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Rabbi's Corner

During Tammuz, the hottest month in Israel, the scorching sun reaches every hidden corner. Scorpion is the sign of Tammuz on the Zodiac because the scorpions come out of their holes

and walk freely on the beaches to enjoy the sea breeze. People, too, find refuge from the heat at the seaside, where they enjoy many summer fruits, a favorite being the red watermelon served cold.



The variety of fruits stands in contrast to the dryness of nature—fields that were green last month are now yellow-brown. The yearly calendar moves from a period of growth in nature to a period of death, to which Tammuz belongs. **Cont'd on p. 2, "Rabbi's Note"**

From the President

The summer season is finally upon us and our calendar chock full of activities! Rav Maya & Menachem have arrived and will hold Shabbat services and Lunch &

Learn sessions weekly. On July 28, we will be having a Kabbalat Shabbat Service at the Charlevoix waterfront with Temple Beth El of Bloomfield Hills, whose Rabbi Mark Miller will lead the service. (Rav Maya will be offering the D'var Torah.)

The Temple's Summer Camp begins July 31th-August 4th, and continues August 7th-August 11th. As always, Soul Train will provide their terrific camp counselors. We are asking for someone to lend the counselors a car. Please contact me if you have an available vehicle.

The Kaufman family are having a Baby Naming on July 7th and Milo Malkowski his Bar Mitzvah on July 8th. Checkout the next page for details about Milo's Mitzvah project, as well as other community efforts to assist in the recovery of Evelyn Schwartz and her family.

L'shalom, Gus



July Events

Sun., July 2, 11 a.m. – Lunch & Learn w/ Rav Maya Fri., July 7, 7:30 p.m. - Shabbat Services Fri., July 7, 7:30 p.m. – Kaufman Baby Naming Sat., July 8, 10 a.m. – Milo Malkowski Bar Mitzvah Sun., July 9, 11 a.m. – Lunch & Learn w/ Rav Maya Mon., July 11, 7 p.m. – Temple Board Meeting Fri., July 14, 7:30 p.m. - Shabbat Services Sat., July 15, 8 a.m. – Team Evie 5k Run/Walk Sat., July 15, 8:30 a.m. – Benefit Pancake Breakfast Sun., July 16, 11 a.m. – Lunch & Learn w/ Rav Maya Fri., July 21, 7:30 p.m. – Shabbat Services Sun., July 23, 11 a.m. – Lunch & Learn w/ Rav Maya Fri., July 28, 6 p.m. – Reception w/ Temple Beth El Fri., July 28, 7 p.m. – Charlevoix Shabbat Services Sun., July 30, 11 a.m. – Lunch & Learn w/ Rav Maya Mon., July 31 - Soul Train Camp Begins

Volunteers Needed

For the upcoming Shabbat service in Charlevoix, volunteers are needed to assist as greeters and to help with setup and take-down at the reception. To volunteer, or for more information, contact Gus Paz at (231) 675-0638.

Bar Mitzvah

Please join Milo Mal-kowski and his family on July 8th, 10 a.m., to celebrate with the community his Bar Mitzvah ceremony at Temple B'nai Israel. A Kiddush lunch will follow in the social hall. Milo's Mitzvah project is a fundraiser pancake breakfast for Evelyn Schwartz (see below for more)!

Ways to Support Evelyn Schwartz

The Schwartz's have had a very trying year to say the least. We have all been profoundly saddened by the illness of Evelyn Schwartz and continue to seek ways to lend support. Please consider participating in the following events to lend a hand.

- **5K Run/Walk & 10K Run.** July 15th, 8 a.m. Proceeds will go to Northern Michigan Cancer Crusaders, who have already supported Evelyn. Visit www.northernmichigansports-med.com/wellness-a-fitness/brc to register and get more information.
- Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser. Temple B'nai Israel, July 15th, 8:30 a.m. In conjunction with the run, B'nai Mitzvah students are hosting a Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser. Milo Malkowski and Abbey Baumhardt are currently collecting donations, perfecting their recipe, and honing their cooking skills. There will be coffee, juice, nuts, etc. A donation of five dollars is suggested. All proceeds will go to the Schwartz's, and any further donations are greatly appreciated.
- **Team Evie T-shirts**, for which Mark Rothman will be putting in an order. Please sign up at the Temple or email Mark at mrandam@hotmail.com by July 3rd, and include number of shirts and sizes needed.

