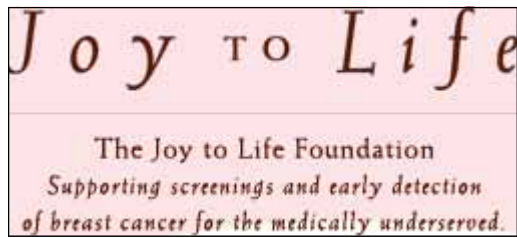


Temple Beth Or

BULLETIN

October 2010 ~ Tishrei/Cheshvan 5771



To Life!

The Joy to Life Foundation, founded by Joy and Richard Blondheim and now in its tenth year, has become Montgomery's central address for cancer awareness and advocacy. With their annual Walk of Life (April 16, 2011), their new **BreastCancerTV.net** interactive website, the "Pink Your Ride" auto tags and other programs, the foundation is literally working to save lives. As October is Cancer Awareness Month, our service on October 14 will be devoted to this theme, so important to so many in our community. Let us toast together, *To Life!*

A VIEW FROM THE BIMAH

THE RAC AT 50



An oft-repeated saying – repeated so frequently that it has taken on the status of platitude – says, “ask two Jews and you’ll get three opinions.” This is certainly true in discussions of Jewish practice, Jewish philosophy, Jewish theology, different understandings of Jewish law, and on and on. But one of the grand themes of Judaism, on which I hope we can all find common ground, is that Judaism has

always stood for social and economic justice; for welcoming the stranger in our midst, for caring for the orphan and widow. Just read Leviticus 19 – the so-called “Holiness Code” for about as clear a vision of what the very word “humanity” means as one can find; this exalted section begins with words so important that we read them annually on Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the Jewish year: “You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.” The section includes one of Torah’s most famous injunctions, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”

Yet how many of us live up to that ideal? What keeps us from deeper involvement in programs of social justice and social action that work to make our damaged world a better place for all?

Aside from the usual factors of inertia or thinking we have too many other commitments, sometimes we just don’t know where to turn. So often I hear the refrain, “I wish I could do something, I wish I could get involved, but I just don’t know where to start,” or “There’s no point in spending precious time or trying to get involved, because nothing I do can possibly be effective; there’s just no way an individual can have any impact.”

Well, there is a way, through the Religious Action Center in Washington -- one of Reform Judaism’s proudest achievements and one of our premier institutions. The RAC, now celebrating its 50th anniversary, has been just about the finest, most effective institution working for social justice in America.

Let me share something about the RAC. It is nothing less than a voice of conscience in our nation’s capital. The RAC has educated and mobilized the American Jewish community on legislative and social concerns on issues ranging from Israel and Soviet Jewry to economic justice; from civil rights to international peace and religious liberty. For example, the landmark 1964 Civil Rights Act and the 1965 Voting Rights Act were both drafted in the RAC’s conference room by Jewish, African-American and other civil rights leaders.

The RAC has many programs of direct interest to congregations. The biennial Consultation on Conscience, launched in 1977, is a flagship public policy conference that brings together hundreds of Reform Jews for high-level briefings from presidents, members of Congress and such speakers as Bishop Tutu, the Dalai Lama, and many other leading political figures. The RAC holds presidential seminars, and closed-door conversations with all U.S. presidential candidates; at one of these, Governor George Wallace apologized for some of his positions and complimented the Jewish community for the creation of Israel (which he saw as a bastion against Soviet expansion). At one Consultation on Conscience, Bishop Tutu thanked the Reform Movement for its role in the battle to end apartheid. A program of internships brings in college students from around the country for intensive training and high level introductions into the ways of Washington culture and politics, and to lobby on issues of social justice. The Director of the Religious Action Center, Rabbi David Saperstein, was listed last year by one national

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**Celebrating
Our**



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Please call Gina Friday at 262-3314 to report any corrections or inaccuracies in the bulletin.

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.

TBO PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

President's Remarks for Rosh Hashanah

Over the past few weeks, members of this congregation worked together to clean up some areas of the Temple. We came across a sanctuary seating chart from many years ago. In looking at the chart, I saw names of families that were familiar to me and I realized that they, too, had worked together all those years ago to form a strong Reform Jewish congregation and community. Their descendants remain members of Temple Beth Or today. It occurred to me that day after looking at the chart, that today's members of Temple Beth Or have the same obligation to work together in keeping this congregation and the Jewish community strong and viable. We owe this to their history and for our future. As this New Year begins, it is my prayer that the future generations of Temple Beth Or members will remember us with as much love and appreciation as we remember the members from so many years ago. L' Shana Tova.

