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True Illumination

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Seventeen hours per day. That is one estimate of how much time the average American spends looking at screens, based on pre-pandemic survey data. Even if the number is only half of that, the reality is still staggering. We are now almost permanently plugged into the Internet, and, just to make matters worse, we have all been confined by artificial intelligence technology into our own information bubbles, where our own opinions and ideas are constantly recirculated back to us through social media, where the news we choose to read reinforces our skewed opinions over and over. Everywhere I go, I see families and friends gathered together in public, looking at screens and not interacting. I see drivers looking at their devices instead of at the road. I see myself spending more time soaking up all that wonderful digital content than talking to human beings face-to-face.

Wherever we go, our lives are illuminated by the soft, bluish glow of millions of light-emitting diodes, which shout at us all day long: "Pay attention to me!"

The kindling of lights on Hanukkah is meant to recall an ancient miracle of good over evil, of the one true God over idolatry, of illumination over darkness. It reminds us of the triumph of Jewish tradition over the Hellenistic invaders. We are still here, and where are they?

Those lights represent not only the oil of the ancient menorah in the Temple, but also the primordial light from the first act of Creation, the light which pre-existed that of the sun and moon and stars. Those lights speak to our essential imperative to seek good in this world, to maintain the kedushah / holiness in all our relationships, to ensure that our every action brings us a little higher, a little more wisdom, a little closer to Shabbat. Those lights remind us that the illumination of LEDs is ephemeral, but the ancient illumination of Torah, the truest light, is eternal.

May this season of short days, cold nights, oily foods and the warm glow of candles carry us once again back to tradition, as a sign of the everlasting strength of our spiritual heritage. May you enjoy a Hanukkah filled with the joy of family and friendship and true light.

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Purim Volunteer Opportunity

***Looking for a super fun volunteer
opportunity which also raises much
needed funds for Beth Shalom?***

A wonderful mitzvah for the holiday of Purim is "Mishloah Manot," or the sending of gifts of food to friends. We have begun the planning of our third Mishloah Manot program where our members send gifts of food to other members, staff, ELC families and staff, etc. Last year with the help of many volunteers, we delivered almost 600 bags!

If you are interested in joining the Mishloah Manot Committee, please email Ira Frank (natfabira@juno.com) or Mindy Shreve (mindyshreve@gmail.com).

OUR LEADERSHIP

A Message from Our President

Alan Kopolow

President

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The High Holidays are now behind us and we have celebrated the 100th anniversary of our beautiful building by honoring all of our past presidents. It was a very special celebration we all thoroughly enjoyed.

I look forward to getting back to work on the implementation of our strategic plan. We still have much work to do. One of my first priorities will be making progress on our transition to being financially sustainable through our building fund and dues plus structure. We are also seeing the re-establishment of a culture of giving beginning to take root. At the same time, we want to be more welcoming and inclusive with the instituting of our Havurah program. Try it, you'll like it. We have now hired a Derekh director Shari Woldenberg which gets us closer to being fully staffed with the exception of our preschool that always needs more teachers.

We have replaced the four 25-ton air conditioners on the Sanctuary building and repaired the cornice that had been falling down. There are of course more infrastructure needs and we are working on some high value matching grants that will be the basis of our next Capital Campaign. We were proud to announce the receipt of a state of Pennsylvania dollar for dollar matching grant for up to \$1 million. We can now look forward to a forthcoming Capital Campaign based on the grant. We have renegotiated several of our tenant leases improving our cash flow. Lots of good things going on!

We can always use help in almost every aspect of our Shul life and operations. Where all of this is leading is that we need more help, insight, creativity, expertise and participation in any and all of these areas. The success and strength of Beth Shalom through the years has come from its volunteers. We need help to move our plans forward and ensure there is always a stream of passionate, competent and dedicated volunteers that will be able to design the future of our community.

Volunteers are needed to assist in our various programs, events and with our committees. Please take a look at the number of committees we have and find something that interests you and please get involved! Beth Shalom and the community would appreciate any assistance you can offer. If you have an interest in or concern about something that is not currently covered by a committee or event, please feel free to reach out to our Executive Director, Robert Gleiberman, or me to get involved or to offer a suggestion. We would love to hear from you. The value in volunteering and the relationships that are made are long lasting. A volunteer's time to an organization is the ultimate confirmation of its meaning and worth to the individual. If you indeed have a strong feeling for Congregation Beth Shalom, please consider contributing your time and expertise to demonstrate your support for the organization and our community.

During this Hanukkah season, may you all have quality time to spend with your families. Stay well and stay safe as the winter can be challenging.

Kindest wishes, Alan

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**VOLUNTEER AWARDS
BRUNCH**

SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023

WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

A Message from our Executive Director

Robert Gleiberman
Executive Director
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My Reflections on the centennial gala of our property/facility on Beacon and Shady and to the women and men that have led our congregation

There is a direct connection between the centennial of our building on Beacon Street and Shady Avenue and the men and women that helped pave the way. For 100 years Congregation Beth Shalom's building has stood tall and shined brightly as a beacon for the entire Squirrel Hill Community.

A facility with the magnitude of its structure does not stand alone in its steep history and accomplishments. For all of the thousands that have walked through our doors, down our hallways and gathered in our sanctuary, ballroom and other spaces for praying, learning and socializing it was time to honor our past as we deservingly single out our former presidents along with their spouses. Yes, spouses of our past presidents and future presidents, by the virtue of that relationship, played and will continue to play a vital role by taking on the awesome responsibility of helping their partner lead the way.

This thankless job is not one that many are willing and/or able to take on. It takes a special kind of person to accept and carry out the formidable responsibilities. In most cases it is a two-year commitment. We actually had several past presidents who through necessity extended their years of service past the traditional two. We salute you!

