



Welcome to Temple Beth El of Augusta, Maine

embracing a spirit of community, lifelong Jewish learning, commitment to inclusiveness, and active participation in Jewish life in Central Maine

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November Calendar

November 2 & 9 (hybrid)

Intro Class @ 5:15-6pm

November 4-5 (in person)

Shabbaton with the CSTJL @
Colby College

November 6 (in person)

Pre-school meet up @ 4pm

November 11 (hybrid)

Shabbat Services @ 7pm

November 12 (hybrid)

Bat Mitzvah of Daisy Bessey @
10am

November 14 (hybrid)

Multi-Media Club @ 4:30pm

November 16 (hybrid)

Board Meeting @ 6pm

November 19 (hybrid)

Daf Yomi @ 10am
Torah Study @ 10:30am
Potluck lunch @ 12pm

November 20

Teen Event @ 2pm (in person)
Rosh Hodesh @ 4-5:15pm
(Zoom)

November 21 (hybrid)

Soup and Study @ 6pm

From the desk of Rabbi Asch...

It was joyous to be gathered with you all for our long holiday season. From a S'lichot beginning where Rev. Dr. Gilkes taught us joy needed to be shared. From dancing with the Torah to the wonderful break fast meal, it was good to be together in community once again. This year, we focused our holidays on joy and the focus of my messages will also be joyful.

While my family in warmer climates thinks I am crazy to live in such a dark and cold place, I know many of us appreciate the changing of the leaves and the cooler mornings. In some ways it is appropriate that the secular holiday of Thanksgiving falls just when we might be tempted to flee Maine for warmer climates. (No disrespect to those of you down south; there are days when we envy you!).

While Thanksgiving is an American holiday, gratitude is a Jewish value. Our name, Yehudim (Jews), comes from Leah's fourth son, Judah. Like many biblical ancestors, we learn why Judah gets the name he does. Leah says, "Ha'paam odeh et Adonai v'al ken karah shmo Yehuda." Roughly translated, "This time I will thank (odeh) God and therefore will call him [my son] Judah (Yehuda)." While we could be called Hebrews or Israelites, our very name carries with it a reminder of gratitude. We cultivate gratitude through daily blessings, which help us notice what we might otherwise overlook.

I share your gratitude in the strength and vitality of this community. Read our (long) newsletter carefully. You'll see that we are welcoming new members, running a vibrant Hebrew School, working in civic engagement and finding ways to build community. Our wonderful high holidays was successful thanks to the hard work of all of you and our prayer book drive is complete (so no more driving for me!).

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December Calendar

December 2 (hybrid)

Shabbat services @6pm

December 3 (hybrid)

Daf Yomi @10am

Torah Study @ 10:30am

Potluck Lunch @ 12pm

December 7 (hybrid)

Intro to Judaism @ 5:15pm

December 9 (hybrid)

Shabbat Service @ 6pm

December 10 (hybrid)

Daf Yomi @ 10am

Torah Study @ 10:30am

Potluck Lunch @ 12pm

December 10 (in person)

Intro Class @ 4pm

December 14 (Zoom)

Intro to Judaism @ 5:15pm

December 17 (hybrid)

Daf Yomi @ 10am

Torah Study @ 10:30am

Potluck Lunch @ 12pm

December 18 (in person)

Hanukkah Celebration @ 4pm

December 21 (hybrid)

Candle Lighting @ 5:30pm

Board Meeting @ 6pm

December 25 (Zoom)

Rosh Chodesh @ 4-5:15pm

December 31 (hybrid)

Bat Mitzvah of Robin Asch @ 10am

Committee meetings are on our online calendar.

We invite you to show your thanks for this community through your continued involvement.

Join us for our ongoing classes, our book club (now Multi-Media Club), our new trope class, and two b'mitzvah ceremonies.

We can use your continued financial support through year-end gifts. And, we can always use more volunteers! It makes a difference to see you at Temple events.

As many of you felt at the holidays, it is wonderful to have a "full house." If you are not a regular attendee at TBE, I invite you to spend some time in our building this fall.



2022 was a Good Year for Welcoming New Members

Temple Beth El welcomed the following members this year.

Joey LeBlanc (Feb. 2022)

Carrie McCarter (April 2022)

Lauren and Chris Hall (June 2022)

Kerry and Rabbi Peter Rubinstein (Aug. 2022)

David Frydman and Jenny Patterson (Sept. 2022)

Betty Jespersen (Oct. 2022)

Rachel and Pacifico Gonzaga (Oct. 2022)

Interested in membership? Let us know. We're always happy to answer your questions.

