



# Temple Beth Shalom *Scroll*

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### A Toast to our Children

Saturday, May 7 at 7:00 pm

### Temple Beth Shalom, Needham

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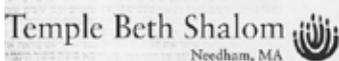
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Temple Beth Shalom and AIPAC invite you to a Community Briefing  
**The U.S.-Israel Relationship and Instability in the Middle East**

Featuring Nate Beecher - New England Political Director, AIPAC  
Thursday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m.

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Dessert Reception ~ Dietary laws observed  
RSVP: Rachele Huelsman at 617-399-2542 or  
[rhuelsman@aipac.org](mailto:rhuelsman@aipac.org) by April 11.

## From Rabbi Markley



We were enjoying an afternoon Fribble at Friendly's when our four-and-a-half-year-old daughter Mia brought up Passover, our upcoming seders, and her plans to recite

the four questions this year. What triggered these questions, I do not know... there isn't a matzah-inclusive recipe anywhere on the Friendly's menu. I responded by asking, "Why do you think we have a seder? What's it all about?" As always, she was quick to respond: "To tell the story. To have dinner with our family. To play with Legos."

Her tripartite response was not only fascinating and amusing, it was also more insightful than she could have known. For our rituals, our symbols, our religious practices, and life cycle moments all have at least three layers of meaning inherent within them. The "official meaning" is

the explanation you get if you ask an institutional leader (like a clergy person, a professor, or politician) why something is done. Indeed, Mia was correct in her first response... the official reason we hold a seder is to retell the story of our people's exodus from slavery to freedom, and with it our responsibility to insure similar redemption for others still bound by the shackles of injustice, intolerance, and systematic discrimination.

The "public meaning" of any life event or ritual is the generally understood reason for participating in this rite. It's Richard Dawson on the Family Feud saying, "100 Jewish people surveyed... Top 5 answers are on the board... Why do we hold a seder?" Those responses are publicly held meanings, and again, Mia was correct. A public meaning (if not the preeminent public meaning) of the seder is to have a nice meal with family, friends, and even some strangers to your family's table.

And then there is "idiosyncratic meaning," that which is uniquely personal to our own

lives and circumstances, held by no one (or at least few) other than ourselves. And with that, Mia hit the "hat trick," to use a hockey metaphor. Indeed, we did play with Legos at last year's seder table, a unique meaning in that ritual held only by her and those with whom we shared that evening.

As you are beginning to plan for your seder(s) this year, how will you blend the official, the public, and the deeply personal meanings of this holiday into a ritual that will uplift, inspire, excite, and engage the people around your table... especially the children! Remember, if you have kids at your seder table, and they're bored... you're doing it wrong. This is all about retelling our people's freedom story to them in age appropriate ways with which they can readily connect. May all of our seders be extra "meaning-full" in 5771!

## Religious School



Shalom, it's spring! Welcome to spring, a season of many beginnings. Students have been learning blessings and Hebrew readings for Pesach, discovering more ways

to demonstrate kavod, honor and respect, exploring the land and people of Israel and

finding relevant modern understandings of the Torah. During Yom Chugim, the day of electives for third through fifth grade, students will explore many facets of Israeli life such as food, exports, army life and civic duty. We might even have a visit from some Israeli guests. It is truly amazing to feel the energy and see the learning happening in every corner of the building each day!

### Class Updates are Going Blog

By the beginning of April, the regular classroom updates will be accessible by

blog links emailed to a computer near you. Kindergarten and First Grade, along with the Children's Center are already actively blogging about the learning and fun happening in the classrooms. We will be offering more frequent updates, accompanying photos and anecdotes and other related links for you to enjoy at your leisure. Please watch for the first email to get you the latest news.

### Registration Time is Almost Here!

We will again be accepting on-line as well as walk-in registrations. The link to register on-line will be posted on the TBS website on Sunday, May 1.

### Walk-In Hours:

Registration for grades K-12 will begin  
Sunday, May 1: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Monday, May 2: 3:45 - 5:30 pm  
Tuesday, May 3: 9:30 - 11:30 am

Students registered during Registration Week, May 1, 9:00 am through May 5, 6:00 pm are given equal priority in class session assignments. Students registering after the close of Registration Week will be placed on a first-come, first-served basis. In order to be considered "registered" all forms must be complete and payment must be received by 6:00 pm Thursday, May 5.

Please be sure your temple finances are current prior to Registration Week!

*Eshalom,  
Sandy*

## TBS High School Students to Spend Semester in Israel

The Eisendrath International Exchange (EIE) program is a unique and extraordinary opportunity for high school students to spend a semester living and studying in Israel. The program, sponsored by the Reform Movement, provides a level of learning and Jewish engagement that simply cannot be described. We are thrilled that our own Mikah Atkind attended the program in the past fall semester, and doubly excited that our own Tzipi Crandell and Molly Shuman both plan to attend in the fall semester of the coming year.

To help pay for this experience, Tzipi and Molly are working with the Jewish National Fund, inspiring friends, family, and members of the TBS to community to plant trees in Israel. Thanks to the generosity of JNF, for each tree that is planted in support of Molly or Tzipi, JNF will donate \$18 to help support her tuition for the coming year.