To be able to lead and manage a large congregation and facility you have to be able to make tough decisions that are not always popular. Many times, the leadership has to go in a different direction than even what their personal thoughts might have dictated. Leaders have to put those feelings aside

and do what is in the best interest of the whole, the community of Beth Shalom.

It was time to honor our past presidents by letting them know how much we appreciate them. Their service was definitely a labor of love.

It was also now time to celebrate our future. As our past presidents had to do, we too have many decisions to make that will help shape our future. With the start of a much-needed capital campaign we will embark on raising significant dollars to take our home to the next level and bring it into the 21st century. This will enable the next several generations to carry on the Beth Shalom traditions and way of life. We are going to help our children and their children to be able to do what previous generations provided for us.

During my relatively short time working at Beth Shalom I have had the privilege to personally meet or speak with many of our Past Presidents (Harriet Kruman, Harvey Robins, Yale Rosenstein (z"l), Julian Elbling, Judy Kobell, Jay Fingeret, Steven Schwartz, Ira Frank, Connie Pollack, Stefi Kirschner, David Horvitz and Debby Firestone. I was also able to meet with several wives of former presidents no longer with us, Natalie Rosenbloom, Sally Greenwald, Sarita Eisner and Barbara Rosenstein. I can tell you that these experiences were engaging and filled with wisdom.

We have formulated a Presidents Council made up of all our Past Presidents along with the current President, Executive Vice President, Senior Rabbi and Executive Director. We have begun to meet bi-annually or more if necessary to inform the group of what is going on at the shul and also to get their most valued advice. We had our first meeting in May and have our next one scheduled in December.

The "Come Together" Gala was a great day for us all. It was a celebration well past due. We are all in this together and together we made it happen.

A Message from our Associate Rabbi

Rabbi Mark Asher Goodman
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Holy Hevre (friends),

We enter the darkest part of year, and the coldest part of the year, as one of the leading sons of Israel, Joseph, also goes down to Egypt, called in Hebrew Mitzrayim - the narrow place. But when there is prayer, and community, and holidays, and family, and life, and joy, there is light. It is broad and expansive to be in community, rather than constricted.

We celebrate another Shababababa with our littlest members on December 16 - this one is Hanukkah (and dinosaur) themed. Anyone who owns the book *How Do Dinosaurs Say Happy Hanukkah?* understands. Our Youth Tefillah program, with its weekly Shabbat morning services for kids ages 0-6 (Manny's Service) and ages 7-12 (Jr Cong) is rolling along steadily week after week. And for our Benei Mitzvah kids we celebrate a slew of s'mahot (celebrations) - with Alia Arnold, Liam Rosenberg, Gabe Lubowsky, and Arielle Jacobs all due to ascend the bimah in the near future. We also look forward to a spirited Tu BiShevat family program on Sunday, February 5 to rejoice in the new year for the trees.

I'm always excited to see folks in the main sanctuary and during the week at minyan, which also add light and community too in the form of spiritual connection. And lastly, our Derekh Tzedek Hesed Committee is hoping to add programs and activities in this upcoming quarter and the following year to spread light and life to all those in need.



Photo taken at Shababababa on September 16

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Benei Mitzvah Parties
Birthday Parties
Bridal Showers
Weddings



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Miriam Anzovin
TikTok Talmudist

Scholar in Residence
February 24-26, 2023

Miriam Anzovin is the creator of the "Daf Reactions" series on Tiktok, exploring the juxtaposition of pop, nerd, and Jewish culture.

Watch for more details to follow.

A Message from our Development Director

Rabbi Andy Shugerman
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As a relatively new arrival to Pittsburgh, I am still getting to know so much about the history of Beth Shalom, but what I have learned so far demonstrates various examples of leadership we can find already in our most ancient texts. Indeed, I see among the diverse group of veteran lay leaders comprising our recently-honored Past Presidents at least three traits found in the Torah regarding similar outstanding individuals.

As I watched our past presidents standing together during our Kol Nidre service this year, I realized that the ancient origins of the Hebrew term we use today for “president” (Nasi’) might actually offer some insights into the roles that these women and men have played in our congregation:

1) The first instance of the Biblical term Nasi’ appears in Genesis 23:6, where the Hittites refer to Abraham as “the elect of God” after he calls himself merely “a resident alien.” While this points to God’s calling to Abraham, who was born elsewhere but whose own descendants will come to populate and govern the entirety of Canaan, I see in this dual language an example of the “insider-outsider” cohort who established Beth Shalom in 1917 and built this property from 1922 onward. Many of those folks were born in the Hill District but moved their families to Squirrel Hill in part to help their Jewish community capitalize on an area with great growth potential.

2) The next major passage in which Nasi’ appears is Numbers chapter 7, which describes the final preparation of the Mishkan for use as the desert Tabernacle. (Many of you might recall this as the passage from which we read in the Torah service on Hanukkah.) An early Midrash (Sifrei 45)

interprets the “chieftains of Israel” in three ways: first, as “common people appointed [to their position],” and then as “chiefs, the sons of chiefs” (a family business!), before finally combining those two ideas in a radical interpretation that they were former slave-foremen who had been both leaders and “lightning rods” who – according to Exodus 5:14 – were beaten on account of the kin they oversaw but now are rewarded for their sacrifices. In case the parallel I see here is not obvious to others, I will note how our past presidents were all appointed to their positions of leadership, some because it was already their “family business,” but all of them have had to make sacrifices or even “take a beating” on behalf of this community in order to lead us over the years. Now it is time for them to be rewarded with our recognition of their invaluable efforts!