Hebrew School Schedule

We will hold regular Hebrew School **in person** from 9:30am-12:00pm on the following dates:

- November 6, 13, 20
- December 4, 11

We will have a special Hebrew School as part of the TBE Hanukkah Party on December 18 at 4pm.

Daisy Bessey Celebrates Her Bat Mitzvah Nov. 12



Daisy Richele Bessey is working hard to prepare for her Bat Mitzvah on November 12th. This also happens to be her 13th birthday weekend! Daisy is a 7th grader at Hall Dale Middle School and loves to dance, ski, and spend as much time reading as possible. She is part of the Civil Rights Team at her school and has always enjoyed being part of the Hebrew School at TBE. Our family mantra is to be "kind and loving," and it brings us pride to see Daisy growing up to be a very loving young woman. She feels empathy towards what others experience both in our own community and around the world. She asks great questions about the way the world works and why things are the way they are. This curiosity will

serve her well as she continues through her life. Daisy also understands the importance of sharing life stories, and her Bat Mitzvah project reflects this. She is collecting stories from congregants about your lives and how you came to be part of our TBE community. All of our stories together shape the history of TBE and now there is a place to read and reflect on this. Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to share your stories. If you are still interested, please click on this [LINK](#). We hope you can come join us to celebrate Daisy becoming a Bat Mitzvah!

*Instead of buying one another presents, our b'mitzvah students and parents decided to donate to a charity in honor of one another. Each child gets to choose their own charity. Daisy chose **Cure SMA**, which funds research to cure Spinal Muscular Atrophy and supports families who are experiencing this genetic disease. Robin chose **Replay**, a non-profit started by a Maine high schooler who wanted to connect athletes with communities in need of athletic gear.*

Ring in the New Year at Robin

Asch's Bat Mitzvah

Robin Arielle Asch turns 13 on December 26th and will become a Bat Mitzvah on New Year's Eve. Despite having two introverted parents, Robin is a firecracker who sparkles with giggly energy whether she's playing soccer, singing a musical, doing a sprint triathlon, playing saxophone, swimming, baking experimental cakes, or doing graphics design for the *Academy Street Journal*. She cracks herself (and all of us) up and provides our family with style, soundtrack, and entertainment on a daily basis. She's devoted to Judaism and loves being part of the TBE community. For her Bat Mitzvah project, Robin is combining her love of podcast journalism with her interest in *tikkun olam* by creating her own podcast ("[In the Wings](#)") that features stories of Maine kids who are making a difference in the world. She is collecting stories and interviews at the Maine Youth Action Network's Leadership Conference in November.



We Go to Woods

By Rich Goldman

I was cleaning out my mother's dresser and came across a Hebrew school report card circa 1964-1965 in which the teacher commented, "You don't keep the place in reading; too many zeros. You have let yourself down and others too." I think such negative sentiment ultimately drove me to become a Hebrew school teacher. We had to do better.



At the TBE Hebrew school, our goals are to help create a Jewish community for our children, cement a Jewish identity for our children, and learn. We also strive to have fun and to make it an enjoyable experience. And we try to do all of this in just a few hours a week.

As we were planning for this year, we decided to take advantage of our proximity to the Howard Hill Conservation Area and to the State House complex. We set aside about an hour of our precious time to take a *Tiyul*, a hike. We've not really done this before in such a structured way, and it would have been easier to settle and to not travel down this path.

So what's happened? Hebrew school is off to a great start. We have been focusing on the value of *achrayut*, responsibility. As teachers we have had to demonstrate responsibility for those for whom we are responsible. We have had to gather band aids, snacks, and water bottles. We have had to tend to bumps and bruises while we nurture both the group and individual students. We have asked our students to take responsibility for themselves, but also, and perhaps more importantly, to take responsibility for each other.

As we walk through the woods we create stations where we undertake an activity. Together we sing songs. We play games during which our students achieve goals as a group, while the older children take responsibility for helping the younger students through the task. We walk and we talk and we think and we stop for a snack. With nature, it seems, we are working toward our goals. We have also walked with the same spirit to the State House complex and discovered, drew, and discussed some of the inspiring thoughts and leaders featured there.

