



Beth Israel Bulletin

SIVAN - TAMMUZ 5784

Upcoming Events: **JULY**

Special Event

- **07/14, 10:00-12:00** Congressional Security Event Followed by a light brunch
- **07/21, 12:00-3:00** Temple Picnic

Shabbat Services

- **07/05, 7pm:** Shabbat T'filah
Oneg in honor of Miriam's parents
- **07/13, 10:00am:** Shabbat T'filah
Kiddush luncheon sponsored by the Men's Club
- **07/19, 7pm:** Shabbat T'filah
- **07/26, 7pm:** Shabbat T'filah
Oneg by Beth Brumfield and Tom Dufore

[View Full Calendar](#)

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From the President

Yahrzeit plaques are a fitting way to remember a loved one's yahrzeit in perpetuity. They are located in the temple lobby and lit when yahrzeit is observed. The cost to purchase an engraved plaque is \$375. If you would like to purchase a yahrzeit plaque, please contact the office for more information.

The idea of "paying it forward" has gotten a lot of good press lately. You have heard the story of a generous person paying for the next customer's order, or generally being kind and generous to others – often strangers – just for the good feeling the giving brings. Several people who were beloved to Temple Beth Israel have put this idea into action. In a final loving gesture, these members and friends have "paid it forward" to the next generation of TBI members by leaving a bequest. A bequest is a gift that is donated upon death, for the benefit of the recipient. This tremendous act of generosity is the ultimate expression of supporting the community and having deep faith in its future. We want to acknowledge the generous spirit of Shoshana Satloff, who led by example, and is sustaining our community by her donation to Temple Beth Israel.

Often when I tell people that I am the President of TBI, they offer their condolences. This is not a reflection on TBI, but rather on how they perceive the job, that is, as a lot of boring, arduous, contentious, thankless work. With this view of the job, no wonder I get this reaction but, as with many perceptions, this one is wrong. The job is often arduous and thankless, and sometimes contentious, but for the most part it is exciting, challenging, interesting, providing a sense of fulfillment and satisfaction in contributing to something important.

Some days start with a text or email with Maria at the office. This can be about something quite straightforward such as a phone call or more complex such as how to respond to concerns of a congregant. The day then moves on to answering a slew of e-mails, setting up meetings, making phone calls to the Rabbi, congregants, and working on issues and projects such as the "fun"raising, RRS, chairing meetings (Board) and attending others (Membership, House and Security, Fund-raising, Ritual). In all cases, it is important to remember the President's distinct role. The President represents the whole congregation and must balance the various points of view expressed by both its membership and the various committees and task forces to forge a consensus and path forward that is best for the entire Temple. The President also plays a key role in fostering and defining the mission of the Temple. It is the President who must try to develop plans and actions to address the congregation's most difficult challenges. For example, what does it mean for the Temple's mission and ethos as it becomes smaller? What are its key priorities each year and over the foreseeable future? Of course, no President does the Temple's work

alone. What can be accomplished depends on congregants taking leadership roles, serving on committees, and working on special projects.

Also, as someone once said, much of success is just showing up. Participation in the Temple's various events, attending its services, engaging in its educational programs all contribute to making a strong and vibrant Temple. TBI, as do other temples and synagogues as well as non-Jewish houses of worship, faces many challenges in an age of declining interest in religion. The North Country does not have a growing Jewish population. Its population is often more attracted to joining a chavurah or engaging in some other more informal, small group experience. Many feel membership in a temple or synagogue is not central to their Jewish identity and experience. We can meet this challenge and become, perhaps a smaller, but an even more vibrant, engaging, and spiritually meaningful part of the Jewish experience. Jews have always faced difficult circumstances. Joy and fulfillment can come from overcoming obstacles and continuing to offer a meaningful and relevant Temple experience for nurturing critical values and growth both as individuals and as a people.

Cheryl Kabeli, President



SAVE THE DATE
MITZVAH DAY!
Sunday, September 8th
9AM
TBI Cemetery
for Cemetery cleanup and
burying holy articles

TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL ANNUAL PICNIC

(Sponsored by the Men's Club)

Sunday July 21, 2024 12:00 noon - 3:00 pm

Chateaugay Lake - Directions to follow once you reserve your spot

\$12 per adult

\$8 - age 6-16

Under 6 - free

Or \$30 per family

Non-members \$18

RSVP by July 14

Your reservation is your check. Please make your check payable (please note number of people) to "TBI Men's Club," and mail to

Jeanot Cao-Ba 12 Allen Road Plattsburgh, NY 12901

Hamburgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers, salads, watermelon, lemonade, conversation, fun and lots more!! **Please bring your own lawn chairs, your favorite drink, canoe, kayak or motorized vehicle (a boat launch is available).**



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Ask a friend to co-sponsor with you, many hands make light work.

To reserve your oneg date, act now!