3) The other major passage in our Torah featuring the Nasi’ term also appears in the Numbers, but in chapter 34 the focus turns from history towards the future. Within the instructions for how the Israelites were to divide up the Promised Land, verses 16-29 name a new generation of tribal chieftains to assist the few surviving leaders from the Wilderness period as they apportion areas of Canaan among the Israelites. These individuals have not yet entered the Promised Land, neither literally nor figuratively, but their leadership requires of them faith in God and trust in this collective enterprise with each other to implement the vision that Moses imparts to them. I find wisdom in this episode for our current work with the past presidents’ Council, who offer us sage advice for undertaking all of the work outlined in the Strategic Plan that created not just my position but an entire framework for the financial sustainability of Beth Shalom for decades to come.

Whether or not you were able to join us in November for our Gala, please join me in offering all of the past presidents our profound gratitude for their hard work, years of service, and their legacy of leadership bestowed upon us. We have much to continue to learn from them as we bring Beth Shalom more fully into the 21st century from our Campus Centennial into the years ahead!

Growing Through the ELC

Hilary Yeckel

Director of the ELC

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Hello Congregants!

The ELC has had a busy start to the 2022-2023 school year. Our hallways and classrooms were filled with the sounds, sights, and tastes of the high holidays as children learned and explored the Jewish traditions with their Morot. During Sukkot, many of our classrooms visited the sukkah for snack, story time, and learning. Morah Debbey, our music educator, taught the children the sounds of the shofar through music and dance. Many of our classrooms would also visit morning minyan to hear the shofar blown! Our science educator, Morah Elaine, taught our students wonderful lessons this holiday season including bees for Rosh Hashanah, and in October our classrooms watched in the ballroom as Elaine inflated an infant size whale! October is also Fire Safety month. Many of you may know our office aide, Morah Bernie who works in the office on Fridays whose son is a fire fighter. Fire Fighter Tony came in to show our students his outfit, talk to them about fire safety, and the children even got to explore the equipment in their classrooms. We loved having a community helper visit us. We are now beginning to transition in to Hanukkah, and soon the smell of latkes and the sounds of the holiday will fill our classrooms. As always, if you ever have a question or would like to inquire about how you can support the ELC, please feel free to contact the office at 412-421-8857. I look forward to hearing from you.



Morah Bernie helping an ELC student put on firefighter gear during Fire Fighter Tony's fire safety visit.

ELC Calendar

Dec. 2022 - Feb. 2023

Thursday, December 22

Hanukkah Celebration

Monday, December 26 - Monday, January 2

Winter Recess - ELC Closed

Tuesday, January 3

Teacher In-Service Day - ELC Closed

Monday, January 16

Martin Luther King Jr. Day - ELC Closed

Monday, February 20

President's Day - ELC Closed



ELC students welcome a lifesize baby whale to Beth Shalom during the week of Yom Kippur.



OUR LEADERSHIP

Learning with J-JEP

Rabbi Larry Freedman

Director of J-JEP

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The joy of working with children is that they are primed to add more. They learn more math. They learn more history. Where once they learned barnyard animals (the cow says, “moo!”) now they are delighted to learn about the animals of the savannah (“Did you know a group of lions is called a pride?”).

Adults are different. Adults like to learn more depth about what they already know, for the most part. It’s less often that you find adults who say, “I enjoy hiking. Now I will go add opera to my interests.” It is the rare adult who will venture out to add a new spice to the pantry (sumac?). It does happen. Avocados were once a rarity. Yogurt once was consigned to health nuts. But these things had the help of million-dollar industries and the best marketers around. What chance does your average synagogue have to motivate you to add something else to your Jewish repertoire?

“And a child shall lead them.” (Isaiah 11:6.) Because children are open to learning new things and find it normal to add new ideas and customs to their lives, it is fun to teach them. They eat it up. The tricky part is when they go home. Uh-oh. Do parents say, “Cool! Let’s do that!” Or do parents say, “Um, that’s not really the way we live our Judaism.”

Not all customs are for every family. Sure, I get that. Still, I suspect that most Jewish families would enjoy and benefit from a few more Jewish customs. (For example, 30 J-JEP families have added having a sukkah to their Jewish repertoire the last three years.)

Welcome, then to our Yom Klei Kodesh. Every year on Super Bowl Sunday, the Beth Shalom Men’s Club teaches grades 6 and 7 about tefillin on World Wide Wrap. What it is, when to use it, how to put

it on. On the same day, we have all the students making their very own Klei Kodesh, sacred objects. Every grade has its own object. The goal is for each child, over the course of a J-JEP career, to have a number of tools for Jewish living. There is a seder plate, a kippah, a charoset bowl, an afikoman bag, a mezuzah and more. Many of the items, you can see, are connected to Pesah, the preeminent home experience in need of many ritual items.

J-JEP will be teaching your children a number of ideas and customs and rituals. They may not be part of your current Jewish expression. But, keep an open mind, listen to your children. Maybe the kids will bring home something that deserves a try-out, something that can add a bit more texture to family life, a deeper connection to the flow of the year, a fuller spiritual connection to something larger than ourselves. It’s difficult to add a new Jewish custom, especially if you didn’t grow up with it yourself. Where or how does one even start? Your children can tell you and the rabbis and J-JEP teachers can help you out as well. Give it a try! And let me know how it’s going.



J-JEP Calender

Dec. 2022 - Feb. 2023

Sunday, December 18

Latkepalooza

Tuesday, December 20

Family Candle Lighting at Beth Shalom

Wednesday, December 21

Family Candle Lighting at Rodef Shalom

Sunday, February 12

World Wide Wrap

Sunday, February 26

Miriam Anzovin, TikTok Talmudist

OUR LEADERSHIP

A Message from our Derekh Coordinator

Shari Rapowitz Woldenberg

Derekh Coordinator

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I am so excited to introduce myself and be able serve Beth Shalom in my new position as Derekh Coordinator!

