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Congregation Tifereth Israel 1354 E. Broad Street

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Shabbat Service Schedule

Ki Tissa	March 2-3
Candle Lighting	6:07 pm
Friday Evening Service	6:00 pm
Inclusion Shabbat Friday Evening Service	7:30 pm
Shabbat Warmup - ShabbaTunes	9:00 am
Shabbat Morning Service - Bar Mitzvah, Evan Norman	9:30 am 10:30 am
Young Peoples' Šynagogue Boker Tov Shabbat	11:00 am
Va-Yak'hel/P'Kudei	March 9-10
Candle Lighting	6:14 pm
Friday Evening Service Shabbat Mishpacha: Friday Night Family Dinner & Service	6:00 pm 6:00 pm
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Shabbat Warmup - Torah Talks	9:00 am
Shabbat Morning Service - Bat Mitzvah, Namaa Frank & Shabbat Parah	9:30 am
Interpretive Shabbat	10:15 am
Young Peoples' Synagogue	10:30 am
Va-Yikra - with Senior Rabbi Candidate Rabbi Aubrey Glazer	March 16-17
Candle Lighting	7:21 pm
Friday Evening Service & Dinner (by reservation)	6:00 pm
Shabbat Warmup - Shabbat Stretch: Light Yoga & Mindfulness	9:00 am
Shabbat Morning Service - Shabbat HaChodesh/Anniversary Shabbat	9:30 am
Young Peoples' Synagogue	10:30 am
Tzav	March 23-24
Candle Lighting	7:29 pm
Shabbat Neshama: Friday Evening Musical Mindfulness Service	6:00 pm
Shabbat Warmup – Hot Off the Jewish Press	9:00 am
Shabbat Morning Service - Shabbat HaGadol	9:30 am
Young Peoples' Synagogue	10:30 am
Shabbat Pesach - Passover Day One	March 30-31
Candle Lighting	7:36 pm
Friday Evening Service	5:30 pm
Shabbat Morning Service	9:00 am 10:30 am
Young Peoples' Synagogue Rabbi vs. Rabbi	12:30 pm
Shabbat Pesach - Passover Day Eight Candle Lighting	April 6-7 8:26 pm
Shabbat Evening Service	6:00 pm
Inclusion Shabbat Friday Evening Service	7:30 pm
Shabbat Morning Service - Yizkor	9:00 am
Young Peoples' Synagogue	10:30 am
Boker Tov Shabbat	11:00 am
Sh'mini	April 13-14
Candle Lighting	7:50 pm
Friday Evening Service	6:00 pm
Shabbat Warmup – Torah Talks	9:00 am
Shabbat Morning Service - Anniversary Shabbat & Earth Day Shabbat	9:30 am
Interpretive Shabbat	10:15 am
Young Peoples' Synagogue	10:30 am
Tazri'a/M'tzora	April 20-21
Candle Lighting	7:57 pm
Shabbat Neshama: Friday Evening Musical Mindfulness Service	6:00 pm
Shabbat Warmup – Shabbat Stretch: Light Yoga & Mindfulness Shabbat Morning Service - Bat Mitzvah, Camryn Kleinman	9:00 am 9:30 am
Young Peoples' Synagogue	10:30 am
Sustaining Medicine	12:30 pm
Achrei Mot/ K'doshim	
Candle Lighting	April 27-28 8:04 pm
Friday Evening Service	6:00 pm
Shabbat Warmup – Hot Off the Jewish Press	9:00 pm
Shabbat Morning Service - Bar Mitzvah, Ethan Winer	9:30 am
Young Peoples' Synagogue VALPO	10:30 am
What the Torah Says: LGBT Issues & Judaism	12:30 pm
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Inclusion Shabbat

March 2 & April 6 1 7:30 pm 1 Katz Chapel A warm and meaningful Kabbalat Shabbat for people and families of people with special needs. All are welcome. For more information, contact Helen Miller at 614-236-4764.

Boker Tov Shabbat

March 3 & April 7 I 11:00 am I Katz Chapel A special Shabbat celebration for children up to age 5 and their families. For more information, contact Morgan at 614-253-8523 or mlevin@tiferethisrael.org.

Shabbat Mishpacha

March 9 I 6:00 pm I Tifereth Israel A family-friendly, inter-generational Friday evening service for families of all kinds. We'll start with a special family Shabbat dinner, followed by a lively, fun Shabbat service. This special Shabbat Mishpacha will feature our Samuel M. Melton Religious

Interpretive Shabbat

School second graders.

