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## SHABBAT SCHEDULE

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*Shabbat is a taste of paradise.* Talmud, Berachot 57a

## Shabbat Evening Services

## 6:00 pm | Friday

Our Shabbat evening service will embrace you. Fresh and familiar music will enable you to give voice to your own spirit. Special occasions in the lives of our congregants, Jewish teachings, sermons from our rabbis, and special music will enhance "Shabbat—our sanctuary in time."

## Torah Study on Shabbat Morning

## 9:30 am | Saturday

Start your Saturday with Torah study and a bagel with a shmear of cream cheese. Each Shabbat morning before our Shabbat Morning Minyan (10:30 am), you will study Parashat HaShavua, the weekly Torah portion. The rabbis will lead a discussion of ancient commentaries and teachings and reveal the Torah's modern and relevant lessons.

## Tot Shabbat

## 10:00 am | Saturday

Join us Saturday morning at 10:00 am for a wonderful young family Shabbat experience. This interactive program is geared for families with children up to the age of five years old. Prayer, music, stories, movement, activities, snacks and much more will be featured. Following Tot Shabbat, families stay and enjoy time together in our beautiful playground. This is a great way for you to celebrate Shabbat with other families with young children. [tbsmb.school/programs/family](https://tbsmb.school/programs/family)

## Shabbat Morning Service

## 10:30 am | Saturday

Join us Saturday mornings at 10:30 am in our beautiful chapel or sanctuary. Our clergy and members of our congregation help to lead the prayers and read the Torah. Kiddush lunch follows.

## jLAB Family Shabbat

Each Saturday morning, jLAB students in grades K-5 and their parents (and other significant grown-ups) gather together in the chapel from 9:30-10:00 am for a lively Shabbat morning t'filah experience. This is a great opportunity to learn the prayers of our liturgy and connect with the words of our prayer service. All those with children in this age group are welcome to join us! For more information or to RSVP contact Kimberly Hyde at [kimberly@tbsmb.org](mailto:kimberly@tbsmb.org).

## B'nei Mitzvah Service

Our b'nei mitzvah services are at 10:30 am and 4:30 pm. These services occur only when a member of the Temple is celebrating the occasion of becoming bar or bat mitzvah. See above (table of contents) or [tbsmb.org/calendar](https://tbsmb.org/calendar) for current schedule.

## Live Streaming

Watch Friday night and Saturday morning Shabbat services on your computer at [www.tbsmb.org/watch](https://www.tbsmb.org/watch).

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for up-to-the-minute viewing platforms by service



# Sacred Connections

Rabbi Gayle Pomerantz

Dear Friends,

This month I was supposed to be traveling to Israel to celebrate Israel's 75th birthday on a bus filled Temple Beth Sholom congregants and Jews from across Miami. This is a trip that could hardly have been imagined by our relatives only a few generations ago. I think that even Herzl himself could not have predicted the breathtaking trajectory of success our young nation has achieved, from the prodigious number of inventions to astounding military victories and humanitarian and cultural contributions.

However, as the Yiddish expressions goes: "Humans plan and God laughs." Unfortunately, and perhaps even ironically, I had to cancel because of challenges I have had with my left foot since my last trip to Israel this past summer, when I fractured my foot teaching Israeli dancing! Despite my inability to join in, I am proud that our GMJF Mission will once again will be the largest delegation of the entire diaspora in Israel for Yom Ha'Atzma'ut (Israel's Independence Day). I have lost count of the number of times I have had the privilege of visiting Israel. I have lived there on two separate occasions and I will be going yet again in June with our Temple Beth Sholom B'Yachad Trip.

I am an unabashed Zionist. I even represented Reform Judaism at the last World Zionist Congress where I was an official delegate. Yet, even still, Israel's current governing coalition, the most far-right in Israel's history, led by Benjamin Netanyahu, is causing me and many of you (and hundreds of thousands of Israelis who are protesting in the streets) great distress.

Despite my grave misgivings about Israel's new coalition government, I know that this is not the time to abandon Israel. Instead, I am sharing my concerns with those in positions of power and working to modify the illiberal forces that are trying to reshape Israel.

