



The Shofar

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MEN'S CLUB PRESENTS:

Doo Wop

and

Comedy

Night

**HOSTED BY DR. HARRY FREEDMAN
HEADLINER BUDDY FITZPATRICK**

**with
plus**

CHRIS MURPHY & JOE CURRIE

THE TRIBUNES ACAPELLA GROUP

SAT. MARCH 5, 2022 @ 7:30 PM

**\$36 | INCLUDES WINE/CHEESE/DESSERT
CHECKS PAYABLE TO 'TOE MEN'S CLUB'**

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We encourage our members to submit articles, photos and simchas for us to include in future issues.

We would love to include any good news you have to share in our **Tell and Kvell** section. Please let us know of weddings, births, awards, etc.

Please forward all such information to:

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Our expanded and redecorated Temple can accommodate your celebration: Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Kiddush, Havdalah Service, Luncheon, Wedding, Bris and all other types of parties.

Shawn and Scott will be happy to help you plan a memorable occasion for your family.

Please contact Hasson Caterers to consider having your simcha at Temple Or Elohim. **(516) 937-0120 or 0121**

Thoughts & Prayers:

We offer our prayers of healing and heartfelt thoughts to acknowledge those of us who have had an illness or are in need of healing (mind, body and soul).

Please do not hesitate to contact Rav Judy, Cantor Katz or our Caring Committee.

Sponsor an Oneg:

A special way to celebrate your family's simcha is by sponsoring a Friday night oneg. Your sponsorship will be acknowledged in the pamphlet and announced from the Bimah. You will not only be making a wonderful gesture on behalf of your family, but will be helping out your Temple as well.

Please call Laurel Fried at (516) 794-0036.

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Services Schedule:

Fri.	Feb 4	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Sat.	Feb 5	Shabbat Service Bat Mitzvah Madison Brand	10:0 AM
Fri.	Feb 11	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Sat.	Feb 12	Torah Study with Rabbi	10:30 AM
Fri.	Feb 18	Erev Shabbat Service With Special Musical Guest	7:30 PM
Sat.	Feb 19	Torah Study with Rabbi	10:30 AM
Fri.	Feb 25	Erev Shabbat Service	7:30 PM
Sat.	Feb 26	Torah Study with Rabbi	10:30 AM



Keep Handy for Reference:

CALL AND TELL US If there is a death or illness in the family
 Daytime – Temple Office (516)433-9888
 Otherwise – Rav Judy (516)662-0194 or Cantor Katz at (516)849-1332

Consultations with the clergy before final scheduling of services will help ensure availability.



Baskets on the Bimah

A great way to honor a simcha is by sponsoring a basket on the bimah.

Proceeds go to assist local needy families. Any congregant can have a basket displayed on the bimah for Shabbat by bringing a minimum of \$36 to the Temple Office, at least one week in advance.

President's Message:

The Best Medicine



As I write this in early January, the whole world suffers from COVID fatigue. Infection rates are skyrocketing. Most people did everything right in terms of getting the initial vaccinations and the booster, as well as engaging in safe practices both at work and in their personal lives. When in the early summer we thought we were out of the woods, then came August and the Delta variant, followed in December by the Omicron variant. Vaccinated and boosted people were and still are testing positive. We are all feeling vulnerable in a way that we have not, since the vaccines first started to roll out last winter.

The best medicine for such feelings is optimism. The glass is half full, not half empty. If you've taken the sensible step of getting yourselves and your children ages 5+ vaccinated and then the booster as soon as you were eligible, be confident that even if you do test positive for COVID, you are likely to have mild symptoms or even no symptoms. Under recent late December CDC guidelines, vaccinated and "boosted" individuals do not have to quarantine even if exposed to someone who tested positive, as-long-as they wear a mask. We are past the holiday season, so the spike in infection rates should start to head downward. It won't be much longer until the weather gets warmer and we can resume more outdoor activities. Logic tells us that with proper vaccination and a few extra precautions, we should be able to lead active everyday lives with only a few necessary adaptations.

