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RABBI'S MESSAGE

There is a great joke which my father loves to tell. "David goes to Temple to talk to God. Sam goes to Temple to talk to David." My father tells this joke because he is Sam in the joke. Before the pandemic, he loved to go to Temple, but not to pray – praying is definitely not his thing. He went for the oneg! My dad is a very social person, and he became a big synagogue attendee because he loves the community and the social aspects of being Jewish. It doesn't matter if it is a service, adult education, a social action program, a social event, a committee meeting. My dad would be there if there were people to schmooze with, a cup of coffee and a nosh. He and I are very different in how we live our lives as Jews and practice Judaism. But that is perfectly fine, because there are a lot of ways to be Jewish and a lot of different kinds of Jews.

I remember one day, many years ago, having an unusual conversation with a friend. She asked me what it was about being Jewish that I wouldn't ever want to give up. No one had ever asked me a question like that. I had to pause and think about it. After a few seconds of silence she said, "Me, I'm a Shabbat Jew. I love celebrating Shabbat. It keeps me sane. I could give up a lot of things about being Jewish but I would never want to give up Shabbat. What kind of Jew are you?" At the time I was very involved in social justice work. Was I a social justice Jew? Or maybe a Torah study Jew – I always love learning new things. My dad is part social justice Jew and part social Jew. He wants to repair the world and then enjoy the oneg. There are many ways to engage with Judaism. Maybe you love Jewish music, art, literature or culture. Maybe you are a culinary Jew – and you love Jewish cooking or eating! Maybe you are a Jewish history nerd or a Jewish trivia genius. Maybe you are committed to Israel and have traveled or would love to travel there.

What is so wonderful about this is that we don't have to pick just one way to be Jewish. And how we enjoy engaging in Judaism can change throughout our lives. As a synagogue community it is important that we offer many ways for people to connect with Judaism. We have had wonderful cultural programs including the book and movie discussion groups, our art exhibits and will continue those this year. We will be offering social action opportunities, even though some hands-on social action work is a bit more challenging right now. Of course, we will be together, on Zoom for now, for holidays and Shabbat for those of us who engage through prayer, singing, and being together as a community.

There are two areas I would like us to put some extra focus on in the coming months. One is adult education but in particular Torah study. I don't mean the kind of Torah study where you listen to a rabbi give a lecture on something. I mean the kind of Torah study where people come together and question and wrestle and discuss and wonder and

think. On Saturday mornings we have our Shabbat service at 10am but following that service at around 11 we discuss and engage with the weekly Torah portion. We have just started the Book of Genesis, which is the story of family dynamics. When asked to sum up this book of the Torah in one sentence, a Jewish educator wrote, "This family is messy, and it's ours." We study the stories in English and you do not need to come with any previous knowledge - just an eagerness to learn and discuss. Even if you cannot join us for services, feel free to jump on Zoom at 11am for Torah study and be prepared to discover your inner Torah study Jew!

The second area we need to really think about as a community is my father's favorite way of being Jewish – being an "Oneg Jew." As we all know, not being in the Sanctuary has taken away that important and fun time we have as a community to chat and relax together after the service. As this pandemic drags on and we continue to have to be physically distanced from each other, our social isolation is going to become worse. The winter is not something, as an extrovert, that I am looking forward to right now. We are going to start providing opportunities after services to go into smaller groups on Zoom (break-out rooms) so people can feel a bit more like they are sitting around the table with a cup of coffee. However, we need to create more opportunities for people to come together, even on Zoom, and stay connected as a community. If you have any suggestions or ideas for Zoom social gatherings, please be in touch with Hebrew Tabernacle leadership or email me at rabbipfeldstein@gmail.com.

What kind of Jew are you? What kind of Jew do you want to be? If you aren't sure, try something new at Hebrew Tabernacle, and find out how meaningful being a caring, connected Hebrew Tabernacle Jew can be.

SAVE THE DATE

Kristallnacht Service

Friday, November 6th at 7:30pm Shabbat and Kristallnacht commemoration with Temple Sinai of Bergen County. Led by Rabbi Paula Feldstein, Student Rabbi Ben Dyme and Student Cantor Kalix Jacobson of Hebrew Tabernacle and Rabbi Jordan Millstein and Cantor Nitza Shamah of Temple Sinai. This event will include special readings and music, lighting of memorial candles and speakers. For security reasons a special zoom link will be provided by email the week before the event.

