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REALITY BITES a 90's
PURIM SPIEL *pg. 5*

TRANSITIONS at TEMPLE Executive Director



As of February 1, 2022, our new Executive Director is **Rachel Grey Ellis**. Her primary task over the next several months will be getting to know our diverse and wonderful congregation! Many of you probably already know Rachel – not only is she a lifelong Detroitter who grew up in a family that was always active in the Jewish community, but she spent the last six years as Senior Regional Director for BBYO. And once you have a chance to meet her, you will find her boundless energy and enthusiasm to be a great match for TBE.

Beyond her role with our membership, Rachel will be deeply involved in everything from supervising our maintenance and security teams, managing Temple administration, overseeing operations at our Beth El Memorial Park (please see article about changes at the cemetery on page 14-15), helping to grow our Temple as a hub for community events, and working closely with our Board, clergy, and staff in order to fulfill our highest hopes as a congregation.

Whether you have a story to share, a question to ask, a concern to express, or simply a moment to chat ... please feel free to email Rachel at rellis@tbeonline.org or call her at Temple, 248.851.1100.

We are blessed with a dynamic and talented staff at TBE, who work incredibly hard on behalf of our congregation and the Jewish people. And we take great pride as our staff continues to evolve,

RABBI MARK MILLER



NEW LEADERSHIP at IADS



Rachel Rudman has been a central part of our staff for more than seven years. While we are incredibly sad to see her go, we are thrilled that she has just started as the new Executive Director at the Isaac Agree Downtown Synagogue! At TBE, we consider ourselves a place for growth amongst our staff and a vital community partner – so it is deeply fulfilling to see her take on this significant role in the Jewish community. The Downtown Synagogue is a wonderful place, and it will be even stronger with Rachel's leadership. We wish her all the best, and look forward to her ongoing presence as a member at TBE (along with Justin and their kids)!

NEW PROGRAM COORDINATOR at TBE



We are delighted to announce the hiring of a new Program Coordinator at Temple! **Sydnie Saltz** started at the end of October, and is providing vital organization and support for all sorts of events. She is also coordinating TBE's social media, and you can already see lots of her work on Facebook, Instagram, and more. She is quickly becoming a valuable part of our team, and we hope you'll make a point of welcoming her to Temple ... here is a short note from Sydnie:

Hello, Temple Beth El! I was raised in West Bloomfield and have been very involved in the Jewish community my whole life. I grew up at Temple Israel and was active in their youth group, YFTI. I have also been proud to work as a special needs shadow in their religious school for the past ten years. In addition, I spent seven wonderful summers at Camp Tamarack, both as a camper and later with various roles leading to supervisor. And I take great pride in my current role as an advisor for the Aliyah BBG chapter of BBYO's Michigan Region. I gained so much from growing up in a strong Jewish community, and am excited to now be working full-time in the field I love. Outside of work, I enjoy spending time with my friends, family, and two dogs (Lolliepop & Bailey), trying new gluten-free foods (thank you, Celiacs), and watching sports and bad reality TV. I'm looking forward to working with you and getting to know you!



