



THE TENT

Congregation Beth Jacob's Monthly Newsletter
June, 2025



CBJ Calendar of Upcoming Events:

June 1, 8:00 pm through June 2, 9:00 am: Small Congregations Tikkun Leil Shavuot All Night Study Sessions

Once again, an amazing selection of Reform rabbis will be offering 1-hour long classes during the period of Shavuot on a wide range of topics. Registration is free. Join as many as pique your interest! **Rabbi Mills will be teaching a session on Intermarriage on June 1st at 8:00. See the article for details!**

June 5, 1:00-2:30 pm Sisterhood event at the Plymouth Public Library. We are fortunate to have our own nationally acclaimed Cantor Laney Katzew speak to us about the 50th anniversary of years of women being ordained as Cantors in the Reform movement. We hope you can join us!

June 6, 6:00 pm: Shavuot Dairy Potluck dinner, with Erev Shabbat Shavuot Service and Yizkor at 7:00 pm. The memorial plaque for Richard Pecorella will be dedicated at this Yizkor service. The Shavuot service will feature Rachmiel Klein. The Oneg is being sponsored by Judy Chaskes. [SIGN UP HERE FOR THE SHAVUOT POTLUCK SUPPER!](#)

June 9, 7:00 pm: Sisterhood meeting (Zoom)

June 13, 7:00 pm: Erev Shabbat Pride Service (Zoom)

June 15: Yizkor Book for 5786 memorial listings and payment due.

Saturday, June 21, 10:00 am: Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study with bagel brunch. The bagel brunch is being sponsored by Sisterhood. Please send an rsvp to Rabbi Mills if you are planning to attend so that she knows how many bagels to order. (cbjplymouthrabbi@gmail.com) (hybrid)

June 27, 7:00 pm: Erev Shabbat Outdoor Service at the Luftmans' home. Bring your own picnic dinner at 6:00 pm to enjoy and schmooze before the service. The Oneg is being hosted by Nora and Jack Luftman. RSVP to let us know that you are planning to come and to receive the address and driving instructions. rsvp@cbjplymouth.org (hybrid)

June 29, 7:00 pm: CBJ Annual Meeting (by Zoom)

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



July 4th falls on a Friday this year. If you plan to attend our Erev Shabbat service that night, please send an email to Rabbi Mills (cbjpymouthrabbi@gmail.com) to let her know. If we do not have a minyan, the service will be cancelled.



CBJ Annual Meeting!

Note the change of time!

Sunday. June 29th at 7:00 pm by Zoom

Look for information in The Weekly Update.

Shavuot (June 1-June 2, 2025)



Shavuot is the Hebrew word for “weeks,” and the holiday occurs seven weeks after Passover. Shavuot, like many other Jewish holidays, began as an ancient agricultural festival that marked the end of the spring barley harvest and the beginning of the summer wheat harvest. In ancient times, Shavuot was a pilgrimage festival during which Israelites brought crop offerings to the Temple in Jerusalem. Today, it is a celebration of Torah, education, and the choice to participate actively in Jewish life.

History, Customs and Traditions: Shavuot, like several other Jewish holidays, began as an agricultural festival that marked the end of the spring barley harvest and the beginning of the summer wheat harvest. In ancient times, Shavuot was a pilgrimage festival during which Israelites brought offerings to the Temple in Jerusalem – the “first fruits” of their harvest.

In modern times, Jews can no longer bring agricultural offerings to the Temple in Jerusalem, and thus there are no particular mitzvot, or commandments, associated with Shavuot. There are, however, several rituals that have become popular ways of celebrating the holiday, as we embrace the study of Torah and take inspiration from Jewish teachings.

Customarily, the Book of Ruth, part of the section of the Bible known as Writings, is read during services on Shavuot. Ruth was a young Moabite woman who married an Israelite man. When her husband died, she followed her mother-in-law, Naomi, back to Israel and adopted the Jewish faith and people as her own. To feed herself and Naomi, she gleaned in the field of Boaz, a rich man. Boaz is taken with her, and eventually they marry. Among their descendants is the famed King David.