To help with the gift of greenery – to support both our teens and new growth after Israel's devastating forest fires earlier this year – please visit the websites dedicated to their efforts:

**Molly's Site:** [http://support.jnf.org/site/TR?px=3009875&fr\\_id=1010&pg=personal](http://support.jnf.org/site/TR?px=3009875&fr_id=1010&pg=personal)

**Tzipi's Site:** <http://support.jnf.org/goto/TzipiInIsrael>

*"Mazel Tov!" to Tzipi, Molly, and their families!*



## From our Executive Director



I have always been troubled by the recitation of the plagues during the Passover Seder. I understand the point of the recitation, to mark Pharaoh's hardheartedness and the suffering that was inflicted

on the people of Egypt as a result. I even appreciate the fact that we diminish our own joy during the Seder by spilling drops from our own cups of wine to mark the fact that Egypt suffered. But it seems to me that the recitation of the plagues serves to isolate us from those who experienced them; we get to imagine ourselves as the bystanders rather than a part of the story. In this year of turmoil and tumult in the Middle East, it seems time to imagine how we would have responded to the plagues had we ourselves been there at that time.

As an introduction to this theme, I offer below a poem I wrote which was inspired by the first plague, and by some corrosion

in my sink at home.  
Chag Pesach Sameach.

### Dirty Pipes or The First Plague February 11, 2005

I turn the tap on my faucet and the  
Water runs russet.  
What turns the water red?  
What sediment of ages past flows in my  
pipes and into my body  
Turning what was a fountain of life into a  
repository of death?  
Was this what the Egyptians saw with the  
coming of the first plague  
Life-giving water turning to blood  
Mother of rivers brought to her knees,  
Raw, bitter, bringer of death  
To her children?  
What did the Egyptians do for water  
during those terrible days  
Did they consume the red liquid  
Taking into their own bodies the pestilence  
and disease

Or did they run parched and dirty  
Through the streets of the great city?  
Did they marvel at the Awesome Power  
that brought the first Menstruation of their  
Mother  
And what of the Jews  
Beneficiaries of this first great tragedy,  
How did they satisfy their thirst?  
But back in my kitchen I look to much  
more mundane realities  
I call the plumber and make an  
appointment  
Ensuring that he Roto-Rooters my drains,  
Snaking through my pipes  
Removing any doubt about their  
cleanliness.  
And I am free to wash away the blood that  
runs through my reality  
Chalk it up to past experience,  
Forget about the lesson I unwittingly  
learned  
That behind every bringer of life  
Lies the potential for death.

Daniel T. Barkowitz



### Innovation Brings TBS Win of National Techie Award

The URJ Techies award for Best Use of Technology by an Early Childhood Program was awarded to our very own Children's Center. The URJ noted, "*Your collaborative school blog is a wonderful example of how congregations can effectively use technology, and will serve as a model for others around North America.*" The URJ Techies contest recognizes those that are successfully utilizing and embracing social networks and technology, and is designed to provide inspiration for others to seek innovative ways of enriching their communities by engaging members online. In this way, TBS will serve as a model for congregations nationwide.

The Children's Center blog is an online chronicle of the daily learning that occurs among our youngest students at TBS. It is designed to enhance the school community through in depth storytelling about the daily curriculum of the school, to connect far away family members to the child's school experience, to promote Jewish learning and living at a level accessible to all, and to cultivate reflective practice among the educators. A parent recently commented: "*Thanks so much for inviting me to be a part of this Blog. I usually get the news from my wife, and I didn't realize until I was invited in directly that this method of learning news in my son's life in preschool made me feel one step removed from what is happening. Thanks for connecting me directly.*"

TBS proudly recognizes the diligent efforts of the Children's Center educators in creating this unique resource for our community. You can view a list of all the Techies winners at [www.urj.org/techies](http://www.urj.org/techies).

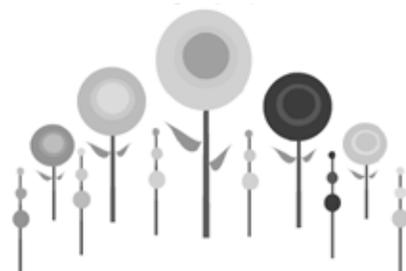
## Children's Center Spring Boutique

Wednesday, April 27  
8:30 am - 12:00 noon  
Simon Hall

Mother's Day will be coming soon -  
treat yourself or someone special!  
The TBS community is invited to the  
Children's Center Spring Boutique.

Come see the wonderful array of gifts from a  
variety of vendors, including wonderful clothing,  
beautiful totes, colorful accessories, striking jewelry,  
personalized stationary, lovely gifts, and much more!  
All are welcome!

If you have any questions, please contact  
Christine Shusterman - [cshusterman@comcast.net](mailto:cshusterman@comcast.net)



## President's Message



### TBS GOVERNANCE

As far back as we know, Moses and the elders of our tradition strove to express God's mission through their work of leading a community of faith. We too, own the job in leadership of considering how to most effectively enact our TBS Mission and Vision. Theologian James Lemler remarks "to serve on the Board of a local congregation is a sacred trust. It is to hold sacred things in trust...to bring their caring and competence to bear, and to shape and develop the congregation for its journey and call of mission."

