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Temple Beth Israel

The Center of Jewish Living on Longboat Key

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Yizkor followed by Ne'ilah	4:00 PM EDT

*HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE IN DIGITAL
FORMAT ONLY, MADE AVAILABLE ON YOUTUBE AND FACEBOOK.
PLEASE FOLLOW THE WEEKLY E-BLASTS FOR MORE INFO.*



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It seems every generation has a number of defining moments. To everyone's regret, we can now add COVID-19 to the list. But unlike previous events, this one is not a singular incident that we can say "I remember where I was when it happened." Indeed, this event has unfolded over many months and will most likely continue to impact us for a number of yet additional ones.

As we work to address the tremendous changes in our lives we have been forced to adapt to during this pandemic, we have witnessed a surge of creativity. This leads me to the rapidly approaching High Holidays. We've been creating what promises to be the most unique Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services of our lives. We will be presenting streaming virtual High Holiday services in September.

While there may be a sense of loss accompanying this decision, as many of us will miss the beauty of our sanctuary and the comfort and serenity of us all being together... we also feel a jolt of excitement at presenting the Jewish holiday season in ways that we simply couldn't have imagined previously. You can look forward to a level of intimacy and creativity that will guide our community in connecting with family, friends, fellow congregants, all in the pursuit of Teshuvah (that is, each one of us becoming a little bit better in the coming year). We will be sharing more details soon – but please put Rosh Hashanah (September 18 and 19) and Yom Kippur (September 27 -28) on your calendar.

I am confident we will eventually look back on these holidays as a moment that we remember vividly. In the midst of a world that has changed dramatically let us choose to define our lives with joy and gratitude.

On behalf of our Executive Officers and Board of Trustees, we look forward to happy, healthy and safe New Year's services ahead.

Stay safe, happy, and healthy.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Stuart Sinai". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Stuart Sinai, President



FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

Let me emphasize the positive by talking about an innovation, a very successful innovation. More people have attended our Zoom pre-Shabbat “cocktail hour” than we ever could have imagined. We have enjoyed hearing the Jewish stories of members of our congregation. We are learning about each other and realizing that there are people that perhaps we’d like to get to know better. We have lost (for the time being) the real time community attendance at services, as well as socializing before and after services. However, we have gained a new opportunity to visit. May I suggest that we not let this new program fall by the wayside when things get better. Let us keep the “cocktail hour” as part of our regular program.

The High Holidays of course will be different this year. We are going to prerecord all the services and make them available on Facebook and YouTube. We have enhanced the professional quality of our programs. All of us need to express our deepest thanks to those who worked tirelessly to make this possible. Please note the following High Holiday Schedule (you will be constantly reminded by eblast):

S'lichot Study Session with Readings and Prayers

Saturday night, September 12, 7:30 p.m. via Facebook and YouTube.

Yom Kippur Afternoon Discussion

Monday afternoon, September 28, 2:00 p.m. via Zoom. Live, not recorded- look for the link.

Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur Early Morning Messages

Via Facebook and YouTube at 9:00 a.m.

Since the services and sermons are prerecorded, to make sure comments are as up to date as possible, I decided to add the above optional features. We can never be so sure that what we say is up to date. We were taken by surprise on Yom Kippur in 1973. Given the social tensions we face today, I am realistically concerned about uncertainties around us. However, we need to be optimistic. We look forward to the High Holidays next year – back in our sanctuary. May we all take care of ourselves and protect ourselves for a sweet new year.

P.S. Corinne suggested that we post on YouTube and Facebook an apples and honey ceremony on Erev Rosh Hashana.

Rabbi Stephen L. Sniderman

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESK

The old Yiddish proverb, "We plan, God laughs" seems to apply to our daily lives in these uncertain times. We tell ourselves we have to adapt to change; however ill-defined change is. We persevere even if it seems our plans may change direction at any time.

In past years September was the start of our planning activities in earnest. At this time last year, we were abuzz with setting up our programs for the post High Holiday season. With excitement and anticipation, we planned numerous rich, educational, cultural and artistic offerings that live up to our mission of being "The Center for Jewish Living on Longboat Key".

This year is no exception. The tools and the circumstances of presenting our programs may be different, but the rich and varied texture of our offerings remains what we have come to expect from our programs. So, if we cannot gather in person, we created our cocktail hour on Fridays before services. In the last few weeks, you might have joined in our Friday night social Zoom get-together...it is fun and informative, but most of all it gives us a chance to get to know each other a little better. Many of us have a Jewish story worth telling. We've heard from **Bob Gary, Michael and Sue Boorstein, David Gorin, Murray Blueglass, Corinne Sniderman, Molly Schechter, Marion Levine, Judge Marvin Morse and Connie Mederos-Jacobs**. This very successful event has become a lively and enjoyable gathering that has developed a strong following. This intimate forum is not open to the public and is not recorded unless the speaker requests it.