The theme of Ruth's conversion to Judaism is central to this story. In Ruth 1:16–17, she states: Do not urge me to leave you, to turn back and not follow you. For wherever you go, I will go. Wherever you lodge, I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die, I will die, and there will I be buried. Thus and more may God do to me if anything but death parts me from you.

Ruth is often considered to be the archetype of all who choose to convert to Judaism – accepting the Torah, just as Jews accepted the Torah at Mount Sinai – and this passage is generally understood as her conversion statement. To read more about the Book of Ruth, click here. <https://reformjudaism.org/why-do-we-read-book-ruth-shavuot>

The ceremony of confirmation – for high school students who have continued their studies and Jewish involvement beyond b'nei mitzvah – often is held on or near Shavuot. Just as the Jewish people accepted the Torah on Shavuot, so do confirmands reaffirm their commitment to the covenant and adult Jewish life.

The Foods We Eat on Shavuot: Many Jews prepare and eat dairy foods – often cheesecake or blintzes – on Shavuot as a reminder of the sweetness of Torah, and also as a reminder that the Torah calls the land of Israel a land “flowing with milk and honey” (Exodus 3:8). Often families gather together on the holiday to enjoy a meal that features such dishes.



**Virtual Tikkun Leil Shavuot
A Shavuot Study Marathon!**

Sunday, June 1 beginning at 8pm (ET) through Monday, June 2 at 11:00 am (ET)

Free of Charge, but You Must Register!

God gave us Torah at Mount Sinai, but we also receive it every day in each moment that we engage with our tradition.

On Sunday/Monday, June 1 and 2, we will celebrate the holiday of Shavuot. There is a tradition of late-night studying to accompany the holiday, called Tikkun Leil Shavuot. This is a wonderful study opportunity for members of our congregation, produced in partnership with URJ Small Congregations. On that evening, there will be about 25 learning blocks spread over different hours where you can join by Zoom. You may choose any class or classes that interest you throughout the programming. The menu of topics is diverse!

At 8:00 pm on June 1st, Rabbi Mills will be teaching a class on interfaith marriage throughout Jewish history. Ruth was not the first, nor the last. Moses married Zipporah, Ruth married Mahlon, and throughout our biblical Talmudic and early history, interfaith marriage did exist. It did not begin in the modern era. In this session, we will examine some of the cases of intermarriage in early Jewish history, their stories, and outcomes, and how the challenges were the same and how they differed from today's challenges.

Other Topics Include:

"A Blessing for All Seasons - Blessings are invitations to pause and capture moments of awe, gratitude, connection and wonder. We will go beyond the formulaic language we all know to explore the words of some traditional blessings and peel back the curtain on their spiritual messages.

"We All Stood (and Sang) at Sinai" - We'll look at how the folk music of the United States draws from values and lessons found in the Torah to create a new form of contemporary midrash.

"All the People Saw the Sounds" - In the revelation on Mount Sinai, the Torah says there was thunder and lightning and that, "All the people saw the sounds." We will look at how this odd phrase has been understood by linguists, neurologists, and Jewish mystics to try to answer the question: "What was witnessed at Sinai?"

"Nevertheless, We Persisted" - A look at perseverance and grit in Jewish text and history

Jewish storytelling and how it was expressed in the history of musical theater.

After you register for the program, you will receive the link where all of the classes will be listed closer to the night of the program.

REGISTER AT: <https://urj.tfaforms.net/901?id=701UG00000Nkbk6>

IT'S **TORAH** O'CLOCK SOMEWHERE

Join friends from across
North America for a night of Torah Study
in celebration of Shavuot.

Sunday, June 1 - Monday, June 2

8:00 pm ET - 8:00 am PT

ShavuotStudy.com

free | registration required

**TIKKUN LEIL
SHAVUOT**

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developed as a collaborative project of small URJ congregations

Join our collaboration of small URJ congregations as we offer a night of free study sessions and service options. Come for one session or stay all night (or join in the morning!) and enjoy teachings on a variety of topics.