Jenny Ives
 President

Recent Death

Donald Horwitz ז"ל
 September 24, 2010



Brother-in-Law of
 Marlene & Rick Beringer

Recent Death

Coleman Goldberg ז"ל
 September 12, 2010



Brother of Bob Goldberg
 Uncle of Erik Goldberg

Recent Death

Lonnie Vinson
 August 12, 2010

Former Custodian at TBO

Recent Death

Jeanette Rothfeder Posner ז"ל
 September 25, 2010



Mother of Alan Rothfeder
 Mother-in-Law of Myrna Rothfeder
(It is requested that donations go to the Youth and Scholarship Fund.)



**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.

BLACHSCHLEGER LIBRARY FUND

*In Memory of Jerry Bass
Gay and Irving Winter*

BLANCHE WINTER FUND

*In Memory of
Sigmund Diament
Charles Wampold
Gay and Irving Winter*

ENDOWMENT FUND

*In Memory of
Chester Goldberg
Rita Kimberling
Anne Levin
Julien M. "Sonny" Strassburger
Charles Wampold
Joseph and Charlotte Mussafer*

FLORAL FUND

*90th Birthday Wishes Betty Bloom
Lisa and Andy Weil

50th Anniversary Wishes
Charlotte and Joe Mussafer
Lisa and Andy Weil*

*In Memory of
Chester Goldberg
Irma Gore*

*Sonny Strassburger
Mary Jane Wallace
Charles Wampold
Lisa and Andy Weil*

GENERAL FUND

*In Memory of Charles Wampold
Kay and Frank Rosenberg

90th Birthday Wishes Hazel Wolfson
Lorraine Oppenheimer

90th Birthday Wishes Betty Bloom
Lorraine Oppenheimer*

GROUNDS BEAUTIFICATION FUND

*In Memory of
Julien M. "Sonny" Strassburger
Food Friends*

PRAYERBOOK FUND

*In Memory of Irma H. Gore
Sharon McDaniel and Family*

May his memory be for a blessing.

*Alan Saperstein
Marty Saperstein
Simon Saperstein
The Saperstein Family*

May her memory be for a blessing.

*Susan Saperstein
The Saperstein Family*

*In appreciation of
Rabbi Elliot and Sandy Lynn Stevens
The Saperstein Family*

RABBI DISCRETIONARY

*In Memory of
Julien M. "Sonny" Strassburger
Andrew and Robin Kromis*

SOCIAL CONCERNS

*In Memory of
Sigmund and Helen Diament
Sara, Alan and Joey Goodwin*

**Birthday and Anniversary
Blessings
on October 8th.**

BIRTHDAYS

- 3.....Lorraine Lieberman
- 5.....Herb Scheuer, Jr.
- 9.....Betty Goldberg
- 10.....Karen Nyman
- 11.....Carol Weil
- 18.....Isaac Cohen
- 18.....Erin Sommer
- 28.....Tricia Wool
- 29.....Bob Herzfeld
- 29.....Bruce Lieberman
- 29.....David Weinrib
- 30.....Pat Dees
- 30.....Bill Goolsby

Recent Death

Ina "Wennie" Booker
September 29, 2010

Mother of Jenny Ives
Grandmother of Natalie Mussafer

ANNIVERSARIES

- 2.....Anita & Bob Reznikoff
- 3.....Lisa & Andy Weil
- 8.....Susan & Joe Finklestein
- 8.....Linda & Bob Herzfeld
- 12.....Mary Lynne & Jim Levy
- 13.....Mae & Elliot Cohen
- 30.....Lynne & Stephen Weinrib

YAHARZEITS

To be read 10/1/2010

- Mae Wilzin Landau
- Jerome Levy
- Jennie B. Monsky
- Mark Sabel
- Ella Klein Shwarts
- Esther Ostrov Sklar
- Virginia Loeb Weil

To be read 10/8/2010

- Dorothy Jacobson
- Celia Diskin Neuman
- Helene A. Sabel
- Sonia Schedrow
- Caroline Moog Strassburger
- Dr. Jack Wool