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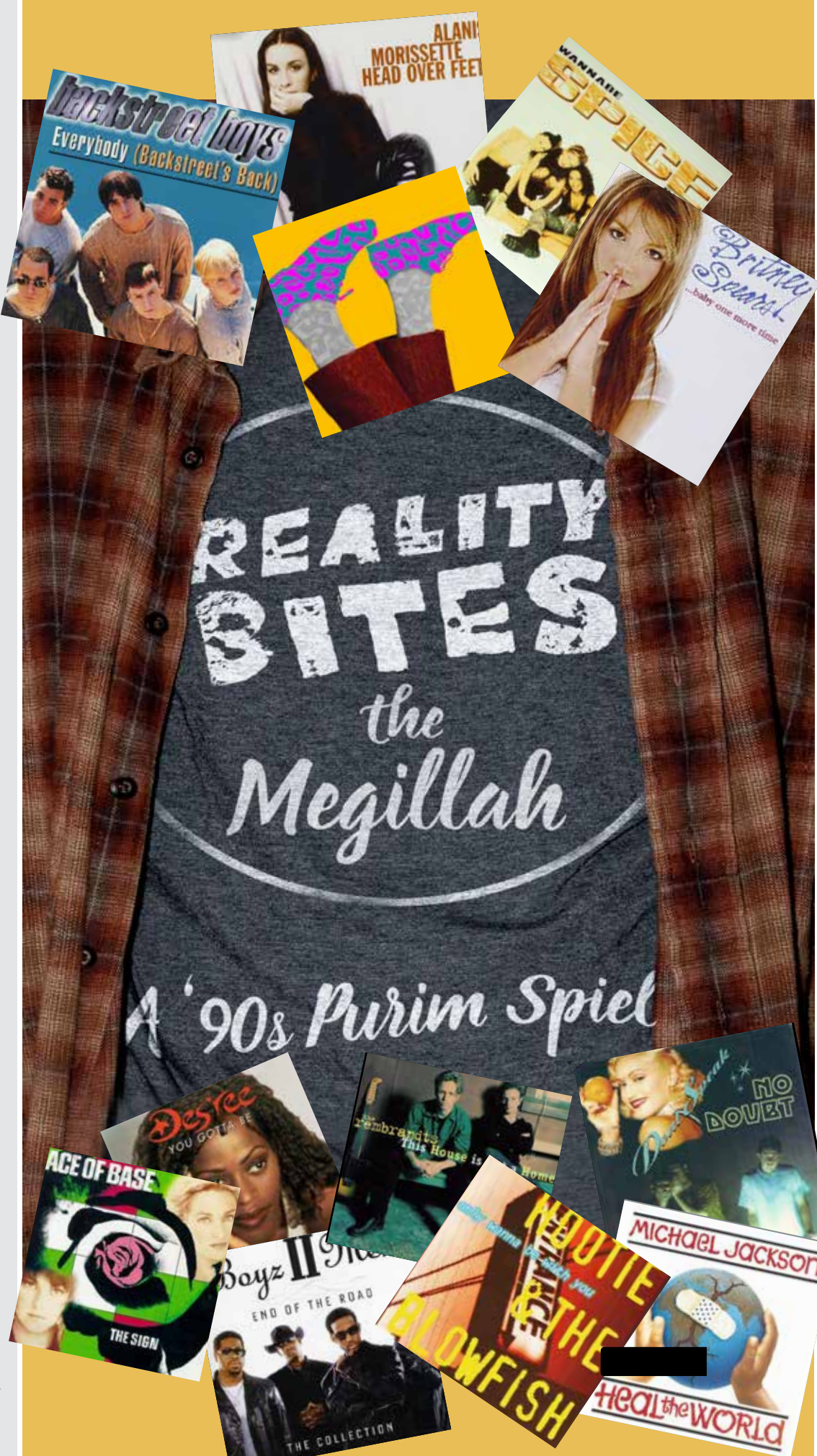
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...the world turned upside down... the world turned upside down...

“Let’s move past languishing, allowing ourselves to flourish once again.”

cantor rachel GOTTLIEB KALMOWITZ

For those of you, like me, for whom musicals provide a soundtrack for life, you will recognize this phrase from Hamilton. For those of you, like me, for whom Judaism provides a scaffolding for life, you will recognize this phrase from the holiday of Purim.

Purim, which happens to fall on my birthday, March 17th, this year, is known as the time when everything is turned upside down. From the Book of Esther, “... the very day on which the enemies of the Jews had expected to get them in their power, the opposite happened [v’nahafoch hu]” (Esther 9:1). Turning everything upside down allows people who typically function in the world as serious adults with responsibilities to act carefree and silly - to dress up as other people, to gamble, and to drink, even to excess (until they cannot distinguish between “cursed be Haman” and “blessed be Mordechai”).

There are other positive examples of turning upside down. When I lived in Israel, I loved to order *cafe hafuch*, upside down coffee, in which the hot milk is poured before adding the espresso, and

then topped with foamed milk, creating a beautiful, layered, and creamy coffee drink. As a former yogi, I will occasionally still do a headstand, as it can function to clear the mind and stimulate the systems of the body.

And yet, during this time of Covid, I sometimes hear that phrase in my head as it functioned in Hamilton, as a dejected cry from the losing side of a war. The soldiers believed that they would prevail, that their lives would go in a certain direction, yet found that they were humbled and exhausted from the fight.

Last week, I read an article by Adam Grant in the New York Times, called “There’s a Name for the Blah You’re Feeling: It’s Called Languishing.” It was originally written in April, but updated December 3, and many parts of it resonated for me. Grant said that many of his colleagues, friends, and family members had reported a recent lack of concentration, motivation, and excitement about life. “It wasn’t burnout — we still had energy. It wasn’t depression — we didn’t feel hopeless. We just felt somewhat joyless and aimless.

It turns out there’s a name for that: languishing. Languishing is a sense of stagnation and emptiness. It feels as if you’re muddling through your days, looking at your life through a foggy windshield. And it might be the dominant emotion of 2021.” This makes sense to me, as it seems like we have all reached a point in the pandemic where we are just tired of it all. We want it to be over, and every time it looks like we may have turned a corner on the path towards normalcy, something happens to pull us unwillingly back. Turning our world upside down, yet again.

