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Rabbi's Corner

This I confess to myself:
I have taken Egypt with me.
I've kept myself a slave to grief and loss,
Fear and anger and shame.
I have set myself up as taskmaster,
Driving my own work beyond the limits
Of reasonable time and common sense.
I've seen miracles from heaven,
Signs and wonders in my own life,
And still wait for the heavens to speak.

God of redemption,
With Your loving and guiding hand,
leaving Egypt is easy.
Leaving Egypt behind is a struggle.

In Your wisdom You have given me this choice:
To live in a tyranny of my own making,
Or to set my heart free to love You,
To love Your people,
And to love myself.

God of Freedom, help me to leave Egypt behind,
To hear Your voice,
To accept Your guidance,
And to see the miracles in each new day.

Blessed are You, God of wonder,
You set Your people on the road to redemption.

-Alden Solovy

This Pesach, may we each set our hearts free to love Adonai, each other, and ourselves.

Pesach Sameach - Happy Passover,

Maddy Anderson



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Save-the-Dates

Wednesday, May 1—Holocaust Remembrance Day event at Temple B'nai Israel
August 9-11— L'Dor v'Dor Northern Michigan Consortium Inter-generational Retreat in Manistique. Fun and learning for all ages, backgrounds, and interests.
Contact Carol Ellstein at cgeinstein@gmail.com for details



April Events

Fri. Apr. 5, 5:30—Tot Shabbat

Fri., Apr. 5, 7:30pm — Kabbalah Shabbat Services

Sat., Apr. 6, 11am—Torah Study and Potluck Dairy
Brunch

Sun., Apr. 7, 10am—Sunday School

Mon., Apr. 8, 7pm—Temple Board Meeting

Thurs., Apr. 11—Model Passover Seder at
First Presbyterian

Sun., Apr. 20, 4:30pm — Community Seder at TBI

For information, contact Val: 231.881.7676

Fri., Apr. 26, 7:30pm—Ley Led Shabbat Service

Sun., Apr. 28, 10am—Sunday School

Sun., Apr. 28, 6pm — Violins of Hope Concert

Wed., May 1, 7pm—Yom Hashoah Service

All Temple events, including Sunday School sponsored programs, are open to all!

For questions about programs, please contact:

Tot Shabbat:: Lindsey-kaufmanlb@gmail.com

Shabbat and other events:

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New Security Measures

TBI Board has been working all year on updating the safety and security of our Temple, social hall and congregants.

New security procedures in place:

- * Doors will be locked all the times.
- * On Shabbat, Greeters will be stationed in the foyer let people in and welcome them.
- * Greeter will instruct people to sign in, and fill out and wear name tags.
- * If the Greeter is not present, please ring the door bell.

Rabbi House Project

Since 1925, Temple B'nai Israel has hosted student rabbis during the summer. In the 1990s, a year-round internship was established and, since 2014, Rav Maya Leibovich has served during the summer months. Purchased in 1998 for sixty thousand dollars, the current rabbi house has served our community well, but has begun to show both its limitations and, simply, its age—a sinking foundation, crumbling window casings, poor ventilation, outdated appliances—leading to continually increasing maintenance bills.



Artist rendering of new rabbi house

To solve this costly issue, the temple is engaged in a fundraising campaign for the construction of a new rabbi house, which will improve our campus and help sustain our vibrant Jewish presence in Northern Michigan by providing safe, accessible housing for the rabbis this temple is so fortunate to attract each year. The proposal details a sustainably constructed three bedroom, two-bath, fully conditioned 1,900-squarefoot space, with appropriate furnishings and landscaping. For more information, please contact the cochairs of the Rabbi House Fundraising Committee— Val Meyerson and Sally Cannon—or the temple president, Gus Paz. Pledge forms are available on Temple B'nai Israel's website.

Donations Received

General Fund

Hank and Anita Schneider

Perpetual Kaddish

Wendy Fershee: In Memory of Charles Greenman
Mrs. Elizabeth Frey: In Memory of Barbara Frey

Rabbi House Fund

Mr. and Mrs. Foreman
Mr. and Mrs. Freeman: Rabbi House Donation
Mr. and Mrs. Joel Tauber: Rabbi House Donation

Newsletter Fund

Eleanor Blum

Violins of Hope

The Violins of Hope project recovered and restored many violins from the Terezin Concentration Camp, Czechoslovakia. The Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra has acquired the use of one for a concert and presentations throughout April. Hope you can join us for one or all of the events coming.

- April 7, 7:00 pm, Carnegie Building - I Never Saw Another Butterfly, children's play performed by Harbor Springs Middle School students.
 - April 11, 7:00 pm, Carnegie Building - Diary of Anne Frank, reader's theater production by NCMC students and Little Traverse Civic Theater.
 - April 20, 7:00 pm, Carnegie Building - Violins of Hope Documentary with discussion after with Michael Leibson, Docent Holocaust Memorial Center, Farmington Hills.
 - April 28, 6:00 pm, Great Lakes Center for the Arts - pre concert talk with Libor Ondras, Conductor and Rabbi Arnold Sleuterberg
 - April 28, 7:00 pm, Great Lakes Center for the Arts - Performance: Enjoy a special evening of music performed on a restored Violin of Hope. Tickets: <http://www.glcorchestra.org/>
 - May 1st, 7:00 pm, Temple B'Nai Israel - Holocaust Memorial Day service with music accompaniment from the Violin of Hope.
- For further information, contact the Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra at 231.487.0010.

B'Nai Mitzvah Class

The B'Nai Mitzvah Class of 2019 completed their fundraising drive to benefit the Women's Resource Center and delivered collected donations to the Safe House. They also recently helped clear out sidewalks to make everything passable in time for Shabbat services!

Funds / Named Donations Available

- ☐ Temple General Fund ☐ Newsletter Fund ☐
- ☐ Prayer Book Fund ☐ Building Fund ☐
- ☐ Irene Gordon Memorial Fund ☐ Oneg Fund ☐
- ☐ Lee and Miles Jaffe Memorial Fund ☐
- ☐ Religious Education Fund ☐
- ☐ Stacy McCracken Memorial Youth Enrichment Fund ☐
- ☐ Alvin's "Helping Hand" Rosenhaus Memorial Fund ☐
- ☐ Tree of Life Fund (\$100 Per Leaf) ☐
- ☐ Aubrey & Gerald Meyerson Perpetual Kaddish Fund ☐
- ☐ Donor Wall Tile Fund (\$48 per tile, plus freight) ☐
- ☐ Tribute Fund (packets of five tributes for \$90/pack) ☐

Temple B'nai Israel Donation Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

My contribution is in honor or memory of: _____

Circle which fund you are designating (above) and then mail your check and this completed form to:

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Adar II/Nissan April						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Mar. 31	1	2	3	4	5 5:30pm—Tot Shabbat 7:30pm— Services with Rabbi Maddy 7:55	6 <i>Rosh Chodesh</i> 11am — Torah Study and Potluck Dairy Brunch
7 10am — Sunday School	8 7pm — Temple Board Meeting	9	10	11 Model Passover @ First Presbyterian	12 8:04	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 <i>Erev Pesach</i> 8:13	20 <i>Passover</i> 4:30pm—Community Seder
21 <i>Passover</i>	22 <i>Passover</i>	23 <i>Passover</i>	24 <i>Passover</i>	25 <i>Passover</i>	26 <i>Passover</i> 7:30pm — Lay Led Shabbat Service 8:22	27
28 10am — Sunday School 6pm — Violins of Hope	29	30	May 1 7pm—Yom Hashoah Service	2	3 8:30	4