 AM
ECC Shabbat 3's and Pre-k (V)
5:30 PM
BETU35 Program (IP)

- 7:00 PM
Library Shabbat Service (V/IP)
- 20 10:00 AM
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish (V)
5:00 PM
Bat Mitzvah of Brooke Taylor (V)
- 21 9:30 AM
Masa (IP)
10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)
- 23 4:00 PM
Out of the Box - LIVE with Laura Gottlieb (V)
- 24 1:00 PM Offices Close
- 25 Office Closed - Thanksgiving
- 26 Office Closed
- 7:00 PM
Shabbat Service (V/IP)
- 27 10:00 AM
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish (V)
5:00 PM
Bar Mitzvah of Joseph Fearon (V)
- 28 10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)
6:00 PM Hanukkah Night 1
Virtual Lighting with Cantor on her Couch
- 29 6:00 PM Hanukkah Night 2
Virtual Lighting
- 30 6:00 PM Hanukkah Night 3
Virtual Lighting

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- 1 6:00 PM Hanukkah Night 4
Virtual Lighting
- 2 NOON
Beth Elders Hanukkah Luncheon (IP)

- 5:00 PM
ECC Hanukkah Program (V/IP)
6:00 PM Hanukkah Night 5
Virtual Lighting
- 3 10:30 AM
ECC Shabbat Toddlers and 2's (V)
10:55 AM
ECC Shabbat 3's and Pre-k (V)
5:30 PM
Kid-ish Club Meet Up (IP)
6:00 PM Night 6
Hanukkah Extravaganza Shabbat (V/IP) details below
- 4 10:00 AM
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish (V)
6:00 PM Hanukkah Night 7
Virtual Lighting
- 5 9:30 AM
Masa (IP)
10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)
1:00 PM
BETU Hanukkah Cooking and Games (IP)
6:00 PM Hanukkah Night 8
Virtual Lighting
- 10 10:30 AM
ECC Shabbat Toddlers and 2's (V)
10:55 AM
ECC Shabbat 3's and Pre-k (V)
7:00 PM
Shabbat Service honoring Alan Lowen (V/IP)
- 11 10:00 AM
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish (V)
5:00 PM
JBETU Minute to Win it Party (IP)
- 12 9:30 AM
Masa (IP)
10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)

- 16 7:00 PM
Bereavement Support Group (V)
- 17 10:30 AM
ECC Shabbat Toddlers and 2's (V)
10:55 AM
ECC Shabbat 3's and Pre-k (V)
7:00 PM
Shabbat Service (V/IP)
- 18 10:00 AM
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish (V)
- 19 10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)
- 20 7:00 PM
Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh (V/IP)
- 24 7:00 PM
Chinese Food Shabbat Service (V)
- 25 10:00 AM
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish (V)
- 26 10:30 AM
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)
- 27 Office Closed
- 31 Office Closed - New Year's Eve
7:00 PM
Virtual Champagne Shabbat Service (Virtual ONLY)

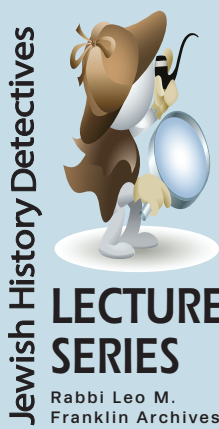
Virtual Programming = (V)
In-Person Programming = (IP)



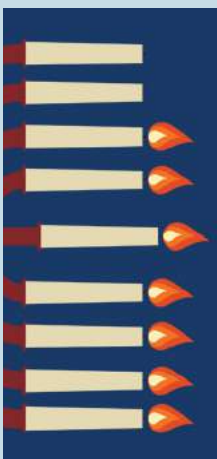
For upcoming program details and links, visit www.tbsonline.org or scan the QR code with your smartphone or tablet.



PILLOWTALK:
LIFE LESSONS FROM
A SEX THERAPIST
WED. OCT. 27 @ 7 PM
(V) Hosted by Sisterhood
Grab your laptop, your favorite drink, and join Sisterhood for an engaging conversation with TBE member and sex therapist Stefani Goerlich!



ANTI-ZIONISM
IN THE REFORM
MOVEMENT ...
Behind the Scenes of a Divided Detroit
WED. NOV. 3 @ 7 PM
(V) DETAILS AT TBEONLINE.ORG
Explore the rift between Zionism and anti-Zionism in Detroit's Reform Jewish community during the mid-twentieth century.



HANUKKAH
EXTRAVAGANZA
SHABBAT
FRI. DEC. 3 @ 6PM
(V/IP)
Join us for a fun evening as we celebrate Hanukkah together with our annual party, Menorah lighting, and festive Shabbat service! More details coming soon!



CHINESE
FOOD
SHABBAT
SERVICE
FRI. DEC. 24 @ 7 PM
(Virtual ONLY)
Bring some Chinese take-out home, and tune in for a fun Shabbat service!

october BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER 1
Laura Berg
Jason Cooperman

OCTOBER 2
Michael Gilson
Carol Kozlow
Brooke Mauch
Margaret Meyer
Isabella Niskar
Rachel Taubman-Glickfeld
Seth Tompkins
S. Evan Weiner

OCTOBER 3
Susan Abramson
Jeffrey Bednarsh
Julie Dorfman
David Freedman
Joel Grand
Douglas Hamburger
Michael Klein
Meredith Williamson
Hannah Zeman

OCTOBER 5
Howard Adelson
Wendy Bice
Emily Dizik
Michael Fishman
Margot Gardner
Stephen Lerner
Keith Pomeroy
Rodney Saperstein
Bonnie Simmons
Richard Van House III
Jane Wineman
Caroline Wineman

