



Temple Talk

Rabbi's Corner: "I Am For My Beloved" and the Month of Elul

By: Rabbi David Finkelstein

"I am for my beloved and my beloved is for me." This verse from the Biblical Song of Songs is said to be the theme of the Hebrew month of Elul (which started August 28th), since the letters of E.L.U.L. can be read as an acronym for the words of that verse: Ani L'dodi V'dodi Li. In this understanding, the Jewish people is the "I" in the verse, and God is the "beloved." The meaning becomes: The Jewish people is for God and God is for the Jewish people. This is a statement of love and intimacy between God and the Jewish people in advance of the High Holy Days. It can also be read as a description of the themes of the upcoming Ten Days of Teshuvah, which are

bracketed by Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

Since Rosh Hashanah comes before Yom Kippur, the first half of the verse refers to Rosh Hashanah: Ani L'dodi - "I am for my beloved," i.e. The Jewish people is for God. Before we even contemplate the meaning of that statement, though, let's notice that in it the Jewish people ("I") is mentioned before God ("my beloved"). Into this word order we can read the message that on Rosh Hashanah - and indeed on every day between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur - the Jewish people initiates the intimacy with God by doing (Continued on page 2)

Fresh from the Bakery: "they shall govern...with due justice"

By: Dina Wolfman Baker

The Torah portion we read in the first week of September is Shoftim. It begins by establishing the governance structure and then immediately sets limitations on the power of those who govern to ensure they do so justly.

This seems like a fitting time to be reminded of our own governance structure at Temple Beth Israel, its responsibilities and limitations, and how every congregant can interact and engage with it. Perhaps the High Holy Days that are coming will give you an opportunity to reconnect with TBI, and the information below will offer insight into how that can happen.

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teshuvah. Rosh Hashanah and the eight days that follow it are days of teshuvah, which literally means "return" or "turning," and in this context also means taking the initiative. "I am for my beloved" is a statement of commitment to God, and teshuvah means taking action that brings us into greater intimacy with God. What does this mean? Teshuvah means acknowledging instances when we could have done better, when we displayed our imperfection (which we all have); it means apologizing (a verbal act), and making a plan to avoid doing that wrong again in the future.

The second half of the verse refers to Yom Kippur: V'dodi Li - "and my beloved is for me", i.e. God is for the Jewish people. Here, since God ("my beloved") appears first, God takes the initiative. Yom Kippur is still one of the ten days of teshuvah, but unlike the other nine days, Yom Kippur is a day when God takes a step towards us in our teshuvah, a day when our efforts to come close to God are met by God's forgiveness. Many people do not realize that Yom Kippur is an anniversary celebration of when God's forgiveness entered the world. The most important gaff Israel makes in the Torah is when they worship the golden calf at the base of Mount Sinai. Moses sees, smashes the first tablets, and then goes up the mount again to receive the second tablets, a symbol of God's forgiveness. God gives those second tablets on Yom Kippur, and every Yom Kippur is a celebration of the unprecedented forgiveness God revealed on that day.

But most of September is the build-up to Rosh Hashanah, the month of Elul. What do we do in Elul? If we are Sephardic, then we might pray *Selichot* every weeknight/early morning. If we're Ashkenazi, we start *selichot* on Saturday night September 17 at 9:00pm with learning, 10:00pm for prayers. We hear the shofar blown every weekday morning at services, we read Psalm 27 ("Of David. God is my light and my salvation - Whom shall I fear?"), and we say the "King is in the Field." The King is in the field??? In *Likkutei Torah*, the Alter Rebbe (Rabbi Shneur Zalman of Liady, the first Rebbe of Lubavitch (1745-1813)) describes the tightening of the bond between God and the Jewish people in the month of Elul with the following parable: Before a king enters his city, its inhabitants go out to greet him and receive him in the field. At that time, anyone who so desires is granted permission [and can] approach him and greet him. He receives them all pleasantly, and shows a smiling countenance to all.

In Elul, God is traveling back to God's palace where God's annual coronation ceremony will take place on Rosh Hashanah, so to speak. During this month of God's return to the palace, we can begin to return, begin to reconnect with principles and ideals we lost touch with, begin to approach the foundation of our lives again, through prayer, through study, through righteous action.

I wish you strength and serenity as we all begin our return to our better selves.

May this year and all its curses end! May the new year and its blessing begin!

Rabbi David

Membership

By: Linda Ungerleider

We are quickly approaching the High Holy Days. We at Temple Beth Israel are working creatively and enthusiastically to bring you religious services, educational and social programs, as well as opportunities to support those in our TBI and Greater Waltham communities.