As a child growing up in Rochester, NY, I attended a Jewish Day School and visited Israel multiple times. As a student at Brandeis University and throughout law school I primarily just questioned everything I learned growing up. Only after working, building a Jewish home, raising two children, serving on multiple school and Jewish Federation Boards, learning in Melton School and participating in weekly *parashah* studies in Chicago and Los Angeles, did I develop a deeper appreciation of the nuances of our traditions. I am still learning every day.

It is with this perspective that I am honored to serve as Derekh Coordinator at Congregation Beth Shalom. One of the first questions I am often asked is, "what is Derekh?" Derekh includes adult Jewish education but is expansive enough to encompass all kinds of programming – anything that builds our community and deepens our ties with Judaism. Derekh is the Hebrew word for path or way. It is our vision for the future of Synagogue life, creating an open community accessible to congregants and community members through multiple portals with the goal of meeting people where they are at and transforming our relationship to Jewish tradition. I look forward to building upon our successes and developing new and innovative programming.

My first few weeks as Derekh Coordinator have been spent on a "listening tour," listening to our Rabbis, staff, and lay leaders, learning about the shul's history and past programming. I have rarely met such learned, dedicated, supportive and insightful individuals. We are very fortunate! Please write me at swoldenberg@bethshalompgh.org if you would like to be a speaker, volunteer with our committee, or just want to share ideas.



Derekh Calendar

Weekly

Mondays

Talmud Study with Rabbi Mark Asher Goodman
9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Wednesdays

Life and Text: Weekly Parsha Study
with Rabbi Mark Asher Goodman
12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Sundays

Introduction to Judaism
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Online Parashah Study Group
8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Monthly

Second Saturdays

Personal Torah with Chris Hall
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

First Tuesdays*

Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Seth Adelson
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

(*Check website for exact date. Not all sessions are first Tuesday.)

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Saturday, February 11, 2023

Clues and Schmooze

Join us for a fun night of trivia!

Saturday, February 25, 2023

Miriam Anzovin: TikTok Talmudist

Sunday, April 16, 2023

Anne Frank: A Living Voice

a powerful concert commemorating Yom HaShoah
with the Pittsburgh Girls Choir

And more programming is in the works!
Be sure to check our website BethShalomPgh.org
for the latest and for any date or time changes.

Beth Shalom Youth Zone

Marissa Tait

Director of Youth Programs
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A Message From Judith Kadosh, Chair of the Youth Commission



My family and I joined Congregation Beth Shalom over 25 years ago to take advantage of its highly reputable religious school. That was the start of my ongoing commitment to the youth of Beth Shalom. After volunteering for several years on the Religious School Committee, I was asked to chair the Youth Commission.

It has been a pleasure to mentor our youth group advisors and director of youth programming and support them in their professional development. It has been a greater joy to watch our youth and teens grow in their leadership skills, Jewish education, and commitment to Jewish values. Having built the foundation at Beth Shalom, many of our youth remain involved in Jewish life on college campuses and into young adulthood.

I watched my children build friendships and develop their Jewish identity through their participation in youth programming. The Director of Youth Programming and Advisors provided support and guidance as they navigated adolescence. So it was very rewarding when my daughter chose to give back to Beth Shalom in her role as BSUSY advisor.

We are fortunate at Congregation Beth Shalom to offer youth programming from elementary school aged youth through high school.

Do you value the youth programming at Beth Shalom?

We need your help to voice your opinions and share your experiences on our wide variety of events and programs. We welcome different perspectives to enrich the lives of our youth.

How can you help? Join the Youth Commission.

What is the commitment? The Youth Commission meets four to six times a year. We offer guidance and support to the Youth Director as needed. We help publicize events to families of age-appropriate youth and encourage them to participate. Volunteering at events is not required but is welcomed.

We need you, parents of our youth, to assume the role of a Youth Commission member!

Please reach out to Marissa, Director of Youth Programming, at
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Photo taken at Sukkah Hop in Rabbi Adelson's Sukkah

BENEI MITZVAH

Alia Max Arnold is the daughter of Hadassah Max and Jonathan Arnold, and sister to Judah and Micah. She is the granddaughter of Paula and Jeffrey Max (Liverpool, England) and Laura and George Arnold (Pittsburgh). Great-grandmothers are Ida Powell and Doris Kennedy, of Liverpool and Pittsburgh respectively. Alia is a seventh grader at Community Day School where she plays flute in the band and participates in Odyssey of the Mind. When she isn't reading, Alia can be found biking the trails around Pittsburgh with her family, and skiing or paddle-boarding depending on the season. Alia will become a Bat Mitzvah at Congregation Beth Shalom on December 10, 2022.



Bat Mitzvah: 12/10/2022

Gabe Lubowsky is the son of Aviva and Noah Lubowsky, brother of Hannah Lubowsky, and grandson of Dee Selekman, Howard Selekman, and Steven and the late Susan Lubowsky. In 7th grade at Falk Laboratory School and Community Day School prior, Gabe enjoys playing hockey, ultimate frisbee, soccer, and percussion. Gabe will celebrate becoming a bar mitzvah on *Shabbat Parashat Shemot* at Congregation Beth Shalom on January 14, 2023.



Bat Mitzvah: 1/14/2023

Liam Rosenberg is the son of Pinchas and Aviva Rosenberg, and brother of Jonah and Eli. He will become a bar mitzvah on December 17, 2022, at Congregation Beth Shalom. A seventh grader at CDS, Liam has been captain of the track and cross country team. He is also on the CDS teams of basketball and ultimate frisbee. Liam has also studied violin for many years and was selected to play in the Symphonette ensemble of Three Rivers Youth Philharmonic Orchestra, and performed at New York's Carnegie Hall with this group. Active in Young Judea, he has participated in Camp CYJ Midwest since age eight. He enjoys traveling to new places, downhill skiing, and spending time with Arya, the dog.



