# The Shofar



### Temple Beth El Israel

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May 2020 IYAR / SIVAN 5780 Upcoming Events.....

May:

Please Note:
All of our future activities,
events and meetings hinge
on whether we are able to
hold them due to the
Coronavirus pandemic

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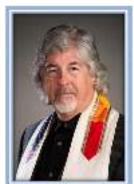
Harvey Levy



### From the Desk of Rabbi Bruce Benson

Another month coming up and still the virus is a central feature of our days and nights. Things are starting to make some sense as lives have been restructured around a changed world in every aspect.

We are experiencing change in levels that would challenge Job. But I am deeply heartened by the response of the general community - our Jewish community and how we are bonding together in response to COVID-19.



We have moved online for the moment:

Services on-line from the empty sanctuary, Torah study, adult education classes, with more coming every week, Hebrew school and Ohel Moed meeting on-line with the teachers and me meeting with our kids, Bar/Bat Mitzvah lessons are all taking place with computer sharing.

Each of these things takes enormous planning and have been getting positive responses as we have learned how to navigate the new, if only temporary, world.

In the Torah, we are in the book of Leviticus having just been instructed on the laws of sacrifice and how to treat the ark of the covenant. Many of the directives regarding the rules and mishpatim are unclear and hidden. This virus has been very clear - things need to be different for a while.

Now is the perfect time to see what your synagogue world has to offer. Torah study is up and running, services are on the internet for you, adult ed. presenting classes online.

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### The President's Communication Corner .....

When I first started experiencing the changes in my life due to the restrictions and precautions surrounding COVID-19, I wondered how well I would be able to adapt to being separated from family and friends. And how we, our temple family, could stay connected. It took a little bit of time but then things started to come together.

The internet and phones have become our means of communication. We call each other instead of meeting for dinner, the movies, or cards. We video chat more with family, attend family Passover seders via Zoom, and attend religious services remotely. Torah study, B'nai mitzvah training, Ohel Moed, and adult education are also taking place thanks to the internet. We may not be "with" each other right now, but we can stay connected.

We cannot predict what our new normal will be or when that will happen. In the meantime, let's follow the advice of the *Hometown News* family that appeared in the Friday, April 17, 2020 edition of their publication:

"Tomorrow will belong to those who make the best use of their time today. Change, even unwelcome change, brings opportunities. New ways of doing things will present themselves. Those who use this uncomfortable time to observe the changes and prepare for their effects will be far more likely to find prosperity on the other side. Stay healthy, stay vigilant, and never allow complacency to set in."

~Tobi



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### DO A "JUBER" MITZVAH ~ ~

IF YOU LIVE IN A COMMUNITY, OR NEAR WHERE SOMEONE ELSE LIVES, WHO CAN'T DRIVE AT NIGHT OR JUST NEEDS A RIDE TO GET TO THE TEMPLE, PLEASE CALL THE TEMPLE TO FIND OUT IF YOU CAN HELP ANOTHER MEMBER WHO WOULD LIKE TO COME TO SERVICES OR ANY OF OUR EVENTS OR SHOWS.

### SISTERHOOD NEWS

Dear Sisterhood friends,

It's hard to believe it's only been a mere six weeks since our last Sisterhood general meeting. It seems so much longer. We hope everyone is doing well.

Let us hope that we will meet again in the not too far distant future. Stay well.

This too shall pass,

Belle Sidel and Maryann Polk, Co-Presidents



You can celebrate your special occasion with your friends, fellow congregants and/or relatives at an Oneg on a Friday Night at TBEI.



For a minimum of \$75 you can sponsor your special event.

Why not sponsor an Oneg with friends for a joint celebration?

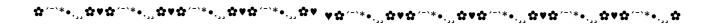
Two weeks prior notice would be greatly appreciated.

Please call or email the Sisterhood Co-Presidents to make arrangements.



Can you spare an hour a month to help set-up the Oneg on Friday mornings?

The Sisterhood needs volunteers . If you're available let Belle or Maryann know.



### **TBEI Sisterhood Book Club**



If we are able to open the Temple on May 5th we will be reviewing

Teople of the Book by Geraldine Brooks

More info to follow

For more information please call Belle Sidel 772-785-5337 or Hermes Grayless 713-447-4507 We have many new & beautiful items in the Judaica Shop

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### **BROTHERHOOD NEWS:**

The Brotherhood is hoping all our fellow congregants are keeping safe and sound, and that it won't be too long before we can again gather together safely at TBEI services, onegs, classes, organizational meetings, and special events.