March 10 & April 14 | 10:15 am | Katz Chapel An alternate Shabbat experience for those seeking ruach (spirit), prayer, learning, and Torah discussion. For more information, contact Doug Segerman at djsegerman@gmail.com.

Shabbat Neshama

March 23 & April 20 | 6:00 pm | Katz Chapel Nurture your spirit with a Kabbalat Shabbat service filled with singing, poetry, prayer, meditation, and music. Afterward, we will gather for a festive oneg, generously sponsored by Frances & Steven Lesser.

Anniversary Shabbat

March 17 & April 14 I 9:30 am I Sanctuary Each month, congregants celebrating a wedding anniversary are invited onto the bimah during Shabbat morning services for the honor of an aliyah and a sweet gift.

For the Sale of Chametz

Passover Schedule

Of Chametz The undersigned do hereby authorize Rabbi Michael Ungar and/or his appointed agents to sell in their name any Chametz (leavened	Erev Passover Morning Service followed by Siyum Bechorim Evening Service 1st Seder (by reservation) at Tifereth Israel Shabbat & Yom Tov Candlelighting	Friday, March 30 7:15 am 5:30 pm 6:15 pm 7:36 pm
product containing leavening in any form whatsoever) which might be left in their possession at home, in accordance with the laws and customs of the Jewish people.	1st Day Passover - Shabbat Morning Service (no Shabbat Warmup) Mincha Yom Tov Candlelighting (from an existing flame)	Saturday, March 31 9:00 am 1:00 pm 8:20 pm
Name (please print):	2nd Day Passover Morning Service Evening Service	Sunday, April 1 9:00 am 7:35 pm
Signature:	3rd Day Passover - 1st Day Chol Hamoed Morning Service Evening Service	Monday, April 2 7:15 am 5:30 pm
Address 1:	4th Day Passover - 2nd Day Chol Hamoed Morning Service Evening Service	Tuesday, April 3 7:15 am 5:30 pm
	5th Day Passover - 3nd Day Chol Hamoed Morning Service Evening Service	Wednesday, April 4 7:15 am 5:30 pm
Address 2:	6th Day Passover - 4th Day Chol Hamoed Morning Service Evening Service Yom Tov Candlelighting	Thursday, April 5 7:15 am 6:00 pm 7:42 pm
	7th Day Passover Morning Service Evening Service Shabbat & Yom Tov Candlelighting (from an existing flame)	Friday, April 6 9:00 am 6:00 pm 7:43 pm
Email:	8th Day Passover - Shabbat Morning Service (no Shabbat Warmup) - Yizkor Shabbat & Passover Conclude	Saturday, April 7 9:00 am 8:27 pm
Phone Number(s):	Daily Services	
Please return to the Synagogue no later than	Monday - Thursday Friday Sunday	7:30 am & 5:30 pm 7:30 am & 6:00 pm 9:00 am & 5:30 pm
Monday, March 26	Friday, March 30 (Office Closed at Noon) - Erev Passover Thursday, April 5 (Office Closed at 3:00 pm) - Passover Friday, April 6 (Office Closed) - Passover	7:15 am & 5:30 pm 7:15 am & 6:00 pm 9:00 am & 6:00 pm
	Rosh Chodesh Saturday, March 17 Sunday, April 15 Monday, April 16	9:30 am 9:00 am & 5:30 pm 7:20 am & 5:30 pm

It's Our Story to Tell, Retell

Rabbi Alex Braver | abraver@tiferethisrael.org

We are a people obsessed with a story.

That story - the narrative at the core of our entire religious system - is the story of the Exodus, mentioned twice a day, every day of the year, by those who recite the traditional liturgy. It's the story that is the through-line for our values and for our survival. It's the story we've clung to in moments of despair and celebrated in times of joy. It's the story we've preserved as a people and given as a gift to the world. Our story says that even in the depths of pain and constriction, even after centuries of suffering and oppression, redemption is possible. The oppressed can and should be freed, and God is on their side.

It's not enough for us just to have this written down in sacred texts, to be dusted off and read every now and then. In addition to its prime place in our prayer book, we've transformed the annual act of retelling this story into sacred experiential education. We taste bitterness, we touch drops of wine as they're spilled onto our plates, we hear the sound of familiar songs, we smell the matzah ball soup, and we see an assortment of ritual objects and foods arranged in the center of our tables. In every way humanly possible, we strive to take in the message of our sacred story, and

to sense viscerally the experience of having been personally brought out of Egypt.