Today the leadership at TBS operates with a Board of Trustees (BOT) and an Executive Committee whose workings are defined by a set of bylaws most recently revised in June of 2004. Over the course of the past six years, our leadership engaged in a process of self-reflection and research regarding the effectiveness of this model. During the administrations of Peggy Gassman and Jonathan Kappel, questions arose regarding the current TBS governance structure. These included concerns about efficiency, size of the BOT in terms of its ability to serve as an empowered working group, gaps in definition of roles and responsibilities, and relevance and thoroughness of the bylaws. Jonathan charged two past presidents, Sheldon Bycoff and Richard Bookman, with researching 'best practices' for healthy congregational governance models. Following extensive research, they returned to the Executive Committee with a recommended model in late spring of 2009. That fall, steps were taken to move forward with this Governance initiative.

A Governance Task Force was convened, under the leadership of Michael Bailit. This group was charged with honoring Sheldon and Richard's work by continuing research (both internally with TBS leadership and staff, and externally with URJ and in consultation with leadership in other synagogues) and creating a new governance model. As well, the BOT became involved on a regular basis in reviewing the new Vision for Governance.

As a guiding set of principles the task force, with input from the Board, determined that Governance at Temple Beth Shalom shall be characterized by:

- an articulated set of values that is consonant with the congregation's values
- clear lines of Board oversight and accountability for congregational business

functions and activities

- clearly defined roles for all Board members and clearly defined relationships with clergy and professional staff
- a body of sufficient size to support a diverse set of views and small enough to support thorough, thoughtful and efficient discussion and handling of critical issues of Board concern
- a powerful and meaningful experience of personal Jewish growth and enrichment – one in which the leadership sees him/herself as significantly contributing to the creation of a sacred community at Temple Beth Shalom
- inclusion and honoring of lay leaders (past and present) of committees, arms and key congregational initiatives
- planned development of new leaders

Months and many versions later, a new Vision for Governance has been created, along with a draft of the new TBS Bylaws. Highlights of the Vision for Governance, written in large part with the skillful pen of Ed Zaval, include:

**PHILOSOPHY:** The TBS leadership structure, consisting of a Board of Trustees, Leadership Council, Presidents' Council, and various Leadership Circles, was formed in order to achieve the following vision for governance. While each leadership entity in this structure has its own function and responsibilities, it is intended that these entities will operate in an integrated and holistic manner, providing a full voice for lay leaders, the clergy and our professional staff.

**BOARD of TRUSTEES COMPOSITION:** The new streamlined working Board of Trustees is comprised of 18 lay voting members: the President, the Executive Vice President, seven other Vice Presidents (each tethered to a specific area of congregational life), a Secretary, and eight at-large Trustees.

**THE COUNCIL:** The Leadership Council (the "Council") is to serve as a platform for the Temple's lay leaders, clergy and staff to meaningfully engage each other in order to better ensure the religious, educational, cultural, and communal health of TBS, and attain the Temple's vision. As a critical component of the governance structure, the Council is a broad forum for the discussion

of ideas, trends, issues and goals affecting all of Temple life. It promotes communication and information sharing across the widest spectrum of the Temple's leadership.

**COMMITTEE CIRCLES:** (CCs) will create exciting new avenues for the Temple's lay leaders to meaningfully engage each other in creating committee-based initiatives, to improve cross-committee communication, and to strengthen and diversify the many forms of programming at TBS. The CCs serve as critical platforms allowing for information-sharing, intimate discussions, and exploration of ideas among members of committees with similar missions and interests. As such, they offer space in which to vision, program, and share information and study in particular areas of congregational life.

These are just a few details of the Governance structure which will ensure not only efficient and transformational Board governance, but also venues for the wise and diverse leadership voices our TBS community is blessed to have. The final versions of the Bylaws and the Vision for Governance (Policies and Procedures) will be approved by the Board in April, and distributed to the congregation. On Wednesday, May 4, we will be holding a Congregational Meeting to approve these documents. Following this in June we will hold our 2nd ever "Annual Congregational Celebration". You are all invited!

In his book "Governance and Ministry", Dan Hotchkiss so beautifully describes the goal of organized religion: "the creation of sanctuaries where people can nurture and inspire each other – with results no one can predict." In order to do this, it's necessary to have structure, predictability and safety. Hotchkiss describes "the need to balance both sides of this paradox – the transforming power of religion and the stabilizing power of organization." It is our hope that the new TBS Bylaws and Vision for Governance will offer us these stabilizing pillars. They represent an exciting and transformative moment in the life of our congregation.

*LShalom, Beth*

**SAVE THE DATE SUNDAY, MAY 1 - 7:30 - 9:00 PM**



Needham Community Yom HaShoah Commemoration  
Sponsored by Temple Beth Shalom and Temple Aliyah  
Ceremony, Program and Dessert Reception

Special Guests: A Survivor from Our Own Community and Israeli Officers from the CJP Boston-Haifa Connection Hatikvah Soldiers Mission

Temple Aliyah 1664 Central Avenue Needham, MA [www.templealiyah.com](http://www.templealiyah.com)

## Sisterhood

As we begin the month of April this year, we look forward to the celebration of Passover with its two Seders and all the accompanying ritual and preparation. Although Chanukah had the excitement of gifts given and received, Passover was always my favorite holiday – the hustle and bustle as we changed over all the dishes, silverware and cookware; the annual excitement as we once again located the cherished “macaroon bowl”; the days spent helping my mother and grandmother with the endless cooking and baking; the much-anticipated arrival of our cousins for the Seder; the hunt for the Afikomen and the late-night singing of the after-dinner songs – all bring such wonderful memories.

