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Honoring
Cantor Leslie Friedlander
Cathy Reibstein
Sunday, June 6th at 12:00 Noon
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RABBI'S COLUMN

By Rabbi Jerry Blum



U's'fartem achem mimacharat haShabbat miyom havi-achem et-omer ha'tenufah sheva shabbatot t'mimot ti'h'yenah:

And you shall count for yourselves - from after the day of rest, from the day you bring the **omer** wave offering – seven weeks, complete they shall be:
(Leviticus 23:15)

We are told in the Book of Leviticus that we are to count 49 days from the day after the Sabbath, which in this case, based on our commentators is the second night of Pesach, until we reach the fiftieth day, the glorious moment of revelation; that moment when we, the Israelite nation, were given the Torah. We count up the days until we become a united people, a people of the Book, a nation of holiness, bound together in law, a belief system and a holy land. Indeed, we have been counting for a very long time.

But it seems as if we have been counting a lot this past year as well. Counting down the days from the moment we heard about this horrible plague and were locked down, until we were able to see the outside world. Counting down the days until the most sought after and contested election in our nation's history (and hearing the results). Counting the zoom sessions (and services) and the dropped internet connections (and all the times we said, "you're on mute"). Counting the acts of hate and violence in our nation's streets. Counting the mass shootings that plague our nation (there have been 147 in 2021 already up until April 16). Counting down the days until a vaccine was produced and then counting the days until we were able to get the vaccination and so too the second dose. Counting down the days and the minutes and even the seconds until we can see and hug our loved ones, dear friends, and family, *panim el panim*, face to face. Counting the days until we can all pray together as a community of faith, as one voice, in our sanctuary.

Yes, we have been doing a lot of counting this past year, and yet here we are again, counting the days from one Shavuot until the next. But this year, there is more hope in our counting up to revelation than we have had in a very long time. This year as we count the days until we rejoice in the giving and receiving of our Torah, we also begin a count that will bring us to the day when we open the doors to our holy sanctuary once again.

We have begun the difficult but joyous task of creating a thorough and safe protocol that will ultimately bring us back into our temple, as a community. There is much work to do with lots of research and planning, and we are so excited for this to come to fruition. Of course, like anything that has to do with this pandemic, it will be slow in the beginning, and probably have many fits and starts, but our goal is to have our building and sanctuary safely open so that we can all pray and play together in our beloved Temple Isaiah. We will begin to send out more information to you towards the middle/end of May, so do keep your eyes peeled for this exciting news.

As we continue our count up to Shavuot (which begins the evening of May 16th, with Yizkor the following morning), let us each experience this year's celebration as if we too had been there at *Har Sinai – Mount Sinai*, for as it is said, in every generation, we are obligated to see ourselves as if we received the Torah. For it was not just our ancestors that God gave it to – but we ourselves were there as well. May this Shavuot be filled with the joy of revelation (both spiritual and personal), may our tongues be filled with the sweet words of Torah for many generations to come, and may we continue our **count up** until the day we open and pray together as a community, in safety and in joy.

[This year, as we did last year, we will celebrate the evening Shavuot celebration and Tikun Leil Shavuot on May 16 via Zoom, beginning at 8 pm and we will have a meaningful Yizkor service the following morning beginning at 10:30 am – more information will be forthcoming]

Rabbi Jerry

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

By Terry Birnbaum-Horton



Saying Thank You with Chocolate Chip Cookies!

Dear Congregants,

There are many ways to thank people for stepping up and participating, for getting involved and being part of something special. Our small congregation participates and appreciates without the expectation of anything but friendship and personal growth. It does take work no matter how rewarding, which sometimes goes without recognition as well.

Sometimes words aren't enough, though they certainly are wanted and needed. Sometimes a warm embrace is wanted and needed and sometimes the next best thing is a glass of milk or cup of coffee with chocolate chip cookies.



So, stop by Temple Isaiah, Friday, May 7th between 12 noon and 1:30pm to pick up some Chocolate Chip cookies to enjoy at home with a cup of coffee, milk or tea.

A MOTHER'S DAY/FATHER'S DAY TREAT.

Sincerely with thanks,
Terry Birnbaum-Horton
President



**Send In Your RSVPs to the
June 6th Luncheon Honoring
Cantor Leslie Friedlander & Cathy Reibstein
Stresa Ristorante, 12:00pm**

**Please Submit Your Journal Ads and Those Collected from
Friends and Local Businesses (Ad Form on Page 1)**

**Join me for a morning in the Park (Grace Ave) for a mini exercise class!
A little exercise, a little stretch, some kibitzing.**

**Thursday May 20th at 10am (rain-date, Monday
May 24th.)**

Bring a beverage, bring a towel to sit on.

