

# BULLETIN

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Special Summer Mini-Edition

August, 2012

#### August Calendar of Events

Thurs. August 2—Film Series #4 with David Aubrey, 7:30pm

Fri. August 3—Shabbat Service, 7:30pm led by Ruth Mandelbaum with Claude Springer as Cantor

Tues. August 7—Board Meeting, 7:30pm

Thurs. August 9 – Film Series (#5) with David Aubrey, 7:30pm

Fri. August 10— Shabbat Service, 7:30pm led by Claude Springer

Weds. August 15—Gilbert & Sullivan Class, 7:30pm

Fri. August 17— Shabbat Service, 7:30pm led by Cantor Leslie Friedlander

Weds. August 22—Gilbert & Sullivan Class, 7:30pm

Thurs. August 23—Current Events with Helman Brook, 7:30pm

Fri. August 24— Shabbat Service, 7:30pm led by Belle & Elliott Gayer

Weds. 29—Gilbert & Sullivan Class, 7:30pm

Fri. August 31—Shabbat Service, 7:30pm led by Rabbi Ted Tsuruoka

#### High Holiday Ticket Order Forms will be going out soon.

You must be a member to receive your free tickets, so *please* send in your membership paperwork now if you haven't done so already. Call the office (487-5373) or email us at isaiahgn@yahoo.com for new forms. <u>Exciting Upcoming</u> Events

## Three Wednesdays in August



Gilbert & Sullivan Class With Sina Kiai

See Page 2 for Details

## Saturday September 1



Pot-Luck Picnic in Steppingstone Park

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### RABBI'S COLUMN

Some Thoughts About Tisha B'Av



Of all the holidays on the Jewish calendar that seems to receive the least attention, especially among the Reform population, is Tisha B'Av – the 9<sup>th</sup> day of the month of Av. The reason in part is that it usually falls in July when many Reform synagogues go on "standby operation," when the rabbi is on vacation and temple life settles into a more leisurely and less formal mode. This year Tisha B'Av was observed on July 29<sup>th</sup> (see below). It is a day of lament for the destruction of the two ancient Temples in Jerusalem (586 B.C.E. and 70 C.E.) and therefore is symbolic of the numerous national tragedies that have befallen the Jewish people through the millennia. On that day, Jews fast 24 hours, from sunset to sunset of the next day. The Book of Lamentations (*Eicha*) is read in semidarkness on the eve of Tisha

**B'Av.** (This year, the ninth day of Av fell on Shabbat, so the fast and lamentation was postponed to begin *after* Shabbat on Saturday night, 7/28, leading into Sunday, 7/29.) This day has been traditionally understood as a reminder of the sinfulness of the Jewish people who wandered away from God's commandments and embraced a life of self indulgence and idol worship.

Looking from a different perspective, the destruction of the Temples also opened up the *possibility* of clearing away old habits, old structures – providing for new possibilities: the possibility of re-newed days of peace and justice under God's rule. Accordingly, the Sages of old also saw Tisha B'Av as the day on which the Messiah is to be born. Out of total disaster and destruction rises new hope for a permanent life of peace and harmony.

The tragic events in Aurora Colorado with the mass murder of 12 young men and women and the serious wounding of scores of others at the hands of an insane individual on the first day of Av, only 9 days before Tisha B'Av, is a stark reminder of the ability of one individual to wreak havoc and misery. The stories of incredible heroic acts of selfless heroism was also displayed in the midst of utter chaos. Tisha B'Av comes to inform us that while we are capable of supreme depravity we are also capable of unsurpassed acts of loving kindness.

May the Eternal give comfort to all those who have mourned for their loved ones in Zion and in Jerusalem.

L'Shalom, Rabbi Ted Tsuruoka





Bring your newspapers and join the group when Helman Brook returns for another evening of analysis and discussion of the important and interesting news of the day!

Thursday, August 23rd at 7:30pm

## Gilbert & Sullivan Classes At Temple Isaiah Wednesdays—August 15, 22 and 29



The most successful partnership in light opera, the phenomenon of Gilbert and Sullivan has carried the mannered Victorian period to our time . Their eleven regularly performed works, such as *The Mikado*, *Iolanthe*, *Pirates of Penzance*, *The Gondoliers*, and *HMS Pinafore* constitute a wealth of music the world still hums. Gilbert and Sullivan still hold audiences in laughter and joy much as they did a hundred years ago. Join us in rediscovering these masterpieces of light opera, taught by our new organist, Sina Kiai

#### Time 7:30 PM - 9 PM

**Donation \$15 per class or \$40 for the entire series.** Call the Temple office for reservations or more information....516 487-5373



FIRST ANNUAL, SEMI-POT LUCK, TEMPLE ISAIAH OF GREAT NECK STEPPINGSTONE PARK PICNIC

When: <u>September 1, 2012</u> from 3:30 p.m. on (it's before the Neil Berg show)

Who is Invited: Members, Friends, Family, Students, and anyone who enjoys a picnic

How non-park card holders enter: Before 5 p.m., tell security you are part of the picnic; after 5:00, you need to coordinate with a park card holder to gain entry.

What is semi-pot luck? Bring the basics for yourself and an appetizer, side dish, beverage or dessert to share.

Please let Gail Gordon know what you are bringing at GJG916@aol.com or 516-778-3107

## August 2012

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It's easy—just deposit your receipt in the Temple Isaiah bin outside the store and we will receive a check from H-Mart.



*Temple Isaiah is <u>very</u> happy to welcome Sue Turek back to our teaching staff at the Bernard Rosenberg Religious School.* 

Sue is a popular teacher in the Great Neck area—having taught for many years in local synagogues and Great Neck House. This fall, she will be bringing her warmth and creativity to benefit the children of Temple Isaiah.

Attention Parents: Please <u>tell your friends</u> about Temple Isaiah's innovative new Religious School program.

[If you haven't already sent in your School Registration papers, please do so now so we can prepare for our exciting upcoming school year.]

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