But I want to reclaim the phrase, and turn the world upside down again with silliness, costumes, and fun - and I believe that this will all be possible as Purim 2022 approaches. Our Adult Purim Party will be on Saturday, March 19th, with a 90’s theme: Reality Bites the Megillah, and it will feature the music of Backstreet Boys, Alanis Morissette, Britney Spears, and more. Save the date for this and for our Purim programming for all ages, and let’s move past languishing, allowing ourselves to flourish once again.



Access & Collaboration

You may have noticed our expanding partnership between the **Rabbi Leo M. Franklin Archives** and our friends over at the **Leonard N. Simons Jewish Community Archives** of the **Jewish Federation of Metro-Detroit**. From programs like History Happy Hour to our growing social media platform (Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and TikTok), we have been working together under the name Center for Michigan Jewish Heritage. This combined effort allows both archives more opportunities for access and collaboration, creating a larger audience, and more engagement with our collections.



Now, we have added another important platform to this collaborative work - a public, searchable, database. That might not sound as flashy as the other things mentioned, but this will be a first for the Franklin Archives. Never before have we been able to offer researchers and community members access to our collections in this way. The new public access portal for our database, called PastPerfect, will allow people to search and browse our collections online. In previous years, a researcher would have to know about the Franklin Archives, and then contact us for a research request, limiting what they were able to see in the collection. But now, the hundreds of collections are available at the click of a button.

Curious if we have information on a family member of yours? Search it! Curious about a clergy member you remember as a child? Search it! Thinking about an organization you used to be involved in (or are today and want to know the history)? Search it! Between the two archives, there are also over a thousand photographs to browse.

What makes this new platform even more special is that a search will show results from both archives, which means more access! This shared database creates a one-stop-shop for people looking at Michigan Jewish history and stories. For example, if someone wanted to know more about Rabbi Leo M. Franklin himself, and they searched the database, the results will show his incredible work here at Temple as well as the monumental advancements he made for Jewish Detroit through the Federation.

I should mention - digitization is a long process. As of now, we only have a small percentage of our collections digitized. This means that when you search the database you will still find out whether or not a record exists, but you might not be able to see an image of the record itself. But not to worry, send me an email and I will be

laura GOTTLIEB
Director of Cultural Resources

happy to get you more information on the document or photograph! The wonderful archives' volunteers are working hard to help add more digital records to our database.

Speaking of digitization, this project would not have been possible without the generosity of **The Ravitz Foundation**. Together, the Franklin Archives and Simons Archives under the Center for Michigan Jewish Heritage collaboration, received a grant to fund this new digitization initiative. The grant from The Ravitz Foundation allowed us to upgrade our digital platform as well as purchase new technology to aid in the mission to digitize and make accessible more of our collections. We are so thankful to the Ravitz Foundation for this support and grateful to have the opportunity to bring Michigan's Jewish past into the future.

Visit our new online platform at:
mijewishheritage.catalogaccess.com



HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT:

An Afternoon of Architecture, Art, and History

SUNDAY, APRIL 24

In April of 2020, the Franklin Archives and Prentis Memorial Library committees made the tough decision to postpone our event **"Hidden in Plain Sight."** Since then, our group has been anxiously awaiting the moment when we can put this incredible program back on the calendar - and that moment is now!

Hidden in Plain Sight will showcase the features of Beth El we so often pass without realizing their significance or history. On each tour, we will explore these "hidden gems" while also sharing the details behind the architectural design by Minoru Yamasaki. Join us for an enjoyable afternoon and find out what is *Hidden in Plain Sight*.

- Small groups will take docent-led tours
- Special exhibits throughout the building
- Insight and discussion around the unique artifacts, art, and architecture of Temple Beth El

STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS!

For questions, contact Laura Gottlieb at lgottlieb@tbeonline.org

THE STORY of Esther



Like many stories in the Tanach, one can draw many themes from the Book of Esther. It can be read as a tale of antisemitism or bravery or feminism or retribution. It is traditionally read with joy – a spiel in costumes with noise makers and booing. One of my favorite memes explaining the Jewish holidays refers to Purim as "Genocide Remembrance Day 1 (whimsical, silly)" in comparison the recent and solemn "Genocide Remembrance Day 2," better known as Yom Ha'Shoah.

alicia CHANDLER, guest writer

Temple Beth Treasurer, and Cofounder/Columnist for Nu?Detroit

For me, the story of Esther is one of being able to show up as your whole self and being accepted as you truly are. The marriage of Esther and Ahasuerus is far from a modern marriage. But we are told that "The King loved Esther more than all the other women, and she won his grace and favor" and became his queen. But at the time of their marriage, Ahasuerus did not know Esther was Jewish. Mordechai had told Esther to hide her identity from the King, and she complied.

