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The Reform Congregation of Jersey City
July—August 2022
Tammuz—Av—Elul 5782

Celebrating our 150th year as a
congregation & 95 years in our home!

Message from the Rabbi

Pssst! Have you heard the news? God tells Moses: “If you create a sacred dwelling for me, I will live among them.” (Ex. 25:8)

Ok, that is not new news. But read on. I assure you, there is exciting news to share. These words above are from Torah, so it’s pretty old. However, it is true that our multimillennia-old tradition of building was inaugurated with those very words.

We still follow the Biblical tradition that teaches that all the people brought according to what they had and how their hearts moved them. The materials for the *mishkan* were donated by the people, who gave so generously and so freely that Moses had to tell them to stop. (Ex. 36:6) The actual construction was performed by a team of inspired and skilled men and women. They were people with special skills and knowhow who led the building project (Ex. 31). And somehow, in the middle of the desert, the people *created the first social hall!*

Social Hall? I’m only half kidding. Of course, we know that the center of the mishkan was filled with the mystery of God’s presence and its entry was restricted. The entire community, however, was welcome in the outer precincts. Thus, the greater purpose of the *mishkan* is the same as our social hall: it is a place to be at home in Jewish community; a place to learn; a place to celebrate; a place to party; a place to dream, a place to serve that which is greater than ourselves; even a place to pray (at least until we get air conditioning in the sanctuary).

Like the miraculous manna that fell from the heavens to feed the people during those 40 years, the Israelites, who fled seemingly with nothing, somehow came up with the gold, silver, brass, special wood, dyed linen, semi-precious stone and, inexplicably, even dolphin skin.

Well, the news is that we (Temple Beth-El) are looking forward to receiving our own manna: **A FEMA Grant**. And like manna, it, too, feels like a miracle.

This is the story: after Hurricane Ida destroyed our entire social hall and lower level with water and mold, the Temple inquired about a FEMA grant, an SBA loan; and, of course, an insurance settlement for the financial help to rebuild. We were rejected by both FEMA and our insurance company. At the time, houses of worship were not eligible for FEMA money and, not being situated in a flood zone, we did not have (storm) flood insurance. Through a very fortuitous Passover dinner I had with Governor and First Lady Murphy (an incredible honor!), we learned that, in fact, the FEMA rules had changed since we first inquired. While the deadline had past, houses of worship *were now* eligible. The further good news was that we could apply for an extension with FEMA as long as we had applied for an SBA loan (check!) and Insurance (check!) within the required time limit. Making a long, winding and bureaucratic story short, **we are now approved for a FEMA grant!**

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- ◆ Terumah/Dues were due July 1. Click [here](#) to renew your membership.
(Renewal & Registration are required by August 15 for priority/guaranteed High Holy Day admission.)
- ◆ High Holy Days 5783 Important Registration information — see pages 8 & 9
- ◆ Register for Religious School now — see calendar, details and link on page 6

- Out of an abundance of caution and due to the recent uptick of local Covid cases, we have reinstated our sanctuary masking policy during services. Please watch our Weekly for when we can revert to mask optional for vaccinated folks. All our Shabbat services are live and in person in our sanctuary.
- Oneg refreshments have resumed! If you have not already done so, please submit your vaccination documentation to office@betheljc.org. Only those verified will be permitted to attend events with food. Children 5 and under are not required to be vaccinated or masked.
- We are continuing to livestream all our services for all who do not feel ready to return. Read our full Covid protocols [here](#). Services that will be livestreamed from our sanctuary can be viewed [here](#). If you are following the service from home and would like to access the siddur, click [here](#).