How to teach our children is for sure a continuing experiment. However, it seems that we are onto something here. In her new book *Sacred Nature, How We Can Recover Our Bond with the Natural World*, religious commentator Karen Armstrong writes at some length about the message of Job, not as we often think of the story, but as "a prophet for our time bringing us an urgent message. He tells us that when we look at the natural world, we can no longer regard it simply as a resource. Instead like Job, we must learn to appreciate its mystery, and cry 'Holy! Holy! Holy!'"

It is so nice that we get to experience Hebrew school with a *tiyul* in the woods. It brings, I believe, joy as well to our broader classrooms.

TBE Votes — and Encourages Others To Do So As Well

By Chuck Cohen

Over the past several months, a group of dedicated TBE volunteers have been busy writing postcards encouraging infrequent minority population voters in states with histories of voter suppression, to vote in this year's election. TBE's postcarding effort was part of the Religious Action Center's/Center for Common Ground's Reclaim Our Vote Campaign.

In total, TBE volunteers sent 1,170 postcards to voters in Arizona, Florida, North Carolina, Virginia, and Georgia. A recent study by the Center for Common Ground showed that sending these individualized personal postcards to voters tended to increase voter participation rates by as much as 50%! While we were edged out by the Bath synagogue in our friendly "Postcarding Challenge", the 1,170 postcards sent was more than double the goal set by the Social Justice Committee at the beginning of the campaign! Congratulations and a huge thank you to all of the postcarding volunteers!



Clearly, these TBE volunteers are passionate about the issue of voting. Here's what they had to say when asked the question "why do you vote?":

- "I tell new citizens 'Your vote is your voice. There is an ongoing conversation about the community's priorities and values, and if you don't vote then you don't have a voice in that conversation.'" *Chris Myers Asch*
- "I vote because I value being part of a representative democracy; that kind of government survives only when people care enough to participate." *David Offer*
- "The older I get the more I realize that issues that once didn't seem to have anything to do with me affect us all...Voting helps give me a sense of agency; at least I know I did SOMETHING in the right direction if I vote, as opposed to feeling both powerless and guilty if I don't." *Beth Koopman*
- "My parents taught me from a young age that voting is a privilege and a solemn responsibility. They often brought us to the polls with them. I have voted in every election since 1971, the first year I was eligible." *Deb Sewall*
- "Democracy is a sacred trust and voting is the least I can do to support it." *Jeff Frankel*

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- "Barack Obama said: 'the way not to feel hopeless is to get up and do something.' VOTE!!!!" *Ellen Freed*
- "I vote to ensure that my voice is heard in our democratic process. So many in the world don't have the opportunity that is too often taken for granted. I speak up to have control over my own future." *Brian Harding*
- "I vote because it's an important way to make my voice heard!!!" *Emily Bessey*
- "I vote because it's the best way I can influence the laws and policies of my community, state, and country." *Gail Fels*
- "In a democracy, policy is everyone's business. One way to increase the likelihood my policy preferences prevail, whether at the local, state or national level is to vote." *Julia Underwood*
- "Voting is a responsibility and a privilege not to be taken for granted. When I vote, I have added my voice to our democracy. I have never missed voting and especially now, when our democracy is threatened, it feels even more important." *Susan Bakaley Marshall*
- "I am frustrated when I hear people say my vote won't make a difference. I vote because our choices DO make a difference- whether it's local school funding or reproductive rights." *Fran Rudoff*
- "I vote in remembrance of all those who came before me who were denied the right to vote. Originally, only white property owners had this right...It is every citizen's responsibility to step up and decide who will represent them. We need to always protect this right." *Nancy Kelly*
- "Voting freely is an honor, a privilege, and a solemn responsibility and civic duty in a democracy and a civil society. I have not missed an election since I was old enough to vote, and the thrill of (yes thrill!!) of voting has never waned." *Judith Feinstein*
- "The courage of people in Chile, Myanmar, Hong Kong, Syria, and now Ukraine, highlights the honor and privilege of voting. The voter suppression and array of domains in which we are seeing minority rule in our country deserve our most creative and urgent attention." *Kate McLinn*



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Torah Chanting Class Starting

Have you always listened to the Torah reading and thought, I want to do that? Now is your chance! Rabbi Asch will teach you how to chant Torah in just a few short classes. We'll then work together to find a time when you can read Torah at TBE!

Prerequisites: Participants should be comfortable reading Hebrew aloud. There will be time spent outside of class practicing.