We have put forward a slate of officers and at-large members for the 2020-2021 year, to be considered by members online this month: Len Epstein, president; Jeff Kreiss, vice-president; Alan Bornstein, treasurer; Cary Kosten, secretary; and Ellis Bromberg, Saul Infeld, Marty Kahn, Rich Levine and Bryan Yatkowitz, at-large.

We were saddened to hear of the passing of former Brotherhood president Len Heller Z"L; as is our tradition with past presidents, the Brotherhood will dedicate a sanctuary chair in his honor.

The Yom HaShoah yellow candle mailing to all temple households was canceled last month due to the coronavirus pandemic, but we may be able to send them out to commemorate Kristallnacht, November 9-10. Stay safe!

- Ellis Bromberg, Brotherhood co-president



# ALL UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS HAVE BEEN CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE



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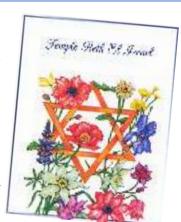
Notify the Temple office or call the Rabbi if a family member, or if you are aware, a fellow congregant is ill, has had an accident, or is in need of the Rabbi's services.

The Rabbi can only help if he is informed that he is needed.

### Did you know?

If you would like to add the name of a friend, relative or loved one to our Yahrzeit or Mi Shebeirach list at a particular service, for a nominal amount of \$18, we will gladly add their name to our prayers.

Contact the office or drop in to give us the information and a card will be sent to the recipient letting them know about the service.



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If you need assistance figuring it all out, let us know. We can hopefully find a way to have you join us as we continue to offer expanding programming while we wait for the virus to pass.

One option is to sign on to a WONDERFUL film service offered free by a company called, "Menemsha" films. Look inside this issue of the Shofar for instructions on how to sign on and watch films of Jewish interest FREE (at least for a while). Our deep thanks to Vivian and Len Berkman for making that come together through the Treasure Coast Jewish Film Festival.

As challenging as these times are, we look back to Job for an answer. His belief was strengthened, not diminished, as he dealt with adversity. So, let it be with us. We have friends, family, our temple family and all can be invigorated by this newfound friend, the Internet. Let's make it work. Together there is nothing we can't make happen.

See you on the screens. Watch your email regularly as there is where the invites and notifications will come from for events...

Be well, stay safe, know you're not alone and let's look forward to a huge party when this is all over.

Rabbi Bruce

*FYI* ~ ~

Until further notice, our Friday & Saturday services will be broadcast over Youtube: Go to voutube.com

Type in Temple Beth El Israel in the search bar

Click on our logo

Look for the service you would like to watch (either Friday or Saturday) and click on the video.

### IDA RUBIN BOOK OF LIFE



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Richard & Karol Levine

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### LEAH WILLIAMSON CHAPTER OF HADASSAH

Your Hadassah Co-Presidents want you to stay healthy and safe over this difficult time that we have to endure possibly for the next few months. Hadassah will have no further meetings until the country is allowed to resume activities.

Hadassah members please visit YouTube and click on Temple Beth El Israel and stream the Shabbat services.

It is our hope that you will draw some inspiration from prayer with the Rabbi and the temple community.

Arlene Schweitzer & Sue Schwartz

Co-Presidents



# OUR MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY BINGO GAMES ARE ON HOLD UNTIL THIS PANDEMIC IS OVER !!!



Not to negate the seriousness of this pandemic, but to brighten up your day and give you a little chuckle, there is some timely humor in this issue. As they say, laughter is the best medicine!!

Please observe all the instructions that we are getting about keeping ourselves safe and healthy so that we will all be here when this virus is behind us and we can resume our "normal" lives.

Stay well and let's stay in touch.....











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Upcoming Family services will be on the following dates:



2020

June 1st

Friday night Torah services (usually the 3rd Friday each month):

2020

May 15th ?? June 19th

FYI:

MOSAIC IS BACK
ON SUNDAY MORNINGS
AT 10:30 A.M. ON NBC
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OF INTEREST TO THE
JEWISH COMMUNITY

Again, in an effort to give us a little respite from the stress of the Coronavirus pandemic, and not to make light of it, these should give you a chuckle:







If schools remain closed for too much longer, mothers are going to find a solution for this virus before the scientists do!!