Friday, July 1	6:30 pm
First Friday Family Kabbalat Shabbat lay-led Services. Oneg following services.	
Friday, July 8	8:00 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat services. Oneg following services.	
Saturday, July 9	10:30 am
Tot Shabbat at Temple Beth-El (not livestreamed)	
Friday, July 15	7:15 pm
Wine & Cheese “Pre-neg” Kabbalat Shabbat services. Oneg following services.	
Friday, July 22	8:00 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat Services. Oneg following services.	
Friday, July 29	7:00 pm
Shabbat Dinner — pre-register by Tuesday 7/26 here . All are welcome to the oneg at 8:30. Kaddish and misheberach for healing will be offered for those who wish to recite it. This dinner will be in place of our usual Shabbat prayer services.	
Friday, August 5	8:00 pm
First Friday Family Kabbalat Shabbat services. Oneg following services.	
Friday, August 12	8:00 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat Services. Oneg following services.	
Friday, August 19	7:15 pm
Wine & Cheese “Pre-neg” Kabbalat Shabbat services	
Saturday, August 20	10:30 pm
Tot Shabbat at Temple Beth-El (not livestreamed)	
Friday, August 26	
Kabbalat Shabbat Services. Oneg following services.	
Friday, September 2	6:30 pm
First Friday Family Kabbalat Shabbat Services. Oneg following services	



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Much of our staff is working from home with limited access to files. Our phones, emails and website are up and running.

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Shabbat Candle Lighting

Friday, July 1 8:13 pm

Friday, July 8 8:12 pm

Friday, July 15 8:08 pm

Friday, July 22 8:03 pm

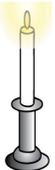
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Friday, August 5 7:49 pm

Friday, August 12 7:40 pm

Friday, August 19 7:30 pm

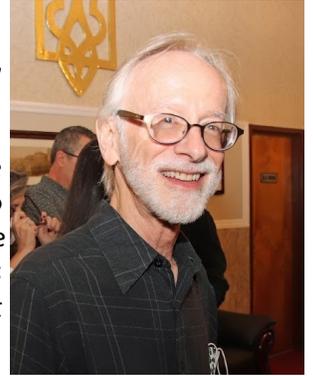
Friday, August 26 7:20 pm



Notes from the Temple President

If you missed this year's Congregational Meeting on June 26, I can fill you in on a few things.

First of all, Temple Beth-El continues to move forward in many ways. In my first three years as President, we went from under 150 member units to over 170 and seemed to be on course to reach the 200-member level at which many Board members think we will reach a much more comfortable financial situation. Unfortunately, Covid cost us quite a few members, but we are back in growth mode. Here is a selection of the great things that are happening at Temple Beth-El:



- We are looking forward to a great year in the Religious School with our new and highly-experienced Religious School director, Lisa McNerney.
- We will once again have more than 10 B'nai Mitzvah in the coming year.
- Rabbi Moritt's Introduction to Judaism class has been very popular and has brought us not only quite a few new Temple members but also numerous new Jews!
- Tot Shabbat continues to be very well attended and a source of new member families every year.
- In June, we had our first FUNdraiser in three years with Borscht XI. A splendid time was had by all, and the Ad Journal + ticket sales raised badly needed funds for the Temple.
- Finally, plans for the Social Hall remediation and renovation continue apace. We have been meeting on a regular basis with the architects, engineers and other consultants to design a bright, secure, and welcoming new Social Hall that will be the home of our Religious School and social events for many years to come. We have also been working hard to obtain funding from the SBA and FEMA that will provide a significant boost to our Kadimah! fundraising effort.

This year, the Board planned to institute a new leadership structure with a fourth Vice President, but no President. However, with so much unfinished business I agreed to stay on as President, and the Congregation waived the 5-year term limit. I am honored by the trust that has been given to me in this position, but I will need everyone's support.

Please join us for Leadership Shabbat on Friday, September 16, to thank all the leaders from the past year and honor the new group who will serve as Officers, Trustees and Committee Chairs for 2022-23. The evening will begin with a 7:15 Wine & Cheese Pre-Neg, followed by our Kabbalat Shabbat service.

Don't forget to renew your membership for fiscal year 2022-23 by going to the Temple website and making a new Terumah pledge. If you used the website last year to set up automatic monthly payments on your credit card, you won't need to do anything unless you wish to change your pledge. With our budget so very tight, I ask you to please give more than you did last year if you possibly can.

The Board raised the suggested dues for the first time in four years. It is now \$2,700 per year for those who can afford it. We deeply appreciate your donation at any level but ask that you seriously consider that it takes a lot of money to keep a synagogue afloat. A lot of volunteer hours too, by the way, so please check with Temple Administrator Bob Kahan at admin@betheljc.org to find out how you can help. Here's to a great new year at Temple Beth-El!

Thank you Tom Rosensweet!

