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The Beth El Buzz

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Interfaith Community Comes Together to Aid Ukrainian Refugees

- Beverly Wayne

Temple Beth El has taken a leadership role, along with eight other congregations* of many faiths in Huntington to bring a family from Ukraine to our community. We are working with HIAS, a 140-year-old refugee resettlement organization. We have been matched with a young couple who will be coming in the next few weeks. Although we do not know specifics, we know they had to flee their home and have experienced the trauma of war, displacement, and loss. A small Sponsor Circle has been formed comprised of skilled volunteers who will work directly with the couple to facilitate their adjustment.

The program requires us to provide the family with full financial support for the first four to six months, including plane tickets, housing, food, clothing and local transportation. Given the cost of living in the Huntington area, our plan is to supplement their income for the full two years of the program.

So far, we have raised more than \$50,000, with another \$20,000 pledged. Our goal is to raise \$125,000-\$150,000. Temple Beth El is coordinating the resettlement effort and has established a Refugee Resettlement Fund for use by the entire Huntington community.

There will be many opportunities to become involved, but our most pressing need is funds: please give what you can. Here's how to make your tax-deductible donation:

- By check: made out to *Temple Beth El Refugee Resettlement Fund* and mailed to Temple Beth El at 660 Park Avenue, Huntington, NY 11743
- Online: You can also donate online at www.tbeli.org and choose Refugee Resettlement Fund

We will provide regular updates to the community about our resettlement efforts while respecting the privacy of the family in our care. Thank you for your compassion, your generosity, and your support!

<u>*Interfaith Committee</u>

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Mazal Tov...

To Glen Ames and Claudia Copquin on the birth of their grandson, Cooper Richard, on August 20th, 2022.

To Drew Siegel, who became a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, September 10th, 2022 at Temple Beth El.

To the Podhurst family, in celebration of Sophie's marriage to Chris Blanchard.

To Marjorie and Stephen Levy, on the birth of their granddaughter, Sloane Bella, daughter of Noah and Abigail, sister of Zachary and Casey, born on October 26th, 2022.

To Lori Street-Ames and Jack Ames, on the birth of their grandson, Hudson Ames Williams, son of Arianna Ames and Drew Williams, born on October 18th, 2022.

Hey! Why not...



What a great way to:

- Celebrate a birthday or anniversary
- Commemorate a special event
 - Recognize a special occasion
- Or, simply contribute to Temple Beth El

It's easy as 1-2-3:

- (1) Call the temple office to choose a date and occasion
- (2) Decide whether you want to shop for your oneg, or
- (3) Donate \$125 or more and we'll take care of everything!

MONDAY NIGHT LIVE



A Program for Teens

Starting Monday, November 7, 2022 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Be a part of this great opportunity. Spend time with your rabbi, some other teens, and a lot of pizza!

Life can be a roller coaster ride, but Judaism is like a pull bar to help keep us locked in. Come see how decisions and obstacles can be made easier with a few values, rituals and traditions.

This year's program will meet two Mondays a month (we know teens are pretty busy). Come when you can and join in with this great community.

To register, go to https://bit.ly/MNLatTBE

Any questions? Email Rabbi Jeff (aka Rabs) at **<u>rabs@tbeli.org</u>**.

Due to fewer sessions this year, tuition costs have been reduced. If cost is an issue, please contact Rabbi Jeff or email Mark Goldman at <u>fsc@tbeli.org</u>.

Teens talking about hard questions and Jewish ideas that can help in life

Open to any 8th-12th grader

Meetings twice a month on Monday evenings

Hang out time with two great rabbis

Location will alternate between Temple Beth David and Temple Beth El

Before you say no, GIVE IT A TRY!!

MONDAY NIGHT LIVE

is a program of the

COMMUNITY HEBREW HIGH SCHOOL



TBE is taking an important step toward shaping our future as we move forward in this post-pandemic world by introducing a series of brunches over the next year to explore this important question:

How can Temple Beth El be more relevant to you?

Each congregant household will get an invitation to one of six Sunday brunches scheduled over the next months. Your specific date will be randomly assigned.

