

Shofar

NOVEMBER 2018 CHESHVAN-KISLEV 5779



Temple Beth Torah

Inspiring people to lead meaningful Jewish lives

Rabbi's Message

Rabbi Lisa Hochberg-Miller



New Times and Programs for Shabbat in 5779!



There is plenty that is new as we begin our year of Shabbat services!

Our First Friday TBT, (FF-TBT), has become **Family First Friday (FFF-TBT)**, as we move our monthly Torah School Shabbat service to the first week, on the same night as our popular Tot Shabbat. The two services are bridged by a Shabbat dinner, coordinated through our Torah School. Reservations will be needed, so look for information from our Torah school partners. Services and dinner are open to everyone, not just school families! Student rabbi Noah Diamondstein joins us on the FFF, and families will be praying from Mishkan T'filah for Youth, the colorful, engaging prayer book that our Wednesday Torah School students use. If you'd like to help with the dinners, be in touch with Danielle in the Torah school office.

Rabbi Noah, who you hopefully met over the HHDs, will be with us two weekends each month. He will be doing a combination of these things each week: leading Shabbat services, preaching, chanting torah on Shabbat morning, giving d'vei torah, and leading torah study. In addition, he is teaching a monthly adult ed on Sundays, and bringing music and t'filah to Sunday's Torah school students. His weekends will be posted in the

Shofar, and in the T'kiah.

Please note that the service time is different on FFF-TBT. Tot Shabbat is at 6:00 p.m., followed by Shabbat dinner at 6:30 p.m. But our family Shabbat service begins at 7:15 p.m. All other Shabbat services in the month begin at 7:30 p.m.

Your monthly Shofar and weekly T'kiah will let you know about our other Shabbat services in the month including guest speakers, Shabbat dinners, and holiday celebrations.

NOVEMBER GUEST SPEAKERS

November 9 – 80th Anniversary of Kristallnacht/Night of Broken Glass.

Fran Elson, whose parents were Holocaust survivors, speaks of how the impact of her parents' experience has impacted her life, and has now eventually been expressed in her work as a glass artist. Fran's glass installation, "Broken," will be on display.

November 16 – Guest Speaker, Nurit Gery, founder of Givat Haviva International School in Israel. GHIS is a school for Arab and Jewish children that has opened in Israel. You will be inspired by the story and the vision of Nurit Gery. More information is on page 2. Please join us!

And... Save **December 7** for **Shabbat Hanukkah**, featuring Rabbi Noah, lots of Hanukkah songs and fun, and Hanukkah dinner!

UPCOMING EVENTS

ADULT LEARNING

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With Student Rabbi Noah Diamondstein
November 4 at 9:30 a.m.

TEMPLE BETH TORAH

Jewish Book Sharing

Tuesday, November 6, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

TEMPLE BETH TORAH

Taste of Judaism and Jewish Literacy

with Rabbi Michael Lotker

Tuesday, November 13, 20, 27 at 7:00 p.m.

TEMPLE BETH TORAH

Mindful Middot:

Path of Jewish Self-Growth

with Rabbi Lisa

Sunday, November 18 at 9:30 a.m.

TEMPLE BETH TORAH

Short Story Discussions

Deborah Pollack

Tuesday, November 27 at 2:00 p.m.

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PROGRAMS

First Fridays for Families

Friday, November 2

Tot Shabbat at 6:00 p.m.

Congregational Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Family Services at 7:15 p.m.

TEMPLE BETH TORAH

Brotherhood Brunch

Sunday, November 18 at 9:30 a.m.

TEMPLE BETH TORAH

Family to Family**

First Sunday of the Month at 6:30 a.m.

DOWNTOWN VENTURA

Food Share

Every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.

TEMPLE BETH TORAH

River Haven Food Drop Off

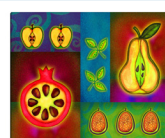
Monday, November 5 at 3:00 p.m.

TBT KITCHEN

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TBT 5779:
Jewish Community
Jewish Life
Jewish Belonging



Interfaith THANKSGIVING SERVICE

**November 13
6:00 p.m.**

**Seventh Day Adventist
Church
5400 Telephone Rd.
Ventura**



JOIN US for our 21st Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving service, featuring clergy people who are part of VIMA, the Ventura Interfaith Ministerial Association.

