

Temple Beth Or

BULLETIN

September 2010 ~ Elul/Tishrei 5770/5771

A VIEW FROM THE BIMAH



L'Shanah Tovah Tikateivu!

With the New Year of 5771 right around the corner, one comment I hear with some frequency has been how “early” the holidays are this year. Indeed the High Holy Days, which begin at sundown on September 8, are almost as early as they can get. I usually respond by joking, “No, the holy days are right on time – the first day of Tishri, just as they always are!”

Judaism measures time in different ways than we do in general culture, as has been the case since the invention of Shabbat as a day of rest and blessing. The primary perception of our new year in Judaism is not the raucous celebration of Times Square at midnight at the end of December, but as the beginning of a period of introspection, self-judgment, prayer and renewal; we celebrate, to be sure, and coat our apples with honey as a sign of sweetness, but even more than wishing each other a “happy” year or a “sweet” year, our greeting in Hebrew is “Shanah Tovah,” our wish for a “good” year [the caption at the top might be translated, “May you be inscribed for a good year”].

TZEDAKAH

Tzedakah – charitable giving – is part of what it means to be a good Jew. Having a good year implies doing good, and giving in a way that helps those in need. Many of our members have over time been extremely generous in supporting social service agencies, locally and around the world, and they will undoubtedly do so. Aside from individual giving, Temple Beth Or also serves those in need, in a variety of ways. Under Louisa Weinrib’s dedicated leadership, the Social Services Committee has organized the Bedtime Bundles program for children of families in crisis; cooks well over 100 meals per month for the MACOA program of serving shut-ins, and raised funds for a variety of different agencies, ranging from the Montgomery Area Food Bank to Heifer International.

Tzedakah ought not be an adjunct program; it is part of our core mission; it is part of being Jewish. This High Holy Day season, the appeal envelope you find in your prayer books

asks for your donations to the Temple Social Services Fund, to enable this important work to continue. For those who are out of town or can’t get to services at temple, donations to the fund will also be most welcome and appreciated.

NEW PROGRAMS FOR THE NEW YEAR

Two new programs are planned for this year: a new monthly worship opportunity for families with young (and very young!) children will begin on Friday, October 8, at 5:00 p.m. in the Blachschleger Library. These services will be filled with music and story-telling, and should last about half an hour; all are welcome.

A new post-Confirmation program is also being offered, primarily for high school juniors and seniors or HS graduates who are still in town and interested. This monthly program will rotate among families’ homes and include a light dinner and conversation on social or ethical issues, or the challenges facing these young people as they prepare for college.

CARING COMMUNITY

These programs, the social services program, and the way we gather and greet each other during the High Holy Days have this in common: All relate to and describe the character of our congregation as a community in which we care for each other and strive to serve everyone, from our young people to our elderly. Aside from programs, however, is the way we care for each other as individuals.

As a rabbi but also as a member of this community, ministering to those in need – and “needs” can be very broadly defined – is clearly my highest priority. Nothing beats a call or visit when it comes to deepening a relationship or learning more about who we are. I always try to make calls or visits in timely fashion, and appreciate knowing of situations as they arise; please don’t assume that I always know of every need, as I’m grateful for a quick call just to let me know. Together we will continue to strengthen our caring community, so that truly, the coming year can be a good New Year for all.

From my family to yours, and on behalf of Sandy Lynn, I wish you and yours a shanah tovah!

Elliot L. Stevens

**Celebrating Our
159th Year**



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**TBO PRESIDENT'S
MESSAGE**

Last month I expressed that our goal, as leaders of the Temple, is for the Temple to be the spiritual home that everyone desires and to that end, we developed a Satisfaction Survey so that we might have more information to help further meet the needs of the congregation. The survey will be anonymous. I encourage you to complete the survey and return as directed. The responses will be tabulated and I will report the results once the task has been completed. I would like to publicly thank Sharon McDaniel, Bob Reznikoff and Rabbi Stevens for spending a tremendous amount of time working on the survey committee.

The rabbi and various members of the board have been working diligently planning exciting programs and events. I encourage each of you to carefully read the bulletin notes so that you can make notes of dates for these occasions. Under the leadership of Louisa Weinrib, the Social Concerns Committee has been hard at work planning outreach programs both inside and outside the Temple. Read further about this committee in the article submitted by Louisa.

This year we anticipate 42 students and 8 confirmation students in our Religion School. I'd like to recognize the Temple Beth Or principal, Terri Finkelstein as well as our teachers who give tremendous amounts of time and energy to our young people: Tammy Saperstein, Amanda Kaufman, David Berry, Danielle Berry, Jeff Herring and Allison Lloveras.

Elizabeth French has been leading the Temple Beth Or choir for more than 30 years. I am pleased to inform you that your Board of Trustees unanimously voted to have a special program honoring Elizabeth as well as the wonderful singers that have been led by Elizabeth for these past 30 years. This program will be sponsored largely in part by the Emily B. and Irvin Gassenheimer Philanthropic Fund. We will be forming a committee to steer this event. Please volunteer to take part in the planning of this event.