[Register Here.](#)



The Essential Prayers and Songs for Our Shabbat Evening Services

To access a document with YouTube videos of the prayers and songs that we sing at our Shabbat evening services, [click here](#).



**Limud Torah/Torah Study Group
with Rabbi Emeritus Lawrence Silverman
Monday mornings, from 8:30-9:45 am**

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

It's Not Too Soon to Start Thinking About The High Holy Days! Where Have All the Prayer Books Gone?



If you have borrowed a copy of Mishkan T'filah for our Shabbat and Festivals services and/or the 2-volume set of Mishkan HaNefesh, the prayer books that we use for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, **PLEASE RETURN THEM**. These books are the property of Congregation Beth Jacob and are not available for home use. They are needed for our in-person services, both for our congregants and guests.

If you would like to have your own copy of these prayer books for your use at home, they are available on Amazon or through the CCAR Press website. Kindle copies, available at the Amazon website, are surprisingly inexpensive (under \$10 each.)

Details for how to purchase your own personal copies of these prayer books for use at home for Zoom services are on the next page.



To order a Kindle or hardcopy of Mishkan T'Filah, see the links below.

(<https://www.amazon.com/Mishkan-Tfilah-Complete-Festivals-Transliterated-ebook/dp/B01AWYWZFQ>) or through the CCAR website
(<https://www.ccarnet.org/publications/resources-repaginated/>)



To order copies of Mishkan HaNefesh (Volume 1 for Rosh Hashanah and Volume 2 for Yom Kippur), from Amazon, either in hard copy or in the Kindle version, click on this link.

https://www.amazon.com/s?k=Mishkan+HaNefesh&i=digital-text&crd=1TY2L31VLSBG2&sprefix=mishkan+hanefesh%2Cdigital-text%2C410&ref=nb_sb_noss_1

To order copies from the CCAR Press, either in hard copy or in the Kindle version, click on the link below.

https://www.ccarpress.org/shopping_product_detail.asp?pid=50288

The CCAR Press website will redirect you to the Amazon website if you choose the Kindle version of these prayer books.

Finally, please consider DONATING one or more copies of these prayer books to CBJ in honor of a special event - a wedding, a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, a birthday or anniversary - or in memory of a loved one. Bookplates will be placed into all prayer books that you have donated. You may contact Rabbi Mills for more information (cbjplymouthrabbi@gmail.com.)

Thank you!