Many of you have shared your concerns with me too:

- We are concerned about the collapse of democracy if the proposed changes to Israel's Supreme Court are passed, disabling the Supreme Court from serving as a check on the unrestrained power of the legislature.
- We are concerned about Israel changing provisions in the Law of Return which has existed since 1950, and which until now granted citizenship to anyone with one Jewish grandparent (1970), or who has converted to Judaism under non-Orthodox auspices. These changes would nullify the grandparent clause and render a good percent of our congregation ineligible for Israeli citizenship under the Law of Return.

• We are concerned that non-Orthodox Jews in Israel at such thriving congregations as our partner synagogue in Jerusalem, Kehilat HaDror, will be defunded by the government as threatened in the coalition agreement, in favor of greater support for the Haredi ultra-Orthodox population.

• We are concerned that this government includes racist and extremist factions that put the rights of women, LGBTQ Jews, Israeli Arabs and the future of the two-state solution at risk.

While it's true that we do not live in Israel and cannot vote there, it's also true that Israel is the Jewish homeland for all Jews everywhere, and what happens there affects the entire Jewish world.

I repeat, this is not the time to abandon Israel; rather it is the time to protest these non-democratic policies and support a democratic and pluralistic Jewish State. Here is one way you can help:

• Donate to Israel's Movement for Progressive Judaism to raise 1.5 million dollars to help offset a potential loss of funding to Reform Jews in Israel. To donate, go to: <https://reform.org.il/en/campaign-2023/> or send checks to Friends of IMPJ, c/o Mickey Rosen, 211 S Spalding Dr., #4035, Beverly Hills, CA 90212.

We will continue to monitor the situation in Israel and share information about how you can financially and ideologically support a pluralistic and democratic Israel.

Thank you to all of you who have showed up for Israel again and again. Now is the time to show up in a different way.

Every Passover we conclude our Seders with the words, "Next year in Jerusalem." This year, let us pray and work for the Jerusalem envisioned in Israel's Declaration of Independence in 1948: "The State of Israel will.... foster the development of the country for the benefit of all its inhabitants; it will be based on freedom, justice and peace as envisaged by the prophets of Israel; it will ensure complete equality of social and political rights to all its inhabitants irrespective of religion, race or sex; it will guarantee freedom of religion, conscience, language, education and culture; it will safeguard the Holy Places of all religions...."





# Innovative School

Margie Zeskind  
Head of School



Dear Families,

I am getting ready to graduate this May, with my second master's degree from Hebrew Union College (HUC). I earned my first educational master's degree back in 1992 and now, at the age of 68, I am excited to have earned my Executive Masters in Jewish Education. Much of my course work over the last two years has highlighted how our Innovative School professionals are truly a professional community of life-long learners. I have shared about how we continually ask ourselves questions like: What does it mean to be on an individual and communal professional journey? What does it mean to leave a place of professional comfort? Where do we journey to and what guides us along our journey?

To date, we have found that relationships steer us, stories nourish us, and questions ignite us. What is relationship? How do we create belonging within a framework of shared expectations? What covenants could be constructed between the families – what can they expect from their involvement and partnerships with us and what can we expect from them? How can we as a community create a holding environment...a community of care within our relational community?

As we are contemplating our answers to these questions, we are looking to our next steps to take. We know we are a welcoming and caring community. What kindles our souls so we can potentially kindle another's soul? How are we connected to one another within our relational story? How do we grow our own spiritual level in order to connect to everything and everyone we are working and living with at a higher level? When do we feel a sense of sacredness in our life? What cultivates that feeling?

We are committed to working on and cultivating relationships while developing our sense of shared purpose and direction. We are on our journey, and it is one that had a beginning but hopefully will not have an end. Our process of journeying has strengthened our relationships and is maximizing our synergistic energy.

