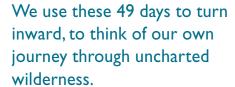




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### Rabbi's Message

Rabbi Lisa Hochberg-Miller



ver these past 30 days, we have been in the period of time we call "counting the omer", literally, counting each day of grain growth, between the second day of Passover (when our ancestors offered a handful, omer offering of barley), to June 11, the 50th day of counting, when we celebrate Shavuot, (when our ancestors would then bring a handful, omer offering of newly harvested wheat.) In March, Marion planted almost four-dozen trees on the temple grounds, outside the garden...but no barley or wheat. So does counting the omer go the way of industrialization, abandoned as a quaint agricultural ritual?

You know the answer before you even read on! Of course not. In every generation, we interpret Jewish ritual, behaviors and teaching to speak to our lives. The rabbis of old infused spiritual meaning into every historical holiday and into the agricultural cycles. Shavuot, the summer wheat harvest became "matan torah", the holiday when God gave Moses the Torah. Pesach, the barley harvest, becomes our celebration of the Exodus. Sukkot, the end of collecting the summer crops, becomes "z'man simchateinu", the season of our rejoicing for God's bounty in our lives. By infusing spiritual meaning into the agricultural cycles, Jews no longer had to be living in Eretz Yisrael to be fully Jewish (as the Babylonian exile proved.)

And so we count—not the grain growing, but our own personal growth. We use these 49 days to turn inward, to think of our own journey through uncharted wilderness. Like the Israelites, we may not know where the journey of introspection, prayer and accountability will lead, but we are encouraged that if the path out of bondage led them to Sinai, our path might have the same rewards that come with hard personal work. Join us as we count the omer every Friday evening during services.

And so at a time of year when others unwindthe school year is winding up, academics are concluding, theatre and musical seasons conclude, we Jews are busy investing ourselves in self-reflection and moving forward. WE do that in our personal lives, but we also do that in our temple life. Our adult education and torah school education might end, but we are invested in the work of change, self-reflection, charting a new path into a new year. We see that vividly in our lay leadership. Our Board of Directors transitions, with new people coming on to assume Board positions, as we offer our thanks to those who step off the Board. We celebrate those transitions with a Board Consecration on Saturday, June 4, during our Shabbat morning service. At Temple Beth Torah, Board service is sacred work. It is fitting we rise to the call of service and leadership in the sanctuary, where the models of service (Aaron) and leadership (Moses) are most vivid for us.

We have been blessed with wise and constant leadership from Liz Hoffman, who concludes her presidency this June. Liz has been an amazing partner, and the lay-clergy relationship we have

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## TBT 5776: Jewish Community Jewish Life Jewish Belonging



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **ADULT ED**

iEngage: Jewish Values and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict Sunday, June 5 at 10:00 a.m.

#### **PROGRAMS**

#### Family to Family\*\*

Sunday, June 5 and July 3 at 6:30 a.m. DOWNTOWN VENTURA

#### **Food Share**

Every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. TEMPLE BETH TORAH

#### **River Haven Food Drop Off**

Monday, June 6 and July 4 before 3:00 p.m. TEMPLE BETH TORAH KITCHEN

#### **Tot Shabbat**

Friday, June 3 and July 1, 6:00 p.m. TEMPLE BETH TORAH

#### **Confirmation 5776**

Saturday, June 11 at 10 a.m. Service SANCTUARY

#### **Camp Haverim Starts!**

Monday, June 13 at 9:00 a.m. TEMPLE BETH TORAH

#### **TBT Hikers\*\***

Saturday, June 18 at 2:00 p.m. CARPINTERIA

#### **MEETINGS**

### **Ritual Committee Meeting**

Thursday, June 2, 6:00 p.m. TEMPLE BETH TORAH

#### **AA Meeting**

Every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. TEMPLE BETH TORAH

#### **Brotherhood Meeting**

Monday, June 6 at 6:00 p.m. TEMPLE BETH TORAH

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#### Friday, June 3 PARSHAT BECHUKOTAI

6:00 p.m. Tot Shabbat 7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Services Special Oneg in Honor of Cantor Michael