The experience of physical oppression may have felt within reach of our families in generations not too long past, but most of us feel privileged enough to find it difficult to imagine the brutal conditions of Pharaoh's Egypt -"So they, Egypt, made the Children of Israel subservient with crushing-labor; they embittered their lives with hard servitude in mortar and in bricks and with all kinds of servitude in the field ... " (Exodus 1:13-14). Still, all of us have felt moments of bitterness and narrowness, of being subservient to forces beyond our control, of feeling enslaved to our work or our devices or desires. Even if we're physically free, we may still be spiritually embittered. And beyond that, we live in a world where various forms of slavery and oppression are still all too present.

This Passover, don't allow these rituals to be part of a stale historical retelling of what is perhaps our most important teaching to the world. I hope that as you immerse your five senses into the experience of liberation, you discover in yourself a deeper sense of freedom and find yourself even more committed to the work of liberation for others.



March 31 I 12:30 pm I Upper Social Hall Instead of a sermon, Rabbis Ungar and Braver go head-to-head after Kiddush, each teaching a separate Jewish source related to the weekly Torah portion and shedding light on an issue facing the Jewish community or the broader world. Then, in the tradition of paired chevruta study, the Rabbis dive into a (friendly) debate with each other - and the congregation - about what these texts actually mean.

So A Rabbi Walks Into A Bar. . .

March 12 | 6:30 pm | North High Brewing Co. April 16 | 6:30 pm | TBD

You've heard the joke, but this time it's for real! Join the Tifereth Israel community and Rabbi Alex Braver for a drink in a relaxed, casual atmosphere. In March, our guests will be Rabbi Ilan Schwartz of the OSU Hillel. In April we are joined by Rabbi Lenette Herzog, of Temple Beth Shalom. For more information, or to suggest a gathering place, contact Joy at jcontreras@ tiferethisrael.org or 614-928-3291.

Lunch & Learn Bexley

March 15 & April 19 I 12:30 pm I Parkview Arms Bring your lunch and join Rabbi Ungar for good conversation with good friends. For more information, contact Joy at 614-253-8523 or jcontreras@tiferethisrael.org.



Tifereth Israel Family Seder

Underwritten by the Wasserstrom Family in Memory of Bertha & Sidney Wasserstrom

Friday, March 30, 2018 Minyan at 5:30 pm / Seder at 6:15 pm

All are welcome at this kosher-for-Passover, congregational family seder led by Rabbi Michael Ungar

RSVP by March 8 and save \$10 per adult!

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Payment is due at the time of reservation. Please indicate seating preference with your RSVP or send to rsvp@tiferethisrael.org. Space is limited.

For questions, contact Rebecca at rhaimowitz@tiferethisrael.org or 614-928-3287



Adult Jewish Learning

Come study with us!

Asking questions, and wrestling over potential answers, is at the heart of the Jewish experience. Discover a pathway for learning and spark your intellectual and spiritual curiosity by taking one of the many Jewish learning classes offered at Tifereth Israel. New students welcome at any time.

Israel Salon (formerly Shabbat Book Club)

Saturdays, 12:30 (following kiddush) March 3 & April 7

Bikkur Holim: Creating Caring Communities

Sundays, 10:00 to 11:00 am March 4, 11, 18 & 25 and April 8, 15, 22 & 29

Torah Trope Tutorial

Sundays, 10:00 to 11:00 am March 4 & 18

The Ethical Life: Jewish Values in an Age of Choice

Mondays, 7:00 to 8:30 pm March 5: The Ethics of Torture and Just War April 9: Surrogacy and Ethical Relationships

Study Circle: Moral Grandeur and Spiritual Audacity - The Writings of Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel Wednesdays, 9:30 to 10:30 am March 7, 14 & 21 and April 4, 11, 18 & 25

Sisterhood Short Story Group Wednesdays, 10:30 to 11:30 am March 7, 14 & 21 and April 4, 11, 18 & 25

Jewish Values and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict Mondays, 7:00 to 8:30 pm

March 12 & April 16

Sustaining Medicine: Jewish Perspectives on Supporting Caregivers Saturdays, 12:30 to 1:30 pm

April 21: Responding to Our Limitations May 5: Transition from Curative Medicine to Palliative Care May 19: The Challenge of Dementia

Go to **tiferethisrael.org/education** for a complete description of all classes and registration information. For questions, please contact Joy in the synagogue office at 614-253-8523 or jcontreras@ tiferethisrael.org.

Celebrating Israel at 70

Cantor Jack Chomsky | jchomsky@tiferethisrael.org

As you may know, 2018 marks the 70th Anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel.