In addition to these measures, please visit Evelyn's Caring Bridge page (https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/evelynschwartz), and the Schwartz's Meal Train page (https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/82v3v4). You're support is greatly appreciated!

Donations Received

General Fund

Joshua & Mary Jean Meyerson—in honor of Ben Azriel's wedding
Joshua & Mary Jean Meyerson—a Mishabeirach for Evelyn Schwartz
Gustavo & Rosanne Paz—in honor of Anne Johnson's graduation
Audrey Shapero—patron level dues

Perpetual Kaddish Fund

In memory of Michael Freedland

Joshua & Mary Jean
Meyerson
Michael Michalowski
Carol Ellstein & Joseph
Wildberg
Joanne Friedman
Gustavo & Rosanne Paz
Priscilla Whitman
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Laura Itle
Diane & Richard Clark

Rabbinic Fund

Elizabeth Frey William McMaster Harold & Linda Friedman Karen & Donald Sandberg Stanley & Lee Katlien Joel & Linda Beren Franklin & Judith Kasle Gary & Carol Hurand Edward Frank-in honor of Ben Azriel's wedding Richard Fellman Keith & Laura Podob Melvy Lewis Jim & Betty Line Irving Friedman Edward O'Neill & Susan Kroll Barbara Mayer Linda Dresner & Edward Levy

Newsletter Fund

Eleanor Blum

"Rabbi's Note," cont'd from p. 1 The name Tammuz comes from the Babylonian *Dumuzu*, named after a sun god. The prophet Ezekiel mentions a rite in which the women cry over Tammuz. Many summer rites were connected to death in nature; in contrast, Tishrei (September) begins a cycle of rebirth. However, the sun in its fullest reminds us of the power of God and nature. The mystic teachers say it brings forth the hidden powers. This is certainly a good time to join you members of Temple B'nai Israel. The sun is out.

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 (\$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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Donation Form

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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 Temple B'nai Israel PO Box 2416 Petoskey MI 49770

Vehicle Loan

The camp counselors for the temple's summer day camp (see p. 3) are provided by Soul Train, an Israeli advocacy group. They have always been terrific, and the kids really have a great time. We are asking for someone to volunteer the use of a car for the counselors to drive to camp every morning. If you are willing to lend a car for their use, please contact guspaz@aol.com, gpaz@glenergy.com, or (231) 675-0638.

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Calendar of Events Tammuz / Av | July

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Wed. **Sunday** Monday Tuesday Thursday **Friday** Saturday 26 June 25 28 30 July 1 11 a.m. – Lunch & Learn 7:30 p.m. - Shabbat 1 p.m. - Welcome to Parshat Chukat Services 9:14 Rav Maya 3 5 6 Parshat Balak 7:30 p.m. - Shabbat 11 a.m. – Lunch & Learn Services w/ Rav Maya 10a.m. – Milo Malkowski 7:30 p.m. – Kaufman Bar Mitzvah Baby Naming 13 10 12 15 7 p.m. – Temple 11 a.m. - Lunch & Learn 7:30 p.m. - Shabbat Parshat Pinchas w/ Rav Maya Board Meeting 8 a.m. - Team Evie 5k Services 8:30 a.m. – Pancake 9:07 Breakfast 17 18 19 20 16 11 a.m. - Lunch & Learn 7:30 p.m. **–** Shabbat Parshat Matot-Massei w/ Rav Maya Services 29 23 25 26 11 a.m. – Lunch & Learn 6 p.m. – Reception w/ Rosh Chodesh Parshat Devarim w/ Rav Maya Temple Beth El 7 p.m. - Shabbat in 31 11 a.m. - Lunch & Learn Soul Train Charlevoix w/ Rav Maya Camp Begins 8:54