Todah Rabah to those who have renewed their membership. If you have not renewed yet, please do so at your earliest convenience and preferably before September 11, 2022

This year Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services will be in person and virtually on Zoom. We hope you will attend the services in the format of your choice. If attending in person, you will need to have a security pass to present at the door and all requests must be received in the office by September 11 to ensure you receive your pass by mail in a timely manner. These guidelines can be found on our TBI website at <a href="https://timelines.com/https://timeli

Thank you to all who participated in our Membership Open House, especially those who were representing committees.

Lastly, if you know of someone who might be interested in attending a service or joining TBI, please let me know.

Wishing you and your family a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Linda Ungerleider Membership



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our bylaws. The first thing that beneficially constrains our governance is the voting power of our members, who vote on any changes to the bylaws document under which we are organized—and they have the right to petition for changes to it.

The members also elect up to eight members of the Board of Directors. They vote on the five Board officers (President, Vice President, Treasurer, Membership Director and Recording Secretary) and up to three at-large Directors. The elected President appoints the chairs of the standing committees, all of whom also serve on the Board of Directors. It also is through the board structure that we have recruited, hired and renewed contracts with our rabbi, while ensuring congregational input to the process. You can find a full list of our board members on this page and on our website, www.TBlwaltham.org, under "Who We Are" on the menu.

The next valuable constraint on our governance is the committee structure. Congregants have the opportunity to serve on our standing committees (which are established by the bylaws), on subcommittees, and on any ad hoc committees that the President may authorize. It is at this committee level that so many of the ideas, programs and projects of TBI come to light and to fruition, and that concerns are raised to the Board for consideration. Participation in our committees—which can be on a small scale—is an excellent way to offer your suggestions and pursue your interests, and an opportunity to find others who share them.

Sometimes an idea yields an entirely new entity within TBI—like the NextGen group for those ages 22 to 45. It connects to our governance structure through the Membership Committee, and collaborates closely with others such as the Program Committee.

By creating the freedom to develop and grow, within the boundaries of our governance structure, we are constantly balancing oversight with flexibility and responsiveness.

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Every congregant also has the right to attend TBI's Board of Directors meetings, except for portions that are scheduled to be in executive session. Please put the following dates on your calendar so you can learn more about what your Board discusses, and even become a part of the discussion. They all take place on Zoom from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

- · Monday, October 3, 2022
- Monday, December 5, 2022
- Monday, February 5, 2023
- · Monday, April 3, 2023

Check the weekly eblast, in the week prior to each meeting, for the Zoom link and to learn the focus topic of the meeting.

On Sunday, June 12, 2023, we will hold our annual meeting of the membership. Assuming community health protocols allow, it will take place both in person and online. This is your opportunity to participate in the voting process. Please look for more detailed information to come in the spring.

Those who give their time and energy to help lead TBI seek to do so with the "due justice" that Shoftim implores. But the constraints on governance come from the members themselves. Please speak up—at a committee meeting, at a Board meeting, with your vote at the annual meeting, by reaching out to any member of the Board, or by leaving me a message here https://bit.ly/3y6lpdK.

May 5783 bring sweetness to you, your loved ones, and the entire Temple Beth Israel community.



Rabbi David's Initiatives

MONTHLY KABBALAT SHABBAT with MAARIV

** Online and In House **

Time: 5:30-6:30pm on 1st Friday of the month

Place: In-house at TBI and on Zoom

Date: Sept 2, Oct 7, Nov 4

Description: This monthly service is multi-access, in the synagogue and online. Rabbi David and/or a lay leader leads the evening service in addition to and after Kabbalat Shabbat once a month. In memory of God's assessment of Creation at the end of the sixth day that it was "very good" (*tov me'od*), all participants in this service are encouraged to share a few sentences about something from their week that was very good (*tov me'od*). In this way, we enter the restful spirit of Shabbat with a smile.

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86094088277

Renewed Shabbat Practice (online only)

"Blessing and Song" on 2nd Shabbat, 2-3pm EDT

Dates: September 10, October 8, November 12

Description: Singing and blessing at the end of a meal can deepen our experience and our delight on any day, especially on Shabbat. On "Blessing and Song" Shabbat, we come together to sing birkat hamazon - the Jewish blessings after the meal - and other Shabbat/Jewish songs. In August, we sang "Yom Shabbaton," and later Rabbi David created three short videos to help participants learn the song. So that we can all be on the same page and see each other on the screen, all participants are encouraged to acquire a copy of Let Us Sing: L'chu N'ran'nah (\$4.25 at www.Haggadahsrus.com), also available at the Israel Book Shop and at Kolbo Fine Judaica Gallery in Brookline.