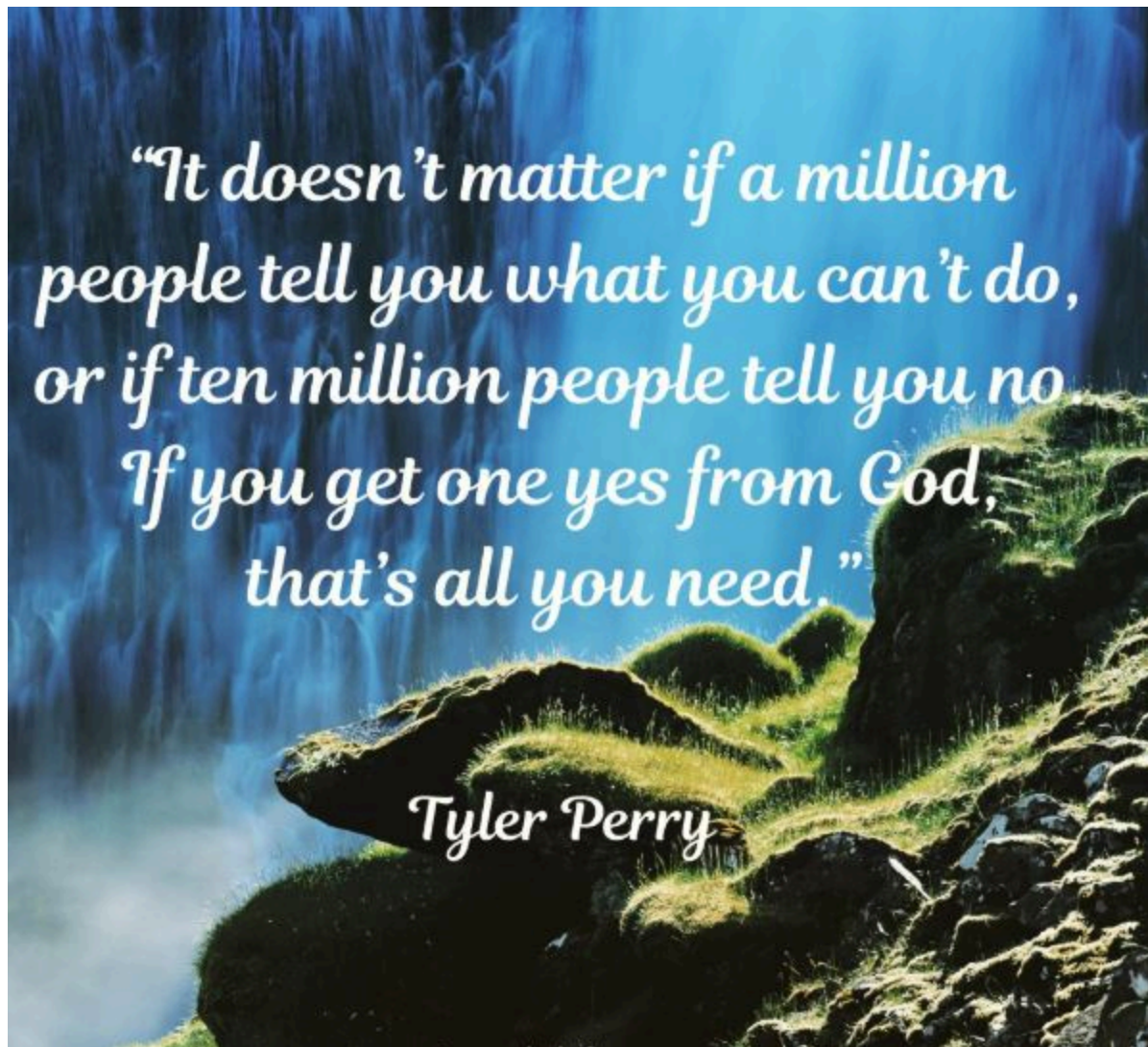
CBJ On The Move



The search is ongoing for CBJ's future new home - one that is located in our historic town of Plymouth, is fully handicap accessible, offers adequate parking, space to hold social and education events, an inviting environment for our Hebrew School students to meet and learn, a kitchen that is large enough to accommodate congregational dinners, one that affords us the space to grow and flourish. While the search has been frustrating and is taking far longer than we had hoped, we are confident that our goal is achievable. All we need is one - the right one.

Our Co-Presidents, Devon Fernald and Dianne Bluestein, together with Ethan Kusmin, have been investigating new properties as they have come onto the market, as well as options to purchase land on which to construct our new synagogue building.

Updated information about our search for a new building will be provided to our congregants at our Annual Meeting on June 29th.



Brotherhood News



Brotherhood Bowling **The 1st and 3rd THURSDAYS of the Month at 3:00 pm at Kingston** **Ten Pins** **(Please note the change!)**

We'll now be bowling the first and third **THURSDAYS** of every month at 3:00 pm. We bowl 3 strings and pay only the special rate of \$4.50/string. You don't need to have any equipment, as bowling shoe rental is available for a small additional fee, and there is a large selection of balls to use. This is a great way to get together with other members of Brotherhood, renew old friendships, and make new ones. You don't have to be good at bowling to participate - all you need is a good sense of humor! Contact Seth Teles at scteles@aol.com or Arnold Gladstein at aralglad@verizon.net and let us know if you would like to join us. Is your spouse or significant other welcome? Of course!