The Temple is here to feed that optimism. We can all use a good laugh right now and the Temple is the place to do so. The Men's Club's Comedy-Doo Wop Night is scheduled to go forward on Saturday night, March 5. Reserve your tickets now by contacting Goldie in the Temple's office or Phil Rubin. Anyone who has attended any of these nights in the past knows how much fun they are. For safety reasons, tables will be spaced further apart than in the past and there will be no buffet dinner but there will be wine, cheese and desserts. Likewise, we still have our Purim Shpiel on the schedule for March 18th. Catch some "Friday Night Fever" as we once again hope to perform the wonderful Purim Shpiel penned by our very own Barry Pelofsky two years ago that was twice postponed due to COVID. Planning has been going on for musical treats over the course of the Spring, as well as the Cantor's annual concert, tentatively scheduled for June 12th.

We will continue to do what we have done since the pandemic started in March of 2020. While other temples may take the easy way out, we will always go that extra mile to do as much as is safely possible to enable you to connect to our Temple and your fellow congregants both in-person and virtually.

Stay warm and safe.

Neil Miller, President



Join Our Youth Choir

- Have Fun
- Make Friends
- Learn Songs
- Perform During Services

Join Our Adult Choir

- Make friends
- Experience camaraderie
- Connect to your spiritual self
- Learn new renditions of songs
- Perform during services

For additional information call the Temple Office (516)433-9888 Ext.14

Rabbi's Corner:



My family and I are recovered from a bout with the Omicron variant of the Coronavirus. Despite following best practices and guidelines, we fell ill. Thank God, for us this bout was not serious, we felt cold symptoms and nothing more. The quarantine period was instructional for me. Quarantine is lonely but also freeing. I was free to concentrate on recuperation, getting the needed rest and fluids required, knowing I could be nowhere else but home. I did miss seeing people outside my family. I appreciate the calls and texts of those who checked in with me to see how I was faring. The Jewish value of Bikkur Cholim, visiting the sick, is a wonderful mitzvah. Under Covid circumstances, visiting cannot be in person, but phone calls, texts and emails were equally appreciated. I also learned that multitasking is not always the best way to approach life. Slowing down and accomplishing one thing at a time is both satisfying and helped me value each task more. One never wants to learn lessons in this way but there was value even in this small bit of adversity. Mostly, I am grateful for our restored health and dedicated to incorporate newly achieved realizations into my life.

May we all see an end to COVID soon and until then be part of those mitigating its effects. We can thank our COVID team for keeping us safe at Temple and follow their guidelines at all times to help in these efforts.

Rabbi Judy

Online Donations Made Easy

To make a donation on-line, go to the home page of our Temple's website, orelohim.com, scroll down to the "Donate Now" button and click on it. You will be brought to a different webpage. Fill in Account (credit card) Information. Then, fill in your Billing Information. At the end of this section there is a required field entitled "Purpose of Donation" which has a drop-down menu of 6 listings. If the donation does not fit any of the first 4 options, then click on either "Specific Purpose" or "Other". Underneath the "Purpose of Donation" line, there is another required field entitled "Donation Details". You should enter the particular reason for the donation, for example "High Holiday Appeal", "High Holiday Card" or "Honey From Your Heart." Complete the transaction. THANK YOU for thinking about donating to our Temple!

Please read this notice before writing a check to Rabbi's or Cantor's Discretionary Fund!

On the latest version of the Donations Form, there are instructions for the wording of the "Payable To" line on your check. The form is included in the Shofar every month. Please follow the instructions on the form; it will save us time and effort and Rabbi or Cantor will receive the funds so much sooner! Thank you for your cooperation.

Goldie and Robin

Yarmulkes:

Order yarmulkes for your Bar/Bat Mitzvah or Wedding at discounted prices from NOW (formerly Sisterhood).

There is a tremendous variety of colors available. FREE IMPRINTING IN SILVER OR GOLD for orders of 5 dozen or more. If more than one color or less than 5 dozen are ordered there's an additional fee. A charge of \$15 for shipping and processing is added to all orders.

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Moire	\$25/dozen
Raw Silk	\$28/dozen

Please contact
Susan Bloomberg at (516)639-3982.

Cantor's Message:

Shalom,

I hope all of you had a safe and healthy first month of the year. In many of my Shofar articles, I often write about taking better care of ourselves and treating ourselves with more compassion, care and understanding. We should give ourselves a break so that we can feel less stressed and more at peace, even if it is in a simple and small way. By now, perhaps some of you may have made some New Year's resolutions and maybe even broken them!



The new year always seems to pose a certain type of pressure for us to become more than we have been, to try and take better care of ourselves, lose weight etc. Did you ever wonder why and how this "tradition" came to be? There is quite a history behind the making of New Year's resolutions.