Although we have the opportunity to celebrate the holiday over two nights with

our families and friends, many Jewish communities, including our Sisterhood community here at Temple Beth Shalom, now hold a third Seder specifically for women. While traditional Seders conclude with Moses leading the Israeli people to freedom, the



Women's Seder continues the spiritual journey of Passover by celebrating the role of Miriam in the exodus. Miriam, the first of several biblical women to be bestowed with the title of “prophet”, is celebrated in the Women's Seder for her unique position – rather than a biological role of delivering sons as did the matriarchs before her, Miriam's mission is to deliver a nation to freedom.

The Women's Seder begins with Miriam's Cup, filled with water to remember the miraculous well which, according to Midrash, accompanied Miriam and the people during their long sojourn in the desert until the time of her death. At our Seder, we now

have the pleasure of using a beautiful Kos Miriam – as well as a unique and lovely Seder plate - which was given to Sisterhood by the Board of Trustees on behalf of our congregation in 2009, on the occasion of Sisterhood's 50th anniversary. During the Seder, we sing “Miriam's Song”, composed by Debbie Friedman (z”l) – and as Miriam did with her hand-drum and her sisters after they passed through the Red Sea – we dance together around the room with tambourines in hand! (This is probably my favorite part of the evening!) And rather than discussing the Four Sons, we discuss four women, each representing a daughter who is at a different stage of her Jewish journey. We even have our own “Sisters' Dayeinu” and as we drink each of the four cups of wine, we honor our foremothers, the women of valor of our own time and those who assure the survival of our people.

This year our Women's Seder will be held on Tuesday, April 12. We'll be using our own beautiful Haggadah, created last year in memory of Marge Cohen (z”l), who organized our Seder for many years. A very special evening, this truly has become one of the highlights of our Sisterhood year. I look forward to seeing you there!

*In Sisterhood,  
Judy Ravech  
President*

Please join us to volunteer for the  
Needham Community Senior Lunch  
at Temple Beth Shalom on Thursday, May 5

Sisterhood is seeking volunteers for shifts including set up, serving and clean up from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm.

Volunteers to make lasagna and salads are also needed!

Please contact Susan Patkin at [suspatkin@rcn.com](mailto:suspatkin@rcn.com).

Sponsored by Sisterhood



### Thank you to:

Jane Spigle and Randi Lite for co-chairing our lovely Sisterhood Shabbat celebration, and to Rabbi Lenke, Nancy Krieger and Trina Novak for their participation.

You are cordially invited to the  
**Annual Sisterhood  
Women's Seder**  
Tuesday, April 12 at 6:30 pm  
in Simon Hall

Please join us for an evening of friendship, music and fun as we celebrate women's contributions to Jewish life and enjoy a fabulous pot-luck Passover dinner!

For more information or to RSVP, contact Elise Miller at [elise.miller@comcast.net](mailto:elise.miller@comcast.net).



Please join us for an  
information-filled evening!

## COLLEGE NIGHT

Sponsored by TBS Sisterhood

Tuesday, April 5 at 7:30 pm  
Temple Beth Shalom

(Please note this was re-scheduled  
from early February)

Worried about your child getting into  
college?

What do you need to do to prepare?  
How soon should your child get started?

All of these questions and more will be answered by Linda Shapiro, College Advisor. Linda's vast experience, including being head guidance counselor at Newton North High School, as well as her calm style, will provide a framework for parents to help high school students navigate the college admissions process.

Free Admission Light Refreshments Served

We are excited to welcome new Sisterhood member: Dana Lewis, and the many returning members who said “Yes” during our WRJ “Just Ask” membership campaign

### Essential Dates:

**Monday, April 4** - Our monthly Board Meeting begins in the Library at 7:30 pm. All Sisterhood members are invited.

**Tuesday, April 5** - Have a child heading to college soon? Join us for our **rescheduled** College Night at 7:30 pm. Meet with college advisor Dr. Linda Shapiro to get all your questions answered. This helpful information session is open to the general public so bring your friends. Contact Mary Ann Duchna-Savrin at [dmlmsavrin@rcn.com](mailto:dmlmsavrin@rcn.com) with any questions.

**Tuesday, April 12** - Join us for one of our most popular annual events, the Sisterhood Women's Seder, an evening of friendship, music and fun with a delicious potluck dinner! RSVP to Elise Miller at [elise.miller@comcast.net](mailto:elise.miller@comcast.net).

**Thursday, May 5** - Come participate in a wonderful mitzvah opportunity by assisting at the Needham Community Senior Lunch, to be held at the temple. Volunteers are needed from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm. Please contact Susan Patkin at [suspatkin@rcn.com](mailto:suspatkin@rcn.com) to sign up.

## Brotherhood

We finally made it to April. Hopefully the weather is mild enough to read this month's *Scroll* outside on your deck. We really experienced quite the winter this year. Talking to a friend at work in mid February I had mentioned that I just fixed my snow blower. His humorous and prophetic reply was that the repair meant it wouldn't snow anymore, and he was right. Now that I talk about mild weather, it will probably snow on Patriots Day.