My own family has a complex identity. Our household is both Jewish and Catholic, embracing both my faith and my husband's faith. We weave all our identities – religious, cultural, ethnic – into a tapestry that perfectly represents who we are as a family. But those identities can sometimes be upsetting to those that would rather we fit into a more traditional mold.

There were times in the past that people asked us to pretend to be different than who we are, to make people more comfortable, to comply with expectations that others held for us. We have always been committed to the Jewish faith, but there were moments when we did not know how we would fit into the Jewish community.

For Queen Esther, circumstances required her to reveal her identity as a Jew. To stand up as a representative of her people, she had to declare before the King – her husband – who she really was. In her moment of need, the King did not reject her. Instead, immediately he turned his fury on Haman in defense of his wife – thereby embracing her identity and protecting the Jewish people of Shushan.

Thankfully, for us, there was nothing so dramatic. Seven years ago, we knew we needed a Jewish home that would accept us - with all of our complexity - both for our own spiritual fulfillment, and for our children to be able to experience what it means to be embraced by a warm and inclusive Jewish community. To live as Jews means being part of a community – to learn with, to worship with, to celebrate with, to grieve with. We could teach them the Jewish faith, but we needed to find a home to allow our entire family to live in community.

I reached out to Temple Beth El and declared who we were as a family. And in that moment, our family was welcomed.

Knowing Temple as I do now, this is not surprising. Our leadership, including Rabbis Miller and Brudney and Cantor Rachel, are fully engaged in creating an inclusive, loving Jewish community. We each come to Temple with our identities – our religious identities, our gender identities, our racial identities, our political identities, our sexual orientations. Temple might not always be perfect, but we strive to create a Jewish home for all who come through our door.

Last May, we celebrated the Bar Mitzvah of our eldest. He stood at the bimah of the chapel as respect and affection radiated amongst our family, the clergy, and his teachers. I was overcome by what it meant to be part of this community, to be able to show up in our complexity and be welcomed into this Jewish home.

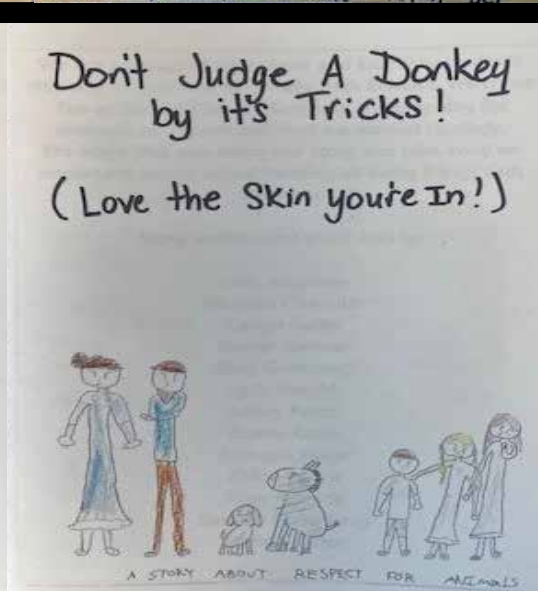
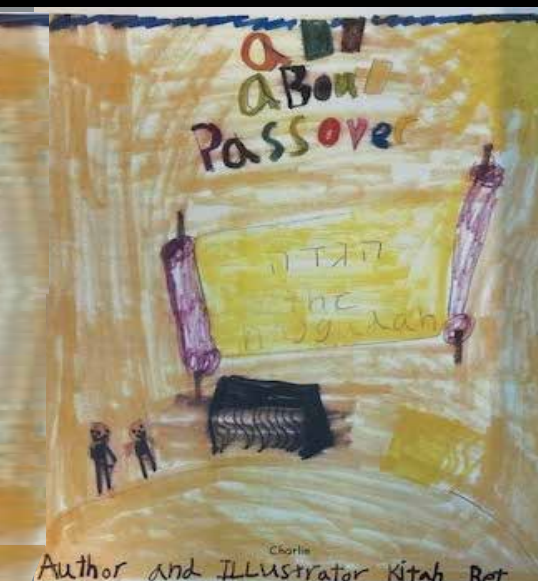
As we celebrate Purim this year and don our costumes, let us remember the joy to live in a community where – while we might playact another identity to celebrate the holiday – we are allowed to be who we are for the other 353 days of the Jewish calendar.



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Journeys Through Project Based LEARNING

debbie MOROSOHK
Director of Education



Several years ago, we took part in an evaluation and planning process for education programs facilitated by the URJ (Union for Reform Judaism). It was a Community of Practice which included our Education Committee along with similar groups from other Reform Congregations. As a result of that year-long process, we created a **mission statement** and made several changes to our programming.