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/i/85276646999?pwd=eGrFdUEt7rUKF L-q6GIT5tSwAOt7G.1

Meeting ID: 852 7664 6999

Passcode: 072162

"Torah Talk Table" on 4th Shabbat at 2-3pm EDT

Dates: September 24, October 22, November 26

Description: For some of us, the Torah Service and the sermon whet our appetite for Torah on Shabbat but they do not quench our thirst. "Torah Talk Table" provides that additional Torah discussion you yearn for on Shabbat. It gives us the opportunity to ask questions and share insights about whatever bit of Torah is on our minds. We often spend some time discussing a part of the weekly Torah portion, or a part of the Haftarah (weekly reading from the Prophets), but all are encouraged to bring whatever Torah is on your mind.

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88502507881?pwd=TuHADXvZKgJ6wxo-dagUPHISFzJD-r.1

Meeting ID: 885 0250 7881

Passcode: 872677

Rabbi David's Initiatives

Lunchtime Torah Study *Online only*

Time: 12:00-1:30pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month

Date: Sept 8, Oct 13, Nov 10

Description: TBI Lunchtime Torah Study now continues its sequential study of the Book of Genesis/Sefer Bereishit a few weeks before Rosh Hashanah with Chapter 28. In this chapter, Isaac and Rebekah transmit the covenant to Jacob and God reassures Jacob as he journeys north, back to where his mother and grandfather came from. Jacob's story intensifies and

extends a number of the questions raised by earlier chapters in Genesis: questions about the significance of dreams, the effect of romance on the covenant, and how relationship with God can build and change, among others. English is the primary language of study. Hebrew and English texts provided. All are welcome.

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87353443111?pwd=b0hQYXcvekVXWVBqMnpvRIISMSs2QT09



Dinnertime Midrash Study *Online only*

New Time and New Topic

Time: 6:00-7:30pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the month

Date: Sept 20, Oct 18, Nov 15

Description: Until now, this study session was dedicated to Talmud, and it occurred one hour later. Hopefully, starting at 6pm will bring even more energy to our study, and may the topic change will do the same. While Talmud is a compilation of Jewish literary genres woven together (legal discussion, stories of rabbis, midrash, etc...), Midrash is one Jewish literary genre which can be found both in the Talmud and in many texts outside it. This Midrash Study Group will focus on narrative elaborations on the Biblical text of Genesis / Sefer Bereishit, and midrash selected to coincide with the Jewish calendar. English is the primary language of study. English and Hebrew texts provided. All are welcome.

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83365026963?pwd=SytiQ0tgK3hraGFRdzdlc1NJQVFnQT09

Hashmiini: Let Me Hear Shabbat

DATES: Nov 19, Dec 17, Jan 21

DESCRIPTION: Found in the Song of Songs 2:14, "Hashmi'ini" means "Let me hear." The full phrase is "Let me hear your voice." **On hiatus in September and October**, Hashmiini Shabbat features a sermon (dvar Torah) that lifts up the voice or voices of contemporary Jews. While disagreement is a productive feature of many Jewish discussions, on Hashmiini Shabbat we focus on opening our ears and our hearts to the voice of another. Come hear and celebrate the voices of contemporary Jews whose lived experience enables them to make a special contribution to Jewish life and to Torah.





SUN., SEPT. 18 WHALE WATCHING CRUISE WITH TBI

Included in the cruise:

- 3.5- to 4-hour whale watching tour on the Stellwagen Bank Marine Sanctuary
- High-speed catamarans
- Professional, knowledgeable naturalists on board
- Sightings guaranteed
- Cash bar
- Light snacks available for purchase
- Outdoor viewing decks and indoor spaces with large windows

Let's get together again, and experience together the majesty of the whales, the Boston Harbor, and our community.

*Discounts are made possible by the Frydenberg Event Participation and TBI Fun Funds, and through a NextGen programming grant from Combined Jewish Philanthropies.



1:00 carpool/caravan from TBI

2:30 pm sailing from New England Aquarium

Discount from \$54 pp group rate*:

\$18 for NextGen and guests (ages 22-45)

\$36 all others

Or pay what you can

Bring or purchase your own snacks/beverages

LIMITED TO 20
PEOPLE
FIRST-COME, FIRSTSERVED

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED:

https://forms.gle/sJCzTUfToniejz8E8

or contact the TBI office





High Holiday Zoom Link

The Zoom access for the HHD services will always be:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4430853359? pwd=NII4YzdIbUpyMTZEK25XcGNvUWpJUT09

The Meeting ID will always be: 443 085 3359

The Passcode will always be: TBI5783

NOTE: Services on Friday evenings, Saturday mornings and Thursday mornings during the days of awe will continue to use their normal Zoom links.