#### Saturday, June 4

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services Consecration of New TBT Board Members Special Kiddush to follow No Torah study

#### Friday, June 10 PRE-SHAVUOT WEEKEND

7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

#### Saturday, June 11

Erev Shavuot this evening
10:00 a.m. Confirmation - Shabbat Morning
Services

Creative Service led by our Confirmation students

No Torah study today

#### Friday, June 17 PARSHAT NASO

7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

#### Saturday, June 18

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services No Torah study today

#### Friday, June 24 SHABBAT B'HALOTECHA

7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service

#### Saturday, June 25

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services No Torah study today

#### Friday, July I PARSHAT SH'LACH LECHA

NO TOT SHABBAT service 7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service Special oneg to follow

#### Saturday, July 2

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services Torah study & Kiddush to follow

#### Friday, July 8 PARSHAT KORACH

6:30 p.m. Shabbat in the Atrium

#### Saturday, July 9

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services Torah study & Kiddush to follow

#### Friday, July 15 PARSHAT CHUKAT

6:30 p.m. Shabbat in the Atrium

#### Saturday, July 16

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services Torah study & Kiddush to follow

#### Friday, July 22 PARSHAT BALAK

6:30 p.m. Shabbat in the Atrium

#### Saturday, July 23

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services Torah study & Kiddush to follow

### Friday, July 29 PARSHAT PINCHAS

6:30 p.m. Shabbat in the Atrium

#### Saturday, July 30

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services Torah study & Kiddush to follow

#### Friday, August 5 PARSHAT MATTOT-MA'ASEI

6:00 p.m. Tot Shabbat in the Garden 6:30 p.m. Shabbat in the Atrium

#### Saturday, August 6

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services

#### Friday, August 12 PARSHAT DEVARIM

6:30 p.m. Shabbat at the Beach!
Celebrate the end of summer vacation at
Marina Park; Picnic dinner at 5:30 p.m.
Oneg following services

#### Saturday, August 13

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services Torah study & Kiddush to follow

#### Friday, August 19 PARSHAT VETCHANAN

6:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat in the Atrium

#### Saturday, August 20

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services

#### Friday, August 26 PARSHAT EKEV

6:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat in the Atrium

#### Saturday, August 27

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning ServicesBar Mitzvah of Joseph Kraut, son of TedKraut and Karen Socher

# Cantor Michael e join us for Shabbat sei

**Oneg Celebrating** 

Please join us for Shabbat services and an Oneg in honor & appreciation of Cantor Michael

> Erev Shabbat June 3



### Summer Shabbat Highlights

- No Torah study in June
- 6:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat in the Atrium Runs July 8-August 26 EXCEPT for August 12, Shabbat at the Beach!



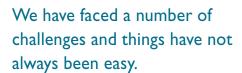
## Congregational Picnic Dinner this Summer!

Shabbat at the Beach Marina Park, Ventura Friday, Aug. 12

5:30 p.m. - Picnic Dinner 6:30 p.m. - *Shabbat* service followed by *oneg* 

## President's Message

Liz Hoffman



ear Friends,
As I write this, my last Shofar article, I cannot help but reflect on our past two years. We have faced a number of challenges and things have not always been easy. When I assumed the position of president there were a number of concerns held by the board, by the community, and by our professional staff. While I cannot tell you that everything is perfect, I am happy to report that we have made progress in a number of areas and we stand poised to move forward in a very positive way.

I am happy to report that our membership and income have been stable for the past few years. We are experiencing a steady state at TBT. This puts us in an excellent position to begin building on membership services and programming aimed at keeping our current members satisfied, embracing our new members and helping them to integrate into our community, and attracting more new members.

## TRANSPARENT **TBT**

I. Netzel Grigsby Associates' report on the feasibility study was presented to the board by Rebecca Merrell. The study indicated that there is strong support for the "21st Century Building" updates including the roof, hvac, WIFI.

2. Allison Singer addressed the board about a fundraiser for the Savren McCormick family. The board is working on a date. If you wish to make a contribution to the family, checks must be made directly to the Savren McCormick Family. Checks can be mailed to the TBT office or check with the office for the family's address.