The most public change was that we renamed our program; we now call it **Masa** (journey) instead of Religious School. We also adjusted how we organize our Family Programs, and we introduced something called **Project Based Learning**.

Project Based Learning (PBL) is an approach in which students engage in meaningful projects in order to learn. Instead of learning about a subject and then doing a culminating project at the end, the learning happens through the process of creating the project. We have been doing PBL units in 4th and 5th grades for three years now. These students have written and illustrated children's books, filmed commercials for tzedakah organizations, created news shows about Biblical events, and more.

Recently, we have started using more principles of PBL in other areas as well. Our 6th graders create lessons on Bible stories to teach to the younger classes, 2nd graders create and

publish their own Passover Haggadah, and this year our high school students filmed oral histories that will become part of our **Rabbi Leo M. Franklin Archives**.

One outcome of teaching with PBL is that the students learn with less breadth but more depth. We don't cover as many topics, but for the topics we do cover, the students do a deep dive, spending more time researching and exploring in order to create a quality product, and as a result, have a more engaging learning experience.

This is our Masa Mission Statement: Temple Beth El's Educational goal is to create a Reform Jewish learning environment that inspires personal journeys and strengthens our sacred community through engaging and memorable experiences shaped by these Jewish values: Talmud Torah (Jewish learning), Kedushah (holiness), K'hilah (community), Tikkun Olam (repairing the world), and Ahavat Yisrael (love of the people and land of Israel).

The parts about personal journeys and engaging and memorable experiences are achieved in part through our PBL units. They also happen through prayer, art, stories, service projects, and more. We are always striving to make the learning experiences that everyone (young and not so young) enjoy here at TBE engaging, memorable, and relevant. Thank you for being on the journey with us.

An Amazing Community



Our Early Childhood Center is one of the jewels of TBE – for many years, it has provided families with a fun, loving, Jewish environment in which to raise their youngest kids. And we are starting 2022 with a **new leadership team** at the Early Childhood Center.

After successfully guiding our school through 18 months of unprecedented times with the pandemic, **Forest Wolfe** left her position as ECC Director. As she explained in a note to parents, *"I value each of your families and our Temple community, and look forward to seeing you as a TBE member from this point on."* We appreciate Forest's hard work, and look forward to hearing about her next steps.

We are now pleased to introduce the new leadership team for our ECC:

Susie Weiner has returned to help us in the role of Interim Director. Susie previously served as our ECC Director for 5 years, and is a beloved member of our community. Her professional expertise, wide-ranging experience, and personal warmth will see us through the remainder of the school year with confidence.

Michelle Kroll has taken on the role of Assistant Director and Camp Director. Michelle has been a teacher with us for several years and was our ECC Camp Director last summer. This permanent position is a natural next step for our growing program, and we are already benefitting from her leadership.

Susie and Michelle make a great team, along with our wonderful ECC Administrative Assistant, **Jen Goren** – our school and its children are in loving and capable hands!

Registration for Camp Beth El (Summer 2022), and for the ECC (2022-2023 school year) will be out soon. Don't miss the chance to be part of this amazing community!



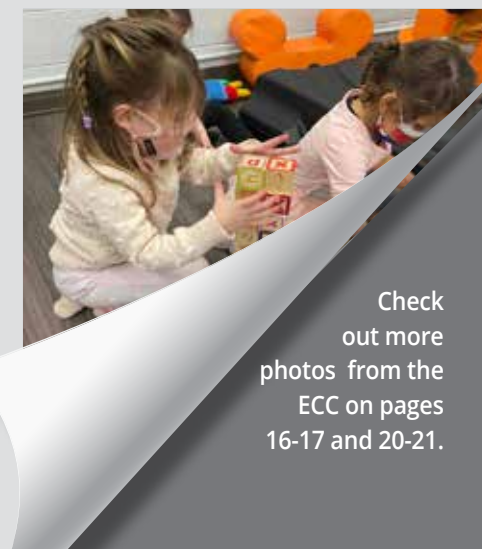
SUSIE WEINER



MICHELLE KROLL



JEN GOREN



Continuing to Bring People together

rabbi megan BRUDNEY

What a busy winter we've had here at Temple—and it's been great having so many of you take part in our various program offerings! I wanted to highlight two of the programs I've gotten to spearhead: one ongoing, and one upcoming.