The ancient Babylonians are said to have been the first people to make New Year's resolutions, some 4,000 years ago. They were also the first to hold recorded celebrations in honor of the new year, though for them the year did not begin in January but in mid-March when the crops were planted.

In ancient Rome, circa 46 B.C.E., the reform-minded emperor Julius Caesar tinkered with the calendar and established January 1 as the beginning of the new year. It was named for Janus, the two-faced god whose spirit inhabited doorways and arches. January had special significance for the Romans. Believing that Janus symbolically looked backwards into the previous year and ahead into the future, the Romans offered sacrifices to the deity and made promises of good conduct for the coming year.

For early Christians, the first day of the new year became the traditional occasion for thinking about one's past mistakes and resolving to do and be better in the future. In 1740, Christianity created the Covenant Renewal Service, most-commonly held on New Year's Eve or New Year's Day. Services included readings from Scriptures and hymn singing. It served as a spiritual alternative to the raucous celebrations normally held to celebrate the coming of the new year.

By now you may be wondering if there is any Jewish historical connection to New Year's resolutions. Well, keep wondering because there is none! And why is that? It is because as Jews, we already have an entire system for making resolutions and a new year celebration - Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur!

While it is fine and in no way wrong for a Jewish person to make traditional New Year's resolutions, the real work happens during the High Holidays. In addition, it is commonly believed and encouraged that every day is a day of resolutions for a Jewish soul. That each day is a never-ending cycle of renewal by trying to make yourself a better person.

As I mentioned before, very often I try to convey the message that YOU are the most important person in your life. If you are experiencing and living a healthy lifestyle consisting of self-care and self-love, then you are on your way to being able to become a better person, each and every day, as well as being more present and available to those in your life that need you the most. Part of this also includes giving back to the community in which we live. Perhaps you can try to become a more active participant in our Temple community in small increments; Go to a Shabbat service once a month and light Shabbat candles in your house once a month. With your kids, give a little more to a charity or once every couple of months volunteer for an hour, as a family.

There are so many things you can do on a daily basis to make the new year a continual daily cycle of resolutions. The benefit you and your family will receive could change your life.

B'shalom,

Cantor Katz

Religious School:

Shalom Parents!

While February is a short month in our religious school, once again we have persevered through a difficult time. Last month, January 2022, we had to return to remote learning. A heartfelt thank you to Clergy, Teachers, Goldie and Robin for your ongoing efforts. While this may not have been welcomed by some, in Judaism we have the duty to practice Pikuach nefesh (watching over a soul). The preservation of human life outweighs any other rule.



Our Covid Task Force, under the guidance of Dr. Neil Brodsky, has continued to work tirelessly to protect our Temple Family with procedures and protocols so we may remain open and stay safe. On behalf of our Religious School a huge thank you to Dr. Brodsky and the entire Covid Task Force, as well as our Temple President Neil Miller and School Board Co-Presidents Susan Bloomberg and Jamie Schultz for your ongoing support.

Although snow is falling here, in Israel the flowers are blooming. Tu B'Shevat fell on the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Shevat. It celebrates the "birthday" of trees. Jews all over the world find unique ways to celebrate the beauty and the variety of trees growing in Israel. Many donate to the Jewish National Fund so a tree can be planted in honor or in memory of a person. It is also customary to eat and try a variety of fruits, especially those grown in Israel.

Our students participated in activities and discussions centered around the importance of trees and how trees can be symbolic of so many things, for example: The Tree of Life. Our children continue to amaze me with their thoughts and ideas. Each day I too learn something from our children that continues to resonate with me for years to come.

My hope and wish is that we continue to work together and remain strong. We have come this far and together we will overcome the obstacles and "Keep the Faith."

Wishing all of you a safe and restful winter.

B'Shalom,
Deborah E. Tract, Director of Education

Men's Club

Yeah, baby it's cold outside! As we are now in February, we are just about at the midpoint of winter, with cold days and unwelcome snow and ice. Unfortunately, we have a few weeks more to endure of winter. It has also been a difficult few months as the latest wave of the Pandemic has affected what we do and where we go.