Our 92Y season is also adapting to our new world. The presentations will be enjoyed online and immediately followed by a live Zoom session moderated by members of our programming committee. This innovative twist will continue until we can gather again in our sanctuary and view the programs on our large screen. This 92Y program is once more generously sponsored by The Community Foundation of Sarasota County.

We are proud to present another wonderful collaborative event in 2021 with the Longboat Key Education Center and **Temple Beth Israel**: "Jewish American Composers - A Force for Uniting America!"

Susan Benjamin, musical biographer and performer and Cantor Jay O'Brien will demonstrate in this extraordinary, multi-media program how disparate groups, with various priorities, can be brought together through the transformative power of art - specifically the art of musical theater. From the 1920s to the present, Jewish musical theater composers and lyricists have addressed societal and human relations issues and have encouraged empathy for "the other" through their work. Oscar Hammerstein, Jerome Kern, Richard Rodgers, Alan Jay Lerner, Stephen Sondheim, Jerry Herman, and others will be featured. This presentation combines elements of several musical biographies, all centered on a significant theme. An opportunity to meet the presenters will follow the program at a champagne-dessert reception. The program date is Sunday, February 14th, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. This is planned optimistically as an in-person event and will be adapted to a virtual presentation depending on circumstances.

This is but a glimpse of what we are planning for the upcoming season. Please follow our e-blasts for additional announcements. We will keep planning as God laughs.



Isaac Azerad
Executive Director

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

We are very fortunate in having such a fine Temple situated on two beautiful parcels of land, surrounded by lush tropical trees, bushes and plants. Our edifice contains all that is needed by our members for their religious, educational and social activities. It is important to remember that **TBI** is the only Jewish presence on LBK, and we are known as “The Center of Jewish Living on LBK”. We are extremely fortunate in having **Rabbi Sniderman** as our leader of **TBI**. He is an engaging individual, who stimulates our congregants with interesting and inspiring sermons that lead us to deeper connections with Judaism. **Isaac Azerad**, our Executive Director, has been very active in guiding us through new channels of fundraising, organizing groups, and making sure that our Temple is maintained properly, along with being involved in the overall security of our congregants and our edifice. He has been an excellent advisor to our many committees, along with assisting our administration’s important decisions.

Although we are closed at the present time for our congregational religious services, educational and social activities due to the covid-19, we are still in an operating mode. Our excellent administrative and financial departments are busy with their multitude of responsibilities. These two departments are working in the Temple on a staggered basis to help prevent too many individuals from being present in the Temple at the same time during this pandemic. If they aren’t physically in the Temple, they are working at their homes to complete their assignments, which at this time of the year prior to the High Holy Days, is very busy indeed. **Jen Shaw** and **Shana Johnson** in our administrative department are functioning well in our new dual working areas during this pandemic. **Robin Miller** in our finance office has been able to smoothly transition into our two location setup also. We are very fortunate in having such multi-talented individuals who are responsible and dedicated to our Temple and its members.

Jen and Shana are busy each month preparing some of the information that goes into each issue of our *Bulletin*. Jen also has the responsibility of handling Temple calls with Shana, and for listing our ads and articles in multiple publications as well as our virtual services. Robin, as our financial assistant, is in charge of all our invoicing, such as **TBI’s** billing and receiving of your membership dues. She works closely with our accountant, along with our Executive Director, President and the Officers of our Temple. She is very competent and innovative, and is the one who issues reports to our officers.

We are extremely fortunate in having **Dr. Ann Stephenson Moe** as our Choir Director, who has worked diligently to make our **TBI Choir** so well known in this part of Florida. **Kei Sulhi**, who can be seen at the Temple at our Friday and Saturday Shabbat Services, has been our lead soprano with her golden voice for many years at **TBI**. The cohesiveness of our Choir under the tutelage of their Choir Director has been acclaimed for their beautiful singing for years, and they have inspired many new people to LBK to join and become new members of our Temple.

We have been very fortunate in having **Terry St. John** overseeing the upkeep of our beautiful Temple. She is always involved in doing something that makes our Temple look better, and for helping to prepare for our social activities in our Social Hall. She is very creative in preparing a room to feel comfortable according to the program and setting up floral arrangements on all the tables. Terry is also called “the plant lady”, since her previous business in the field of floral arrangements, and for her recommendations on what varieties of plants or flowers should be used for specific occasions.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT CONT.