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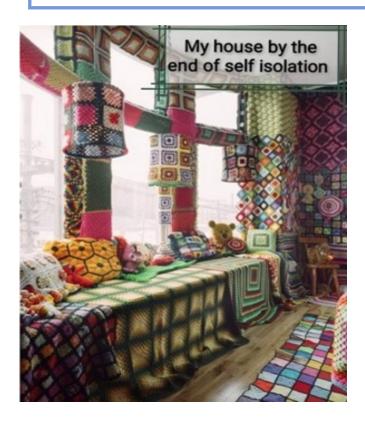


We have great and exciting news for you! Thanks to Vivian & Len Berkman....

Menemsha Films has been preparing to launch CHAIFLICKS, a streaming service dedicated solely to **JEWISH** themed films and entertainment. Who knew?! While the service has been in development for a while and was originally expected to launch later this year, **CHAIFLICKS** has now made exclusive arrangements to provide you with a special pre-launch chance to view the best of **JEWISH** films from past festivals and elsewhere for a **FREE 30-day trial**. New films will be made available as fast as we can add them! (NOTE: Current festival films will not be available on **CHAIFLICKS**, so as not to interfere with Jewish Film Festival programming.) You will be one of the first to experience this ground-breaking channel for the **JEWISH** community. Please share this with other film festival-goers so they can enjoy this opportunity. The website is below for you to use.

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3	Amir Roth
6	Mary Bromberg
6	Stephanie Nathanson
7	Jillian Argenziano
8	Dr Gary Oxman
9	Beverly Elster
10	Karol É. Levine
11	Jacqueline Birch Farragut
14	Jakob Israel Dobrin
14	Ralph Giordano
14	Linda Greshes
17	Aaron Birch Farragut
18	Lauretta Silverberg
19	Owen Schultz
20	Bernice Leinkram
24	Ethel Rolnick
28	Arnold Silverberg

Ryan Planet

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### May Anniversaries

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8	Mr. & Mrs. David Karen
18	Mr. & Mrs. Richard Holmes
24	Mr. & Mrs. Mario Steisel
24	Mr. & Mrs. Mark Stuart
25	Mr. & Mrs. Scott Nathanson
27	Mr. & Mrs. Saul Bronstein
27	Mr. & Mrs. Harold Holtsberg
28	Mr. & Mrs. Martin Cohen

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# This month as we celebrate Memorial Day,



This month as we celebrate Memorial Day, some interesting information:

The story of TAPS:

Of all the military bugle calls, none is so easily recognized or more apt to render emotion that the call TAPS. The melody is both eloquent and haunting and the history of its origin is interesting and somewhat clouded in controversy.

Taps began as a revision to the signal for Extinguish Lights (Lights Out) - a bugle call that was used as the final call of the day and as the name implies, it was a signal to extinguish all fires and lights. Up until the Civil War, the infantry call for Extinguish Lights was the one set down in Silas Casev's Tactics. which had call for Extinguish Lights was the one set down in Silas Casey's Tactics, which had been borrowed from the French. The music for TAPS was adapted by Union General Daniel Butterfield for his brigade in July, 1862.

As the story goes, General Butterfield was not pleased with the call for *Extinguish Lights*, feeling that the call was too formal to signal the days end, and with the help of the brigade bugler, Oliver Wilcox Norton, wrote TAPS to honor his men while in camp at Harrison's Landing, Virginia, following the Seven Days Battle. These battles took place during the Peninsular Campaign of 1862. The new call, sounded that night in July, 1862, soon spread to other units of the Union Army and was reportedly also used by the Confederates. TAPS was made an official buand was reportedly also used by the Confederates. TAPS was made an official bugle call after the war.

Why the name TAPS? The most likely explanation is that the name was borrowed from a drummer's beat. The beating of a bedtime roll-call called Tattoo by the drum corps would be followed by the Drummer of the Guard beating three distinct drum taps at four-count intervals for the military evolution Extinguish Lights. Following the call, three single drum strokes were beat at four-count intervals. This was known as the "Drum Taps" or in common usage of soldiers "The Taps" or

This was known as the "Drum raps of meshada".

"Taps".

It is not clear how or why TAPS became associated with funerals. However, it's earliest official reference for use at military funeral ceremonies is found in the U.S. Army Infantry Drill Regulations for 1891.



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As soon as TAPS was sounded that night in July, 1862, words were put with the music. The first were "Go To Sleep, Go To Sleep" and as the years went on, may more versions were created. There are no official words to the music but many popular verses exist today.

\*\*From www.tapsbugler.com\*\*

**7Ae Shofae** has updates with corrections, new addresses and/or phone numbers, and new member information for you to add to your Temple Directory to keep it current.