Cemetery Memorial Service

Join us on Sunday, October 2 at 10:00am on the grounds of Beth Israel



Memorial Park for our annual memorial service.

We will read the names of all those who are buried there.

A brief service will precede the reading of the names.

This service will be held in person at 190 South Street and will also be available on Zoom using the High Holiday Zoom Link to the left.



Sukkah Setup

Exciting
News......We have purchased 4—10x10

sukkah modules that can be combined as needed and will more than double our capacity compared with the last few years.

We will hold a Sukkah set up and decorating "party" on Sunday, October 9 at 10:00am.

At 5:30pm we will be holding a Family event to decorate the Sukkah.

Bring some decorations, including fresh or dried flowers, corn stalks, or fruit to hang from the ceiling.



Join us on Monday, October 17th at 6:00pm for a Family Event which will include a light snack and a tour of the torah.

After that we will hold our Simchat Torah Service which will include dancing with our torahs.

Wear your dancing shoes and come prepared to have a lot of fun!!

High Holy Day Schedule 2022

Zoom link for all services in **BOLD** can be found on page 9 at the top. All other services will use their regular Zoom link found on page 18.

| Selichot | Saturday, Sept. 17 | 9:00pm Evening Program 10:00pm Selichot with Rabbi Finkelstein and Cantor Ellen Band (no refreshments will be served) | |
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| Erev Rosh HaShanah Service | Sunday, Sept. 25 | 7:30pm Evening Service | |
| Rosh HaShanah Day 1 | Monday, Sept. 26 | 9:00am Morning Service 10:30am Children's Service (until 11:30 am) 1:00pm Approximate service end time 5:00pm Tashlich at Watch Factory South Dock | |
| Rosh HaShanah Day 2 | Tuesday, Sept. 27 | 9:00am Morning Service 10:30am Children's Service (until 11:30 am) | |
| Morning Minyan | Thursday, Sept. 29 | 8:00am Morning Minyan (online only) | |
| Shabbat Teshuvah | Saturday, Oct. 1 | 9:30am Shabbat morning service | |
| Cemetery Memorial Service | Sunday, Oct. 2 | 10:00am Service at Beth Israel Memorial Park (in person and online) | |
| Erev Yom Kippur | Tuesday, Oct. 4 | 6:00pm Kol Nidre Service | |
| Yom Kippur | Wednesday, Oct. 5 | 9:00 am Morning Service 10:30am Children's Service (until 11:45 am) 11:30am Yizkor (approximate time) 11:30am Teen Meetup 3:30pm Discussion 5:30pm Mincha, Neila, Ma'ariv, Havdalah 7:35pm Shofar and Break-the Fast | |
| Build the Sukkah | Sunday, Oct. 9 | 10:00am Put up Sukkah (Rain or Shine) | |
| Erev Sukkot | Sunday, Oct. 9 | 5:30pm Family Event: Decorate the Sukkah | |
| Sukkot Yom Tov Day 1 | Monday, Oct. 10 | 8:00am Morning Service/Kiddush in Sukkah | |
| Sukkot Yom Tov Day 2 | Tuesday, Oct. 11 | 8:00am Morning Service/Kiddush in Sukkah | |
| Hol HaMoed Sukkot | Thursday, Oct. 13 | 8:00am Morning Minyan (online only) | |
| Shabbat Service | Friday, Oct. 14 | 5:30pm Shabbat Service with Yizkor (online only) | |
| Hol HaMoed Sukkot Shabbat Morning | Saturday, Oct. 15 | 9:30am Shabbat morning service/Kohelet Kiddush in the Sukkah | |
| Hoshanah Rabbah | Sunday, Oct. 16 | No Service Scheduled | |
| Shemini Atzeret | Monday, Oct. 17 | 8:00am Morning Service (with Yizkor) | |
| Simchat Torah Evening | Monday, Oct. 17 | 6:00pm Family Event: Snack and Torah Tour 6:20pm Evening Service/Dancing with Torah | |
| Simchat Torah Morning | Tuesday, Oct. 18 | 8:00am Morning Service: Complete Torah Cycle and Begin Bereishit/Genesis | |
| Shabbat Bereishit | Saturday, October 22 | 9:30am Shabbat Morning Services | |



High Holiday Security Passes

We warmly welcome you to attend in the sanctuary, where distanced seating options will be provided, and we also will continue to provide online options. We want our services to be available to everyone, whether you can join us in person or by Zoom.

For our in-person options, we will have these security practices for everyone to follow:

<u>You must register in advance to attend services during the High Holy Days.</u> We don't need to know which services you'll attend—only that you may be at TBI's building for at least one.