3. On Friday, June 3, the TBT Board and Rabbi Lisa will sponsor an Oneg in honor of Cantor Michael. Please plan to join the Board and Rabbi Lisa.

4. On June 4 the new TBT Board will be installed. Please mark this date on your calendar. The Board looks forward to seeing you there.

We have had a lot of discussion about transparency at TBT in the past couple of years, particularly regarding how professional contracts are renewed or not renewed. This discussion led to changes to our bylaws that will preserve the privacy required in personnel decisions, while at the same time giving notice and an opportunity to comment to every community members. While we are currently fully staffed and will not have any contracts up for renewal this year, when we do, everyone will know what is happening and what

I am so excited by our professional staff! I can't wait to see how Marion Levin-Welch and Marisa Schrier continue to grow our preschool and Torah School programs with their creativity and professionalism. I also look forward to seeing how Rabbi Lisa and Cantor Sarah will work together integrating the familiar and the new to inspire us in our worship and spirituality. We have the potential for great things to happen at TBT in the coming year.

the process is.

Soon the board will be sharing the results of our feasibility study and discussing plans for the repair and upgrading of our facilities. As a result of this study, we received valuable insight into what our members value and which improvements they feel are most urgently needed. We will be adjusting our fundraising goal based on this information and mounting a campaign to raise the funds needed to perform delayed maintenance and improve safety concerns. At the same time, we will continue the "greening" of TBT by making changes to save energy and money going forward. While making these needed changes, we will have the opportunity to also make some cosmetic changes as well.

One concern we heard was whether we are spending our resources on buildings versus people and programs. The answer is it cannot be an "either/or." it has to be "and." Just as we cannot accommodate more members and programs under a leaking roof, it is useless to have a wonderful facility and no one to enjoy it. We must prioritize our community as well as our communal home. We must also work to develop a culture of philanthropy. Just as many of us donate our valuable time and money to non-lewish groups and programs in our larger community, we must also be willing to give of our time, money, and talent to support our Jewish community. The wisdom of our ancestors teaches us that if we are not for ourselves who will be for us?

#### UPCOMING EVENTS CONT'D FROM PG. I

#### **HR Meeting**

Thursday, June 9 and July 14, 6:30 p.m. TEMPLE BETH TORAH

#### **Board of Directors Meeting** Tuesday, June 9 and July 14 at 7:00 p.m.

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#### **House Committee Meeting**

Thursday, June 16 and July 21 at 7:00 p.m. TEMPLE BETH TORAH

#### **Social Action Committee**

Thursday, June 16 and July 21 at 7:00 p.m. TEMPLE BETH TORAH

#### **Professional Support Meeting**

Thursday, June 16 and July 21 at 7:00 p.m. TEMPLE BETH TORAH

#### **Planning Meeting**

Thursday, June 23 and July 28, 7:00 p.m. TEMPLE BETH TORAH

\*offsite event

I would like to thank all of you who have offered support and ideas in the past two years. I have been honored to serve as your president and to get to know so many of you better. I have had the opportunity to work with our wonderful professionals, our top-notch staff, and the best board I have ever worked on. The hard work and hard decisions have been achievable only because of all of you. If you are active participants of TBT, I hope you will continue. If you have not been active, I would invite you to become active. There is no better way to make TBT a place that continues to foster Jewish life than to bring your energy and ideas and share them for the good of our community.

B'Shalom, Liz

TBT OFFICE IS CLOSED

Monday, July 4 Independence Day

## L'Shana Tovah 5777

Once again the Holy Days are nearing. If you wish to order a memorial plaque in memory of your loved one in time for the High Holy Days, place order before August 1, 2016.

### **BOYCOTT, DIVEST, SANCTION MOVEMENT AGAINST ISRAEL—**

## WE NEED YOUR HELP TO SUPPORT ANTI-BDS LEGISLATION IN CALIFORNIA

# Important Work for Us Right Now!

#### **DEAR CONGREGANT,**

The California Combating the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions of Israel Act of 2016 (AB 2844) is a bill currently making its way through the California State Assembly. This bill ensures that there is no place for the Boycott Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement in the state of California.