There are many different gatherings in our community to celebrate different aspects of the realization of this bi-millennial dream-come-true. One special gathering is a Tifereth Israel cultural arts event sponsored jointly with The Ohio State University Melton Center for Jewish Studies – Daniel Asia and Yehuda Amichai: Amichai Songs and Israel at 70 on Wednesday, March 7.

The 7:30 pm program – free and open to the public – will take place at the Huntington Recital Hall at Capital University, located on Mound Street near College Avenue in Bexley. Professor Asia will be joined by me and by Cantor Bat-Ami Moses of Temple Israel and "especially" by Steven Glaser of The Ohio State University Music department. I say "especially" because Professor Glaser will play a virtuoso work by Dan Asia – quite a remarkable piece.

The core of the program is the playing of a recorded musical work that Professor Asia set to the poetry of Yehuda Amichai, one of Israel's greatest poets. The composer will offer insights into his work. His presentation has received rave reviews across the country. I hope you'll join us. Yehuda Amichai was born in Germany in 1924, moved to Palestine in



1935, and Jerusalem in 1936. He fought for the British in World War II and for Israel in the War of Independence, the Sinai War, and the Yom Kippur War. His life and poetry relate to every aspect of Israeli life, up to his death in 2000. He was the recipient of many prizes, including the Agnon Prize and the Israel Prize. When Yitzhak Rabin won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1994, he invited Amichai to read his poetry at the ceremony in Oslo.

The founding and history of Israel are indeed a dream come true. But it is a complicated dream full of contradictions and enormous pleasures and pains. If you appreciate the complexity of Israel, or want to, this is a program you'll particularly value.

Please RSVP at [rsvp@tiferethisrael.org] or Fireman.2@osu.edu

Visit https://jewishcolumbus.org/at70/ to see all the Israel@70 programs in our community, including additional Tifereth Israel programs and collaborations.

This program is made possible by the Cultural Arts Fund of Congregation Tifereth Israel and Ohio State's School of Music, with generous support from the Diane Cummins Community Education Fund.

Mazal Tov To. . .

Ettagail & Jack Shatz on the birth of their great grandson, Eliyahu Nosson Levison.

Jordan & Liz Berman, Rabbi Harold & Beth Berman, and Elise Shapiro on the birth of their son, grandson and great-grandson, Eliseo Kenneth Berman.

Jill & Shelby Furman and Joan & Gerry Weissman on the birth of their daughter and granddaughter, Shay Liya Furman.

Beth & Brad Nacht and Ethel Wolff on the birth of their daughter and granddaughter, Lucy Hayden Nacht.

Robin & Jon Silberstein, Bruce Wasserstrom, and Marian Bogante on the engagement of their daughter and granddaughter, Dana Wasserstrom, to David Luksenburg.

Gladys & Allan Berger on the engagement of their granddaughter, Casey Jill Leiser, to Morgan Marcus of Chicago.

Tova & Nathaniel Foster and Paula & Bernard Gross on the birth of their daughter and granddaughter, Marti Emma Foster.

Heading in the Right Direction

Adam Eisenberg, President | president@tiferethisrael.org

We, as a congregation, are heading in the right direction.

How do I know this? Because it's just that obvious. When you walk into the shul on a Sunday morning, it is abuzz with activity. Our religious school students are gathered together on the bima in the main sanctuary, singing and laughing together. Our Spotlight Series Committee meeting in the newly renovated Wasserstrom Family board room, to discuss the upcoming event honoring longtime members Karen and Neil Moss. Our Sisterhood members meeting to discuss our Sushi and Sake event, now in its third year and getting better and better with each iteration. And our newly formed Bikkur Holim group, meeting to review the list of congregants in assisted living facilities and nursing homes, all ready for a visit by a friendly face. And it's not yet 11:30.

I know we are heading in the right direction, because I have been hearing it from you. Our recently held Town Hall Meetings were attended by nearly 200 members who came to share what they are looking for in our next senior rabbi. Additionally, over 250 surveys were completed by you, sharing what attributes our next spiritual leader must possess. Inspirational, dynamic, bold, a leader and visionary, just to name some. Your input in this process is crucial

and your board is listening.

Our Rabbinical Search Committee

has been meeting on a regular basis, reviewing resumes submitted by candidates from across the U.S. and Canada. The committee is 15 strong. a balanced representation of our congregation. Living in Westerville, Gahanna, Worthington, the 43209 and the 43054. Born in the 1930s and the six decades that follow. Doctors. educators, architects, a past president, and plenty of attorneys. Those that had children in the religious school, those that currently do, and those that will.