Bar Mitzvah: 12/17/2022

Benei Mitzvah Planning

We begin working with families of students in fourth grade, toward their becoming benei mitzvah.

Please remember that all information related to bat/bar mitzvah and so much more about the process can be found online in the Beth Shalom Benei Mitzvah Handbook, which you can download as a PDF at **[BethShalomPgh.org/lifelong-learning/benei-mitzvah](https://bethshalompgh.org/lifelong-learning/benei-mitzvah)**.



Please be in contact with Audrey Glickman, Rabbi's Assistant, at **RabbiAsst@BethShalomPgh.org**.

LATKEPALOOZA

Hosted by **JJEP**

Sunday, December 18

10am-12pm - Congregation Beth Shalom
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The Sisterhood Says

Judy Kornblith Kobell
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As Fall turns into Winter, we look back to our Potluck supper and High Holidays and look forward to new events.

In September, we began the year with our annual Potluck Supper and opening meeting. It was an opportunity to meet old friends, make some new ones and discuss Sisterhood future activities.

For the High Holidays, Sisterhood was pleased to provide beautiful flower displays on many days through the Sisterhood Flower Fund. A big thank you to Elinor Zaremborg for arranging with the florist and assuring timely delivery. Elinor makes sure this seasonal tradition, sponsored by Sisterhood, continues to beautify our sanctuary each year.

As the season continues, we are looking forward to our annual Hanukkah Party and gift exchange. I hope many of you will join us on Sunday, December 11, from 10am to noon for a fun celebration of Hanukkah. Judith Kline, Lidush Goldschmidt and Cheryl Blumenfeld have graciously volunteered to chair this event.

Continuing on, reserve Saturday, February 18, 2023 for Sisterhood Shabbat. This special Shabbat is highlighted by participation of many Congregation women and followed by a festive luncheon for the whole congregation. If anyone is interested in taking a role in the service, please be in touch with me or Helen Feder.

In the 2022-2023 year, we are continuing to co-sponsor Shabbat dinners with Men's Club, as well as contributing to many Congregation-wide events. Keep a lookout at synagogue emails to take part.

I look forward to seeing you soon.

B'vrachot,
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We just finished a very successful year!

Our Hanukkah Gelt (sweepstakes) was again our major fundraiser. We will be selling tickets for the 2023 drawings starting soon. Please purchase your ticket early so you have a chance to win twice each Friday. Tickets remain \$50.00 each.

We supported Beth Shalom and continue to by sponsoring or co-sponsoring with Sisterhood on Shabbat meals, Purim baskets, gift baskets to new members and USY Purim Carnival among many other programs!

We are preparing to have our famous Sports Lunch on February 19, 2023. Always the best event of the year. Look for both sponsorship opportunities, but also volunteer spots and to JUST COME AND ENJOY!

We will hold the World Wide Wrap on Super Bowl Sunday (February 12) at both Beth Shalom Sunday minyan and at J-JEP. Everyone is invited to come and use tefillin. This your chance to learn or relearn how!!!

We have our Men's Club Shabbat on April 15. Please let us know if you want to participate.

In addition we will again deliver Yellow Candles along with Purim baskets, sponsor pizza before Passover and in June place flags at the graves of our veterans.

We will continue to work with Sisterhood and sponsor Shabbat meals and many other projects at our shul.

Please get involved. Let me know what you are interested in doing or what you would like us to do.

Stay well and safe!!
Ira Frank



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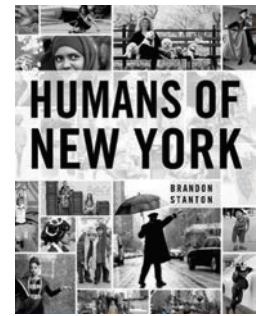
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Humans of Beth Shalom (HOBS)

As a means of introducing members of our congregation to each other, we provide this section of *Mishpachtenu*, entitled Humans of Beth Shalom (inspired by the famous Humans of New York, or HONY, series). Here, we highlight one or two member “units” (a family or individual) and we look forward to introducing others in the future. We asked the responders to identify themselves and then to respond to a subset of pre-selected questions.



Jane and Bruce Rollman

Name in English and in Hebrew (phonetic).

English: Jane Miller Rollman

Hebrew: Yahudeet bat Tzvi Dov veLeah

English: Bruce Lawrence Rollman

Hebrew: Betsalel Levi ben Yaakov haKohen

Where were you born and which places have you lived in?

Jane: I was born in Baltimore where I lived until I was 18, and I've lived in Atlanta, Washington DC, Atlanta again, Boston, Baltimore again, and Pittsburgh.

Bruce: I was born in Orange, NJ, and lived in Cranford, NJ, until age 18. Since then I've lived in Philadelphia, Baltimore, and for the past 27 years in Pittsburgh.

How long have you been members of Congregation Beth Shalom?

We have been members for 24 years.