If you would like more information, email P<mark>atti at <u>PresElect@tbeli.org</u>.</mark>

Sunday, October 23rd in the Great Room



Back Row (left to right): Dan Bernzweig, Mark Goldman, Ed Brozinsky , Rita Anilionis, Mitch Kittenplan, Mike Widawsky, Norm Copel, Becky Crain, Mike Heiberger, Rabbi Jeff

Front Row (left to right): Linda Braun, Ilene Davis, Karen Fazekas, Jan Singer, Sue Goldman, Sue Blog, Elyse Pimsler, Suanne Chiacchiaro, Peter Chiacchiaro, Janet Widawsky, Harriet Copel, Cantor Alison





Erev Sukkot Barbecue in the Sukkah Sunday, October 9th







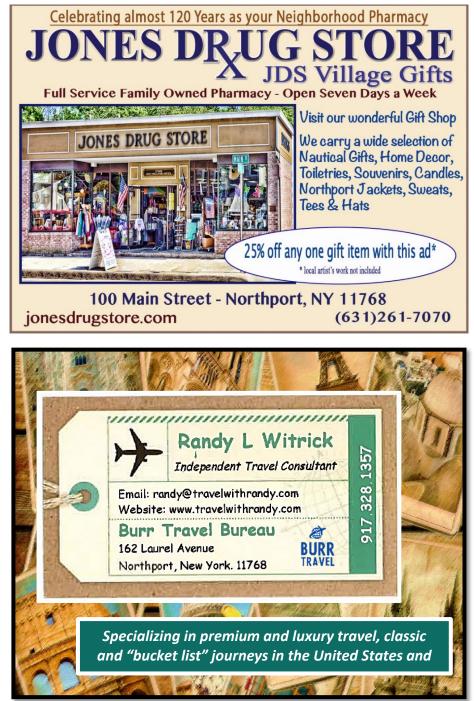
Join Sisterhood - Let Your Voice Be Heard!

- Beth Feinman, President

The Sisterhood of Temple Beth El represents the collective voice, wisdom, and strength of the women of Temple Beth El. We strive to come together to serve our synagogue, support our Jewish community, and enrich our spiritual lives by building close friendships to sustain and nurture the women of our synagogue. We accomplish this through educational and social programming, fundraising and community service, and through our involvement with the Women of Reform Judaism.

We reach out to all age groups in our synagogue. We have special programs that appeal to seniors as well as our younger members and "Juliet" dinner events that appeal to the growing number of women working outside the home. We understand the need to balance work and family with spiritual and social enrichment. We have daytime and evening lectures and discussion groups that range from the role of prayer in our lives today to addressing health issues to decorating for the holidays! We are always proud of Sisterhood Shabbat when our Sisterhood members ascend the *bimah* to read *Torah*. lead services, and accept honors.

Our Sisterhood welcomes new participants to our morning and evening book clubs, in which we discuss current novels, many written by Jewish authors and about Jewish topics; we also sponsor lectures on issues that connect to our lives today. We welcome our new members at our Fall Membership Dinner, and we all look forward to celebrating at the annual *Chanukah* Bash and Women's *Seder*.



These events give our Sisterhood members an opportunity to enjoy each other's company and to experience a fabulous evening. Day time and evening Mah Jongg or knitting groups give our members an opportunity to share favorite pastimes with new friends.

Sisterhood is a vital part of *Tikkun Olam*. We share our temple's goals of helping those in need and this year we proudly donated funds raised from our *Rosh Hashanah* apple and honey sale to the Ukraine Refugee project.

Your membership dues support our temple in a variety of beautification projects, expand our minds with Jewish wisdom, and give you a voice in social action causes around the world. When **your** voice joins our Sisterhood voice, we can all be heard and make a difference.

Please Join Sisterhood today and let your voice be heard!



Brotherhood Sukkah Builders (left to right): Mitch Kittenplan, Arthur Mont, Max Weitz, Ian Weitz, Rob Seiler, Mike Widawsky, Neal Rotter, Peter Chiaccharo



5783 / 2022 Sukkah Building and Decorating



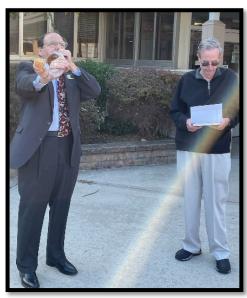
Brotherhood Su<mark>kkah Builders:</mark> Barry Mildener (left) and Barry Zusman (right)



Sisterhood Sukkah Decorators (left to right): Linda Mont, Mimi Rosen, Marcia Schwalb, Fran Silverfish, Louise Spangle



Steven and Sophie Karp ushering during the High Holy Days.