Here at Men's Club, we have had Zoom monthly meetings and even special Zoom chats scheduled while we watched the NFL playoff games in our homes. These events bring us together and allow us to enjoy the company of members as if we are in someone's living room (minus the snacks). Even if we didn't all agree on who we were rooting for, it was fun. This was the second year we joined on Zoom to watch a few games together.

In the next few months, we have our Comedy Night scheduled for March 5th and a Movie Night in mid-April. Details will be forthcoming. The springtime will also bring planned hikes, park walks and a Mets game to look forward to (assuming there is a Mets game in May with the continuing MLB **lockout**).

So, join us at our meetings. March 1st and April 5th are the next dates. Bring your conversation, jokes, riddles...anything goes. We are always looking to grow our membership with guys who are interested in taking part in the many activities we plan.

Stay warm and stay safe!

Mark Starr
Co-President

N.O.W. (Network of Women)



"Make great creative work- but step outside your comfort zone, out in the world- little things often lead to something bigger." Annie Stoll (Oneonta Alumni Class of 2008)

A lovely little quote I read a few months back from my Oneonta Alumni magazine. What struck me was the second half of her quote and so I hung it on my bulletin board as inspiration for a Shofar article which happens to be now, the February issue.

"...little things often lead to something bigger" is what leads me into my article. Sue Zichlin has been the treasurer of N.O.W. (formerly Sisterhood) for more years than even I have been a president. She's good at her "job." No, actually she's excellent at her "job" and quite honestly as an organization we cannot function without her. Sue is organized, accurate and timely and rarely, if ever, has said no to me for any request no matter how big or small. In a pre-pandemic world when we had multiple in-person functions and fundraisers, she was always present, not only helping out in the capacity of treasurer but as a member, a team player whether for us or our Temple as a whole. As a volunteer who helps to run N.O.W. she has been there for more than 17 years. It was the little thing which was probably the ASK (will you be our treasurer?) that led to her bigger thing (which could be her longevity) not only for N.O.W. but as a congregant. She's involved. I'd like to take this time to recognize Sue Zichlin and say thank you for all the little things you do that has continually led us into something bigger than before.

NOW for the News:

Super Bowl is coming up on February 13 and anyone who would like to buy a box or two or three (or more!) please contact Robin at Handson64@aol.com or call 516.681.9070. One box is \$10 or 4 boxes for \$36. Please see the flyer at the end of the Shofar.

Book Club will resume on February 28 at 7:30 PM and the book we will be discussing is Wish You Were Here by Jodi Picoult. Zoom link will be sent in a weekly blast closer to the date.

As of this writing (January 7th) we are supposed to be having our annual AED CPR certification and recertification class. Fingers crossed that we now have new first responders at TOEACRC. If not then, it will be rescheduled!

Please be on the lookout via email blasts and Facebook for our next holiday fundraiser in mid-March... PURIM and the gift of goodies of Shalach Manot. We always appreciate your support!

I took the month of January "off" (except to write this newsletter), so I hope you all had a safe, happy, healthy secular New Year.

I'll end with the thought of: Be like Sue and say yes to join us (even easier with Zoom) for a meeting or participate in an event or fundraiser. That one little step outside your comfort zone can lead to bigger things ahead!

Cheers to you!

Robin Grossman, President of N.O.W.

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Social Action Committee

The Social Action Committee is collecting comfort food items during the winter months. Soup, oatmeal, tea/coffee, pasta, and any other non-perishable food items you enjoy eating during the winter months are greatly appreciated. We will also gladly accept paper goods/cleaning supplies. Thanks in advance for your generosity!

Susan Levine, Chair, Social Action Committee

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Yahrzeits:**Week of February 5**

Gussie Adler, Irving Antosofsky, Gertrude Blackman, Toddy Blidner, Felix Brettner, Helen Bukzin, Harry Danis, Rose Entman, Sam Fleisher, Edith Fradin, Justin Frank, Abraham Friedman, Robyn Garfinkel, Jean Glassman, Martin Goldfarb, Rose Goldfarb, Leo Goldgrub, Freda Goldman, Goldie Hans, Claire Hoffman, Dora Itzigson, Fannie Korb, Michael Lehner, Barnett Levine, Harold A. Levine, Lillyan Mender, Edward Merlis, Sandra Moss, Marvin Mozgin, Harry David Nathanson, Pearl Neier, Anna Orange, Louis Peller, Eli Polack, Rose Rankin, Edward Rose, Frederick Rosenberg, Adam Schein, Roger Schwartz, Max Shankman, Shep Siegel, Abraham Sternfeld, Louis Sternschein and Louis Strell