Thank you for your continued support of Temple Beth Or.

On behalf of Officers and Board of Trustees, I wish you all a very happy, healthy and sweet new year!

Jenny Ives
President

TREE OF LIFE

Don't forget the Tree of Life for graduations, birthdays, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs and other special times in your life. Large leaves are \$350 and small ones, \$250. Contact Sharon McDaniel or the Temple regarding purchase.

*The Sephardic Cooks
cookbook is now available
through the Temple office for
\$20.00. All proceeds go
toward the Food Festival.*

**THE SEPHARDIC
COOKS**



**Saturday, October 2
Shabbat Morning Service**

Saturday morning, October 2, Rabbi Stevens will lead a Shabbat morning service along with Student Cantor Markowicz, including Torah reading and Torah study. Service including Torah study and a light brunch will run from 9:30 – 11:15 a.m.

Contributions to Funds

We greatly appreciate the people who support Temple Beth Or by remembering and honoring their friends and loved ones through their generous contributions. Those that are received after the 20th of the month will be in the next bulletin.

CAROL HART FUND

*In Memory of
Charles H. Wampold, Jr.*

*Shirley Beringer
Harvey and Leslie Beringer Fitterman*

In Memory of

*Julien M. "Sonny" Strassburger
Harvey and Leslie Beringer Fitterman*

In Memory of

*Anne Levin
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FLORAL FUND

*In Memory of
Sigmund Diament
Alan Weil, Sr.*

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*Charles H. Wampold, Jr.
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In Memory of

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In Memory of

*Sigmund Diament
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In Memory of

*Anne Levin
Marlene and Rick Beringer*

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*Congratulations to
Seymour Gitenstein*

Arnold and Wendy Finkelstein

GROUNDS BEAUTIFICATION

In Memory of

*Eliot Capouya
Chester Goldberg
Julien M. "Sonny" Strassburger
Mary Jane Wallace
Charles H. Wampold, Jr.
Bari and Joe Levin*

RABBI BAYLINSON ART FUND

In Memory of

*Charles Wampold
Liza and Sam Kaufman
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RABBI DISCRETIONARY FUND

Congratulations to

*Amelia Elizabeth Bloom
Eve Duncan*

In Memory of

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SAMUEL SCHLOSS COMMUNITY FUND

In Memory of

*Charles Wampold
Adam and Dawn Schloss*

SELMA MARCUS FUND

In Honor of

*all my "old" friends for the New Year.
Sara Matile Schwarz*

SOCIAL CONCERNS FUND

In Memory of

*Charles H. Wampold, Jr.
Isaac and Felice Cohen
Rita and Alan Rosenthal
Louisa and Michael Weinrib*

In Memory of

*Anne Levin
Isaac and Felice Cohen
Rita Sabel
Louisa and Michael Weinrib*

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Jenny and John Ives
Rita and Alan Rosenthal
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*Sigmund Diament
Rita Sabel*

In Memory of

*Irma Gore
Jenny and John Ives*

In Memory of

*Mary Jane Wallace
Jenny and John Ives*

Congratulations to

*Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mussafer on their
50th Anniversary
Jenny and John Ives*

YOUTH AND SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In Memory of

*Anne Levin
Alison and Greg Williamson*

In Memory of

*Julien M. "Sonny" Strassburger
Alison and Greg Williamson*

Birthday and Anniversary
Blessings
on September 3rd.

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Hal Bloom, Jr.
- 2 Ilene Baylinson
- 4 David Baylinson
- 5 Susan Finklestein
- 6 Liza Kaufman
- 7 Lew Nyman
- 9 Scott Harris
- 9 Norma Michelson
- 11 Joe Mussafer
- 13 Russell Levy
- 16 Keith Sabel
- 18 Bobby Kohn
- 18 Irving Winter
- 20 Stewart Applebaum
- 23 Charlie Strasburger
- 23 Terry Toney
- 24 Betty Bloom
- 24 Susan Kohn
- 24 Bert Loeb
- 26 Jeanette Hanan
- 26 Joy Kaplan
- 30 Bob Reznikoff
- 30 Kathleen Roberts

ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Corinne & Joe Capilouto
- 4 Frances & Ralph Capouya
- 5 Diane & Alan Weil
- 6 Robin & Andrew Kromis
- 8 Julie & William Goolsby
- 14 Norma & Leonard Michelson
- 24 Maxine & Michael Goldner
- 25 Lilly & Tim Dowling

YAHARZEITS

To be read 9/3/2010

Sidney R. Davis
Leo Finkelstein
Florence Goldstein
Pryor Hurt
Elise Salama
Joseph Salama
Hilda Shinpaugh
Kimberly Strassburger
Julia Wise