The entire congregation of Temple Beth-El thanks you for the 5 years you have donated and served us as our president. You have shepherded us through incredible growth and change and we are very grateful. We thank you for continuing in leadership as we transition.

Rabbi's Message (continued from page 1)

This grant will give us 90% of what we need to make us whole, down to the moldy tables and chairs we had to throw away. It will also include funds to bring us up to modern codes and standards, and even match up to a certain amount to mitigate against further damage. Our new school/social hall will even have restored windows, flooding the whole floor with natural light for our children. Truly this grant turned the curse of the storm into a blessing for Temple Beth-El's future.

As miraculous as this FEMA grant is, like the manna, it is not enough to get us to the Promised Land. We still need serious donations to get us there: The FEMA grant is for 90% of the work. That's fantastic, but we still need come up with the other 10%. The total grant will also be reduced by the \$106,000 SBA loan we were awarded (the grant would be reduced by this amount whether we accepted the loan or not). Of course, as a loan, we have to pay that back. We will also need significant work and furnishings that will not be covered by the grant. Critically, this grant money will *reimburse us* the funds for all this work. We must *first have the cash on hand* to lay out to do the work. So, while this is an incredible gift, all of us still need to step up.

And the faster we reach our fundraising goal, the sooner we can get our kids into a bright new modern school facility; the faster we can celebrate Tot Shabbat and Passover there; the faster we can reinstate our Yom Kippur Community Forum; the sooner we can laugh together at Borscht and galas in our own home; the sooner we can celebrate b'nai mitzvah, namings, and weddings properly and beautifully; the sooner we can spend comfortable Shabbatot during the sweltering summer months... and so much more!

Like the *mishkan*, our social hall will be a holy space. We will build it together. We may even feel God's presence there. Like the ancient *mishkan*, we want to create a home fit for God's presence to dwell. Yet we still remember what the text teaches: we build it not so that God dwells in it. We build it so that God will dwell with us. Please give.

In friendship and in joyful anticipation for what the future holds for us,

Rabbi Leana Moritt

Please donate to help build our own sacred space [here](#). If you will bring your own special skills or gifts; have any questions, or if you have access to or knowledge of (ideally) no cost financing to keep the building project moving quickly, please contact [Rabbi Moritt](#) or Peter Retzlaff, our Kadimah! / Capital Campaign Chair at Kadimah@betheljc.org or [Tom Rosensweet](#), our VP of Building/Kadimah!



Shabbat Dinners Coming to TBE!

July 29 October 14 November 11

We are excited to start offering Shabbat dinners at Temple Beth-El. The dinners will be open to all with pre-registration by Tuesday of that week. The cost of a full hot catered Shabbat dinner will be \$18. To register and pay please go [here](#) and select "Shabbat Dinner." The dinner will replace the Kabbalat Shabbat prayer service that week. Everyone will help with the dishes and those who enjoy wine with dinner should bring a bottle to share.

All/non-registrants will be welcome for our regular oneg/desert and we will offer the Mourner's Kaddish and misheberach for healing for those who are remembering a loved one during the oneg.



Please consider sponsoring an oneg—
for a special occasion or just to
celebrate being together!

 July 15 and August 19
wine & cheese "pre-neg"
before services

September 16 —
Leadership Shabbat
Meet the new board,
thank the outgoing board!



Meet our new Director of Education!

My name is Lisa McNerney and I am so excited to be joining you as Temple Beth-El's Director of Education! I have been involved in Jewish Education for over 35 years in a variety of positions. I relocated from South Florida before becoming a part time Director in a Temple in Edison.

Throughout my career, I have had an assortment of responsibilities administratively as well as in the classroom, youth groups, retreats, programming and Bar/Bat Mitzvah training. One of my greatest pleasures was making connections to the students and their families. I enjoy being a part of introducing and sharing the beauty and traditions of Reform Judaism to so many young people. It is important to me that each student feels a connection to their Temple family, while enjoying their time in an educational setting!

I also experienced Jewish studies from the perspective of a student, while attending Solomon Schechter Day School from K-12th grade, here in New Jersey. My family belonged to Temple Beth El in Elizabeth while I was growing up. My claim to fame was being bat mitzvahed by Sally Priesand, the first female Rabbi ordained by a rabbinical seminary!