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.

Do you enjoy singing? Do you play a musical instrument? A few simple chords played on a guitar or the ethereal sound of a flute can do so much to enhance the beauty of our services. Are you adept with handling computer technology? We need someone in our congregation who is willing to assist with managing Zoom audio and video settings for our Shabbat services and other programs that are being streamed. There are so many different ways that your skills could enhance CBJ!

Please contact our co-Presidents, Devon Fernald and Dianne Bluestein, if you are able to help. president@cbjplymouth.org



Please Volunteer to Sponsor an Oneg!
We need an Oneg Sponsor for the August 1st Service.

If you would like to honor a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, etc.) in a very special way, please consider sponsoring an Oneg. A beautiful, welcoming Oneg table of challah, fruit, baked goods, or even ice cream sundaes is a sign of our warm hospitality to our congregants, guests, and prospective members.

When you are a member of our congregation, you are asked to step forward **once a year** to host or sponsor an Oneg Shabbat for the members who attend services in person. Sponsors are asked to contribute \$54.00 to cover the cost for the Oneg. We will purchase the foods for the Oneg table, set up and clean up. [Click here to sign up for a specific date and pay.](#) If you prefer, you may send a check, payable to CBJ Sisterhood, to Cindy Teles at 31 Birch Avenue, Plymouth, MA 02360.

Hosts are expected to purchase or bake the items for the Oneg and be there in person to help to set up and clean up. The choice of food items is up to you. The Oneg can be as elaborate or as simple as you like.

Please contact our Oneg Coordinator, Trish Garland ((trishrgarland@gmail.com) if you would like to sponsor or host an Oneg. Trish can provide advice about what items are popular, such as fresh fruit, nuts, baked goods (not necessarily homemade), ice cream with toppings, etc. It's a mitzvah!



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

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



Congregation Beth Jacob is grateful for all donations that are received. The following donations were recently received:

Yahrzeit/General Fund:

- Sherri and Ed Sore - in loving memory of Sherri's grandmother, Lily Winter
- David Dauer - in loving memory of Deb's father, Sydney Jacobs
- Ronnie Hirschhorn - in loving memory of her husband, Dan Hirschhorn and her mother, Frances Ribeck
- Ronald and Cherilynn Elowitz- in loving memory of Ron's father, Allan Elowitz
- Joseph and Paula Keller & the Keller Family - in loving memory of Paula's mother, Lucille Arons
- Phyllis Klasky -in loving memory of her grandfather, Philip Van West, her uncles, Joseph Van West, and her grandfather, Hyman John Klasky
- Jerry & Laura Treppel - in loving memory of Jerry's father, Maurice Treppel

Rose Sherman Geller Fund:

Anne Geller & the Lawrence D Geller family - in loving memory of Anne's husband, Lawrence D Geller

General Fund in Support of CBJ's Musical Shabbatot with Rachmiel Klein:

Judith & Allan Sherman



Funding for Rachmiel Klein's Monthly Musical Performances

Rachmiel has been a featured songleader at our Shabbat services over the past several months, adding a new vibrancy and joy to our worship. His fee is partially subsidized by generous donations from a congregant, together with contributions from the Ray & Milly Russo Fund for Music and the Arts and the Rose Sherman Geller Fund for Jewish Family Life. If you have been enjoying the music of Rachmiel Klein at our services, you may wish to contribute to those funds to replenish them.

[Click here for a list of funds where donations may be made.](#)

[Click here to make a donation online.](#)

Tikkun Olam



Thank you to everyone who donated food and toiletry items for our food drive and who volunteered to deliver our collection to Christ Church Parish. This mitzvah will help many of our neighbors who depend on our support.