Meetings: Class will meet weekly for 30 minutes in December and January. [We'll take a break the last week of the year]. A Zoom option will be provided, but in-person attendance for those who are close to TBE is encouraged. Exact days and times TBD when we have the participants.

To Register: Email Rabbi Asch by November 9th if you are interested. If you're not sure if this class is right for you, feel free to reach out to Rabbi Asch for a conversation.

Prayer Leader Training

The Center for Small Town Jewish Life is offering a *shlichei tzibur* training to empower you to lead services right here at TBE. This six-month class starts in January and meets twice a month. [The details](#) are on the Center's website. We are trying to get some people from TBE signed up, so please let Rabbi Asch know if you are interested.

Soup and Study is Back (with Soup!)

We'll meet on Monday, November 21st from 6:00-7:15pm at TBE and on Zoom. In anticipation of Thanksgiving we will be discussing gratitude in the Jewish tradition. Those of you on Zoom, log on at 6:10 for the start of our session. Please email Rabbi Asch (rabbiasch@gmail.com) to RSVP. We need 8 participants to hold this program.

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- "Like Shabbat, which is the most important Jewish day throughout the year, voting day is the important American democracy day throughout the year. Voters, and no one else, have the power to determine who leads us, which is a huge privilege and a number one obligation."

Mike Levey

For all of these reasons, and for any additional personal reasons you may have, please vote this election season, either on Election Day, November 8th, or by using Maine's early voting or absentee ballot options. And as these volunteers noted in their postcards to voters in other states: "Tell 5 friends!!!"

Mezuzah as an Experience of Joy

by Carrie McCarter

I am not one who finds joy easily. In the Introduction to Judaism course I took with Rabbi Asch several years ago, we read a book entitled Judaism's 10 Best Ideas. Right there, chapter one, was Simcha - Joy. Really Judaism? You're trying to force joy on me? Fine, challenge accepted, and failed, repeatedly.

Some of my difficulty in finding joy stems from me, but I think another part of it is aging. It is increasingly harder to find something that is purely joyful-something beyond everyday concerns and worries that strive to dilute or completely annihilate our joy.

Recently I had the pleasure of affixing mezuzot to the outside doors of my home in the company of Rabbi Asch and many wonderful congregants. Fulfilling the mitzvah of mezuzot is something I looked forward to ever since I first read about it: "And you shall inscribe them on the doorposts (mezuzot) of your house and on your gates" (Deuteronomy 6:9, 11:20). I don't know why this appealed to me so much, but it did. I spent many hours looking for the perfect mezuzot. I wanted something simple and beautiful for the important step of officially making my home a Jewish one.

It is a rare thing for something to fully live up to our expectations, and fulfilling this mitzvah does. I feel so happy and special every time I walk into my house. Even when burdened with carrying more groceries than necessary at one time, I see my mezuzah, and stop to greet it. I've even tried to include the cats by taking them one-by-one outside and holding their paws to the mezuzah. So far I've only been successful with one cat, the other immediately ran away. I suspect he is not Jewish.

With or without willing cat participation, the mezuzah on my doorpost is a lovely reminder to include Judaism throughout my day. It reminds me that I haven't said the morning shema yet, it reminds me that I owe a shehakol blessing that I forgot to say before my last snack, and it reminds me of joyfulness. I've found the mezuzah to be the final missing puzzle piece of my Jewish puzzle that has now slotted into place. And when those doubts begin, such as, what if I start taking it for granted, I can always find the joyful feeling again by simply walking outside and back in to experience a moment of joyful Jewish mindfulness.

I hope that you all can find or rediscover the joy in your Jewish puzzle piece, whatever that may be.

Todah Rabah!

It takes a lot to put on the holidays at Temple Beth El. We want to thank a few people who went above and beyond to make sure our holidays were so wonderful.

Dawn Fecteau for all her extra work to make the holidays run smoothly, including an incredible amount of logistics.

Stacey Mondschein Katz for lending her musical gifts to our services.

Ded Sewall for coordinating our greeters

Mike Drickey for greeter training including extra security protocols.

The Sumner Lipman Family for providing the Lipman Kiddush.

Emily Bessey, Nancy Kelley, and Chuck Cohen for coordinating our meals.

Noah Katz for sounding the shofar.

Jay Franzel for reading Torah.

Miriam Asch for reading haftarah.

Syd Sewall and Alden Gilg for playing Kol Nidre.