Barry Schwalb and Mike Heiberger on Rosh Hashanah.



Ian Weitz working the barbecue for the Religious School.

Keeping Up With the Brotherhood

- Ian Weitz, President

Brotherhood has purchased the makings to create a "Kindness Garden", a haven for butterflies and quiet contemplation, which has been planted in the front of the temple. A bench and plaque, in honor of our past presidents, are soon to be added.

Our Event Wrap-Up:

Shabbat-In-The-Lot and Religious School Barbecues: Thanks to our wonderful chefs for keeping up the flow of food and making it so tasty: Rob Fishman, Steve Karp, Barry Schwalb, Ian Weitz. Compliments to the chefs!

Spruce Up TBE: Prior to the High Holy Days, Brotherhood members helped to spruce up the temple by cleaning chairs, and power washing the entranceway awning. If you can once again read "Temple Beth El" on the awning, it is due to the work of your Brotherhood. Thanks to all who helped to brighten up our surroundings. More plans to continue our work are in the process.

High Holy Days: Brotherhood, along with their family members and TBE partners served as ushers during services. In addition, Tech Team members were joined by Evan Schneider to enhance our online presence during the holiday services. Our *Shofar* sounding team included Mike Heiberger and Barry Schwalb. Much gratitude and thanks to all our High Holy Day participants and ushers: Steve, Miji and Sophie Karp, Mike Heiberger and granddaughter Ellie Schwartz, Mike and Jon Widawsky, Ian, Max and Jacob Weitz, Lenny Thaw, Mitch Kittenplan, Mark Goldman, Larry Silverman, Scott Dinstell, Harley Kudler and Cora Brettler.

Sukkah Construction and Lunch: Brotherhood constructed the Sukkah and got together for a weekday luncheon in the Sukkah. Thanks to Peter Chiacchiaro, Mike Widawsky, Mitch Kittenplan, Arthur Mont, Barry Mildener, Ian Weitz, Max Weitz, Neal Rotter, Barry Zusman, Rob Seiler and Jay Elzweig (who was "late" but never "least").

So, hang with the Brotherhood of Temple Beth El. To join our mailing list, email Mike Widawsky at <u>michaelwidawsky@yahoo.com</u>. Be a part of ROMEO (Retired Old Men Eating Out). We meet via Zoom or in person, when safe. We will be returning to Sunday bagel and lox get-togethers at lunchtime and dinners out to enjoy the company of one another and to share jokes, humorous stories, funny video clips and an occasional educational segment. All are invited regardless of gender identity or age. Keep an eye out for more information as plans for future activities formalize.

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Join Our Tech Team!

We are always looking for new volunteers to join our Tech Team; a basic knowledge of computers is helpful but experience is not required.

Email Rabbi Jeff at <u>rabbiclopper@tbeli.org</u> for more information.







Religious School Social Action Fair

& *** ≫ Sunday, October 23rd











October Yahrzeits: Remembering Our Loved Ones

As a community, we remember our loved ones on the anniversary of their deaths. May their memory be a blessing.

October 1-7

Gerda Nussbaum - mother of Terrie Rosen Claraellen Bookheim - mother of Linda Widerman Rose Goldberg - sister of Fran Simowitz Alan Kasinoff - uncle of Carol Clopper - brother of Harvey Kasinoff Joan Weitman - mother of Adam Weitman Eudice Fishman - grandmother of Erin Schoor Selma Gorrin - aunt of Ellen Gray Dina Monat - sister of Lawrence Monat Julia Palmer - mother of Marion Bergman **Eileen Reingold** - mother of Pam Reingold Murry Waltzer - father of Karen Fazekas Neil Postman - father of Madeline Postman Rosella Samilowitz - mother-in-law of Fran Simowitz Henry H. Spiner - father-in-law of Martin Podgainy Morton Baker - brother of Barbara Kreindler Sheldon Friedman - husband of Deanna Robbins Shirley Kittenplan - mother of Mitch Kittenplan William Lichtenstein - grandfather of Sarah Lichtenstein Max Kellerman - grandfather of Beth Gilman Barbara Sporkin - mother of Brad Sporkin Rose Weinbaum - grandmother of Beth Gilman October 8-14 George Schneider - grandfather of Idelle Kleinman - father of Rita Kleinman Alan Walfield - husband of Louise Spangle Shelley Finkler - sister of Judy Fairbanks Phyllis Nathanson

