



JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

A last few words before we say, "Cut and print it!" This is TBT's Ventura County Jewish Film Festival month. We're beginning with the March 14th Sponsor's Dinner (not a moment to spare if you want to partake in this gourmet dinner) for those of you who donated \$400 or more to benefit the Festival.

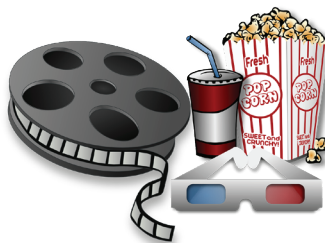
All this year's films will be screened at TBT allowing for conversation following the movies in our comfortable Meister Hall.

As always, the Festival gives us a chance to see movies on the big screen that don't normally get viewed in commercial theaters. Beginning with Golda's Balcony: The Film on Sunday, March 15 at 7 PM, to our Brotherhood Brunch Grand Finale, Maktub, on Sunday March 29, at noon, you hope you will be informed and entertained.

Also, late breaking news on two of the films. Golda's Balcony: The Film's lead producer, will be speaking to us via Skype. AND... Brotherhood has reduced the cost of the brunch and movie on March 29, to only \$10 if tickets are ordered in advance. They will be \$13 at the door.

Mail checks to Martha Richardson at TBT to reserve your tickets. Indicate they are for the Brotherhood Brunch.

Won't you join us and bring your friends!



TBT 5780:
Jewish Community
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Jewish Belonging

UPCOMING EVENTS

ADULT EDUCATION

Adult B'nai Mitzvah

Sunday, March 1, 15, 22 and 29 at 9:30 a.m.
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Baking Hamentaschen for Purim

Saturday, March 1 at 12:15 p.m.
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PROGRAMS

Mediterranean Feast Shabbat Dinner celebrating Purim

Friday, March 6, 6:30 p.m.
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Family to Family**

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

Food Share

Every Tuesday, 9:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.
TEMPLE BETH TORAH

Women of TBT

Crafting and Kibbitzing
First and Third Tuesday of each month at
1:00 p.m.
TEMPLE BETH TORAH LOBBY

Mahjong

Every Wednesday at 2:00 p.m.
TEMPLE BETH TORAH

River Haven Food Drop Off

First Monday of the month at 3:00 p.m.
TBT KITCHEN

Tot Shabbat

Friday, March 6, 6:00 p.m.–6:30 p.m.
TBT SANCTUARY

Purim Carnival

Sunday, March 8 at 9:30 a.m.
TEMPLE BETH TORAH

Torah School 3rd Fridays

Family Shabbat
Friday, March 20 at
6:00 p.m. Family Services
6:45 p.m. Dinner

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Rabbi's Message

Rabbi Lisa Hochberg-Miller



Our March Shofar always highlights the Jewish Film Festival on the front page. I'm looking forward to seeing you and some excellent films this month; my havurah will be attending one of the movies together; why not make plans to go with your havurah, or Rosh Hodesh group, parents from your child's Torah School class, or friends from Brotherhood or Women of TBT? Also in March I'm looking forward to hearing Bert Kaplowitz speak about visiting Auschwitz, our TBT choir singing on March 13, and reading *We are the Weather*. With hamentashen making and chances for short story discussion and more, as always, it is a busy month at TBT, the place for Jewish community, Jewish life and Jewish belonging.



TBT raised money to purchase 21 of the 55 beds to equip "The Arch," Ventura's new center to help provide shelter and support services for those combatting homelessness. Lynn Geller, who spearheaded the project for TBT, stands with Rabbi Lisa and TBT member Deborah Schreiber, community activist, who with her partner former Mayor Neal Andrews, have been tireless advocates for creating a local shelter with wrap-around social services and even crates for pets.

President's Message

Pam Small



I feel blessed to learn alongside such eager and enthusiastic students. We are having a wonderful time!

Our beloved Jewish Film Festival begins this month, so check out the schedule and bring your friends! The FF committee works very hard for many hours vetting the films, paying the fees, reserving locations, scheduling speakers, and organizing the food. When you attend, please take a moment to thank them as their efforts are a gift to all of us. In addition to bringing us an excellent movie experience, their work goes far in creating and cementing community.