Fran Rudoff for hosting second day Rosh Hashanah at her house.

Sue Offer for organizing the Yizkor book and leading our service with Ellen Freed.

Carrie McCarter and Julia Underwood for leading study on Yom Kippur.

Linda Kallin, Chris Myers Asch, Imane Nieto, Nakaa Nassir, Sarah Shed, Rich Goldman and Noah Katz for speaking on Yom Kippur afternoon.

Linda Kallin, Fran Rudoff, Deb Sewall, and Liz Sizeler for creating a meaningful high holidays including our Erev Rosh Hashanah program and Yom Kippur afternoon program.

Chris and Thea Zinck and Emily Bessey for providing food for Sukkot and Simchat Torah.

Mike Drickey and Ben Gottlieb and our numerous sukkah construction (and take down) volunteers.

We couldn't have done it without you!

Did you miss Rabbi Asch's sermons? They are all available on the TBE website!



A Mitzvah at a Pennsylvania Welcome Center

By Chris Zinck

Last June a funny thing happened on the way to Pittsburgh.

Thea and I were driving towards Pittsburgh to meet our first granddaughter Ava (three months old at the time). We decided to stop at the Welcome Center on Highway 76 in Pennsylvania. In the Welcome Center we noticed five young men walking in just behind us. I started to look at the brochures about Pittsburgh when one of the young men asked me in a clear, loud voice, "Are you Jewish?" It is not a question you hear very often in a public place when you are surrounded by a group of bearded young adults. However, they were neatly dressed, and I could see that two of them were wearing what looked like Tzitzit under their jackets. I was more surprised than anxious, and I answered "Yes, I am." Thea told them immediately "His Hebrew name is Shumuel." They quickly asked me if I would put on Tefillin. Again, I said "Yes" and in a very short time I found myself in front of the information counter repeating the blessing in Hebrew. They knew the blessing by heart, and I was stumbling on almost every word but that did not discourage them. They seemed very happy to help a stranger perform a mitzvah. After we finished, we learned they were coming from New York city to attend a big wedding in Pittsburgh and invited us to join them (at the wedding).

We declined because we had a date with Ava. In the end, everybody continued their own separate ways, a little surprised by the unexpected encounter of Jews from Augusta and Jews from New York.



**FALL
SHABBATON**
MUSIC, LEARNING, AND CELEBRATION



**November 4-5
Colby College**





SUFGANIYOT

BRING YOUR HANUKKIAH
FOR A COMMUNAL LIGHTING



LATKE MAKING



GAMES

Hanukkah Celebration!



TRIVIA



Sunday,
December 18th
4-6pm

SONGS



MENSCH MADNESS
DREIDEL TOURNAMENT

Join the Temple Beth El Multi-Media Club (formerly the Temple Beth El Book Club)

First Meeting: Nov. 14 @ 4:30pm

Please join us for our first meeting on November 14th at 4:30pm. We will be discussing *The Pope at War: The Secret History of Pope Pius XII, Mussolini and Hitler*. Gail will be the presenter and facilitate the conversation. Now our temple has become very tech savvy we can facilitate both a live gathering and online participation at the same time. A facilitator is needed to run the meeting and to work the technology. As a mental midget in computers, choosing me as the facilitator may be a mistake but I can be taught. I welcome other volunteers!

Please come to the first meeting and discuss both the book and the future of this Club. My idea is to meet every other month at each session we might discuss a novel (mystery, history, comedy), a non-fiction book, a video or a movie. We might also have an in-house movie viewing.

For this to work, we will need volunteers to be a presenter to choose the media and the topic. It would have to have a Jewish flavor. We would invite every member to host one meeting.

I am volunteering to do a presentation based on the Ken Burns Series on the United States and the Holocaust. All interested will view this 6 hour presentation ahead of time. We will gather to discuss the series and conclude with a discussion of our own experiences with antisemitism. I will do this presentation in the spring.