In the coming days, Assembly leadership will be convening to decide the fate of this important legislation. We urge you and your friends to contact our leaders in state government as soon as possible.

Call, or paste the web address in your browser—that will take you to a page where you can fill in AB 2844, and **register that you SUPPORT the bill.** 

## Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon (916) 319-2063

(Cannot submit by website/email since we are out-of-district.)

## Assembly Majority Leader Ian Calderon (916) 319-2057

http://asmdc.org/members/a57/contact/contact-ian

## Appropriations Chair Lorena Gonzalez (916) 319-2080

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Please contact **Senator Hannah Beth Jackson** and thank her for her support: http://sd19.senate.ca .gov/send-e-mail

Sacramento office: (916) 651-4019 Santa Barbara office: (805) 965-0862

Please Contact **Assembly member Das Williams** and ask for his support:
https://lcmspubcontact.lc.ca.gov/PublicLCMS/
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We are strongly opposed to the Boycott, Divestment & Sanctions ("BDS") Movement and other efforts to isolate or delegitimize Israel. For this reason, we are supporting bipartisan legislation—known as the California Combating the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions of Israel Act of 2016 (AB 2844)—that would prohibit the State of California from entering into any contracts with companies that participate in boycotts against Israel. This legislation would also support increased cooperation between California and Israel on key issues such as water and energy.

Your voice is needed to help stop BDS, which seeks to demonize and isolate Israel on our campuses, in our communities, and on the world stage. Please contact your legislators and urge them to co-sponsor AB 2844 and encourage California friends to contact their legislators.



Rabbi Lisa received her Doctorate of Divinity, honors causa, in recognition of 25 years in the rabbinate. She continues her relationship with the seminary by mentoring 2nd and 3rd year rabbinic students. From Left, Hebrew Union College Los Angeles Campus Dean, Joshua Holo; Rabbi Lisa; Rabbi Richard Levy who presented the doctoral hood, and H.U.C. President Rabbi Aaron Panken.

## Rabbi's Message

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shared has been a dear one to me. Her commitment to each of you and to our Temple is apparent—as have been her long, long hours of work. Liz has been thoughtful, calm, earnest, and a true bridge-builder. She has led our board, board meetings, and our temple with kindness, purpose and skill. Be sure and thank her...and be inspired in your own Temple work through her example. I hope you will join me as we thank Cantor Michael, on June 3, thank our retiring Board and Consecrate our new Board, on June 4, and conclude the counting of the Omer on Saturday, June 11 with Shavuot/Confirmation.



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#### **TBT Hikers**

#### Saturday, June 18, 2:00 p.m.

#### Carpinteria Bluffs

Meet to Carpool @ TBT at 1:15 p.m.

The Carpinteria Bluffs are a piece of land that has been preserved from development by popular demand. You can see lots of birds of prey, including kites, hawks and vultures. Small mammals like rabbits and foxes live on the bluffs, too, From the cliffs you can see a seal rookery and porpoises, otters and sea lions in the water.

This beach hike is an easy walk along cliffs and along the beach. On much of the walk, the path is improved. It's pretty easy to make a mostly level 3-mile hike, but it's difficult to specify an absolute path to follow. People pretty much just walk along as they wish.

Please email Jackie Stone or Jill Bonilla to be added to the Hiking mailing list for more information.

## **Brotherhood**

Bob Braitman

hat are you doing on Sunday morning, June 12? I encourage all TBT congregants and their friends to attend the Bagel Brunch. The speaker is retired high school teacher Lanny Kaufer who will provide a firsthand account of the voting rights movement in the South since he served in Martin Luther King's SCOPE project in 1965.

Onto another subject: one of my duties and a serious responsibility as President of the Brotherhood is to serve as one of the 14 members of the Temple Beth Torah Board of Directors, the governing board for our synagogue and Jewish community.

Our synagogue is a busy, busy place of many engaged and active members. Our temple community seems always to be moving in ever new and expanding directions, in addition to our traditional and essential purpose of providing religious services and assisting in life-cycle events. It is both a blessing and a challenge to meet these various interests.