OCTOBER 7
Kori Belzer
Joanne Lax
Michael Margolis
Jeffrey Vieder

OCTOBER 8
Aleksandra Adelson
William Davidson
David Farbman
Herbert Gardner
Brian Lyngaas
Carol Schwartz

OCTOBER 9
Robert Aronson
Hannah Cohen
Alison Goldstein
Mark Koblin
Jamie Revitz
Edward Van House
Wyatt Weitz

OCTOBER 10
Hunter Farbman
Stephen Hurwitz
Scott Kaplan
Karen Mucha

OCTOBER 11
Genevieve Cetner
Alixandra Craig
Hannah Myers
John Rofel

OCTOBER 12
Hayden Bender
Lily Cahn
Suzanne Lasser
Joyce Miller
Madison Prohrow

OCTOBER 13
Eva Beebe
Julie Buch
Carly Klein
Howard Maloff
Jack Rubinstein
Larry Woodberg

OCTOBER 14
Karen Beznos
Douglas Salzenstein

OCTOBER 15
Barbara Belkin
Susan Dickey
Danielle Lutz
Frederick Minkow
Lindsay Schey
Mark Schonberger
Jacob Stollman

OCTOBER 16
Peggy Cherrin-Myers
Arthur Friedman
Emma Medwed
Ann Salinger
Luke Stibor

OCTOBER 17
Ruby Glencer
Jane Jacobson
Shoshana Ross

OCTOBER 18
Julie Abrams
Dylan Beznos
Sabrina Dunn
Eli Foltyn
Evan Foltyn
Benjamin Fong
Susan Gross
Bruce Kramer
Bruce Shaw
Robert Solomon
Sarah Solomon

OCTOBER 19
Shelley Farkas
Max Kaplan
Maya Saperstein
Rose Sher
Karen Weisberg

OCTOBER 20
Karen Borenstein
Jeffrey Chandler
Erica Gerson
Arnold Shapero

OCTOBER 21
Brett Chasnick
Ilissa Chasnick
Cindy Cohen
Ethan Davidson
Bernard Remer
Paul Renusch
Eric Scher

OCTOBER 22
Jenica Gunsberg
Miriam Kottler
Julie Levine

Rita Packard
Marisa Ruby
Milton Simmons
Ari Sklar

OCTOBER 23
Amy Ancevski
Laura Bloom
Sarah Fearon
Madison Kessler
Rochelle Nelson
Gail Posner
Julie Sher

OCTOBER 25
Joe Bernson
Logan Grant
Jill Leib
Barry Lepler
Bianca Siegel
Sheryl Victor

OCTOBER 26
Shae Adelson
Lori Cohn
Lucie Giron
Alfred Kreindler
Sawyer Lipari
Rick Phillips
Margery Reinheimer
Nathan Rosenberg
Richard Van House
Stephanie Walls

OCTOBER 27
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Donald Dreyfuss
Francie Fruitman
Judy Kotzen

OCTOBER 28
Leonard Beigler
Jayne Craig
E. Elizabeth Curnutte
Ethan Kasle
Alli Margolis
Julie Pelton
Dana Zakalik

OCTOBER 29
Libby Beider
Sidney Gordon
Miles Grant
Scott Jacobson
Nizar Malouf
Lois Shaevisky
Joshua Tompkins

OCTOBER 30
Jonah Canvasser
Dennis Green
Paige Lievois
Suzanne MacWilliams
Laura Saperstein
Cathy Segel

OCTOBER 31
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Noah Hackman
Lynn Jacob
Hannah Kaplan
Tatum Kreindler
David Lame
Edward Schonberg
Stuart Stoller
Liam Weckstein

october ANNIVERSARIES

OCTOBER 1
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OCTOBER 5
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OCTOBER 6
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Nicole & Jacob Drouillard

OCTOBER 7
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Yulia & Boris Perehodnik
Marlo & Thomas Shaevsky

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Erica & Charlie Forbes

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Nancy & Arnold Shapero

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Elizabeth Rowin & Michael Sklar

OCTOBER 24
Samantha & Jeffrey Friedman
Laura & Bruce Saperstein

OCTOBER 25
Erin & Todd Budisak
Marilyn & Walter Wolpin

OCTOBER 26
Elissa & Noah Schechter

OCTOBER 27
Harriett & Leo Hollander
Audrey & Herbert Saperstein

OCTOBER 28
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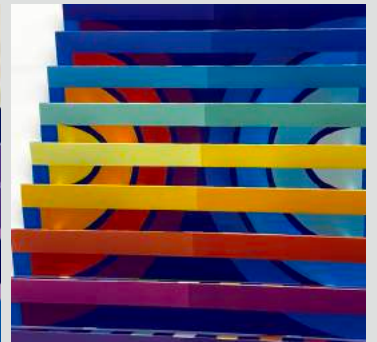
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YAACOV AGAM, a famous Israeli artist, has not one but two amazing pieces here at Temple Beth El. In 1991, Agam visited Temple Beth El for the installation of his "Tents of Jacob" sculpture with the Star of David base, which is made of steel and greets visitors by the sanctuary entrance. Then again in 2007 Agam returned to Temple Beth El for an exhibition program. While here, Agam donated and dedicated this special piece "to the members of Temple Beth El." This special kinetic, experiential piece, hangs on the wall behind the front desk of our main entrance.



2007 AGAM KINETIC
EXPERIENTIAL PIECE



AGAM DOING A DEMONSTRATION AT TBE



AGAM IN FRONT OF THE "TENT OF JACOB" 1991 SCULPTURE INSTALLATION AT TBE