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Rabbi's Corner

Temple B'nai Israel is excited to announce that Rav Maya will return this month for her fifth summer in Petoskey. The career of Maya Leibovich, who was born in Israel, has been long and illustrious. In 1974, she graduated from the Hebrew University, Tel Aviv, with both a Bachelor's and a Master's Degree. She graduated cum laude from Hebrew Union College in 1992, and that same year became the first female Sabra (native Israeli) Rabbi ordained in Israel. Rav Maya has been a rabbi with Kehilat Mevasseret Zion since 1993 and from 2010 to 2014 served as chair of the Israeli Reform Rabbinical Council. She has written and edited many publications, her latest being "Parashat Ha'Mayim," published by Ha'Kibbutz Ha'Meuhad in 2010. Rav Maya and her husband, Menachem, are excited to spend another summer with Temple B'nai Israel.



From the President

June is both an ending and a beginning for our community. Our current student rabbi, Ben Azriel, will be leaving us after two years of service, which have included his insightful sermons and very enlightening Torah study sessions. We will have a farewell Oneg after Ben's last Shabbat service, on June 8th, and a potluck brunch on Saturday, June 9th. Please attend one or both events to say good bye and good luck to Ben.

June, however, is also a beginning. Rav Maya and Menachem, who will kick off services on June 22nd, are returning for a fifth season. On Sunday, July 1st, the Temple will host a welcome-back potluck brunch. Rav Maya's Brunch & Learn series—consisting of nine sessions—begin on Sunday, June 24th. This summer's theme is "Who is a Hero?: Moses as a Role Model," which will examine the life of Moses. For the June 24th session, please bring a photo of someone you consider a hero and share some of his or her qualities. If you miss any sessions, don't worry; each will stand alone.

This fall, there will be another beginning: we are excited to welcome our new student rabbi, Madeline Anderson, about whom you can read on p. 2.

*L'shalom,
Gus*

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June Events

Sat., June 2, 6 p.m. – Shavuot Campout

Fri., June 8, 7:30 p.m. – Shabbat Services

w/ Rabbi Ben Azriel

Fri, June 8 – Farewell Oneg (after

Shabbat Services)

Sat., June 9, 11 a.m. – Torah Study

Sat., June 9, 12 p.m. – Farewell Potluck Brunch

Sun., June 10, 10 a.m. – Sunday School

Tues., June 19 – Rav Maya and Menachem Arrive

Fri., June 22, 7:30 p.m. – Shabbat Services

w/ Rav Maya Leibovich

Sun., June 24, 11:30 a.m. – Brunch & Learn

Fri., June 29, 7:30 p.m. – Shabbat Services

Sun., July 1, 1 p.m. – Welcome-Back

Brunch Potluck w/ Rav Maya and Menachem

Gloria Levine's Life

Editor's Note: Temple B'nai Israel has bestowed a lifetime membership award on Gloria Levine for her lifelong commitment and service to our Jewish community. She is a previous recipient of the "Marvelous Maven" award. Below is a brief account of her life.

Gloria was born in Chicago, in 1927, but grew up in Petoskey with her aunt, Minnie, and uncle, Alick, who served as president of our congregation. Minnie taught religious school and, in 1939, held one of the first statewide Sisterhood conventions in Petoskey. Gloria (along with Shirley Fryman) was in the first pair of girls to be Bat Mitzvah'ed at Temple B'nai Israel. Soon after graduating from the Petoskey High School, Gloria met her future husband, Eugene Levine, with whom she would move downstate and raise daughters.

As Gloria's mother, Irene, aged, Gloria and Gene were able to return seasonally to Petoskey to maintain the family cottage on the shore of Little Traverse Bay. Following Gene's passing, in 2010, Gloria continued to return to the Rosedale cottage each June. This summer will be the first not spent in Petoskey in a long while. We wish Gloria vitality and happiness in her absence.


Retreat Registration

Registration is now open for the L'Dor v'Dor Intergenerational Retreat, which will take place on the weekend of August 24th at the scenic and rustically serene Clear Lake Educational Center in the central upper peninsula. The theme is "Putting the Pieces Together," encouraging participants to discuss their unique and varied journeys to and within Judaism. Resources will be available for interfaith families and individuals considering conversion. To register, visit <http://bit.do/wildretreat>. For more information, contact Carol Ellstein at cgeellstein@gmail.com.

Shavuot Campout

The fourth annual Shavuot campout will be held on Saturday, June 2nd, at Young State Park in Boyne City, beginning at 6 p.m. and continuing until Sunday morning around 10 a.m. We are proud to confirm that the Shavuot Goat will be in attendance. Come prepared to share a teaching story (anything from Aesop's fables and Torah lessons to personal experiences) for an evening of learning and community around the bonfire. While the campsites will be paid for, please bring your own food and camping gear. For more information, contact Norman Baumhardt at (231) 675-9024.

Donations Received

<p>General Fund</p> <p>Eleanor Blum</p>	<p>Perpetual Kaddish Fund</p> <p>Harold Friedman—<i>in memory of Helen Braverman</i></p> <p>Rhoda Raider—<i>in memory of Jordan Raider</i></p>
	

New Student Rabbi

Madeline Anderson, who will be joining Temple B'nai Israel this fall season, is a rising second year rabbinical student at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. During her year in Israel studies at H.U.C.-J.I.R. Jerusalem, she volunteered with Encounter Programs. Before rabbinical school, Madeline worked as the marketing and communications coordinator at Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation, and has spent two years working with Greater Indy Habitat for Humanity, one year serving on an AmeriCorps construction team, and another working on its administration team. In college, Madeline studied business at the University of Indianapolis, where she received a B.A. in Global Leadership and where, as a student, she helped develop the Precious Words Africa Project, which provides educational resources and infrastructure in Ghana. In addition, she has served on the Young Professionals Board at Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis, leading peers in various service projects, and has volunteered with Jewish Family Services, the Jewish Community Relations Council, and Greater Indy Habitat for Humanity. Madeline hopes that her passions for Jewish life, social justice, and leadership will guide her to build meaningful connections with the communities she serves.

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- Temple General Fund Newsletter Fund
- Prayer Book Fund Building Fund
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- 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)

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Host a Rabbi

If you want to get to know (or get to know *better*) our new student rabbi or returning summer rabbi, you can invite them to your house for dinner! Our summer rabbi will be available most of the week throughout the season, and our student rabbi will be available on Saturdays this fall. This is a nice way for the rabbis acclimate themselves to our community and for our community to get to know our rabbis. Please feel free to give them a call and make arrangements; their phone numbers are listed on the front page of each newsletter on the left-hand side.

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Calendar of Events
 Sivan / Tammuz | June

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 27	28	29	30	31	June 1	2 <i>Parshat Behaalotecha</i> 6 p.m. – Shavuot Campout
3	4	5	6	7	7:30 p.m. – Shabbat Services w/ Rabbi Ben Azriel; Farewell Oneg to Follow	8 <i>Parshat Shlach</i> 11 a.m. – Torah Study 12 p.m. – Farewell Brunch
10 10 a.m. – Sunday School	11	12	13	14	15	16 <i>Parshat Korach</i>
17	18	19 <i>Rav Maya and Menachem Arrive</i>	20	21	7:30 p.m. – Shabbat Services w/ Rav Maya Leibovich	22 <i>Parshat Chukat</i> 23
24 10 a.m. – Sunday School 11:30 a.m. – Brunch & Learn	25	26	27	28	7:30 p.m. – Shabbat Services w/ Rav Maya Leibovich	29 <i>Parshat Balak</i> 30