



THE TENT

Congregation Beth Jacob's Monthly Newsletter

August, 2022



CBJ Calendar of Upcoming Events:

August 1, 8:30 am: Limud Torah Study Group with Rabbi Emeritus Lawrence Silverman

August 5, 7:00 pm: Friday Evening Shabbat Service (via Zoom)

August 6, 8:00 pm: Join Rabbi Mills and a cluster of her colleagues and their congregations to observe Tish B'av, a day of Jewish tragedy and loss. We will gather on Zoom with communities from across the country. The Zoom link is published in The Weekly Update.

August 8, 8:30 am: Limud Torah Study Group with Rabbi Emeritus Lawrence Silverman

August 12, 7:00 pm: Friday Evening Shabbat Service (via Zoom)

August 15, 8:30 am: Limud Torah Study Group with Rabbi Emeritus Lawrence Silverman

August 19, 7:00 pm: Friday Evening Shabbat Service (via Zoom)

August 22, 8:30 am: Limud Torah Study Group with Rabbi Emeritus Lawrence Silverman

August 26, Summer Shabbat Service at the Pool of one of our congregants (in-person and via Zoom)

Participants are invited to arrive at 6:00 to enjoy the pool, schmoozing, and a cookout of hamburgers and hot dogs prior to the outdoor Shabbat Service that will begin at 7:00 pm. Bring lawn chairs. There will be an oneg following the service. To ensure that we have sufficient food for everyone, please RSVP to rsvp@cbjplymouth.org. The address and further details will be published in The Weekly Update.

August 29, 8:30 am: Limud Torah Study Group with Rabbi Emeritus Lawrence Silverman

See the "CBJ Weekly Update" for details and links to join these meetings.

[To see the complete CBJ Calendar on our website, click here.](#)

Beit Sefer Jewish Summer Camp Scholarship Awards



For the second year, through the generosity of the Adeline & Reubin Winokor American Jewish History Prize Fund, which provides an annual award to two deserving students of our religious school for outstanding research on a subject related to American Jewish History, two of our Beit Sefer students have been selected to receive scholarships to attend a Jewish summer camp this summer. The Summer Camp Committee thanks everyone who submitted a camper scholarship application. For the selection process, preference was given to students who had not received a scholarship award previously.

This year's Scholarship winners are: Andy Manus and Rylee Zeitz.

To satisfy the conditions of this scholarship award, Andy and Rylee will be required to submit an essay within one month of their return home, describing their experience at Jewish camp and how it has impacted their lives.

Thank you to the Winokur family for supporting our children again this year. We know that experiencing the cultural enrichment that attending Jewish camps reinforces Jewish cultural values and provides much-needed social contacts with other Jewish children, often leading to life-long friendships.



Jesse Bluestein's Beautiful Tikkun Olam Bat Mitzvah Project! Your Support is Requested

Jessie will be called to the Torah to become a Bat Mitzvah in September. As her tzedakah project, Jessie is collecting any unused/unopened toys that you may have purchased that are laying around to help children in need. Your gift will support One Wish which is an organization that helps celebrate a child's birthday. If you would like to support Jesse's project but don't already have a gift, you can purchase one from the Amazon Wish List. Here is the link: https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/2L18GN2X05NET/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_1

A Message from Jessie:

I chose this because I want to make children feel special especially when they are going through hard times. Furthermore, every year I look forward to having a birthday, and I want these children to feel the same way. These children deserve a day that shows that they matter in this world. Thank you for helping make a difference in a child's life on their birthday. #onewishproject
One Wish Project

[To see the flier for Jesse's project, click here.](#)



**Limud Torah/Torah Study Group
with Rabbi Emeritus Lawrence Silverman**

Monday mornings, from 8:30 - 9:45 a.m.

All are Welcome!

To join the Zoom Meeting, click on the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2947234661?pwd=RVFTQmFFYXBVWHRJQ3RkeDhjTVptZz09>

Meeting ID: 294 723 4661, Passcode: 720299

**CBJ's Summer Outdoor Shabbat Services
(in person and by Zoom)**



This year, Rabbi Mills has planned to conduct four Friday evening Shabbat services outdoors, each in a different, beautiful location. The first of these summer services was held on June 24th at The Pinehills Amphitheater. The second was held on July 22nd, at Nelson Beach Memorial Park. While these services are shorter than our usual Shabbat service, they do not sacrifice any of the essence and beauty of our Shabbat observance. Come! Bring your family! All are welcome!