To be read 10/15/2010

- Reta Manasse
- Abe S. Monsky
- Ethel Sandler
- Sydelle Strickler
- Bert Weil

To be read 10/22/2010

- Frances Eisenberg
- Kevin Michael Goolsby
- Herman "Dick" Loeb, Jr.
- Dr. Bernard Mount
- Julius Rice
- Rae Kreisman Selber

To be read 10/29/2010

- Saul Ginsburg
- Joyce Happ
- Burghardt H. Klein
- Marie Ullman Levy
- Herman Loeb, Sr.
- Robertta Savler Lysaght
- Dr. Melvin Rosenthal

YOUTH GROUP

As a fundraiser, the youth group will be taking orders for fresh homemade regular, sesame, and poppy seed challah at \$5 per loaf (October thru December only). Please place your order with Sharon Berry at daberry40@netscape.net or call (334) 290-0445.

Youth Group teens in the 9th-12th grades are eligible to participate in the NFTY-SAR Fall Kallah on Oct. 1-3, at Temple Sinai in Atlanta, Ga. Please contact Sharon Berry at daberry40@netscape.net if you would like to attend.

On October 16th, the Youth Group will be **Kayaking on the Coosa River**. If you would like to join us, please contact Sharon Berry. Adult chaperones are always welcome. ☺

BOOTY would like to thank Rabbi, Sandy Lynn, and Anna Stevens for hosting our opening meeting. Thanks to all who attended.

Are you having difficulty figuring out how to use your high tech cell phone or electronic device??? The Youth Group would like to offer their assistance to anyone who needs help. You may bring your cell phone or electronic device to our Havdalah get-together at the temple on **Saturday, October 23rd at 6 PM**. After Havdalah, we will be happy to assist you. Donations are welcome. *The Youth Group can make house calls for those in need.*

The Temple Youth Group (BOOTY) and AIEA's Youth Group (MUSY) will be hosting a youth "lock-in" to be held at Temple Beth Or from November 5-6. Adult chaperones are welcome to participate in this event. **We will be accepting donations of candy, cookies, chips, and nuts.** You may drop off your donations to Gina at the Temple. For additional information, please contact Sharon Berry at daberry40@netscape.net.

BOOTY would like to thank the Men's club for sponsoring the purchase of our youth group t-shirts. *Thank you for supporting the Temple Youth Group.* ☺

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).

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SOCIAL CONCERNS

The temple community donated \$1,503.00 (as of Sept. 23rd) for the High Holy Days appeal to fund the Social Concerns Committee. That amount is enough for our cooking meals and freezing them for MACOA for 10 months. A hearty "thank you" to everyone who contributed.

Please be thinking about our Bedtime Bundles project (Nov. and Dec.) for Child Protect. More information will be in the November Bulletin. 2010 will be our third year supplying bedtime clothes and books for abused and molested children handled by this agency.

Louisa Weinrib
262-6155

RELIGION SCHOOL

We have had a great start to our year at Kol Ami! We have bright and shiny faces every week, not to mention those of the children! ☺ So far, we have learned a great deal about Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. We had our first Torah Tot class that was a lot of fun. We helped decorate the Sukkah at Agudath Israel ✪ Etz Ahayem, and we had a wonderful celebration for Sukkot with delicious fruits and nuts. Thank you to the parents in Mr. and Mrs. Ashner's and Mr. Cohen and Mrs. Skiba's classes for providing everything for our seasonal feast!

We also want to welcome Elad, our Shaliach from Israel this year. Please help us make him feel welcome.

Some days to note that are coming up on the calendar are: **Torah Tots** on October 3rd at 9:30 and **NO SCHOOL** on October 10th. There will be a visit from Alli Goldman, from the Institute of Southern Jewish Life, the weekend of October 22nd. We will also have a **Teacher's meeting** promptly at 8:30 on the 24th. We have a full schedule for October, and we look forward to seeing everyone each week!

There are still a few families that have not turned in their registrations forms and/or payment. Please do so now. It is crucial for us to have emergency information for your children.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions you have!