A dozen clergy and their congregations will be represented as well as music from a number of traditions, which has become a favorite part of this annual service! Buddhist priests, clergy from liberal, traditional and contemporary religious communities all come together to share the blessing of religious diversity, hosted this year at Seventh Day Adventist Church, 5400 Telephone Rd., across from the Government Center in Ventura.

You have the opportunity, not just to attend, but to participate in the service, by singing in the "pop-up" choir! All who are interested come at 6:00 p.m., and prepare a choral selection, conducted by Helen Farson, the talented musical director of the SDA Church. The piece is then presented during the 7:00 p.m. service.

In a world characterized as more and more divisive, this is a positive response by joining with others of different faiths and traditions to affirm our common values. TBT's HHD choir, along with director KuanFen Liu and accompanist Miriam Arichea will be participating, as will congregant Alan Shapiro, with a thanksgiving song set to guitar.

Givat Haviva International School founder to speak Nov. 17

Nurit Gery, director of Givat Haviva International School, a school that has recently opened for Arab and Jewish students, will be our guest speaker on Friday, November 17.



GHIS seeks to transform the Middle East by developing a network of future leaders who are able to create solutions to conflict and work toward inclusive, just societies. Their high school students are committed to social activism and leadership, and are from Israel, Palestinian territories, and other countries around the world.

Want to learn more about what is really happening in Israel, beyond the usual headlines? This is the perfect "antidote" to the political agendas we see daily.

Nurit is in the Ventura area for a limited time. Come hear her on November 17!

NOVEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Friday, November 2

PARSHAT CHAYE SARAH

Family First Friday - FFF-TBT!

Our Family and Torah School Shabbat!

6:00 p.m. Tot Shabbat with Rabbis
Lisa and Noah

6:30 p.m. Community Dinner –
make reservations!

7:15 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service;
NOTETIME!



Saturday, November 3

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
11:30 a.m. Torah Study and Kiddush
in Bank Family Library

Friday, November 9

PARSHAT TOLEDOT

7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service
with Robin Faigin

Fran Elson, guest speaker:

"Broken from Brokenness"

Commemorating the 80th Anniversary
Kristallnacht

Saturday, November 10

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
11:30 a.m. Torah Study and Kiddush
in Bank Family Library

Tuesday, November 13

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

6:00 p.m. Pop-Up Interfaith Choir rehearsal

7:00 p.m. Interfaith Thanksgiving Service,
Seventh Day Adventist Church,
5400 Telephone Rd., Ventura

Friday, November 16

PARSHAT VAYETZE

7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service with Rabbis
Lisa and Noah

Guest Speaker: Nurit Gery, founder,
Givat Haviva International School for
Arab and Jewish children, Israel
Followed by oneg

Saturday, November 17

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
11:30 a.m. Torah Study and Kiddush
in Bank Family Library

Friday, November 23

PARSHAT VAYISHLACH

7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service with
Rabbi Lisa and Robin Faigin
Followed by oneg

Saturday, November 24

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
11:30 a.m. Torah Study and Kiddush
in Bank Family Library

Friday, November 30

PARSHAT VAYESHEV

7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service with
Rabbi Lisa and Robin Faigin
Followed by oneg



Please Join Us!

Shabbat Family Dinner Friday, November 2, 6:30 p.m.

Tot Shabbat 6:00 p.m.
Shabbat Family Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Erev Shabbat Family Service 7:15 p.m.
Followed by Oneg

Please RSVP by
calling the Temple office,
(805) 647-4181



Saturday, December 1

10:00 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
11:30 a.m. Torah Study and Kiddush
in Bank Family Library

President's Message

Pam Small



I am now in search of one or two someones who would be willing to make calls to our elderly congregants every week to check on them and wish them a good Shabbos.

The High Holidays are behind us and your Board is turning to new projects. We are always looking for ways to improve communication with our TBT members. You hear from us through the *Shofar* and the *T'kiah*, but for items such as the announcement of a simcha or of the death of someone in our TBT family, Rabbi Lisa sends an email blast. We have congregants who do not have email and they miss out on these announcements. I heard from a long-time friend of Marlene Charton who was heartbroken that she did not get the news of Marlene's passing in a timely manner. I felt terrible about this. If you do not use email and would like to be notified when a fellow congregant dies, please contact the office and let us know that you would like to be called.