The aligned vision of what the committee has heard you say is that we are looking for an inspirational and enlightening spiritual guide to a diverse congregation, setting an example for Tifereth Israel and the wider Jewish community. A leader who balances the needs of today with the challenges of planning for the future. A rabbi that knows no strangers and feels at ease in all corners of the synagogue. One who engages all congregants, from the oldest to the youngest, from the wealthy to the needy, with genuine warmth and compassion.

Finding this leader is not an easy task, our expectations are high, and we will not settle.

Annual Meeting Installation of Officers & **Board of Trustees** 2018 Tuesday, May 8 6:00 pm

2018/19 Nominating Committee

Dr. L. Robert Polster Karl Rubin Dr. Arnie Good Jason Judd Martha Tepper Jenn Steiner Marty Rosenthal, Chair

Suzanne Davis Jenni Goldson Julie Wasserstrom Lawrence Cohen

If you are interested in serving in the leadership of the synagogue or if you have suggestions about the future leadership of Tifereth Israel, please contact Marty Rosenthal at msrosenthal@aep.com. All suggested nominations must be submitted by March 9.

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Senior Rabbi Candidate Visit

This is an exciting time at Congregation Tifereth Israel. We are seeking a new senior rabbi and counting on every member to participate as much as they are able in the process. Two outstanding candidates have been invited to visit Tifereth Israel. Rabbi Seth Frisch visited in February and Rabbi Aubrey Glazer will visit March 16 and 17. We will host a congregational Shabbat dinner following services at 6:00 pm Friday. This dinner is being provided at no cost to members, but an RSVP is required. Please let us know you are coming online at bit.ly/RabbiGlazerDinner or by calling 614-253-8523. Members are also reminded to complete a post-visit survey for each candidate by either mail or email.

Kavannah: Jewish **Mindfulness** Meditation & Study

March 21, 28 & April 4 | 7:00 pm Explore the deep roots of mindfulness practice and "kavannah" (focus in prayer) in the Jewish textual tradition, from the time of the Talmudic rabbis through the Hassidic mystics of Eastern Europe, with Rabbi Alex Braver. Then join us in trying out a variety of guided meditation exercises with Beth Brown. Whether vou've never meditated before, or are a mindfulness master, there will be something new to experience in a friendly, safe, and affirming environment! All are welcome!

Lunch & Learn Downtown

March 21 | 12:00 pm | Passover

April 18 | 12:00 pm | Yom Ha-Atz'Ma'Ut Join Rabbi Alex Braver for some stimulating conversation and Jewish learning over a FREE veggie/dairy lunch. Our host is Anspach Meeks Ellenberger, 175 S. Third St., Columbus, 43215. Lunch is sponsored by Marty & Debra Rossen Rosenthal and Frances Shaiman Lesser and Steve Lesser, and prepared in our Tifereth Israel kitchen. RSVP to jcontreras@tiferethisrael.org.



B'nei Mitzvah



Evan Norman will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on Saturday, March 3, 2018. Evan is the son of Viki and Thomas Norman and the grandson of Mrs. Rodney Stanley and Mr. and Mrs. William D. Norman.

Evan is a seventh-grade student at New Albany Middle School and attends the Samuel M. Melton Religious School. He received his bar mitzvah instruction from Michelle Aminov. Evan enjoys soccer, science, and traveling with his family.

Evan traveled with classmates from the New Albany Middle School in June to China to assist a small rural village by building a pigpen, helping plant crops, and teaching English to kindergartners. Evan also collected donations for Hurricane Harvey survivors, and has been collecting soda pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House.

Viki and Tom cordially invite relatives, friends, and members of the congregation to worship with them and join them on this happy occasion for a kiddush luncheon in honor of Evan at the conclusion of services.



Naama Frank will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on Saturday, March 10, 2018. Naama is the daughter of Daniel Frank and Adena Tanenbaum and granddaughter of Simon and Yakira Frank and Helga Weiss.

Naama is a seventh-grade student at Dominion Middle School and attends the Samuel M. Melton Religious School. She received her bat mitzvah instruction from Cantor Jack Chomsky, Rabbi Michael Ungar, and her father. Naama plays percussion in her school band and enjoys reading and swimming.

Adena and Daniel cordially invite relatives, friends, and members of the congregation to worship with them and join them on this happy occasion for a kiddush luncheon in honor of Naama at the conclusion of services.

