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### From the Rabbi Michael Silbert

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We're baaaack!!!

What a thrill it is to announce that after approximately 16 months, Temple Beth David will reopen its doors in July!

While continuing to

pay close attention to state and federally mandated stipulations so that our Temple is a safe place for you, we look forward to resuming in-person Shabbat services.

But wait - that's not all - there's more!

We also are moving forward with our plans to be together, in-person, for High Holiday services which will take place at Temple Sinai once again this year, as they have since 2017.

Conservative congregations throughout the United States see their respective re-openings as an opportunity for self-reflection and examination as they seek a vision that will help them be stronger and more relevant than ever before. Certainly one of the greatest impacts that the modern world has had on Jewish life is the lesson that one size does not fit all. Our experience as Jews in America has been characterized by individual Jews seeking out the practice – or denomination – that works best for them. Now, after more than 100 years of Conservative Judaism in this country, Conservative congregations are learning to make pluralism possible within their own walls as they recognize the plurality of needs that exist within their own individual communities.

What this means for us is that we need to find ways to <u>add</u> to our traditional practices, and not to take away from them:

Once we get the go-ahead to lift the restrictions on the number of people attending in-person services, we will return to a completely "in-person" model *most*, but not all, weeks. This is because in addition to traditional "in-person" services, we propose continuing to offer one

on-line Shabbat service a month, for the benefit of those who actually prefer it.

We propose experimenting with holding one in-person Shabbat service a month in TBK's small chapel at the building's main entrance, in order to provide easier access for those who need it.

In addition to meeting inside sanctuaries and chapels once we are back in-person, we are eager to make the most of the warm months by experimenting with an outdoor service from time to time.

We know that some members of our community would really appreciate a learner's service, so we are keen to try this out too.

Some of you might have attended virtual services elsewhere during the pandemic and been exposed to other Temple experiences that you enjoyed. If you have, then please come forward and tell us about them and what else you would like to see us try out.

What will remain constant is that whenever at least 10 of us are together on a Shabbat morning, whether on-line or in-person, it will constitute a *minyan* according to Conservative *halachah* (Jewish law), and Kaddish will be said by those in mourning, as has always been our practice.

When we moved from Irondequoit to Brighton, we learned that our community is not about a building, but about a group of Jews who give each other the sense of being at home when we are together. At this point in our journey together as a community, we feel we need to *add* and make space for everyone, not limit; we feel we need to provide more options, not shut out those who want something different.

We are invigorated by the path that lies ahead and look forward to traveling it with you.

BiVracha - with Blessings,

Michael

The mission of Temple Beth David is to provide an environment where the concepts of community prayer, education, and service to the greater Jewish community are provided within the context of Conservative Judaism. We take pride in being a friendly, participatory, egalitarian community, welcoming all to be a part of our synagogue family.

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# Yahrzeits Date Observed

July 2 July 15 July 8 Jerome Rothstein Linda Brodsky Haid Jacob Wexler July 3 July 20 July 9 Lauri Berns Rose Cohen Morton Brodsky David D. Gordon Sam Kinel July 10 Paul Cherkasky July 4 July 21 Al Newman Phillip Haymoff

Inge Schaffer Irving Kessler

July 5
Joel Kerker Karen Phillips
Ruth Servetnick

Ruth Forchheimer Kraus

July 11

Ida Priceman

Isadore Braiman

July 13

Michael Zeif

Hena Gewertz Bromberg

July 14

Linda Brodsky Haid

July 20

Lauri Berns
Sam Kinel

July 31

Samuel Messinger
Norman Steinberg

Mary Rubin

July 30

Fronie Hoffman

Samuel Messinger
Elizabeth Palagyi

July 22 Nuftule Feinberg Burton Freedman Joe Priceman

July 24 Sadie Greenberg

July 28
Arthur Caplin
John Herbert Skiba

The yahrzeit date that appears above is the date of observance using the secular calendar. These dates match those of the

Hebrew calendar for the actual date of death.

