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The Talmud says in *Shabbat 127a* that one of the greatest *mitzvot* one can do – even greater than studying Torah according to one authority – is to welcome guests, *hachnasat orchim*. This passage even makes up part of a prayer that we say in our Sunday school service. For more than 30 shabbats, over two years, I have been a guest in the Petoskey community. Over this time, I have been welcomed into your homes and your lives. I have been a part of meals and road trips and many, many deep discussions. I have seen more shining sunsets than I can count, more artworks and events than I can list, and every one has been unforgettable in its own way. I have been a part of your lives through school fundraisers, parades, weddings, *bnai mitzvah* and births. I have also shared in illnesses, departures, deaths, and memorials. I have not always felt like a guest. I have more often felt like a neighbor, a friend, and even a member of the extended family. It has been an honor, a joy, and an inspiration to serve this community of amazing individuals. It is hard to believe that this month marks my last time on the *bima* leading Friday evening services. I am overwhelmingly grateful for what each of you have given me, and I know that I will return time and again. A piece of my heart is here on the beaches among the honeycomb fractals of the smooth Petoskey stones.



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Student Rabbi, Nathan Farb



A Note from Carol...

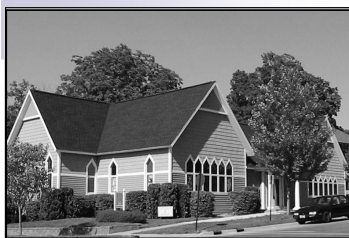
The horrific events in the Kansas City Jewish Community should serve as a reminder to all of us that anti-Semitism is never far away. Our own community has experienced occasional displays of anti-Semitic activity over the years, both via intentional viciousness and unintentional ignorance. Community events like the Hot P'stromi concert, the Helen Gottstein program, Temple performances at Blissfest, and previous years' Randy Kaplan concert and mime show have enabled TBI to gain a higher profile in the community. Fortunately, the community response has been largely welcoming and supportive. On May 17 and 18, another community event – this time at Bayview – will feature Hebrew songs, sung by the Northern Michigan Chorale at their "Winds of Peace" concert. The Chorale has specifically encouraged Temple members to attend. I hope that many of us will come out to support the program.

Mark your calendars!! The Union for Reform Judaism *Had'rachah Seminar for Lay Leadership in Ritual Life* will convene at Camp Olin-Sang-Ruby in Oconomowoc WI from Wednesday July 30 – Sunday August 3. Changes in the HUC rabbinical student schedule are affecting our ability to recruit summer student rabbis, which will, in turn,

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Upcoming Events

Sun., April 27, 10:00 a.m. – **Sunday School**
 Sun., May 4, 10:00 a.m. – **Sunday School**
 Wed., May 7, 6:00 p.m. – **Chevra Kadisha**
 Mon., May 12, 7:00 p.m. – **Board Meeting**

Sat, May 17, 10:00 AM. – **Shabbat Services/
 B’nai Mitzvah**
 Sat., May 17, 7:30 p.m. – **Winds of Peace
 Concert; Bay View**
 Sun., May 18, 10:00 a.m. – **Sunday School**



TBI Library



TBI Library is now open for business! Thanks to all the volunteers that helped organize the library: Tom Johnson, Jeremiah Johnson, Norm & Milo Baumhardt, & Adele Forbrig, and Val Meyerson. Here’s the very simple directions for using the materials:

Check out process

- * When you find something you would like to take home, pull it off the shelf and leave a “shelf spotter” tag where your book belongs.
- * Pull the card from either the outside or the inside cover.
- * Write your name and the date on the card and place in the “checked out” box
- * Take home and enjoy!

Check in process

- * When you are done with the item, please return it for others to enjoy.
- * Find your card in the checked out box and cross your name off.
- * Place the card back in the card pocket. Make sure the correct card is in the book.
- * Check the spine of the book for the number to find the whereabouts of your shelf spotter card.
- * Double check the spine to make sure you have found the correct spot on the shelf for your book.
- * Replace the book on the shelf and put the shelf spotter card back in the box.