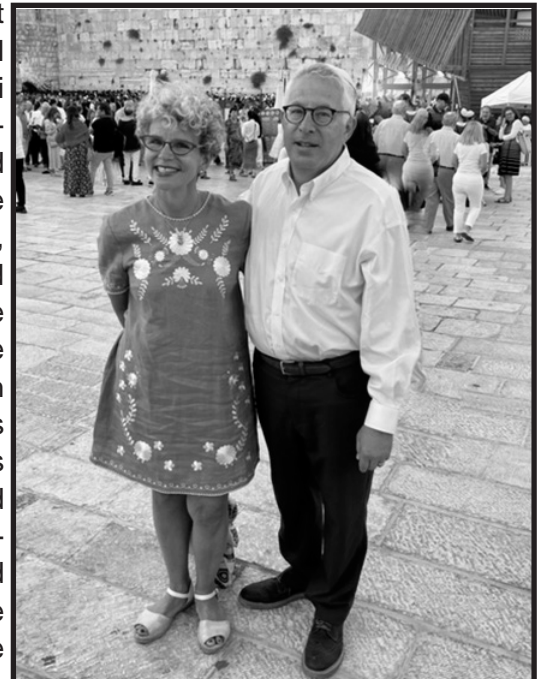
How and why did you choose Beth Shalom as your congregational community?

Jane: Our eldest daughter, Emily, was born concurrent with Bruce's dad's *yahrzeit*. A friend of ours was a congregant at Beth Shalom and told Rabbi Steindel about the *yahrzeit*. Rabbi Steindel called me while I was still in the hospital, and he invited us to come to Beth Shalom. From that point on, we thought it would be super to take advantage of Beth Shalom's preschool and all that the synagogue had to offer. We joined just before our son Mark was born. One of the highlights of our early days at Beth Shalom was that Rabbi Steindel and the preschool staff arranged for us to hold our youngest daughter's baby-naming as part of a whole preschool celebration.

Bruce: We felt grateful to Beth Shalom and Rabbi Steindel for reaching-out — but I had to draw a line at the baby naming. We stayed with naming our youngest daughter “Rachel,” instead of “Beth” after the synagogue!

Jane: Rabbi Steindel in particular really went above and beyond to make us feel welcome. He really met us where we were in our lives. Later, after being members for a while, Bruce and I went on sabbatical in London for his work.

We learned that Rabbi Michael Werbow [Rabbi Steindel's successor] needed a place to live in Pittsburgh, and we offered him our house while we were away. So Beth Shalom has made things easier and more comfortable for us, and hopefully we've helped do some of that in return for others.



Jane & Bruce Rollman spending Shabbat at the Kotel, UJF Mega Mission, June 2022

Bruce: I became more involved with Beth Shalom after my mother died in May 2003. I attended morning minyan to say Kaddish five times a week for 11 months, often staying for the post-minyan breakfast or Kiddush, and got to know the other “minyanares.” This became a comforting and meaningful way to start my day. Soon after, I was invited to serve on the Board of Trustees and get more involved. Since then, I've served three 3-year terms and am now on the House Committee. I am a primary care physician with public health training and conduct research studies on mental health issues at the University of Pittsburgh, and found it very gratifying to share my expertise with our community. For example, I created the Beth Shalom Health Initiative, an annual public lecture series (2012-2017) that invited leaders in Pittsburgh's health care community to our Congregation; served on the search committee that recruited Rabbi Adelson to Beth Shalom; and spearheaded our Beth Shalom Solar Initiative (2017-2021) that enabled Beth Shalom to replace the ELC roof, install a 140-panel array of solar panels, replace 1,000 incandescent bulbs in our buildings with LEDs, and get on the City of Pittsburgh's bulk power purchasing co-operative.

The Solar Initiative also led to a group of us working with our new development director, Rabbi Andy Shugerman, and a small team of Beth Shalom congregants to develop a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) grant application to Harrisburg in August 2022. We requested funds to repair the “envelope” of our Sanctuary building, replace aging HVAC and boilers with more energy-efficient units, and add more solar panels and LED lights to further reduce our carbon footprint. In late October, the Commonwealth informed us they will award Beth Shalom \$1,000,000 to move forward with our proposal. Look for more details to come out soon!

While nearly as time consuming as any of my research projects at the University of Pittsburgh, these volunteer efforts on behalf of Beth Shalom have been extremely gratifying.

Describe an early memory that you have as it pertains to Israel. How has it impacted your life?

Jane: When I was eight and my sister was six, our parents didn't have enough money to send us to sleep-away camp and also do something nice for themselves. So rather than send us to camp, our parents took us to spend a month in Italy. While we were overseas, my grandparents flew over and joined my mother, sister, and me in Israel for two weeks. An Arab tour guide took us all around. We explored Jewish, Muslim, and Christian sites, and we were allowed to go into the Dome of the Rock. This was my first view of Israel, my first view of Arabs and Jews together, and my first understanding of the culture. It was also the first time our family had a big international intergenerational trip with my grandparents. The whole experience spurred a life-long love of travel and of Israel. Bruce and I have passed that love of travel and Israel on to our children, and we have also continued that intergenerational travel as a family.

Bruce: My first trip to Israel was with USY when I was 16 years old. In terms of an early memory of Israel, when I was 11, I remember being in synagogue during Yom Kippur and hearing rumors that Israel had been attacked. No one had a radio, so someone had to go into the Rabbi's study to turn his on and find news to report from the bimah.

What books or films do you always find yourself recommending to people and from which period of your life did you first become familiar with them?

Bruce: One book I recommend is *Good to Great: Why Some Companies Make the Leap . . . and Others Don't* by Jim Collins. I became familiar with *Good to Great* in 2003 and the principles within transformed how I lead my studies at the University of Pittsburgh and my leadership style at Beth Shalom. Critically, the book introduced me

to the concept of the “getting the right people on the bus, the wrong people off the bus, and the right people in the right seats,” and the “Flywheel Effect” where a steady stream of positive small accomplishments build on each other over time, energize people to work together, and lead to breakthrough results.

I also enjoy books by Robert Caro. In particular, his fascinating *The Years of Lyndon Johnson: Master of the Senate* explored how LBJ was able to make the Senate work when it had been a really dysfunctional place for the past century. One strategy he employed was to combine a less popular program with a more popular program in order to gain broader support for a particular piece of legislation. I thought about this approach when developing our Solar Initiative and RACP grant applications. For example, few people may want to donate money to fix a leaky roof or replace an old HVAC unit, but if we can promote energy-efficiency, help the environment, and save money then it will be a win-win for everybody!