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 22nd, 3:00pm - Interfaith Thanksgiving Service: A zoom link will be provided in advance of the event. Faith communities from all over our neighborhood will gather virtually to celebrate Thanksgiving and support one another in the spirit of solidarity, healing and hope. More information will follow soon.



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LIGHT ONE CANDLE...

For the Maccabi Children...

For your neighbor next door...

For your aunt in Ohio...

It's time for our Second Annual Virtual Menorah Sale!!!!

2020 has been a wild and crazy year, and although it is hard to believe, it will soon be Chanukah again. Last year we launched a virtual menorah sale, and we are back this year to top that successful fundraiser.

Help light our chanukiah, with the purchase of some virtual candles. Eighteen dollars can symbolically light one candle. Thirty-six can light two; fifty-four can light three; seventy-two can light four. Perhaps, you can generously light all eight by contributing one hundred forty-four dollars. Think of all the people who you missed seeing in person over the last few months. Think of the people with whom you won't be spending this joyous holiday. Just because you are apart doesn't mean that you should forget how much they mean to you. When you buy a candle and note the recipients of your gift on the form below, the office staff will send an e-card wishing the recipient a happy Chanukah. What a wonderful way to tell someone you love them AND support Hebrew Tabernacle. At eighteen dollars a candle this is a most affordable Chanukah gift.

Use the online form (or email/mail the form to the Office) and pay via Zelle using this email, htbookkeeper@nyc.rr.com, or use the online form and pay by PayPal or credit card on www.hebrewtabernacle.org or mail your payment by check to the Hebrew Tabernacle Office with the information about how many candles you want to buy and the email addresses for the e-card recipients.

Although this fundraiser will run through the end of 2020, the deadline for an e-card to be sent is December 11. So, put together your holiday list and send in your e-card requests.

High Holiday Services – Inspiring and Educational

Is it possible to have a religious experience on Zoom?

Yes, if your community gathered from every generation together (from around the corner and across the country). Yes, as Rabbi Paula Feldstein led us in prayer and reflection on the meaning of these holidays this year, what the women in the Torah can teach us, how Jews can listen and act on structural racism, how Yizkor can comfort each of us in our losses. Yes, if Student Cantor Kalix and Ralph Selig led us in song and carried us back to our traditional music and forward into new traditions. Yes, if the Shofar Choir sounded the ancient horns in safe sister-pairs from home and then at a safe distance all together in Bennett Park.

Whether these were your first Holiday services, your first ones in a long time, or simply the next ones in an annual tradition going back 5 years, 25 years or 75 years, the beauty and power of Judaism was here for you, and your friends and loved ones. May we be inscribed for a good year, each and every one of us, and all together.



Andie and Josie Authers with Shofars



Cam and Josie Levin with Shofars

*Miriam Frank and Julia Klein
leading the Shofar Choir*





The Sunday Chaverim Program

In the month of October, Loren Christian, our Hebrew School Coordinator and parent started this program to give our Hebrew School students, Tot Shabbat kids and their families had an opportunity to get together outdoors in a socially distanced and safe environment. On the Sunday during Sukkot, Hebrew School Principal Shelly Koy helped students and parents wave the Etrog and Lulav. Loren organized crafts activities in connection with the holidays, which were hung on our Ft. Washington Avenue doors.

Thanks to Loren for creating this program and to all of the families who came over to celebrate the holidays and our community.

High Holidays Family Services

The Family Services were highlights of our observance of the High Holidays at HT. Rabbi Paula conducted services that had everyone involved as she explained what the holidays were about. Her daughter Sarah played guitar as we sang and many of the Hebrew School students participated in short skits. "The Announcing Tool" taught us about the importance of the Shofar in preparing us for the High Holidays as many of the students played their instruments as part of the presentation. "The Problem With Toothpaste" taught us about the power of words and how once we say something, we cannot take the words back. The students who presented the skits were: Maddy, Lior, Arlo, Marlowe, Boaz, Sylvie S., Jamie, Charley, Josie L., Xander, Sylvie R., Andie, Julia and Josie A. We thank them all for taking part in the presentations!