Before we move on to more outdoor activities, Passover, the Marathon, TBS Basher's Softball and the Red Sox I need to look back on a couple of very successful March Brotherhood events.

On Sunday, March 13, we had about 100 people attend our "Scholar in Residence" breakfast. Professor Paul Liptz is really a dynamic speaker and did an amazing and interesting job explaining the complex socio-economic realities throughout the Middle East. We were really lucky to have such a renowned expert enlighten us and want to thank the Adult Learning Committee for doing such a wonderful job this weekend and throughout the year.

Brother Paul Alpert presented this year's Marc Comras Community Service award to Brother Michael Herman for his many years of outstanding community service, Brotherhood leadership and dedication. In addition, Rabbi Todd recognized all the Brothers for their contributions throughout the year and then blessed the men of our

congregation.

Later that night we had 50 TBS men and friends participate in our First Annual Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament. We were very happy to see so many newer TBS members attend. Many of us met and made new friends. It was a perfect evening thanks to Rob Braunstein, Jeff Keselmen and Steve Gladstone who did a terrific job planning, organizing and running this event. After 4 hours of laughs and spirited play our final 7 players were determined.

Congratulations to all our winners:

Steve Sherry - \$360 plus a pair of Red Sox-Yankees Tickets donated from Commercial Cleaning Service and a handsome Trophy!

Adam Zaff - \$275 plus a room and food for 25 people at Hard Rock Café in Boston

Bill Shulman - \$220

David Loeser - \$165

Jim "JimboJelly" Boesel - \$80

Jon Shapiro - \$30 Acapulco's Gift Certificate

Jon Cohan - \$20 Wild Willy's Gift Certificate

Lastly, TBS Basher's Softball starts up again this month. A new, as yet unnamed third team has been created in a joint effort with Temple Aliyah. The teams play on Sunday mornings through June at Claxton Field at 10:00 a.m. Feel free to come and cheer your brothers on as they take on area temples. Happy Spring and Passover to all my Brothers and your families!

*Jim Winterman*

### TBS FAMILY CAMP - Friday, April 29 - Sunday, May 1 Eisner Camp, Great Barrington, MA

Leaders: Rabbi Todd Markley, Hannah Orlansky  
(TBS's Foundation for Jewish Camp Camping Fellow),  
Sandy Whitecross and Ellen Dietrick



Join us for a wonderful weekend of rest, family time, music, and fun!  
Specially geared for our families with children from preschool through fifth grade, this weekend is the perfect way to share Shabbat as a family with our TBS rabbis and educators.

For further information and to register please contact Nate Karol in the Education Office at [nkarol@tbsneedham.org](mailto:nkarol@tbsneedham.org) or 781-444-0388.



TBS Jewish Film Series  
presents

## Hester Street

Sunday, April 3

4:00 p.m. Simon Hall

**Hester Street** depicts the comic and painful Americanization of Jake and Gitl, an immigrant couple from Russia. Jake has preceded his wife to America, where he obtains a tailoring job, a whole bed to himself, and a girlfriend. Gitl arrives, bringing not only complications to Jake's love life, but also the language and customs of the Russian ghetto that Jake has so exuberantly left behind. **Hester Street** depicts the struggles and transformations of the Jews who settled in the Lower East Side as they try to reconcile traditional values with surprising new opportunities. With its mixture of comedy and pathos, this film is both familiar and freshly charming. Unconditionally, a delight! 90 minutes

Temple Beth Shalom Sisterhood

### Spring Rummage Sale

Sunday, May 22 - 2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Monday, May 23

5:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Bag Sale

**Drop-off - Sunday, May 22**

**from 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 [bonh1@aol.com](mailto:bonh1@aol.com).



## Chesed "Caring" Community News

### For Caregivers throughout our community:

#### A Caregivers Prayer (Anonymous)

*Adonai, help me better understand and believe*

*I can do what I am being asked to do.*

*Listen to me during the times, even now, when I question Your judgment.*

*As I go about the many daily tasks of caregiving, give me energy.*

*As I watch my loved one oh-so-slowly walk across the room,  
give me strength.*

*As I answer his/her repeated question just one more time, give me patience.*

*As I look for solutions to whatever is the most recent concern,  
give me wisdom.*

*As I reminisce with him/her about the "good old days,"  
give me a moment of laughter.*

*As I get to know my loved one in a new way, seeing both his/her strength  
and frailty, give me joy.*

*As I sit beside my loved one's bed waiting for his/her  
pain medication to take effect, give me comfort.*

*Lighten my burden, answer my prayer, and give me the strength  
to do what so often seems impossible.*

*Give me a quiet place to rest when I need it and a  
quieting of my anxieties when I'm there.*

*Remind me not to neglect myself and the others in my life  
even as I care for my loved one.*

*Help me to be the loving and compassionate caregiver I want to be,  
and not the frustrated, frazzled angry one I feel I too often am.*

*Please be with my loved one during the times I cannot,  
and as you will be with him/her, so too be with me.*

*Remain my constant companion as I face the challenges of caregiving,  
and when my job is through and it's time for me to let go,  
help me remember You will be with both of us then, too.*



### Spring Schedule Caring for the Caregiver Evenings at Temple Beth Shalom

Tuesday, April 7 at 7pm

Tuesday, May 24 at 7pm

Please call or email  
Ilene Sharp at 508-975-4192 or  
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to RSVP or for more information.