Our adult learning programs maintain their participants. Our youth oriented activities occupy ever more staff resources and with excellent results. Our TBT Pre-School and Torah School are meeting their purposes. We have an after-school tutoring program. Our social justice committee remains involved and committed. Our Brotherhood brunches for the entire congregation and our monthly meetings for our members are an integral part of the Temple Beth Torah experience for many of us. And I have not mentioned everything. In short, Temple activities are numerous and ongoing and this is excellent for our Jewish "life" and presence.

Soon your Board will be involving the entire congregation in pursuing a needed capital campaign for the maintenance and improvement of our Temple Beth Torah facility. Having a modern, safe structure is essential if we are to continue to provide the numerous services and programs that Temple Beth Torah is known for. I am sure there will be more about this later.

To become more active in the Brotherhood please attend our Brotherhood dinner meetings on the first Monday of the month. If you would like more information I encourage you to contact me at brotherhood@templebethtorah.com.

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## **Education & Family Programs**

Marisa Schrier



## Building our Shabbat traditions will be at the forefront of our summer planning.

une marks a special milestone for me, the completion of my first school year here at Temple Beth Torah. I can easily recall the enormity of feelings I had that first day; excited, nervous, proud and a little overwhelmed. Incredible guidance and support has made this a successful year for me. Relationships have been built and friendships created.

Torah School had 8 unique Family Shabbat programs this last year. Baking, painting, and family art pieces were made. Students proudly and confidently led prayers during services. Everyone enjoyed hearing our Torah School children sing together on the bima. Building our Shabbat traditions will be at the forefront of our summer planning.

Students spent the year exploring mitzvot, reading Hebrew, celebrating Jewish holidays, creating wonderful and meaningful art, and listening to exciting Bible Stories. Older students were introduced to fascinating speakers, including; A Civil Rights Activist/Musician, The Humane Society, residents from B'eit Tshuvah, and a Holocaust Survivor.

We partied Like Rock Stars during the Purim Carnival, made seed balls for Tu B'shevat, planted in the garden, danced to Oneg Time, sang with Josie, played glow games, and prayed together as a community. This was a busy and spiritually fulfilling year. I hope everyone had as much fun as

I'm looking forward to watching our garden grow this summer. Please come by and see what vegetables and fruit are available for picking. I'm also interested in transforming part of our garden into wonderful outdoor area to pray. I would love to know what items you would want added to this space to make it a spiritual place for you.

I wish you a healthy and happy summer break. I will be busy collaborating with others, organizing, and planning. I am looking forward to attending the NewCaje Conference, where Jewish Educators throughout the United States get the opportunity to interact, share information and techniques, and problem solutions. The Conference also allows for time to explore prayer and recharge spiritually.

I'm excited that we will get the chance to learn together again soon.

L'Shalom, Marisa Schrier

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## CAMP HAVERIM

making friends for life

by Marlena Schumacher, Director

Shalom Haverim! I am excited to announce that I will be directing Camp Haverim again this year! Last summer was amazing and now I am looking forward to creating more memorable experiences this

Our camp will offer traditional camp activities such as arts and crafts, games, sports, water play and of course silly camp songs! We will also offer Jewish cultural and religious activities, Shabbat services on Fridays and teaching Hebrew blessings.

Camp Haverim will be offered for 6 weeks starting from June 13-July 22. Each week will have a different theme such as Art, Cooking, Soccer, Tikkun Olam, Drama and Science. Camp is for children ages 2-8 years old and we also offer a Parent & Me class for children ages 2-2.9 years old. Camp will offer a variety of activities that will be appropriate for each child's developmental level.

For more information about Camp Haverim, please stop by the preschool office to pick up a brochure or call 805-647-3798.

I hope to see you all this summer! Shalom, Marlena Schumacher

## LEARN & ENGAGE by Berta Defren Steele

The year has come to an end, as has my tenure as Vice President of Adult Learning and Programs. I would like to thank all of you who participated over the past five years, all of you who helped plan, who took leadership roles in organization and presentation of classes, tours, and special programs and events, and who created and taught classes and led discussions. You all made my job easy. THANK YOU!