It is a pleasure to be a part of a new Temple, open to diversity and growth! I look forward to meeting everyone. My door is always open to any thoughts, suggestions or questions!

B'Shalom!

Lisa



On a beautiful Sunday afternoon Temple Beth-El members and friends came together to share a picnic,

schmooze, and have some delicious yogurt provided by Downtown Yogurt.



**Rafi Lantz, Jake Linder and Noa Linder,
FroYo Scoopers Extraordinaire!**



- Help bring TBE to those at home by pushing a couple of buttons. Join the tech crew and work our Livestream equipment at a Shabbat service. Contact Seth Lubin at sthlubin@gmail.com
- Love to schmooze? Help the Temple talk up and grow our Kadimah! Development Team. Contact Peter Retzlaff at Kadimah@betheljc.org
- Know Wordpress or have tech skills? Help the Temple with occasional website updates or up dating our digital infrastructure. Contact Philip.gary@gmail.com or RabbiMoritt@betheljc.org
- Want to create fun, welcoming and meaningful Temple events? Be part of our Religious Practices/Ushering team or Membership committee. Contact RabbiMoritt@betheljc.org
- Want to help feed the hungry and change the world? Contact Laura Katzive at laura_katzive@yahoo.com

Temple Beth-El Religious School

Register your children now for Religious School [here!](#)

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5783 Calendar (2022-2023)

SUNDAYS, 9:30am – 12:00noon

September 11, 18
 October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
 November 6, 13, 20
 December 4, 11, 18
 January 8, 22, 29
 February 5, 12, 26
 *February 12 -field trip
 March 5, 12, 19, 26
 April 2, 16, 23, 30
 May 7, 14, 21



Grade Level Shabbat Services

Save the Date!

Family Shabbat services at 6:30pm on the first Friday of each month

October 7 - Grade 7
 November 4 - Grade 5
 December 2 – All grades
 February 3 – Grade 6
 March 3 – Grades K-2
 May 5 – Grades 3 & 4

30 school days

PARENT/FAMILY ED SUNDAY FUNDAYS

September 11- Parent Coffee & Shmooze Welcome
 October 9 – Sukkot (build and decorate)
 December 18 – Hanukkah
 February 26 – Purim
 April 2 – Pesach (Passover)
 May 7 - Lag B'omer Picnic (Rain Date: May 14)

Special All School Events

Sunday, September 11th- Parents' Welcome Coffee & Shmooze
 Sunday, October 16th - Consecration and Simchat Torah
 Sunday, Nov. 13th - B'nai Mitzvah Parents' Mtg. with Rabbi Moritt
 Sunday, January 29th - B'nai Mitzvah Mtg. for 6th Graders *only* (6th Gr. - 12.30 pickup)
 Sunday, February 12th – All-School Field Trip (Superbowl Sunday)
 Monday, March 6th - Purim Celebration, Shpiel, and Megillah reading
 Sunday May 7 - Lag B'omer Picnic (Rain Date: May 14)

NO SCHOOL ON

September 25 – Erev Rosh Hashanah
 November 27 – Thanksgiving
 December 25 & January 1 – Winter Break
 January 15 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
 February 19 – President's Weekend
 April 9 - Pesach (Passover)

KEEP IN TOUCH

- Visit our Facebook Family page
- Email Lisa McNerney, our Education Director at LMcNerney@betheljc.org
- Not receiving Parent/Family communications? Please contact Bob at admin@betheljc.org

*Did you know that your child is expected to attend Shabbat services once a month as part of our RS curriculum?



Saturday, July 9 and August 20 @ 10:30 am

Back in person at Temple Beth-El — outdoors (weather permitting)

Calling all children 0-5 and their grownups! Join your TBE friends and Rabbi Moritt for singing, dancing, storytime, kiddush & motzi, and an age-appropriate craft.



Mark your calendars for Tot Shabbat mornings through the end of the calendar year. We will be meeting in various outdoor locations when weather permits. Watch for location details.

September 17 October 15 November 12 December 10
January 21 February 25 March 18 April 22 May 13 June 10

If you are not on our Tot Shabbat list, please email office@betheljc.org & ask to be added to our email list.

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Register for the 2022-23 Religious School Year Now!