- mother of Steve Nathanson Richard Bywater
- brother of Jean Feinstein Janet Shaiman
- mother of Norman Shaiman Brian Goldner
- son of Marjorie Goldner

October 8-14 (cont'd)

Frances Kyle - aunt of Li Josenhans Ida Winter - mother of Robert Winter **Eileen Witner** - mother of Jayne Greenberg Nicole Berger - sister of Robert Berger Alfred Brandt - father of Beverly Wayne Martha Prince - mother of Joan Feilbogen Arthur Shaiman - brother of Norman Shaiman William Jacob Weber, III - brother of Nanci Weber Sylvia Zeiler - grandmother of Danielle Greenwood - mother of Joel Zeiler Irwin Becker - husband of Audrey Gold Etta Hyde Reich - mother-in-law of Fran Hyde October 15-21 Neal Gothelf - brother of Inez Wachtel Lawrence Graber

- brother of Edith Litt Mollye Levine - grandmother of David Feinblatt Sarah Lilker - stepmother of Seymour Lilker (z"l) Shirley Saslow - mother of Neal Saslow Elise Morett - sister of Claudia Morett **Bernard Schwartz** - father of Jack Schwartz Herbert Siegel - father of Carol Calev Paul Wang - father of Peter Wayne Samuel Fuchs - father of Erwin Fox **Clinton Rufus Fuller** - father-in-law of Ruth Fuller Adrian Echevarria - father of Millie Thaw Murray Golub - father of Barry Golub **Ruth Blumberg** - relative of Rita & Idelle Kleinman - mother of Rhona Jones Marian Nester - aunt of Michael Fallon Suzanne Danis
- wife of Martin Podgainy
- Dwight Simmons
- relative of Fran Simowitz

October 15-21 (cont'd)

Merrill Sporkin - father of Brad Sporkin

October 22-31

Gary Roffman - brother of Steve Roffman Sidney Dutchen - father of Barry Dutchen Sonia Rapaport - mother of Jane Shallat Natalie Dorf - mother of Risa Curiale Lillian Iserson - mother of Richard Iserson Mina Klein - mother of Mary Klein - mother of Lynn Kaufman Sylvia Nadler - mother of Suzanne Blum Max Samilowitz - father-in-law of Fran Simowitz **Beth Short** - cousin of Li Josenhans Joan Wyckoff - mother of Jennifer Shore Shirley Werblin - mother of Carol Werblin

Edith Lipkind Wilson

- mother of Victoria Wilson

October 22-31 (cont'd)

Maury Adelson - grandfather of David Bernstein Celia Goldsmith - grandmother of David Eysler Alexander Kasinof - great uncle of Carol Clopper Jack Sharp - father of Gary Sharp **Richard Wilson** - father of Victoria Wilson Hannah Lifson - mother of Robert Lifson Sarah Gleicher - grandmother of Alan Wachtel Max Goldberg - father of Frances Simowitz Eunice "Noonie" Blank - grandmother of Molly England Irene Benjamin Elzweig - wife of Jay Elzweig Luke Weber Schaeffer - beloved of Nanci Weber **Bessie Baris** - grandmother of Sharon Freeman Eli Mollineaux - son of Ellen & Jeffrey Mollineaux Vera Warshaw - grandmother of Linda Braun

Ner Tamid: Planned Giving

Join those who have made a provision for Temple Beth El in planning their estate. Your gift helps to assure the long-term viability of the temple. If you have already included the temple in your estate plan and would like to be recognized, or for more information, please call (631) 421-5835.



You can contribute by:

- Making a gift using real estate
- Making a gift of stocks or securities
- Making a bequest to the temple in your will
- Making a life-income charitable gift annuity

November Yahrzeits: Remembering Our Loved Ones

As a community, we remember our loved ones on the anniversary of their deaths. May their memory be a blessing.

