



Temple Beth Shalom *Scroll*

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Taste of the Town - A Toast to our Children Saturday, May 19 at 7:00 pm Temple Beth Shalom, Needham Very limited seating available

Please go to www.tbsneedham.org for more information.

Support our Youth Programming for children ages 2-18
and win an iPad!

Raffle tickets are now being sold.
Please email Becky Shusterman at
jbsshusterman@verizon.net or
Robert Sheiffer at
rsheiffer@comcast.net
to purchase your tickets.
1 for \$10 or 3 for \$20



Drawing will be held at Taste of the Town on May 19.
You need not be present to win.

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Temple Beth Shalom Sisterhood **Spring Rummage Sale**

Sunday, June 3 - 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Monday, June 4 - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Bag Sale

**Drop-off - Sunday, June 3
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in Simon Hall**

Sisterhood needs your donations and assistance. Please call to volunteer!

(Please no broken or damaged items)

Baby and infant accessories are no longer accepted,
but baby clothing is welcome.

No undergarments will be accepted.

No computers or monitors, unless they are new.

**For more information, or to volunteer, please contact
Bonnie Littman: 781-449-8793 or bonnlitt@gmail.com**

From Rabbi Perlman



Certain milestones inspire both a looking back and a looking ahead. As I write, the Sox are celebrating their century of play at Fenway Park.

The ceremony is nostalgically recalling all of the home-town team greats who have played at the Fens: Cronin, Williams, and Pesky...Rice, Fisk, and Yaz. It is a joyful historic moment for this, the oldest ballpark in Major League Baseball. At the same time, however, it is impossible not to wonder about this team's future. Will they remain the winning team of the past decade – continually selling out the seats of Fenway, annually contending for a championship? Or, did last season's collapse mark the end of an era and begin a time when fan frustration will be the name of the game in Boston?

Moments such as these are called “Janus” – after the Roman god of doorways and gates – in that they move us to both where we have come from and where we are going – reflecting on the past and considering the future. Mount Sinai (which we celebrate later this month during Shavuot), for example, was another such moment. The Torah, shared with Moses, was said to contain the life story of Jewish people. And yet, at the same time, it reflected their ultimate vision for the future: a world in which compassion, justice, and peace would be made real for all. For Moses and all those who followed him, the Torah was more than memory. It was inspiration and invitation. It was a call to be answered...a challenge to be embraced...a promise to be fulfilled. It is why, as some scholars have noted, the ancient Temple in Jerusalem was decorated on the inside with images of the Garden of Eden. The purpose was not to bring an artistic rendering of past perfected beauty. Rather, it was to remind those who beheld them that what they did in the Temple was for the sake of making this world more whole.

The purpose of our temple community today is no less significant. We recall, learn, do, and share in order that we might become, create, nurture, foster,

and heal. In his most recent work on congregational innovation and leadership, Rabbi Hyim Herring, former executive director of STAR (Synagogues: Transformation and Renewal), puts it this way:

Today, many people perceive that congregational involvement adds little significance to their lives. By transforming the synagogue into a place of ultimate purpose, people now desire to participate in a community that inspires its members with enduring Jewish values. The temple continuously discovers ways to broaden and deepen opportunities for all – young and old, Jewish and non-Jewish, religious and secular, learned and just learning, committed and seeking – so that they use their gifts to make their synagogue a model of a more perfect world. The congregation is now the Jewish place where people create rewarding connections, renew their minds and spirits, and experience the joy that flows from an intentional community. Every person who invests energy and funds takes pride in being a temple shareholder and an ambassador to the broader Jewish, religious, and civic community.

As a Temple Beth Shalom community, we stand at an exciting moment in our shared journey. Looking back, we are inspired by those who built and sustained our congregation. They had the foresight and courage to create a Jewish community in Needham not only for themselves, but also for us, for our children, and for our grandchildren. Looking ahead, grateful for our many blessings, we are actively considering what our community might still yet become – our vision for tomorrow. Together, over the past several months, we have engaged in some special work. We have reflected upon and rewritten our statements of mission and vision. We have created an entirely new leadership structure at TBS – ensuring that how we craft our community's life is in direct alignment with our core values. Our Strategic Planning effort – with its focus on leadership, K-5 learning, worship, social justice, temple home and financial health – has led to community-shaping action: Following two years of study and reflection – with generous support from CJP and Brandeis University – we have created the innovative “TBS

Mayim” program – which, beginning this fall, will completely reframe the learning experience for our K-5th grade children and their families www.tbsmayim.org. We have engaged our first ever Executive Director and Controller, enabling us to better fulfill our community's mission through their leadership expertise in finance, technology, administrative systems, social media, and communication. Within the next month, a new information software system will be installed at TBS enabling much easier sharing between our temple offices and our members. Our rich array of services, program, courses, events and activities for all ages continues to glow with the spirit of warmth and community and will grow only deeper in the coming year. Our partnerships in Needham – with our schools, social service agencies, town leadership, business, fire and safety, health and wellness and with the many different faith communities – are strong and vital. Our Board and Finance Team are engaged in essential financial planning to ensure that our future is as vibrant and healthy as our present. As well, we are looking holistically at our temple building – much used over the years and originally built for a significantly smaller congregation than ours today. With the professional perspective of the architectural firm Finegold Alexander + Associates (www.faa-inc.com), we are thoroughly assessing our building's current usage and condition in relation to our anticipated needs over the next five, ten, fifteen years and beyond.