Our Youth Education Committee and Rabbi Moritt are actively planning for the upcoming Religious School year! Kindly take a few minutes now to enroll your child/children for the 5783 (2022-2023) school year by clicking [here](#).

Please complete your enrollment as soon as possible, as this assists us in preparing for next year's in-person classes. **Our first day of school will be Sunday, September 11th.** Invite your friends and neighbors to enroll their children, too!

We look forward to seeing your children (and you at Religious School in September 2022. Please email Rabbi Moritt if you have any questions.

*Parents: join us for
Coffee and Schmooze Welcome
on the first day of school,
September 11!*

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Temple Beth El Jersey City Members

is a **private** Facebook Group created exclusively for our Temple Beth-El member community to continue being together while promoting health and wellness. For security purposes we are limiting this group to members only. If you are not yet a member, please consider joining. There is also a separate page for Beth-El families!



Our Twitter feed has over **800** followers! Check it out [here](#) or search for Temple Beth-El Jersey City on Twitter.

High Holy Day Registration

Registration for High Holy Days is now open. After another year that many of us spent too often apart from loved ones and each other, we are very pleased to start registration for our in-sanctuary High Holy Day services for 2022/5783. Registration for all High Holy Day Services is once again required for all and no one will gain admission without registration and authorization.

This year, we are allowing a slightly higher number of friends to join us in person at Temple Beth-El for the High Holy Days. Specifically, 300 masked and vaccinated¹ people will be permitted to attend our adult services and 200 masked and vaccinated people will be permitted to attend our Family Services. While we are proud of our history of welcoming all regardless of membership status, this year, once again, for reasons of health, ethics and fairness, we must prioritize our members in good standing in calculating attendance.

We remain committed to providing a home for the High Holy Days for all who need it. In order to do that, we rely on all who benefit from having a place at TBE for the High Holy Days to donate to the Temple and ensure that we can continue to provide our services for all who need them. If you have not yet submitted or renewed your membership with a Terumah pledge and payment, you must do that before you are considered for guaranteed/priority High Holy Day entrance. You can renew your membership or join Temple Beth-El² [here](#). Non-members and others who kindly wish to make a donation to Temple Beth-El can do that [here](#).

The cut-off date to renew your membership/join to guarantee High Holy Day admission is August 15. We will advise non-member registrants about their admission status no later than Friday, September 9. All may register for High Holy Days [here](#).

While our leadership stands behind these decisions for our collective and individual health and wellness, we understand this policy may exclude some unvaccinated members. While we highly encourage you to perform the mitzvah (spiritual imperative) of being vaccinated for Covid-19 in time to attend, please see the full list of services below, some of which do not require vaccination. If vaccination is not possible for you, all our sanctuary services will be available to watch streamed live on YouTube [here](#).

We will again require vaccination documentation for all age 12 and older. If you have previously submitted vaccination documentation, it is not necessary to do so again. All others must send their documentation to Bob Kahan, our Office Manager. Bob can also confirm he has your documentation if you are not sure.

Finally, you can help add to the beauty and sanctity of our services with your presence by ushering. Please consider taking a short shift at one of our services by signing up [here](#). We very much look forward to being together as a sacred community this holiday season and elevating our voices in prayer and song.

L'shalom,

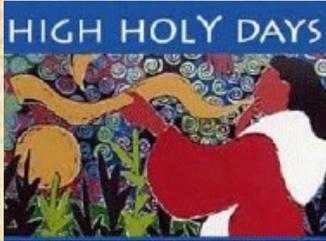
Philip Gary, VP, Religious Practices

Kristin Michaelson, Chair, Religious Practices

Rabbi Leana Moritt

1. We require vaccinations for all over the age of 12 and highly recommend that children under 12 are vaccinated, but do not require it. To be considered for entrance to these services, all attendees must agree to remain masked at all times indoors; and (if over age 12) can attest to being fully vaccinated against COVID-19 as defined by the CDC, i.e., 2 weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines. We do require vaccination documentation in advance.

2. If you have previously established automatic credit card payments toward your membership, your membership is automatically renewed and you do not need to repledge. However, you must still register for High Holy Days [here](#). However, we hope you will consider raising your contribution this year. To do that, simply follow the link and enter your new credit card charge. Any increase is tremendously appreciated this year.