Once you register, we will mail you a security pass that provides building access during the High Holy Day services. You should bring it with you whenever you attend.

We will have a security detail from the Waltham police department posted outside the building. They will check your pass.

If you forget your pass, they will ask us to check your name on our master list of those who are registered, before you can enter. To avoid confusion or delay, the best option is to bring your pass.

We are encouraging our leadership, ushers and greeters to attend security training provided by Combined Jewish Philanthropies, in advance of the High Holy Days. You are welcome to participate in a session too; you can find them listed on the CJP website.

How you can register for your TBI High Holy Days security pass:

The preferred way to register is through our online registration form; you can find a link to it on the TBI website.

If you cannot use the link, please call Andrea Baron at the TBI office at 781-894-5146. Please give her the names of all people in your group needing passes, and the mailing address to which she should send them.

We will mail a pass for each person whose name you provide, and place each name on the master list, as we realize you may not all arrive at the same time. Please be sure to include only people who actually may attend.

Deadlines:

<u>Please submit the form or call no later than September 11th</u> to ensure we have enough time to mail your pass(es).

If you submit the form or call <u>between September 12th and 18th, we will attempt to mail the passes but</u> there is an increased chance that they will arrive late.

If you submit the form or call <u>between September 19th and September 22nd, we will add your name to our master list to allow entry, but we will not be able to mail you a pass.</u>

We cannot accept registrations to attend after September 22nd.

Thank you for your participation in our efforts to provide a safe environment for us to gather as a community.

All the best.

Dina Wolfman Baker, President

If you need a High Holy Day prayer book to use at home, you may pick one up at the Temple in a bin on our porch. Please plan to return them by October 21.



Join us for the Bar Mitzvah of Mason Z.
on Saturday September 17th

Kiddush sweets are being sponsored by his family

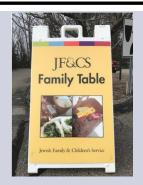


At the Watch Factory
South Dock

Monday September 26th at 5:30pm







Temple Beth Israel will conduct a Food Drive to support Family Table, a project of Jewish Family and Children's Service.

We will collect healthy foods that serve Jewish families and individuals in many communities.

Please consider donating some of their greatest needs:

Whole Grain Pasta Whole Grain Crackers Solid White Tuna in Water

Brown Rice Dried Beans Cereal (low sugar and whole grain)

Canned Salmon Shabbat Candles Canned Vegetables

Canned Tomatoes (sauce, Vegetarian Soup (Kosher Canned Fruit (low sugar and in fruit

diced, stewed, whole) and low sodium) juice)

Bring your donation to the Temple any time before Friday October 14 between 9:30am and 5:00pm and place it in the Family Table collection box on the porch.

If you prefer, a check made out to Family Table can be sent to: Temple Beth Israel, 25 Harvard Street, Waltham, MA 02453.

September Yahrzeits

| Aaron Blauer Rose Ritter Cecelia Belle Freeman Rachel Shecktman Abraham Goldstein Benjamin Greenblott Ruth Cormier Agatha Baron | Elul 05 Elul 05 Elul 06 Elul 07 Elul 08 Elul 08 Elul 08 Elul 09 | 1-Sep 1-Sep 2-Sep 3-Sep 4-Sep 4-Sep 4-Sep 5-Sep |
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| Carrie Altman | Elul 10 | 6-Sep |
| Gayle Raye Schupak Joseph Kennen | Elul 10 Elul 10 | 6-Sep 6-Sep |
| Sara Weinstein | Elul 10 | 6-Sep |
| Samuel Wolf | Elul 11 | 7-Sep |
| Si Wynn | Elul 12 | 8-Sep |
| Nathan Weiner | Elul 12 | 8-Sep |
| Louis Goldberg | Elul 13 | 9-Sep |
| Mary Nochemsohn | Elul 13 | 9-Sep |
| Harry Goldberg | Elul 14 | 10-Sep |
| Jennie Bernstein Samuel Arnold | Elul 14 Elul 14 | 10-Sep 10-Sep |
| Anna Ginsburg | Elul 15 | 11-Sep |
| Hyman Cohen | Elul 15 | 11-Sep |
| Rose Jacobs | Elul 16 | 12-Sep |
| Rebecca Wolf | Elul 18 | 14-Sep |
| Daniel Leaken | Elul 19 | 15-Sep |
| Bessie Aronie | Elul 20 | 16-Sep |
| Dorothy Nottenburg | Elul 20 | 16-Sep |
| Joseph Ullman | Elul 20 | 16-Sep |
| David Feingold | Elul 21 | 17-Sep |
| Louis Kniznik | Elul 22 | 18-Sep |
| Sarah Mendelsohn | Elul 22 | 18-Sep |
| A. Harvey Cinamon Annie Siegel | Elul 23 Elul 24 | 19-Sep 20-Sep |
| Lillian Shapiro Korzenik | Elul 24 | 20-Sep |
| Louis Goldstein | Elul 24 | 20-Sep |
| Abraham Crevoshay | Elul 25 | 21-Sep |
| Hedwig Benedick | Elul 25 | 21-Sep |
| Abe Grater | Elul 26 | 22-Sep |
| David Pokat | Elul 26 | 22-Sep |
| Lillian Michaelson | Elul 26 | 22-Sep |
| Samuel Pill | Elul 26 | 22-Sep |
| Sarah Caplan | Elul 26 | 22-Sep |
| Doris Resnikoff | Elul 28 | 24-Sep |
| James Zieff | Elul 29 | 25-Sep |
| Max Russell | Elul 29 | 25-Sep |