I would like to share an excerpt taken from Margaret Wheatley and Myron Kellner-Roger's work, "A Simpler Way," page 88:

*Life is in motion, "becoming becoming." The motions of life swirl inward to the creating of self and outward to the creating of the world. We turn inward to bring forth self. Then the self extends outward, seeking other, joining together. Systems arise. Extension and desire organize into complex and meaningful forms.*

*Life takes form from such ceaseless motions. But the motions of life have direction. Life moves toward life. We seek for connection and restore the world to wholeness. Our seemingly separate lives become meaningful as we discover how necessary we are to each other. Meaning expands as we join life's cohering motions. Meaning deepens as we move into the dance.*

*When do we feel most amazed? What fosters this awakening? When do we feel grateful and what is our response? How can we better see the ordinary moments as extraordinary moments? How do we cultivate, as a community, an attitude of openness, of joy, of doubt, of excitement, of awe, and of gratitude? Can we create the sacred time and sacred space for these deep emotional experiences to happen?*

I invite you to dance with us!

B'Shalom,

**Margie**



Barb Shimansky, RJE  
Director of School for Living Judaism

Freedom has been a particularly salient theme over the past year.

I woke up on the morning of June 25, 2022 having fewer rights than I ever had in my lifetime, thanks to the Supreme Court decision regarding Dobbs vs. Jackson Women's Health. Living in a country that prides itself on the ideals of freedom and liberty, it was difficult to comprehend how mine had just been diminished.

I went for a very long walk that morning, and found myself at the site of the Champlain Towers South in Surfside, one year and one day after it collapsed without warning. The residents there had gone to sleep one night thinking that they had the freedom to be safe in their homes, only for that to be shattered in an instant.

I sat with these things for a long while, trying to make sense of a world where sense did not seem to exist anymore. I was not successful.

And then, just a few weeks ago, the news broke of a shooting on the campus of Michigan State University – my alma mater. I had classes in the academic building where the violence began. I hung out in the Student Union where there were more victims. I reflected on my memories of these spaces and thought about how I walked through campus with a sense of freedom, not a sense of fear. The four years I spent at MSU were some of the best of my life, and while we certainly were taught to be aware of our surroundings and to be careful at parties, the thought never crossed my mind that I would have needed to know how to shelter in place for anything other than a possible tornado.

For context, I graduated about 11 months prior to the Columbine school shooting.

Freedom is fleeting. It is not guaranteed. It is something we constantly need to fight for, and then continually fight to hang onto it once we have it. When we become complacent, freedom disappears.

This is a lesson from the story of the Israelites that perhaps we do not focus on as much as we should. At our Pesach seder, we celebrate our story of freedom

and redemption. But we do not talk about what came next – the journey to learn how to live with that freedom, and what that entailed.

It is no accident that we commemorate our story with a "seder," which translates to "order" in English. For freedom does not mean that we can do whatever we want. To truly be free, we need to have boundaries, and live within those boundaries to feel comfortable and safe. The real story of the Israelites is how they figured out how to do that, which was not without strife – this is why it took them 40 years to make it to the Promised Land. And while we sometimes joke about just how many rules there are in Judaism (613, to be exact!), these are the guidelines by which we can remain a cohesive, free people. The seder is an orderly ritual that models the way in which we should create the paradox of freedom through structure.

There should be laws in our society that allow people to live without fear; a life without safety is a life without freedom. We should be safe in our homes and in our communities. The limits that keep us safe allow us to be free. This is a great lesson for our children to start to understand as we retell the story of our people and as we live our daily lives. May we seek our perpetual redemption as we work toward a society in which we can truly be free.

*There is no jLAB on:*

*Wednesday, April 5 (Erev Pesach)*

*Saturday, April 8 (Professional Development Day)*

*Wednesday, April 12 (Last Day of Pesach)*

# Israel '75 Dinner and Celebration

April 26  
5:30-7:00 pm  
\$18/person

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*April*

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Monday evenings, 7:00 pm, April 3, 17 and 24

On Zoom | Registration and the Zoom link: Noemi, [noemi@tbsmb.org](mailto:noemi@tbsmb.org)



## Kavanah Council

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Register at: [tbsmb.org/spiritual-life/personal-growth/](https://tbsmb.org/spiritual-life/personal-growth/)

### Enhanced Performance in Your Personal and Professional Lives Through the Study and Practice of Mindfulness.

Please join us for a special one-hour zoom presentation by Scott Rogers and Paul Steven Singerman on Enhanced Performance in Your Personal and Professional Lives.