In terms of television, I'm a big fan of *The West Wing*. I watched all seven seasons on Netflix while exercising on the JCC's elliptical machines. The show has inspiring writing by Aaron Sorkin and wonderfully idealistic characters all working together for the common good and *tikkun olam*.

Finally, I'll close with two quotes from *Pirkei Avot* [The Ethics of the Fathers] that inspire me: “Who is wise? The one who learns from everyone.” (Pirkei Avot 4:1) and “We are not obligated to complete the work, but neither are we free to desist from it.” (Pirkei Avot 2:21)

What are some of the ways you maintained a sense of community during COVID?

Jane: The first way would be that we Zoomed for the holidays which was nice because it let us be with our family. And then for other holidays and Shabbat, we had outdoor meals with smaller groups of friends — many of whom were also members of Beth Shalom. We simply re-adjusted the venue of where we celebrated, but we were still together. In September 2020, for example, we had Rosh Hashanah lunch outside and we set up different tables that were proximal but not on top of each other. That way we got to be with our adopted family — our Pittsburgh family — for the holiday. It was the same folks we would otherwise spend the holiday with, and that was very nice.

Bruce: I just want to add that I applaud the creativity of Beth Shalom in maintaining services and minyan and life cycle events throughout COVID. Although the High Holidays weren't the same, I appreciate the innovations like Zoom and the tent in the parking lot. There was a sense of continuity. And I'm really glad that people are coming back to shul and meeting in person again!



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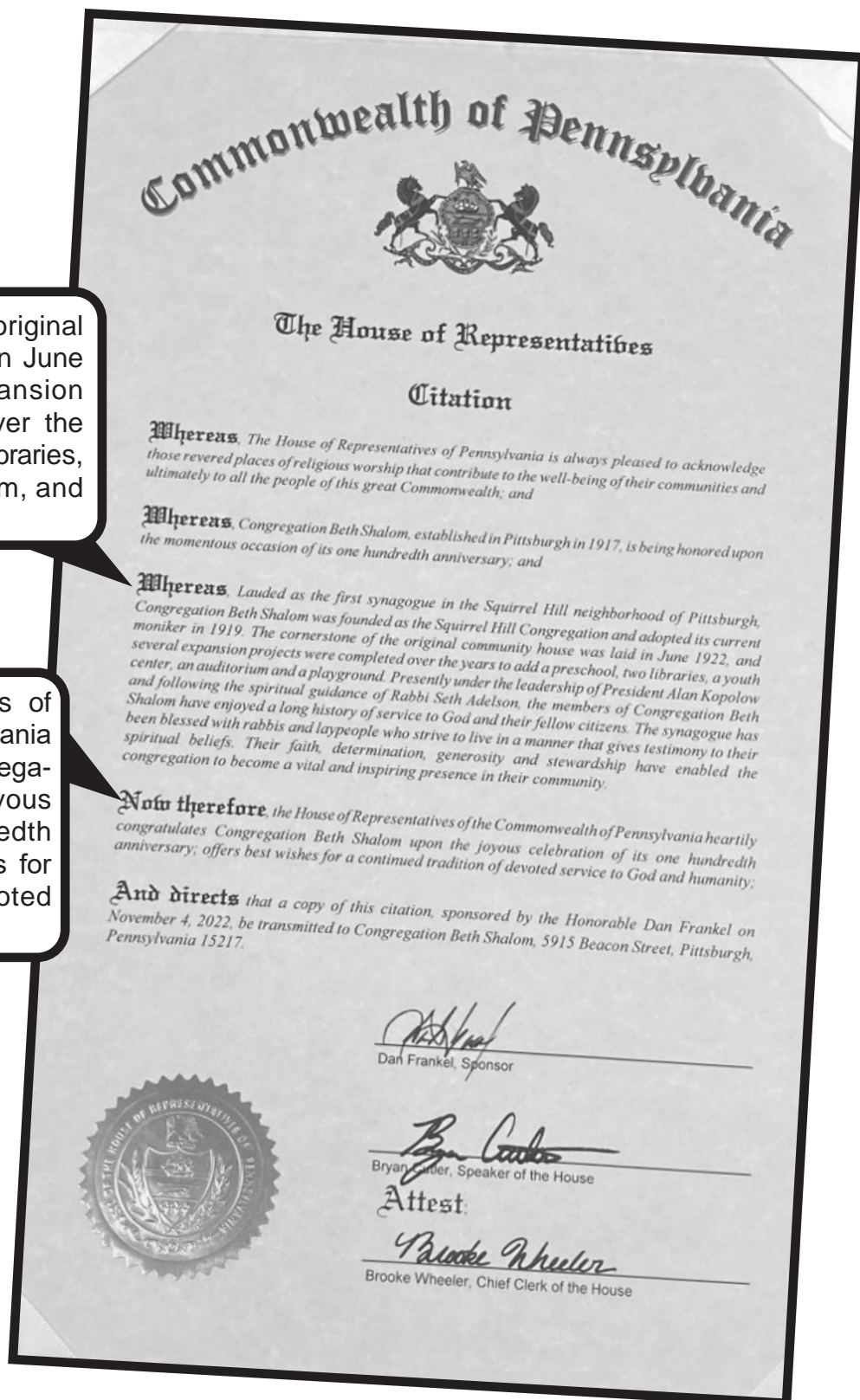
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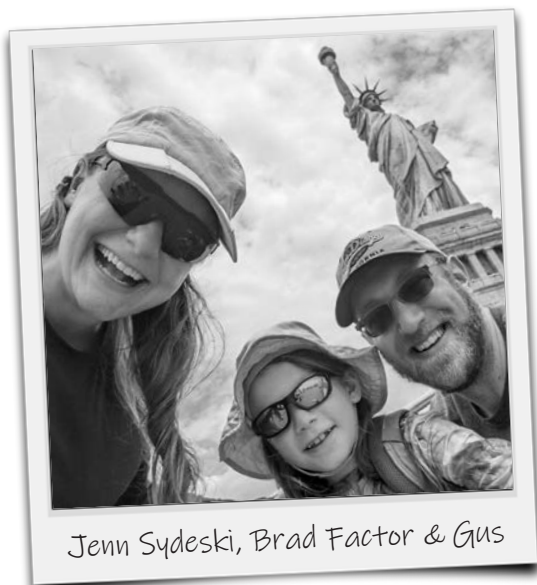
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October 14, 2022