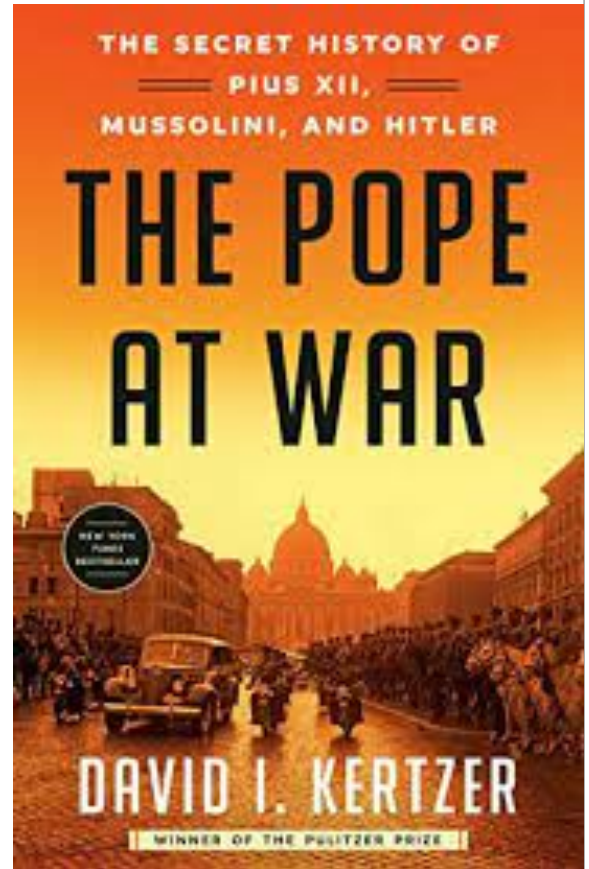
My goal is to have an audience of at least 20 people and to have enough presenters to have a program regularly. If necessary, I could make cardboard figures to keep the count up!

Peter Rosenberg

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(rosiemagish means Rosie the Magician in Yiddish I think!)



Get Vaccinated – and Boosted!

By David Offer

A gentle reminder that Temple Beth El requires that anyone taking part in Temple activities be vaccinated and up to date with boosters. We don't check at the door or ask for vaccination cards. We trust you.

An article in the *New York Times* last week emphasized the importance of these shots. "The biggest way to protect yourself and others is to stay on top of your shots," said Dr. Joseph Khabbaza, a pulmonary medicine doctor at Cleveland Clinic. "The new bivalent booster is a critical tool for warding off infection – although many people are not even aware that it is available. You can find the new booster at pharmacies and health centers across the country, and anyone five and older can currently receive it. (You can get your booster at the same time as your flu shot.) Dr. Ashish Jha, the White House coronavirus response coordinator, has urged people to get the new booster by Halloween, so that it kicks in before Thanksgiving gatherings.

Keep yourself and your Temple safe. Get vaccinated and boosted.

Dawn will be on vacation November 3rd – November 18th.

During this time the office will be closed. The Temple (Dawn's) email will not be checked while she's out. But don't worry, we'll still get things done here at the TBE office: the mail will be picked up, invoices will be paid, checks and payroll will be processed, phone messages will be listened to, and most importantly -- Zoom will still work!



If you have a concern not related to bookkeeping that cannot wait until Dawn returns, please send an email directly to Rabbi Asch.



Nicole Fix is back with us the weekend of December 9th-11th

Look to the weekly email for more information about how you can learn and connect with Nicole. We hope you'll attend Shabbat services or Torah study that weekend. Thank you to the Center for Small Town Jewish Life for making her visits possible.

CLYNK Your Way to a TBE Donation AND Help the Environment

Bottle deposits that you pay in Maine can add up to revenue for Temple Beth El. Each quarter, Clynk issues TBE a check. Since we began our partnership with CLYNK we have received over **\$3,500!** Imagine how many loaves of challah or electricity bills have been purchased or paid for through CLYNK donations. The Clynk program makes it easy to donate. Here's how:



- Obtain a green, recyclable CLYNK bag at TBE, located near the name tags in the synagogue.
(You can also contact the office to request bags be mailed to you.)
- Make sure to scan each bag when you get to your nearest CLYNK drop-off location, which helps ensure all your bottles and cans are properly tracked.
- Drop the bags off at Hannaford and go about your day! It's that easy.

Need another reason to CLYNK? The program helps the environment. Every clean, recyclable bottle CLYNK returns to a manufacturer is a bottle that doesn't end up in a landfill.

Donating appreciated stocks to Temple Beth El

TBE has a new investment advisor: First National Investment Services of Bath and Bar Harbor. They are affiliated with Cetera Investment Services. TBE's finance committee met over the past year and a half to determine our criteria for an investment advisor, developed an RFP (request for proposal), received several responses, and interviewed two companies. We decided to work with First National. TBE's reserve fund (\$100,554) and two restricted program funds (totaling \$88,982) are now invested with the company in safe and modest growth investment strategies.