We wish a long life to our members who are observing a Yahrzeit in the coming weeks.

If you would like assistance to arrange a *virtual minyan* so that you may say kaddish for your loved ones, please contact the Temple office at least one week in advance.

- Sept 1 Janice Goldstein, in memory of her father, Aaron Blauer
- Sept 5 Susan Baron, in memory of her mother, Agatha Baron
- Sept 6 Steven Kennen, in memory of his grandfather, Joseph Kennen
- Sept 8 Rabbi David Finkelstein and Stephanie Wynn, in memory of Si Wynn
- Sept 20 Diana Korzenik, in memory of her mother, Lillian Shapiro Korzenik
- Sept 25 Steven Zieff, in memory of his father, James Zieff



October Yahrzeits



| Annie Meilman | Tishrei 02 | 27-Sep |
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| Janet Greenblott | Tishrei 02 | 27-Sep |
| Noah Goldberg | Tishrei 02 | 27-Sep |
| Tsippa Shapiro | Tishrei 03 | 28-Sep |
| Jack Victor Itzkowitz | Tishrei 04 | 29-Sep |
| Rose Bronfman | Tishrei 04 | 29-Sep |
| Louis Sheer | Tishrei 05 | 30-Sep |
| Mary Hoffman | Tishrei 05 | 30-Sep |
| Rose Sheer Wolk | Tishrei 05 | 30-Sep |
| Ethel Shriberg | Tishrei 06 | 1-Oct |
| Stefanie C. Handel | Tishrei 06 | 1-Oct |
| Ida Pedell | Tishrei 07 | 2-Oct |
| Abraham Larks | Tishrei 09 | 4-Oct |
| Elliot Hillel Weinberg | Tishrei 09 | 4-Oct |
| Barnett Goldstein | Tishrei 10 | 5-Oct |
| Florence Milesky | Tishrei 10 | 5-Oct |
| Herbert Larks | Tishrei 10 | 5-Oct |
| Minnie Krinsky | Tishrei 10 | 5-Oct |
| Louis Baron | Tishrei 12 | 7-Oct |
| Sarah Sheinhait | Tishrei 12 | 7-Oct |
| Louis Harris | Tishrei 14 | 9-Oct |
| Cynthia Ullman | Tishrei 15 | 10-Oct |
| Rose Talent | Tishrei 15 | 10-Oct |
| Sadie Sherman | Tishrei 15 | 10-Oct |
| Gertrude F. Zuckerman | Tishrei 16 | 11-Oct |
| Samuel Chansky | Tishrei 16 | 11-Oct |
| Florence Furman | Tishrei 17 | 12-Oct |
| Ashley Schiff | Tishrei 19 | 14-Oct |
| Sylvia Pinstein | Tishrei 20 | 15-Oct |
| Zelda Wolfman | Tishrei 20 | 15-Oct |
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| Abraham Geller | Tishrei 23 | 18-Oct |
| Joseph Canter | Tishrei 23 | 18-Oct |
| Lena Merowitz | Tishrei 24 | 19-Oct |
| Morris Weinstein | Tishrei 25 | 20-Oct |
| William Riseberg | Tishrei 25 | 20-Oct |
| Jacob Hoffman | Tishrei 26 | 21-Oct |
| Sophie Tuchfeld | Tishrei 26 | 21-Oct |
| lda Dubin | Tishrei 27 | 22-Oct |
| Sarah Benjaminson | Tishrei 27 | 22-Oct |
| Helen Talvy | Tishrei 29 | 24-Oct |
| Lillian Berman | Tishrei 29 | 24-Oct |
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- Sept 29 Stephen Etkind, in memory of his uncle, Jack Itzkowitz
- Oct 4 Penina Weinberg, in memory of her father, Elliot Hillel Weinberg
- Oct 10 Miriam Chernoff, in memory of her aunt, Cynthia Ullman
- Oct 12 Susan Furman and Beth Cormier, in memory of their mother, Florence Furman
- Oct 15 Dina Baker, in memory of her mother, Zelda Wolfman