To be read 9/10/2010

Elaine E. Drum
Arthur S. Hertz
Clare C. Hertz
Isaac May
William Aaron Wallace

To be read 9/17/2010

Rhoda Dreyfus Abraham
Manny Applebaum
Gusta Barth Baim
Carol Loeb Dresner
Rebekah Katz
Victor Levine
Joseph B. Loeb
Claudia Richard Manley
Jennye Nussbaum
David S. Savler
Quenby Sameth Schulman
Pat Simon
Edith P. Stiller
Ben Tillinger

To be read 9/24/2010

Bertha Barlow
Hal W. Bloom, Sr.
Cornelis Haanschoten
Sam Nusbaum
Herbert M. Scheuer, Sr.
Dr. Peter D. Weinrib

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DEDICATING OUR PRAYER BOOKS – AFFIXING OUR BOOK PLATES

(NOTE DATE CHANGE)

With the introduction of *Mishkan T'filah* as our new prayer book, many of our families have sponsored one or more volumes, often with the intent of honoring or memorializing a loved one.

To recognize these donations, beautiful bookplates have been designed, including a wonderful graphic of Temple Beth Or taken from an architect's rendering when the building was first designed. Each bookplate has been personalized, and is ready to affix to one of our new prayer books.

We have designated Friday evening, **September 24** – for the dedication of our new books. Books and labels will be available for half an hour prior to the service. If your family has sponsored a donation, you are welcome to come in before the service to affix your own plate (s); any book plates not yet affixed at that time will be handled by temple staff following the service.

Now would also be a great opportunity to consider "sponsoring" additional copies, in order to continue restoring funds to our Prayer Book Fund to handle future needs.

SISTERHOOD

Sisterhood wishes you all a happy, healthy New Year. Our Jewish holiday season gets off to an early start right on the heels of the "official end" to Summer. Sisterhood committees have been busy preparing for a very busy September.

Thanks to Bette Sue Strasburger and Myrna Rothfeder we can all look forward to a beautiful Rosh Hashanah reception giving us all time to greet each other with Happy New Year wishes. Following the long day of Yom Kippur prayers we will welcome the Break-the-fast reception prepared by Susan Finklestein.

September holidays continue with a beautiful outside Sukkot service and reception chaired by LeAnne Wallace. The following week we celebrate Simchat Torah as we dance with the Torah and enjoy refreshments prepared by Betty Goldberg.

We look forward to a delicious Opening Luncheon on September 23rd featuring Montgomery's very interesting historian, Mary Ann Neely. Gay Winter and Burke Schloss are planning a wonderful lunch. Please join us for the luncheon and notify Charlotte Mussafer if you know of any potential new or returning members of Sisterhood.

Sisterhood functions and Temple support cannot happen without being funded. We hope you will all support our **2010 Carnegie Deli Cheesecake Sale**. Lisa Weil will chair this year's Fundraiser. Much of our publicity will be sent out by e-mail which you can easily forward to your contacts. We hope you will encourage your friends to order these delicious special cheesecakes to have in time for Thanksgiving. For your convenience, you can fill out the enclosed order form and mail with your check. If you would like a Cheesecake order form sent directly to you or a friend, please send the e-mail address (or home addresses) to sisterhoodTBO@gmail.com.

Happy New Year,
Marlene Beringer, President

RELIGION SCHOOL

We welcome September as we welcome the start of another year at Kol Ami Religious School. We have such a wonderful group of teachers and Modrachim (our teenage role models) and I would like to name them so that everyone is aware of the great commitment they have made to becoming instrumental in the Jewish education of our children: Emily Allen, Lani Ashner, Nick Ashner, David Berry, Ian Cauthen, Joel Cohen, Ruby Goldfield, Mandy Kaufman, Ina Orange, Tammy Saperstein and Michelle Skiba are our teachers, and Danielle Berry, Chelsea Cauthen, Jeff Herring and Allison Lloveras are our teaching Modrachim. We are all very excited to start a fresh new year and we have so many ideas to share with our students!

On August 22nd we had our registration day and the students met their teachers and spent some time in their classrooms. August 29th marks the first full day of religious school. We are planning new programs and we have many opportunities for family members to get involved. If you would like to stop by on Sunday mornings to help out or to join us for our morning beginning service, please do! I can be reached at any time by phone or email, and welcome all questions and comments. Thank you so much for supporting Kol Ami and its incredible learning environment! I look forward to seeing many of you in the months ahead!

Terri Finkelstein, Co-Principal

PS: If you haven't done so already, please register your children as soon as possible. Forms may be emailed to you and brought to school or filled out when you arrive!!

YOUTH GROUP

Attention all 5th graders and up: Do you like to hang out with your friends and have a good time? Then you should join BOOTY! BOOTY is TBO's youth group. We are a member of the NFTY-SAR region. BOOTY members in the 9th - 12th grades are eligible to attend conventions several times a year. There is a convention just for 7th & 8th graders held in March in South Carolina. Monthly activities scheduled for this year will include kayaking, bowling, paintball, movies, Georgia Aquarium, skating, Six Flags as well as community service. We are made up of pre-teens and teens. College students are also invited to join our local activities. We are always in need of adult chaperones. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Sharon Berry, BOOTY Advisor at daberry40@netscape.net or (334) 290-0445.

