





# PRESIDENT'S *Message*

rochelle NELSON, *President*

Recently, I was taking advantage of a warm Michigan spring day. It was a Sunday; the sky was blue with just a few wispy clouds. The temperature was in the upper 70's. I was sitting in my favorite chair on my patio, with my beloved cup of coffee, the Sunday edition of the New York Times and a favorite magazine. I was admiring my purple lilac trees that were in full bloom. Every once in a while I would glance at the weeds in my flower beds, quickly pushing back the urge to pull any of them, knowing that I couldn't stop at just one! My favorite Sirius station was playing on my iphone. I just felt relaxed.

That was until I opened the newspaper and quickly came back to reality. Covid numbers were increasing in Michigan. Vaccinations rates which were increasing were now slowing down. The advertisements in the magazine showed models wearing blinged-out face masks. Should you dine-in at restaurants, or just continue to carry-out to help support your favorite places? Students have returned to in-person classes, but the classrooms have changed. Parents have to make sure their children have their homework with them, their lunches and now their masks. This is our new normal.

However, one constant we can depend on is that Temple Beth El is still here. Our clergy and staff are working hard as usual. Our building might not be fully open yet, but we are only a phone call away. Throughout the last fifteen months, Temple has continued to keep us all connected, beginning with that first virtual Shabbat service in the Chapel after the mandatory shut down. Our ECC pivoted to Zoom classes to engage their students, later reopening classes in small groups or "pods." The Temple staff, although all working remotely, began creating ways to engage the members with educational opportunities, entertainment and meaningful worship services. Temple volunteers began making phone calls to congregants to make sure they were doing well and to help with their needs. Temple volunteers and staff delivered High Holiday bags to the whole congregation. Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, while not in person, were celebrated virtually. Hanukkah featured drive-by doughnuts and gift bags, and a virtual celebration with songs and games. The clergy helped us celebrate Passover with a virtual seder. ECC Shabbat was broadcast on Facebook live on Friday mornings. Masa offered virtual and in-person options to accommodate all families. And the list goes on!

Rabbi Miller, our Medical Advisory Panel and Temple members continue to meet to plan our post-Covid reopening. Summer and the warm weather are here and the Temple will continue to safely re-emerge one step at a time. I'm looking forward to our first opportunity for an outdoor Shabbat service. Until then, please stay safe and a big virtual hug to you all.

Warmest regards,

*Rochelle Nelson*





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# Looking to the Past to Learn about Our Future

rabbi mark MILLER

One of my lasting memories of this past year was our annual Glazer Institute in February. At a time when so much had to change due to Covid, it felt especially good to build on a tradition that has been happening every single year at TBE since 1943. I always love this opportunity to connect with our neighbors and focus on what unites us.

Our guest was Rabbi David Ellenson – a brilliant scholar, former President of our Reform seminary (HUC-JIR), and a very important figure in my own life ... he placed his hands on my head and ordained me as a rabbi.

His talk focused on the idea that Judaism (and religion in general) can provide us with tools that impact our daily lives. In other words, religion is not just spirituality or connecting to the Divine. Our tradition possesses functional wisdom that comes from millennia of lived experience – pragmatic insights we can utilize in our quest to be more successful and happy people.

Rabbi Ellenson powerfully reminded us that even though none of us has ever dealt with anything like this pandemic before, and it feels disconcerting and out of control ... We, more broadly, have dealt with this before. In fact, our Jewish experience includes moments incredibly similar to what we are experiencing today.

He presented us with Jewish writings from a 17th century Italian plague, an 18th century outbreak in Prague, a 19th century cholera pandemic, and the 20th century flu epidemic. None exactly the same as Covid ... but more importantly, each a moment in which the Jewish community had to determine how to protect itself, how to sustain its sense of purpose, and how to overcome the suffering.

We are doing the exact same thing today. And aside from the specifics of how to accomplish all this, I take solace in learning from Rabbi Ellenson (and, by the way, from Rabbi Glazer – who founded this Institute during the dark days of WWII) that not only have we emerged from something like this before, but we have used these moments as a springboard to achieve even greater heights as a thriving, holy community.



ANNOUNCING THE 79TH ANNUAL  
RABBI B. BENEDICT & ADA S.  
**GLAZER**  
INSTITUTE ON JUDAISM



“Rabbi Ellenson placed his hands on my head and ordained me as a rabbi.”

2007 AT HUC-JIR IN LOS ANGELES



SCREENSHOTS FROM THIS YEAR'S GLAZER INSTITUTE L-R: MARK AND MANIA GLAZER, RABBI ELLENSON, AND RABBI MARK MILLER









# Deeper Connections

cantor rachel GOTTlieb KALMOWITZ

Every Friday evening, as I sat down in front of my laptop with my Yeti Blue mic and my ring light, the peace of Shabbat welcomed me.

To some, it may seem a strange time to look back at the last year - after all, we are only halfway through 2021, the way we count secular time, and it is not yet High Holy Days, when we celebrate the Jewish New Year. However, since in March we hit the milestone of one year of Covid-19 in Michigan, it makes some logical sense for a retrospective pause. But in fact, it makes even more sense when we consider that this last year has been almost “timeless.” Many of us have had trouble distinguishing one day, week, month from another, as our routines have become more static and homebound. And yet, there were moments that helped us to differentiate - that gave us a way of placing ourselves in time - and here were some of my favorites.

Every Friday evening, as I sat down in front of my laptop with my Yeti Blue mic and my ring light, the peace of Shabbat welcomed me. My sense of the strength of our community boosted my spirits as I felt the presence of so many hundreds of people watching the service, and the presence of the Shabbat bride making my home feel holy. Worth particular mention were our Global Voices Shabbats. With the help of Larry and Mary Epstein, we brought Nefesh Mountain and David Broza to our virtual *bima*, each of whom broadened our sense of what is Jewish music.