Scott and Paul taught a Mindful Listening class last year and it was so popular we are bringing them back. Scott Rogers is a law professor and the Founder and Director of the Mindfulness in Law Program at the University of Miami and a leader in the area of mindfulness and the law. Paul is co-chair of the law firm of Berger Singerman and specializes in resolving complex business matters.

Scott and Paul have presented on mindfulness and the law to groups of lawyers and judges throughout the United States, including The Florida Bar, The American Bar Association and the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn from two mindfulness masters!

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After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.





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6:00 PM**

**Mark your calendar for the Temple Beth Sholom Annual Meeting.**

The Board of Trustees invites you to join us for our annual congregational meeting.

This is an opportunity for us to share the business of the temple with you, for you to ask questions and see what's happened in the past year. We hope you'll join us.  
Light refreshments will be served.

RSVP: [tbs@tbsmb.org](mailto:tbs@tbsmb.org)





## Thursday, April 6

**9:30 am** Passover Torah study

**10:30 am** Services

**6:00 pm** Congregational Second Night Seder

## Wednesday, April 12

**9:30 am** 7th Day Passover Torah study

**10:30 am** Services with Yizkor

RSVP for Seder:

**[tbsmb.org/passover](https://tbsmb.org/passover)**



MICRO  
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**PASSOVER EVENT**  
Saturday, April 1  
11:45 am

Passover celebration, making items to use  
for our seders as well as fun games and activities.  
**Palm plaza**



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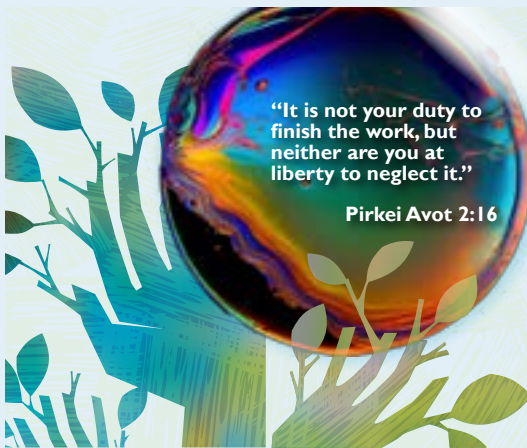
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## Tenth Annual Soup Contest Results

**First place - Stephen and Beverly Unger with their Mango Gazpacho**  
(Stephen is pictured left with daughter Rachel)

**Second place - Carolyn Heiss with her Butternut Squash and Apple Soup**

**Third place - Suzette Abramson and Nora Abramson with Baba's Borscht**

**People's Choice Winner - 4th and 5th Grade Learners of the Innovative School with their Golden Sun's Red Lentil Soup**

**Thank you to our Soup Contest Sponsors:**

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**GHP Founder David Roper pictured right with co-emcee Gary Ressler at the soup contest**



## Social Justice

**Jeff Agron**

**Social Justice Director**

Mitzvah Day 2023 is in the books! Save the date for next year's Mitzvah Day, February 4, 2024. I am pleased to announce that next year's Mitzvah Day Co-Chairs will be Ashley Weissman and Caryn Pardo.

It was an amazing day and it only happened because of the work of many, many people. We had over 520 people of all ages participating in projects this year.

I would like to thank our amazing Mitzvah Day Co-Chairs Ashley Weissman and Jillian Barnett, and our Soup Contest Co-Chairs, Karen Sepsenwol, Dana Grodin and Robin Rosenbaum. Todah rabah, a big thanks, to each of you. Special thanks to our Social Justice Network co-chairs, Rachel Unger and Andrea Wagner, for their guidance. Thanks also to Chaim Lieberperson, Marte Singerman, and Vanessa Ressler for making the opening ceremony so special.

Special thanks to our amazing clergy and Mark Baranek for serving the pancake breakfast; to Nava Regev and her staff for preparing the breakfast; Robert and Melissa Netkin for the fruit, Danny and Kim Haber for the gluten-free breakfast add-ons; Michael Svayg and his staff for all of their logistical support; our amazing security team for keeping us safe and orderly; Michael Meltzer for his guidance, our amazing senior staff for all their help making my job so much easier; and to Jenny Lowhar for all her hard work. Finally, thank you to Michael Grunwald for his enlightening talk on Shabbat.