BOOTY will hold its **opening meeting on Sunday, September 12th at 12:30 pm** at the home of Rabbi and Sandy Lynn Stevens. All current and prospective BOOTY members in the 5th grade and up and their families are invited to attend. Please RSVP to Sharon Berry at daberry40@netscape.net or (334) 290-0445.

On August 27th - 29th, The BOOTY officers: Danielle Berry, Sara Crowe, and Jeff Herring attended NFTY's Liz Leadership Training Institute at Temple Kehillat Chaim in Roswell, GA.

HELP TIE THE LOW-HANGING FRUIT – FOR SUKKOT!

This year, we will be celebrating Sukkot on Wednesday evening, September 22.

Temple Beth or is fortunate to have a beautiful structure in the courtyard perfect for use as a sukkah – our annual reminder of how our forebears in ancient Israel lived in flimsy structures during the fall harvest season. Our Sukkot service will be held outdoors with a beautiful, family-friendly service, including some of the foods typical of the fall harvest.

This year, too, we will need volunteers – adults and children – to put up decorations and set up for the service. **Together with members of the Men's Club and Youth Group, we will gather at the Temple on Sunday, September 19 at 1:00 p.m.** We'll have some pizza and salad, and prepare together to celebrate our holiday of Sukkot.

L'CHAIM LEAGUE

Tuesday, September 28th is the must-see opening luncheon at TBO. The catered lunch by Jennie Weller begins at 11:30 am. Immediately following lunch, our program will be presented by Elie Lazar, Director of the Montgomery Ballet. These talented dancers will delight us with their performance. **Your reservation is needed by September 23rd.** The cost is \$12.50 per person.

In October, we will visit the pottery studio of Celeste Sabel and enjoy her presentation. A trip to Warm Springs, Ga., to tour the FDR home is scheduled for November. Please join us at any or all of these worthwhile events.

Linda R. Smith

The Jewish Federation
of Central Alabama



When scheduling calendar events involving the Temple it is important that you check dates with the Federation and the Temple for potential conflicts within the Jewish community. Their number is 277-5820 and you can view the community calendar at www.jewishmontgomery.org.

We would like to know. Please call the temple office when a family member is in the hospital or ailing. Too often we find out about illnesses, crises and hospitalizations long after they occur. This is a missed opportunity for the calls and visits the rabbi would like to share. Please let the temple know if there is a concern in your family or another congregation family (with their permission).

We need your help in order to offer ours.

The Staff, Officers and Board of Trustees of Temple Beth Or wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year. May you be inscribed in the Book of Life.

HIGH HOLY DAYS SERMON TOPICS

Erev Rosh Hashanah: WHAT CAN A MODERN JEW BELIEVE?
 Rosh Hashanah Morning: ABRAHAM'S ANGEL
 Shabbat Shuvah: THE SOUL OF ISRAEL
 Kol Nidrei: THE PROMISES WE MAKE TO OURSELVES
 Yom Kippur Morning: AVINU MALKEINU, HEAR OUR PRAYER
 Yom Kippur Discussion: WHAT DOES IT MEAN WHEN WE SAY THAT GOD IS JUST?



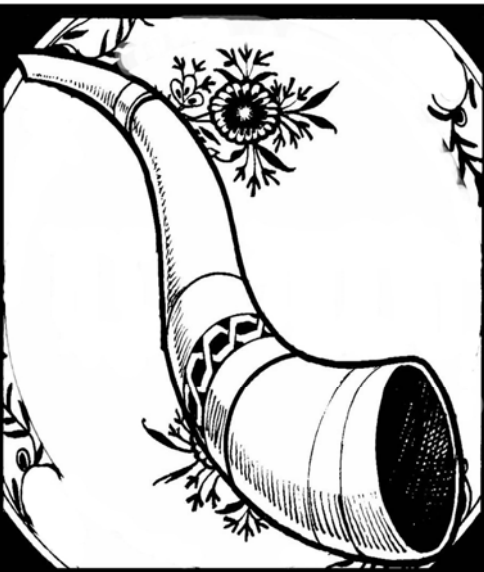
Apples and Honey will be served after the Rosh Hashanah morning service. We hope you will join us.



Shabbat Service on Friday, September 3rd to include changing of the Torah covers for the High Holy Day services

Babysitting for the High Holy Day Services

It's time to think about your babysitting needs for the High Holy Days: Rosh Hashanah evening and morning, Kol Nidre & Yom Kippur morning. Please call the Temple at 262-3314 if you'll need to use this service.



