

Temple Beth Sholom News

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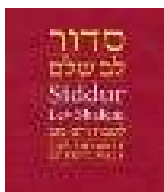
Rabbi Joshua Grossman

President Patrick Guiney

Rabbi Emeritus David Grossman

APRIL SERVICES

Thursday April 2, 9:30 (Pesach Day 1)
Saturday, April 4, 9:30 am
Thursday, April 9, 9:30 (Pesach Day 8/Yizkor)
Friday, April 17, 7:00 pm
Saturday, April 25, 9:30 am



From the Rabbi's Office

Greetings friends,

This month, as always, there is no shortage of areas of discussion or issues that are worthy of our attention. While the words of this article will not reflect our prayers for a lasting peace in our holy land and beyond, at no time are the lives of our sisters and brothers, and all those who risk their lives for our freedoms, far from our thoughts. However, in this space, we have our newsletter, a chance to highlight some of the ongoing and upcoming events that unite us.

In this spirit, I wish to offer a few words about the season and all the special observances the upcoming weeks bring to us as Jews of TBS. As we send and read this entry, we are celebrating our FIRST springtime festival. Pesach brings us more than the celebration of our freedom from ancient slavery, and more than eight days of Matzah and dreaming of leavened delicacies; it brings us community, family and togetherness. In the course of meeting many families, we routinely discuss professional accomplishments, and personal hobbies. Also, we always make time to speak about connections to Judaism. Nearly universally, from observant Jews to those who are not, Passover and the seder(s) are remembered to be times of gathering, of family and as times of joy. Hopefully, this Pesach has been meaningful for you, and as always, if there is anything your Shul can do now or in celebrations to come please, please let us know!

Our days of note do not end with the Pesach festival. Judaism is so often marked with the bitter to accompany the sweet, and so next week we will observe Yom Hashoah by paying honor to the souls lost, and the survivors of the Holocaust. This year might be even more critical to come together for this remembrance as we see the daily ugliness of antisemitism across the globe.

We can rediscover sweetness a week later with Yom Ha'atzma'ut as we mark the Israeli Independence Day. Finally, in the days that lead up to this early summer festival, Shavuot,

we hold our annual Lag B'omer outing at Wampatuck state park. Hiking, barbecue, discussion, and outdoor time are the hallmarks of one of the most fun-filled days on our Hebrew calendar.

Each of these special days are currently in parallel with the section of Torah we have just started. The book of Vayikra/Leviticus will take us through the coming months. Vayikra is a guidebook, a blueprint to attain, maintain an appreciation of Holiness. This entire book is devoted to finding connection to God and to our best selves. The holidays and special days during this period are in conjunction with the concepts of holiness through thoughtful living.

May this season be one of joy, of peace where it has been absent for so long, and of communal and personal elevation and growth.


B'shalom, Rabbi Joshua

From the President

Passover falls so early in April, I'm not going to talk about it. Instead, I'm going to mention that we count the Omer throughout the month of April and into May. "Omer" is really a unit of grain measurement, and we "count" the days until Shavuot. "Shavuot" literally means "weeks" and we also count the seven weeks while waiting for the wheat harvest to come in, by Shavuot. Shavuot is one of the pilgrim festivals where you would come to the Temple to make sacrifice of your grain harvest. I'll defer to the Rabbi to discuss the religious implications, obligations, and/or perspectives of this time period. I just want to let you know the Temple community will be gathering over this period to observe Yom HaShoah, celebrate Lag B'Omer (in the woods), all culminating in Shavuot. I don't think anyone of us has a farm needing attending and harvesting, but you can certainly bring YOU to these events. I would also like to invite you, as we count the Omer, to prepare a brief 5-7 minute presentation on any Jewish-related topic of your choice to present at Shavuot. (Remember I did that Israeli Space Agency presentation a couple of years ago? I mean any Jewish-related topic. Just let the Rabbi know you want a time slot.) I really do want to learn from you. I don't think like you but I can sure learn from you!

Come and count the Omer the next seven weeks with your fellow congregants!

Patrick Guiney, President

Candle		Lighting
4/1 6:52 pm		4/8 8:01 pm
4/2 7:54 pm		4/10 7:02 pm
4/3 6:54 pm		4/17 7:10 pm
4/7 6:58 pm		4/28 7:18 pm

Programming

April is a busy month – starting with Passover seders with family and community, continuing through Yom HaShoah, and welcoming our new members. Looking forward to seeing you!

A special thank you to Harvey Wolf for once again coordinating Temple Beth Sholom’s participation in the Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle project – Thank you Harvey!