We must give kudos to **Dave Aura**, who for over 25 years had been a devoted and dedicated employee of **TBI**. Many people thought he was a member of the Temple, since he greeted our new members and often helped other members in the Temple. He was also involved in helping to prepare the delicious food that was being served during our Shabbat Cafes, after our Saturday Shabbat services and for many other occasions. He was involved in the maintenance of our entire Temple. The time has come for Dave to retire from our Temple and his other position at the LBK Resort. We are all going to miss his presence and for what he had done for our Temple, our Rabbi, Executive Director and all of our Officers and committee members. He was also involved in bringing a large donation to our Temple. We all wish him a good life during his retirement-good health, happiness, and wonderful memories.

Our preventative maintenance and landscaping programs are both ongoing during this pandemic. It is important that all of us support our Temple even though we currently are unable to be in our Temple for our religious and social activities. Your continued support is essential for **TBI** to continue as a VITAL ASSET for the religious, educational and social activities that you had enjoyed prior to this pandemic.

Our security protection for our members and our edifice is an on going effort at **TBI**. We have planned for additional projects for your protection, and we are constantly being watched by our fine LBK Police Department. Our Temple is being kept under security surveillance not only by our police, but also by own security camera system, which was put in place by **Garry Brooks**, a member of our Temple who is an expert in security surveillance equipment and their installation. Members of our in-house security team have the ability to oversee our Temple twenty-four hours per day, as well as using our monitoring system in the administration office during the day. There are currently over 33 additional areas of safety precautions already activated within our Temple. Within the coming year we plan to provide additional safety projects for the protection and welfare of our members and guests. We will again review at a latter date what we have already implemented, along with our new ones for your safety while being inside of our own Temple.

G'mar Hatimav Tovah - May you be all be sealed for a good year.

Allan Goldfarb

Vice President of Administration

MEN'S CLUB

The summer Men's Club season of lunches has been lost to all of us. We had a great season planned, but all events had to be cancelled due to the pandemic. The season was to include: May lunch at Café L'Europe, June lunch at Harry's Restaurant, July lunch at the new Shore Restaurant on Longboat Key and August lunch at Dry Dock. This year we also scheduled a dinner at The Rosemary for August. We are hopeful that by next summer we will once again be able to meet and eat together in real time and in person for a full summer season of Men's Club lunches.

Immediately following the High Holidays the Men's Club will host several programs online via Zoom.

Discussion groups on the following topics are planned:

High cost of Higher Education

Investment in the time of Corona Virus

The November Election

If you are interested in leading the discussion or becoming a panel member on one or more of these topics please contact me. Please watch the weekly eblasts for dates, times and Zoom log-in information.

We hope that all of you will continue your membership in the Men's Club. It is \$40 well spent, a portion of which pays for programming/food and a donation to the Temple operating budget. If you have ideas for functions or topics, or wish to volunteer to serve as a speaker, please contact me at lewmoyer@aol.com or **248-672-1646**.

Lewis Moyer, Men's Club President

BETH ISRAEL WOMEN'S CLUB REPORT

Greetings! Another month has passed and we hope a step closer to the end of this "plague".

We do have the High Holidays to look forward to, albeit in a different way, but we'll all be able to pray together.

We are trying to come up with some virtual events to keep our members engaged.

We wish everyone a healthy and safe New Year.

Don't forget your BIW dues of \$40.00; we count on you for support.

Nancy Cohen & Sylvia Pastor, BIW Co-Presidents

BOOKS & BROWN BAGS

At this time, with the pandemic changing our lifestyle, there's more time to read and enjoy books. The following list and dates will conform to the "normal" timeline. They will be discussed on Zoom, unless (and it's fervently hoped) the Temple can reopen and groups can meet in person.

All discussions begin at 1:00 p.m. Information regarding logging into Zoom will be sent out prior to the meeting.

Monday, November 9, *Feast Your Eyes* by Myla Goldberg

Monday, December 14, *Citka's Journey* by Heather Morris

Monday, January 1, *Apeirogon* by Colum McCann

Monday, February 8, *The Year of Wonders* by Geraldine Brooks

Monday, March 8, *The Yellow Bird Sings* by Jennifer Rosner

Monday, April 12, *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak

Facilitators are needed for these books.

Sarasota County residents, who have a library card, can reserve a book by going online to the following

URL: <https://sarac.co.sarasota.fl.us/>

Manatee County residents can go to:

https://www.mymanatee.org/departments/manatee_county_public_library_system.