This food drive was an example of Tikkun Olam in action. Our students had the opportunity to deliver the donations to the food pantry at the church and to learn how this effort affects the lives of members of the Plymouth community to rely on this support to care for their families. [To see photos of the food delivery that our Beit Sefer students made on Sunday, May 4th, click here.](#)

Cash Donations: If you wish to make a monetary donation, you may do so online using the CheddarUp payment link below or on our website, or you may send a check to Congregation Beth Jacob, PO Box 5769, Plymouth, MA 02161, Attention: Treasurer. **Be sure to note that this is a donation for the Food Bank.**

For more information, please contact Sue Moore at uzan@comcast.net.

CBJ's Ark Curtain Progress Report



We commissioned this Ark Curtain in the summer of 2021, upon the retirement of Rabbi Emeritus Lawrence Silverman. Expert embroidery artist, Elizabeth Creedan, was hired to design and complete this exquisite Ark Curtain. Elizabeth and her team of stitchers have also been working hard on the historic tapestries on display in Pilgrim Hall in Plymouth.

While progress on our Ark Curtain has been slower than we would have liked, Elizabeth has reported that the blue heron is now completed. [To see photographs of this work in progress, click here.](#)

As a wise person once said, “A watched pot never boils.” Patience is a virtue, and all good things come to those who wait. We trust that our beautiful new Ark Curtain will be completed soon!



Mi Sheberach (Prayers for Healing)

We pray for the Healing and Recovery of the following people, as well as all of those throughout the world who are suffering from violence, war and famine:

Michael Weiner
Isabelle Davis
Ina Lashin
Brian Lashin
Joseph Keller
Tracey Gutman
John R. Sore
Susan Basiri
Mary Ellen Dalgren
Maryann Leonard
Sandy Magnes Silverman
Julian Lindquist
Erin Sullivan
Linda Daubert
Benjamin Canter Stone
Leslie Portney
Joe Batista

Michael Marcus
Susan Penchansky
Callan Crowley
Lynne Matson
Judith Orr
Sandy Batista
Lauren DeFranzo
Carol Williams
Nan Noble
Gary Gersten
Jeff Shelly
Jerry Levine
Eileen Blumenthal
Andrea Weiss
Roberta Estep
Chris Davis
Ruth Anne Repking
Marilyn Levine

[To hear the beautiful song, Heal Us Now, performed by Hazamir Hasharon, click here.](#)



Yahrzeits That Will be Observed This Month

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

June

- 1 Irving Bellush - Arnold Bellush's Father
- 2 Minnie E. Kaplan - Fay Meltzer's mother
- 5 Solomon Bromberg - Milly Russo's father
- 5 Ralph Jacob Resnick
- 8 Amy B. Katzew - Jan Katzew's mother
- 9 Benjamin Bailey - Michael Weiner's grandfather
- 9 Esther Isaacson - Jeffrey Isaacson's mother
- 9 Jean T. Romanow - CBJ member, Edward's wife
- 10 Walter Kilimnik - Robin Hunter's father
- 11 Robert Dauer - David Dauer's father
- 13 Rose Dauer - David Dauer's mother
- 14 Joseph W. Swartz - Jack Swartz's father, Linda Hurwitz's grandfather
- 15 Alfred D. Bryan - Lynne Bryan father-in law
- 15 Hyman David Koblantz
- 17 Dora G. Bell - Lucille Arons's mother
- 17 Edith Lipetz - Irene Sarke's mother
- 17 Nathan Lury - Gail Lury Wax's father
- 17 Jacob William Yutan
- 18 Hattie Resnick Waterman - CBJ member
- 19 Jack Gurwitch - Bob Gurwitch's father
- 20 Bertram Gersten - Gary Gersten's father
- 20 Rachel Resnick
- 21 Leon Bromberg
- 21 Sara Skulsky
- 22 Myer "Mike" Starr - Nancy Pecorella & Marty Starr's father
- 23 William F. Melville - Theresa Wax's father
- 23 Ruth Putnam Sherman - Allan Sherman's mother
- 24 Carl Finer - Board member
- 24 Frances Taub - Sherman & Toabe cousin
- 25 Louis Koplan - Alan Koplan's father
- 26 Esther Ruth Keil
- 26 Zelda Selya Silverman - Rabbi Silverman's mother
- 30 Kate Hurwitz - James Hurwitz's mother
- 30 Miriam Kolbe - Andria Kolbe's mother
- 30 Mary Minsky - Jack Minsky's mother
- 30 Milton Moore - Susan Moore's father

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

CBJ Yizkor Book 2025-2026 (Update this!)