Week of February 12

Harold Abrams, Lisa Antosofsky, George Auerbach, Beatrice Bernfeld, Ida Blumenson, Samuel Blumenson, Estelle Brodsky, Sally Cohen, Pamela Danielian, Samuel Deutschman, Mary Eisenberg, David Eisenger, Martha Fagen, Henrietta Feinberg, Murray Forster, Nathan Franco, Benjamin Freedman, Morris Glickman, Jacob Goldberg, Gary Goodman, Herbert Grayson, Joseph Harris, Harry Held, Adolph Hersh, Joseph Jackman, Abraham Jaret, Robert Jedeikin, Ben Kanter, Lillian Karp, Hanna Kirschbaum, Sylvan Lissauer, Robert Lobell, Jack Lurie, Pearl Mast, Janet Oscar, Neil Ostrow, Lillian Piken, Harry Ritterband, Jennie Rosenberg, Lillian Rosenthal, Bertha Ruff, Beatrice Saltz, Jack Schreiber, Pauline Serota, Jack Walter Siegel, Shirley Silpe, Jerome Sobel, Clara Trichlinger, David Warshawsky, Pauline Weingart, Emil Winzelberg, May Wittner, Alfred Wolfner and Rose Yaglom

Week of February 19

Harold Bachrach, Gussie Belkin, Louis Berkman, Roberta Bilfeld, Mortimer Burger, Frances Cohn, Murray Dichek, Sylvia Feinstein, Randy Forte, Irving Goodman, Beatrice Hart, Stephen Herman, Martin Heyman, Lucille Jacobs, Sidney Jainchill, Bernard Keller, Abraham Levine, Arlene Mitchel, Frances Helen Moed, William Newman, Joseph Novak, Joseph Passaro, Samuel Prussoff, Ruth Robbins, Samuel Rodin, Esther Roseman, Sylvia Rosen, Stanley Rosenbluth, Jack Schmertzler, Anna Schottland, Rebecca Seiden, Dorothy Singer, Stephen Sophir, Bruce Unger, Jack Uretsky, Laura Wasserman, Charles Wisotsky and Gunter Wolff

Week of February 26

Aaron Ackerman, Bertha Adler, Julius Barcham, Rose Chafetz, F. Blake Cloonen, Herman Nathan Cohen, Sylvia Colen, Marc Doctors, Isidore Ehrlich, Rose Fern, Mollie Goldis, Albert Goldman, Sheldon Gordon, Leonard Gottlieb, Abraham Grosman, Ethel Herman, Louis Herman, Sylvia Herman, Ida Hill, Arlene Hughes, Nesbith Hurwitch, Vivian Jacobs, Arleen Kaye, Julie Kline, Marvin Mozgin, Tracy Naviasky, Rose Obornik, Bessie Pokorny, Mary Polatnick, Selma Praga, Noima Rabunski, Herman Resnick, Joseph Rosenberg, Rita Rosenstein, Barbara Schubert, Dora Schwartz, Bessie Singer, Celia Sklar, Pearl Sklar, Phoebe Stampnitsky, Robert Stern, Morris Susser, Ruth Teichholz and Alfred Wertheim

Torah Notes:**February 5: Terumah, Exodus 25:1-27:19**

God asks the Israelites to "make for Me a sanctuary so I may dwell amongst them." This portion contains a blueprint for construction of this Tabernacle. It discusses some important symbols that should appear in the tabernacle, including the menorah ark and altar. Complete with materials, dimensions and detailed instructions, this portion is any architect's delight.

February 12: Tetzaveh, Exodus 27:20-30:10 Shabbat Zachor

Moses receives instructions for kindling the sanctuary's eternal light, the *ner tamid*. This text is the origin for the eternal light that appears in most Jewish sanctuaries, including our own. Aaron and his sons are introduced as priests and the Israelites are asked to create for them sacred vestments to wear while performing their duties in and around the tabernacle. The priests are ordained through a ritual ceremony that includes sacrifice.