Thursday, April 2 at 6:00 pm Second Seder at 6:00 pm. (Reservations closed March 19)

Thursday, April 9 at 9:30 am Pesach Day VIII – with yizkor.

Monday, April 13 Yom HaShoah *The Wisdom of Rabbi Efraim Oshry* – watch your email for details!

Friday, April 17 at 6:00 pm –Membership Shabbat

Monday, April 20th at 6:30 pm TBS Reads will meet to discuss Neil Simon’s Memoirs

May Preview - Lag B’Omer at Wompatuck Park – Sunday May 3rd at 3 pm



Please Welcome to Temple Beth Sholom

New Members

- Alec Buckley
- Toni Cann and her father, Irving Cann
- Barbara Corcoran
- Dr. Kirk Daffner and Lise Bliss
- Alexis Levitt
- Lauren O’Keefe

Nominating Committee Meeting

- Sunday, April 5th, 10:00 am
- Board of Directors Meeting
- Tuesday, April 7th, 7:00 pm



The Holocaust: A History of Decisions, Places, and Moral Collapse -Prof. Stephen Berk.

Sundays April 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2026 1:00-2:00 PM EDT

Seder Night With My Ancestors: From Marjorie Morningstar to Chava Alberstein Tuesday April 7, 1:00-2:00 PM EDT

Legends of Leisure: The Golden Age of the Borscht Belt

Thursday April 16, 3:30-4:30 PM EDT

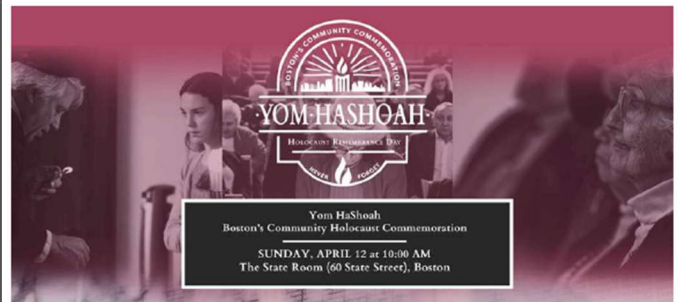
Temple Beth Sholom is a member of CSP; there is no cost, but you must register in advance to attend the on-line events. Zoom software is needed to participate.

Many other offerings are available on different weekdays, for a **complete** list of on-line programs or to **register**, go to

<https://occsp.net/csp-online-zoom-events/>

Contact Karen at tbshullprogramming@gmail.com to register for the Members Only Programs through OCCSP.

JCRC Boston Community Holocaust Commemoration



Sunday, April 12th, 10:00 am – in person or virtually
The State Room 60 State St., Boston; concluding at the
New England Holocaust Memorial

Register in advance - <https://www.tfaforms.com/5213111>

Join Rabbi Joshua and your fellow congregants
Wednesdays at 6:45 pm (in person or on zoom)

April 15th, 22nd and 29th

Listen, Learn, and Share your thoughts!



Thank You
תודה רבה

Thank you to all who have made donations in honor or in memory of loved ones and in doing so support our community.

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In Memory Of

Linda Budd
Paul Maltzman
Richard Schwartz

Mary & Scott Belgard
Susan Perry
Elaine & Norman Swartz

Appreciation Of

Rhonda Albert
Alan Colman

Rachel Goodwin
Jean Connolly

In Honor Of

Ya'akov & Maureen Augenstern

Jean Connolly

Get Well/Refuah Shlema

Karen Augenstern
Mike Wish

Mary & Scott Belgard
Rachel Goodwin
Mary & Scott Belgard

On the Occasion Of

Hilary & Dan Bauman's new grandson Evan Asher Field

Mary & Scott Belgard

Marcia Rymaszewski's birthday
Gabriel Ben-Yosef's birthday

Jean Connolly
Jean Connolly

March Kiddush/Oneg Sponsors

Barbara Corcoran

APRIL YAHRZEITS

From 4/1/2026 to 4/30/2026 (Nissan 14, 5786 to Iyar 13, 5786)

The practice of observing the Yahrzeit for a loved one connects us, not only to those we have lost, but to thousands of years of tradition. The candle we burn, and the lights we light can be for friends, family, and most often a beloved parent. These acts of remembrance and lovingkindness might be made in our homes, or in our Shul.

The Yahrzeit date corresponds to the Hebrew date of loss, and therefore we keep in mind observance in terms of the secular calendar changes each year. For those who are able and open to do so, we encourage you to join us for Erev Shabbat services where we publicly name and recall those we have lost. Each week, for those who wish, we allow a space to share some of what we cherish in the memories of our lost loved ones.