We must always remember. To remember the members of your family whom you have lost and who continue to hold a precious place in your heart, please consider contributing to the CBJ General Fund by supporting our annual Yizkor Book fundraiser.

Below is the Yizkor Book form so you can fill out the information needed for your memorials.

Please note that we are continuing to offer a new feature that we introduced last year. You can now add up to four photos to the Yom Kippur Yizkor Service powerpoint presentation that is shown at our High Holiday services.

Please send your form with your check by the deadline of **June 15th**.

Patty Sheehan
Yizkor Book Chair
100 Hillside Drive, Plymouth, MA 02360

The format of this Yizkor Book requires that memorial listings be by individual names only, without identification of relationship or terms of endearment. If memorializing two people who were life partners, they must be listed as two individual names.

Donation \$9 per name

Example

In Memory of: Remembered by one of the following choices:

John Doe

1) John Adams

2) Mr. and Mrs. John Adams

3) Mr. and Mrs. John Adams and Family

4) John Adams and Abigail Smith

Jane Doe

5) John and Abigail Adams and Family

TOTAL \$18 for 2 memorials @9 per name

NAMES TO BE REMEMBERED (Please print clearly)

Name: Remembered by:

___ Submit same as last year, no additions, corrections, or deletions

___ Full page- with text and/or photos for family memorials, or the dedication of this edition @ \$180

___ Half page- with up to 12 lines of text and/or photo @ \$ 90

___ Holocaust Remembrance Page- in memory of those who perished @ \$9 per line of text.

___ I would like a copy of "We Remember Them" sent to me.

___ I would like to submit up to 4 photos for \$18 to add to the Yizkor Service powerpoint presentation. (Submit up to 4 photos to cbjpymouthrabbi@gmail.com)

Please use the back of this form for additional names to be listed in the Yizkor book and for the text of the full, or half page(s).

Please accept the enclosed total tax-deductible contribution of \$ _____ to memorialize my loved one(s) in the 2023-2024 Congregation Beth Jacob, We Remember Them.

Name of Contributor: _____

Address: _____

City and zip code: _____

Phone- home or cell: _____

This form must be completed and returned with your check, payable to Congregation Beth Jacob, by the deadline of **JUNE 15th**. Please send checks to: Patty Sheehan, 100 Hillside Drive, Plymouth, MA 02360

If you have questions about this form, please contact Patty at 774-269-3736 or patriciabessersheehan@gmail.com



Brotherhood Is Back!

Over the 100 year history of CBJ, Brotherhood has established itself as an essential part of this congregation...this community. Our mantra has been: "to do everything we can to help this synagogue grow and flourish....and have fun doing it."

Please become a member of CBJ Brotherhood so that we can continue this much needed help for our beloved CBJ as well as our extended Plymouth community.

NAME _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

AREAS OF INTEREST _____

Talent(s) that you would be willing to share _____

If you have any new ideas for programming or Brotherhood activities for the coming year, we look forward to hearing them. If you prefer being non-participatory, we still welcome and look forward to your membership. We thank you for your generous support.

Basic Membership (\$25)____ Mitzvah Membership (\$36)____ Big Macha (\$54) _____

Make your check payable to: CBJ Brotherhood

Please indicate "Dues Payment" and mail to:

Seth Teles, 31 Birch Avenue, Plymouth, MA 02360



The Next Sisterhood Meeting
Monday, June 9th, at 7:00 pm by Zoom

Regular Monthly Sisterhood Meetings: are held on the second Monday of each month. Your input is important to us! What sorts of programs would YOU like to participate in during the coming months? Future potential events include a mystery ride, game night, a pot luck lunch, a talent show, and a series of programs focusing on Jewish Women of Action. Please come to the meeting and share your ideas!