### From the Sacred Aging Initiative:

#### Papers in Order

#### Plans in Place

#### Life at Ease

Would your loved ones know the necessary information during a crisis?

Would they be able to manage your affairs without skipping a beat?

Would you be able to access your loved ones' information should the situation arise?

**On Monday, May 16 at 7:30 pm,**

Lori Salzman of *Room to Improve* will describe a fantastic Grab N' Go system that ensures everyone will be ready with all of their key documents custom organized for any of life's transitions and changes.

Please join us for this important informative evening.

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## Children's Center

### TBS Receives Grant for Children's Center Initiative

Beginning this summer, the Life Skills Initiative will help all in our school community focus on deepening their understanding of the theories and practices that children need to succeed now and as they grow. Through teacher professional development and parent workshops, parents and teachers together will strengthen their shared understanding of and language for guiding children in developing relationships, managing emotions, and resolving problems.

*Gateways: Access to Jewish Education*, an organization providing resources to Jewish schools in the greater Boston area, has awarded TBS two matching grants to make this project possible.

Gateways serves to "ensure that Jewish

children with a full range of learning styles, abilities and challenges succeed academically, socially, and spiritually to their fullest potential." In being awarded these grants TBS is being recognized for enabling students with a wide range of learning needs to participate and succeed in our Children's Center. Over the past year and a half, our teachers have been engaged in learning about individual learners and differentiated instruction. Over the next year and beyond, we seek to create an environment of excellence with regard to meeting the individual needs of a diverse spectrum of young learners in order to provide a Jewish education for all children in our program. As we strive to seamlessly combine our work with children with special needs with our work with typically



developing children, we'll work to view each and every child and each of their family members as unique individuals with diverse sets of needs.

The TBS Children's Center joins 43 other schools in the Boston area in receiving these grants. "It's the students enrolled in the schools, all 5,700 of them," says Gateways Executive Director Arlene Remz. "And their families will also be deeply affected by these programs. Having a child with a disability—and nearly 20 percent of us do—can make the entire family feel there's

no place for them in the Jewish community. So the programs our grants support will not only involve these children in Jewish education that works for them but connect the entire family to the rich resources of our Jewish community."

Passover is rich in social justice themes. It is impossible to study the story of our redemption and not feel compelled to eradicate injustice in the world today. Among the primary social justice themes found in the Exodus story and in the Passover observance are hunger, homelessness, oppression and redemption.

“This is the bread of affliction which our ancestors ate in the land of Egypt. Let all those who are hungry come and eat with us. Let all who are in want share the hope of Passover.” (Haggadah, “Ha Lachma Anya”)

“Ha Lachma Anya” reminds us of a time when our diets were once restricted to matzah, the “bread of affliction.” Due to our hasty retreat from Egypt, we were limited to the food carried on our backs – the unleavened bread that we were unable to thoroughly prepare. Our experience with hardship following the exodus from Egypt inspires us to consider those who eat the metaphorical “bread of affliction” in present times, and to let all those who are now hungry join us at our Passover tables.

“Even the poorest person in Israel may not eat until he reclines, and they must not give him less than four cups of wine.” (Babylonian Talmud, Pesachim 99b)

The Babylonian Talmud reminds us that it is imperative for us to take care of all in our community, even the poorest person, during Passover and throughout the year. The requirement that even poor Jews be provided with ample wine, and presumably, with all the ritual foods and courses for the one night of the Seder, leads to the expectation that we should help the poor and the hungry year-round.

“My Father was a wandering Aramean who went down to Egypt and dwelled there.” (Haggadah, “Maggid”)

The painful reminder of our status as strangers in the land of Egypt and our subsequent 40 years of wandering in the wilderness without a home raises awareness of immigration and refugee concerns. The memory instills in us a desire to eradicate homelessness in the areas around us, and ultimately, the world.

“This year we are slaves. Next year, may we all be free” (Haggadah, “Ha Lachma Anya”)

As we are commanded, we place ourselves directly into the story, remembering what it was like for us, the Children of Israel, to be slaves in the land of Egypt. This personal experience of slavery motivates us to examine the current international situation and wrestle with cases of injustice, oppression, and slavery today. Pesach is an opportunity for us to raise awareness of contemporary examples of slavery and oppression throughout the world. In our own nation, domestic violence traps victims within their homes, limiting their freedom as surely as if they were enslaved.

When we recall our immense joy at being freed from slavery to worship and live according to the dictates of our faith, we are inspired to celebrate the great strides made by such groups as women and African Americans, which have fought for redemption from oppression and won, as our ancestors did. The observance of Passover presents a rich opportunity for interfaith sharing and celebration.

The RAC has a Passover Social Action Guide filled with ways to integrate social justice into your Seder. For the downloadable PDF or for more information, go to <http://rac.org/pubs/holidayguides/passover/>.

from [www.rac.org](http://www.rac.org)

### TAKING ACTION – DONATING CHAMETZ

The Passover ritual of removing leavened products (chametz) from our homes provides an opportunity to integrate social justice into our Passover holiday. This ritual takes place before Passover begins. In a sense, this is our equivalent of “spring cleaning,” for we thoroughly clean the entire house in a search for leavened products, down to the smallest crumb. By taking the chametz and donating it to a local food pantry, soup kitchen, or shelter we are helping “all who are hungry to come and eat.”