TOT HIGH HOLIDAY UPDATE

Our wonderful, guitar-playing Rabbi Paula and her puppet friend, Miriam, had all of the kids actively participating in Zoom services for Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and Sukkot. It was a lively start to a new season of Tot services. Watch this space for future Friday night Tot service information. If you would like to be signed up for the Tot service and activities email list, please contact the office at HTOffice@nyc.rr.com.



Remembering Paul & Sheila Klein

Paul and Sheila Klein passed away earlier this year within a relatively short time of each other, and here are their stories, as written by granddaughter Alison Wittner. May their memories be for a blessing.

Everyone at Hebrew Tabernacle knows Shelly Koy. He is our Jack of All Trades, acting as the Hebrew School Principal, Office Manager, and general go-to resource for any and all questions. Starting in the 1970s, Sheila Klein played a very similar role. She was the Office Manager, Hebrew School Principal, and Secretary to Rabbi Lehman. Sheila played an integral part of the HT community and loved getting to know families. With her background in Education, she delighted in teaching children and running programs for the large number of families in the community. During her tenure as Hebrew Tabernacle's Office Manager/Hebrew School Principal/Jane of All Trades, Sheila introduced a young member of the synagogue named Steven, who used to volunteer in the office, to her daughter Amy. They have been married for 34 years.

After retiring, Sheila became active in the Sisterhood, eventually becoming the President. She continued in that role until she was no longer able, but relished her family's continued involvement in the Hebrew Tabernacle community. Sheila was proud that her daughter served as a member of the Board, her granddaughter worked as an assistant Hebrew school teacher, and most excitingly, her grandson, Robby Wittner, chose to be the Student Cantor at HT for the duration of his program at HUC.

Paul Klein, Sheila's husband, was also a fixture in the Hebrew Tabernacle community. For many years, he was the Assistant Principal of local Junior High School 143. He knew many of the congregants as his former students. When he retired, he became a regular at the Sisterhood luncheons, playing bridge with all the ladies, happy to be their fourth. As a lifelong Washington Heights resident, Paul had strong cultural ties to the Hebrew Tabernacle, and also loved his family's continued involvement in the synagogue.

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IN MEMORIAM

In grateful memory of the departed whose names are taken from the records of Hebrew Tabernacle and Beth Am and which appear on a separate weekly Yahrzeit list. It is our minhag to read Yahrzeit names at the Shabbat services following the date. **If you would like a name read, please call the office in the preceding week.**

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Naftali Spiewak
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Lydia Tislowitz
Paul Ullman
Henriette Waller

Abraham Ward

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November 8 – 14

Hermann Altmann
Emanuel Arnstein
Regina Bauer Frankenberg
Otto Bissinger
Herman Bloch
Isidor Bloch
Richard Deman
Fred Ebel
Herbert Elias
Rosalie Englaender
Max Erman
Viola Eschelbacher
Gertrude Fleischman
Edgar Friedberg
Florence Friedland
Fred Furnberg
Felix Galimir
Pepi Gartner
David Goldfarb
Rudolf Grunewald
Leah Haines
Resi Hamburger
Helen W. Hart
Lillie Henoeh
Max Henoeh
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Erich Herz
Karoline Herz
Marta Herz
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Martin Herzfeld
Sarah Herzfeld
Siegbert Herzfeld
Erna B. Herzfelder
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Louis Hopp
Miriam Isaac
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Ethel Kohon

Henrietta Konig
Rose Kuehnrich
Hedi Levenback
Ida Levy
Lore Lewy
Rene Loeb
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Ruth Wertheimer
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Bertha C. Austern