Happy book hunting and stay safe.

Gloria Sabin, Chairperson & Tena Tessler, Co-Chairperson

BRIDGE

The next series of lessons for beginners/refreshers and intermediates will begin the first week of October. Watch for the announcement.

Duplicate Bridge continues through Bridge Base On-Line on Thursday and Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Please contact **Jeff Nunes** at jeffcnunes@gmail.com or **941-567-8078** to participate. If you know of people interested in lessons or play and they do not have an ACBL number, Jeff can work it out for them to play.

Looking forward to seeing you online.

Marion Levine, Vice President Special Projects and Membership

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

A member survey was developed and sent via email to all members of the congregation who used email. There has been a good response. There are incentive gifts to win. We hope you have returned your survey. Hurry! Hurry! Some lucky person will win the dollar amount equal to the number of surveys returned. Anyone can win. The survey purpose is to get to know our members better: their likes and dislikes, a history of their Jewish backgrounds, their interest in Temple participation, etc. We want to plan events and programs that will attract you our members and prospective members to our programs.

Please submit your survey.

Marion Levine
Vice President, Membership

SANCTUARY SEAT PLAQUES

Though we can't yet enter our Sanctuary for services, **Temple Beth Israel** is still providing the opportunity for the purchase of engraved brass plaques to be placed on the sanctuary seat (s) of your choice. These plaques are one way we raise funds to support the continued maintenance and upgrade of our Temple facilities. The cost per plaque is \$500; \$475 of that cost goes directly into the facilities fund and \$25 to purchase an engraved plaque.

Plaques contain the full name of whomever you designate-only one name to a plaque- and you may select any seat that does not already have a plaque.

If you are interested, please contact me ([248-568-9206](tel:248-568-9206)) and I will arrange for you to view the seating chart so you can select your seat. I will then take care of all the arrangements and let you know when your plaque has been affixed to your selected seat.

Plaques are placed at the top of the seat, but they do not reserve the seat for only you to use. Nevertheless when someone sits in the seat that has a plaque with my late, beloved husband's name on it, I somehow feel they are adding to my remembrance of him. As a psychologist, he loved people.

Sandra Packard
Vice President for Development

SHABBAT DINNERS - A NEW TWIST

Though we can't have Shabbat Dinner together at the Temple due to the pandemic, we can continue the tradition of **TBI** Shabbat Dinners in a different format. Arrangements have been made with Brooklyn Catering to prepare and deliver to **TBI**, the Sarasota Bay Club and Plymouth Harbor pre-cooked dinners that members and friends may order in advance, pick up on Friday afternoons, and enjoy eating at home before viewing our Friday night services.

There will be one choice per week and we will rotate our menus. We will publish four weeks of menus at a time and have special menus for Erev Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. We will even offer a Break-The-Fast plate for Yom Kippur.

Each meal will be for one person and are very large and sumptuous. However, you may order as many dinners meals as you choose. The cost is \$20 per meal. Reservations close at noon each Wednesday. There are no substitutes.

Pick up can be made at the **TBI** parking lot at 3:00 p.m. All meals must be picked up by 3:45 p.m. Marina Jack's at 4:00 to 4:15 p.m. Sarasota Bay Club and Plymouth Harbour residents will get delivery before 5:00 p.m.

Once again, orders must be placed and paid for by noon on the Wednesday of the week of the Shabbat Dinner you want.

To place orders call the temple at **941-383-3428** or email info@tbi-lbk.org.

Credit Card Only.

Marion Levine, Vice President for Special Projects and Membership

A CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Dear Friend,

In the last few weeks you might have joined in our Friday night social Zoom get together... it is fun, informative, but most of all it gives us a chance to get to know each other a little better.

TBI would like to feature you during an upcoming Friday Night Themed Cocktail Hour. The theme is "My Jewish Journey". If you would like to be featured, please send a paragraph bio that we can advertise ahead of the program and when I receive it I will consult with you for scheduling and procedure.

Thanking you in advance for sharing your story with your Temple family.
Looking forward to your reply.

Isaac Azerad, TBI Executive Director



SHABBAT DINNERS TO GO!

OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY! SHARE WITH YOUR FRIENDS!

TO PLACE AN ORDER:

Call or email the Temple office:
(941) 383-3428 info@tbi-lbk.org

Give your name, phone, and number of dinners you need.

CREDIT CARD ONLY

\$20 per meal. No Refunds.