Deborah Pollack, TBT's new Vice President of Adult Learning and Programs, is already working on next year's programs, classes and events. She welcomes your suggestions and participation in developing an exciting new

Have a wonderful summer!

Awake your inner Torah— Come learn with us!

#### **Looking for Junior Counselors** and CITs for Camp Haverim!

Looking for some summer fun? Come join us at Camp Haverim! We are looking for Jr. Counselors (ages 17-18 years old) and CIT's (ages 13-16 years old), who love to work with children, do arts and crafts, play games and sing silly camp songs!

If you are interested in applying, please stop by the Torah School Office to pick up an application or contact Marlena Schumacher at 805-647-3798.

### **Children's World & TBT Preschools**

Marion Levin-Welch



I am very excited about the contributions, changes, and ideas that our returning staff has generated for both preschools for the school year 2016-17.

his article is directed to all of our current and future families at the TBT preschool and Children's World as well as members of Temple Beth Torah. We are approaching this school year's end and are wrapping up things. The last day of school is Wednesday, June 8. Although we all look forward to the summer in anticipation of time with our families, I will also be working on next year's programming, events, and enrollment. I am very excited about the contributions, changes, and ideas that our returning staff has generated for both preschools for the school year 2016-17.

Some of you may have already heard that our staff of 18 will be returning next year. We will be hiring two new teachers to join our team. We are planning to continue our program with the new STEM (science, technology, engineering and math)

program in addition to tweaking our enrichment and other programs for the next school year.

Children's World and TBT preschool are NAEYC accredited school and are already 95% full for the 2016-2017 school year. We will still give tours and continue to promote our school. We will place potential students on wait lists just in case someone leaves before August. In 2017 we will once again renew our accreditation from NAEYC.

Join us for Camp Haverim this summer. Our own Marlena Schumacher will facilitate camp. Her staff and programming will be dynamic, and the activities and classes will be filled with innovative ideas. Children from two to eight years old can be enrolled for any days or weeks during the sixweek session beginning June 13.

We have had so much fun this year and look forward to beginning another journey with our new and returning families in August. We urge you to spread the word about the Children's World reunion coming in the spring of 2017. We hope to see students who have attended preschool here over the past 50 years. We also hope their families will join us.

Again I want to thank Rabbi Lisa, Liz Hoffman, Martha Richardson, Britta Kaltman, Juanita Seavey



Please Join Us for Confirmation 5776

Saturday, June 11 10:00 a.m. Service

As we celebrate Shavuot and our Confirmands:

## Have you moved?

Please call the Temple office to keep us informed of any new addresses, phone numbers or e-mails.

and others for their help, support, guidance, and kindness in fostering our preschools. You have helped create another successful year. Todah!

B'Shalom,

Marion Levin-Welch, M.A. ECE Director



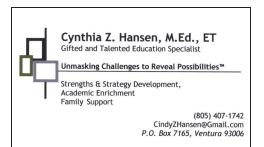
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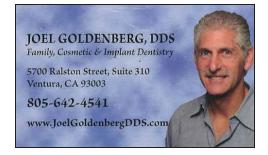
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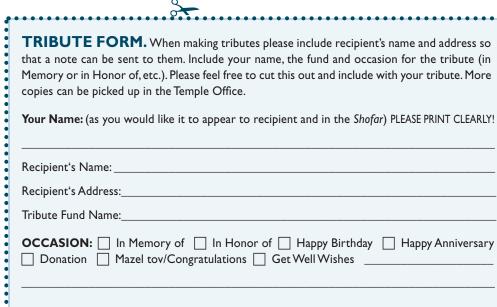
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Dear Fellow TBT Congregants,

We hope you will join us for **Saturday** morning services on July 2, as **Daniel** Brenner and Felicia Palmer celebrate their Auf Ruf in honor of their wedding on July 3. Following services please join us for a celebratory kiddish luncheon in Meister Hall. We look forward in sharing this simcha with you.

Fondly, Suzanne and Barry Brenner

Kindly RSVP to Suzanne@brenners.net



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