The holidays also helped us mark time. The High Holy Days brought a sense of intimacy with the liturgy and among the clergy and the congregants, regardless of

our physical proximity. Our Pesach Seders, Chanukah donut pick-up, and Mamma Mia Purim Spiel added light and connection to our days.

Most importantly, this year deepened the connections between people. I think of our Heart2Heart initiative, more pastoral calls, the intimacy of seeing each other in our homes via Zoom, the intensive time that we spent with our families. Those deeper connections are what will remain beyond the singularity of this year. And those are what will continue to sustain us as individuals and as a community.







**DOV AVERY BRUDNEY BERG**  
JANUARY 21, 2021

Parents:

Rabbi Megan Brudney & Zach Berg

Grandparents: Nancy Brudney,  
Elissa Berg & Yaacov Scholar, the  
late Jeff Brudney Z"L,  
the late Richard Berg Z"L



Dear TBE Community,

We have been so touched by the warm welcome you have given to Dov! We are grateful for the calls, gifts, cards, donations, and many other ways you have shown us your support. We can't wait for you all to meet him in person when it's safe!

Todah rabah,  
Rabbi Megan Brudney and  
Zach Berg

# New ARRIVALS



**LIV ISABELLE MOLLEN**

MARCH 6, 2020

Parents: Alexandra & Ryan Mollen  
Grandparents: Lori & Marc Siegel, Joan & Martin Mollen, Sondra & Peter Stuart  
Great-grandparents: Margie Oberfelder, Joyce Stuart



**SHAI GABRIEL WEDES**

MARCH 8, 2020

Parents: Rachel Rudman & Justin Wedes  
Grandparents: Sandra Posner & Ken Wedes, Ken Rudman, Lori Nugent  
Great-grandparents: Muriel Posner, Rita Rudman



**OAKLEY SAMSON FRIEDMAN**

MARCH 19, 2020

Parents: Samantha & Jeff Friedman  
Grandparents: Karen Kelman & Paul Chaben, Howard Friedman



**ALEXANDRA EDEN PENSLER**

MARCH 31, 2020

Parents: Robert & Rachel Pensler  
Grandparents: Mark & Brenda Pensler, Tom & Risa Burko



**BENJAMIN MARK DIZIK**

APRIL 10, 2020

Parents: Elizabeth & Mark Dizik  
Grandparents: Kathie (z"l) and Paul Dizik (z"l), Dr. Pamela Hartmann, Michael Hartmann



**ASHTON & JONAH RUBY**

MAY 16, 2020

Parents: Marisa & David Ruby  
Grandparents: Barbara Epstein, Richard & Judy Stober, Emily Minns, Rick Ruby  
Great-grandparents: Ruth Stober, Joyce & Ron Rothstein



# 2020-2021



**JACK DYLAN CANVASSER**  
MAY 29, 2020  
Parents: Anne & Jason Canvasser  
Grandparents: Debbie & Eric Canvasser, Susan & Steven Dovitz  
Great-grandparents: Pauline "Peppy" Markman



**TYLER CAMERON WARSH**  
JULY 13, 2020  
Parents: Ava and Matt Warsh  
Grandparents: Janet & Glenn Warsh, Clara & Bob Levy  
Great-grandparents: Bobbie & Larry Warsh, Shirley & Henry Levy



**SOLOMON REITELMAN-GREEN**  
JUNE 6, 2020  
Parents: Deeva Green & Lee Reitelman  
Grandparents: Sandra & Claude Reitelman, Denyse & Don Green  
Great-grandparent: Phyllis Gerber



**PIERCE ASPEN WOLF**  
AUGUST 28, 2020  
Parents: Alana & Evan Wolf  
Grandparents: Marci & Charles Canvasser, Elaine & Mitch Wolf  
Great-grandparents: Natalie Canvasser, Geraldine "Duckie" Margolis



**S. LILLIAN CURNUTTE**  
JUNE 13, 2020  
Parents: Liz and Corey Curnutte  
Grandparents: Gwen and Evan Weiner



**SKYLAR SINCLAIR LOCHBILER**  
SEPTEMBER 2, 2020  
Parents: Dylan & Thomas Lochbiler  
Grandparents: Beverly & Kevin Polasko, Sue & Wendell Arthur Lochbiler III  
Great-grandparents: Jane & Louis Rettig, Kenneth Polasko



**MAYA JOY JACOBS**  
JUNE 17, 2020  
Parents: Monique & Justin Jacobs  
Grandparents: Mindy & Arthur Bricker, Joyce Brouillette & Mark Haralson, Mark Junkunc



**SHOSHANA ELIZABETH ROSS**  
OCTOBER 17, 2020  
Parents: Kelsey and Evan Ross  
Grandparents: Janice Ross, Linda & Tim Carroll  
Great-grandparents: Audrey Rose, Jean Lowe



**SHAYE TALIA KERWIN**  
JULY 2, 2020  
Parents: Kim & Lenny Kerwin  
Grandparents: Cheryl & Ron Kerwin, Bev & Bob Dovitz



**PARKER IZAAK POSNER**  
NOVEMBER 11, 2020  
Parents: Allison & Jeremy Posner  
Grandparents: Gail & Ken Posner, Cindy & Jim Proffitt  
Great-grandparents: Muriel Posner, Eleanor Ruzic, Rose Proffitt



**GOLDIE ANNA VANDERKOOI**  
JULY 4, 2020  
Parents: Alissa & Steve VanderKooi  
Grandparents: Linda Pestka, Elliot Rogers, Karen & Darrell VanderKooi  
Great grandparents: Marilyn Blackmer



**WILLIAM DAVID MINKIN**  
DECEMBER 7, 2020  
Parents: Sara & Michael Minkin  
Grandparents: Ellen & Jerry Minkin, Deb Anderson