November 1-7

Martha Briefer - cousin of Cecile Fallon lanet Ansell - mother of Robert Ansell Damian Louis Freas - cousin of Li Josenhans **Rosanne Moses** - mother of Rich Moses Michael Olivere - uncle of Nanci Weber Marion Vann - sister of Phyllis Toran Carole Volkman - friend of Mike & Surelle (z"l) Heiberger Alfred Feld - father of Shari Feld Jerry Fischman - father of Debbie Fischman **Beverly Kristel** - mother of Alan Kristel (z"l) Marlene Rimler - mother of Mark Rimler Elsie Darwin - mother of Manuel Darwin (z"l) Annalea Rosen - stepmother of Carol Rosen Matthew Viesta - son of Rick and Lisi Viesta Ann Serotte - aunt of Jane Shallat Clara Gryvatz - mother of Claudia Copquin Stuart Mont - brother of Arthur Mont Anita Roffman - mother of Steve Roffman Ethel Rubenstein - grandmother of Doug Gilman Anna Block - grandmother of Carol Slippen Nancy Penny - sister of Ann Pinals Susan Pinals - mother of Andy Pinals

November 1-7 (cont'd)

Harry Rosenberg - grandfather of Shawne Rosenblum Andrew Ullmann - brother of Jane Goldblatt Arthur Weicich - uncle of Jennifer Kurtzman

November 8-14

Kenneth Crain - brother of Rebecca Crain John Ebert - uncle of Carol Clopper Miriam Glass - grandmother of Carol Berliner William Hoest - husband of Bunny Hoest George Mitchell - grandfather of Elisa McDonagh Marj Blauman - friend of Nanci Weber - friend of Barbara Schenk Rita Rosenthal - godmother of Laurel Atkinson Meyer Specter - father of Rosalie Slavkin Reba Weinzimer - mother of Melvin Weinzimer Nathan Cohn - father of Jan Singer Miriam Kaemen - mother of Debra Rich Peter Lifson - father of Robert Lifson Robert Rothenberg - brother-in-law of Alan Kristel (z"l) Carol Teicher - mother of Scott Teicher Michael Lipsius - grandfather of Barbara Schenk Warren Seiler - brother of Rob Seiler Arthur Moses - father of Rich Moses

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November 8-14 (cont'd)

William Richard Teller, III - father of Adrienne Mehl Irving Thaw - father of Lenny Thaw Sylvia Yakuboff - mother of Alan Yakuboff Esther Plosky - grandmother of David Plosky Morris Ullmann - father of Jane Goldblatt Beth Ellyn Mont Bock - daughter of Arthur & Linda Mont Robert Rosenblatt - father of Jan Rosenblatt Dorothy Hirschfeld Saltz - sister-in-law of Jeanne Hirschfeld - cousin of Ruth Lilker (z"l)

November 15-21 Selma Freed - grandmother of Jen Freed Roberta Wachtel - wife of Alan Wachtel Max Durst - father of Sharon Simon Dora Graziano - mother of Robert Graziano Esther Warshaw - grandmother of Sarah Lichtenstein David Yakuboff - father of Alan Yakuboff Milton Levine - father of Harriet Copel Robert Schoor - father of Rich Schoor Ken Levine - father of Brian Levine Sylvia Levine - mother of Harriet Copel Charles Nadler - father of Suzanne Blum Florence Siegel - mother of Rachel Bouvin Michael Jones - husband of Rhona Jones Belle Levy - mother of Stephen Levy Thomas McDonagh Sr. - father of Tom McDonagh Man King Ng - father of Kenny Ng Lenore Rand - mother of Andrea Levenbaum Ethel Margoluis - grandmother of Jayne Greenberg Harriet Rand - sister of Martin Podgainy

Martin Tobin

- father of Elizabeth Tobin

November 15-21 (cont'd)

Hattie Hirschfeld - aunt of Ruth Lilker (z"l) Richard Kammerling - husband of Rosalie Kammerling