### Jeff Agron

**Thanks to our Soup Contest emcees:** Gary Ressler and Rob Newman.

**Thanks to our Soup Contest Judges:** Cantor Lisa Segal, Michael Meltzer and Stephen Sawitz.

**Of course, thanks to our Soup Contest Chefs and their delicious soups:**

Andrea Wagner - Creamy Deliciousness in My Belly Thai Curry Soup  
Margie Zeskind - Green Curry Lentil Soup  
Angie Berezin - Roasted Tomato Soup  
Carolyn Heiss - Butternut Squash and Apple Soup  
Rachel M. Unger - Green Haven Project's Kale and Tuscan White Bean Soup  
The 4th & 5th grade Learners of The Innovative School - Golden Sun's Red Lentil Soup  
Howard Grodin - Manischewitz Onion Soup  
Team Ressler - Spicy Sesame Carrot Soup with Red Lentils  
Robin Rosenbaum - Beach Borscht  
Stephen & Beverly Unger - Mango Gazpacho  
Suzette Abrahamson & Nora Abrahamson - Baba's Borscht Soup

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## Broad Bussel Educational Enhancement Fund

The Broad Bussel family have been Temple Beth Shalom founding members for 80 years. They are some of our longest affiliated members spanning five generations.

Shepard Broad <sup>z"l</sup> was a past president of TBS who helped develop Bay Harbor Islands and named the Ruth K. Broad Elementary

School in memory of his beloved wife. Their daughter, Ann Bussel, began her teaching career at TBS as an assistant Kindergarten teacher. Beyond the classroom, she has been fortunate enough to be able to support many educational programs and innovative endeavors ranging from early childhood, to Hillel programs on college campuses, to supporting teacher training and parenting courses at the University of Haifa, as well as seed monies to launch Shalom Baby at TBS. Her brother Morris<sup>z"l</sup> and his wife Anita are long time members and benefactors. Ann's son John and his family are TBS members, and John served on the TBS board from 2014-20.



The Broad Bussel Family

In recognition of the fact that both TBS and education have played major roles in the lives of the Broad Bussel family, the Broad Bussel Educational Enhancement Fund was created in 2013 to support unbudgeted educational initiatives at our School for Living Judaism (jLAB) and has been expanded to include other areas for

our Youth, such as BESHTY travel experiences. Past programs created with this fund have ranged from the Shabbat Experience, to a *Madrichim* Program, to bringing in an Artist-in-Residence. Fast forward to today and the fund currently helps support our jLAB technology needs, Coding & Robotics classes, and more, as well as BESHTY trips to advocate in Washington, D.C. and explore Jewish history in NYC.

The Broad Bussel family wants to see these efforts live on for generations to come so that TBS can continue to be for others what it has been for them.

Read Ann Bussel's Legacy Story here:  
[tinyurl.com/BusselStory](https://tinyurl.com/BusselStory)

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NAMED FUNDS

*This issue of HaKOL highlights just one of our many Named Funds.*

*To learn more, visit [tbsmb.org/named-funds/](https://tbsmb.org/named-funds/).*

*Named Funds can also be created to benefit our current Youth Campaign (see page 16).*

*If you are interested in creating a Named Fund, contact Director of Advancement Katy Boyask at [katy@tbsmb.org](mailto:katy@tbsmb.org) | 786.406.1375.*





# B'nei Mitzvah

APRIL 2023

**Aiden Laufer** will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on April 1, 2023. He is the son of Jamie and Adam Laufer and brother of Joshua and Brooke Laufer. His grandparents are Ronnie and Jerry Burns, Faye and Joe Galat, and Irwin Laufer. As part of his mitzvot, Aiden organized a capital raising campaign and toy drive for the Lotus House, a non-profit organization that shelters women and their children; helping them get back on their feet, find jobs and transition them to their own homes. Aiden's efforts during the 2022 holiday season raised in excess of \$60,000 and collected over 100 toys. He also volunteers with American Youth Football (AYF), a 501c3 non-profit organization, founded and operated by his grandfather, that provides support services to youth football and cheer programs through the United States, with over one million participants. In supporting AYF, Aiden created a newsletter during the covid pandemic specifically for kids, he assists in administrative tasks throughout the year, and also helps with operations during AYF national championships and leadership meetings.