February 19: Ki Tisa, Exodus 30:11-34:35

This Torah portion begins discussing the creation of the Sanctuary. Israelites are asked to contribute a half shekel of silver to create it. God places "wise hearted" artisans Betzalel and Oholiav in charge of the Sanctuary's construction. The Torah portion then switches abruptly to Moses, who did not return from Mt. Sinai quickly enough for the anxious Israelites. They create a golden calf and begin to worship it. Upon seeing the Israelites dancing to an idol, a distressed Moses breaks the tablets containing the Ten Commandments. After begging for God's forgiveness Moses receives the Ten Commandments once more.

February 26: Vayakhail, Exodus 35:1-38:20

This portion tells of the plans and details concerning the building of Israel's first house of worship. This all takes place in the Wilderness of Sinai as the people progress on their long march to the Promised Land. A voluntary contribution campaign system is set up by Moses and the people give generously, funds about which much speculation became centered.

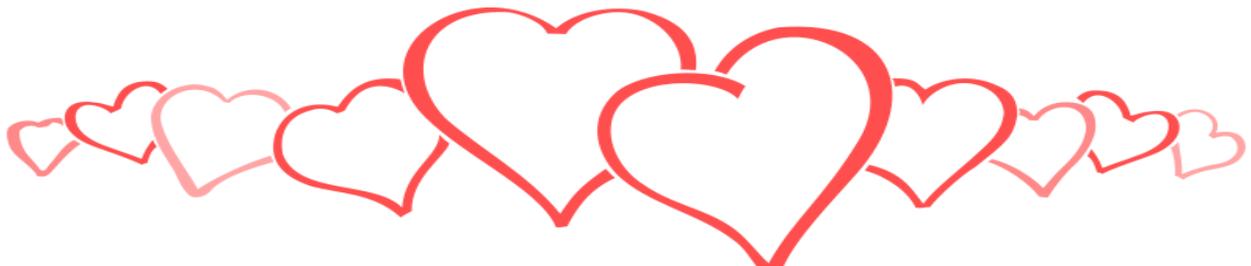
February Birthdays

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| 1 Adam Gluck | 12 David Kugel | 21 Jennifer Liebman |
| 1 Esther Reich | 12 Craig Lonshein | 22 Rachel Debra Ross |
| 1 Ronald Schubert | 13 Brooke Braunstein | 22 Samantha Wolff |
| 1 Peyton Wayne | 13 Tyler Corey | 23 Jeffrey Scherr |
| 2 Marilyn Milstein | 13 Benjamin Kestenbaum | 24 Noah Adler |
| 4 Boris Sklar | 13 Noah Lucas | 24 Michael Leff |
| 5 Lauryn Fried | 14 Jessica Berman | 24 Caryn Mark |
| 6 Robin Grossman | 14 Steven Blidner | 25 Jeanette Aronowitz |
| 6 Linda Jankowitz | 14 Katherine Synnott | 25 Laurel Fried |
| 6 Leslie Rosner | 14 Thomas Synott | 25 Seth Fried |
| 7 Larry Jacobs | 15 Ann Middleman | 25 Norman Karp |
| 8 Evan Beller | 16 Seth Jared Wactlar | 25 Lori Lampert |
| 8 Mitchell Beller | 17 Abraham Gottlieb | 25 Debra Pastolove |
| 8 Laurence Doctors | 18 Sidney Eisenberg | 26 Daniel Green |
| 8 Stephanie Drew Katz | 18 Eric Wasserman | 27 Gabriela Hart |
| 8 Max Mogavero | 18 Martin Weiss | 27 Jackie Singer |
| 9 Spencer Ross | 19 Sherri Graber | 27 Matilda Wolfson |
| 9 Sydney Sabesan | 19 Jeffrey Lomasky | 28 Seth Feinman |
| 9 Edward Weintraub | 20 Jeff Fried | 28 Lisa Steiner |
| 10 Maureen Pelofsky | 20 Charles Goodman | 29 Jessica Gerschitz |
| 11 Samantha Mender | 21 Madison Birnbaum | 29 Shana Misorek |
| 11 Bill Robeson | 21 Edward Kislik | |

Happy Birthday

February Anniversaries

- 3 Ed & Judy Kislik
- 3 Sheldon & Matilda Wolfson



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 In honor of Colby Adams becoming a
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Football Pool FUNDRAISER

***COST: 1 box for \$10 /4 boxes for \$36.**

DEADLINE TO PURCHASE BOXES WILL BE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2022.