# New ARRIVALS



**MILES JONAS FRANKLIN**

DECEMBER 25, 2020

Parents: Janie & Max Franklin

Grandparents: Vieng & Kheng Sre,

Laurence & Kathy Franklin

Great-grandparents:

Neang Chea



**DUSTIN GABRIEL KLEIN**

MARCH 4, 2021

Parents: Jaclyn & Daniel Klein

Grandparents: Ellyn Freedman,

Steven Rosenbaum, Marsha &

Ronald Klein

Great-grandparents: Gail Raminick-

Zisholz, Janet Rosenbaum,

Mollie Bainerman



**LILY EMELINE DEVOL**

JANUARY 5, 2021

Parents: Jill & Jameson DeVol

Grandparents: Coreen &

David Bridges, Charlene &

James DeVol

Great-grandparents: Joy Bridges,

Gloria & Stephen Sobczak



**STELLA MIRIAM WERNER**

MARCH 12, 2021

Parents: Colleen & Jeremy Werner

Grandparents: Tom & Cathy

Shaughnessy, Daniel &

Sherri Werner

Great-grandparents: Susie &

Michael Kent, Doris Werner



**LEO HARRISON SHAPIRO**

JANUARY 4, 2021

Parents: Rebekah &

Jacob Shapiro

Grandparents: Dobi & Gary

Shapiro, Liz & John Walstrum

Great-grandparents: Joanne &

Richard Gittelman



**MARLOW ALAN BEER**

MARCH 27, 2021

Parents: Stephanie & Jacob Beer

Grandparents: Jo-Anne & Terry

Nosan, Penny & Lenny Beer

Great-grandparent: Pet Nosan



**REESE SPENCER WEISMAN**

FEBRUARY 16, 2021

Parents: Jessica & Ethan Weisman

Grandparents: Jane & Richard

Schwartz, Lisa & Gary Weisman



**BROOKS RYAN YELLEN**

MAY 4, 2021

Parents: Lauren & Jordan Yellen

Grandparents: Dr. Ronald & Cheryl

Kerwin, Sheldon Yellen, Iris Yellen

Great-grandparent: Lenore Yellen



**TALI GUNN ROSENFELD  
KYSEL**

FEBRUARY 26, 2021

Parents: Dr. Bryn Rosenfeld &

Ian Kysel

Grandparents: Dr. Raymond

Rosenfeld & Janelle McCammon,

Kristine & Paul Kysel



**SLOANE ORLI SADOFF**

MAY 18, 2021

Parents: Scott & Rachel Sadoff

Grandparents: Dr. Leonard &

Cookie Lachover, Ed & Beth Sadoff



**LANDON ABRAM SHAIN**

MARCH 1, 2021

Parents: Josh & Andrea Shain

Grandparents: Mark & Larissa

Shain, Allan & Donna Shock

Great-grandparents: Elvira Rachlis,

Tom & Judy Van Hollenbeck



**DONALD EZRA STOTLAND**

MAY 18, 2021

Parents: Alex & Lilly Stotland

Grandparents: Donald (z"l) &

Marjory (Winkelman) Epstein,

Mark & Ida Stotland

Great-grandparents: Eugene

& Elsie Epstein (z"l), Stanley &

Margaret (Peggy) Winkelman (z"l),

Joseph & Roslyn Stotland (z"l),

Joseph & Genya Kozak (z"l)



# An Online Community

We have found creative ways to find community and learn together, grieve together, and celebrate together.

**laura WILLIAMS**

*Director of Cultural Resources*



Who knew that a spur-of-the-moment idea to talk about something from the archives on Facebook Live would turn into the weekly *Out of the Box* program (that is still going!). For over a year now, I hop on Facebook each week to chat about a new discovery, archival mystery, or an historical Jewish Detroit figure.

These videos then get shared and the comment section becomes its own place to add memories and make connections. One time, I spoke about a mystery store front picture from the archives and the journey of figuring out where it was, what it was, and who owned it. Turns out, their descendant happened to click and watch *Out of the Box* that day. We connected offline and they helped me to fill in other blanks about the family history and legacy.

Speaking of legacy...this year is one for the history books. With that in mind, I teamed up with archivist Robbie Terman, from the Leonard N. Simons Jewish Community Archives at Federation, to ensure that our histories from this monumental year are part of that story. The COVID-19 Archives Collection project seeks to ensure the memories — from photographs of celebrations to a journal entry of your day and even the reflections of painful moments — are preserved and made accessible for future generations. Please visit <https://jewishdetroit.org/covid19-collections/> to contribute to this collection.

From archives mysteries, to reading stories virtually to Masa students, to gathering for fun Make & Takes on Zoom, and even looking ahead and preserving our memories of today — this year has been anything but ordinary. But we have found creative ways to find community and learn together, grieve together, and celebrate together. And on a personal note, 2020 was extra memorable because I got married!



# Staying Connected



rachel RUDMAN  
*Associate Director*

Not being able to be together in-person gave us the opportunity to think of creative ways to stay connected to one another. Early in the pandemic, our Board and staff called every member family to check in. When we switched to virtual services, some seniors borrowed iPads from Temple and others took advantage of technical support offered during virtual programs. As vaccines became available for seniors, our Caring Community made phone calls to hundreds of our oldest members to see if they needed help making an appointment. Temple volunteers helped seniors get appointments, provided rides to appointments

when needed, and followed up with seniors after their vaccinations.

We also found ways to stay connected during holidays. Before Rosh Hashanah last year, more than 70 members volunteered to take part in our High Holiday gift bag delivery project. Volunteers packed gift bags, hand-delivered a gift bag to each member family, and picked up food item donations for Yad Ezra. We collected more donations for Yad Ezra last year than any year in Temple's past. For Hanukkah, hundreds of members came to Temple for a drive-by featuring fresh doughnuts and Hanukkah gift

bags. We also collected gifts for Judson Center and nearly 80 families bought presents for children in need. For Purim, volunteers handwrote notes to all member households, and for Passover, TBE teens wrote notes to seniors.