ORDER PICKUP:

Pickup will be available on Fridays between 3:00 pm & 3:45 pm in TBI's parking lot (567 Bay Isles Rd. Longboat Key, FL 34228)

As well as Marina Jack's Parking Lot (2 Marina Plaza, Sarasota, FL 34236)
Time currently unavailable

Delivery to Plymouth Harbour and Sarasota Bay Club will be made before 5:00 pm.

FOUR WEEK MENU

One Choice Per Week. No Substitutions.

Week 1 – August 21, 2020: Challah, Matzo Ball Soup, Chopped Liver, Sliced Brisket, Kasha Varnishkes, Seasoned Grilled Vegetables & Dessert

Week 2 - August 28, 2020: Challah, Vegetable Soup, Spanakopita, Salmon Vera Cruz, Orzo Salad, Seasoned Grilled Vegetables & Dessert

Week 3 – September 4, 2020: Challah, Matzo Ball Soup, Israeli Salad, Israeli Chicken Schnitzel, Mushroom Couscous, Roasted Seasonal Vegetables & Dessert

Week 4 – September 11, 2020: Challah, Split Pea Soup, Potato Latkes, Stuffed Cabbage (meat and vegetarian), Noodle Kugel, Roasted Seasonal Vegetables & Dessert

**ROSH HASHANAH & YOM KIPPUR
MENUS COMING SOON!**



LEADERSHIP CIRCLE

Dear Friends,

One of the positive aspects of this time of the Corona Virus and there are positives is that many of us have gotten to Zoom with others, and to learn about and admire our fellow congregants during **TBI's** Friday night Social Hour.

Another positive is that this difficult period of health concerns and financial hardships have so quickly brought out the generosity, kindness and helpfulness of you, our **TBI** family.

Many of us have spent time reflecting since we have a lot more time for that these days. It seems that you, our Leadership Circle contributors, have reflected about how to use funds toward creating time for living well and helping. Your contributions go toward enriching our activities at **TBI** which will benefit all. This is a wonderful form of giving. We thank you and honor your participation in the Leadership Circle.

The following are the most up-to-date names received by the deadline for printing this issue. Donations received after this deadline will be acknowledged in the next *Bulletin*:

Patricia & Norton Baron

Barbara & Edwin Biron

Marvin Black

Alice & Murray Blueglass

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Sue & Michael Boorstein

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Molly Schechter & Harold Ronson

Lois & Alan Schottenstein

Sharon Schreiber

Carole Shaw & Stuart Sinai

Claire Smith

Estelle & Dr. Burton Silbert

Carole & Dr. Ira Singer

Maxine & Robert Spitzer

Barbara Struth

Marilyn Taub

Tena & Dr. Howard Tessler

Kelli & Howard Veit

Robert Vigder

Alice Blueglass & Barbara Pressman, Leadership Circle Co-Chairs

LIFE & LEGACY

We are now in the fourth year of the Life & Legacy Program sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Sarasota/Manatee Counties and the Harold Grinspoon Foundation. The purpose of the program, as many of you are aware, is to secure commitments for after life gifts to our Endowment Fund from current members of our congregation.

This need is based on the projection that, in the not too distant future, 25% of the congregation's operating funds will need to be provided from the earnings of our Endowment Fund. By building the assets of the Fund to a level that its earnings will meet this objective, we will ensure that **TBI** will remain "The Center of Jewish Living on Longboat Key" for future generations.

Through the first three years of the Program, 49 members of the congregation have enthusiastically joined in by signing Letters of Intent. The total value of their gift commitments is in excess of \$850,000. Our objective for the current year is to encourage a minimum of 25 additional members to participate in the program and become members of the **TBI Life & Legacy Society**.

Joining the Program is simple and painless. No current contributions are required: only the signing of a Letter of Intent to indicate a pledge to provide an afterlife contribution to our Endowment Fund. For more information, or to answer any questions regarding the Program, contact **Isaac Azerad** at the Temple office.

Bob Vigder, Life and Legacy Committee Chair

Susan Benjamin & Cantor Jay O'Brien

will perform an extraordinary, multi-media program, bringing everyone together through the transformative power of art and musical theater. From the 1920's to the present, Jewish musical theater composers and lyricists have addressed societal and human relations issues, encouraging empathy through their work. This presentation combines elements of several musical biographies, all centered on a significant theme.

A champagne-dessert reception will follow the program, with a chance to meet the performers.

When: Sunday, February 14, 2021

Time: 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Location: Temple Beth Israel, Sanctuary

567 Bay Isles Road Longboat Key, FL 34228

Cost: \$40 Members of TBI & LBK Education Center

\$50 non-members

NOTE: No payment is due at the time of registration in case this concert has to be cancelled due to the pandemic. We will reserve your spot and contact you one week prior for payment or any updates.