**Allegra Eden Orlofsky** will be called to the Torah as a minchah bat mitzvah on April 8, 2023. She is the daughter of Alexander S. Orlofsky and Vanessa R. Menkes Orlofsky. Her grandparents are the Honorable Stephen M. Orlofsky and the late Charlotte K. Gaal (z"l), and Aliana Brodmann E. von Richthofen, formerly Aliana Brodmann Menkes, and the late Elias Judah Menkes (z"l), and Alexander E. von Richthofen. As part of her mitzvot, Allegra took part in the Young Lions of Judah program in honor of her great-grandparents and relatives who were survivors of the Holocaust. This program of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation pairs B'nei Mitzvah students with Holocaust survivors who never had the chance to become B'nei Mitzvah. Allegra was paired with Holocaust survivor Jack Waksal, and learned his life story, so she can help champion his message: to never forget. To learn more about the Jewish Federation's Young Lions of Judah program, please visit [www.JewishMiami.org](http://www.JewishMiami.org).

**Micah Marley Ressler** will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on April 15, 2023. She is the daughter of Vanessa and Gary Ressler and sister of Orli and Nili Ressler. Her grandparents are Vivien Ressler, Len Briggs, and Cyndi Briggs. As part of her mitzvot Micah will be contributing to and participating in an Overtown project with Lotus House. Please visit her dedicated webpage: [lotushouse.kindful.com/event/mitzvah-project](http://lotushouse.kindful.com/event/mitzvah-project)



## Purim 5783 at TBS was SO MUCH FUN!

Thank you for coming out to support our Purim celebration on March 6. It was epic! Thank you to our cast and crew, especially Gary Ressler for stepping in at the last moment as Queen Esther.

We'd like to thank Nava Regev and her staff and; Michael Svayg and his team for thier hard work, and all the parents who brought their families to the Purim Carnival and Shpiel.







A special thank you to Cantor Lisa Segal, who year after year has produced wonderful, entertaining *shpiels* for us, and to whom we say goodbye this year.

There was a bittersweet (and VERY funny) tribute to Cantor Segal at the end, thanks to the sharply-honed musical writing skills of Barb Shimansky. (See it on our YouTube Channel.)

Thank you also to 84 Events for their in-kind donations for the TBS & Tribe hosted Shushan54 party.

Most of all, thank YOU for sharing Purim with us and see you next year!







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Contact: Director of Advancement Katy Boyask at [katy@tbsmb.org](mailto:katy@tbsmb.org) or 786.406.1375.

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# Happy Birthday

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Vida Berkowitz  
Joshua Bratter  
Perry Greenfield  
Milo Hirsch  
Sydney Kane  
Samuel Lindemann  
Avraham Nazareth  
Aaron Tandy  
Elad Zvi

**April 2**

Violet Barnett  
Shahar Bitton  
Michael Dribin  
Sunny Friedman-Gilbert  
Adam Gordon  
Orli Ressler

**April 3**

Ronnie Issenberg  
Roberta Lawrence  
Logan Levy  
Raif London  
Dana Martorella  
Hank Newman  
Adrienne Pardo  
Caryn Pardo  
Nicole Rekant  
Cary Zel

**April 4**

Samantha Bratter  
Zoey Campos  
Jade Deutsch  
Josh Deutsch  
Josephine Louis  
Benjamin Pritchett  
Caleb Samuel  
Mia Schapiro  
Elizabeth Stone  
Matthew Weissmann

**April 5**

Michael Balan  
Joshua Glottmann  
Ethel Grossfeld  
Bonnie Helman  
Jonathan Holtz  
Dan Koonin  
Rogerio Lilienbaum  
Tristan Linardos  
Jordan Pardo  
Jaime Rubinson  
Alan Villegas Potter  
Leah Winer

**April 6**

Jeffrey Bass  
Angelica Berezin  
Jordan Blumenthal  
Yaidira Dvir  
Andrea Gauntlett  
Milo Liebowitz  
Gary Ressler

Ryann Schwadron  
David Tamen

**April 7**

Jonathan Cohen  
Todd Feldman  
Harold Gaffin  
Omer Horev  
Hannah Moret  
Jodi Steinbauer