Throughout all of this, our Caring Community regularly wrote notes to those who were sick or injured, made phone calls to homebound members, and delivered baskets to families with new babies. We've learned so much about staying connected and being there for one another, even when we couldn't be there in-person.



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Not even a pandemic could keep our active affiliate groups from engaging with one another and Temple!

Here are some highlights from **Sisterhood**, **Brotherhood**, and the **Beth Elders** from the past year:

- Sisterhood and Brotherhood hosted monthly virtual cooking demonstrations with TBE caterer Paul Wertz
- Brotherhood played in the inter-congregational softball league last summer and currently
- Sisterhood hosted virtual Music Bingo twice, complete with prizes
- Drive-in day! Beth Elders enjoyed a drive-in deli lunch and performance by Avy Schreiber on the big screen, Sisterhood screened the film RBG, and Brotherhood sponsored We are the Titans for families.
- Sisterhood presented a virtual cheese and chocolate tasting with Zach Berg of Mongers' Provisions
- Sisterhood hosted a virtual Nosh and Knowledge with Laura Williams on "The Women that Built our Community" with boxed lunches by Paul Wertz

Brotherhood, Sisterhood, and the Beth Elders also graciously continued their financial support of Temple and Temple programs. All groups supported the Annual Appeal, Brotherhood and Sisterhood provided funds for gifts for confirmands and graduates, and Brotherhood sponsored Hanukkah gifts for college students and offered a Covid Relief Fund to assist member families during the pandemic. Thank you to our active affiliates for all you do for Temple!

# A Year of Learning and Growth



debbie MOROSOHK

*Director of Education*

From Masa (Religious School) to Adult Education, everything in our Education Department was different in this year of the pandemic. But at the same time, everything was still the same. Our goals, as always, were to offer learning experiences that matter, and help learners engage and feel connected to their Temple community. For many of us these goals felt even more critical as we navigated the challenges of this past year.

Masa offered online options all year as well as in-person outdoor programming in the fall and spring. Some students signed on and shared their ideas either out loud or in the chat. Others showed up for community service projects and experiential holiday workshops and enjoyed being together in the great outdoors. Teachers learned how to teach on zoom or with papers blowing in the wind, but one way or another every Masa student K-12 had choices of how they could stay engaged with Jewish learning at Temple.

Our Adult Education offerings multiplied and attendance grew as virtual options made learning more accessible. Shabbat morning Torah Study, Coffee Klatch, Out of the Box, and Hyped for Halachah were some of the programs that many of you tuned into regularly. Some committed to classes with registration required such as the Adult B'nai Mitzvah class, Chai Mitzvah Mussar, or Introduction to Judaism.

However you connect, I hope you all feel as I do, that 5781 has been a year of learning and growth for each of us as individuals, and for all of us collectively as a Temple community. As always, looking forward to continuing the journey with you all.





## Our Resilient Children

forest LEVY WOLFE

*Director of Early Childhood Center*

The children of TBE's ECC had an amazing year! Loving teachers greeted them every day, and even though families could not be in the building, we used our newly found tech skills to welcome parents in.

This year, we saw how especially vital our school community is and I have never been more proud to be an educator. Directing our ECC has been a community effort. Our teachers, administrator, leadership team and clergy made every effort to strengthen our program within our new reality. Thanks to Alecia Rice, chair of our policy committee for her ongoing support. Nicole Van House and Erin Simmerman, our PTO Chairs, were there for us throughout the year; a highlight was when they orchestrated the most amazing staff appreciation week we have ever had.

Our classrooms have been filled with Jewish education, literacy, number sense, social and emotional development, and most importantly it was done safely. And while we were creating community for our families who were here, we made every effort to stay connected with families and teachers who were not, and we are looking forward to welcoming many of them back to camp this summer and to school again next fall. While there were many challenges to face this year, my first year as your ECC Director was filled with lots of success as measured by the smiling faces in our hallways. Our resilient children are an inspiration and give us all the energy to keep working to maintain and grow our amazing school.



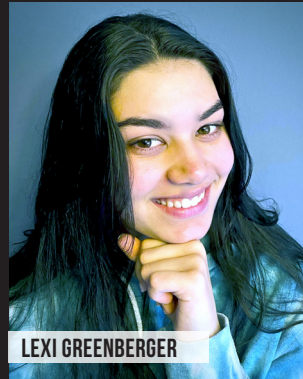
# MAZEL TOV to our ... MASA GRADUATES



**RYAN CHEKAN**



**ANDREW FRENKEL**



**LEXI GREENBERGER**



**HANNAH KAPLAN**



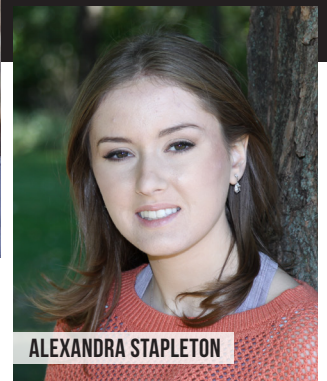
**ABIGAIL SCAVONE**



**LUCY SHER**



**TOM SHERMAN**



**ALEXANDRA STAPLETON**

## Class of 2020/5780

### RYAN CHEKAN

*Graduated from Seaholm High School*

My favorite TBE memory was the Indianapolis Lawson Trip – the one when our whole grade went together and we all became very close following the trip. My current life goal is to graduate college with my double major in chemical engineering and physics and be a successful engineer.

