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FROM JOE WALLACK:

2023 TBT Telethon Passover Fundraiser:

From the second holiest book at Temple Beth Tikvah, Tales from Tikvah: Justice, Justice, Shalt Thou Follow They asked the "holy Yehudi": "Why is it written: "Justice, justice, shalt thou follow"? Why is the word "justice" repeated?" He answered: "We ought to follow justice with justice, and not with unrighteousness." That means: The use of unrighteousness to a righteous end makes the end itself unrighteous; injustice as a means to justice renders justice unjust.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ruth_Bader_Ginsburg

"In addition, she decorated her chambers with an artist's rendering of the Hebrew phrase from Deuteronomy, "Zedek, zedek, tirdof," ("Justice, justice shall you pursue") as a reminder of her heritage and professional responsibility.[138]"

Our annual Community Passover Seder is one of our biggest events.

Unfortunately, manna from heaven stopped falling down thousands of years ago so we have to pay for everything ourselves (except for the fruit that Brent Erenwert and Brothers Produce donate every year). **Correction to previous email, some say it was a miracle but actually it was our Ritual Director, Myrna Reingold, who did the impossible and balanced the Passover budget by having the ticket prices cover the entire cost. So donations to our Passover fundraiser will go to our general Fund.**

Help pursue Justice Justice with a (tax deductible) charitable contribution to TBT:

- 1) You can make it in honor of The Great Teacher Rebbe of Clean Lake, Rabbi Marcy Greene, who will once again be leading the Seder.
- 2) You can make it in honor of our Ritual Director, Myrna "WoManna" Reingold, who once again has done all the heavy schlepping in preparation for the Seder.
- 3) You can make it in memory of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

At TBT we accept all denominations. \$1, \$5, \$ 10, etc. You never know what Supernatural Being may be watching and again, sometimes the smallest things you do are the most important.

Please make checks payable to Temple Beth Tikvah, indicate what the check is for (in memory of/in honor of/other) and mail to:

Temple Beth Tikvah

12411 Park Shadows Trail

Houston, TX 77058

Email operators, big machers, movers and shakers and alta cockers are standing by to handle your pledges.

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Our seder at TBT could not have been possible without the helping hands of the following people who made it so very special: **Myrna Reingold** for organizing us getting out of Egypt again with the Seder! **Rabbi Greene** for officiating, **Harriet Hayes** for the Charoset: chopping and adding all the goodies (plus wine!) with: **Myrna, Marti Schweitzer, Aunt Rita**. Thanks to those who came to arrange the Seder tables: **Myrna, Charles South, Harriet, Paul Hamer, Joe Wallack**. Those who brought the delicious desserts and **Brent Erenwert** for kindly donating the wonderful fruits! And finally, those who helped clean up! We are a small Temple with a big heart!

And now tons of photos for memories:



The story of Passover is the oldest story told and it's important we pass it to the next generation. The Four Questions is the cornerstone for children to ask at the Seder. Good job!!!!



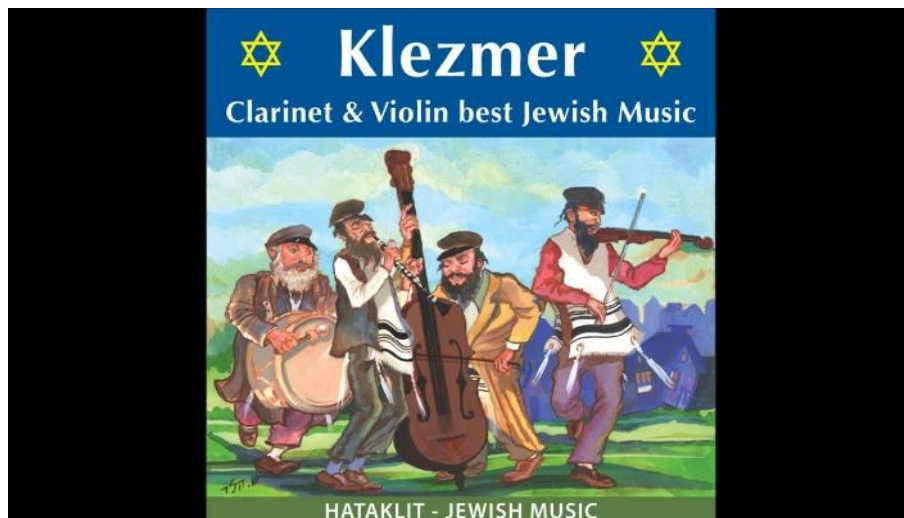


CHAG SAMEACH

RIGHT now, Israel is under attack by our enemies. We stand behind her and continue to pray for peace. **Thanks to Ed Sheinberg** for sending me this and reminding us that Israel continues to heal humanity with innovating technology and medical research. **Tikum Olam**. Take a moment and read:

1. Tel Aviv University is developing a nasal vaccine that will protect people from Alzheimer's and stroke.
2. The Technion, Institute of Technology (Haifa), has developed a simple blood test capable of detecting different types of cancer.
3. The Ichlov Center (Tel Aviv) isolated a protein that makes colonoscopy unnecessary to detect colon cancer, with a simple blood test. Colon cancer kills about 500,000 people annually.
4. Acne doesn't kill, but does cause anxiety in teens. The Curlight Laboratory has created a cure. Emitting UV rays at high intensity, kills the bacteria that cause acne.
5. The Given Imaging Laboratory has developed a tiny camera in the form of swallowed pills and transmits thousands of photos of the digestive tract. These high-quality photos (2 per second for 8 hours) can detect polyps, cancers, and sources of bleeding. The photos are sent to a chip that stores them and sends them to a computer. At the end of the process, the chamber is eliminated via the rectum.
6. The Hebrew University (Jerusalem) developed an electrical neurostimulator (batteries) that is implanted in the chest of Parkinson's patients, similar to the pacemaker. The emissions from this device block the nerve signals that cause tremors.
7. The simple smell of a patient's breath can detect if a patient has lung cancer. The Russell Berrie Institute for Nanotechnology has created sensors capable of sensing and registering 42 biological markers that indicate the presence of lung cancer without the need for a biopsy.
8. Catheterization can be dispensed with in many cases. Endopat is a device placed between the indicator fingers, which can measure the state of the arteries and predict the possibility of a heart attack in the next 7 years.
9. The University of Bar Ilan studies a new drug that fights viruses through the bloodstream. It is called Vecoy Trap, as it tricks a virus into self-destruction. Very useful to combat hepatitis, and in the future Aids and Ebola.

10. Israeli scientists at Hadassah Medical Center (Jerusalem) may have discovered the first cure for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, known as Lou Gehring's disease, in an Orthodox rabbi. Stephen Hawking, a famous British scientist, suffered from this disease and used methods invented by Israeli scientists to communicate.



Thanks to [Christine Paul](#) for this information!

What's more fun than KLEZMER music? **KLEZMER MUSIC**! The University of Houston Clear Lake at their Bayou Theater will have an evening of the best toe tapping hand clapping music ever! Friday, April 28th at 7:30 p.m.

More information is here: <https://www.mercuryhouston.org/2223-uhcl-klezmer-night>

BOOK CLUB

Hi Everyone,

I wish you a Happy Passover!

At our last meeting we discussed the book "Kindred" by Octavia Butler. It is a book that combines slavery and science fiction. In it Dana, a black woman, repeatedly travels back in time to save the life of her ancestor Rufus, a white slaveholder.

In addition to changing attitudes toward slavery in the past 200 years, we discussed changing attitudes towards women in general. Sadly, in some ways we are not treated much better now than we were then.

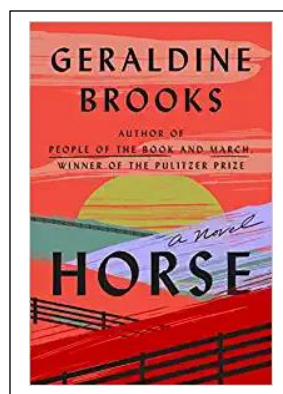
Our next book club meeting will be on Sunday April 30th at 12:30 in the TBT library. The book is "Horse" by Geraldine Brooks. It is based on the remarkable true story of the record-breaking thoroughbred Lexington. It combines a discarded painting in a junk pile, a skeleton in an attic, and the greatest racehorse in American history into a story of spirit, obsession, and injustice. Phyllis will lead the discussion.

Feel free to bring lunch or a snack.

Quote: "Only horses were honest in the end." Geraldine Brooks.

I look forward to seeing you on the 30th of April

Carol Zucker



TEMPLE SCHEDULE:

April

7th – Myrna 7 p.m. Zoom and TBT

12TH- Board Meeting 7 p.m. TBT

14th – Rabbi Greene 7 p.m. Zoom and TBT

21st – Myrna 7 p.m. Zoom and TBT

28th – Myrna 7 p.m. Zoom and TBT

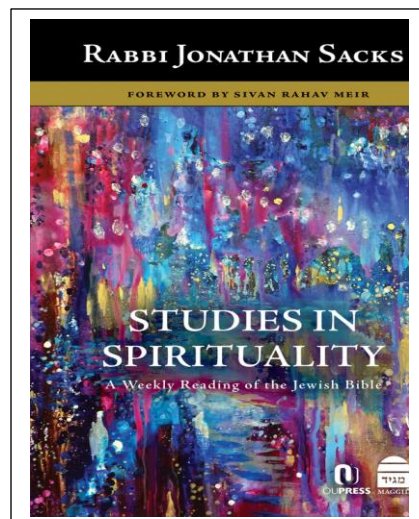
30th – Book Club 12:30 at TBT

If you would like to be a part of the Board, please contact Joe Wallack at JoeWallack@gmail.com

We'd love to have more people participate and bring ideas to the table.

If you want to add someone to the Misheberach list, please email Myrna at Riverrein@yahoo.com

If you need to add someone to our Yarzheit list, also email Myrna.



In these chaotic times, I found a book that has helped me spiritually connect with G-d and calm my mind down. Rabbi Sacks, the beloved and much respected Rabbi from London, has written a book that in these times, should be a must read for all.

"I hope the very personal nature of these essays helps you find your own way to the Divine Presence, which is always there: the music beneath the noise, the call between the clamour, the voice of G-d within the human soul" – Rabbi Jonathan Sacks



BIRTHDAYS:

4th- Coral Zelon
17th – Madeline Wallach
18th – Heather Stein
18th – Tom Henderson
24th – David Leboe
24th – Marianna Buchner
27th- Anna Wallack
28th – Mia Wilson

Anniversaries

26th- Peter Wald & Isabel Bass
29th – Rick & Susan Sullivan
30th Joe Wallack & Ruth Levine

We hope you have a wonderful healthy happy year!

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