Looking back, we are humbled by the vision of those who came before us. Looking ahead, we see only the farthest horizon of our community's dreams. May our journey together continue to lead to Promise realized and potential fulfilled. May we be strengthened and inspired by one another. And may our dedication to our task help us to become the community of blessing that we aspire to be.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Perlman', written in a cursive style.

From Rabbi Markley



Strategic Action Update

Diving into Mayim!

April 1 was an extraordinary evening in the history of Temple

Beth Shalom. For on that night we launched our brand new program which will be the future of Jewish learning for our kindergarten through fifth grade children and their families. We are no longer even referring to this experience as “religious school” or “Hebrew school” because we no longer believe that model for learning to be what is most appropriate to meet the needs of our children and families. Instead, beginning this fall, we will be immersing ourselves in *Mayim* – an entirely new paradigm for Jewish life and learning for those of elementary school age.

“*Mayim*” is the Hebrew word for “water,” and we selected this title for these new learning opportunities because they are about creating depth of learning and depth of relationship building for children and adults alike. We chose the title “*Mayim*” because water allows for growth, just as we hope these learning settings will encourage growth in our children, and we selected “*Mayim*” because water takes on many forms, just like the variety of learners in our midst. This is “*Mayim*” because water allows us to see ourselves in its reflection just as we want our learners to see their lives reflected in their learning. We chose “*Mayim*” because water is often peaceful and tranquil – just as we want the synagogue to be a sanctuary for our children, and because water envelops us when we are in it – just as we seek to have our children’s Jewish experiences inform them throughout their lives and not solely at temple.

This new approach to Jewish learning is grounded in a desire to create rich and engaging lived Jewish experiences for children and their families. *Mayim* is built upon the knowledge that our children will get much more out of their Hebrew learning if it begins earlier in their childhood...our kindergarteners will now begin to hear and use the Hebrew language in ways they never

have before, and this will continue throughout their years with us. *Mayim* strives to create small-group learning environments for children on a regular basis and engages our children in hands-on project based learning which will stimulate their minds, engage their curiosity, and provide opportunities for meaningful and significant work toward shared goals, while at the same time building 21st century skills. We are in the process of hiring a faculty of skilled Hebrew educators and Jewish Learning Guides who will not only foster relationships with the children



with whom they work but will serve as bridges to parents as well, helping them to connect to needed resources and opportunities for their own learning and engagement at Temple Beth Shalom.

It was clear, on April 1, that our community was undertaking something brand new, something notably bold, and something worthy of attention. We were joined that evening by Barry Shrage, the President of Combined Jewish Philanthropies, as well as a team of professionals from CJP who have been our partners throughout the two years of planning that led us to this point. We were joined by Jerry Somers, representing the board of the Jim Joseph Foundation and by Jerry Silverman,



the President and CEO of The Jewish Federations of North America. Most importantly, however, we were joined by some two hundred and fifty members of the Temple Beth Shalom community, many with children in this age group, and several without, all of whom wanted to learn more about this incredibly exciting undertaking. One of those members of our TBS family, Melissa Grossman, spoke that evening and said: “*On this momentous night, I would invite us...to be excited and inspired about what is happening here and to celebrate this new beginning for us and our children.*”

If you were unable to join us that night, I would invite you to do the same. Please take some time to make your way through the website for our new *Mayim* program which can be found at tbsmayim.org. There you will find all of the pedagogic goals and big picture vision for what we are seeking to craft, as well as the details of how these new learning programs will operate next year. You’ll find much there about which to be excited...dive in!

From the President



The most amazing thing about Sinai is that we are invited to ascend...over and over again...

Each time we go, we start from a different place. The landscapes of our lives look different.

And we get to bring the experiences we've internalized, the tools we've developed, and the insights we've gleaned to color a new journey to the mountain top.

At the end of this month we'll be celebrating Shavuot and our people's partnership with God – as God gives and we receive Torah at Sinai. In the days of the Temple, this was one of the three holidays on which we were commanded to make the pilgrimage to the Temple in Jerusalem, bringing the first fruits of the harvest. The Covenant of being a Holy people and living in a Kehillah Kedoshah – a sacred community, comes when we bring our gifts. The fruits of our labor over the past several years are plentiful. One year ago in our sanctuary, our congregation officially

embraced our “10 Commandments” – our TBS ByLaws, an extension of the TBS Mission and Vision and the culmination of 2 years of work. The Bylaws and accompanying Vision for Governance (now referred to as the Policies and Procedures) aimed to balance the need for clear laws, governance structure and future blueprint, while allowing room for changing times and needs.

In the year that has passed, we have lived our new Governance model. We have also used the Torah of our TBS Vision to create a new Strategic Plan and attached to each of its six elements, action steps which are well underway. As we proceed with the transformational work of deepening and enriching our worship experience, organizing ourselves in the arena of social justice – political advocacy for significant social issues in the community, and embarking on Mayim – an entirely revised experiential learning program for our children and families K-5, we will consider what inspires us. As we assess our Temple home, we should each reflect on how we currently interact with and how we wish to ‘live in’ this space moving forward.

And of course all the while, we're mindful of our wise teachers and guides and the systems that support them...the infrastructure and for many, defining and central relationships here at Beth Shalom. This asking, revisioning, building and creating are, in essence, our Beth Shalom ‘pilgrimage’ to renewing our Kehillah Kedoshah.