*We will do a live Zoom for anyone who wishes to witness the axes setup the day before Super Bowl on February 13th at 4:30 PM. Once the boxes and axes are filled an email will be sent to each participant so you can watch your numbers the day of the game.

***The monies collected will be divided as follows:**

50% will go towards the fundraiser

1st Quarter 10%, HALFTIME 25%, 3rd Quarter 15%, FINAL SCORE 50%. The prize amount will be determined based on the number of boxes sold. NO REFUNDS!

*The score is based upon the last digit of a two digit score. In other words, if the score is 21 to 13 we use the numbers 1 and 3 on the axis of the correct teams.

*Watch the game at home on Sunday, February 13, 2022 with kickoff at 6:30 PM.

***Sign up and payment can be done two ways.**

1. Fill out this form and send a check made out to Temple Or Elohim Sisterhood and remit to: Robin Grossman/15 Garden Place/Jericho/NY/11753. RANDOM boxes will be assigned with your name. You will get a confirmation of receipt via email.

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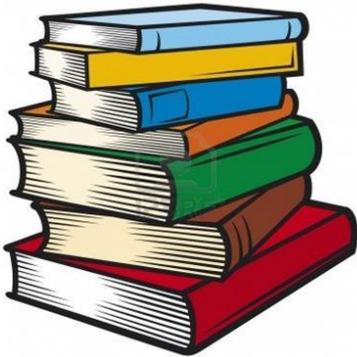
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WISH YOU WERE HERE

By Jodi Picoult

Diana O'Toole is perfectly on track. She will be married by thirty, done having kids by thirty-five, and move out to the New York City suburbs, all while climbing the professional ladder in the cutthroat art auction world. She's not engaged just yet, but she knows her boyfriend, Finn, a surgical resident, is about to propose on their romantic getaway to the Galápagos—days before her thirtieth birthday. Right on time.

But then a virus that felt worlds away has appeared in the city, and on the eve of their departure, Finn breaks the news: It's all hands on deck at the hospital. He has to stay behind. You should still go, he assures her, since it would be a shame for all of their nonrefundable trip to go to waste. And so, reluctantly, she goes.

Almost immediately, Diana's dream vacation goes awry. The whole island is now under quarantine, and she is stranded until the borders reopen. Completely isolated, she must venture beyond her comfort zone. Slowly, she carves out a connection with a local family when a teenager with a secret opens up to Diana, despite her father's suspicion of outsiders.

Diana finds herself examining her relationships, her choices, and herself—and wondering if when she goes home, she too will have evolved into someone completely different.

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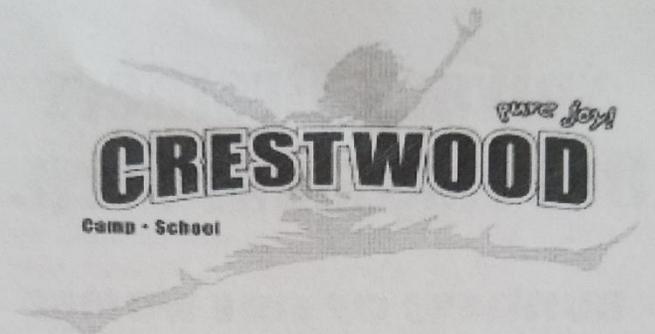
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 No Religious School Men's Club Mtg 7:30 PM	2 Strategic Planning Committee Mtg 8:00 PM	3 Lunch-n-Learn 12 Noon Torah Study 7:30 PM	4 Erev Shabbat Svs 7:30 PM	5 Shabbat Service 10:00 AM Bat Mitzvah Madison Brand
6	7 N.O.W. Mtg 7:30 PM	8 Ritual Committee Mtg 7:30 PM	9 Executive Committee Mtg 8:00 PM	10	11 Erev Shabbat Svs 7:30 PM	12 Torah Study 10:30 AM
13	14 Finance Committee Mtg 7:30 PM	15 Membership Committee Mtg 7:00 PM Board of Trustees Mtg 8:00 PM	16	17	18 Erev Shabbat Svs with Special Musical Guest 7:30 PM	19 Torah Study 10:30 AM
20 Roundtable Rap 10:30 AM	21 Religious School Recess begins	22	23	24	25 Erev Shabbat Svs 7:30 PM	26 Torah Study 10:30 AM
27	28 Religious School Resumes N.O.W. Book Club 7:30 PM					

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