Camryn Kleinman, and on behalf of her brother, Max Kleinman, will be called to the Torah as b'nai mitzvah on Saturday, April 21, 2018. Camryn and Max are the son and daughter of Stephen and Heidi Kleinman and the grandchildren of Roger and Karen Ruben, Gerimae Bassichis, and the late Kenneth Kleinman.

Camryn is a seventh-grade student at Columbus School for Girls and attends the Samuel M. Melton Religious School. She received her bat mitzvah instruction from Dr. Jerry Benis. Max is a 7th grade student at New Albany Middle School.

Karen and Roger Ruben cordially invite relatives, friends, and members of the congregation to worship with them and join them on this happy occasion for a kiddush luncheon in honor of Camryn and Max at the conclusion of services.



Ethan Micah Winer will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on Saturday, April 28, 2018. Ethan is the son of Amy and Stephen Winer and the grandson of Arthur and Judy Samuel and Fredric and Jill Winer.

Ethan is a seventh-grade student at Bexley Middle School and attends the Samuel M. Melton Religious School. He received his bar mitzvah instruction from Cantor Jack Chomsky, Rabbi Alex Braver, and Dr. Jerry Benis. Ethan plays cello, is an avid reader, participates in scouting, achieved a brown belt in karate (and is working toward a black belt), and enjoys learning yo-yo tricks.

For his mitzvah project, Ethan raised money for the Leukemia Lymphoma Society, to fund childhood cancer research, by selling ice cream at two Bexley Labor Day block parties.

Amy and Stephen cordially invite relatives, friends, and members of the congregation to worship with them and join them on this happy occasion for a kiddush luncheon in honor of Ethan at the conclusion of services.

Kiddush Sponsors We are grateful for the sponsorship of Shabbat morning Kiddush by:

December 30:	Steven & Frances Lesser, in honor of their 40th
January 20 :	wedding anniversary. The Tifereth Israel Sisterhood and Men's Club, in honor
	of the annual Sisterhood/Men's Club Shabbat.
January 20:	The Jewish Learning Committee , in honor of Scholar- in-Residence Weekend
February 3:	The Tifereth Israel Men's Club and friends of Dr. Dale & Karen Levy, in honor of their nearly 15 years of service
	to the synagogue.
February 10:	Brandy Abrams, Joshua & Stephanie Goldberg, Julian & Lindsay Goodman, Elan & Emily Kandel, and Brian & Jennifer Lefkowitz, in honor of their children's consecration.

Fourth Grade B'nai Mitzvah Meeting

April 8 | 11:45 am to 12:30 pm | Board Room Parents of fourth-grade students are invited to attend this brief introduction to the b'nai mitzvah process and what to expect in the coming three years. We will talk about selecting a b'nai mitzvah date and preparing your child and your whole family for this very special simcha. For more information, please contact Joy in the clergy office at 614-928-3291 or jcontreras@tiferethisrael. orq.



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Lunch & Learn with Parents Circle

March 7 I 12:00 pm I Tifereth Israel Israeli Robi Damelin and Palestinian Mazen Faraj, members of the Parents Circle Families Forum, will share their stories and lead a discussion on the human side of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and how relationship building and a reconciliation framework are necessary for a lasting peace. The Parents Circle is a joint Israeli-Palestinian organization made up of more than 600 bereaved Israeli and Palestinian families. A kosher/hallal lunch will be provided at no cost, but please RSVP to bit.ly/ParentsCircleLunch.

Meet the Farmer

March 11 I 11:30 to 12:30 pm I Upper Social Hall CTI members can now participate in a CSA (community supported agriculture) program with local Jewish farmer Evan Axelbaum of Front Axle Farm in Johnstown. From June-October, participants pick up a box of fresh, responsibly grown produce each week at the synagogue. Evan will be joining us on Sunday, March 11, to share his story and provide information on the CSA program. You can also find out more or signup on the farm's website, **FrontAxleFarm.com**, or by emailing Evan at Evan@FrontAxleFarm.com.

Israel/Life Cycles Fairs

April 22 I 9:30 to 12:00 pm I Upper Social Hall April 29 I 9:30 to 12:00 pm I The Pit

Our Samuel M. Melton Religious School fourth grade students culminate their yearlong study of Israel with a fair showcasing activities and presentations they have prepared in observance of Israel's 70th birthday. The following week, our fifth grade students will share their insights and understanding of Jewish milestones at their Life Cycles Fair through stations of exploration they have created around rituals and customs surrounding birth, marriage and setting up a Jewish home, and mourning. The entire congregation is invited to attend. For more information, contact Navah in the school office at nmoore@tiferethisrael.org or 614-253-8523.