We recently lost our dear Audrey Fayloga. In addition to her many other volunteer duties, she was very helpful over the years in calling elderly congregants every week to check on them and wish them a good Shabbos. She complained that her list had grown shorter and I promised to give her more names after the holidays. Sigh! Sadly, I am now in search of one or two someones who would be willing to make these calls. If you are interested, please call the office and let Martha know.

In an effort to make TBT events easier to find, we have been experimenting with color-coded calendars. There is one in the lobby and we are investigating a large color-coded Torah School calendar, which will hang in the outside entryway. The small print on the *Shofar* calendar can be hard to read, so we will be experimenting with color-coding that as well. I would like to thank Martha, Danielle, and Marion for all helping with this project, but if you have suggestions to make the calendars better, please email me.

I have mentioned our efforts to better utilize our TBT Facebook page and the results have been excellent. Many of you are viewing, liking, and sharing our posts. On our Facebook page you

will find upcoming events at TBT as well as Jewish-themed items in the greater community such as movies, exhibits, plays, news articles, and events. We post about our special services and holidays. Our Adult Education Programs appear on our Facebook page as well as our Brotherhood and Sisterhood events. To create a more intimate TBT community, we are posting milestone wedding anniversaries, beloved recipes, and vacation photos aka Travels with TBT. Under Tikun Olam, we post information about our congregants' fund raising efforts for various non-profits. We post about the interesting things our congregants are doing and the businesses they own.

If you would like to be a part of our TBT Facebook community, please let me hear from you. Send photos, recipes, announcements, and milestones. If you aren't on Facebook, would like to be, but don't know how to manage it, let me hear from you about that as well. If we have a few of you, I can arrange for a class to help you get set up and teach you how to navigate. We have many tools available to connect us which can only build and strengthen our community.

B'Shalom,
Pam

Thanks for asking!

Rabbi Lisa's

HIGH HOLY DAY SERMONS

are available online at
www.TempleBethTorah.com



Remember to set your clocks
BACK ONE HOUR
Sunday, November 4

UPCOMING EVENTS CONT'D FROM PG. 1

MEETINGS

AA Meeting

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

Ritual Committee Meeting

Tuesday, November 1 at 6:30 p.m.
TEMPLE BETH TORAH

Brotherhood Meeting

Monday, November 5 at 6:00 p.m.
TEMPLE BETH TORAH

Board of Directors' Meeting

Thursday, November 8 at 7:00 p.m.
TEMPLE BETH TORAH

House Committee Meeting

Thursday, November 15 at 7:00 p.m.
TEMPLE BETH TORAH

Social Action Committee

Thursday, November 15 at 7:00 p.m.
TEMPLE BETH TORAH

****offsite event**

The TBT Office will be closed:
November 22 and 23
in observance of Thanksgiving

Social Action News

Jay Kosoff



All of the members of Social Action want to encourage our *Shofar* readers to vote in the upcoming elections. You may have heard that this is one of the most important votes that you can make—whoever told you this news was right. This is an important election and however you vote, it's essential that you exercise

your civic duty.

Unhappy that there are 10,000 children incarcerated with or without their parents? Please vote! Think that climate change is real and maybe we should remain in the Paris Climate Accords? Mark that ballot!

Support laws that help those in need? Vote, vote, vote!

See you at the polling station (or mailbox if you mail in your ballot).



Have you moved?

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

Brotherhood Brunch

Sunday, November 18 at 9:30 a.m.
at Temple Beth Torah



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Film Festival News

By Jody Shapiro

If you love *Fiddler on the Roof* (and who doesn't besides Scrooge, maybe) and have no plans for December 25, then please join us at Temple Beth Torah, for a delicious Chinese Lunch and a sing-along viewing of the classic film *Fiddler on the Roof*. Our own Robin Faigin will lead us as we sing along to the movie. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m., with the movie to follow. Cost for the day is \$25 per person and half-price for kids 12 and under. Dessert will be served following the screening.



An invitation-only Sponsor's dinner on February 2 will kick-off the 2019 Jewish Film Festival: **True Stories—Great Films**, with a delicious dinner, prepared and presented by our Temple Sisterhood. A screening of *Infidel*, a British comedy, will follow. The committee thanks the Sehati Family and Jewelry Couture by Sehati for sponsoring this film. If you want to be a part of the delightful evening, please consider becoming a festival sponsor. Sponsorships, beginning at \$400, include two festival passes for all eight movies, the sponsor's dinner for two people, and two additional tickets so you can invite friends and family to any one of the eight screenings.