At this juncture in time, just a couple of months before my Temple presidency comes to a close, I especially feel inclined to ask questions, to reconfigure, to take stock of the rich, sustaining relationships in this –my synagogue home, and to wonder about my next steps... I ask – what's most relevant, effective, inspiring at this point in time, knowing that like the Israelites on their Shavuot pilgrimages to the Temple, and like our community's progress towards enacting our Vision, we each have a responsibility to fill our baskets with our fruits, our unique harvest and to bring it to Sinai. As we ascend and receive Torah once again, we can then from the top of the mountain, see the view for miles and plot out the pathway for this next leg of our sacred journey.

*L'shalom
Beth*

Benefit Concert for Camp Kesem

June 9 from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Unitarian Universalist Church
23 Dedham Avenue Needham

Camp Kesem is a college-student run, free sleepaway camp held at colleges and universities throughout the U.S. for kids whose parents have or had cancer.

All the admissions for the concert and the money for raffle prizes will go directly to the Camp Kesem at MIT University.

Visit www.concertforcampkesem.org for more information.

The performers are all kids from Needham who will perform various solos and one or two duets, mostly on piano but some horns.

In addition to the performances, there will be raffle prizes, including 4 tickets to a Red Sox game (seats right behind home plate), several restaurant gift certificates including the Barking Crab (a \$300 value), Sweet Basil and Stone Hearth Pizza, tickets to an LMFAO concert, signed posters of Bobby Orr, a Garmin GPS, and more.

There will also be refreshments courtesy of Roche Brothers.

"I started the Concert For Camp Kesem as my Bar Mitzvah project because I wanted to help kids affected by cancer in their family.

I love music and I was inspired by my mom who is an oncologist.

My hope is to raise as much money as possible for this amazing camp."

Corey Jacobson



Elijah's Table

"Let those amongst us who are in need come and celebrate with us."

In 1999, Temple Beth Shalom established "Elijah's Table" as an annual philanthropic effort to help to ensure that those



without the financial means to afford membership at TBS would be able to be part of our community. We are proud that this spirit of community support continues to shine brightly at Beth Shalom. We ask for your support.

"We established Elijah's Table to assist members who couldn't afford full dues. We wanted every congregant to have access to all that Temple Beth Shalom could offer, regardless of financial circumstance. We chose the name 'Elijah's Table' as Elijah is often seen as the messenger of good news in Jewish tradition and has a special role in welcoming those in need to our Passover table."

- Rabbi Rifat Sonsino, Emeritus

To participate in this important effort, please visit:
<http://www.tfaforms.com/241632>

Sisterhood

Even though we enjoyed a mild winter, we eagerly embrace and appreciate all the beauty and renewal spring has to offer. This year our Women's Passover Seder was attended by 86 women and was once again, a wonderful evening filled with friendship, love and warmth. Thank you very much to our fabulous committee: Elise Miller (co-Chair), Amy Willis (co-Chair), Gail Lustig, Monica Markstein, Linda Mesnik and Lisa Shapiro. This event was a joy to attend, the potluck dinner was delicious and Simon Hall was transformed to allow us to be a close gathering of friends. We are extremely grateful to Rabbi Lenke and Emily Perlman for leading our service so beautifully with spirit and song.

May 24 is quickly approaching and our Donor Dinner committee has been hard at work planning this year's event. As an important fundraiser for our Sisterhood, we hope all our members

will consider attending and donating to this evening where there will be fabulous boutiques to shop, delicious food to be savored and plenty of friends to catch up with. The dollars we raise directly benefit various philanthropic efforts. The major portion goes directly back to our TBS community as funding towards the 10th Grade RAC (Religious Action Center) Trip to Washington, DC, scholarships for Jewish overnight camping, our Annual Gift to our Temple, gifts for Bar/Bat Mitzvah students and Confirmants, as well as a contribution to the Passport to Israel Fund. In addition, we contribute to WRJ's (Women of Reform Judaism) Youth, Education and Special Projects (YES) Fund. In the April Scroll, Marsha Moller introduced our new tzedakah initiative which will direct funds to two organizations of our choosing that are focused on women and/or children. Please participate by helping us show our love and appreciation of the Temple Beth Shalom community with your

personal financial commitment. It's not too late to RSVP and support the work of our Sisterhood. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

*In Sisterhood,
Lisa Channen
President*



Essential Dates:

Wednesday, May 9 - Our monthly Board meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Library. All Sisterhood members are welcome to attend.

Thursday, May 24 - L'Dor V'Dor "From Generation to Generation" - Please join Sisterhood for our **Annual Donor Dinner**. The evening begins at 6:00 p.m. Contact Margie Glou to RSVP at mglou@comcast.net.

Sunday & Monday, June 3 & 4

As you clean out your closets this spring, be sure to put aside your unwanted treasures for our **Spring Rummage Sale**, a major Sisterhood fundraiser. Volunteers are always needed for this event. Please contact Bonnie Littman at bonlitt@gmail.com.

*L'Dor V'Dor
"From Generation to Generation"*

*Please join
The Sisterhood of Temple Beth Shalom
for our
Annual Donor Dinner
Thursday, May 24, 2012
Temple Beth Shalom*

*Hors D'oeuvres and Boutiques at 6:00 pm
Dinner by "Catering with Distinction" at 7:50 pm*

Please respond by May 14

Join TBS in the Fight Against Cancer June 16 and 17 at DeFazio Park in Needham

Do you want to make a difference in the fight against cancer in our community?