Rabbi Lisa started teaching a b'nai mitzvah class in November and I am one of the students. The class meets most Sunday mornings and runs for two hours. In the first half, Rabbi Lisa teaches us the meaning, purpose, and history of our many prayers while in the second half, Kathy Fink teaches us how to read and pronounce them ... in Hebrew! When we understand the meanings or read correctly, our joy and laughter are great. I feel blessed to have such talented and interesting teachers and to learn alongside such eager and enthusiastic students. We are having a wonderful time!

Our B'nai Mitzvah will be the morning service for Shavuot, on May 30. Our Torah portion is the Ten Commandments, so every Shabbat the walls behind the Ark act as giant flashcards for me. I stumble along, determined to read them because there are no vowels and as most of you know, that is how they are written in the Torah. Gulp! As a group, we are nervous about the big day, but I am confident that Rabbi and Kathy will send us up on the bimah prepared. We'll have quite the celebratory lunch afterwards, so save the date and let us come together as a community to celebrate both the holiday and our group's remarkable accomplishment!

B'Shalom,
Pam

MARCH WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Friday, March 6- Parshat Tetzaveh/ Shabbat Zachor

6:00 p.m. Tot Shabbat
6:30 p.m. Congregational Shabbat Dinner-
Mediterranean feast in honor of Purim
7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat – Purim Services

Saturday, March 7

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

Friday, March 13- Parshat Ki Tisa

7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service, featuring
TBT Choir
Guest Speaker: "Attending the 75th
Anniversary of the Liberation of
Auschwitz," TBT member Bert
Kaplowitz, and her father, David Lenga,
survivor

Saturday, March 14

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

Friday, March 20- Parshat Vayakhel/ Pekudei

6:00 p.m. Congregational/Family Shabbat
Services
Featuring 3/4th Torah School students
leading worship in Mishkan T'filah for
Youth
6:45 p.m. Shabbat Dinner- \$5 reservations
are made through the Torah School; open
to all

Saturday, March 21

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

Friday, March 27- Parshat Tzav

7:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Service
Followed by oneg

Saturday, March 28

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



Community Shabbat Dinner

Friday, March 6, 6:00 p.m.

Please RSVP by calling
the Temple office (805) 647-4181
by noon Wed., March 4

Women of TBT

Your Sisterhood

Ann Kerman and Kathy Randall



When we think of March we think of Purim.... And so when we think of Purim we think of hamantashen, that wonderful cookie which has three corners just like Haman's hat. As in so many questions Jewish, there are disputes as to the origin of the word "hamantash". Some say it comes from tash kocho, meaning, "May Haman's strength become weak." Others say it was merely Haman's hat. And then there is the theory that mun-tasche (bag of poppy seeds) is the correct name, and "hamantash" merely an error. Whatever the meaning, Purim is a wonderful time to bake some hamantashen. So please join us at our March meeting on March 11th, when our very own "cookie lady" Erica Walsh, owner of Purple Lady Bakery, will show us how to make the perfect batch!

In January we had a wonderful speaker, our own Rochelle Oslick, who is a retired Boeing Aerospace

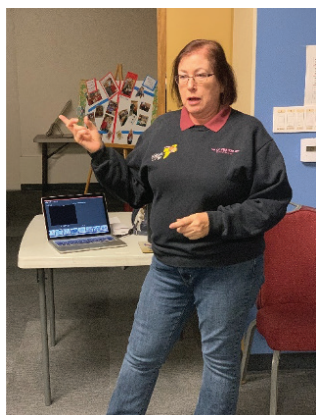
Engineer and currently a flight instructor and acrobatic pilot. Rochelle discussed the history of women aviators and particular Jewish women aviators, plus her own interesting career. Thank you to all that came to this event. February WoTBT hosted Deni Jones who presented and guided us in Meditation, followed by Smoothies.

Each month we want to honor WoTBT birthdays. January's celebrants were Carol Lefkowitz and Judi Morningstar. Judi missed the photo op but a young lady (Maddie Meiseles) who also was celebrating her January Birthday stepped in!

Future WoTBT events to add to your calendar:

- Women's Seder—April 5, 2020, 4:00 p.m.

Warm regards,
Ann & Kathy



UPCOMING EVENTS CONT'D FROM PG. 1

MEETINGS

AA Meeting

Every Thursday at 8:00 p.m.

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Ritual Committee Meeting**

Thursday, March 5 at 7:00 p.m.

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Brotherhood Meeting

Monday, March 2 at 6:00 p.m.

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Board of Director's Meeting

Thursday, March 12 at 7:00 p.m.

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Women of TBT Meeting

Wednesday, March 11 at 7:00 p.m.

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House Committee Meeting

Thursday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m.

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Social Action Committee

Thursday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m.

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The Liberation of Auschwitz at 75: With My Father

On January 27, TBT member Bert Kaplowitz and her father, David Lenga, a survivor of Auschwitz, journeyed to Poland to participate in the commemoration of the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau. Bert and David will share their experience at Erev Shabbat Services of Friday, March 13, a night which will also feature our TBT Choir. Fifteen years ago, January 27, the date of liberation, was chosen to be International Holocaust Remembrance Day. This year, 200 survivors returned for the commemoration, accompanied by family, government officials, historians and more. Mr. Lenga speaks widely in schools, community groups, and at museums. We encourage you to join us for services at 7:30 p.m. March 13 as we greet Bert and meet her father David, hear his story and their experience of return.



Auschwitz survivor David Lenga and daughter, TBT member Bert Kaplowitz





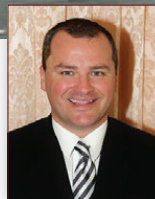
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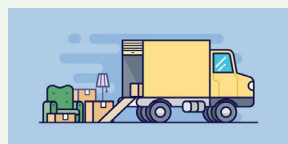
Alan Kirschbaum

Professor Henry Petroski wrote the classic text "To Engineer is Human" in 1982. "To engineer is human," perfectly describes the philosophy of House committee mainstay, Al Geller. Ever since Al and Lynn joined Temple Beth Torah 22 years ago, he's been a fixture at our Temple home. Al, with Lynn's constant support, made it his business to create an attractive, inviting, safe, efficient, and comfortable community setting.

Just a few of Al's many contributions can be included in this short article. Al brought his extensive training and experience as a building structural engineer to bear in many ways. He volunteered his time to analyze, design, and plan the structural supports for the Food Share pantry building. The open space design of the renovated Meister Hall would have not been possible without his ability to design the posts and beams to allow column removal. Over the past year, he's designed low-cost roofing treatments to stop leaks in several classroom buildings. During our I'Dor v'Dor phase one renovation, Al's construction experience paid off handsomely. The project could not have possibly come in on time and under cost without Al's daily close working relationship with the architect, city planners, the general contractor, and all the trades. Of course, Al's skill as a master woodworker contributed many objects of lasting beauty to TBT. You see his signature workmanship in the portable Torah stand, the chuppah case, the social action collection box, among other beautiful items. Not only has he constantly offered his tremendous experience-based knowledge for the good of our community, but this amazingly generous man donated an exceptional amount of hands on, hard work.

As Al transitions toward an emeritus role on the House committee, we'd all like to thank him for his long, completely dedicated, skillful, and uncommonly wise service over many years. His day-in day-out presence will be missed by all the committee and the Temple staff. The community at large will miss the results of his labors.

Al will be consulting to the House committee in the future and will be transferring his active leadership and management of committee projects to others. Al also committed to introducing congregants to the joys of serving on the House committee.



Have you moved?

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

April 25 Trivia Night!

Save the date; Trivia is back! Saturday night, April 25, get your groups together, or plan to come solo and join a group that night. Look for more info in the April Shofar and online, but mark your calendars now! Trivia-masters Ken and Deni Jones will be hosting!

Expand Your Horizons– Learn Something New!

by Deborah Pollack, VP of Adult Learning and Programs

We're already into the third month of 2020 and it's a great time to focus on holiday preparation and spiritual expression, using baking and artistic crafting as our tools. The March class requires advanced registration, so be sure to let me know if you plan to participate in one or both of these hands-on activities—and bring a friend!

Baking Hamantaschen for Purim

DeAnna Scott

Sunday, 12:15-2:00 p.m.

March 8

Bring a bag lunch and join us as we create pastries for Purim, with or without the kids! Let us gather to create some maximum Purim deliciousness as we cut, roll, and fill hamantaschen.

Perfect “Haman’s pockets” are not guaranteed, but a good time getting ridiculously bathed in flour and jelly are – so bring your apron! Once those delectable, triangular filled cookies come out of the oven, be prepared to taste test your hard work or bring a few home if you care to share!

Materials fee of \$5.

Reserve your place in the class by March 3; email Deborah Pollack at rp5dp@sbcglobal.net



Brotherhood

Ron Halpern

The Brotherhood is gearing up for activities in March that will be fun and leave us with some good memories. On March 14 several of our members will be headed to Temple Beth Shalom in Santa Ana to attend the Men of Reform Judaism's Man of the Year Dinner. Jim Heller, our 2nd Vice President, was voted Man of the Year for 2019. Jim has helped out at many of our events and also has taken a leadership role in planning brunches and arranging for a hike in support of the Ventura Land Trust.

Please join us on March 29 at noon for a Brotherhood Brunch preceding the Jewish Film Festival's free screening of the heartwarming Israeli comedy Maktub. If you would like to attend the brunch, please call the office and make your reservation for \$10; at the door it will be \$13.

In addition, make a note on your calendar for April 19 to enjoy another special Brotherhood brunch featuring a short DVD presentation on the first fifty years of TBT. We will have some of our early members of our Jewish community commenting on the history of Temple Beth Torah going back to the 1930s.

It is with great pride that I can announce that the Brotherhood members unhesitatingly allocated five hundred dollars towards the purchase of ten beds for our community's new housing space, The Arch. With homelessness growing in most major cities, we are glad to sponsor a program that will help ease this crisis in our own corner of the nation.

Ron Halpern - President

TRANSPARENT TBT

1. The Finance Committee will be starting to work on next year's budget.
2. Ritual Committee is working hard on the Purim carnival and Passover Seder.
3. The House Committee is continuing to research updated security systems.

Calling Green Jews

Why is this bag of trash different from all other bags of trash? It has a singular, unique distinction: it is the only bag of trash that the Goldowitz home produces weekly. How do Joy, Michael, and Sam do it? Small steps of constantly reducing and recycling result in a home that tries to keep what is deposited into the ever-growing landfill to a minimum. Paper towels are rarely used. Instead, Joy has knitted, washable cloths and scrubbers that do the job for spills and clean up. She and Michael make it a point to buy in bulk whenever possible and avoid produce that comes in packages by shopping at the farmer's market for produce and using lightweight, washable, nylon bags for the wet produce, and bulk items such as nuts, beans, granola, etc.

Plastic bottles are reduced to a minimum when one can find perfectly suitable shampoo, as well as body wash that comes in a bar. Single use plastic water bottles are not part of their household. Leftovers are stored in glass bowls with glass or bamboo lids. Little glass water bottles in their cars keep the water refreshingly cool.

We on TBT's newly forming green committee will continue to share environmentally-conscious tips that we are encouraging folks to consider. Our goal is to reduce our impact in our little corner of the world where we have experienced the effects of climate change first hand. We are also committed to pressuring our elected officials to focus on climate change issues. Our first Teach-In on living green is in the planning phase. If you are interested in working with us, please contact Rabbi Lisa, Karen Kinrose, Joy Goldowitz, or Annette Halpern.



One week of trash from the Goldowitz family

Education & Family Programs

Marisa Schrier



We are very excited about this year's Under the Sea Purim Carnival, on Sunday, March 8th, 2020, from 10:00am–12:30pm! There will be many exciting activities for kids of all ages! We hope you and your family will come to the Carnival and help us celebrate Purim.

As we continue planning, the Purim Committee could use your help. As Torah School's biggest fundraiser of the year, we invite you to be a Purim Sponsor; our goal is to raise \$2,500. Please consider sponsorship and/or volunteering for the carnival. There are many ways to help: sponsor a booth, help with set up/take down, or donate baked goods for the Bake Sale (please portion/package to sell for \$1). Contact the Torah School office for more information.

Please join us on the 3rd Friday of the Month, for Torah School Family Shabbat. 6:00 Student Focused Services, 6:45 RSVP for \$5 Pizza and Salad Dinner or BYO Dairy Dinner. Make this, a spe-

cial day out of your month, and help nurture the message that you are giving to your children about living Jewishly. Share this beautiful ritual and the holiness of this sacred time.

I'm looking forward to learning and praying together,

Marisa

Important Upcoming Torah School Dates:

March 6, 2020 Tot Shabbat at 6:00pm

March 8, 2020 Under the Sea Purim Carnival

March 20, 2020 Torah School Family Shabbat

Services at 6:00pm & Dinner

March 29, 2020 3rd/4th Grade Family Learning Day

March VCTRY Dates:

March 22, 2020 Mini VCTRY 12:00pm–2:00pm

On Site

March 28, 2020 Jr VCTRY 3:00pm–6:00

Downtown/Movie

Under the Sea Purim Carnival
Sunday, March 8th, 10am-12:30pm

★ \$12/Child \$10/Siblings ★

CARNIVAL TICKET INCLUDES:

- Arts and Crafts
- Games and Prizes
- Glow Room
- STEM Activities
- Face Painting
- Photo Booth
- Bounce House
- Extreme Obstacle Course

Raffle, Food and Drinks for purchase

Parents – Be sure to visit the SHIPWRECK to enjoy Mimosas for purchase and play games!

Call TBT for more info (805) 647-4181 or pay online at TempleBethTorah.com

A “quick note” from Robin



By Robin Faigin



I am delighted to report that our TBT Year-Round Choir debut was very successful! The theme of Shabbat Shirah lent itself to introduc-

ing some new settings (this service is typically “music-forward”) as well as many familiar melodies. The congregation sang and swayed along with the choir and I am so gratified that this endeavor is “off the ground.”

I want to acknowledge and express my thanks to the eleven choir members and two musicians who participated: Choir members Mel Eisenberg, Kathy Fink, Donna Gustafson, Jim Heller, Deni Jones, Karen Kinrose, Neil Meshorer, Glory Page, Deborah Pollack, Jody Shapiro, and Gerard Vazquez. Richard Yusim provided awesome percussion and Alan Shapiro accompanied us on exquisite guitar.

And a special thank you, as always, to Rabbi Lisa who always guides me to help bring meaning and spirit to the music we share for our prayers.

Our next TBT Choir Shabbat service will be March 13, 2020. I hope you'll join us!

HOUSE COMMITTEE

The House committee continues to keep the property in good working order and constantly seeks to improve our spaces with our own sweat capital and by orchestrating the work of the building trades. In just the past few months, we've replaced a failed classroom heater; installed additional sinks for little-hands germ control at pre-school, added thermostat timers to control our energy bills, removed tree damaged sidewalks, developed landscape options, repaired the roof of a classroom building, began planning for Sanctuary renewal, and updated security policies and procedures.

You don't need to be an engineer to serve TBT on the house committee. You'd be ideal if you just enjoy contributing to make our facilities better by leading or teaming on specific short-term and long-term improvement plan projects. Come to one of our monthly meetings or contact me, Berta, or AI for additional information (our contact details are in the Temple Annual).

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Children's World & TBT Preschools

Marion Levin-Welch



As we move into March we will continue our studies in the holidays, the alphabet, prayers, and being a mensch.

I wanted to share with all of you that we, at school, have been very busy with Parent/Teacher conferences at the end of January, planning for our healthy heart day and jog-a-thon (our big fundraiser) and touring new families.

By the time you read this, TBT's Preschool will have celebrated Tu B'Shevat with activities about our environment, creating trees, planting and talking about the Tikkun Olam. Purim is the gleeful and festive holiday with delightful activities, games and art projects. It is a silly and fun time for each of the students in learning about this special historical moment. As we move into March we will continue our studies in the holidays, the alphabet, prayers, and being a mensch.

We collected box tops for our schools, had a bake sale, worked a sweat from our Garden Days cleaning and trimming the fruit orchards and thanks to Camilo for cutting and the parents for hauling. We cooled off with eating oranges and kibitzing while we enjoyed our tasks. Speaking of

planting: the trees that we planted two years ago are alive and well, and will be bursting with blossoms pretty soon. If you have not visited the tree that you planted, consider doing so. There is a beautiful pathway so you can walk from the back-parking lot to the orchard.

We are still very involved in working in our community by doing the following: collecting Tzedakah on Fridays and canned foods for Food Share. Children continue to learn how it is important that we help other people, especially during difficult times. In conjunction with the topics of Torah School we practice Achrayut, doing what we can to make the world a better place.

Please let people know that Children's World Preschool and TBT's preschool registration is taking place now. Please note that we will be operating our preschool from 7:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and until 4:00 p.m. on Fridays. We are extending our classroom times from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., which we hope will

help families that have children at other schools.

We offer not only a Toddler class (child does not have to be potty trained), a Preschool Program, Transitional Kindergarten but also Reggio Emilia. We would be happy to send out information to you, or you can download an application through the Temple website.

Our children are our most precious gifts, they emulate us and love unconditionally and trust that we will be the best parent one can be to them. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and even when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

I want to say thank you to all the teachers, parents and kids for having made our jog-a-thon a success this year. We could not accomplish all that we do without you. Please come and visit us or tell your friends about our program. We would love to give them a tour.

Shalom

Marion Levin-Welch M.A.

Purim Feast and Fun, March 6-8!

Purim is an ongoing celebration at TBT! Our celebration of Purim begins on Friday, March 6, Shabbat Zachor, when we remember the Purim story. We will do so with a Mediterranean feast, catered by the Lebanese Oven, at 6:30 p.m. Come enjoy a feast of chicken kabobs, shwarma, baba ganouj, salads, pita, hummus, and more! Our Shabbat service at 7:30 p.m. includes the story of Esther, Mordechai and the timeless and timely message of standing up to evil and hatred. Yes, there will be hamentashen for one!

Our Under the Sea-themed Purim Carnival takes place on Sunday, March 8, and everyone is invited to the fun. You are never too old or too young for a Purim Carnival. See elsewhere in the Shofar for times, food, sponsorships and details. Make your reservations for Friday, March 6 dinner by Wednesday, March 4 at noon at martha@templebethtorah.com or calling 805-647-4181.

You can bring your celebration of Purim to a deeper gastronomic level by joining with others to bake hamentashen. Learn how, or just come enjoy our annual baking tradition, on Sunday, March 1, with DeAnna Scott, 12:15- 2 p.m.

First Night Seder is Wednesday, April 8!

Plan to celebrate first night seder with wine, great food, an engaging haggadah, and your own community! Rabbi Lisa and cantorial soloist Robin will lead seder together, filled with music, joy, stories, food, and silly songs. Look for the Shofar flyer for details. Experience tells us that you must make your reservations early; our deadline is April 1. We fill up (that's 200 people!) and we want you and your family and friends to have a table to share this night together, and with community. This is a family-friendly haggadah and price, and there is a table of kids activities to keep our kids part of the experience. Seder is \$30 for adults and \$15 for children ages 5-13. Dinner will be catered from Danny's Deli. Let us know if you wish to request a vegetarian or GF option. Reservations received after April 1 will be on a space-available basis. The price goes up, so reserve now!

Be a Mensch and Help Sponsor Seder!

We invite you to "Be A Mensch" and help sponsor our Community seder! We strive to create an affordable seder – and we are fortunate that many of you help to underwrite the event. The Shofar flyer has a place to be a sponsor; (and also make your dinner reservations!) Now is a great time to contact Rabbi Lisa, Ritual chair Robin Faigin, VP of Worship & Celebrations Sara Alviani, or Seder chair Karen Kinrose and offer to help underwrite our wine, charoset, matzo, or macaroons! We'll give you an "Honorable Menschen!"





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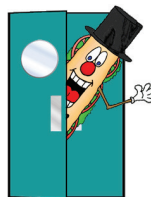
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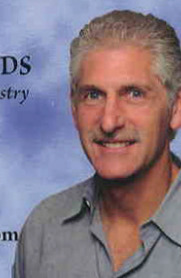
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