Jewish American Composers A Force For Uniting America!





join us for the

HIGH HOLY DAYS

TEMPLE BETH ISRAEL LBK

2020/5781



VIRTUAL SERVICE SCHEDULE

l'shanah tovah!

We at **Temple Beth Israel** understand these past few months have been challenging, however, we hope you remain in good health and that our community continues to take all necessary precautions when going out to ensure remaining safe and healthy as we get through this together. – TBI Ritual Committee

**WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US AS WE
CELEBRATE THE HIGH HOLY DAYS
REMOTELY VIA YOUTUBE & FACEBOOK**

The direct links will be available in upcoming High Holy Day emails. To ensure access, please be sure that we have your current email address on file and that you are on our mailing list.

Contact the TBI office by phone or send an email to shana@tbi-lbk.org

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4:00 PM EDT

"We wish you a very healthy, happy and safe New Year!"

- TBI Ritual Committee



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Temple Beth Israel - The Center for Jewish Living on Longboat Key

Join us for first **VIRTUAL** 92Y season! Due to the current Covid-19 Health Crisis, we are offering our pre-recorded 92Y programming online with a LIVE follow-up group discussion via ZOOM at 7:30 PM! This is open to the entire community, free of charge! **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED** and can be done by visiting our website at www.tbi-lbk.org, emailing shana@tbi-lbk.org or by calling (941)383-3428.

FREE
ADMISSION

Wed. October 21 – 6:00 PM



“The Future Is Now!”

AI and robots were once the stuff of science fiction. Now they are reality—coming to our streets, stores, homes. And the Coronavirus pandemic just threw this change into an even faster pace, with everything from remote work to AI surveillance scaling to new levels. How will this change our politics, economy, wars—even our family life? Join (Ret.) **General David Petraeus** for a discussion with **P.W. Singer**, one of the world’s leading experts on 21st century tech and security, about what happens next with robots, society and his new book, *Burn-In: A Novel of the Real Robotic Revolution*. (rec. 6/3/20)

Wed. November 4 – 6:00 PM



“Protesting For Change”

When **Freddie Gray** was arrested for possessing an “illegal knife” in April 2015, and was a victim of police brutality. By the end of his trip in the police van, Gray was in a coma from which he would never recover. In the wake of a long history of economic inequality and racial injustice in Baltimore, this tragedy led to a week of protests and an uprising that set the entire city on edge, catching the nation’s attention. While attending Gray’s funeral, **Wes Moore** saw every strata of the city come together: grieving mothers; the city’s wealthy elite; activists; and the long-suffering citizens of Baltimore—all looking to comfort each other, but also looking for answers. (rec. 7/24/20)

Wed. November 18 – 6:00 PM



“It’s All In Your Head: Live!”

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Wed. October 21	P.W. Singer with General (Ret.) David Petraeus – ‘The Future is Now’
Wed. November 4	Wes Moore with Willie Geist- ‘Profesting for Change’
Wed. November 18	Seth Rogan, Martha Stewart, Jane Krakowski & Friends – ‘It’s All In Your Head: Live!’
Wed. December 2	Rabbi Peter J. Rubinstein and Imam Dr. Al-Hajj Talib – ‘Praying with Our Hearts, Hands & Feet’
Wed. December 16	David Simon & cast in conversation with Peter Sagal – ‘The Plot Against America’
Wed. January 6	Rabbi Delphine Horvilleur in conversation with Rabbi Peter Rubinstein – ‘Directly From France’
Wed. January 20	Rabbi Peter Rubinstein and Reverend Jacques Andre DeGraff – ‘Building Bridges’
Wed. February 3	Neil DeGrasse Tyson with Bill Nye – ‘COSMOS: Possible Worlds’
Wed. February 17	Barry Sonnenfeld with Jerry Seinfeld – ‘Call Your Mother’



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SEPT 2: Connie Farkus, Donald Wood

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SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

SEPT 4

Rabbi Peter & Sheila Kasdan, celebrating 59 years

SEPT 6

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SEPT 7

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MY JEWISH JOURNEY- Or Is It?