### **Change of Address:**

Richard Goldsmith 10685 SW Stoney Creek Way, #164 Port. St. Lucie, FL 34987

Dorothy Janin 279 NW California Blvd, #334 Port St. Lucie, FL 34986

Leslie Janin-Starr & Chuck Starr 568 NW Cortina Lane Port St. Lucie, FL 34986



It's difficult to close a business for 4/5 weeks, but it's even more difficult to close a casket of a loved one for an entire life. Stay home. Stay safe. Save lives.

For more information about what's happening in the Temple go online to TBEI.org



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Lighting the Shabbat Candles:

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Baruch ata Adonay, Eloheynu melech ha-olam, asher kid-shanu b'mitz-votuv, v'tzivanu l'hadlik nayr shel Shabbat.

Praised are You, Lord our G-d, King of the universe, who has taught us the way of holiness through the Mitzvot, and enjoined upon us the kindling of the Shabbat lights.







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7:41 pm

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### THE AMERICAN FLAG AND MILITARY FUNERALS:



Did you know that at military funerals the 21 gun salute stands for the sum of the numbers in the year 1776?

Have you ever noticed the Honor Guard pays meticulous attention to correctly folding the flag 13 times? You probably thought it was to symbolize the original 13 colonies, but it's not:

**The first fold** is a symbol of life.

**The second fold** is a symbol of our belief in eternal life.

The third fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veterans departing our ranks who gave a portion of their lives for the de-

fense of our country to attain peace throughout the world.

**The fourth fold** represents our weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in times of war, for his divine guidance.

**The fifth fold** is a tribute to our country. For in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our Country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right; but it is still our country, right or wrong."

**The sixth fold** is for where our heart lies. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag.

**The seventh fold** is a tribute to the Armed Forces, for it is through them that we protect our country and our flag against all enemies, whether within or without our boundaries.

**The eighth fold** is a tribute to the one who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we may see the light of day.

**The ninth fold** is a tribute to womanhood and mothers. For it has been through their faith, their love, their loyalty and their devotion, that the character of the men and women who have made this country great, has been molded.

**The tenth fold** is a tribute to the father, for he too has given his sons and daughters for the defense of their country since they were born.

**The eleventh fold** in the eyes of the Hebrew citizens represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon, and glorifies in the Hebrew's eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

**The twelfth fold** in the eyes of a Christian citizen, represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies in their eyes, God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**The thirteenth fold** or when the flag is completely folded, the stars are in the uppermost, reminding us of our nation's motto: "In God We Trust".

After the flag is completely folded, then tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington, and the sailors and Marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones, who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for us the rights, privileges, and freedoms we enjoy today. There are some traditions and ways of doing things that have deep meaning. In the future, when you'll see flags folded, you will know why.

As we begin to celebrate and honor our veterans with parades, activities, and meals, the next time you stand at a funeral while the flag is folded....remember each fold stands for something that service member has sacrificed a part of their life for. May we never forget.



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Observance is an annual reminder of the date of death of a loved one and a tribute to the influence they made on our lives.















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### Our Monthly TBEI Library Book Review.....by Sheilah Korinow



Right now, I am writing this article for May, and everyone is under a "stay at home" order. But please know that any books I review for April and May and anything beyond will be kept aside and brought to the temple when it reopens. So even if you cannot take the books out now, they will be available to you in the near future.

I found an interesting book on our shelves called A <u>Bintel Brief</u>, edited by Isaac Metzker, with a foreword by Harry Golden. It is made up of 60 years of letters from the Lower East Side to the *Jewish Daily Forward*. It's really what we know as "letters to the editor" with responses, starting with a letter in 1906 and ending in 1967. There's so much one can learn about life experiences and feelings, and how they have changed throughout the years, but also, how they have remained the same. I can't give the exact wording of the letters because most are too long, but there are some replies I can share with you. All have been translated from the original Yiddish.