### ANDREW FRENKEL

*Graduated from Groves High School*

My favorite TBE memory was the Purim Carnival when I got to pie someone in the face. My current life goal is to graduate from college.

### LEXI GREENBERGER

*Graduated from Seaholm High School*

My favorite TBE memory was Joey Unger letting us shave his head and he livestreamed it to raise money for tzedakah. My current life goal is to become an environmental lawyer.

### HANNAH KAPLAN

*Graduated from Farmington High School*

My favorite TBE memory was the first time I came back to Temple after being away for a long time. Many things had changed but I still got the same good feeling I got each time I knew it would be a good day at Temple.

### ABIGAIL SCAVONE

*Graduated from Seaholm High School*

My favorite TBE memory was during the BETY lock-in two years ago we ordered Taco Bel at 3:00 am because our elections took 4 hours. My current life goal is to become a doctor.

### LUCY SHER

*Graduated from Seaholm High School*

My favorite TBE memory was my friends and I would carpool to Wednesday School and when we came early we would hide under our teacher's desk and hope we wouldn't be found so we wouldn't have to start the lesson. My current life goal is to become a child psychiatrist.

### TOM SHERMAN

*Graduated from Bloomfield Hills High School*

My favorite TBE memory was I loved being a madrich at Masa – it was fun working with 4th graders. My current life goal is to go to the University of Michigan and become an engineer.

### ALEXANDRA STAPLETON

*Graduated from West Bloomfield High School*

My favorite TBE memory was I loved going to the Purim Carnival. My favorite part was playing games, seeing the fish, and going to the prize room. My current life goal is to go to Michigan State University – Lyman Briggs. I want to become a surgeon.



“May God answer you in  
time of trouble...  
May God grant you your  
desire..  
and fulfill your every plan.  
May we shout for joy in  
your victory,  
arrayed by standards in  
the name of our God.  
May God fulfill your  
every wish.”

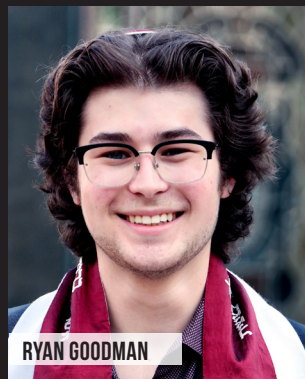
(Psalm 20)



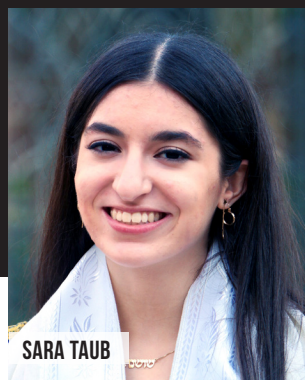
CAMIE BROWN



ELLA TAUB



RYAN GOODMAN



SARA TAUB



JACKSON HARRIS

## Class of 2021/5781

### CAMIE BROWN

#### *Graduating from Bloomfield Hills High School*

My favorite Temple memories are from Monday Night School. We always had the best time catching up with one another, laughing about our week, eating yummy food, learning, and playing games. A favorite Monday Night School memory was making Hanukah menorahs out of pvc pipes. In many small groups we had the opportunity to have fun and be creative while being competitive. My life goal is to become an orthodontist and raise a family that I can pass my Jewish traditions down to.

### RYAN GOODMAN

#### *Graduating from Groves High School*

My favorite TBE memory is a BETY Lock In. We spent the first few hours voting on a new board. After hours of seemingly never-ending voting, we finally finished and began the fun. It was already near 1 am, but we stayed up watching movies, playing games, and just hanging out. My life goal is to start my own business.

### JACKSON HARRIS

#### *Graduating from Frankel Jewish Academy*

My most meaningful memory at Temple Beth El was being picked up after Sunday School by my dad and together walking to the pictures of all of the graduates on the walls. As a fourth generation Temple Beth El member, it has always been very important to me that I will join the legacy of Temple Beth El graduates just as my

family members did before me. Within my life, I hope to continue to learn about others' backgrounds and continue to be an activist for individuals who are diverse, unique, and special. This value of advocating for the equity and equality of others is something that has been reinforced by my Jewish education at Temple Beth El and Frankel Jewish Academy.

### ELLA TAUB

#### *Graduating from Seaholm High School*

My favorite memory from Temple was setting up the Purim Carnival. I always loved going to the Carnival each year when I was younger, and once I was older, I enjoyed making the Carnival fun for the younger members. My life goal is to graduate from the University of Michigan and become a successful engineer.

### SARA TAUB

#### *Graduating from Seaholm High School*

Favorite TBE memory is getting to see my Temple friends each week and the quality time I got to spend with my Temple friends at Monday Night School, during BETY events, and on our trips. My life goal is to receive my degree from the University of Michigan.