November 22-30

Charlotte Bard - aunt of Susan Ng Mary Chiacchiaro - mother of Peter Chiacchiaro **Renee Schatten** - mother of Alan Schatten Sidney Slavin - father of Dianne Slavin Ruby Gold - aunt of Tracy Summer Sylvia Friedman - mother of Barry Dutchen Seymour Mendelsohn - father of Michael Mendelsohn Rose Schmukler - mother of Sandy Masnick Carmen Cullen - mother of Beth Kav John Grandahl - brother of Glen Grandahl Bessie Baris Kahn - mother of Sharon Freeman Violet Furst - mother of Pam Eysler Bonnie Gettinger - mother of Matt Gettinger Morton Fried - uncle of Mitchel Fried Christa Josenhans - mother of Erich Josenhans Dorothy Madenberg - mother of Joe Madenberg (z"l) Rita Sobel - mother of Marilyn Albert Max Goldstein - father of Helene Tiger Ruth Kaplan - mother of Ely Kaplan (z"l) Joe Madenberg - husband of Judy Madenberg Michael Witner - brother of Jayne Greenberg Harold Darwin - brother of Manny Darwin (z"l) Erwin Eisner - father of Ethel Winkler Michael Glass - father of Evan Glass Morton Kresner - father-in-law of Patti Kresner Charlotte Monat Meyer - mother of Lawrence Monat Kalman Wachtel - father of Alan Wachtel

Condolences...

To Ellen Mitchell and Elisa McDonagh, on the death of our congregant Paul Mitchell, husband of Ellen, father of Elisa, on September 3, 2022.

To Doug Walerstein and family, on the death of his mother, Janet Walerstein, on September 9, 2022. To Matt Aibel and family, on the death of his mother, Barbara Bar-Nissan on September 19, 2022. To Jayne Greenberg and family, on the death of her mother, our congregant Eileen Witner, on October 12, 2022. To Irma Talbot and family, on the death of her cousin, David Nathanson, on October 24, 2022. To David Steinberg and family, on the death of his father, Jay Steinberg, on October 26, 2022. To Ilene Messina and Denise Spencer and family on the death of their mother, our congregant Ruth Lilker, on October 28, 2022.



On behalf of Temple Beth El, the Ritual Committee would like to thank Richters Orchard in Northport for their generous donation of crates of apples for our High Holy Days.

> We are honored to maintain our longstanding relationship and look forward to many more years of deliciousness.

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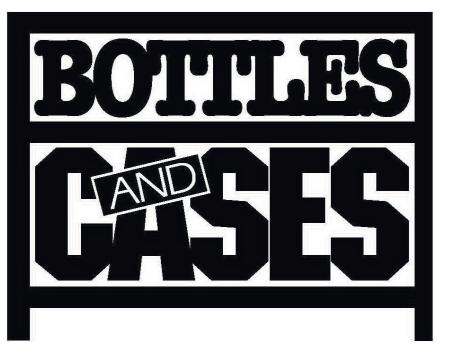
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Temple Beth El is open for in-person events. Did you know we rent out space during times when the temple building is not in use? We can host theater productions, seminars, various classes of all types, meetings, etc. This is a great way to utilize our building during down times and also provides us with additional revenue. Call (631) 421-5835 for information.

Got Leftovers? We Can Help!

If you've recently had an event (a *shiva*, luncheon, party, etc.) and find yourself inundated with lots of leftover food, don't toss it - we can help! We have volunteers who can pick it up or you can drop it off at the temple and we'll make sure it goes to a local organization or food pantry. Email Sue Seiler at <u>sseiler27@gmail.com</u> or Carol Werblin at <u>cwerblin@hotmail.com</u>.



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The Gift Membership Program is a unique opportunity to experience Jewish life at Temple Beth El of Huntington **FREE** for the first year. Gift Membership is open to all who are new to our congregation and want to learn about and be part of a Jewish community. Returning members who have not been affiliated at Temple Beth El for over 12 months are also welcome as Gift Members. We offer rich and wide-ranging worship services, learning and social programs for children and adults, social action initiatives (*tikkun olam*) for all ages, and many opportunities for creative expression in music and the arts.

The Gift Membership Program is open to all who wish to experience our congregation at any age and any stage of life, including:

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- Interfaith families who wish to participate in an accepting community and want help in raising Jewish children.
- > New residents looking for a Jewish community connection.
- Families wishing to nurture and strengthen their children's Jewish education and identity.
- > Empty-nesters looking to engage with other like-minded adults.
- Anyone who wants to re-engage with their Jewish roots through worship, learning, social action/tikkun olam and an active social life.
- Seniors who want to enjoy a variety of events, programs and activities designed specifically for them.
- LGBTQ+ individuals, families, couples looking for an accepting and vibrant Jewish community



For more information or with any questions, please contact:

Lisa Tricomi, Partnership Liaison

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