Tifereth Israel Associate Profile: Wendy Lake, Administrative Assistant

Wendy Lake joined the staff of Congregation Tifereth Israel in August as front desk administrative assistant.

A native of Chicago, Wendy brings with her more than 15 years of experience working in a synagogue



environment. Most recently, she worked at Temple Beth-El in the northern Chicago suburb of Northbrook.

"Wendy plays a vital role in creating the warm and

inviting atmosphere Tifereth Israel is known for," synagogue Executive Director Steve Friedman said. "She is the first person people see when they walk in the door and, very often, the first person they speak with on the phone. Her caring nature and outgoing personality, in addition to her great skills, make her a fantastic addition to the team here."

Wendy is not only new to Tifereth Israel, she is new to the Columbus area. She moved here in July with her daughter, son-in-law, and two schoolaged grandchildren. So far, she said, she and her family are enjoying how friendly and welcoming everyone is, the lower cost of living than what they were used to, and the much better winter weather.

And, she said, being part of the Tifereth Israel staff has helped ease her transition to life in Columbus.

"If we haven't met yet, please stop by my desk and introduce yourself," she said. "I look forward to getting to know everyone here at Tifereth Israel."





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Dan Asia, Professor of Music at the University of Arizona, is a composer, conductor, educator, and writer. A committed, knowledgeable, and engaged Jew, his music has earned many awards and been performed around the world. Similarly, his talks about music have received wide acclaim.

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Why I love Tifereth Israel: Jan W. Lyddon

The following is the most recent installment in a periodic series featuring Tifereth Israel members explaining, in their own words, why the synagogue is special to them:

In October 2008, Hurricane Ike blew my husband and me from Houston into Columbus, and we haven't looked back. A big part of moving to a new community is finding connections with a shul, and I quickly found a home at Tifereth Israel.

Initially what attracted me to it was its location, because I worked downtown and live in Clintonville, the Broad Street address was close by. I enjoyed stopping after work to attend the evening minyan, and came to know more of the regulars. I now count them among my friends as they moved from mere faces in the crowd to a welcoming presence.

I quickly learned how much music is infused in everything at Tifereth, and because I love to sing, I joined the choir. Learning the prayers through their melodic aspects deepened my love of the liturgy and gave me another circle of friends at shul.

Weekly Shabbat services are an important part of my life; you'll find me in my usual seat on Saturday mornings – unless I'm a greeter or performing some other role. I've been privileged to sharpen my Torah reading skills with the patient support

of Cantor Chomsky, and I sign up to chant Torah every few weeks. Also, as a member of the Board of Trustees, I serve as one of the official greeters. But I also always



try to be an informal greeter every week to welcome newcomers in the same warm way that I was welcomed.

My husband, Bruce McComb, is not Jewish, but he, too, has been welcomed. He has attended events now and then and has also gotten to know many of the same friends. Tifereth Israel is increasingly finding meaningful ways to include families of all types, including those of us who are intermarried.

Since the hurricane blew us to Columbus, I have found a home and a wonderful group of friends at Tifereth Israel. The choir, Friday morning study group, Board, and various committees are ways that I remain active. There are so many more opportunities for people of all ages and stages.

That's why I love Tifereth Israel.

Jewish Family Services Annual Passover Matzah Drive Through Sunday, March 11

Drop off boxes of matza at Tifereth Israel so all members of our community, regardless of financial circumstances, can fully celebrate Passover this year. Cash donations gratefully accepted.

Help us surpass our goal of 100 boxes!

A project of the Tifereth Israel Social Action Committee. For more information,email Steve Edelstein at sjedelstein0405@yahoo.com or Maddy Fleisher at mpfleisher@gmail.com.

Manna Cafe

March 21 I 3:30 to 7:30 pm I Broad Street UMC Volunteers of all ages are needed to provide and prepare food for 180 people from our neighborhood at the next Manna Cafe, hosted by the Broad Street United Methodist Church (501 East Broad St., Columbus, 43215). For more information or to schedule a volunteer shift, please contact either Carol Shkolnik at carols86000@gmail.com or Goldie Fisher at 614-861-2088.