Plan now to join or support Temple Beth Shalom's team (TBS and Friends) in the Relay For Life of Needham, Dedham and Wellesley, which will take place June 16 and 17 at DeFazio Park in Needham. The Relay is a fun, team-based, 18-hour event that raises money to support the programs and services of the American Cancer Society. It starts on Saturday afternoon and runs until early on Sunday morning. Team members can come and go during the Relay or camp out overnight.



During the Relay, we will celebrate the lives of those who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost to the disease and make a commitment to fight back to help put an end to cancer. The event begins with the very moving Survivor's Lap. It also includes an Opening Ceremony, a Fight Back Ceremony, the emotional Luminaria Ceremony at dusk when thousands of bags bearing the names of cancer survivors and those lost to cancer are illuminated around the track, and finally a Closing Ceremony on Sunday morning.

In between there is food, games, entertainment and fun!

For all congregants: There are five ways you can support the Relay:

Join or start a team: Register online by going to www.relayforlife.org/needhamMA, clicking on **"SIGN UP"**. The registration fee is \$10. Please be sure to pay the registration fee at the time you register. All Relay participants are asked to donate or raise a minimum of \$100. TBS members are invited to join Friends Fighting Cancer with fellow temple members Sabra and Steve Sherry, Adam May and Sylvia Quiroga.

Make an online donation: Even if you can't attend the Relay, please support a team or a participant by making a donation at www.relayforlife.org/needhamMA. Just click on **"DONATE"** on the right hand side of the page, then click "Support a participant" or "Support a team" to make your secure, online donation. Checks made payable to "American Cancer Society" can be given to any team member. Contributions in any amount will be greatly appreciated.

Participate in the Survivor's Lap and Reception: Cancer survivors can register for the Relay free of charge. Survivors kick off the Relay with the Survivor's Lap, which follows the Opening Ceremony on Saturday. Following the lap, survivors, along with their family, friends and/or caregivers, are invited to a reception.

Buy a luminaria: A luminaria is a small, white paper bag that is decorated in honor of a cancer survivor or in memory of a loved one who lost the battle. Each luminaria costs \$10. Luminarias are placed around the walking track and illuminated with glow sticks during the Luminaria Ceremony on the Saturday night of the Relay. You can purchase a luminaria through the Relay website and have it credited to a team or an individual team member. To do this, click on **"LUMINARIA"** on the website homepage. Luminarias that are purchased online will be decorated by the Luminaria Committee as instructed by the buyer and displayed at the Relay.

Volunteer to help at the Relay: To find out about volunteer opportunities the day of the Relay, please contact TBS member Gail Lustig at rflvolunteers12@gmail.com.

To learn more about this life-changing event, please visit www.relayforlife.org/needhamMA or contact Sabra Sherry at relaysabra@yahoo.com.

Wanted: Torah & Haftarah Readers for the High Holy Days

In recent days we've been given the gift of spring and with it a taste of summer. It makes some of us think of summer camp, family vacations, and well deserved time off, and yet it makes others of us think about getting ready for the High Holy Days once again! Personally I find myself in both worlds but I write today with a focus on the High Holy Days. As many of you know, a highlight of our Temple Beth Shalom Holy Day Services is the participation of our members in our Torah services. In both the sanctuary and at the Masonic Hall, our recent B'nei Mitzvah and more seasoned members alike, read Torah and Haftarah and this is a tradition of which we are most proud.



Soon, you will be receiving the High Holy Day Packet and will be requesting your tickets, so please start thinking about which services (including location and time) you are planning to attend. While you have plenty of time to learn the portions, now is a great time to start your preparation.

As always, I will be available to work with you this spring and summer to help you master your verses. Please consider sharing your voice with our TBS family.

Rosh Hashanah - Monday, September 17 Rosh Hashanah Second Day - Tuesday, September 18

Yom Kippur Morning - Wednesday, September 26 Yom Kippur Afternoon - Wednesday, September 26

If you would be interested in chanting Torah or Haftarah at the High Holy Days, please send an email with the subject line: HHD to me at rabbilenke@tbsneedham.org and let me know which services you are planning to attend.

Remember to sign up for the correct service time and location. I look forward to hearing from you.

Rabbi Michele Lenke

Garden Club

Essential Dates

Monday, May 7, 7:00 p.m. - Beth Shalom Garden Club Meeting

Thursday, May 10, 11:00 a.m. - Metro Annual District Meeting
Endicott Estate: 656 East Street, Dedham

Monday, May 21, 7:00 p.m. - Program with Karen Gorton and Carol Bello, Simon Hall

Tuesday, May 22, 10:00 a.m. - Wallack Lecture at Regis College, Weston

May (TBA) Vietnam Memorial Planting for Memorial Day

*"Gather all the sweet of May,
Lock it tenderly away,
Precious night and perfect Day"*

We have many fascinating activities in May. First, mark your calendar, for this important event. The Metro Annual District Meeting and Luncheon is Thursday, May 10 at 11:00 a.m. It will be at the elegant historic Endicott Estate, 656 East Street, Dedham. The featured speaker is Betty Sanders and she is presenting a program on container gardening. Betty, a Master Gardener and National Flower Show Judge, is very creative and talented designer. The luncheon will be catered by

Baker's Best of Newton and the charge is \$25.00 per person. There will be a raffle at the end of the luncheon. This will be an entertaining and informative day.

On Monday, May 21, at 7:00 p.m. in Simon Hall, our club members, Karen Gorton and Carol Bello will present a demonstration on how a container is an integral part of a floral design. These latest ideas will aid you in beautifying your own yard.