Terri Finkelstein
Co-Principal, Kol Ami
Religious School
277-2573
adamnterri@yahoo.com

UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA HILLEL

The University of Alabama Hillel is sponsoring a recruitment weekend, November 12th - 14th for Jewish high school juniors and seniors to visit the Tuscaloosa campus. Recruitment Weekend is an opportunity for prospective students to experience campus life at Alabama as guests of Hillel. The weekend will include a VIP campus tour, Shabbat dinner with entertainment by campus groups, a football tailgate party, tickets to the UA - Mississippi State game and Sunday brunch. For more information, email bamahillel@gmail.com.

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Rosh Hashanah Reception

Thirty-nine participants came forward with an act of love for the Temple. We enjoyed a wide variety of fruits, nuts, cheese and sweets to welcome the New Year. The beautiful floral arrangement enhanced our tables. The generosity of the Brass Fountain, through its loan of the pedestal vase, made the flowers the focal point of our reception tables. Most of all we appreciate the support of our Sisterhood.

L'Shanah Tovah

Bette Sue and Myrna

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L'CHAIM LEAGUE

Tuesday, October 19th, is the date to meet at Celeste Sabel's studio to see a pottery demonstration. Many of you may have seen her works, but this will give us an opportunity to see just how she makes her pottery. We will meet there at 10 AM, and have lunch at

Sinclair's in Old Cloverdale, after the presentation. Lunch will be your responsibility. **Reservations are needed by October 14th.**

Beginning, **Tuesday, October 5th**, we are offering **FREE YOGA CLASSES**, to be held every Tuesday from 9 AM - 10 AM at TBO. Our instructor, Patricia Blondheim, is graciously donating her time and expertise, so that we can all feel much better. A completed application is all that is required. Call: 262-3314 with any questions.

On **November 11th**, our adventure will be a trip over to Warm Springs, Ga. to tour the FDR home and have lunch at the Bullock House. If you've never been there, it is an interesting little town and should be a fun day.

We'll end 2010 with a nice Chanukah luncheon. Hope to see you all soon.

Linda R. Smith

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SISTERHOOD

September has been a very busy month for Sisterhood.

Bette Sue Strasburger and Myrna Rothfeder chaired a beautiful Rosh Hashanah reception.

Susan Finklestein and Allison Williamson and committee prepared a delicious and welcomed Break Fast.

We celebrated the first night of Sukkot with an outdoor service followed by a reception chaired by LeAnn Wallace.

Our Opening Luncheon was chaired by Gay Winter and Burke Schloss. Mary Ann Neely, our guest speaker spoke about two Montgomery women's lives

during the early days of the Civil War.

Betty Goldberg chaired Simchat Torah reception Wednesday night Sept 29th.

Our cheesecake fundraiser is off to a slow start. Remember that Sisterhood supports Temple Beth Or. We hope you will support Sisterhood's fundraiser. Please send your orders in by October 30th.

Marlene Beringer
President

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The Israeli Experience

Please join us on Thursday, October 28 at 7:00 for an exciting evening of learning about Israel in our program "The Israeli Experience."

We are pleased to welcome back Evan Hart Wertheim (Carol Hart's grandson) who will be sharing his experience as an *oleh hadash* (new immigrant) in Israel as well as information on the nonprofit organization, Chimes Israel. Evan visited us in Montgomery last year to speak about Chimes Israel, which is dedicated to improving the lives of people with special needs in Israel. He is excited to be able to return to our community. Our new shaliach from Israel, Elad Arnon, will also be bringing his experience from working and living in the desert, army service and more, and Rabbi Stevens will share his experiences of living in and visiting Israel.

The program will be held at Temple Beth Or in the social hall. Light refreshments and snacks will be served. We look forward to seeing you there!

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.

**Thanksgiving Morning
November 25th, 2010**

at the Levite Jewish Community Center
3960 Montclair Road ♦ Birmingham 35213

**10k at 8:30 am and a 1 mile Fun Run at
9:45 am**

For more race information and to register
online, please visit www.bhamjcc.org

Contacts:

Aimee Harris
sharris3767@charter.net

Natalie Mussafer
nm@bhamjcc.org

*Proceeds benefit
activities at the LJCC
and Childhood Cancer
Research Fund at
Children's Hospital.*



New Temple Member

Rebecca and Richard Operhall
8809 Alderwood Way
Montgomery, AL 36117
244-2188
lightningrose@hotmail.com

Remember to add them to your
membership directory.

**MEMBERSHIP
DIRECTORY UPDATE**

Please make this change in
your membership directory:

Suzanne Soloff's new email
address is:

suzysoloff@aol.com

**Temple Beth Or Sisterhood
presents...**

Direct from New York...