The Festival's True Stories—Great Films, includes nine full-length movies and one short film over a six-week period, beginning with two free movies, *Monkey Business* along with the short film, *An Average Story*, on Sunday, February 3, at 2:00 p.m. at TBT. The closing film, *Keep the Change*, will be shown following the Brotherhood Brunch, on Sunday, March 17. Please consult the flyer enclosed in this *Shofar* for all details.

Once again, the Committee has strived to bring a variety of films of special interest to both the Jewish and wider Ventura County community, movies not generally seen in commercial theaters.

Please join us for both the **Yule at the Shul** and the upcoming 2019 Festival.

Expand Your Horizons— Learn Something New!

by Deborah Pollack, VP of Adult Learning and Programs

We have some great learning opportunities coming up in the next couple of months! Take a class with a friend and grow together or come on your own and meet new friends who share your interests. You're sometimes too young, but never too old to expand your mind.

A Taste of Judaism and Jewish Literacy

Rabbi Mike Lotker

The three-part Taste of Judaism class, designed to introduce the main tenets of Judaism, will be followed by a 15-week Jewish Literacy class. These classes are ideal for Jews, for their spouses, for those who are exploring conversion, and those who simply wish to broaden their knowledge about the fundamentals of Judaism's extraordinary history, beliefs and faith. The 15 classes of Jewish Literacy touch on most of the areas of concern and interest to adults who wish to explore the holidays, sacred literature, history, spirituality, mysticism, and living a full Jewish life. **This class is required for conversion candidates.** Copies of the syllabus are available at TBT.

Tuition: There is no cost for "A Taste of Judaism" for anyone or for "Jewish Literacy" for members of area synagogues. The suggested donation for "Jewish Literacy" for non-members is \$150 plus the cost of any texts and materials. Couples pay only one registration fee. The suggested donation for non-members deciding to "drop in" on classes is \$10 per session. If these fees are a barrier to anyone's participation, please speak with Rabbi Lotker; nobody will be turned away.

This program is made possible by Temple Beth Torah and the Jewish Federation of Ventura County. For more information or to reserve your seat, email or call Temple Beth Torah.

Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
10/30/18-3/26/19

Introductory Sessions

(3 session overview of the entire subject—no charge for this component of the class)

- 10/30 A Taste of Judaism—God (Jewish views of God, spirituality etc.)
- 11/13 A Taste of Judaism—Torah (Jewish sacred texts, Jewish way of life)
- 11/20 A Taste of Judaism—Israel (the land, people, and modern state)

Sacred Time

- 11/27 The Hebrew Calendar, cycle of holidays and Shabbat
- 12/4 The High Holy Days
- 12/11 Chanukah, Purim, Pesach, Shavuot, and Sukkot

Sacred Literature

- 12/18 Bible
- 1/15/19 The Mishna & Talmud
- 1/22 Midrash, Halacha, Jewish legal codes and issues
- 1/29 Jewish mysticism: Kabbalah & Zohar
- 2/5 The Prayerbook

AND MORE TO COME!

#DoJewish@Home: Jewish Rituals, Practice, and Observances that Will Enrich Family Life, Deepen Family Jewish Connections, and Integrate Family Values Into Family Behaviors

Student Rabbi Noah Diamondstein

7 Sunday mornings, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

ESPECIALLY VALUABLE FOR YOUNG FAMILIES!

Every family that has a connection to Judaism, whether all, most, or some of the family members are Jews, has a set of values that guide family life. Sometimes those values are spoken and specific, sometimes they are implicit and very general, but values shape family life. Jewish values, as we will learn in Rabbi Hochberg-Miller's course on *Middot*, are an amazing resource for imbuing a life with Judaism, and Judaism has an entire series of rituals and practices (some daily and some just once or twice a year) that can take those immaterial values and make them tangible!

Over the course of seven sessions, we'll discuss major categories of Jewish ritual and practice, learn where they come from and how to perform them, and make Jewish actions feel doable, customizable, and ready to plug-and-play at home. You get out what you put in! If we take Jewish practice and action seriously, and ensure that they are grounded in *middot*, they will meaningfully enrich our lives every single day.