(see page 3 for search instructions.)

Spring Break with the Frozen Chosen



Over 55 participants from seven Northern Michigan congregations, including: Petoskey, Traverse City, Alpena, Sault Ste. Marie, MI and Ontario, Marquette-Ishpeming, Houghton Hancock and Mt. Pleasant, came together for a wonderful Shabbat getaway in Mackinaw City March 28-30, 2014 for Jewish worship, learning and camaraderie. Our spiritual leader was Rabbi Daniel Bogard from Congregation Anshai Emeth in Peoria, IL.

We were also joined by Barrett Harr, the Michigan Region NFTY Director, who made terrific contacts with our teens and their parents. Members who attended from TBI included Gus and Roseanne Paz, Liz Frey, Carol Ellstein and Pam Ovshinsky. As the pictures above highlight - a great time was had by all.

Stay tuned for details about our next Northern Michigan multi-congregation retreat scheduled tentatively this coming summer or fall.

Consortium Coordinator, Pam Ovshinsky.



Donations Received

through April 19, 2014

Perpetual Kaddish Fund

Berta Molasky, in honor of the National Council
for Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section
awards bestowed upon:

Sally Schottenfels:

for her receipt of the Hannah Solomon Award

Sally Mayer:

for her receipt of the Anne Ruben Award

Sissi Lapides:

for her receipt of the 8 over 80 Award

Berta Molasky, in memory of Conrad Johnson,
father of Thomas Johnson



TBI Library: Search Process

All the Temple's books can be found online -
please feel free to take a look at what we own and
then borrow something that looks interesting.

- * Go to: <https://www.librarything.com/catalog/TBIPetoskey>
- * Click on "use it" for the TBI viewing style.
This will bring the books up in order that they
are on the shelf.
- * You can click on other headings to get it to
sort by that particular heading.
- * You can search in the top right hand box -
search this library - for any keyword.
- * Click on a tag or click on a call #, to search for
those types of books.

*For help with the catalog, finding something in the
library, or for items that need updating or correcting,
contact Val at: meyerson_954@charter.net.*

Funds/Named Donations Available

- Temple General Fund Newsletter Fund
- Prayer Book Fund Building Fund
- Irene Gordon Memorial 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 (Leaves \$100 Each)
- Aubrey & Gerald Meyerson Perpetual Kaddish Fund
- Donor Wall Tile Fund (Tiles \$48 each plus freight)
- Tribute Fund (packets of 5 tributes for \$90/pack)

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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:

Tom Johnson, Treasurer
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Note from Carol:

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require the membership to become more sophisticated in our
leadership skills. Please consider joining me at camp! More in-
formation will follow when it becomes available.

A final calendar note: Soul Train is returning to the Temple during the
week of August 4-8. This has been a wonderful annual addition to our
calendar! Please consider enrolling your child and extending invita-
tions to children in other congregations.

Shalom,
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Passover Seder 2014

Temple B’Nai Israel **5774** May 2014

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Sivan

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
April 27 10:00 Sunday School	28	29	30	May 1 <i>Rosh Hodesh</i>	2 8:28	3 <i>Parshat Emor</i>
4 10:00 Sunday School	5	6	7 6:00 Chevra Kadisha	8	9 8:37	10 <i>Parshat Behar</i>
11	12 7:00 Board Mtg.	13	14	15	16 8:45	17 <i>Parshat Bechukotai</i> 10:00 AM: Bnai Mitzvah 7:30 Winds of Peace Concert – Bay View
18 10:00 Sunday School 3:30 Winds of Peace Concert – Bay View	19	20	21	22	23 8:53	24 <i>Parshat Bamidbar</i>
25	26	27	28	29	30 9:00	31 <i>Parshat Naso</i>