Our Next Scheduled Outdoor Summer Services (weather permitting, of course!):

On August 26th, our casual summer service will be held at the pool of one of our generous young Beit Sefer families. Come for a bar-b-que supper at 6:00 pm, followed by a Shabbat service at 7:00 and an Oneg afterwards. Watch this space for details!

On September 9th, we will celebrate Shabbat at the lake, at the home of one of our co-Presidents. Watch this space for details!

Please RSVP to Barbara Aharoni at ahabubs@gmail.com.



Reform Congregations' Communal Observance of Tish B'av Saturday, August 6, 8:00 pm via Zoom

Tisha B'Av (the 9th day of the month of Av) is an annual fast day in Judaism, on which a number of disasters in Jewish history occurred, primarily the destruction of both Solomon's Temple by the Neo-Babylonian Empire in 586 BCE and the Second Temple by the Roman Empire in Jerusalem in 70 CE. It begins this year on the evening of August 6th. Traditional observance includes fasting, mourning, prayer, and abstaining from physical pleasures.

Please join Rabbi Mills and a cluster of her colleagues and their congregations to observe Tisha B'av, a day of Jewish tragedy and loss. We will gather on Zoom with communities from across the country. The Zoom information for joining this service can be found in The Weekly Update.

One More Final Reminder!



CBJ's Yizkor Book
"We Remember Them"
Forms Were Due by June 15th - Last Chance!!

It's almost too late to include your listings of memorials in the 2022-2023 edition of CBJ's Yizkor book, "We Remember Them," which is used at our High Holiday services and throughout the year. This is a gentle reminder that responses were requested by June 15th. Way back in May, when our Yizkor Book Chair, Barbara Aharoni, sent out her initial letter requesting your submissions, the High Holidays seemed like they were a long way off. Not anymore! We will celebrate Erev Rosh Hashanah on September 25 this year, and Barbara's Committee needs time to finalize the book before sending it off to the printer.

If you would like to have your memorial listings included in the Yizkor Book, it is not too late. A copy of Barbara's letter is [here](#), and a copy of the Application form is [here](#).

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HINENI (Here I Am)

Rides to medical appointments are available once again to congregants who need them through our Hineni Project. Please contact our Hineni Coordinator, Ed Sore, to make the necessary arrangements. Email: esoreproducts@gmail.com or call him at at 774-338-5209

MEMBERSHIP NEWS



CBJ Warmly Welcomes Our Newest Members!

Rabbi Sandra and Arnold (Arnie) Bellush
23 Inverness
Plymouth, MA

Rabbi Sandra served as the rabbi for Temple Am Echad in Lynbrook, New York until she retired, Arnie is a retired High School teacher. Congregants who attended CBJ's first Summer Shabbat service at The Pinehills amphitheater on June 23rd are already familiar with Rabbi Sandra's beautiful singing voice and exuberance!

If you would like to learn more about CBJ and are interested in becoming part of our Jewish community, please contact our new Membership Chair, Barbara Aharoni, at ahabubs@gmail.com. [Click here for a link to CBJ's Application Form.](#)



To Our Volunteers Who Have Served CBJ For So Many Years

As a part of our Shabbat evening service on July 8th, CBJ honored the dedication of our volunteers who have given freely of their time, energy, and creative ideas over the years. In lieu of a sermon, Ronnie read a statement that Fred had written, expressing CBJ's appreciation to every congregant who offers to help to keep our temple running smoothly. Special recognition was given to several long-term volunteers who have served in many different capacities over a very long time.

The following members of our congregation who have volunteered their time and efforts so tirelessly over the years were recognized and honored with a leaf on our Tree of Life:

Seth Teles, who is a past-President of the congregation and has served on the Ritual Committee for many years, providing support to Rabbi Silverman as Gabbai, leading services, providing Bar and Bat Mitzvah lessons, and being an invaluable resource when Rabbi Lawrence was incapacitated.

Paula Keller, who has served as CBJ's Recording Secretary for many years, has served on the Education Committee, taught our Beit Sefer classes, and contributes her beautiful voice in our 3-person choir.

Sherri Sore, a past-President, who has served as CBJ's Treasurer for many years, devoting innumerable hours to organize and update CBJ's accounting system.

Larry Winokur, another past-President, a long-term Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and who has provided his expertise as an attorney, pro bono, to protect CBJ's legal interests our congregation. Larry also graciously stepped up to serve as CBJ's Building Chairman after Alan Koplan's passing and has helped to sustain Brotherhood's existence after the passing of Dan Hirschhorn.