Remember, we start after a time period when over 21/2 million Jews came to America. The transition from a shtetl in Eastern Europe to life in America, especially New York City, was difficult. They came from countries where everything was founded on traditional Judaism, but when they came to America, it was a different world. Many broke with tradition - they worked on Shabbat, shaved their beards, and many began to eat non-kosher foods. But no matter what harsh conditions they worked under; they never lost their faith. Many were drawn to *The Forward*, a Yiddish daily newspaper in America which became primarily a working-class paper, but later also devoted itself to other things such as political and social problems. The daily feature, "Bintel Brief" was established in 1906 and became an extremely popular part of the paper. In it, people could unburden their hearts and pour out their personal feelings. Some individuals that were unable to write had others do it for them. Even some people found the children they had lost years ago, sometimes even after twenty years! In "Bintel Brief" over the years, we see themes changing, and as the editor says, "that the moods and approach to certain problems change. Overall social progress, improved working conditions, state and federal reforms, and an increasingly higher standard of living solved many of the problems which they had to cope with." In the early days of the "Bintel Brief", almost all of the readers and letter writers were young and newly arrived: immigrants who wrote, as the editor says: "trivial, serious, comic and tragic "letters. As he continues, all of these "can serve as a sociological study of the people, of their environment, and of the time in which they lived. Many of the letters at that time dealt with love and jealousy, with whether to marry or not, with love affairs between boarders and the married women in whose homes they lived." There were letters dealing with tragedy - poverty, starvation, unemployment, young people in sweatshops developing tuberculosis and young girls lured into brothels. There are letters from women whose husbands deserted them and their children, and they had no way to support themselves. Their letters would be a plea to their husbands to return home.

The future generations write different types of letters. The people are well-established, so most of their letters deal with family matters. It's always one relative complaining about another. For example, one mother complaining about her unmarried 22-year-old daughter, a grandmother disowns her only grandson because he married a Gentile girl, a woman complains about her 70-year-old husband who has a love affair with a young widow.

The editor serves not only as an advisor, he is also "the teacher and preacher, and often his answer to a letter turns into an instructive lecture." Here are a few examples of what you will find.

1909 - A 27-year-old man, single, settled in North Dakota and learned how to farm, but there were no Jews in the area. He likes the rural life - with none of the problems of the city because he always has his "own potatoes, better cheese, milk, chickens, a good home" and is content. He visited Chicago and there his old friends called him an idiot, after all, why would a "capable fellow" like him become a farmer and lead such a lonely life? No ladies there were interested in going back with him to North Dakota. But he still returned to his farm. He wants to know if his friends had the right to call him an "idiot". Was there any logic in their argument?

-Editor's reply: Many people dream of being farmers. "The cities are full of many diseases that are unheard of on farms. Tuberculosis, for instance, is a disease of the big cities. People in urban areas grow old and gray at forty, but most of the farmers are healthy and strong and live to be eighty or ninety."

1933 - An adult child writes about his parents that came from Europe. They have been in the U.S. for thirty years and insist on speaking only Yiddish to their children, even though the parents know English. The children do not want them to speak Yiddish to their friends. But the parents are stubborn and there are quarrels because of it. The parents say: "Children, we ask you not to try to teach us how to talk to people. We are older than you." The children believe the parents should know when it is proper to speak Yiddish - at home, but not out among strangers and Christians. They only want to cling to their old ways. What's right?

-Editor's reply - Speaking Yiddish to their children is ok. Yiddish is dear to them, or maybe they are ashamed to speak their imperfect English among strangers. Your parents are not trying to spite you. "But it would certainly not be wrong if the parents were to speak English too, to their children. People should and must learn the language of their country."

1956 - Friends were talking about "the good old days", but the writer feels there were none - with East Side tenements that had tiny rooms, no bathroom, and a coal stove. People worked 14-16 hours per day, six days a week and were treated poorly by the bosses Today we have modern conveniences and there are wonderful inventions and many opportunities for everyone. I say <u>now</u> are the good times. Not all agree.

-Editor's reply - The writer is correct. The difference is like day and night. But sometimes the older immigrant sees the past in "beautiful colors" because he longs not for that time, but for his youth when "he was happy with very little."

And so it goes, on and on, concerning every conceivable problem that people write about. I cannot reproduce or represent the way in which these letters and editor's replies were written.

You really do have to read them for yourself. So many feelings are included in these letters - humor, anguish, sadness, joy and much more. *The Washington Post Book World* stated: "These are more than letters. They are theatre, literature, opera - only better because it is real life!" This book is really an interesting read. By the way, don't skip the Introduction and Foreword. They contain much helpful background information. When the temple re-opens, the books that have recently been reviewed will be located in the third set of bookcases on the left as you enter the library, third shelf down. Remove a slip from the small wooden box, fill it out and return it to the box. When you bring back the book, just leave it where you found it.

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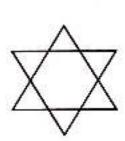
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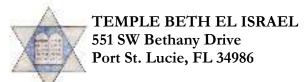
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