Nov. 4 Dec. 9

Jewish Book Sharing

with Ilene and Rachel Gavenman

Tuesday, November 6, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Many of us are looking for the next book to read in addition to our Shabbat book selections. Bring a favorite Jewish adult or children's book (or two) to recommend to other readers during this participatory experience.

Mindful Middot: The Path of Jewish Self-Growth

Rabbi Lisa Hochberg-Miller

8 Sunday mornings, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Encountering a trait each month, we will read core Jewish texts that help us understand which of our personal traits need growth and/or repair, so that we can be the person we want to be! Using the techniques of Rabbi Israel Salanter, the 19th century rabbi who brought the practice of *mussar* (mindful self-discipline) into popularity, we will work on our own traits toward self-growth. The discipline of *mussar* invites us to journal, reflect, pray, and consciously work on qualities such as Equanimity (peace of mind), Anger, Holiness, Feeling Secure, and more.

Nov. 18 Dec. 16

Short Story Discussions

Deborah Pollack

Tuesday afternoons, 2:00-3:00 p.m., every other month

Join us as we engage in close reading and discussion of superb short stories by writers from diverse backgrounds. Our November story will be Stephen Crane's *The Bride Comes to Yellow Sky*, a western with a twist.

Nov. 27



Shabbat Book Discussion and Potluck

Dec. 15, 12:30-2:00 p.m. in the Library

Come join us for a lively book discussion; please bring a non-meat item to share.

Waking Lions: A Novel by Aylet Gundar-Goshen

Facilitated by Nan Waltman

Israeli author Gundar-Goshen brings us a suspenseful story dealing with some of the most difficult questions that a country and an individual can face. What do you do when

you instinctively make a decision that is wrong and against your personal ethics? How do countries deal with the refugee crisis? How does a person view "the other"? What will a person do to protect his family? The protagonist is faced with overwhelming moral issues which are thoughtfully examined in this well-written story set in modern-day Israel.



Education & Family Programs

Marisa Schrier



The following are values that we would like to encourage and emulate.

Temple Beth Torah's Torah School is reimagining what our kehilla kadosha (holy community), could look like. These are the values that we would like to encourage and emulate. Please take the time to share them with your children.

Kavod – Respect. Judaism teaches us to treat other and ourselves with respect. Kavod is a feeling of regard for the rights, dignity, feelings, wishes and abilities of others. Teasing and name-calling disrespect and hurt everyone; we need to respect people's differences.

Shalom Bayit – Peace in the Home. Temple Beth Torah is often considered a second home. Everyone needs to feel comfortable, safe, welcome and respected. Don't ostracize those who seem different. Strive to settle disagreements in peaceful and respectful ways that allow the community members to maintain their dignity.

B'tzelem Elohim – In God's Image. The Torah tells us that we are created in the image of God. This is a simple and profound idea that should guide our interactions with all people. If we see each person as created in the image of God, we can see humanity and dignity in all people.

Kol Yisrael Arevim Zeh Bazeh – Communal Responsibility. The Jewish principle that, "All of Israel is responsible for one another" means each of us must take action and inspire others to cre-

Torah School Calendar

Torah School Dates:

Wednesdays: November 7, 14, 28

Sundays: November 4, 18

No Torah School Dates:

Wednesdays: November 21

Sundays: November 11, 25

Mishpacha Dates:

Sundays, November 4, 18

ate a community in which we can all take pride.

Sh'mirat Halashon – Guarding One's Use of Language. The Talmud warns us that we must take care in how we use language. This value reminds us that what we say about others affect them in ways we can never predict. Words can hurt or heal depending on how we use them.

V'havta L'reiacha Kamocha – Love Your Neighbor as Yourself. Rabbi Hillel once stated that this was the foundational value of Torah. We must create the capacity for extending love and acceptance to others.

For more information, please visit: keshetonline.org.

I look forward to weaving these values into our Torah School curriculum.

Thank you for your support.

L'shalom,

Marisa

Thank You for a Great Food Drive!

Once again, the members of Temple Beth Torah and Children's World stepped up and gave generously! We had another amazingly successful High Holiday Food Drive and it is all because of YOU! So a huge Thank-You to all that donated food or clothing to help kids and the homeless! This year, we collect about 2000 pounds of food and over 500 much needed pieces of clothing for those in need in Ventura! TODA RABA!