On Tuesday, May 22, at 10:00 a.m. at Regis College Fine Arts Center, Weston, The Garden Club Federation of Mass., Ruth A. Wallack Fund, presents "Nature Takes Over," featuring Bill Harper, AIFD & AAF, International Floral Artist, Lecturer and Educator. Tickets are \$15. Hurry and purchase your ticket from Judy Levine, Myrna Ross or Sue Kaplan, for this outstanding presentation will be a sell out.

The Vietnam Memorial Planting for Memorial Day is our last project for May. Amy Liss will chair this activity. Please contact her if you want to participate.

Another fabulous event is the Beth Shalom Garden Club Annual Meeting and Dinner in June. The co-chairs for this affair are Vivian Levin and Joanne Kahalas. Please stay tuned for more information.

The Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts Inc., invites you to their 85th Annual Meeting on Tuesday, June 5, at the Holiday Inn in Mansfield. This year the theme will be "New England's Cultural Landscapes: Their Creators and their Visions." The fee for registration and luncheon is \$50. Please register prior to May 29. Donna Lane, our club member, will present an Introduction to Conifers. These are evergreen trees or shrubs that bear cones. Conifers are available in a variety of sizes, textures, colors and shapes and will enhance any landscape design.

We are looking forward to seeing you at these events.

*Anita Glickman and Sylvia Golden
Co-Presidents*



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May 2012

Dear Temple Family:

As per Article X, Section 2 of the Temple Beth Shalom By-Laws, I am writing to invite you to attend our Annual Congregational Celebration and Meeting to be held on:

Wednesday, June 20th, 2012
7:00 pm
in the Community Room

Our Annual Celebration looks back at our accomplishments of the past year and includes reports from the President, Rabbi and Executive Director. We will then look forward to the next year, full of promise, as we present the budget for the upcoming year as well as our extraordinary slate of Officers and Directors. Refreshments will be served.

I hope you will join us as our community comes together for this very special evening.

Sincerely,

Lori Shaer
Secretary
Board of Trustees

Affiliated with the Union
for Reform Judaism

Brotherhood

Brotherhood is very proud to be the men's community of Temple Beth Shalom. One of our main goals is to be as welcoming and inclusive as possible. Because we have so many new families joining our congregation and enrolling their children in our Children's Center, our leadership makes a coordinated effort to personally connect with all new men in our community. Our awesome new membership committee supplies us with all new member info and we automatically add it to our large database of over 700 contacts. We initiate personal connections by calling new members, sharing our role/mission within the community and inviting them to upcoming events. Our leaders also attend various new member events to personally introduce themselves and welcome new men into our Brotherhood community.

As we look back on this past year, we have seen not only record attendance and participation but also an influx of many new faces.

The rewards of creating new interesting programming are evident as so many new friends as well as many familiar faces are

becoming involved.

Recently, I asked a few new brothers to describe their initial experiences with our community. New member Rich Simon was attending his first Brotherhood monthly meeting and met fellow Pharmacist Marty Goldberg. Within the first few minutes of meeting they became fast friends and eventually co-corresponding secretary for our board. Rich says, "One of the greatest aspects about joining Temple Beth Shalom is being welcomed into the Brotherhood. Their friendship and leadership within the temple has opened so many doors for me."

Another new member, Michael Smalley, who has attended the Leroy Davis Sports Breakfast, the Poker Tournament and the recent Scholar in Residence breakfast (where he volunteered) shared his feelings.

"Each event has been enjoyable and I certainly feel I have been kept up-to-date on the happenings organized by Brotherhood. Though I didn't know anybody when I came as a kitchen volunteer, the other guys were friendly and made me feel

welcome."

This is a continuing theme within a community that we are proud to represent



"Bernie Segaloff, this years co-winner of the 2012 'Marc Comras Community Service Award' with his wife Cheryl"

TEMPLE BETH SHALOM ISRAEL ADVENTURE

December 20-31, 2012

Join other TBS families and friends and create memories of a lifetime as part of our Temple Beth Shalom "Israel Adventure." This multigenerational travel experience - led by Rabbi Jay and Emily Perlman - touring in Jerusalem, climbing/riding to the top of Masada, the desert oasis/waterfalls at Ein Gedi, floating in the Dead Sea, the galleries and synagogues of mystical Sefat, touring by jeep in the Golan Heights, Haifa, the adventures of the historic Ayalon Institute of Tel Aviv, delicious meals, innumerable "Wow!" moments,' and much more! For more information, please contact Rabbi Perlman at jperlman@tbsneedham.org.



and grow. I thank Rich and Michael for sharing their experiences and for their friendship. If you are a newer member and have not been contacted either by phone or in person and are interested in learning more about Brotherhood, please do not hesitate to contact Jim Winterman, Brotherhood President at 781-308-1338, or at jdwinterman@gmail.com.

Important Dates:

Tuesday, May 1 - Brotherhood Monthly Meeting: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. TBS Library Everyone is welcome!

Sunday, May 13 - Help us disassemble the "Fiddler on the Roof" set. The Rashi School in Dedham. Time and details to follow.

Saturday, June 9 - Paw Sox Family Outing 6:05pm Tickets are only \$10.00 each. A great take for first time baseball fans and families. Please contact edschreider@yahoo.com to reserve your seats.

Thursday, June 14 - The Brotherhood Barbeque: 6:00 - 9:00pm. This is a great opportunity to meet and mingle with many great guys in our community in a casual and friendly setting. Come and enjoy grilled BBQ classics with a cold one or three with live music from TBS' own super group, "This Crazy Thing"! Featuring Rabbi Todd on drums along with the talented guitars and vocals of brothers Rob Sutherland and Eric Luskin. This is a **free** event not to be missed at Jim Winterman's backyard - 20 Peacedale Road.