YOM KIPPUR BEGINS AT SUNDOWN ON FRIDAY, SEPT. 17TH

FAMILY FRIENDLY SERVICES

suitable for children of all ages

5:00 - 5:30 PM in the Library

- October 8
- November 12
- December 10
- *January 14, 2011
- *February 11
- March 11
- April 1
- *May 13
- June 10

Jeff Herring will accompany on all services with the exception of 1/14/10.

*Accompanied by Student Cantor Andrea Rae Markowicz.

SUNDAY · SEPTEMBER 19 · 1PM

Join us for pizza and salad as we decorate our sukkah in preparation of our Sukkot Service on Wednesday, September 22.



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Pick-up will be 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., November 15th - 17th, at the Temple.

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Just in time for the holidays!

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Please Print

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_____ # of 8" Cheesecakes (yields 12-14 slices) @ \$30 each / \$ _____ Total

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Make checks payable to: Temple Beth Or Sisterhood

**Send your check to:
Marlene Beringer
2200 Wentworth Drive
Montgomery, AL 36106
(334) 272-6688**

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS TAKING SHAPE FOR 2010 – 2011

Get ready for an outstanding calendar of offerings, featuring guest speakers, cultural programs and Rabbi Stevens, who is preparing several new classes for the fall season.

GUEST SPEAKERS

The Rothschild-Blachschleger Lecture series, featuring noted authors, will be bringing four speakers this year to Montgomery. All programs will begin at 7:00 p.m., but note that the dates as listed as still subject to confirmation:

October 6, 2010, noted journalist Martin Fletcher, whose most recent book is *Walking Israel: A Personal Search for the Soul of a Nation*. (See page 9 for bio.)

November 3, 2010, best-selling author Tom Segev, whose most recent book is *Simon Wiesenthal: the Life and Legends*

January 12, 2011, *NY Times* columnist Marjorie Rosen, author of *Boom Town: How Wal*Mart Transformed an All-American Town Into an International Community*

May 11, 2011, the leading authority on suicide bombings Mordechai D. Dzikansky, author of *Terrorist Cop: the NYPD Jewish Cop Who Traveled the World to Stop Terrorism*

STUDY OPPORTUNITIES WITH RABBI STEVENS

BASICS OVER BREAKFAST

This basic survey of Judaism runs for nine sessions, starting October 7. Take a whirlwind tour of Jewish history, learn about Jewish traditions on life cycle events and the Jewish calendar, study the main religious themes of Jewish tradition, and ask as many questions as you wish.

Sessions run from 8:00 – 9:00 a.m., and include a continental breakfast. **By Advance Registration: Please register with Gina Friday at the TBO office.**

Hebrew bonus session: For those who want to learn to read Hebrew, now's your chance. You CAN learn to read in just nine sessions, from 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. following the class in Basic Judaism.

FUTURE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Rabbi Stevens is also preparing a 6-part series on Midrash, running October through January; a three-part class on the "Tanya," one of the foremost masters of Hassidic mysticism, and a three-part class on ethical dilemmas, set for next spring. All classes are Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.: October 20, November 17, December 15, January 5, January 26, February 16. Watch for details!

HIGH HOLY HOLIDAYS - SOCIAL CONCERNS

The Social Concerns function of Temple is funded by donations, and not by a line in the budget. As our activities have increased, we need to replenish the resources available.

This year you will find an envelope in your High Holy Days prayerbook, and we are asking you to return it with a generous donation to the office by the end of September.

The Social Concerns Committee carries out the following: collecting "bedtime bundles" for Child Protect, cooking and freezing 100 meals monthly for MACOA for 10 months each year, outreach to homebound members in the congregation, and *ad hoc* responses to community emergencies.

Please be generous! Thank you.

For questions, call Louisa Weinrib, 262-6155

SINGLES GROUP

**Attention All Jewish Singles
50 & up**

On Sunday, September 19th at 5:30 PM the Singles are meeting at Red Lobster on the Atlanta Highway. If you are interested in attending contact: Carol Ronning at 279-0140.

Sisterhood Gift Shop

With the High Holy Days upon us, how about treating yourself to that special Mezzuzah or Kiddush Cup you've been wanting? We have an outstanding selection of Judaica items and unique gifts for every observance! Before surfing the Net, keep the Temple Gift Shop in mind. Please support your local Temple Gift Shop!

Jewish Federation of Central Alabama

August 18, 2010

We are pleased to announce the arrival of our new Shaliach, Elad Arnon who will fly into Montgomery on Sunday, August 29th. Elad is 30 years old. He comes from Netanya. He completed his military service with the rank of Captain and is now a Major in the reserves.

He has a BA in European History and International Relations as well as a teaching degree from Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He loves hiking, jogging and swimming. He is a theatre buff and enjoys all types of music. History is his passion! Please make Elad feel welcome by including him in your family meals, holidays and outings.