The Zoom link for Sisterhood meetings:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81885106141?pwd=dHd6LzMzSTRJZ2J6VmM2WIBZenpXZz09>

Meeting ID: 818 8510 6141 Passcode: 579857

Join Us for Our Next Sisterhood Event!
Thursday, June 5, 1:00-2:30 pm
In the Crafts Room at the Plymouth Public Library
This Program is Open to All But Space is Limited!



Our own nationally-acclaimed Cantor Laney Katzew will speak to us about the 50th anniversary of years of women being ordained as Cantors in the Reform movement. We hope you can join us! RSVP's would be much appreciated. [Click here to let us know if you plan to come..](#)

Please Join Sisterhood!

Sisterhood has always been a backbone of CBJ, with its donation to the temple, the sponsoring of onegs and other events, and its various activities. In order for Sisterhood to continue in this vital role, we need you!!! **It is not necessary to be a member of CBJ to be a member of Sisterhood.**

There are 3 levels of dues.

\$25- ruby level

\$36- emerald level

\$54- diamond level

Please send your check, payable to CBJ Sisterhood, to Cindy Teles at 31 Birch Ave.
Plymouth, MA 02360.

OR

You may pay online at <https://my.cheddarup.com/c/cbj-sisterhood/items>

Thank you!



Sisterhood Application Form

Name _____

Phone _____ (home) _____ (cell)

Email _____

Area of interest _____

Talent you would be willing to share with the group _____

Program suggestions _____

If you prefer to be an inactive member, please indicate that preference here: _____

Dues are a primary source of funds for many projects. Even if you can't participate, please join us and support our important programs and activities.

Ruby Membership: _____ \$25.00

Emerald Membership: _____ \$36.00

Diamond Membership: _____ \$54.00

Make your check payable to Beth Jacob Sisterhood and put "Sisterhood Dues" in the Memo line. Please mail to: Cindy Teles, 31 Birch Avenue, Plymouth MA 02360.

NEW! ONLINE PAYMENTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!

You may now pay your Sisterhood dues online! [CLICK HERE](#)! Be sure to note that your payment is for Sisterhood dues. Thank you!

Recipe for Lemon Ricotta Pancakes (Perfect for Shavuot)

Courtesy of Tina Wasserman, from the URJ website



This recipe Makes 20 silver dollar size pancakes

INGREDIENTS

1 tablespoon unsalted butter
1 cup whole milk ricotta
2 eggs
2 tablespoons light brown sugar
Zest of 1/2 medium lemon, finely minced
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons whole-wheat flour
2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
Unsalted butter for frying

DIRECTIONS

1. Place the 1 tablespoon of butter in a 1 1/2-quart glass bowl and microwave on high for 40 seconds or until the butter is melted.
2. Add the ricotta and eggs and mix well with a whisk to thoroughly combine.
3. Add the brown sugar, lemon zest, vanilla, nutmeg, salt, and the two flours and stir well.
4. Heat a griddle over medium-high heat and rub the end of a stick of butter all over the surface of the pan to coat it well.
5. Drop heaping tablespoons of batter onto the griddle and cook for 3 minutes or until the underside of the pancake is golden brown and the top is slightly dry.
6. Gently flip the pancakes over (it might be easier to use 2 small spatulas to do this), and cook for another 2 minutes until the edges are barely crisp and both sides are golden brown.
7. Serve drizzled with additional melted butter, honey, or a dollop of sour cream, if desired.

Notes: These pancakes are as light as air and delicate, so turning is best achieved using two spatulas, one in each hand, to evenly brown both sides.

Whole-wheat flour contains more gluten than white flour, so less is needed in delicate foods to bind ingredients together.

A rasp-type grater is perfect for creating fine shards of lemon zest that will flavor the batter evenly without any bitter white pith from the inner peel.