# MAZEL TOV to our ... ECC GRADUATES

## Class of 2020/5780

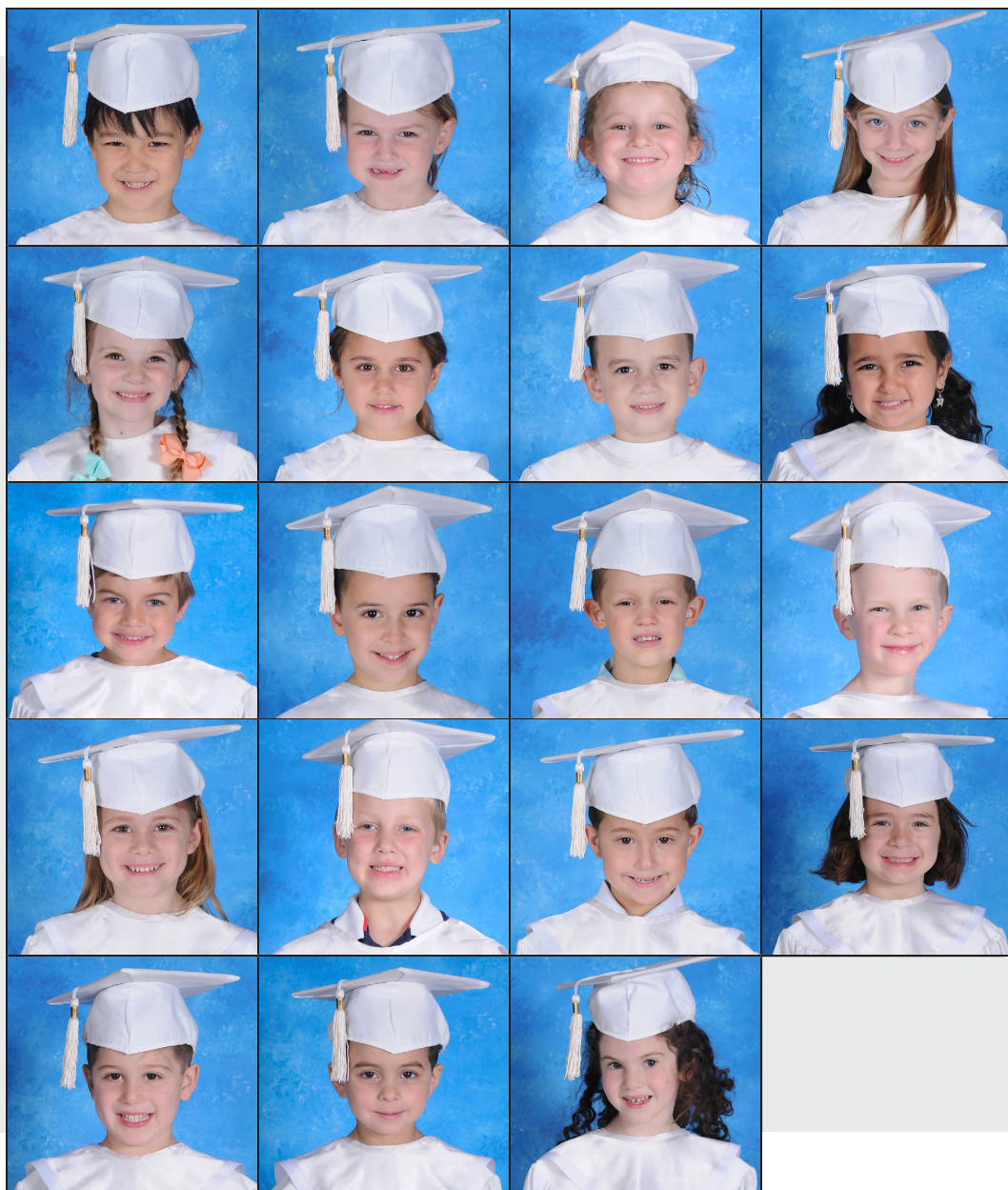
Vince Baratta  
Josephine (Joey) Block  
Judah Brown  
Leo Cetner  
Isaac Hirsch  
Ariana Howard  
Ruthie Jeffries  
Ella Kerwin  
Robert Kief  
Whitney Marguiles  
Maya Mazur  
Brynn Meyers  
Beckett Mindell  
Slade Rogers  
Rosie Barnett  
Jonah Canvasser  
Vivien Drouillard  
Samarah Herkowitz  
Joey Ishbia  
Emily Kelman  
Madison Levine  
Roen Lewis  
Maya Pensler  
Dylan Unatin  
Grayson Vieder  
Nathan Wagner  
Elliana Fillmore  
Cody Wolf-Molnar  
Tess Wizenberg

### PRE-K TEACHERS:

Jill Gun  
Alana Gun  
Linda Blumberg  
Sara Smith  
Megan McBride  
Sam Jahr  
Harry Smith







## Class of 2021/5781

Spencer Barr  
 Oliver Berk  
 Ryder Bortman  
 Max Ditkoff  
 Ezra Klar  
 Aria Raznick  
 Asher Schwartz  
 Isaiah Weisberg  
 Whitney Weisberg  
 Everly Wertheimer  
 Alison Budisak  
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 Chloe Leibhan  
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## june

- 2 4:00 PM**  
Weekly Wednesdays:  
Out of the Box
- 4 9:30 AM**  
ECC Graduation
- 7:00 PM**  
In Person Summer Kickoff  
Music Shabbat
- 5 10:30 AM**  
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish
- NOON**  
Bat Mitzvah of Payton Renusch
- 6 10:30 AM**  
Sunday Morning Minyan
- 9 4:00 PM**  
Weekly Wednesdays:  
Hyped for Halacha
- 10 7:00 PM**  
Annual Meeting
- 11 7:00 PM**  
Outdoor Summer Shabbat
- 12 10:30 AM**  
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish
- NOON**  
Bat Mitzvah of Sophia Good
- 5:00 PM**  
Bar Mitzvah of Ari Sklar
- 13 10:30 AM**  
Sunday Morning Minyan
- 16 4:00 PM**  
Weekly Wednesdays:  
Cantor on Her Couch
- 17 7:00 PM**  
Bereavement Support Group
- 7:00 PM**  
Mary Einstein Shapero Memorial  
Lecture with Noam Sienna
- 18 7:00 PM**  
Summer Shabbat Service
- 19 10:30 AM**  
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish
- 20 10:30 AM**  
Sunday Morning Minyan
- 23 4:00 PM**  
Weekly Wednesdays:  
Jews of the World
- 25 7:00 PM**  
Outdoor Summer Shabbat
- 26 9:30 AM**  
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish
- 11:00 AM**  
Adult B'not Mitzvah Service
- 27 10:30 AM**  
Sunday Morning Minyan
- 28 NOON**  
Bites & Books: *Becoming Eve*
- 28 4:00 PM**  
Knitting, Crafts and Laughs
- 30 4:00 PM**  
Weekly Wednesdays:  
Hyped for Halacha