Because JFCA brings him here, I think it is up to us to make him feel welcome. To achieve this goal, I am asking each of you to invite Elad to spend some time with you during his first month in town. This could be a meal, a day at the lake, a play at Shakespeare (Elad is a theatre buff), or a ball game (he loves sports) to name a few options. By inviting him to share our lives, we are giving him opportunities to quickly learn about Montgomery and to see firsthand that "Southern Hospitality" is not a myth.

Please select a day or two during the month of September to spend time with Elad. I am sure, once you get to know him, you will want to include him in other family adventures throughout the year. Please email me at tgewant2@gmail.com or Susan McGuire at mail.jfca@gmail.com so we can add your invitation to his calendar.

We would love to have a large group to welcome Elad when he arrives. Please show your support by coming to the Montgomery Regional Airport on August 30th at 9:00 a.m.

Thank you for your help. Toby Gewant, Shaliach Supervisor



MUSICIANS INVITED TO PLAY AT SPECIAL SERVICE

Each year, one Shabbat is designated "Shabbat Shirah" – literally, "Sabbath of Song." Shabbat Shirah is named after the Torah portion that follows the Exodus, when Moses and Miriam lead the celebration by singing and dancing following their escape from Egypt.

This year, our Temple Sisterhood will be holding its annual Sisterhood Sabbath on Shabbat Shira – Friday evening, January 14. Student Cantor Andrea Rae Markowicz will be with us to help us create a beautiful service filled with music.

To make the service even more special, we invite those who are musically inclined to participate. If you play an instrument and can read music, we'd love to hear from you. In addition to the service on January 14, there will be two rehearsals: on Saturday, December 4, at noon; and on January 14 at 4:30, just prior to the 6:00 p.m. service. If interested, please contact Rabbi Stevens (rabiels@templebethor.net).



Alan Goldsmith returns from visiting the World War II Memorial in Washington DC. Seventy-five veterans took part in the trip on August 21st, which was part of the Honor Flight Network.

Wednesday • October 6 • 7 PM • TBO

Martin Fletcher, NBC News' Tel Aviv bureau chief and correspondent, has covered every event of consequence in the unpredictable Middle East region including the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and the crisis in the Persian Gulf. He began his Tel Aviv assignment in 1982 and took on the additional role of bureau chief in November 1990. He joined NBC News as a cameraman in August 1977 and has also been based in Johannesburg, Paris and Frankfurt.

From his base in Tel Aviv, Fletcher has covered a full spectrum of breaking news developments throughout the Middle East and around the world. He has reported on the war on terror in Afghanistan, the conflict in Kosovo and, he reported from Berlin when the walls came down and from China in the aftermath of the Tiananmen Square massacre. When NATO and American troops were hunting for General Aidid, the Somali warlord responsible for killing 18 American soldiers in Somalia, Fletcher was the only person to find and interview him for NBC Nightly News. He also became the first correspondent to enter Cambodia with the Khmer Rouge guerrillas.

During the American hostage situation in November 1979 in Teheran, Fletcher was the first television correspondent to enter the American Embassy. During his stay, he was arrested and some of his tapes were confiscated. He returned to Iran in March 1980 and when the freed hostages arrived in Algiers on January 20, 1981, he was serving as executive producer of NBC News' on-site coverage.

In the fall of 1980, he covered battles between Iraq and Iran. The following winter, he walked from Pakistan into Afghanistan, twice with rebel forces, to report on the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. In 1981, he covered the Israeli-Lebanese clashes, strikes and protest marches in Poland, and the reaction in Libya after two of its fighter planes were shot down by American F-14s.

Fletcher began his news career in 1970 when he went to work as a television news programming writer for VisNews. In 1971, he transferred to the British Broadcasting Company (BBC) where he was a writer for the 9 O' Clock News, the BBC's national evening news program.

In January 1973, he returned to VisNews as a cameraman/writer and field producer based in Brussels, covering western and northern Europe. In September of that year he began a two-year assignment in Israel, and one week after his arrival, The October War began. He covered the Golan and Sinai fronts, then became the first foreign correspondent to cross the Suez Canal into Egypt with Israeli troops. Following the October War, he was assigned in 1974 to cover the war in Cyprus.

Fletcher has received numerous awards

including five Emmys. He received his first Emmy in 1988 for his reporting on the Palestinian intifada, the second in 1994 for his coverage of Rwanda and the third in 1999 for his Kosovo coverage, which also earned him an Overseas Press Club award. In 2002 Fletcher won a fourth Emmy, the prestigious DuPont award, and the Overseas Press Club award for



coverage of the Palestinian uprising. Fletcher was honored with his fifth Emmy in 2006 for coverage of Israel's war with Hezbollah. He won the Citation for Excellence from the Overseas Press Club of America in 1988 for his coverage of the first Palestinian uprising, in 1994 for his coverage in Bosnia, and again in 2001 for the second uprising. He was also named Cameraman of the Year by the British Royal Society of Television for his film story about an automobile convoy caught in a minefield, which resulted in the death of the crew's soundman.