**April 8**

Jeffrey Bernstein  
Matt Bohm  
Nadine Dwek  
Carl Linder  
Austen Reiss  
Hanna Saul  
Nicole Weinerman

**April 9**

Ruth Ciampitti  
Jaime Lapidus  
Dore Louis  
Julia Sawitz  
Rachel Shipman  
Beverly Unger

**April 10**

Tracy Bahl  
Wendy Belkin  
Michael Kosnitzky  
Evan Marks

**April 11**

Herbert Block  
Michelle Dickstein  
Evelyn Engler  
Aaron Hirsch  
Suzanne Hurwitz  
Spencer Oxfeld  
Justin Twist  
Ezra Zadok

**April 12**

Ana Maria Abisleiman  
Jackie Fernandez  
Jade Gordon  
Allan Hall  
Isla Hurwitz  
Ginger Kahn  
Matthew Kauffman  
Spencer Miller  
Michael Musaffi  
Lisa Rosenberg  
James Segal  
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**April 13**

Anna Bourgeois  
Jennifer Chachkes  
Hunter Greenfield  
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Sofia Morales

Fernando Pomeraniec  
Brett Posner-Ferdman  
Rickie Singerman  
Monica Tracy  
Olga Vodolazski  
Debra Wechsler

**April 14**

Elise Chetek  
Daniela deCristofano  
Jeremy Stenberg  
Catherine Tandy  
Violet Ventura

**April 15**

Shana Dickstein  
Mara Geronemus  
Chance Greenberg  
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Marina Rubio  
Mark Silberman  
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**April 16**

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Anabel Basualdo  
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Maylen Dominguez  
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**April 17**

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Brian Hirsch  
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Sadie Sheldon  
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**April 18**

Isabelle Amdur  
Eden Benmeir  
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Sarah Erlichman  
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Summer Galitz  
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**April 19**

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Theo Buckley  
Max Budowsky  
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Eli Jonas  
Pamela Kalmus  
Thea Mitzman  
Ruth Rice  
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**April 20**

Ely Araten  
Irene Barr  
Ora Chetek  
Scott Evans  
Jordan Leeds  
Gabriel Levinson  
Nina Mandel  
Ryan Neuffer  
Joshua Pardo  
Syl Solomon  
Alan Weinstein

**April 21**

Laura Curson  
David Gaynor  
Alexi Haas  
Jo Ann Hildebrandt  
Ryan Mendelson  
Andrew Penn  
Noah Salomon  
Ryan Weisburd  
Heather Zaitz

**April 22**

Wendi Adelson  
Emily Amar  
Neely Amdur  
Katy Boyask  
Mako Hagen  
Brody Musaffi  
Mason Pachter  
Levi Pardo  
Blair Penn  
Delila Penson  
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Robyn Rice  
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Robin Weiner

**April 23**

Justin Kleidermacher  
Buffy Koczwara  
David Oxfeld  
Adam Schwarz  
Leslie Tobin  
Morgan Tolston  
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**April 24**

Danielle Bernstein

Isabella Cohen  
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Max Grunwald  
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Quade Koffler  
Golda LieberPerson  
Shelly Reiter  
Stacy Savett  
Carole Sparr  
Alissa Staub  
Brian Zimberg

**April 25**

Irma Braman  
Fred Corman  
Adrian Gilboa  
Alan Hyman  
Meyer Landsman  
Gordon Loader  
Daniel Shai  
Nancy Warshofsky  
Ryan Wohl  
Lee Zimmerman

**April 26**

Avivit Ashkenazi Pyle  
Arlene Friedman-Zel  
Gordon Kramer  
Rowan Loftus  
Jacob Martin

**April 27**

Jeffrey Krasnoff  
Brandon Levine  
Gabriel Segall

**April 28**

Mark Baranek  
Solomon Genet  
Jeffrey Hirsh  
Jacob Mayer  
Julian Mayer  
Laurie Swedroe  
Claire Warren  
Randy Weisburd

**April 29**

Leslie Baumann  
Gabriela Blinder  
Nina Haas  
Paula Levine  
Keri Livingstone  
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