Yamim Nora'im 5783 High Holy Days 2022 Schedule of Services

SLICHOT	Program & Services	6:30 pm
ROSH HASHANAH		
Sunday, September 25	Erev Rosh Hashanah *	8:00 pm
Monday, September 26	Rosh Hashana Day 1	
Morning Service *		10:00 am
Shofar & Shmooze on the Temple steps ***		1:30 pm
Family Services for Rosh Hashanah **		2:30—3:30 pm
Tashlich in Liberty State Park***		4:30 pm
Tuesday, September 27	Rosh Hashanah Day 2 *	10:00 am
YOM KIPPUR		
Tuesday, October 4	Erev Yom Kippur—Kol Nidre*	6:30 pm
Thursday, October 5	Yom Kippur Day	
Morning Services *		10:00 am
Meditation Walk led by Robb Kushner ***		2:00 pm
Family Services for Yom Kippur **		2:00 pm
Yizkor *		3:45 pm
Mincha/Ne'ilah & Havdalah *		5:00 pm
Yom Kippur ends/BreakFast		7:12 pm

*Indicates a cap of 300 people **Indicates a cap of 200 people ***Outdoors & Available to all

Want to chant Torah or Haftarah over the High Holy Days? Help make our services more meaningful and participatory through your presence! Contact [Rabbi Moritt](#).

Join the High Holy Day Ushering Crew



Ushers & Greeters Greeting our members is a crucial way in which our services run smoothly, everyone feels valued and welcome, and we create a sacred space for the holidays. Please consider accepting one or more shifts as an usher for our High Holy Days. Shifts are generally between 1-2 hours.

Duties include: A warm smile, directing people to available seats, ensuring people know where to find the appropriate books, handouts and restrooms. A very important ushering role is also checking in those people who have been assigned bimah honors and reminding them of their cues. In the case of the occasional absence of an assigned honoree, the usher will tap an alternative person seated in the congregation.

If you are able to take one or more shifts, please indicate your preferences [here](#). A representative of the Religious Practices Committee will confirm your assignment(s) shortly before the holidays after calculating volunteers and available slots.

Borscht Night a Smashing Success!

After a three-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic, June 11th marked the return of the All-Points Borscht Comedy fundraiser hosted by Phil Rivo. This was the 11th annual All-Points Borscht and featured a plethora of comedic and musical talent, headlined by comedian Jessica Kirson who can be seen on Netflix and the show *Crashing*.

This year's Borscht was a collaboration of the Jewish and Ukrainian cultures, and for the first time the event was not held at Temple Beth-El but at the Ukrainian National Home on Fleet Street in Jersey City.

Oksana Condon, President and Co-Founder of Ukrainian Jersey City, is proud of the collaboration of the two Jersey City communities through the success of All-Points Borscht.

"Borscht unites my country and your people. It proves that Jersey City is diverse, and people support each other. It shows that we are a community," said Condon. Holding the event at the Ukrainian National Home also meant that there were fabulous homemade potato pierogis and actual vegetarian or meat Borscht available for purchase to eat that night or take home.

Special thanks to the fundraising committee led by Vice President and Chair Nancy Sambul, whose work ethic enabled this year's Borscht Ad Journal to be the most successful ever.



Photos by Jeff Kaplowitz

Social Hall Planning Continues

The Facilities Committee is close to obtaining reimbursement by FEMA of \$60,000 that we've spent on water cleanup and mold remediation. At the same time, and after several years of waiting, we have moved a step closer to the reimbursement by the State of New Jersey of another \$60,000 that we spent several years ago for the removal of an underground oil tank and remediation of the surrounding area.

Even with this money, plus more that we expect to receive from FEMA and the SBA loan, we need to raise more money to complete the Social Hall renovation, so please give generously when our Kadimah! Committee calls.



Rendering of the Social Hall being used for services



Change the World With One Hour of Your Time Temple Beth-El Food Pantry Every Thursday The Pantry Urgently Needs Volunteers!



Our Food Pantry is in its third year and is giving out more and more meals to our food-insecure neighbors. Our members and friends have been generous with food donations,

which allows us to continue.