Fletcher was born in London and graduated from the University of Bradford in Yorkshire in 1970. He worked as a French and German interpreter for the Common Market in Brussels before he joined VisNews. Fletcher is the author of "Breaking News," published by St. Martin's Press in 2008.

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Montgomery's three Shlichim (Shimon, Elad and Yuval) get together in Shimon's apartment in Herzeliya.

Beyond September!

Friday, October 1, 6 PM, Shabbat Service with Rabbi Stevens and Student Cantor Andrea Rae Markowicz. Installation of officers.

Saturday, October 2, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Rabbi Stevens and Student Cantor Markowicz. Light brunch served.

Wednesday, October 6, 7 PM, Guest Speaker author, Martin Fletcher; a news correspondent who has won four Emmy Awards, and has covered the Middle East for nearly 30 years. His latest book is "Walking Israel: A Personal Search for the Soul of a Nation."

Thursday, October 7, 8 AM - 9 AM, Adult Ed: BACK TO THE BASICS. This 9-week course will cover the basics of Judaism. Also, a great class for those considering conversion. By Advance Registration.

Thursday, October 7, 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Adult Ed: Learn to Read Hebrew. A 9-week course.

Friday, October 8, 5 PM, Family-friendly Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library

Thursday, October 14, 8 AM - 9 AM, Adult Ed: BACK TO THE BASICS. This 9-week course will cover the basics of Judaism. Also, a great class for those considering conversion. By Advance Registration.

Thursday, October 14, 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Adult Ed: Learn to Read Hebrew. A 9-week course.

Wednesday, October 20, 7 PM, Adult Ed: Rabbi Stevens offers a six-part series TALES FROM THE MIDRASH; imaginative stories and parables illuminate some of the great heroes of Torah: Adam & Eve.

Thursday, October 21, 8 AM - 9 AM, Adult Ed: BACK TO THE BASICS. This 9-week course will cover the basics of Judaism. Also, a great class for those considering conversion. By Advance Registration.

Thursday, October 21, 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Adult Ed: Learn to Read Hebrew. A 9-week course.

Friday, October 22, 6 PM, Classical Service with Union Prayer Book.

Thursday, October 28, 8 AM - 9 AM, Adult Ed: BACK TO THE BASICS. This 9-week course will cover the basics of Judaism. Also, a great class for those considering conversion. By Advance Registration.

Thursday, October 28, 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Adult Ed: Learn to Read Hebrew. A 9-week

course.

Wednesday, November 3, 7 PM, Guest Speaker author Tom Segev, a columnist for Ha'aretz, Israel's leading newspaper, and author of "One Palestine, Complete" and other path-breaking books.

Thursday, November 4, 8 AM - 9 AM, Adult Ed: BACK TO THE BASICS. This 9-week course will cover the basics of Judaism. Also, a great class for those considering conversion. By Advance Registration.

Thursday, November 4, 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Adult Ed: Learn to Read Hebrew. A 9-week course.

Friday, November 5, 6 PM, Shabbat Service with Rabbi Stevens and Student Cantor Andrea Rae Markowicz..

Sunday, November 7, 2 PM, Hadassah fund raiser at Kathie Cohen's home.

Sunday, November 7, 9:30 AM, Kol Ami Religious School at AIEA. Student Cantor Markowicz participates.

Wednesday, November 10, 7 PM, Adult Ed: Rabbi Stevens offers a six-part series TALES FROM THE MIDRASH; imaginative stories and parables illuminate some of the great heroes of Torah: Noah.

Thursday, November 11, 8 AM - 9 AM, Adult Ed: BACK TO THE BASICS. This 9-week course will cover the basics of Judaism. Also, a great class for those considering conversion. By Advance Registration.

Thursday, November 11, 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Adult Ed: Learn to Read Hebrew. A 9-week course.

Friday, November 12, 5 PM, Family-friendly Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library

Saturday, November 13, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Rabbi Stevens. Light brunch served.

Thursday, November 18, 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Adult Ed: Learn to Read Hebrew. A 9-week course.

Tuesday, November 23, 7 PM, Joint Thanksgiving Service with First United Methodist Church. Held at FUMC. Reception follows.

Thursday, December 2, 8 AM - 9 AM, Adult Ed: BACK TO THE BASICS. This 9-week course will cover the basics of Judaism. Also, a great class for those considering conversion. By Advance Registration.

Thursday, December 2, 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Adult Ed: Learn to Read Hebrew. A 9-week course.

Friday, December 3, 6 PM, Chanukah family service and dinner with Rabbi

Stevens and Student Cantor Markowicz.

Saturday, December 4, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Rabbi Stevens and Student Cantor Markowicz. Light brunch served.

Thursday, December 9, 8 AM - 9 AM, Adult Ed: BACK TO THE BASICS. This 9-week course will cover the basics of Judaism. Also, a great class for those considering conversion. By Advance Registration.

Thursday, December 9, 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Adult Ed: Learn to Read Hebrew. A 9-week course.