Milestone Anniversaries

March

Karen & Richard Milenthal35Melody Goldsholle & Scott Kennedy25Debbie Marcus & Rex Moskovitz10

April

Fran Duchene & Ralph Spitzen

35

Men's Club Monthly Brunches

March 18 | 10:00 am |

April 8 I 10:00 am I Israel @ 70 Storytellers Each month the Tifereth Israel Men's Club hosts a casual brunch and guest speaker. In April, as part of the community wide celebration of Israel @ 70, members of our community will share their own fascinating stories about their experiences in Israel. Brunch is open to all. A \$5 donation at the door is suggested.

Save the Date: Torah Fund Dinner

May 24 1 6:00 pm 1 Tifereth Israel The Tifereth Israel Sisterhood invites all members and guests to this annual fundraiser. This year, we will honor congregant Anne Bonowitz. Money raised for the Torah Fund benefits the students and programs of the Jewish Theological Seminary. For more information about this and other Sisterhood events, contact Julie Wasserstrom at julie.m.wasserstrom@gmail. com.



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At Tifereth Israel, B.R.E.A.D. Rises

Congregation Tifereth Israel is fortunate to again host the annual B.R.E.A.D. rally, this year from 7:00 to 9:00 pm on Monday, April 9.

B.R.E.A.D. is an interfaith network of more than 30 Columbus area congregations working together to



promote social justice. The rally attracts hundreds of network members of each

congregation's justice ministry or rodef tzedek network to hear the latest updates on the social justice areas the organization chose to tackle this year, testimonies from people affected by those issues, and the results of negotiations with public officials over adopting proven solutions to those problems.

The rally is part of the lead-up to B.R.E.A.D.'s largest event of the year, the Nehemiah Action. This year the action will be held Monday, May 7, at 7:00 pm at the Celeste Center on the Ohio Expo Center. Last year more than 2,000 people, including a large delegation from Tifereth Israel, attended.

All those who are interested in learning more about the work of B.R.E.A.D. are invited to attend both events.

For more information on B.R.E.A.D., contact Goldie Fisher at 614-861-2088 or Cathy Levine at cathyjlevine@gmail.com.

Earth Week Shabbat, Service Project

The Congregation Tifereth Israel Social Action Committee has planned an Earth Week observance for the weekend of April 14-15.

The weekend begins on Saturday, April 14, with a special guest speaker on the connection between the sacred, social, and secular environmental consciousness. The next day, Sunday, April 15, volunteers will gather in the synagogue parking lot at 10:00 am to form teams tasked with various neighborhood clean-up projects. All projects will be within a

LGBT Issues & Torah

Join Rabbi Braver in the Katz Chapel during kiddush on Saturday, April 28, for, "What the Torah Says: LGBT Issues in the Jewish Tradition." Together we will discuss how Conservative Judaism has evolved to become more welcoming and accepting to all.

Help Make a Minyan

As the only central Ohio synagogue offering a twice-daily egalitarian minyan, we are in need of members willing to commit to attending so that we can read Torah and support those who need to say Kaddish. To help one- to two-mile radius of the shul. All ages are welcome and trash bags, gloves, and other equipment will be provided.

The committee also has arranged for free, bare root tree saplings for all participants and guests to take home to plant. Instructions will be provided.

For more information about Tifereth Israel's environmental Shabbat and service project, or to volunteer, please contact David Roseman at 614-890-7410 or djroseman@msn. com.

ensure a full minyan each morning and evening, an online signup has been established. Please go to **bit.ly/ CTIMinyanSignup** and let us know when you are coming.

Interfaith Discussion

Tifereth Israel, along with the Council on American Islamic Affairs, The Jewish Federation of Columbus, and the City of Columbus, will host, "Standing Together: The Columbus Interfaith Community Rejecting Hate," from 6:00 to 8:00 pm on Thursday, March 22. Doors open at 5:45 pm. The panel discussion is free and open to the entire community. RSPV at **goo.gl/2L4E1c**.



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"As a torch is not diminished, though it kindles a million candles, so will one not lose who gives to a good cause." — *Exodus Rabbah 30:3*

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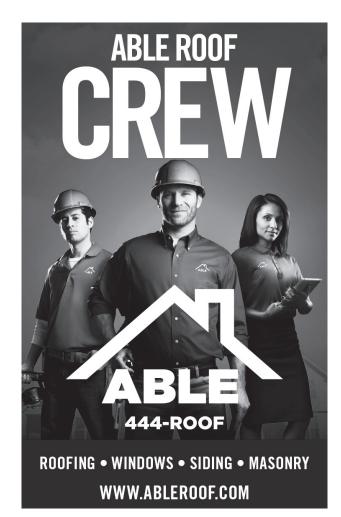
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