Suzanne Goldberg has served as President of Sisterhood for many years and in the thankless role as CBJ's Oneg Chair forever. Under her leadership, Sisterhood established the very successful Diaper Drive, which provides diapers and infant-care items to needy families in the Plymouth community. Whether polishing the silver ornaments in the Ark before High Holiday services each year or ensuring that CBJ's Onegs were welcoming and delicious, Suzanne has generously volunteered her time and energy to our CBJ family, for which we are grateful,

Alan Koplan, who served CBJ in so many different capacities over the years -- as past-President, Chairman of the Building Committee, CBJ's Education Committee, active member of Brotherhood, and member of the Rabbi Search Committee. Alan was, in many ways, the lifeblood of CBJ. We honor his memory. His selflessness and dedication serve as an example to all of us.

Dan Hirschhorn, "our fearless leader" of Brotherhood, who revived and resuscitated the previously moribund organization, transforming it into the vibrant main social arm of CBJ with his charisma, wit, creativity and energy. Under Dan's leadership, we enjoyed monthly Brotherhood Breakfasts with a wide diversity of interesting speakers; Brotherhood Movie Nights; Deli/Movie Dinners. Dan also spearheaded Brotherhood's annual Food Drive, raising thousands of dollars over the years to help relieve hunger in the greater Plymouth area.

As Rabbi Mills stated, the impact that Alan and Dan had upon CBJ, remains with us - a living legacy of their devotion, energy, dedication and vision.

The Statement of Appreciation:

[Click here to read the statement that was read at the July 8th Shabbat service.](#)

Volunteers Are Needed!

As we all know, "It takes a village" to make an organization successful. There are many opportunities for congregants to lend their talents to the work that it takes to keep our congregation running smoothly. Please contact our co-Presidents, Ronnie Hirschhorn and Fred Sarke, if you are able to help. president@cbjplymouth.org

THE CBJ GIFT CARD PROGRAM



Why You Should Support the Gift Card Program

CBJ's Gift Card Program continues to be one of the few ways that our synagogue can raise funds at this time. You can help CBJ by purchasing our Gift Cards and using them at supermarkets, pharmacies, gas stations, restaurants and national retailers that you already patronize. These businesses donate a certain percentage of the cards' purchase price to CBJ, anywhere from 5-18%, which greatly benefits our temple and does not cost you anything. Who does not shop at Stop & Shop, Shaws, or Big Y? Who does not purchase prescriptions, toiletries and over the counter medications from CVS or Walgreens? Do you go to Panera, Dunkin' Donuts, Starbucks, Ninety Nine, Texas Roadhouse? Do you shop online on Amazon or in-store at Macy's? The list is long. Please contact our Gift Card Coordinator, Ed Sore, at 774-338-5209 or by email at esoreproducts@gmail.com to tell him what you need. You can either send your payment to him by mail or attach it to your door for him to pick up when he delivers your gift cards. Ed plans to be at CBJ on Sunday mornings when Beit Sefer is in session.

Checks can be made out to Congregation Beth Jacob and mailed to:
Ed Sore, 63 Seacliff Drive, Plymouth, MA 02360.

What Cards Do We Carry?

Supermarkets - Stop and Shop, Shaws, The Market at Pinehills, Big Y.

Gas Stations- Speedway, Exxon, Mobil,

Pharmacies: CVS, Walgreens and Rite Aid (**You can pay for prescriptions using CBJ gift cards!**)

Restaurants: Dunkin Donuts, Panera, Texas Roadhouse, Bertuccis, Chilis, 99 and many more.

Department Stores- Walmart, TJ MAXX, Marshalls, Macys, Home Goods, Dicks Sporting Goods, Kohl's, Bed Bath and Beyond, Michaels, Amazon, plus 400 additional retailers.

[Check out this link to get a partial listing.](#)



Congregation Beth Jacob gratefully acknowledges receipt of the following donations:

Yahrzeit Fund:

Allan & Judith Sherman, in memory of Allan's mother, Ruth Putnam Sherman

The Tour to Israel in March, 2023, is Happening! It's Not Too Late to Find Out More and Sign Up



Are you ready to start traveling again? Now is the perfect time to take the trip to Israel that you may have been considering! Do not put it off any longer. Israel is a must-visit destination for those connected to Judaism of any age. Whether a first visit, or a return visit, there is so much to see and do, and for Jews, it is truly a unique feeling and unlike traveling anywhere else.