First, I've been reflecting on some great moments we've had with our **Kid-ish Club**. This group is all about building connections among families with children ages 0 to 5. Throughout the pandemic I am proud to report that we have continued to engage our families on a monthly basis. We went from in person events to Zoom Tot Shabbats and then reconvened outdoors both on the Temple playground and under our tent. We even had an amazing group come and join us for songs and menorah lighting back inside for Hanukkah Shabbat! I would like to express my appreciation for the Kid-ish Club Committee (Elana Ackerman, Adam Berk, Sara Craig, Amy Kessler, Hannah Kessler, Jenna Klar, Jeremy Posner, Alissa VanderKooi, and Alex Wertheimer) for their guidance, advice, and support!



If you have kids (or grandkids) in this age group, you are warmly invited to come and join us at any Kid-ish Club events. These programs are meant to be fun, participatory, and engaging for kids and adults alike—and the more fun you are having, the more your child will get into it too! And of course, don't forget the challah and treats we provide.

Second, I am so looking forward to our next **Women's Retreat May 20-21!** We came together for three years at three different and exciting venues (the old Cobblestone Manor Bed and Breakfast, Tamarack's Butzel Retreat Center, and the Trumbull and Porter Hotel in Detroit) followed by a virtual

retreat experience—our largest to date. Over ninety TBE women have now participated in one or more of these retreats! I have loved working with a variety of event chairs (Rachel Ann Miller, Sue Goldsmith, Emily Jampel, and Meredith Israel) in creating a unique themed program each year. On site, it's been amazing to feel the energy in the room and to witness many beautiful moments of community. While many of the participants already know one another, there are always new introductions as well—and I absolutely love the excitement when women who met on the retreat then run into each other “in the wild” at other Temple events.

In these extremely dynamic (!) times I am not yet sure exactly how this year's retreat will look—but it will most definitely be occurring, one way or another! If you have ever considered participating, please take this as the sign that you most definitely should register when this year's specifics are publicized. So many people are craving connection after many tough months—and that is exactly what this retreat is meant to foster. I would love to discuss the retreat with pretty much anyone anytime so please let me know if there is more information I can offer about this wonderful experience. I hope to see you there!



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Improvements at BETH EL MEMORIAL PARK

rabbi mark MILLER

Our beautiful cemetery (BEMP) has been run by Joe Winter for literally generations. So when he retired last summer, it provided us with an opportunity to think about the future – and how best to continue providing excellent care not only for our Temple family, but for much of metro Detroit's Jewish community.

You may know that our cemetery in Livonia serves a broad segment of our community. Aside from TBE, there are five other Temples that utilize our memorial park with their own designated sections: Birmingham Temple, Emanu-El, Kol Ami, Shir Shalom, and Temple Israel.

We remain committed to ensuring that our entire cemetery operation is run in a professional manner, that we provide excellent and personalized service to anyone utilizing our facility, and that we maintain the entire park (and each individual grave) to the highest standards.

So when it was time to think about the future, our cemetery committee (thoughtfully stewarded by co-chairs Jim Deutchman and Steve Weiner) decided to seek out expert guidance. The L.F. Sloane Consulting Group is one of the foremost organizations in the country supporting the funeral service industry. Larry Sloane, its president, is a fourth generation cemeterian who established the firm in 1981. And the fifth generation – his son, Will – is a dynamic professional who also has many years of experience. Together, they have become vital partners in helping us to design a plethora of advances that will improve every aspect of BEMP.



STEVE SHUKWIT

To begin with, they helped us form a management agreement with the historic Elmwood Cemetery in Detroit. Although the cemetery is, of course, still ours – and our Executive Director will continue to supervise the cemetery just the same as it has always been – the staff from Elmwood will be in charge of daily operations. Our primary contact (essentially the “new Joe Winter”) is Steve Shukwit, who is on the grounds most days. He is responsible for maintaining the property and attending to the care of our gravesites, and he is the main one who will be assisting people in purchasing plots, arranging for grave markers and long-term care, and taking care of burials.

Although Steve is taking charge at the cemetery, please remember that our Temple clergy are always available to you – when you are preparing for, or

have just experienced, a loss ... one of our rabbis or cantor should be your first phone call. They are ready to answer questions, visit family members during times of difficulty, or work with you to help plan all aspects of a memorial service.

We are also working with Sloane on designing and implementing a new digitized mapping system for the entire cemetery. Temple extends sincere gratitude to Jim and Cathy Deutchman for generously underwriting the project! Once completed (hopefully before summer), it will allow anyone to locate a specific gravesite from any computer or mobile device, access family records, and view available plots online. Eventually, this will help us further modernize the way we interact with our cemetery.

According to Jewish custom, one of a Jewish community's first responsibilities is establishing a cemetery. TBE did that all the way back on January 1, 1851 (just a few months after the Temple was established in September, 1850) – you can still find a historical marker on Lafayette Street. Soon after, we developed our next cemetery at Woodmere in 1873, and expanded it in 1915. And finally, in 1939, we dedicated BEMP – a beautiful property that has served our Jewish community well for more than 80 years ... and still has room to grow.