*In Brotherhood,
Marty Goldberg & Rich Simon
Co-Corresponding Secretaries*



Join Brotherhood for
our Annual Paw Sox
Family Night

Saturday, June 9 at 6:05 pm
Tickets are only \$10 each
Please contact Ed Schreider at
edschreider@yahoo.com.

Chesed "Caring" Community News

TBS is a Chesed (Caring) Community:

We are here to share life's challenges and joys.

Please let us know if you or someone you know
in the TBS community is:

Experiencing an illness or recovering from a surgery or illness

Struggling as a caregiver

Celebrating the birth of a baby

Seeking employment

Grieving a death in the family

Your temple family is here.

Our Chesed (Caring) Community can offer:

Home cooked or store bought meals

Gift cards to nearby restaurants

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Shomrei Adamah Shabbat Hikes.

Date: Saturday May 19

Location: Arboretum

Meeting: Hunnewell Visitor's Center, 2:00 pm

Hike Leaders: Igor Tepermeister & Diane Levy

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Other info: We will do a photo scavenger hunt

<http://arboretum.harvard.edu/visit/self-guided-tours>

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 - visiting those in need

How can you and your family help?

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 - **Attend Chesed programming**
 - **Notify the Rabbis if you know of someone in need.**

Please contact Wendy Shulman: wshulman1@gmail.com
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Are you caring for an aging parent or other relative?

TBS offers monthly meetings for caregivers.

Caregivers in our community need a
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their feelings and share
information about what they
are going through.



7:30 p.m. at the temple on May 22

For more information contact

**Wendy Shulman at
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**Feel free to drop in
An RSVP is welcome,
but not necessary.**

Reaching Across Faith Boundaries Update

*Join us as we continue our exploration of how we can deepen
our Needham community's interfaith ties.*

*Our discussion will follow upon the recent showing of the film, "My So-Called Enemy"
However, you need not have seen the film to find our panel discussion
meaningful and inspired.*



Needham Community Interfaith Panel Discussion

Sunday, May 6 2:30 - 4:00 pm Temple Beth Shalom

No charge - Light refreshments will be available.

All attendees at the previous film viewing as well as other interested Temple members
are invited to attend and participate in the dialogue.

Panel Members:

Rabbi Jay Perlman - Temple Beth Shalom

Dr. Abdul Cader Asmal - Islamic Center of Boston

Reverend Skip Windsor - Christ Episcopal Church, Needham

"My So-Called Enemy" program was a wonderful success!

An estimated 170 people attended the viewing of the film "My So-Called Enemy" in an energized afternoon organized by the Reaching Across Faith Boundaries Task Force and the Adult Learning Committee in partnership with the Needham Clergy Association. At least 75 of the attendees came from outside the Temple Beth Shalom community. The film documented the experience of 22 Palestinian and Israeli teenage girls who, in 2002, came to the U.S. to participate in a women's leadership program Building Bridges for Peace. It then followed six of the participants over the next seven years as they tried to reconcile their program experience with the realities of life back home.

The viewing of the film was followed by audience discussion with award winning film director Lisa Gossels and an interfaith panel including Dr. Abdul Cader Asmal from The Islamic Center of Boston, Rabbi Jay Perlman from Temple Beth Shalom and Rev. Skip Windsor from Christ Episcopal Church.

Positive feedback continues to pour in. Attendees said they enjoyed the film, its messages about our common humanity and the human consequences of conflict as well as the insights from Lisa Gossels and the Panel.

The one piece of "negative" feedback was that there was not more time ... to dialog with the Panel, to consider the lessons learned from the film and to outline possible next steps to come closer together as one community.

Please feel free to invite interested others, even if they were not able to attend the viewing of the film.