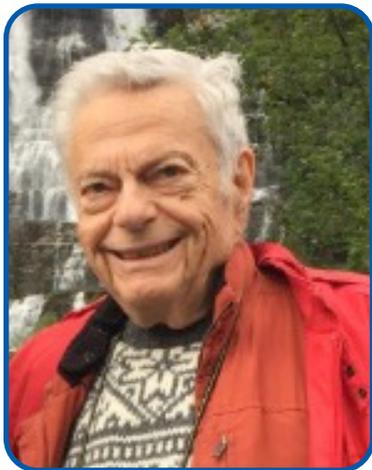
Molly Schechter

I was puzzled when I was invited to make a Zoom presentation on “My Jewish Journey” because I do not think of my life in those terms. I have been Jewish by birth and by choice for almost 80 years. I have what, in my time, passed for a “Jewish education.” I insisted on the same for my son and I have always belonged to a temple. But my formative years were during the height of the Reform Movement in the United States when Kiddush ended with “Bore...Hagoffin.” I grew up in central Detroit and then Huntington Woods, a northern Detroit suburb. Our family friends were Jewish, but we lived apart from the concentrated Jewish community because my parents’ interpretation of the core Jewish values of education, money and service was substantially different. More emphasis on education and service and less on wealth, especially the flaunting of it which they disdained. Remember also that Jews in Detroit and most midwestern cities in those days were a minute percentage of the population compared to New York and the East Coast.

All of that is by way of insight into why religion is only one aspect of my life’s journey. I am neither bragging nor apologizing but simply recounting, with both pride and humility. Having examined myself thus ... and agreeing that an unexamined life is not worth living ... I guess that without formally affiliating with Humanistic Judaism, I am what many of you would consider a “secular Jew.” So be it. Don’t try to convert me! Some of the things that may have caused my parents to stand slightly aside from the mainstream Jewish community had the same effect on me. I am pro-Israel, but I am not and never will be a Zionist because I cannot find my way to believing that our claim to a historical right to that land is any more valid than the Palestinians’. I do not support the appropriation of land.

I have enjoyed multiple successful careers including 40 years in advertising, where I was a minority times two as a Jewish woman in a decidedly male and gentile industry. My community activities include board member for WDET-FM public radio and the Fashion Group in Detroit and Jewish Family & Children’s Service, SPARCC (Safe Place and Rape Crisis Center) and many others in Sarasota.

I joined **Temple Beth Israel of Longboat Key** when I moved to Florida in 1998. **TBI** is blessed to have a marvelously diverse congregation with an impressive array of histories to recount. I certainly enjoy hearing them and I thank you for your interest in mine.



MY JEWISH JOURNEY

The Honorable Marvin Morse

My Jewish journey began in 1929 in Mt. Vernon, New York, where as a pre-teen I was strongly influenced by two Reform rabbis, both acknowledged as innovators, domestic and international. Then in Larchmont, one of the most Republican communities in New York State, you might have predicted a life of public sector leadership, when, on Election Day, 1940, at age eleven years I handed out campaign materials for FDR outside the polls. I was the only Jewish kid in my junior high school grade. Moving to Manhattan, I went to the Bronx High School of Science, one of the Jewish 95+%, but the only one who argued for gun control, urging that toy guns be taken off the market to reduce children's potential attraction to the real thing. In college, I co-founded a local chapter of the newly established United World Federalists.

My educational, professional, and military background includes a BA, Colgate University (1949), LL.B Yale (1952) and diploma from the Air War College (1953). On active duty as an Air Force judge advocate (1952-1956), and the active Reserve (1956-79), I was delighted to be awarded the Legion of Merit (Colgate Jewish classmates, probably -3%; Yale Law, 50%+).

Attending Jewish services can have an impact: While briefly stationed at Godman AFB, Kentucky, at a Fort Knox Friday evening Sabbath Service, I met (the late TBI member) Jerry Hamovit through whom I subsequently had a date with Betty Anne Hess. Later that year in December 1953, Betty and I were married in Louisville.

My civil and criminal practice in Louisville, Kentucky (1956-1962) took me from police court to the Supreme Court of the United States; debt collection to Wall Street interstate financing; public employee strike to corporate reorganization; contested domestic relations to capital murder. I was one of four Kentucky lawyers for the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU).

In 1962, I joined the federal government in Washington, D.C. as a career civilian lawyer serving, consecutively, in the Department of the Navy, (Bureau of Yards and Docks); Office of the Secretary of Defense; General Services Administration (Assistant General Counsel); and Postal Service (AGC). I was appointed an administrative law judge (ALJ) in 1973 to the Federal Power Commission, followed by the Postal Rate Commission, and Civil Aeronautics Board; Civil Service Commission/Office of Personnel Management (National Director of the Federal Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) program (1980-82); Small Business Administration (SBA), including as Assistant Administrator, SBA (1984-87); ALJ, Department of Justice, (1987-2002); and on the Board of Immigration Appeals, from 1998 until retirement in 2002.