November Yahrzeits Tishrei 29 24-Oct Miriam Bowra Tishrei 29 Ruth Shapiro 24-Oct Tishrei 30 Benjamin Moldoff 25-Oct 27-Oct Louis Geller Cheshvan 02 Ida Hollicker 29-Oct Cheshvan 04 Sophie Becker Cheshvan 04 29-Oct 30-Oct Edith Escott Cheshvan 05 Samuel Dressler 30-Oct Cheshvan 05 Ida Michels 31-Oct Cheshvan 06

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Austin Rhodes

Lottie Caplan

Harriette Blackman

Bertha Grossman

Harold Shapiro

Pearl Goldberg

Gladys Atkins

Len Snyder

Lena Canter

Bella Elkins

Rosalind Gardner

Allyn Abramson Ida Bloomenthal

Leon Pinstein

Nathan Stroum

Arthur Merowitz

Arpad Viltschek

Rebecca Slatrow

Edward Weiner

Max Talent

Herman York

Daniel Griff

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Lester Goldberg

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Benjamin Wolk

Max Katz

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Abraham Goldstein

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Rose Fox

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- Oct 24 Catherine Cantrell, in memory of her mother, Miriam Bowra
- Oct 24 Roni-Beth Shapiro and Elaine Shapiro, in memory of their mother, Ruth Shapiro
- Oct 25 Beverly Kaplan, in memory of her father Benjamin Moldoff
- Oct 30 Carol Cotton, in memory of her mother, Edith Escott
- Nov 2 Marilyn Racette, in memory of Bertha Grossman
- Nov 3 Hannah Snyder, in memory of her grandfather, Len Snyder
- Nov 5 Andrea Baron, in memory of her father, Allyn Abramson
- Nov 9 Erika Cohen, in memory of her father, Arpad Vitschek
- Nov 9 Bruce Trager, in memory of his grandmother, Rose Fox
- Nov 11 Joel Weiner, in memory of his father, Edward Weiner
- Nov 19 Richard Goldberg, in memory of his brother, Lester Goldberg
- Nov 20 Jim Baron and Audrey Kennen, in memory of their grandmother. Madeline Kaplan
- Nov 22 Anita Kennen, in memory of her grandfather, Max Katz
- Nov 23 Jim Baron and Audrey Kennen, in memory of their father, Herbert Baron
- 20-Nov ◆ Nov 24 - Martin Taubman, in memory of his father, Chaim Taubman

Thank You for Your Generous Donations

General Fund Donations

- Ed Brown, in honor of Marge and Arthur Marion's 50th Wedding Anniversary
- Jill Carni wishes a refruah shlema to Daniel Whitney Thompson
- Jill Carni wishes a refruah shlema to 99 year old Kitty Leah Haas who is recovering from hip surgery

In Memory of Carol Master from:

- Dina and Brad Baker
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- Jim and Andrea Baron

To the Saturday Kiddush Fund

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- Marilyn Racette
- Babak Shirazi
- Albert Smith
- Hannah Snyder
- Howard Trachtman
- Bruce Trager
- Phyllis Werlin
- Toni Wolfman
- Steven Zieff

Book Club

The next book will be Madam: The Biography of Polly Adler, Icon of the Jazz Age by Debbie It is great, starting with Adler's Appleaate. Ukrainian upbringing in the 1900s. If you only get that far, it's worth the read. Then it goes on Debby Applegate to many fascinating stories about the Jewish



gangland world of the 1920s and 30s in New York and the role of brothels in New York's political and artistic life. Told with humor and good will, it gives a good picture of a side of Jewish life I never knew about. This madam is quite the character!

Available in all formats: as a book from the library, on audible, or downloadable from the Library app.

Then feel free to Zoom with the TBI book club as we discuss it. We will be starting up again after the High Holidays, hopefully on Tuesday evening, October 25. Please let me know if you want a link and I will put you on the book club mailing list.

Susan Holbert

Rabbi David's Office Hours:

NEW DAY FOR OFFICE HOURS

Drop-in: Wednesdays 12:30-

1:30pm.

Zoom Meeting ID: 811 0356 9244

Passcode: 157389

By Appointment Only: Every Wednesday 10:30am-12:30pm.