This change means that if you wish to donate appreciated stocks or bonds to TBE, contribute Terumah, or make an end-of-year gift, please provide the following information to your broker:

DTC Number: 0701 (Cetera Investment Services)

Account Number: Please call Hildie or Dawn for this number

Registration of the Account: Temple Beth El

Type of Security: Stock, ETF, Bond and or Mutual Fund

Quantity: Number of shares, units and or notional amount (for bonds)

Please contact me with any questions. Thank you!

Hildie Lipson, Temple Beth El Treasurer

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SAVE THE DATE!



**The Pacific Challenge Wine Tasting is coming to TBE on
Saturday, January 28, 2023**

We'll be comparing wines from California and New Zealand!



More details coming soon. At this point in time, a decision has not been made about whether this will be a Zoom or in-person event. Stay tuned!

We will be holding our very popular and entertaining live auction again this year. Please be thinking about special items, events, and activities you can contribute.

Supporting TBE



Terumah

Louisa Barnhart and Mike Klein
 Lisa Bradley and Michael Popkin
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 Donation
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 Donation

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Barda Leavitt, in memory of Janice Leavitt
 Barda Leavitt, in memory of Dick Faucher
 Beth Koopman, in memory of Clover Koopman
 Steven Shapiro, in memory of Belle Grodinsky
 Steven Shapiro, in memory of Richard Kelly
 Avra Novarr, in memory of Belle Grodinsky
 Stephen Diamond, in memory of Nancy
 Diamond

Donations for Prayer Books

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 Joe O'Donnell
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 Karin and James Orenstein
 Deb Sandler
 Deb and Syd Sewall
 Sarah Shed
 Jennifer and Mark Shinnars
 Liz Sizeler
 Bill and Jean Seager
 Julia Underwood

Thank you for your generous donations. We now have the funds so we can have over 100 prayer books at TBE!

If you still want to donate, we'd love to have your contributions. We are looking to purchase some prayer books to use the month before Rosh Hashanah. We will also be buying some prayer books to use at Hebrew School and some new Torah commentaries. If you still want to donate, please send us a check and let us know who you want to honor!

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The office is open Tuesday,
Wednesday and Friday.

November Yahrtzeits

November 2nd	Robert Johnston
November 2nd	Clare Nolin
November 2nd	Helen Bicknell Shed
November 4th	Dorothy Cohen Moser
November 5th	Sally Gilbert
November 5th	Mollie Metzger
November 6th	Dorothy Drickey
November 9th	Joseph Sclar
November 10th	Sophie Goldberg
November 11th	Joseph Caprim
November 11th	Herbert Gross
November 11th	Elizabeth "Betty" Lieb
November 11th	Martha Simmons
November 14th	Bennett David Katz
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November 19th	Malvin Mayer
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November 20th	Bernice Pollack
November 21st	Beatrice Freiman
November 23rd	Iris Brock
November 23rd	Daniel Bulba
November 24th	Bart Bakaley
November 26th	Julia Feldman
November 27th	Abraham Goldberg
November 28th	Lenora Q. Dana
November 28th	Harold Lipman
November 28th	Cathy Mattin
November 29th	Pasyah Fersht Schneider
November 30th	Sylvia Rudoff

December Yahrtzeits

December 2nd	Julia Feldman
December 2nd	Murry M. Freed
December 3rd	Lucille Zisquit Goldman
December 3rd	Jeanette Johanssen
December 3rd	Selma Prager
December 3rd	Pierrette Zinck
December 4th	Robert Sax
December 7th	Saul Parkin
December 8th	Mavis Graber
December 10th	Lipman Simmons
December 11th	Rosemary Marshall
December 13th	Sydney Katz
December 13th	Beatrice Sewall
December 14th	Harriet Katz
December 16th	Beverly Drickey
December 17th	Eli Bulba
December 19th	Sydney Katz
December 20th	Alan Sandler
December 22nd	Fannie Weiss
December 23rd	Morris Feinstein
December 25th	Barbara Paronett
December 26th	Robert P. Myers, Jr.
December 26th	David Slosberg
December 27th	Arlene Fine
December 27th	Edith Katz
December 28th	Shirley Bass
December 28th	David S. Goldman
December 30th	Harriet Katz
December 30th	Samuel Lipman
December 31st	Pauline Cohen

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