May this Passover bring peace to our world and joy to your home.

Betty Weiner  
Chair



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## Garden Club

### Essential Dates:

Monday, April 4 at 7:00 p.m.  
Garden Club Board Meeting  
All are welcome to attend.

Monday, April 11 at 7:00 p.m.  
Simon Hall  
Design Program with Maureen Christmas

Beth Shalom Garden Club presented Needham's Art in Bloom 2011 in March and we want to thank everyone that came to see our floral interpretations of high school students' artwork. Over 1,000 people viewed our floral designs and we hope they enjoyed it as much as we did. Many of our students attended our reception on March 6 and were interested in seeing how their one-dimensional artworks were transformed into structural three-dimensional forms. It was a wonderful experience for



both students and garden club members to share in this creative and collaborative project.

This month our garden club is privileged to present a design program with Maureen Christmas on April 11. Maureen is the chairman of the Design Division at the Boston Flower and Garden Show at the World Seaport Trade Center. Several of our members exhibited at the show and we are looking forward to watching Maureen perform her magic. The program is free and open to the public. Donations are

appreciated.

Spring has finally arrived after a long and hard winter. We hope your trees and gardens did not suffer too much damage. At least the flowers will begin to bloom and spread their beautiful colors throughout the landscape and lift our spirits.

*Carol Gershman  
calhal71@comcast.net*

**Library Open House  
Sunday April 3  
10:00 am – Noon  
Drop by to see the  
“new and improved”  
TBS Library  
Have a tour of the  
collection, check out a  
book or DVD.  
Refreshments  
will be served!**

## Join TBS in the Fight Against Cancer - May 14 and 15 - Newman Elementary School, 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. 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.

The 2011 TBS team will be led by Adam May and Sabra Sherry, who have served on the Relay Planning Committee for the past several years and are eager to share their passion for Relay with the TBS community. Adam is a cancer survivor, and Sabra was a primary caregiver for her mother, who lost her battle against cancer six years ago. Most likely, you've been touched by cancer too, and if you want to help fight back against this horrible disease, please consider participating in this year's Relay.

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 four ways you can support the Relay:**

**Join the TBS team:** Register online by going to [www.relayforlife.org/needhamMA](http://www.relayforlife.org/needhamMA), clicking on "SIGN UP" then "Join a Team" and searching for "TBS and Friends." The registration fee is \$10, which entitles you to a Relay For Life T-shirt to be worn while you walk around the track at the Relay. 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. Feel free to invite family members or friends (even non-Temple members) to join our team.

**Make an online donation:** Even if you can't attend the Relay, please support our team or one of our participants by making a donation at [www.relayforlife.org/needhamMA](http://www.relayforlife.org/needhamMA). Just click on "DONATE" in the top banner, then click "Donate to team" or "Donate to participant" to make your secure, online donation. 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 at 9 pm on the Saturday night of the Relay. You can purchase a luminaria through the Relay website and have it credited directly to the TBS team or an individual team member. To do this, click on "LUMINARIA" on the website homepage. Then click "searching for their name." When you get to the personal page, click "Luminaria" and fill out the required information. Luminarias that are purchased online will be decorated by the Luminaria Committee as instructed by the buyer and displayed at the Relay. Or, if you prefer to decorate your own luminaria, you can purchase them from Sabra. Contact her at [relaysabra@yahoo.com](mailto:relaysabra@yahoo.com).

To learn more, please visit [www.relayforlife.org/needhamMA](http://www.relayforlife.org/needhamMA) or contact Sabra at [relaysabra@yahoo.com](mailto:relaysabra@yahoo.com) or Adam at [relaytbs@verizon.net](mailto:relaytbs@verizon.net).

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## Two Green Tips on Fuel Economy from Shomrei Adamah

### GREEN TIPS

With fuel prices unsteady and rising, here are two green tips on saving money and the environment.

- Gasoline evaporates as it moves from the fuel pump to your car, evaporation rates are worse during the hottest part of the day. Filling the tank during cooler mornings or evening hours reduces the gasoline lost during your fill-up.
- Driving at 55 miles an hour will definitely ease your gas pains than driving at faster rates. For every 5 mph over 55, you lose roughly 10% of your fuel economy.



Source:  
 National Geographic Green Guide to Everyday Living

## LAST CALL FOR COLLEGE ADDRESSES!

We are still missing many college student alumni addresses. Temple Beth Shalom continues our program "College Connection" by keeping in touch with all our college student alumni.

Each student will receive:

- a weekly "Shabbat Shalom e-note" from our Rabbis
  - a fun care package at Chanukah and Passover
- (JUST IN TIME FOR A PASSOVER GIFT PACKAGE)**
- information about special opportunities to travel, study or attend programs just for Jewish college students.

It is necessary to send us an update every year, since most students addresses change from year to year.