Our grateful food recipients included the charity Ventura Kids and Families who received 18 bags of food for their families in need along with extra peanut butter, kids' items and diapers. The remaining can goods were distributed to the TBT Brotherhood Food Pantry and Project Understanding. Food Share received almost \$1500 enabling them to buy over \$4000 worth of foods from these funds! The clothing will be donated to Kathy Powell's Lift Up Your Voice Outreach for distribution to the homeless folks in our city throughout the year. It is wonderful to know that they will have clean warm clothes to wear as the weather turns cold.

We want to thank Steve Yapp at PODS for the donating a POD again this year – his generosity is amazing and greatly appreciated! We also want to thank the Victoria Trader Joe's for donating over 300 paper bags that you so generously filled! Their support is truly appreciated and we couldn't do this without them.

Another big Thank You also goes out to the Torah School and Children's World for their participation in the food drive. I love that the kids get involved in giving to others. What a great message that sends. Lastly, I want to thank all those who donated time at the POD to make this event such a success. Big Thank yous go out to Ruth Schwartz, Marilyn Baron, Marlene Aushenker, Deborah Randolph, Ira & Esther Sorkin, Jay Kosoff, Lynn & Al Geller, Sandy Wilson, Suzie Silber, Stephanie Levine, Richard Schaberg & Camillo. This could not happen without your help.

Seeing the incredible generosity of our Temple Family made it a pleasure to run the High Holiday Food Drive this year! Again, thank you! However, **we are in need of a new Food Drive Coordinator or Co-coordinator for 2019.** Won't you please consider taking on this amazing event? It is very organized and doesn't take a lot of time (really). Please contact Ruth Owens to learn more.

Ruth Owens and the Social Action Committee

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Children's World & TBT Preschools

Marion Levin-Welch



Reinforcing Mitzvot and building character, we talked about and will continue to talk about “Filling Your Bucket” which is a way to help children live and learn about relationships with others.



To our congregants and families that purchased a tree for the fruit orchard, they are thriving. The trees are healthy and getting ready for the cold weather, we hope. We will clean the area and trim the trees in January for a second year of growth and produce. I will refresh the signs and make it look cleaned and updated.

Was I dreaming or did we have a bit of rain? Not much but enough to watch the children running across the courtyard, laughing, yelling, and gleefully enjoying all the drops that did fall. Can we do a rain dance? These moments are what make this job a real pleasure and worth the time and effort and love that goes into it by one and all of the staff. And we cannot forget Mr. Camilo.

In preschool we are now all settled in to the preschool routine, having soothed children who might have been a bit anxious about coming to

school, stimulating the minds of the many children who are curious about things, and celebrating the many Jewish Holy Days that leaped into September and are approaching for an early Hanukkah. We engaged the families with our programs, gathered for snacks in the Sukkah and had a grand BBQ catered by our own Brotherhood.

As November rolls in we envision the joys of our families gathering at the dining room table for Shabbat dinners, Thanksgiving with the family, with lots of food to eat. We give thanks to all for the help our families have given us, the healthy snacks that they brought to our tables, and the times they helped glean and clean the Preschool garden.

Reinforcing Mitzvot and building character, we talked about and will continue to talk about “Filling Your Bucket” which is a way to help children live and learn about relationships with others. When you say something nice you are filling their bucket and when you do not, you empty their bucket. It is a philosophy that we continue to implement here at the preschools at a level they understand. Kind words, action and

attitude will have so many positive outcomes. I remember reading a saying “Do the right thing even if no one is looking,” says a lot.

On November 19 and 20 we will have a harvest festival here at school where our friend Tina will be bringing her animals that she rescued. The kids delight in touching bunnies, chickens, Llamas, the giant white turkey and more animals as they meander through the mini farm that is fully stocked with animals and critters. From there we will move to our Harvest festival centers implemented by our parents as the children and their teachers move about this creative program.

The staff at Children's World and TBT preschool wishes each of you a very Happy and Healthy Holiday and may you open your hearts to those less fortunate in doing Tikkun Olam.

B'Shalom,

Marion Levin-Welch M.A.

ECE Director

Children's World & TBT Preschool



November 19 and 20

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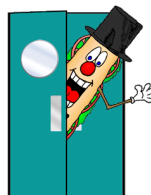
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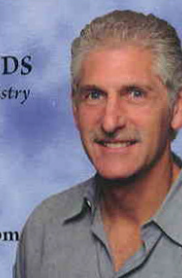
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