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 Ilse Flehinger
 Max Fried
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 Pvt. Samuel J. Heller
 Sidi Herzberg
 Jindrich Hoffman
 Siegfried Jonas
 Eric Kaufman
 Samuel Kestenbaum
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 Richard Weis
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 Bella Adelman
 Irving Axelrad
 Sofie Baumgart
 Bertha Bertheim
 Walter Biermann
 Moritz Blumenthal
 Ilse Brodman
 Ann Callman
 Amelia Cohen
 Moses Dittmann
 Gus Einstein
 Erna Englander
 Fanny English
 Erich S. Federmann
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 Jamie Kohn
 Grete Lehmann
 Max Lexandrowitsch
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 Jenny Meier
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 Henry L. Cohen
 Ronald Cronin
 Maxim Decoin
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 Thea Gerstle
 Julius Gold
 William Haberman
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Lucie Bergmann
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Herta Bloch
Sophia Block
Dr. Maria Blume
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Isidore Brown
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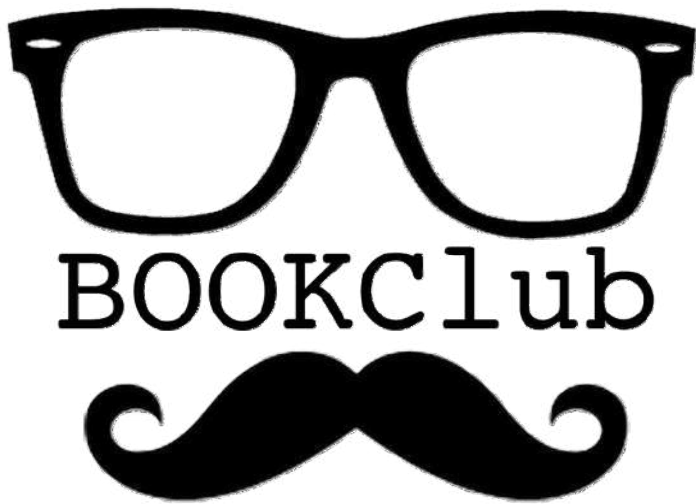
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Hebrew Tabernacle Book Club



Great Reads for the Changing Seasons: Join Our Hebrew Tabernacle Book Club

Our Hebrew Tabernacle Book Club offers thought-provoking reading and spirited discussions via Zoom. Whether you are nearby or many miles away, we invite you to join us one Wednesday each month from 7 to 8:30 p.m., and share your ideas by safe distancing.

On September 16, we were honored to be joined by special guest Dr. Sophie Turner-Zaretsky. She had been one of three hidden child survivors of the Holocaust as chronicled in R. D. Rosen's powerful 2014 nonfiction work, *Such Good Girls*. Now retired after a distinguished career as a radiologist-oncologist, Sophie's responses to our variety of questions about her survival experiences were both incisive and life-affirming.

Real-life espionage, intrigue, and meticulous detail were the hallmarks of the true-life book we explored on October 14. *Spies of No Country: Secret Lives at the Birth of Israel*, a 2019 work by Matti Friedman, allowed us to enter the clandestine lives of four agents working undercover in what was called the Arab Section unit from 1948 to 1949. Israeli operatives endeavored in disguise, from Beirut to Haifa, with very little funding but all the bravery imaginable. Their unit would eventually give rise to Israel's intelligence agency, the Mossad. *The Family Tabor*, the 2018 novel by Cherise Wolos, will be our selection for November 11. What should be the dream of a lifetime--being named Man of the Decade--becomes something else entirely. A high-powered man, replete with a high-powered family, begins to experience the personification of pride coming before a fall...as a family secret comes to light.

Join us on December 9 for the family remembrance *Tehran Children: A Holocaust Refugee Odyssey*, by Mikhal Dekel. The 2019 memoir focuses on the author's father, Hannan, and the Teitel family. The book details the 1939 escape in World War II from Nazi-overrun Poland, then to Iran, and then ultimately to Mandatory Palestine in 1943. Further hardscrabble times ensue.

The author is scheduled to join us for this December 9 meeting.

The selection on January 6 is the Michael David Lukas 2018 imaginative novel, *The Last Watchman of Old Cairo*. The award-winning book mixes metaphysical mystery from Old Cairo to Victorian times to the modern era. What fate lies ahead for the young man who must fulfill a remarkable destiny?

We invite you to check our website for the latest Book Club updates. Suggestions are welcome; please contact convener Susan Gellert at susan_gellert@yahoo.com.