If you have not signed up your college student this year, simply complete the form below and return it to:  
 College Connection, Temple Beth Shalom  
 670 Highland Avenue, Needham 02494

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

School Attending \_\_\_\_\_ Year in School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Barbara Haimowitz,**

***beloved and longstanding teacher at***

***Temple Beth Shalom Children's Center for 14 years***  
***is retiring.***

To honor Barbara, the Children's Center is preparing a special  
book with memories, wishes, and hopes.

If you would like to include something in this book,  
please visit the Children's Center entrance hallway where  
paper and pens are available for writing your message.

The paper will be there until Friday, April 8.

Alternatively, you can drop off your own message at the  
Children's Center, or you can email a message for Barbara that  
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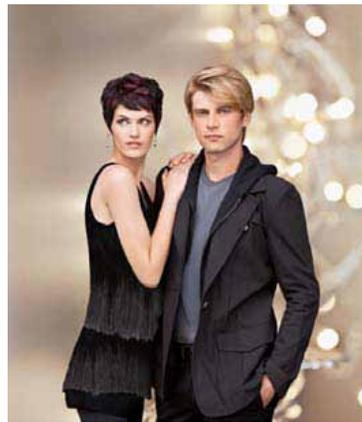
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Again I want to thank you for taking some time out of your busy life to read our monthly discussion of *Chyten Educational Services* and significant aspects of the academic arena including standardized testing. In my experience, it is never too early to plan.

This month, I would like to **share a list of essential questions** for you, as parents, and your children to discuss. The answers to these important questions may change over time; however, this academic and college process must include time to ponder, formulate new questions, and then figure out the next few answers and actions which may present new questions. Do not rush through these discussions; the outcome should help to determine your child's future.

***Which are your most challenging subjects? Which are your strongest subjects?***

***Generally, what level classes do you take?***

***What are your academic goals for this school year?***

***What are your long-term academic goals?***

***How would you describe your study habits, study skills, organization, and motivation?***

***Do you typically perform well on standardized test? Do you feel that you need help to improve in this area?***

***Have you taken a test-prep course or private tutoring? Did it help?***

***Have you started to look at colleges? Online/virtual and/or real visits?***

***On a scale of 1-10 (10 = hardest), how hard are you willing to work for high test scores and admission to top choice colleges?***

***Have you already determined which tests you should take? Have you determined the best test dates to take these tests?***

***On that same scale of 1-10, how important is it to you to get into one of your top-choice colleges?***

Requesting help with these answers is your job; **Chyten** is the best place for assistance with your decisions.

Remaining SAT Test dates for juniors are **May 7, June 4, and early October (both SAT I and SAT II testing are available)**. Remaining ACT dates are **April 9, June 11, and September**.

AP Classes are challenging, college-level courses offered in some high schools. If you are questioning your student's preparedness for the **May AP Exams** in ANY AREA, please consult with *Chyten*. Make sure that your student is confident re: format and content of AP tests in US History, Biology, English, and others.

**Contact CHYTEN at 1-800-428-8378 or 1-617-559-9931** to learn about our four centers in Newton, Wellesley, Lexington, and Westwood. If you would like to discuss your child's most appropriate next step, please email me at: **[cweisman-cohen@chyten.com](mailto:cweisman-cohen@chyten.com)**.

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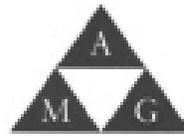
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<b>3</b> 8:45 AM T'Shiva Miase - Sanct 10:00 AM Library Re-Opening Celebration-LIB 12:30 PM Youth Class Trip to Zipporah-OOI 1:30 PM Koush Hodesh-YL, Bar 15 2:00 PM Membership Openhouse-Aa 4:00 PM Adult Ed Film Festival-SH Wilderness Exploration	<b>4</b> 9:30 AM Rabbinic Study Group-LIB 11:31 AM CC Dinner, No LIB 12:30 PM CC Inauguration-OR 1:30 PM BS Youth Chagim - Gr 3-7 - SH ATR, Sanct, CR, CL, Ad Koush 7:00 PM QC Bd Mtg-GCR 7:30 PM Assn. News Show or Music (Gr. Bar 15) 7:50 PM RS Comm Mtg-Bar 12 7:30 PM Simchat Ed Mtg-LIB	<b>5</b> 5:45 PM 7th Gr. Families Shulman Orientation-SH, Sanct 6:00 PM Youth Congregation Mtg-GCR 7:00 PM BS Youth Mtg-YL 7:00 PM Bar/Bat Mitzvah Mtg-LIB 7:30 PM College Night-OR 7:30 PM Membership Comm Mtg-GCR	<b>6</b> 8:45 AM CC Dinner-LIB 12:30 PM PSL Mtg-LIB 3:30 PM BS Youth Chagim - Gr 5-9 - SH ATR, Sanct, CR, CL, Ad Koush 6:00 PM BS Staff Mtg-OR, A 7:00 PM Simchat Leadership Dev. Mtg-OOI 7:30 PM Chav Retireeal Sanct	<b>7</b> 11:30 AM 5th Bar/Bat Mitzvah 17 1:10 PM T'Shiva Miase - Sanct 6:00 PM Shulman Hebrew Level 1-Bar 12 7:00 PM Caring for the Congreg-OR, A 7:10 PM Worship Comm Mtg-Bar 15	<b>8</b> 9:00 AM CC Dinner Chav-OR 6:15 PM Israel Trip Dinner-SH 7:15 PM Shabbat Service-Sanct.	

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