Friday, December 10, 5 PM, Family-friendly Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library

Wednesday, December 15, 7 PM, Adult Ed: Rabbi Stevens offers a six-part series TALES FROM THE MIDRASH; imaginative stories and parables illuminate some of the great heroes of Torah: Abraham & Sarah.

Thursday, December 16, 8 AM - 9 AM, Adult Ed: BACK TO THE BASICS. This 9-week course will cover the basics of Judaism. Also, a great class for those considering conversion. By Advance Registration.

Thursday, December 16, 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Adult Ed: Learn to Read Hebrew. A 9-week course.

Friday, December 17, 6 PM, Classical Service with Union Prayer Book.

Wednesday, January 5, 7 PM, Adult Ed: Rabbi Stevens offers a six-part series TALES FROM THE MIDRASH; imaginative stories and parables illuminate some of the great heroes of Torah: Jacob.

Wednesday, January 12, 7 PM, Guest Speaker and author, Marjorie Rosen, a former editor at The New York Times Magazine; her latest of book is "Boom Town: How Wal*Mart Transformed an All-American Town Into an International Community."

Friday, January 14, 5 PM, Family-friendly Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library

Friday, January 14, 6 PM, Shabbat Shirah and Sisterhood Shabbat with Rabbi Stevens and Student Cantor Andrea Rae Markowicz..

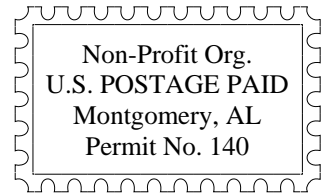
Saturday, January 15, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Student Cantor Markowicz. Light brunch served.

Wednesday, January 19, 6 PM, Seder Tu Bshvat - a celebration for the whole family.

September 2010

Want an updated look at what's going on at Temple? Go to www.templebethor.net.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 6 PM, Shabbat Service and changing of the Torah covers.	4
5	6	7	8 7:30 PM, Rosh Hashanah Eve Service - followed by Annual Reception	9 10 AM, Rosh Hashanah Morning Service 10:30 AM, Children's Service in Library	10 6 PM, Shabbat Shuvah	11
12 9:30 Rel School Cemetery Memorial Services 9:30 Eternal Rest 10:30 Etz Ahayem Cemetery (new section) 11 Etz Ahayem Cemetery (old section)	13	14	15	16	17 7:30 PM, Kol Nidrei Eve	18 Yom Kippur 10 AM Morning 12 PM Discussion 2:30 PM Children 3:30 PM Memorial 4 PM Concluding Break Fast Follows
19 9:30 AM, Kol Ami Religious School at AIEA 1 PM Decorate Sukkah	20	21	22 6 PM, Sukkot service	23 Noon, Sisterhood Opening Luncheon	24 5:30 PM, Sponsors of the Mishkan T'filah bookplates are invited to place the bookplates in the prayer books before service. 6:00 PM Shabbat Service	25
26 9:30 AM, Kol Ami Religious School at AIEA	27	28 11:30 AM, L'Chaim League's Opening Luncheon at TBO	29 6 PM, Simchat Torah Celebration	30 Temple Beth Or will be closed for Simchat Torah.		



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2010 High Holy Day Service Times

Wednesday, September 8

Rosh Hashanah Eve 7:30 PM
Followed by our Annual Reception

Thursday, September 9

Rosh Hashanah Morning 10:00 AM
 Children’s Service in Library 10:30 AM

Friday, September 10

Shabbat Shuvah 6:00 PM

Sunday, September 12

Cemetery Memorial Services
 Eternal Rest Cemetery 9:30 AM
 Etz Ahayem Cemetery (new section) 10:30 AM
 Etz Ahayem Cemetery (old section).. 11:00 AM

Friday, September 17

Kol Nidrei Eve..... 7:30 PM

Saturday, September 18

Yom Kippur Morning.....10:00 AM
 Rabbi’s Discussion 12:00 PM
 Children’s Service 2:30 PM
 Memorial Service 3:30 PM
 Afternoon & Concluding Services 4:00 PM
Followed by Break the Fast Dinner

Kol Ami Religious School

Meets at

AIEA

- 9/12
- 9/19
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MAGAZINE PROJECT

Magazines are being collected for two local assisted living facilities; CaraVita and Cedars by Bette Sue Strasburger and her grandchildren. Help these residents enjoy recent copies of magazines by dropping yours off at the Temple. Magazines should be no more than 6 months old and in very good condition.

In Search of ...

Our Religious School is missing several copies of the JPS Hebrew-English Tanakh. If you have a copy at home please return it to the Temple office. Thank you.

Student Cantor

Andrea Rae Markowicz Weekends:

October 1	March 18
December 3	April 29
January 14	May 13
February 11	June 4

(Cantor Markowicz will usually participate in Friday night Shabbat services, Saturday morning Shabbat services and Religious School on Sundays.)