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October 21, 2022

sponsored by **Barbara & Howard Goldstein** in honor of Aiden & Ethan becoming benei mitzvah.

October 28, 2022

sponsored by **Debby Gillman & Danny Kass** in honor of daughter Nava Kass becoming a bat mitzvah.

Nihum Avelim

(Comforting Mourners)

July 16, 2022 — October 31, 2022

Family and friends on the sudden passing of our member Jonathan Schachter on July 25th.

Family and friends on the passing of our member Annie Myers on August 29th.

Family and friends on the passing of our member William Hoffman on September 10th.

Family and friends on the passing of our member Natalie Klein on September 11th.

Barbara Rosenstein on the passing of her sister Judi Hirsh on September 16th

Deborah & David Baron on the passing of Deborah's father Michael Altman on September 18th.

Renee Ramo (Art Goldberg) on the passing of her mother Elaine Ramo on September 21st. Condolences also to Debi Gilboa and Jaclyn Moldovan and their children.

Family and friends on the passing of Judah Samet on September 27th.

Gennady Skotnevsky on the passing of his wife Raisa Sukharchuk suddenly on October 28th.

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Milestones – *Mazal Tov!*

July 16, 2022 — October 31, 2022

Lauren & Brandon Tauberg on the birth of Hudson Maddox Tauberg on Sunday, August 7, 2022, and his *brit* on August 14th. Mazal tov also to big sister Hayden and grandparents Cindy & James Tauberg.

Danielle Kranjec on her new role with Hillel International.

Nate & Debby Firestone and Bunny Morris on the bat mitzvah of their granddaughter Ava Rose Morris, on August 20, 2022, in California. Parents are Burton and Sara Morris.

Bruce & Debbie Horvitz on the wedding of their daughter Stacey Michele Horvitz to Natan Morany in Israel on August 22, 2022. The couple resides in Vienna, Austria.

Zev Adelson and family on his being called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on August 27th. Parents are Rabbi Seth & Judy Adelson, grandparents are Patricia & Leonard Adelson.

Barbara Rosenstein on the birth of great-granddaughter Chana Esther, born in Jerusalem to Rabbi Moshe & Shevi Rosenstein. Also the granddaughter of Rabbi Yaakov (James) Rosenstein.

Danni Caplan & Andrew Valinsky on their wedding on September 4, 2022. Parents are Howard & Nicole Valinsky and Alisa Fall and Michael Caplan.

Madeline Lemberg & Anthony Tokman on their wedding on September 4, 2022.

Ezra Forrest and his parents Rachel Kranson & Jamie Forrest on his becoming a bar mitzvah on September 10th.

Grandparents Toby & Joe Trompeter on the birth of Reese Ian Cook to Whitney Trompeter & Brandon Cook on September 18th.

Elana Neshkes & Rabbi Jeremy Markiz on the birth of a daughter on September 25th.

The Zionts family on the marriage of Dani Lyon Zionts to Rachel Parker in Loch Garten, Scotland. Dani is the daughter of Nancy & Leon S. (z"l), the sister of Allison, the granddaughter of Shirley (z"l) & Albert (z"l), and the niece of Harry & Laurie Zionts.

Alan & Lois Kopolow on the wedding of son Adam Kopolow and Hannah Whitman on October 1st. Hannah's parents are Debra & Doug Whitman.

Kayla Rafkin & Lucas Grasha on the birth of their daughter on October 3rd, and on informing the shul only an hour and a half later!

Gail Neft on her special birthday, thanking her for the cake at kiddush on Sukkot, and wishing her many more special days.

Jennifer Murtazashvili on being named a Distinguished Fellow at the Institute for Humane Studies, working to foster consensus on pluralism, peace, and international order.

Lauren and Aaron Ruben, & older sister Ellie, on the birth of their son and brother, Ari Grey Ruben, on Sunday, October 16, 2022.

Kenny Steinberg for receiving the Allegheny County Bar Foundation's Presidential Merit Award for his 28 years of leading the Attorneys Against Hunger Campaign which distributes every dollar raised to 17 local anti-hunger agencies.

Aiden and Ethan Goldstein, on being called to the Torah as benei mitzvah on October 22nd.

Janie & Chuck Yahr, on the wedding of their son Ben Yahr to Nick Greene on October 14, 2022, in Brooklyn, New York, where they live with their dog Ogden.

Kenny & Terry Steinberg on the birth of granddaughter Stav Hadassah Steinberg, in Israel on October 11th, to Jonathan & Talia Steinberg, joining big sisters Batya and Rafaella. Stav is named after Terry's late brother Steve and her dad Harry.

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September 16, 2022

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October 7, 2022

sponsored by **Jack & Mimi Halpern** in honor of the upcoming marriage of their grandson Andrew Zeiger to Jennifer Sachs.

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