Questions, thoughts or requests for more information should be sent to the

Reaching Across Faith Boundaries Task Force Co-chairs Bob Lurie at RobLurie@aol.com, or
June Atkind at junatkind@aol.com.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
		1 9th of Iyyar 5772 3:30 pm Taste of Sha'arim -- Atrium / Community Room / Simon Hall / Sanctuary / Classrooms 7:00 pm Brotherhood Board Meeting -- Library 7:00 pm Fiddler Rehearsal -- Simon Hall 7:30 pm Meet and Greet with Israeli Officers -- Community Room	2 10th of Iyyar 5772 8:45 am Children's Center Conversations Coffee -- Library 10:00 am PEL Meeting -- Library 3:30 pm Rappin' with the Rabbi -- Rabbi Perlman's Study 4:40 pm Music Grade 2 -- Living Room 7:00 pm Fiddler Rehearsal -- Simon Hall 7:00 pm Teen Learning Committee Meeting -- Garden Club Room 7:00 pm Worship Committee Meeting -- Room 15
6 14th of Iyyar 5772 8th, 9th Grade Trip to New York City Family Camp -- Outside of Temple Family Table Distribution Day 8:45 am Music/T'fillah -- Sanctuary 9:00 am Religious School Registration -- Community Room 10:00 am Investment Committee Meeting -- Library 10:00 am Tour of Jewish Boston -- Outside of Temple 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm My "So Called Enemy" Follow Up Meeting -- Simon Hall 6:30 pm Fiddler Rehearsal -- Simon Hall	7 15th of Iyyar 5772 7:00 am Lay-Led Morning Minyan -- Sanctuary 9:15 am Children's Center Havdalah -- Community Room 9:30 am Rabbinic Study Group -- Library 3:30 pm Religious School Registration -- Library 4:40 pm Music Grade 2 -- Living Room 7:00 pm BESTY Board Meeting -- Youth Lounge 7:00 pm Garden Club Board Meeting -- Garden Club Room 7:30 pm Religious School Committee Meeting -- Room 12	8 16th of Iyyar 5772 Needham Early Release Day 9:30 am Religious School Registration -- Library 11:45 am No Lunch Bunch, Teacher Learning - Community Room 6:00 pm Confirmation Service Preparation -- Sanctuary 6:00 pm Youth Dinner -- Community Room 6:30 pm 11th Grade -- Room 12 6:30 pm Confirmation Class - 10th Grade -- Room 13 6:30 pm Cooking Connections -- Community Room A 6:30 pm Grade 12 -- Room 11 7:00 pm House Committee Meeting -- Library 7:30 pm Early Engagement Committee -- Outside of Temple 7:30 pm Israeli Dancing -- Simon Hall	9 17th of Iyyar 5772 8:45 am Children's Center Conversations Coffee -- Library 10:00 am PEL Meeting -- Library 12:30 pm Children's Center Children's Program -- Community Room 4:40 pm Music Grade 2 -- Living Room 7:30 pm Member Relations Committee Meeting -- Garden Club Room 7:30 pm Sisterhood Board Meeting -- Library
13 21st of Iyyar 5772 Mother's Day 8:45 am Music/T'fillah -- Sanctuary 2:00 pm Fiddler on the Roof Musical -- Outside of Temple 7:00 pm Fiddler on the Roof Musical -- Outside of Temple	14 22nd of Iyyar 5772 7:00 am Lay-Led Morning Minyan -- Sanctuary 9:15 am Children's Center Havdalah -- Community Room 9:30 am Rabbinic Study Group -- Library 4:40 pm Music Grade 2 -- Living Room 7:00 pm Grade 5 Parent Bar/Bat Mitzvah Meeting -- Sanctuary 7:30 pm Social Action Committee Meeting -- Room 15	15 23rd of Iyyar 5772 3:30 pm - 9:00 am Last Day Geshet L'Noar -- Simon Hall / Classrooms 6:00 pm Confirmation Service Preparation -- Sanctuary 7:30 pm Children's Center Committee Meeting -- Library 7:30 pm Israeli Dancing -- Simon Hall	16 24th of Iyyar 5772 8:45 am Children's Center Conversations Coffee -- Library 9:00 am Children's Center Dancin' Nancy Program -- Community Room 10:00 am PEL Meeting -- Library 4:40 pm Music Grade 2 -- Living Room 7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting -- Community Room
20 28th of Iyyar 5772 8:30 am Religious School Closing Day -- Atrium / Simon Hall / Sanctuary 9:30 am Chesed Committee Meeting -- Outside of Temple 10:00 am Reaching Across Faith Boundaries Meeting -- Library 1:30 pm Itty Bitty BESTY Event -- Community Room / Outside of Temple 1:30 pm Jr. BESTY Event -- Outside of Temple	21 29th of Iyyar 5772 7:00 am Lay-Led Morning Minyan -- Sanctuary 9:15 am Children's Center Havdalah -- Community Room 9:30 am Rabbinic Study Group -- Library 7:00 pm Garden Club Program -- Simon Hall 7:00 pm Shomrei Adamah Committee Meeting -- Garden Club Room 7:00 pm - 9:00 am Sisterhood Retreat Meeting -- Community Room B 7:30 pm TBS Keshet Meeting -- Room 15 7:30 pm Three Score and More Planning Meeting -- Library	22 1st of Sivan 5772 6:00 pm Confirmation Service Preparation -- Sanctuary 7:30 pm Caring for the Caregiver -- Room 15 7:30 pm Israeli Dancing -- Simon Hall	23 2nd of Sivan 5772 8:45 am Children's Center Conversations Coffee -- Library 10:00 am PEL Meeting -- Library 6:30 pm Personnel Practices Committee Meeting -- Library 7:30 pm Adult Learning Committee Meeting -- Room 15
27 6th of Sivan 5772 Shavuot 9:00 am Shavu'ot Morning service (Yizkor Read) -- Sanctuary	28 7th of Sivan 5772 Memorial Day - Temple Office Closed No Children's Center 7:00 am Lay-Led Morning Minyan -- Sanctuary	29 8th of Sivan 5772 7:30 pm Israeli Dancing -- Simon Hall	30 9th of Sivan 5772 8:45 am Children's Center Conversations Coffee -- Library 10:00 am PEL Meeting -- Library 7:00 pm Leadership Council Meeting -- Community Room