We take seriously the responsibility of honoring our past and our loved ones by planning for the future – if you ever have questions about our cemetery, just let us know!

february

- 10 1:00 PM**
Movie with The Beth Elders (V)
- 2:00 PM**
Season 3: Hyped for Halacha (V)
- 11 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 (IP/V)
- 12 9:30 AM**
Kid-ish Club Tot Shabbat (IP)
- 10:00 AM**
Interactive Torah Study with Mourner's Kaddish (V)
- 4:00 PM**
Laser Tag with JBETY (IP)
- 13 9:30 AM**
Masa (IP)
- 10:30 AM**
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)
- NOON**
Gaga and Games with BETY 35 (IP)
- 1:30 PM**
BETY Escape Room (IP)
- 2:00 PM**
"Tokens of Affection" with the Farmington Players
- 17 2:00 PM**
Season 3: Hyped for Halacha (V)
- 7:00 PM**
Bereavement Support Group (V)

- 18 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 (IP/V)
- 19 10:00 AM**
Interactive Torah Study with Mourner's Kaddish (V)
- 20 10:30 AM**
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)
- 24 NOON**
Book Club: *Good Talk* by Mira Jacob. Facilitated by Rabbi Brudney (V)
- 2:00 PM**
Season 3: Hyped for Halacha (V)
- 25 7:00 PM**
Shabbat Service (IP/V)
- 26 10:00 AM**
Interactive Torah Study with Mourner's Kaddish (V)
- 27 9:30 AM**
Masa (IP)
- 10:30 AM**
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)
- NOON**
NEW BETY K2 Program (IP)

march

- 3 2:00 PM**
Season 3: Hyped for Halacha (V)
- 4 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 (IP/V)
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Masa (IP)
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Kid-ish Club Purim Blowout (IP)
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Interactive Torah Study with Mourner's Kaddish (V)
- 6:30 PM**
Adult Purim Party: Reality Bites the Megillah – A 90's Purim Spiel (See back cover for details) (IP/V)
- 20 9:30 AM**
Masa (IP)
- 10:30 AM**
Sunday Morning Minyan (V)
- 11:30 AM**
Megillah Reading (IP/V)
- NOON**
Purim Carnival (IP)
- 24 7:00 PM**
Sisterhood Passover Around the World (V)
- 25 10:30 AM**
ECC Shabbat Toddlers and 2's (V)
- 10:55 AM**
ECC Shabbat 3's and Pre-K (V)
- 7:00 PM**
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Sunday Morning Minyan (V)



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

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

Save the Date!



2ND NIGHT SEDER
Make Passover a family affair and join us at TBE for an interactive Seder!

APR 16
(IN-PERSON)



PASSOVER YIZKOR
Plaque Dedication and Shabbat Service

APR 22
(IN-PERSON and VIRTUAL)



HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT
An Afternoon of Architecture, Art, and History

APR 24
(IN-PERSON)



SUMMER KICK-OFF & GLOBAL VOICES SHABBAT
Featuring Nefesh Mountain

JUN 03
(IN-PERSON and VIRTUAL)



TBE'S 4TH ANNUAL FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL
Rock it - Mix it - Goin For It!

JULY 2022
(IN-PERSON)



SHABBAT IN CHARLEVOIX
A festive Shabbat Weekend Up-North

AUG 19-20
(IN-PERSON)

february BIRTHDAYS

FEBRUARY 1
Mynetta Christie
Samson Goren
Ezra Kalmowitz
Madeline Minkin
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Mazel tov!

If you or a family member would like us to share your good news in the TBE Bulletin, contact Lindsey Fox at lfox@tbeonline.org or 248.851.1100.



LOIS SHAEVSKY - Variety, the Children's Charity of Detroit, honored volunteer Lois at the organization's annual Hearts & Stars Gala back in October 2021. *(photo credit: Hugh Anderson Photography)*



ROBYN CODEN, owner of Sum Girls Boutique, was recognized as the 2021 Business Person of the Year in Berkley.



BARRY LEPLER was elected a member of Oakland County's Personnel Appeal Board.



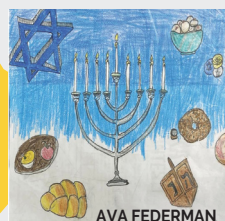
LILLY EPSTEIN STOTLAND President and CEO of Vesco Oil Corporation, was named one of Crain's "100 Most Influential Women" in 2021.