Our Searches Fulfilled

Last year, after the high holidays, the Rabbinical and Cantorial search committees started their interesting journeys towards new clergy. The process included: drafting very specific job descriptions and posting listings with CCAR and HUC, completing the application process for the student match programs, reviewing resumes and performing preliminary videoconferences. These actions were followed by in-person interviews, countless emails and plenty more. A small army of Hebrew Tabernacle volunteers took on the challenging tasks, armed with their own opinions, agendas, and ideas. Each committee had varied personalities, like the 7 Dwarfs, combining their efforts and developing into excellent teams! We surmounted our challenges, leaned on our strengths and got the job done.

We are once again after the High Holidays, now on the far side of "the search." Rabbi Paula Feldstein is our first Rabbi at Hebrew Tabernacle interviewed exclusively on Zoom. Services and Hebrew School went virtual at the beginning of the shutdown, and all meetings and events were moved online practically seamlessly. The ease of transition was due to the excellent team behind the scenes, a team of employees, volunteers, and hybrids of both! But there is so much work yet to do.

A medical committee was created in response to our need to address Covid-19 as a congregation. This team of medical doctors, nurse practitioners, and other professional hospital employees, predicted an upsurge in Covid-19 in the fall (which is happening) and advised against resuming services in the building at this time. The Building & Licensing Committee of the Board of Trustees has been working incessantly to have projects in the building completed. They've been endeavoring to get the whole building cleaned and sanitized for our safety, when we can finally come back indoors. They have created, with the input of the medical committee, an official re-opening plan which is now on file.

Unfortunately, it doesn't look like we are going back to the Sanctuary any time soon. But when we do go back, there will be new rules-- rules that many people are already familiar with, like temperature scans, symptom questionnaires, and social distancing. Wearing a mask is mandatory for anyone in the building, and hand sanitizer is readily available.

So for now we will continue to use Zoom as our meeting place and keep our congregation vibrant during very difficult times. We welcome Rabbi Paula Feldstein, Student Rabbi Benjamin Dyme, and Student Cantor Kalix Jacobson to H.T.

And we welcome everyone to come to services and events on Zoom. Visit our website www.hebrewtabernacle.org and visit us on our Facebook page! Happy 5781!



Two of our very young members doing their part to help out.



Mike Klein & John Kelk – a/k/a “The Clippers” hard at work pruning the shrubs outside our Synagogue.

Hebrew Tabernacle Beautification Day

On October 25, Diana Douglas, Denny Kelk and a number of other volunteers came together to do some much-needed pruning and planting on the Hebrew Tabernacle grounds. From youngest congregants to seniors, we planted daffodil, tulip, and grape hyacinth bulbs for the spring season to come, cutting overgrowth, sweeping and bagging. A friend of the Sisterhood offered lovely jewelry pieces for sale to benefit the Sisterhood. Congregants dropped off packages of pasta that had been shaken vigorously in song during our Friday night Family Service via Zoom, to be donated to a local food pantry.

Among the results of this labor of love (which will be continued): their efforts revealed a plaque, erected a few decades ago, that had not been able to be seen for years. The plaque celebrates the contribution for plantings from several related families, and now proudly shines again in the sunlight!

Loren’s final wonderful Chaverim Program for the season with arts and crafts for our youngest congregants drew to a close, with adults and kids invited to pitch in and help beautify the greenery. (More work ahead in the future!) A highlight during the afternoon was a special visit from Rabbi Paula and one of her lovely daughters, Eve. For most of us, it was the very first time we got to meet our beloved new Rabbi in person. A hardworking and rewarding day enjoyed by all.

In addition to Diana and Denny, you can see some of our other Team Tabernacle greenery go-getters including John Kelk, Mike Klein, and members young and old hard at work on a beautiful and purposeful Sunday. How can we make such future events even better? You are cordially invited to roll up your sleeves, grab your work gloves, and get in the picture with us. Masks, social distancing, and elbow grease will make terrific things happen—from the ground up!



On Sunday, October 25, our Beautification Day (see story inside) was made even more beautiful by a special visit by Rabbi Paula and one of her daughters, Eve. In addition to greeting all of us working outdoors on the Tabernacle greenery, they visited briefly inside the building. Here Rabbi Paula lovingly pauses within our Sanctuary—empty now but patiently awaiting the time we can all be together and worship within. It is truly planting a seed of hope.



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