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>3 11th of Iyyar 5772</p> <p>7:00 am Lay-Led Morning Minyan -- Sanctuary 11:00 am Senior Citizen Luncheon -- Simon Hall 3:30 pm Music/T'fillah -- Sanctuary 6:00 pm Sha'arim Dinner -- Community Room A 6:30 pm Modern Hebrew I -- Room 13 6:30 pm Modern Hebrew II -- Room 14 7:00 pm Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class -- Garden Club Room 7:30 pm Engaging Israel -- Community Room 7:30 pm Israeli Dancing -- Simon Hall</p>	<p>4 12th of Iyyar 5772</p> <p>8th, 9th Grade Trip to New York City Family Camp -- Outside of Temple Walk to school day 7:30 am Finance Committee meeting -- Rabbi Perlman's Study 10:45 am Children's Center Shabbat Celebration -- Sanctuary 11:00 am K Shabbat Program -- Rooms 13 and 14 11:45 am Teacher Learning -- Community Room 7:15 pm Simchat Shabbat Service -- Sanctuary</p>	<p>5 13th of Iyyar 5772</p> <p>8th, 9th Grade Trip to New York City Family Camp -- Outside of Temple 8:30 am Shacharit Service -- Community Room 9:00 am Torah Study -- Community Room 5:00 pm B'nei Mitzvah - Ryan Cohen & Emily Drucker -- Sanctuary</p>
<p>10 18th of Iyyar 5772 Lag B'Omer</p> <p>7:00 am Lay-Led Morning Minyan -- Sanctuary 11:30 am Rabbi Ullman - "The Bible Journey" - Garden Club Room 3:30 pm Music/T'fillah -- Sanctuary 6:00 pm Sha'arim Dinner -- Community Room A 6:30 pm Madrichim I -- Room 11 6:30 pm Madrichim II -- Room 16 6:30 pm Modern Hebrew I -- Room 13 6:30 pm Modern Hebrew II -- Room 14 6:30 pm Sha'arim Cooking -- Simon Hall Kitchen 7:00 pm Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class -- Garden Club Room 7:30 pm Engaging Israel -- Community Room</p>	<p>11 19th of Iyyar 5772</p> <p>Shabbat HaLimud 10:15 am Shabbat Shindig -- Artrium/Sanctuary/Classrooms 10:45 am Children's Center Shabbat Celebration -- Sanctuary 11:00 am K Shabbat Program -- Rooms 13 and 14 11:45 am No Lunch Bunch, Teacher Appreciation Lunch -- Community Room 6:00 pm Shabbat HaLimud Dinner -- Community Room 7:15 pm Shabbat Services -- Sanctuary</p>	<p>12 20th of Iyyar 5772</p> <p>8:30 am Shacharit Service -- Community Room 9:00 am Torah Study -- Community Room 11:00 am B'not Mitzvah - Nina Kosowsky & Sarah Willwerth -- Sanctuary 2:00 pm Mini BESTY Event -- Outside of Temple 8:00 pm Fiddler on the Roof Musical -- Outside of Temple</p>
<p>17 25th of Iyyar 5772</p> <p>7:00 am Lay-Led Morning Minyan -- Sanctuary 9:00 am Children's Center Dancin' Nancy Program -- Community Room 7:00 pm Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class -- Sanctuary 7:30 pm Engaging Israel -- Community Room</p>	<p>18 26th of Iyyar 5772</p> <p>Blessing for the 12th Graders 10:45 am Children's Center Shabbat Celebration -- Sanctuary 11:00 am K Shabbat Program -- Rooms 13 and 14 6:00 pm Youth Dinner -- Community Room 6:15 pm Tot Shabbat -- Sanctuary / Community Room 7:15 pm Shabbat Services -- Sanctuary</p>	<p>19 27th of Iyyar 5772</p> <p>8:30 am Shacharit Service -- Community Room 9:00 am Torah Study -- Community Room 2:00 pm Shomrei Adamah Shabbat Hike 5:00 pm Taste of the Town -- Simon Hall / Atrium</p>
<p>24 3rd of Sivan 5772</p> <p>7:00 am Lay-Led Morning Minyan -- Sanctuary 9:00 am Children's Center Dancin' Nancy Program -- Community Room 6:00 pm Sisterhood Donor Dinner -- Simon Hall</p>	<p>25 4th of Sivan 5772</p> <p>10:45 am Children's Center Shabbat Celebration -- Sanctuary 11:00 am K Shabbat Program -- Rooms 13 and 14 7:15 pm Shabbat Services -- Sanctuary</p>	<p>26 5th of Sivan 5772</p> <p>8:30 am Shacharit Service -- Community Room 9:00 am Torah Study -- Community Room 11:00 am B'nei Mitzvah - Benji & Natalie Sheiffer -- Sanctuary 6:15 pm Confirmation Dinner -- Simon Hall 7:30 pm Erev Shavu'ot Service - Confirmation Service -- Sanctuary 9:00 pm Tikkun Leil Shavuot -- Sanctuary / Community Room</p>
<p>31 10th of Sivan 5772</p> <p>7:00 am Lay-Led Morning Minyan -- Sanctuary 11:30 am Rabbi Ullman - "The Bible Journey" - Snow Date -- Garden Club Room 7:00 pm Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah Class -- Sanctuary 7:30 pm Engaging Israel -- Community Room</p>		

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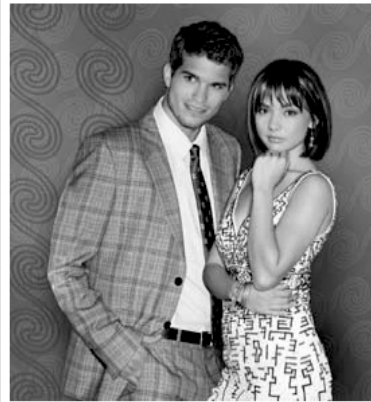
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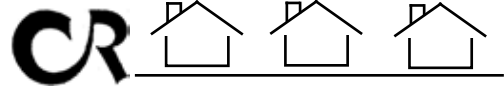
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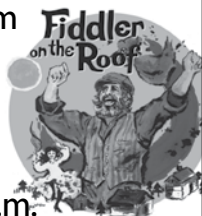
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