REVEREND DR. WILLIAM J. DANAHER was named 2021 Distinguished Volunteer by the Association of Fundraising Professionals - Greater Detroit Chapter.



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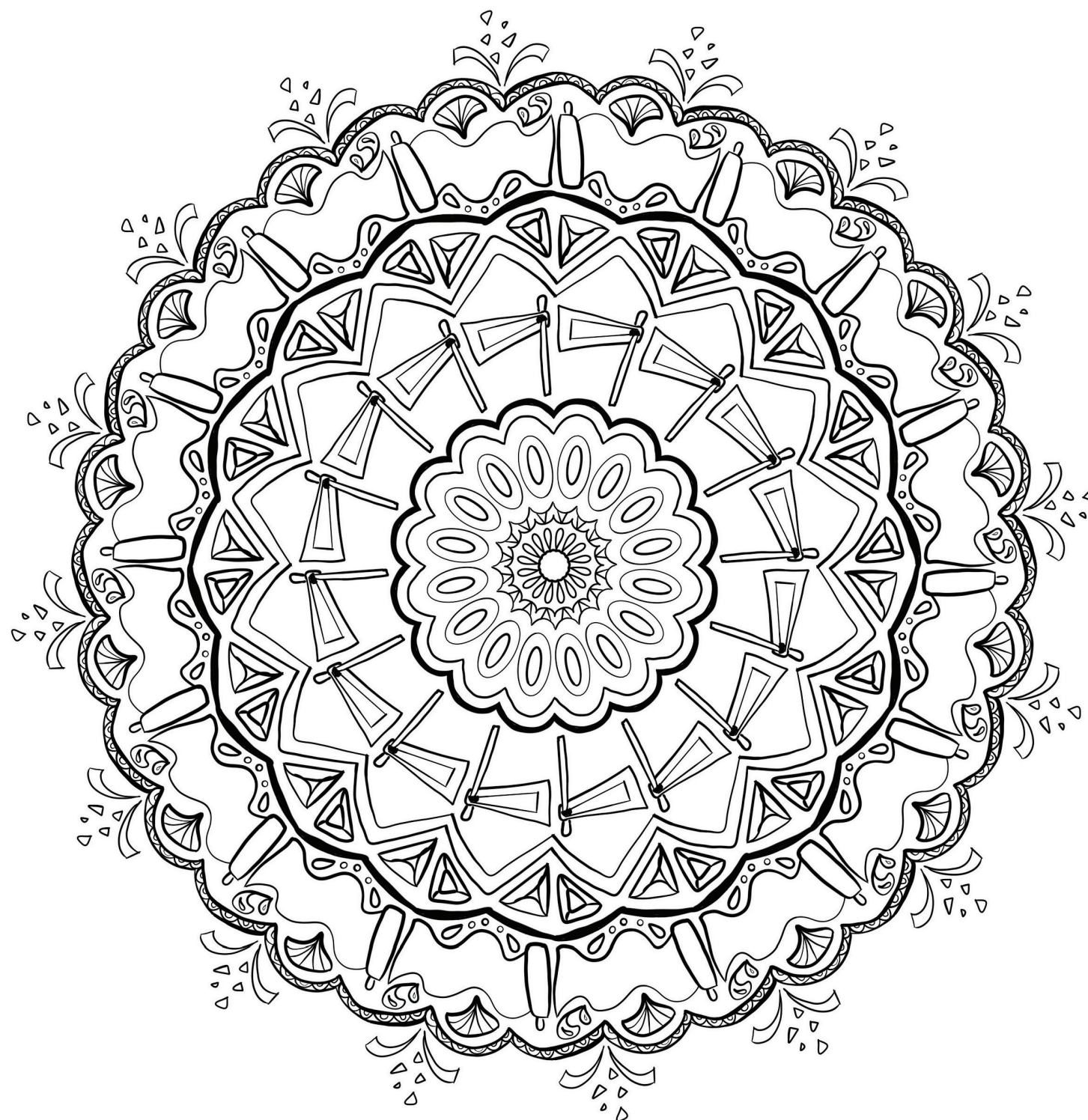
FRANKI BAGDADE was featured in the Detroit Jewish News for her new book "I Love My Kids But I Don't Always Like Them."



JASON RAZNICK Founder of Benzinga was featured in the Detroit Jewish News for their new partnership with Beringer Capital.

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5:30 PM: KID-ISH CLUB PURIM BLOWOUT (IP)

MARCH 19

6:30 PM: ADULT PURIM PARTY: REALITY BITES
THE MEGILLAH - A 90'S PURIM SPIEL (IP/V)

MARCH 20

11:30 AM: MEGILLAH READING (IP/V)

NOON: PURIM CARNIVAL (IP)

Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks!