## CENTER FOR PROGRESSIVE REFORM JUDAISM IN METROWEST



## A Word from Rabbi Blumberg



Rabbi Sam Blumberg

## V'NAHAFOCH HU — ACCEPTING A TOPSY-TURVY WORLD

It was Friday, March 13, 2020, and I was on my way to my student pulpit to celebrate Purim when I heard on the radio that the COVID-19 pandemic was officially declared a national emergency. The empty shelves at Market Basket and the urgent feeling that I should have hand sanitizer with me at all times was an indication that life as we knew it had gone topsy-turvy.

For our Temple Beth Am community, that Purim would be the last in-person holiday celebration for more than a year, and for two

## President's Message



Carol Hanover

## YOUR SAFETY IS OUR PRIORITY!

The recent hostage-taking at the synagogue in Colleyville, TX, was a wake-up call. Is Temple Beth Am prepared for the uptick in anti-Semitic incidents that we hear about on TV news or read about online? Let me assure you that TBA has already put a lot of security measures to work – our doors are locked 100% of the time, and are opened by ushers for services; the front door can be unlocked from both the front office and the

school office and these doors are under constant video surveillance; cameras have been in place around the building's entrances for several

## SERVICE SCHEDULE

**IN-PERSON:** All attendees must wear a mask when inside the building and be feeling well.

**ZOOM** / **TEMPLE MEMBERS:** The link and password can be found in your TBA weekly email.

**ZOOM** / **TEMPLE GUESTS:** Please send an email to **shalom@tempbetham.org** to obtain the Zoom link information.

## FRIDAY MARCH 4, 2022 / 2 ADAR II 5782

## SATURDAY MARCH 12, 2022 / 9 ADAR II 5782 SHABBAT ZACHOR

## PURIM

WEDNESDAY MARCH 16, 2022 / 14 ADAR II 5782 MEGILLAH READING AND PURIM SPIEL 6:30 PM
FRIDAY MARCH 18, 2022 / 16 ADAR II 5782 EREV SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE
SATURDAY MARCH 19, 2022 / 16 ADAR II 5782 Weekly Portion TZAV Leviticus 6:1-8:36 Haftarah Jeremiah 7:21-8:3, 9:22-23 SHABBAT MORNING MINYAN AND TORAH STUDY
FRIDAY MARCH 25, 2022 / 23 ADAR II 5782
<b>EREV SHABBAT HALL'LU SERVICE</b>
SATURDAY MARCH 26, 2022 / 23 ADAR II 5782
SHABBAT PARAH Weekly Portion SHEMINI Leviticus 9:11-11:47 Haftarah II Samuel 6:1-7:17
SHABBAT MORNING MINYAN AND TORAH STUDY9:00 AM
SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE AND BAR MITZVAH
FRIDAY APRIL 1, 2022 / 1 NISAN 5782 EREV SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE
SATURDAY APRIL 2, 2022 / I NISAN 5782
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## IMPORTANT UPDATE

WE WILL NO LONGER BE SHARING THE PAGES OF THE MISHKAN T'FILAH DURING SHABBAT SERVICES ON ZOOM. TBA services are held both in the sanctuary and on Zoom. Beginning Friday March 4th, we will no longer be sharing Shabbat prayers on Zoom during Friday night services. We encourage all congregants to purchase a Mishkan T'filah siddur for home use so that you can continue to follow along from home (the online flipbook will still be available but can be difficult to navigate during the service). If you ordered a siddur through the temple in December, it is ready to pick up in the temple office.

To purchase a copy of the siddur, visit www.ccarpress.org.

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## A Word from Rabbi Blumberg

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years now we have dealt with countless "new normals," with a multitude of unknowns and anxieties. But in these last two years we have witnessed ingenuity and creativity in the ways we gather, we have built on the power of this wonderful community, and we have seen the triumph of spirit together.

Chapter 9 of the Book of Esther opens by telling us that on the thirteenth day of Adar, the day the Jews of Shushan were to be annihilated by the king's decree, "V'nahafoch hu"—the opposite happened! On the contrary, it was the other inhabitants of Shushan who feared Mordecai and the Jewish people. Those whose lives were threatened in one moment found themselves empowered the next. Perhaps we too over the last two years have felt that topsy-turvy nature of life, from tragedy in one moment to triumph the next. One constant in our people's history is that nothing is constant; so much can change from one minute to the next.

And we make the best of it! As the pandemic becomes endemic, our community is busier than ever, offering programs with our Lizkor: To Remember initiative, learning and classes for all ages and stages, and most of all celebrating Jewish life together. Purim is all about joy, about leaning in to the ups and downs that life throws our way as we embrace each day and one another with fullness and acceptance.

Join us this month as we learn about and celebrate Purim with Jewish text, with laughter, with music, and of course, with no small amount of silliness! May we find strength, comfort, and joy together as

## Lifelong Learning with Rabbi Blumberg

Sunday, March 6th 9:15-10:30 AM In person and on Zoom

## **BOOOOOOO!!!** Haman the Villain in Jewish Tradition



Get your graggers ready! In this class, we will examine the biblical roots of Haman, the villain of the Purim story, his archetype rivalry against Mordecai the Jew, and what makes his outlook on the world so anathema to Jewish belief.

## TO REGISTER: Please call or email the temple office.

we call to mind our ancestors' own acceptance of an imperfect world with its peaks and valleys. There is so much for us to celebrate, there is so much joy to be had, even and especially in this topsy-turvy world.

*L'Simcha—To Joy,* Rabbi Sam Blumberg

## President's Message: Your Safety is Our Priority!

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years; we no longer list the names of clergy, temple president or bnei mitzvah families on the outdoor message board; the local Framingham police drive through our parking lot many times, day and night, often stopping to do paperwork in our lot; armed private security guards are hired when large crowds are expected; and much more. Thanks to a grant from the CJP, we are installing additional cameras around the back of our building.

We Jews have learned again and again that the cost of our freedom to practice our religion is not free. Whether it's Colleyville, or Poway or Pittsburgh or any of dozens more examples, from outright murders, to hostage-taking, to graffiti. The attention of Temple Presidents and their Boards often focuses on how to fund and install all of the changes that might fortify buildings and members against the next Haman – and it seems there will always be another.

The Anti-Defamation League reports an historic high number of anti-Semitic incidents this year, so it is not our imaginations that are telling us that they are more frequent, more brazen, and more frightening all over the world. The ADL estimates that this past year, over 60% of Jews witnessed behavior or comments that they deemed anti-Semitic. For example, on just one day, January, 30, 2022, there were incidents reported in Tucson, Orlando, Seattle, Brooklyn and Chicago, ranging from bomb threats, to graffiti to verbal assaults. Doubtless there were more — just not reported.

If you read our weekly emails or Tebeam, you will see that we list a series of webinars, roundtables, and presentations offering instruction and information on everything from how to reply to anti-Semitic remarks to how to escape from an active shooter, offered by the Jewish Federation, Combined Jewish Philanthropies, or the Synagogue Council, and others. Also, we are about to start a TBA Safety and Security Committee (let me know if you would like to help) to decide and prioritize what we need to do to make our synagogue safer. Our first security class will take place on the evening of March 3, in the Social Hall.

Please sign up for these opportunities and join me and our Board in our effort to keep TBA and its members safer. It is our responsibility to each other.

*L'shalom*, Carol Hanover, President



Please join us for an important evening of comprehensive training sponsored and led by CJP's Communal Security Initiative.

## Purim: Is It for Kids or Adults?



Cantor David Wolff, Lower School Education Director

We often think of Purim as a Jewish holiday for children. On Purim, we wear costumes and boo after hearing the name of the infamous Purim villain, Haman (boo!). We sing silly songs, like "oh once there was a wicked, wicked man, and Haman was his name..." In our Temple Beth Am religious school, we will celebrate Purim with a Purim carnival. **This year's Purim carnival will take place at 11:00 AM on Sunday, March 20,** and will feature a DJ and fun carnival games. And for the entire TBA community, we will tell the Purim story through a wacky Purim spiel and *Megilla* reading. **In this year's Purim spiel**,

which will take place the evening of Wednesday, March 16, we will tell the Purim story through 4 unusual mini-spiels: as a country-western, as a conversation between two yiddish-speakers in Brooklyn, as a text conversation between two teenagers, and as a live, breaking newscast. Both of these events will be fun, slightly wacky, and family-friendly.

While Purim seems to be a children's holiday, Jewish tradition makes space for adults too. The ancient rabbis of the Talmud wrote that "עקרור המן לברור המן לברור המן לברור המן לברור המן לברור המן לברור *l'vasomei b'purya ad d'la yada bein arur Haman l'baruch Mordechai*" (Talmud, Megilla 7b). If this Hebrew looks and sounds odd, that's because it is not Hebrew; it is Aramaic! The rabbis wrote, "a person is obligated to become intoxicated on Purim until they are so intoxicated that they cannot distinguish between cursed Haman and blessed Mordecai." It would seem very difficult to confuse Haman and Mordechai. To make this a more reachable goal, there is often a great deal of alcohol at a traditional Purim celebration!

Despite all of the silliness of Purim traditions and celebrations, the Purim story is quite frightening. The Jewish people of Persia are nearly destroyed, like in so many chapters of Jewish history. Why, then, do the rabbis of the Talmud teach us to drink wine and act silly? Whereas so many Jewish holidays are times for spiritual introspection, Purim is a time to let loose. Historically, Jewish communities, often faced with hardship, looked forward to Purim as a time to release tension. The silliness of Purim celebration is a response to the seriousness of the Purim story, and the many trying chapers in Jewish history. Sometimes, we all need to laugh!



Even today, the wackiness of Purim can hold special meaning for us. Purim invites us to feel and behave differently in a synagogue setting. While Purim is still a holy day, we (and the ancient rabbis) give ourselves license to embrace our inner child, wear a costume, and act silly. Living through a pandemic the last two years has been challenging in so many ways. Purim gives us an opportunity to laugh and let loose as a Jewish community. This year, I invite everyone to get silly, and join us for Purim the evening of Wednesday, March 16!





A beautiful retelling of how Klezmer music originated, brought to this country by immigrants traveling for many days, across the ocean, finally arriving in America.

A heart warming retelling of the new generation bringing back accordion music, joined by other musicians and how their music became known as Klezmer music, illustrated in a most appealing style by Johanna van der Sterre.

(Shelved in the Juvenile section, under miscellaneous story books).



Marsha Massey, TBA Librarian

Due to Covid 19 there are currently no regular library hours. Please contact the temple office for specific requests.

# YOUTH



## This has been a great couple of months for BATY, JBAT, and 345.

We are working extremely hard to navigate this new experience in order to keep everyone safe and still have fun!

In the fall, BATY went out and raked leaves for seniors in our community! Recently, we have just had a movie night with both BATY and JBAT/345!! BATY watched Avengers while 345 and JBAT watched Encanto! Everyone really enjoyed seeing each other over zoom and watching the movies together!

Sarah created gift bags for all the teens with personalized cups, popcorn, and hot chocolate! She delivered the movie-treat bags to all the kids' houses in order to help everyone feel together-even when we were remote this past month.

## We are looking forward to some exciting events!

Keep an eye out for dates for Cupcake Decorating, Picnics, Mall Trips, and a trip to Legacy Place!

These dates will be coming out after February Vacation!

If you have any questions or interest in any of the events listed- please reach out to youthadvisor@tempbetham.org

# TIKKUN OLAM





## TBA CARES with The Diaper Project at A Place to Turn

When you attend one of our Purim Celebrations please consider bringing a donation of any combination of diapers\*, pull-ups and wipes for **The DIAPER PROJECT at A PLACE TO TURN**.



Help families in financial distress. Keep children dry, clean and healthy.



The mitzvah of Matanot L'Evyonim (giving gifts to those in need) is an important part of Purim. TBA has partnered with Lucy and Joe Press Food Pantry, managed by JFS (Jewish Family Services) to help those in need. We encourage congregants to donate at jfsmw.org.

\* PLEASE NOTE: larger diaper sizes are most needed

# EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

## Join us for Purim: Wednesday, March 16th at 6:30 PM!

We will celebrate Purim with Megilla-reading, a very unusual evening service, and our 2022 Purim spiel:







Cowboys, Cell Phones, Brooklyn, and the Nightly News: A Quirky Quartet of Mini-Spiels



## LIZKOR: TO REMEMBER

Temple Beth Am's Lizkor project, established to help retain memories of the Holocaust, presented two wonderful speakers in recent weeks, and both were recorded and can be viewed on request through the Temple Office.

**Rena Finder** spoke on January 27, and told the story of being hidden as a young child for much of World War 2. She wrote a book, intended for children, because it is the children who must carry the story forward into succeeding generations.





On February 7, TBA member **George Clymas** told his story of being hidden by family friends in Budapest, and

hiding again in the Buda hills outside Budapest, finally arriving in the United States after the war ended. George's program included questions, many from our high school students who have been studying the Holocaust.

We are fortunate to have been able to provide eye-witness accounts of the Holocaust and we sincerely thank both Rena and George for sharing their painful experiences with us.

The Lizkor project is ongoing, with lots of ideas for additional programs. If you would like to participate, please reach out to Chair Ellie Anbinder at (eleanorfa15@gmail.com). If you would like to view one of the recordings of past programs, please contact Ellen Jagher in the Temple Office (shalom@tempbetham.org).

Please hold the evening of March 24th for our next Lizkor program.

# EVENTS & ACTIVITIES MLK Day of Service

"Life's most persistent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'" Martin Luther King Jr.

> On Martin Luther King Day, a group of TBA teens, families, Rabbi Blumberg and Cantor Wolff participated in the Metrowest MLK Day of Service hosted by J-Loft and Volunteer Ventures with support from Jewish Teen Initiative at CJP.

Teens and families had a choice of activities to work on at home that day: building a desk, making lasagna or banana bread or decorating soup jars. The items were donated to families at Harmony Grove school in Framingham. Thank you to our TBA community volunteers for taking part in this important effort.



## **EVENTS & ACTIVITIES**



#### A Monthly Online Healing Service for the Metrowest Jewish Community

## Last event in this series

March 30<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon Led by Rabbi Josh Breindel and Congregant Pam McArthur *Congregation Beth El* Join Zoom Meeting The healing service is for anyone struggling with a physical or mental health issue, and those in need of healing for any reason, including the stress of the pandemic and these challenging times, and caretakers as well. For more information... templeadmin@bethelsudbury.org

Each service will include a variation of niagunim, the Misheberach prayer,

poems and songs. Themes will include refuah, resilience,

strength, courage, peace, loss, grief and hope. Dates and times vary to allow for maximum participation.

Zoom link is https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83433987031



## HOW TO RESPOND TO ANTISEMITIC RHETORIC IN SOCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL SITUATIONS

SUNDAY, MARCH 6 7:00 PM EST

## **REGISTER HERE**



At a time when the Jewish state is increasingly debated in social situations—over dinner, on a date, at the office—defenders of Israel need to be equipped to communicate with those who do not accept their position. Such conversations can often turn heated. In his talk, Dr. Cohen will lay out a conversational strategy for gracefully maneuvering after friends or acquaintances have made provocative statements. You'll learn proven tactics for getting people to think about your views on Jews and Israel without upsetting the evening or embarrassing yourself.

Jonah Cohen is the Communications Director for the Committee for Accuracy in Middle East Reporting and Analysis (CAMERA). He holds a PhD in Philosophy and Religion from the University of London.

Co-Sponsor:





## JOIN US IN-PERSON FOR TOT SHABBAT!

CHILDREN 5 AND UNDER AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO JOIN RABBI BLUMBERG AND CANTOR WOLFF AS WE WELCOME SHABBAT WITH BLESSINGS, MUSIC, AND A STORY. BEFORE HEADING HOME, FAMILIES WILL RECEIVE A SPECIAL SHABBAT KIT WITH EVERYTHING YOU NEED FOR YOUR SHABBAT TABLE!

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- "TBA Members Group" on Facebook
- "Temple Beth Am Framingham Religious School" Facebook Group for parents and children.
- Follow us on Instagram "tempbetham".



Read Across America Day Program

March 2, 2022

#### Program Description

Join the Greater Boston Jewish Coalition for Literacy (GBJCL) in celebrating <u>Read Across America Day</u>, Dr. Seuss's birthday, by sharing the love of reading. Volunteers will go into high needs public schools throughout the Boston area and read to classrooms of students. This is a great opportunity for people who want to connect with children and cannot commit to GBJCL tutoring for a full year or people who are interested in exploring the program. Suggestions for books with diverse representation will be included at the orientation. One training session will occur in February with a second ootion in March immediately prior to the Read Across America Day. There will also be a remote option for this program.

Registration Begins

Program Orientation Option #1

Program Orientation Option #2

Read Across America Day

#### Program Dates

- January 11, 2022
- February 15, 2022
- March 1, 2022
- March 2, 2022

#### Participating Schools

- Arnone Elementary School, Brockton
- Potter Road Elementary School, Framingham Plympton Elementary School, Waltham
- Trympton Elementary School, Waltin

#### Potential:

- Elementary School in Roslindale
   Elementary School in Brighton
- Elementary School in Brighton



## **Temple Beth Am**

## **March 2022**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> 28 Adar I Pack Hamantaschen for distribution E Team Meeting 7:00pm	2 29 Adar I Deliver Hamantaschen to TBA community Wednesday 4:00pm Religious S. Sisterhood Board 7:00pm Meet.	<b>3</b> 30 Adar I <b>Rosh Chodesh Adar II</b> Deliver Hamantaschen to TBA community CJP Active Threat Res. 6:00pm	4 1 Adar II Rosh Chodesh Adar II Deliver Hamantaschen to TBA community Tot Shabbat Service 5:15pm Candle Lighting 5:21pm Erev Shabbat 7:15pm	5 2 Adar IIPekudeiDeliver Hamantaschen to TBA communityShabbat Minyan and T.Morning Service and .10:30am Havdalah
<b>6</b> 3 Adar II Deliver Hamantaschen to TBA community Lower School 9:00am Sunday . Brotherhood 10:00am Board Me.	<b>7</b> 4 Adar II Deliver Hamantaschen to TBA community TBA Teen 6:30pm Night	<b>8</b> <i>5 Adar II</i> Deliver Hamantaschen to TBA community	9 6 Adar II Deliver Hamantaschen to TBA community Wednesday 4:00pm Religious S. Sisterhood Cooking 6:30pm Cl. School Committee 7:00pm	<b>10</b> 7 Adar II	<b>11</b> 8 Adar II Candle Lighting 5:29pm	<b>12</b> 9 Adar II Vayikra Parshat Zachor Shabbat Minyan and To. Havdalah 6:39pm
<b>13</b> <i>10 Adar II</i> Lower School Sunday 9:00am S.	<b>14</b> 11 Adar II TBA Teen Night 6:30pm	<b>15</b> 12 Adar II	<b>16</b> <i>13 Adar II</i> <b>Taanit Esther</b> <b>Erev Purim</b> TBA Purim Spiel Time TBD Wednesday Religious S.4:00pm	<b>17</b> 14 Adar II <b>Purim</b> Purim Culturefest Event	<b>18</b> <i>15 Adar II</i> Shushan Purim Shushan Purim Candle Lighting 6:38pm	<b>19</b> 16 Adar II <b>Tzav</b> Shabbat Minyan and To. Havdalah 7:47pm
<b>20</b> <i>17 Adar II</i> Lower School Sunday 9:00am Sisterhood Purim Car. 11:00am	<b>21</b> <i>18 Adar II</i> TBA Teen Night 6:30pm	<b>22</b> 19 Adar II	<b>23</b> 20 Adar II Wednesday Religious S. 4:00pm E Team Speaker Series. 7:00pm	<b>24</b> 21 Adar II LIZKOR Event 7:00pm	<b>25</b> 22 Adar II Candle Lighting 6:46pm	26 23 Adar // Shmini         Shabbat Mevarchim         Parshat Parah         Shabbat Minyan and         T.         Morning Service and . 10:30am         Havdalah       7:55pm
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# SISTERHOOD

THE LAST IN THE SERIES OF COOKING CLASSES will be held on Wednesday, March 9th at 6:30 PM. Chef Robin Kalis will demonstrate some Israeli foods. There is still time to sign up!





Robin Kalis

Robin has worked for 20+ years in restaurants, hotels catering & teaching classes. She has experience in event planning & management of social & corporate events. Robin has taught hundreds of cooking classes at Sur La Table, Create-a-cook, TBE & Newton Community Adult Education. Robin's true passion is shareing her knowledge for cooking by teaching people how to provide healthy home cooked meals. She believes that whether you are cooking for one or 100, your meal should look, taste and feel like it was made with love.



## SISTERHOOD TEMPLE BETH AM 2021-2022 COOKING CLASSES via ZOOM!

Six 90-minute cooking classes will be offered monthly, October through March via Zoom by local professional chef/instructor, Robin Kalis.