Hyman Abrams

# All in the Family

### **July Birthdays**

Barbara Gertzog Ira Goldman Charles Rothberg July 1 July 14 July 30

#### **July Anniversaries**

Ethan & Ruth Aranov Bruce & Anne Goldin Andrew & Karen Berger July 2 July 6 July 19



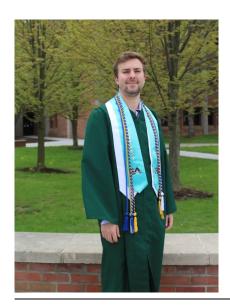
Eva Mason, granddaughter of Alice and Dan Nussbaum, graduated from Brentwood High School in Los Angeles, CA and will be attending RIT in Rochester this fall. Savta and Sabba are thrilled!!!!



Leo graduated from Brighton High School. He will attend Binghamton University in the fall. He plans to major in chemistry. Leo hopes to join Hillel and to be involved in theatre production.



Tali graduated from Penfield High School. She appreciated the opportunity to participate in senior year activities like her senior ball and paint a parking space. She plans to study business at Boston University. As a co-founder of the Rochester BBYO chapter, Tali plans to be involved in campus Jewish life.



Hannah Eckhaus graduated from School of the Arts and will attend Binghamton University in the fall.

Jacob Eckhaus graduated from
Binghamton University with a
Bachelor's Degree in Accounting
and Finance and next year will be
returning to Binghamton for a Master's
in Accounting with concentration in Tax.





# **Jewish Short Stories Discussion Group**

Please join us for our July discussion.

Details, including dates, times, titles and Zoom information, may be found in our weekly enewsletter.

We invite you to join with other readers in a lively discussion at the next session of our Temple Beth David Jewish Short Stories Discussion Group.

In July we will be featuring stories by two winners of the Moment Magazine-Karma Foundation Short Fiction Contest. When you read the selected winning stories, you will be introduced to promising young writers who use themes of Judaism, Jewish culture, or history in their work. Previous winners of the award have included prestigious writers such as Joyce Carol Oates, Robert Pinsky, Walter Mosley, Nicole Krauss, Erica Jong, Jonathan Safran Foer, Geraldine Brooks, André Aciman, and Dara Horn.







New plaques added to the **Memorial Wall** this year honor the memories of **Harold Fishman** and **Earl Schwartz**. New additions to the **Tree of Life** include a leaf in honor of the birth of **Arielle Mae Todd**, daughter of **Rebecca Erlichman Todd** and **Ross Todd**, and granddaughter of **Martin and Lauren Yesowitch**, and a leaf in honor of the marriage of **Danielle and Adam Camson**, daughter and son-in-law of **Kevin and Judy Fleissig**.

Those wishing to arrange for the purchase of a memorial plaque or leaf may contact the temple office at 585-266-3223.



The next <u>Temple Beth David Board of Trustee Meeting</u> will be held on Monday, July 19 at 7:00 pm, via Zoom. All temple members are welcome to attend or you may address any questions or concerns to a board member for consideration prior to the next meeting. If you need information on how to attend the meeting or how to contact a board member, please consult your temple directory or contact the temple office.

# Temple Beth David and Temple Beth El Present





New Location!
Mendon Golf Club



# 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Joint Golf Outing @ Mendon Golf Club (Mendon, NY) Monday, July 26, 2021

in memory of Jay Cohen and to benefit TBD and TBE Education Funds

# Golf, Breakfast, and Hors d'Oeuvres - \$136.00

8:30am Registration, breakfast, team pictures

10:00am Shotgun tee start

4:00pm Hors d'oeuvres @ Mendon Golf Club

Register for golf/sponsorship online at <a href="http://tbdrochester.org/">https://www.tberochester.org/</a>

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Please contact the office with family news.







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