From 1980 to 1994, I was a member of the Administrative Conference of the United States. I was also in the American Bar Association House of Delegates multiple times; on the National Council of the Federal Bar Association for more than 40 years, having served as FBA National President (1995-96). I am a Life member of the American Law Institute and a co-founder and past President of the Federal American Inn of Court.

Since government retirement, I was a **TBI** Trustee; on the Board of Directors. Sarasota-Manatee Chapter of Americans United for 15 years; the Board of Florida Veterans for Common Sense, Virginia, Maryland, Longboat Key and Sarasota.

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Temple member and longtime psychotherapist, **Anne Lieberman**, LCSW will share information and stories, leaving time for your questions. Anne received her MA in Soviet Studies from the University of Pennsylvania, and an MSW from New York University, where she served as an Adjunct Professor supervising MSW students for 10 years. She received an advanced Certification in the Psychotherapy of the Disorders of the Self from The Masterson Institute in Manhattan and joined the faculty there. Anne worked for 25 years at the Jewish Family Service of North Jersey, where she was the Director of Clinical Services, and has a private practice from which she cannot seem to retire!



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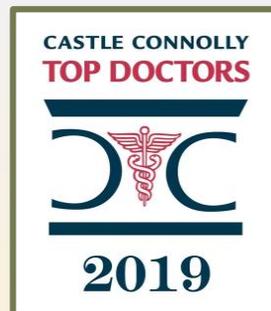
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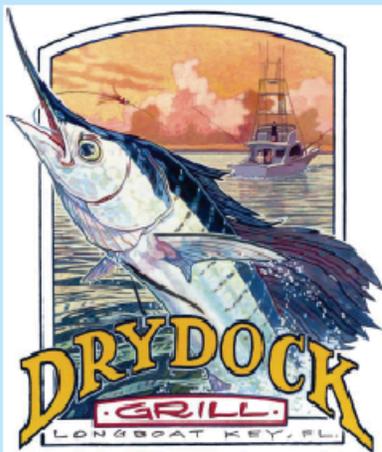
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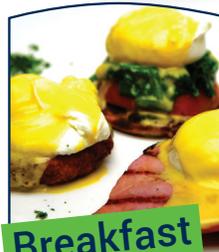


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September 2020

Temple Beth Israel Event Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL SCHEDULED EVENTS ARE CURRENTLY VIRTUAL AND AVAILABLE ONLINE ONLY. Please see the weekly e-blasts</p>		<p>1 Rabbi Sniderman's ZOOM Judaism Class 11:00 AM</p>	<p>2 LAST DAY TO ORDER SHABBAT DINNER FOR 9/4</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 ZOOM Social Hour 5:00 PM Friday Shabbat Service 7:00 PM (YouTube & Facebook)</p>	<p>5 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 AM (YouTube & Facebook)</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>7 Temple office Closed for Labor Day</p>	<p>8 Rabbi Sniderman's ZOOM Judaism Class 11:00 AM Exec. Committee Mtg 2:00 PM</p>	<p>9 LAST DAY TO ORDER SHABBAT DINNER FOR 9/11</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 ZOOM Social Hour 5:00 PM Friday Shabbat Service 7:00 PM (YouTube & Facebook)</p>	<p>12 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 AM (YouTube & Facebook)</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>14 BIW Board Mtg via ZOOM 11:00 AM</p>	<p>15 Rabbi Sniderman's ZOOM Judaism Class 11:00 AM</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 Ritual Committee Mtg 10:30 - Noon</p>	<p>18 Erev Rosh Hashanah Service 8:00 PM (YouTube & Facebook)</p>	<p>19 Rosh Hashanah Morning Service 10:00 AM (YouTube & Facebook)</p>
<p>20</p>	<p>21 Speaker Series: Thomas J. Gentzel 7:30PM ZOOM</p>	<p>22 Rabbi Sniderman's ZOOM Judaism Class 11:00 AM Board of Trustees Mtg 2:00 PM</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25 ZOOM Social Hour 5:00 PM Friday Shabbat Service 7:00 PM (YouTube & Facebook)</p>	<p>26 Shabbat Morning Service & Torah Study 10:00 AM (YouTube & Facebook)</p>
<p>27 Kol Nidre & Erev Yom Kippur Service 8:00 PM (YouTube & Facebook) Temple office closed tomorrow</p>	<p>28 Yom Kippur Service 10:00AM Discussion 2PM PM Service 3PM Yizkor/Ne'ilah 4PM (YouTube & Facebook)</p>	<p>29 Rabbi Sniderman's ZOOM Judaism Class 11:00 AM</p>	<p>30</p>			

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