Our big problem at the moment is that we really need more volunteers. Please consider coming in once a month to help out. It only takes an hour of your time and is a great mitzvah. Please click [here](#) to volunteer.

You can also help by donating the foods and clothing listed [here](#), or by donating funds [here](#) so that we may purchase needed items. Our neighbors in need can use them. (Or you can use this QR code to access the wishlist.)



Scan with QR Studio

Donations are tax-deductible. If you donate cash, you'll receive an acknowledgement as usual. If you donate items, email the receipt to kpd@betheljc.org or click [here](#) for a downloadable copy of the Temple's In-Kind Donation Form. Click on the second form to donate, complete it, and send it to kpd@betheljc.org.

Temple Member Dylan Zajac receives award for his volunteer work!

Computers For People Inc. was founded in 2019 by then 15 year old Dylan Zajac in Hoboken, NJ. The non-profit was formed through his vision to create a sustainable solution to the mass pollution of e-waste and the ever-growing digital divide. Computers 4 People has grown to a leading organization tackling the digital divide in the New York City Metropolitan area.

I'm excited to officially announce I was awarded the Tikkun Olam Award from The Helen Diller Foundation! Computers 4 People will receive \$36,000 to help continue and grow our work! I already did a photo and video shoot for the award. I will also be flown out to California in August for the award celebration.

I want to say thank you to Nancy Sambul and Temple Beth El for nominating me for the award and telling me it exists. Here is the press release: <https://www.dillerteenawards.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Press-Release-2022.pdf> and the awardees page: <https://www.dillerteenawards.org/recipients/>

Thank you!
Dylan

What the rabbi does on her summer vacation

**From the RiverheadLocal:
Large crowd turns out for women’s rights rally in Riverhead
Wednesday evening**

Jun 30, 2022, 8:30 am

Anger, outrage, fear, sadness — emotions ran the gamut at Wednesday’s rally for women’s rights outside the Suffolk Supreme Court in Riverhead.

More than 200 people from across the East End and beyond came together on the steps of the courthouse, overflowing onto Griffing Avenue, which Riverhead Police closed to traffic as the crowd swelled.

A dozen speakers spoke at the rally, one of hundreds that have taken place across the country since the U.S. Supreme Court last Friday issued a decision overturning *Roe v. Wade*, the landmark 1973 Supreme Court case holding that a woman has a constitutional right to bodily autonomy and laws that banned abortion before the third trimester of pregnancy violated that right....

For the full article click [here](#)



Tributes

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For further information, please contact Larry Gutterman at admin@betheljc.org

Yahrzeits/Memorial Plaques *Remember and Honor*



The yahrzeit, or anniversary of a loved one's passing, is a time to remember the person, in the synagogue by reciting the Kaddish prayer, through the giving of extra charity and through learning. Each week at services we speak aloud the names of those people whose yahrzeit has occurred that week.

- To update your family's yahrzeit listings go to the [TBE yahrzeit list](#) or call or write the office.
- To purchase a Memorial Plaque to honor the memory of your loved ones click [here](#)

Yahrzeits



Week Ending July 2
Sheldon Baily

Week ending July 9
Charles F. Heitner
Murray Pollner
Donald Taube

Week ending July 16
Morris Pesin
Helen Rausch
Henrietta Rifkin Shuchman

Week ending July 23
Emanuel Eagle
Rhoda Magilavy
Harry Schwartzbard
Arnold Vernick

Week ending July 30
Ruby Chiang
Max Benjamin Harrison
Benjamin Rausch
Miriam Nickelsporn
Lisa Shuchman

Week ending August 6
Abraham Cohn
Florence Hersberg
Eleonore Kahan
Bernice Pollner

Week ending August 13
Regina Hibell
Irving Kizner
David Schnur
Janice Seiner Volker

Week ending August 20
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Blanche Dohrman
Charles Goldstein
Rita Opper
Beatrice Rosensweet

Week ending August 27
Samuel Bettinger
Neal F. Kessman
Esther Krieger
Harry Vogelmann

with sympathy to

The family of long-time devoted member **Molly Heitner** on her passing.

Ria DasGupta, Eric Schkrutz and the DasGupta and Schkrutz families on the passing of Ria's father, **Anupam DasGupta.**

Zichronam livracha.

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