#### Each month will have a different theme:

Wed. Oct. 13, 2021:	Chicken Braised w/ Figs, Honey & Vinegar; Shaved Fennel Salad
Wed. Nov. 17, 2021:	Challah Bake
Wed. Dec. 8, 2021:	Chinese Dim Sum: Chicker & Chive Dumplings, Ginge Soy Dipping Sauce, Edamame & Wasabi Dumplings
Wed. Jan. 12, 2022:	French Macarons
Wed. Feb. 9, 2022:	Chinese Take-Out: Kung Pao Chicken & Vegetable Fried Rice

Wed. Mar. 23, 2022: Israeli Inspired Dishes

Classes will run from 6:30-8:00 pm Classes are open to all! Invite your friends & family. Zoom makes it easy!

#### Price:

Sisterhood Members Special Pricing: \$15 per class \$20 per class Non-members Join for once class, all six, one at a time-up to you!

## **REGISTER AND PAY HERE**

**Questions?** 

Contact: Wendy Schwartz: wendyaschwartz@gmail.com Lyn Cron: lcron11@gmail.com

## WHY YOU NEED SISTERHOOD OF TBA

Sisterhood of TBA is the collective identity of the women in our congregation. It provides us with a strong presence and voice. Sisterhood provides an outlet for the creative energy, talent and leadership potential of the individual Jewish woman. It also gives our members a worldwide identity and connection through our affiliation with Women of Reform Judaism, an agency for more than 500 Sisterhoods of Reform congregations with over 75,000 members throughout the world.

## WHY SISTERHOOD OF TBA NEEDS YOU

Sisterhood needs the support of all the women in our congregation. No organization can exist without members or finances. With your participation, we all benefit from your friendship, energy and interests. From your membership dues come the funds to implement our programs, contribute to our temple and support our Tikkun Olam and Tzedakah efforts in the Jewish communities. Your unique educational, religious and life experiences enrich the collective membership.

## WHERE YOUR SISTERHOOD DUES GO

Your Sisterhood dues payment includes membership in Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ), serving Jewish and humanitarian causes throughout the world. The remainder of your dues goes towards the operating budget of the Sisterhood of TBA and the programs and projects supported by Sisterhood of TBA.



## IN JOY

## SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES

All couples celebrating a March wedding anniversary will be blessed at a service on March 18th at 7:15 PM. Please call the temple office if you are planning to attend.

Date	Name	Years
3/3/1957	George and Anita Clymas	65
3/24/2002	Vivo and Jennifer Moshe	20

## THE TEMPLE REJOICES WITH

Susan Bonder on the birth of a new great granddaughter. Sophie Ava Grossberg was born on January 13, 2022. She was welcomed by her parents, Laurie and Josh Grossberg and her big sister, Maya.

Jordan Book, son of Richard and Stacy Book, on his receiving the Superintendent's Certificate of Academic Excellence Award.

Phil and Marsha Massey, on the birth of twin great grandsons, Daniel Simcha and Elijahu Meir (Danny and Eli). The twins were born on February I, 2022 and were welcomed by their parents Yonah and Sarah Massey.

## IN MEMORY

We record with deep sorrow the names of those who have died since our last bulletin. May their memory be for a blessing.

## THE CONGREGATION MOURNS WITH

Cynthia Roll, on the passing of her sister, **Frances Finn** 

Eli Kalaora, on the passing of his cousin, Shoshannah Levy

Jennifer Moshe, on the passing of her father, **Jack Silverstein** 

Andy and Marla Miller, on the passing of their cousin Jerry Geppetti

Joyce Green, on the passing of her sister-in-law, **Shelley Hymowitz** 

Henry Schwan, on the passing of his father, Henry M. Schwan, Sr.

We mourn the loss of our friend and temple member **Arlene Snyder** We send our condolences to her family, daughters Joanne Bragg and Karen Snyder May her memory be for a blessing.



## WEBSITE DONATIONS JUST A CLICK AWAY!

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## TREE OF LIFE

The TREE OF LIFE mounted on the wall of the of the temple lobby is a favorite way for members to commemorate "simchas" and honor family members and friends. Your gift of leaves (\$300) and stones (\$1000) will support continuing growth projects in the future. Pledge cards are available in the temple office.

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