Rabbi Mills will be leading a trip to the Jewish homeland at the beginning of March 2023! To date, fourteen CBJ members have already shown an interest in going, and four additional congregations from Plymouth's Interfaith Council are also interested in joining this tour.

The itinerary and focus will be based on who is interested: a family trip with a chance for young people to celebrate a Bar or Bat Mitzvah in the holy land (in addition to their event at the congregation), a trip geared to empty-nesters and seniors, or a combination that allows multi-generations to enjoy the Holy Land together. Please let Rabbi Mills know, as soon as possible, if you would like more information. cbjplymouthrabbi@gmail.com

As we say at Passover, "*B'shana ha'ba'ah b'yerushaliyim*- Next year in Jerusalem!"



**The Following Yahrzeits Will be Observed This
Month:**

(A memorial candle should be lit on the preceding evening.)

August, 2022

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| 1 Oscar Mokuvos | 19 Ansel Gladstein |
| 1 Joseph Carlin | 19 Mollie Swartz |
| 2 Samuel Koblantz | 20 Harold Samuel Finer |
| 5 Joseph Gottman | 21 Gertrude B. Klasky |
| 5 Bert Sternfield | 21 Freda Rebecca Robinson |
| 7 Judah James Evans | 22 Julius Cooper |
| 8 Louis K. Kaplow | 22 Israel DeZorets |
| 8 Mary Kaplowitz | 23 Albert Finkelstein |
| 8 Devorah Shector | 23 Adeline Keller |
| 9 Elizabeth Epstein | 25 Bessie "Billie" Ginsburg |
| 9 Jacob S. Shiff | 25 Benjamin Righter |
| 10 Jack Bernard | 26 Milton Geller |
| 12 Abraham Sherman | 26 Nettie Lipschitz |
| 12 Minnie Steinberg | 26 Phyllis Bell O'Connor |
| 13 Gunnar Carlson | 27 Barnett Portnoy |
| 14 Hyman Sheff | 29 Esther Russo |
| 16 Lillian Gilbert | 29 Michael B. Shuman |
| 16 Alter Greenspoon | 31 Hymen W. Bell |
| 16 Morris Stern | 31 Elsie Rosenblum |
| 18 Douglas Worthman | |
| 19 Alexander Finkelstein | |

May their memories be for a blessing and live forever in the hearts of all who knew and loved them.



Recipe for Lemon Slice

This is a delicious and easy recipe for Lemon Slice from the July 13th issue of The Otago Daily Times on the South Island of New Zealand. Kiwis often refer to "cake" as "slice." This one has a base that is almost like shortbread, topped with tangy lemon custard and baked until it is perfectly set. Once it has chilled and set, slice it into squares and sprinkle with icing sugar to serve.

Makes 20 pieces Ready in 45 min + time for setting

INGREDIENTS FOR THE SHORTBREAD BASE

150g (5 1/2 oz) butter
1/4 cup caster sugar (granulated sugar)
2 tsp finely grated lemon zest
1/2 cups plain flour (I used gluten free flour)
1 tsp baking powder

LEMON TOPPING

4 eggs
3/4 cup caster sugar
4 tsp finely grated lemon zest (I didn't have quite enough, so I added 1 tsp vanilla extract)
1/4 cup plain flour 1 tsp baking powder
100ml (3 1/2 fl oz) lemon juice

TO SERVE

1 Tbsp icing sugar, to dust

Method

1. Preheat the oven to 170degC (325degF) fan bake.
2. Line a 27 x 17cm (10 1/2 x 6 1/2 inch) slice tin with baking paper. (I used 8x8 pan)
3. Melt the butter in a large glass bowl in the microwave. Add the sugar and lemon zest and whisk together.
4. Sift in the flour and baking powder, then mix until combined.
5. Transfer to the lined slice tin and press out evenly, smoothing the top with the back of a metal spoon.
6. Bake for 15 minutes until starting to brown. Allow to cool for 5 minutes before adding the topping.
7. To make the Lemon Topping, whisk together the eggs, sugar and lemon zest. Sift in the flour and baking powder, then add the lemon juice. Whisk together.
8. Pour the topping over the base and spread out evenly. Return it to the oven for a further 20 minutes, or until the topping does not jiggle.
9. Allow to cool to room temperature then chill until set before removing from the tin, then dusting with the icing sugar and cutting into pieces, five rows of four pieces will make 20.
10. Store in an airtight container in the fridge for up to three days.