**See you then,
Terry Birnbaum-Horton**



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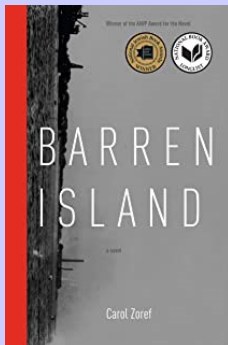


**Important Note: Checks Only - Payable to
Temple Isaiah-
Please tell the salesclerk you're from Temple
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[Ask them if you can shop before May 1st!]

Our Next Book for Discussion (Led by Judy & Helman Brook):

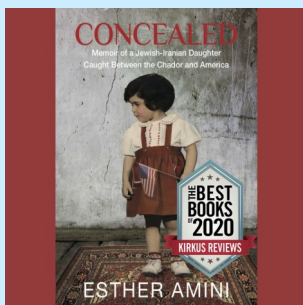
***Barren Island* by Carol Zoref
(May 2, 2021, 11:00am)**



How does one remember a world that literally no longer exists?

Barren Island by Carol Zoref is historical fiction with the emphasis both on history and literature. It tells the tale of a shoal in Jamaica Bay where the most desperate immigrants from multiple backgrounds made their home working at the city's rendering plant. It is narrated by a woman at 80 remembering her coming of age on this island that no longer exists off the coast of Brooklyn during the years between the depression and WWII. It is both sad and inspiring and sheds light on lives that were previously unimaginable.

RSVP to Shelley Sherman at seeshell98@yahoo.com.



**Special Guest Speaker, Author Esther Amini ,
Author of *Concealed*
Monday, June 14th**

"... memoir highlights her longing to separate herself from her father's watchful eye and her mother's eccentric ways of soaking up the American culture. CONCEALED speaks not only to Iranians and their first-generation American children, but to every immigrant and descendent who feels the poignant and complicated push-pull of legacy. "



May 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	 Plant Sale at Santelli's—May 1st to May 31st! See page 4					1 Torah Study & Service, 9:30am
2 Book Group, 11:00am	3 Hebrew Reading for Prayer, 7:30pm	4 Board Meeting, 7:30pm	5	6	7 Cookie Day! See Page 3 Online Shabbat Services,	8 Torah Study & Service, 9:30am
9  Mother's Day	10 Hebrew Reading for Prayer, 7:30pm	11 Jerusalem Archeological Program, 7:30pm (see Page 7)	12	13	14 Online Shabbat Services, 6:30pm	15 NO Torah Study
16 Erev Shavuot, Joint Zoom Service With Temple Beth El, 8:00pm	17 Shavuot Yizkor, 10:30am	18	19	20 Exercise in the Park, 10am	21 Online Shabbat Services, 6:30pm	22 Torah Study & Service, 9:30am
23	24 Hebrew Reading for Prayer, 7:30pm	25	26 Congregational Meeting, 7:30pm	27	28 Online Shabbat Services, 6:30pm	29 Torah Study & Service, 9:30am
30	31 	 June Events—Luncheon Honoring Cantor Leslie Friedlander and Cathy Reibstein—June 6th Guest Speaker Esther Emini—June 14th				



Temple Isaiah's Annual Congregational Meeting Wednesday, May 26th, 7:30pm

**Come Hear the Latest News
Vote on Our 2021/2022 Budget and
Board of Trustees**

Recommended Slate - Temple Isaiah Board of Trustees 2021-2022

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**Join Us for a Joint Service with Temple Beth El
Sunday, May 16th (Zooming at 8:00pm)**



**Tikun Leil Shavuot
Our Topic Will be the
Book of Ruth**



General Donations

In Loving Memory of:

Harriet Gellert, Mother of Susan and
Jared Gellert; Founding Member of
Temple Isaiah

Terry Birnbaum-Horton
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Golda Shapiro
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Food Insecurity Project :

Terry Birnbaum-Horton

In Honor of:

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Remember Temple Isaiah
when you have a life cycle
event to commemorate.*

**Tuesday, May 11th
7:30pm**

**On Zoom:
*Archeological
Evidence
For the Jerusalem
Temples
In Light of the
Modern Palestinian
Trend of Temple
Denial***
**Email with Zoom Link
To Follow**



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***Deadline for submissions
10th of the Month***

BULLETIN

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