## july

- 2 7:00 PM**  
Outdoor Summer Shabbat
- 3 10:30 AM**  
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish
- 4 10:30 AM**  
Sunday Morning Minyan
- 5 OFFICES CLOSED**
- 7 4:00 PM**  
Weekly Wednesdays:  
Out of the Box
- 9 7:00 PM**  
Outdoor Summer Shabbat
- 10 10:30 AM**  
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish
- 11 10:30 AM**  
Sunday Morning Minyan
- 14 4:00 PM**  
Weekly Wednesdays:  
Jews of the World
- 15 7:00 PM**  
Bereavement Support Group
- 16 7:00 PM**  
Outdoor Summer Shabbat
- 17 10:30 AM**  
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish
- 18 10:30 AM**  
Sunday Morning Minyan
- 21 4:00 PM**  
Weekly Wednesdays:  
Cantor on her Couch
- 23 7:00 PM**  
Outdoor Summer Shabbat
- 24 10:30 AM**  
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish
- 25 10:30 AM**  
Sunday Morning Minyan
- 26 4:00 PM**  
Knitting, Crafts and Laughs
- 28 4:00 PM**  
Weekly Wednesdays:  
Hyped for Halacha
- 29 NOON**  
Bites and Books: *The Lost Shtetl*
- 30 7:00 PM**  
Outdoor Summer Shabbat
- 31 10:30 AM**  
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish

## august

- 1 10:30 AM**  
Sunday Morning Minyan
- 4 4:00 PM**  
Weekly Wednesdays:  
Out of the Box Elul Edition
- 5 6:30 PM**  
Elul Make and Take
- 6 7:00 PM**  
Outdoor Summer Shabbat

- 7 10:00 AM**  
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish
- 8 10:30 AM**  
Sunday Morning Minyan
- 11 4:00 PM**  
Weekly Wednesdays:  
Cantor on her Couch Elul Edition
- 13 7:00 PM**  
Outdoor Summer Shabbat
- 14 10:00 AM**  
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish
- 15 10:30 AM**  
Sunday Morning Minyan
- 1:00 PM**  
Barks and Biscuits
- 18 4:00 PM**  
Weekly Wednesdays:  
Special Elul Program
- 19 7:00 PM**  
Bereavement Support Group
- 20 7:00 PM**  
Outdoor Summer Shabbat
- 21 10:00 AM**  
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish
- 11:00 AM**  
Bat Mitzvah of Adeline Sherman
- 5:00 PM**  
Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Ostheimer
- 22 10:30 AM**  
Sunday Morning Minyan
- 25 4:00 PM**  
Weekly Wednesdays:  
Hyped for Halacha Elul Edition
- 26 NOON**  
Bites & Books: *What We Will  
Become: A Mother, a Son, and a  
Journey of Transformation*
- 27 7:00 PM**  
Global Voices Summer Shabbat  
with scholar-in-residence  
Galeet Dardashti
- 28 10:00 AM**  
Torah Study/Mourner's Kaddish
- 11:00 AM**  
Bat Mitzvah of Rachel Khankin
- 1:00 PM**  
Nosh & Knowledge with scholar  
in-residence Galeet Dardashti
- 7:00 PM**  
Monajat - a Global Voices S'lichot  
experience with scholar-in-  
residence Galeet Dardashti  
followed by a short S'lichot service  
led by our clergy
- 29 10:30 AM**  
Sunday Morning Minyan



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## Bat Mitzvah of Payton Renusch

JUNE 5, 2021 - NOON

As a 6<sup>th</sup> generation member, Payton is so proud to be able to celebrate her special day at Temple Beth El. Payton is a 7th grader at Bloomfield Hills Middle School, and she loves the performing arts. She's a member of the BHMS Forensics Team, Studio A dance team and Temple youth choir. She also loves to write, do gymnastics and watch musicals. Her adoring parents are Pamela and Paul Renusch. Her proud brother is Connor. Her loving grandparents are James and the late Bonnie Michelson, and Josephine and the late Clarence Renusch.



## Bat Mitzvah of Sophia Madeline Good

JUNE 12, 2021 - NOON

Sophia is a 7th grader who has a passion for theater and music - she loves to perform! She is also a super star sibling, helping her sister with school work and changing diapers without being asked! Sophie is the daughter of Shira and William and sister to Eloise and Theodore. Grandparents Marsha and Mark Goldsmith Kamin, Sam and Patricia Stoorman, and Debbie and Don Good are so very proud of Sophie!



## Bar Mitzvah of Ari Jonathan Sklar

JUNE 12, 2021 - 5:00 PM

Ari is an 8th grader at Norup International School where he is a captain of the boys' tennis team and serves on Student Council. He has a passion for creative writing and is currently working on his first novel. He plays violin in the Berkley High School Symphony Orchestra and in the Detroit Metropolitan Youth Symphony's String Orchestra. Ari has been a member of Temple Beth El's Youth Choir for 6 years. For his Mitzvah Project, he tutored younger students at Norup. Ari is the son of Michael Sklar and Elizabeth Rowin, the brother of Noah, and the grandson of Judith Sklar, the late Dr. Nelson Sklar, and the late Gerald and Helen Rowin.