We take this ancient practice from chapter 20 of our holy book of Proverbs which states: "Ner Adonai Nishmat Adam" – "God's light is the soul of every person"

Name	In Memory Of Yahrzeit Date	Hebrew Date
Esther Gan	Thursday 4/2/26	Nissan 15, 5786
Paul Goldman	Thursday 4/2/26	Nissan 15, 5786
Sam Appelstein	Friday 4/3/26	Nissan 16, 5786
Celia Gershen	Saturday 4/4/26	Nissan 17, 5786
Bertha Kershman	Saturday 4/4/26	Nissan 17, 5786
William Figler	Sunday 4/5/26	Nissan 18, 5786
Milton Kaye	Wednesday 4/8/26	Nissan 21, 5786
Samuel G Rosenberg	Wednesday 4/8/26	Nissan 21, 5786
Samuel Weiner	Wednesday 4/8/26	Nissan 21, 5786
Hilda A. Lipman	Thursday 4/9/26	Nissan 22, 5786
Rebecca Saxe	Thursday 4/9/26	Nissan 22, 5786
Steven Prince Yodlin	Friday 4/10/26	Nissan 23, 5786
Daniel Colman	Saturday 4/11/26	Nissan 24, 5786
Frances Gilbert	Saturday 4/11/26	Nissan 24, 5786
Joseph Kalish	Sunday 4/12/26	Nissan 25, 5786
Israel Segal	Sunday 4/12/26	Nissan 25, 5786
William Fisher	Monday 4/13/26	Nissan 26, 5786
Bessie Rosenblum	Tuesday 4/14/26	Nissan 27, 5786
Isidor Gershen	Wednesday 4/15/26	Nissan 28, 5786
Sarah Bobrick	Thursday 4/16/26	Nissan 29, 5786
Murray Saffron	Thursday 4/16/26	Nissan 29, 5786
Esther Smith	Thursday 4/16/26	Nissan 29, 5786
Rose Kaplan	Friday 4/17/26	Nissan 30, 5786
Dorothy Kaplan	Saturday 4/18/26	Iyar 1, 5786
Philip B Fine	Sunday 4/19/26	Iyar 2, 5786
Bertha Leppo	Sunday 4/19/26	Iyar 2, 5786
Sidney Hammel	Monday 4/20/26	Iyar 3, 5786
Edward Paisner	Monday 4/20/26	Iyar 3, 5786
Benjamin Swartz	Monday 4/20/26	Iyar 3, 5786
Max Stein	Tuesday 4/21/26	Iyar 4, 5786
Sholem Banks	Wednesday 4/22/26	Iyar 5, 5786
Solomon Cadoff	Wednesday 4/22/26	Iyar 5, 5786
Rebecca Kaye	Wednesday 4/22/26	Iyar 5, 5786
Mother Rebecca	Wednesday 4/22/26	Iyar 5, 5786
Morris Ruden	Wednesday 4/22/26	Iyar 5, 5786

Name	Yahrzeit Date	Hebrew Date
Bella Schoenfeld	Thursday 4/23/26	Iyar 6, 5786
Jules Grunthalt	Friday 4/24/26	Iyar 7, 5786
Bertram Buxbaum	Saturday 4/25/26	Iyar 8, 5786
Molly Steinman	Saturday 4/25/26	Iyar 8, 5786
Malcolm Cohen	Sunday 4/26/26	Iyar 9, 5786
Morris Lampke	Sunday 4/26/26	Iyar 9, 5786
Edward Gilbert	Monday 4/27/26	Iyar 10, 5786
Sadie Anne Shulman	Monday 4/27/26	Iyar 10, 5786
Sadye Goldman	Tuesday 4/28/26	Iyar 11, 5786
Jack Laven	Tuesday 4/28/26	Iyar 11, 5786
Benjamin Schycon	Tuesday 4/28/26	Iyar 11, 5786
Samuel Rudnick	Thursday 4/30/26	Iyar 13, 5786
Richard Seifer	Thursday 4/30/26	Iyar 13, 5786

We Remember You

Rabbi Sylvan Kamens and Rabbi Jack Riemer

In the rising of the sun and its going down,
We Remember You.

In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter,
We Remember You.

In the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring.
We Remember You.

In the blueness of the skies and in the warmth of summer,
We Remember You.

In the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn.
We Remember You.

In the beginning of the year and when it ends,
We Remember You.

When we are weary and in need of strength,
We Remember You.

When we are lost and sick of heart,
We Remember You.

When we have joys and special celebrations we yearn to share,
We Remember You.

As long as we live, you too shall live, for you are a part of us.
We Remember You.