Contact Stephen Cahill at 518-570-0927 or email wscahill99@yahoo.com

Put "oneg" in the subject line.

Yahrzeits

It is customary to honor the anniversary of the death of a loved one by lighting a memorial candle, reciting Kaddish at a congregational service and making a donation. We hope you will do all. A donation can be made to the [Temple Beth Israel Fund of your choice.](#)

JULY 5, 2024

Leona Lorberbaum
James Bergman
Clara Achouche
Katherine Wood
Jennie Rovins
Helen Evans Wolfe
Mollie Cohen
David Sterns
Aaron Watermeier
Kate Wolfe
Jerome Levine
Harold Weisburgh
Dorothea Ann Merkel
Milton Rubin

JULY 13, 2024

Violet Rovins Caplan
Dr. Israel Winkler
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Louis Kalofsky
Harry Lippert
Blanche Mendelsohn
Ruth Ship
Harry Skloff
Ben Spielberg

JULY 19, 2024

Harvey E. Duchin
Barney A. Kobel
Louise Treistman
Barbara Gordon Nolland
Noel Merrihew
Aldrich M. Benson
Melvin Cohen
Rose Furman
Ollie McNulty Paul
Charles E. Slatkin

JULY 26, 2024

Hector Escudero
Delores Escudero
Samuel Cohen
Yetta Juskowitz
Samuel Gordon
Irene Hartoch Marx
Harold Rome
Mary Hurwitz
Morris M. Shubert
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🌟 Yahrzeit Fund

- Shari Stern in memory of Alan Pallik and David Tannenbaum
- Janet and Jerry Davis and family in loving memory of my Dad, John J. Hiller
- Donald Manel and Victor Davis in loving memory of Florence and Gabriel Davis, parents of Victor and Jerry Davis

🌟 Rabin Religious School

- Sharon Ratner

🌟 Martin M. Goldman Family Fund

- Susan and Howard Meyerson, Alan and Mark Goldman and families in memory of Irving Goldman

🌟 General Fund

- Nancy Person
- Janet and Jerry Davis to thank Andy Kaplan for his thoughtfulness; to thank Marcy Weisburgh for her energy and organization; to wish a safe deployment to Cody Sanders
- Diane Fine with gratitude to Miriam Worthington for her dedication to our congregation as the Chair of the Ritual Committee

BOOK CLUB INFO

Please note that the Book Club will take a break for the summer and resume meeting in mid-August.

Congregational Security Event

Sunday, July 14

10:00-12:00

Light Brunch to Follow

Please join us for this congregational event as we continue our efforts to include all congregants in the process of increasing Temple security. The event will include a tour of the Temple building, with special attention to locks and safety rooms, first aid and fire materials, and a concise first aid presentation by a medically-trained Plattsburgh fireman. We will also introduce the first stages of building evacuation protocols. Discussion will take place afterwards during a light bagel and lox brunch.

Membership Renewal 2024-2025

This year, for the first time, you will be receiving membership renewal in your email and your home mailbox. You are welcome to return your Community Commitment using the online link or hardcopy. The link to the Temple's online renewal membership can be found in your printed renewal letter and it is also hot linked, for your convenience, from the email.

If your personal information (e.g. email, address, Yahrzeits, among other things) has changed since last year, please complete the online form on the membership renewal link.

PLEASE be attentive to renewing your membership expeditiously. THANK YOU!

If you have any questions about membership renewal, please contact Cerise Oberman at ceriseoberman@gmail.com.

Take a Moment & Make a Difference

It is easy to honor or remember friends and family with a contribution to any Temple Fund.
No donation is too small.

[Make a Donation](#)

♥ **Templegrams: AUGUST, SEPTEMBER**

AUGUST

14 Sarah Reif
 16 Debra Rabin Manse
 16 Ian Ratner
 16 Jeff Weisburgh
 22 Sarah Davis and Kori
 Redepenning
 28 Kevin Smith.

SEPTEMBER

1 Jen Shutts
 7 Joel Shutts
 8 Debra Good & Doug
 Chaves
 13 Marcy & Jeff Weisburgh
 16 Sharon & John
 Schenkel
 18 Rabbi David Joslin
 21 Susan Gottlieb
 21 Carol Klepper
 25 Cheryl & Sabi Kabeli
 25 Alice & Ronnie Marx
 27 Mike Lack
 28 Sandra Ghelman &
 Cody Sanders

You can send a greeting to anyone on this list for only \$.50 per name.
 Send your list of names and a check made out to Temple Beth Israel to Carol Staves, 26 Tom Miller
 Road, Plattsburgh, NY 12901. Please be sure to indicate how you would like the card signed.

WANTED

TBI is looking for a per diem handyman. Are you that person or know of anyone who can
 fit the bill. Contact Andy Kaplan or leave a message the the office 518-563-3343.

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