## june BIRTHDAYS

**JUNE 1**

Elle Beznos  
Noa Brown  
Sophia Good  
Evan Leibhan  
Wyatt Levin  
Kate Matlen-Remer  
Brett Turner

**JUNE 2**

Louis Bradfield  
Spencer Levin  
Carolyn Nosanchuk  
Barbara Schiff  
Lauren Suna  
Joyce Welford

**JUNE 3**

Miriam Cohen  
Samantha  
Goldsmith  
Marcia Lewis  
Beth Michelson  
Jeffrey Miro  
Laura Mucha  
Judith Nussbaum  
Oliver Siegel

**JUNE 4**

John Cohen  
Michaela Kolchinsky  
Michael Minkin  
Jill Syme  
Jay Victor

**JUNE 5**

Asher Adelson  
Kate Burkett  
Morgan Goodman  
Rebecca Lynch  
Ralph Nunez  
Payton Renusch

**JUNE 6**

Lawrence Freedman  
Suzanne Gilson  
Jeffrey Goldsmith  
Aaron Goldstein  
Jack Gross  
Lindsay Levin  
Larry Maloff  
Rabbi Mark Miller  
Sharon Resnick  
Elise Stotland  
Sheldon Toll

**JUNE 7**

Neil Simmerman  
Baker Urdan

**JUNE 8**

Jason Ball  
Ashley Krause  
Riley Raznick  
Eleanore Rose  
Scott Seligman

**JUNE 9**

Maxine Ben-Yuri  
Jan Freedman  
Gary Goodman  
Jane Schwartz  
Ned Specktor  
Wendi Zupmore

**JUNE 10**

Stephanie Belkin  
Ronda Reibschied  
Jessica Unatin  
John Weber

**JUNE 11**

Cheri Bielfield  
David Bloom  
Sharon Green  
Matthew Gutman  
Laurence Imerman  
Aiden Kaplan  
Evan Sachs

**JUNE 12**

Sophia Bobrow  
Robyn Coden  
Harriet Cooperman  
Marjory Epstein  
Joanee Hurwitz  
Hilary Kotik

**JUNE 13**

S. Lillian Curnutte  
Ilana Fisher  
Jonah Lipman  
Katherine Scher  
Sydney Stibor  
Breanne Turner

**JUNE 14**

Bentley Blum  
Marcy Grant  
Jane Gross  
Abraham Miller

**JUNE 15**

Hannah Bassirpour  
Elaine Brockman  
Marcia Klein  
Kelly Kling-Selander  
Jody Webb  
Holly Weissman

**JUNE 16**

Michael Bassirpour  
Otto Dube  
Ethan Kalt  
Glenn Rosin  
David Rubinstein  
Amy Silverstein

**JUNE 17**

Wesley Beebe  
Edwina Davis  
Maya Jacobs  
Melissa Lafer  
Lynn Newman  
Denise Rosinski

**JUNE 18**

Shay Gunsberg  
Laurie Michelson  
Rachel Ann Miller  
Daniel Reibschied  
Pamela Renusch  
Arnold Weingarden

**JUNE 19**

Sigrid Ainhorn  
Erica Brown  
Bianca Feldman  
Rachel Graff  
Marc Greenberger  
Matthew Kessler  
Heidi Kreindler  
Jaden Rockind  
Madeline Wein

**JUNE 20**

Jillian Byer  
Madison Salzenstein  
Sam Shamie  
Walter Shapero  
Ruby Wertheimer

**JUNE 21**

James Colman  
Eve Lewis  
Jeff Margulies  
Earl Remer

**JUNE 22**

Joseph Berke  
James Grosfeld  
Jacob Tompkins

**JUNE 23**

Emerson Beckett  
Estelle Egrin  
Alan Toby  
Andrew Weitz  
Mark Zacks

**JUNE 24**

Natalie Chaiken  
Marshall Cyrlin  
Norman Fill  
Michael Freedman  
Adam Kutinsky  
Jackson Paige  
Ava Taylor  
Lauren Yellen

**JUNE 25**

Preston Blum  
Jaye Coden  
Stuart Kayne  
David Richardson

**JUNE 26**

Donald Klein  
Jo-Ann MacWilliams-  
Wolf  
Elaine Schonberger  
Veronica Wolfe

**JUNE 27**

Jeffrey Canvasser  
Richard Goren  
Leo Hollander  
Samantha Jahr  
Ronald Kerwin  
David London  
Carol Park  
Alysa Saperstein  
Hanna Sorser

**JUNE 28**

Henry Abrams  
George Cetner  
Ethan Fink  
Isabella Greenberg  
Sam Hirsch  
Angie Kutinsky  
Ellie Leach  
Debbe Saperstein  
Robert Verman  
Eric Wolfe

**JUNE 29**

Jason Cardew  
Joanna Geer  
Daniel Lebedinski  
James Marks  
Shelley Roberts  
Lolita Weitz  
Simone Weitz

**JUNE 30**

Susan Abrams  
Robert Blau  
Susan Borman  
Sylvia Lee  
Barry Pearlman  
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## june ANNIVERSARIES

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James Selander  
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**JUNE 6**

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**JUNE 9**

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**JUNE 10**

Mary & David Miller

**JUNE 12**

Pauline & Daniel  
Feldman  
Norma & Nelson Pont  
Lois & Harold Stein

**JUNE 13**

Libby & Andrew Beider

**JUNE 14**

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Freedman  
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Helen & Kenneth Stone

**JUNE 15**

Marjorie & William  
Sandy

**JUNE 16**

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Bachman  
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Gurwin

**JUNE 17**

Mildred & Frederick  
Minkow  
Aly & Jeremy Sasson  
Katherine & Eric Scher

**JUNE 18**

Lisa Scholnick Feinbloom  
& David Feinbloom

**JUNE 19**

Pamela & David  
Gourwitz  
Emily & Peter Levin  
Fran & Steven Menken

**JUNE 20**

Christine & David  
Colman  
Laura & Graham  
Eddleston  
Lana & Michael  
Lembersky

**JUNE 21**

Amy & Joseph Berke  
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**JUNE 22**

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Israel  
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**JUNE 23**

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18	9	13
25	16	20
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