Contact Rabbi David in advance to make an appointment at rabbidavid@tbiwaltham.org or 781.786.8679

Upcoming Events

GEN GEN Havdallah and Games will take place the 2nd Saturday of the month at TBI beginning at sundown



If you are between the ages of 22 and 45 years old, you are welcome to RSVP. Just email Erika mackined@gmail.com or Joshua joshua6781@gmail.com

TBI Bookshelf

by Marilyn Racette

On August 20th Marla Brettschneider, author, political philosopher, and professor at the University of New Hampshire, spoke to members of TBI about her most recent book, The Hidden Jews of Ethiopia: The Beta Israel of Kechene and North Shewa. After her talk, professor Brettschneider graciously donated a copy of her book, which presents scholarly material introducing the littleknown Jewish communities remaining in Ethiopia. These largely hidden communities struggle against intense persecution and a lack of recognition. She also presented the temple with a copy of an earlier book, The Jewish Phenomenon in Sub-Saharan Africa. In this work Professor Brettschneider raises auestions about the histories of these diverse communities, their relations with their African neighbors and global Jewry, similarities and differences in practice between them and Jews in the North, and the impact of the rising Jewish trends on Israel, the United States, and world Jewry. Thank you, Professor Brettschneider!



Zoom with Us!

Sept/Oct 2022

We meet by computer, by phone, and in person (though we do close the building temporarily in COVID-19 surges—please check the website).

To join by phone--no computer needed: Dial (301)-715-8592. You will hear a prompt to enter a meeting ID. Enter the meeting ID, followed by #. In the listing of events below, we show the meeting ID for each event.

To join by computer or mobile device, visit **zoom.us** in a web browser, click *Join a Meeting*, and enter the meeting ID and password for the event (or click the direct link to the event posted on our website or in our weekly email update). **The current list of events appears below.**

| | September - October | Meeting ID |
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| | Shabbat Services Online | Meening ID |
| Sept. 2, Oct. 7 | Kabbalat Shabbat with Maariv 5:30pm—6:30 pm | |
| Sept. 9, 16, 23, 30 Oct. 14, 21, 28 | Shabbat Shalom - 5:30 pm—6:00 pm Online only | 860 9408 8277 |
| All Saturdays in Sept. and Oct. | Shabbat Morning In-house (when building is open) and Online 9:30 am | 898 2996 2372 pw:204635 |
| | Thursday Morning Minyan | |
| Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27 | Morning Minyan 8:00 am Online only | 860 6404 5288 |
| | Rabbi's Initiatives | |
| Sept. 7, 14, 21 Oct. 12, 19, 26 | 12:30 pm-1:30 pm Rabbi David's Open Zoom Office Hours See page 17 for details | 811 0356 9244 pw: 157389 |
| September 10 October 8 | Blessing and Song 2-:-00-3:00 pm See page 6 for details | 852 7664 6999 pw: 072162 |
| September 24 October 22 | Torah Talk Table 2:00-3:00 pm See page 6 for details | 885 0250 7881 Pw:: 872677 |

Temple Beth Israel Memorial Park

Temple Beth Israel has maintained a cemetery for its members since 1951. Beth Israel Memorial Park is located on South Street, between the Stanley Elementary School and Children's Hospital. Graves are available in Section A (the right side as you enter the cemetery), Section B (the left side as you enter the cemetery) and in Kulanu (the left side, after Section B). The cost to purchase an individual grave in Sections A or B for Temple members is \$2,200 (\$4,400 for two). The cost for non-members is \$3,200 per grave, which includes one year of membership (\$600).

Kulanu is dedicated to serving the needs of Jewish Temple members who are married to a non-Jewish spouse. Graves in the Kulanu interfaith section are sold in lots of two, at a total cost of \$4,400 for members. The cost for non-members is \$7,600 for a lot of two, which includes one year of family membership (\$1,200).

If you are interested in purchasing one or more graves, please contact **Jay Trilling** of Menorah Cemetery Management Corporation at (857) 636-9440.

—Jim Baron, Cemetery Committee Chair

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Mark Your Calendar! September and October Highlights

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| Shabbat Morning | Shabbat Morning Services - Saturdays at 9:30am In House and Online |
| Whale Watching Trip | Sunday September 18 See Flier on page 8 |
| Rabbi Office Hours | Office Hours will now be on Wednesdays 12:30pm-1:30pm See page 17 |
| Rabbi's Initiatives | The Rabbi is introducing some new and updated programs this month. Check pages 6-7 for details |
| NextGen | Join us on the second Saturday of the month at sundown for Havdallah, games and schmoozing. Next meeting will be October 8th |