**Carnegie Deli
Cheesecake**



From the Carnegie Deli in New York City, this classic cheesecake has been a New York tradition since 1937, and the favorite of cheesecake fans everywhere! This dense and creamy cheesecake has only the very finest ingredients for that unique, New York style taste and texture: pure cream cheese, thick sour cream, natural vanilla, and that crumbled, crunchy butter cookie crust. Undeniably the favorite, from your first bite to the last, this is New York's finest!

Pick-up will be 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., November 15th - 17th, at the Temple.
Located at 2246 Narrow Lane Road, 36106 • (334) 262-3314
(across from Montgomery Country Club golf course)

Please Print

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home/Work#: _____ Cell #: _____

Email: _____

_____ # of 6" Cheesecakes (yields 10-12 slices) @ \$20 each / \$_____ Total

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

Send your check made payable to **TBO Sisterhood** to:
Marlene Beringer
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Montgomery, AL 36106
(334) 272-6688

**Orders and checks
must be received by
October 30, 2010.**

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news magazine as the most influential rabbi in America.

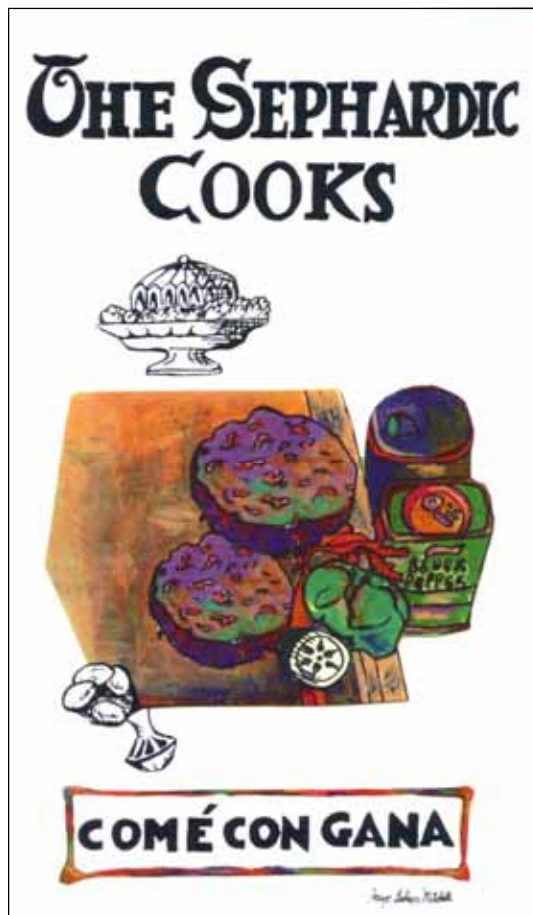
Just take a look at the RAC website [rac.org; there's a link from our temple website], and be impressed by what this arm of Reform Judaism accomplishes and offers; there's nothing even remotely comparable on the American Jewish scene today.

Now here's where you come in: I urge each member of Temple Beth Or to associate ourselves with the work of the RAC by becoming a Reform Jewish advocate; the RAC's advocacy networks are at the core of their legislative successes. These networks provide legislative updates, opportunities to take action, and links to postings on the RACblog, highlighting important public policy alerts that will allow you, with just a few clicks, to email your members of Congress on key public policy issues. The Reform Jewish voice in Washington is significantly amplified when our grassroots across the country use these alerts to share their perspectives with their elected officials.

The next Consultation on Conscience, by the way, will be May 1-3, 2011 in Washington. Details will follow; I hope that Temple Beth Or will join other Reform congregations in sending a contingent to this important conference.

We Reform Jews often talk about ethics and justice and the prophetic message. On the level of mitzvah – sacred obligation, let us live by what we teach.

Elliot L. Stevens



L'Chaim League Day Trip Sneak Preview

L'Chaim League visits
**FDR's The Little White House in Warm Springs,
Georgia on Nov. 11**

Franklin Delano Roosevelt built the Little White House in 1932 while governor of New York, prior to being inaugurated as president in 1933. He first came to Warm Springs in 1924 hoping to find a cure for the infantile paralysis (polio) that had struck him in 1921.

Visitors can tour FDR's home, which has been carefully preserved very much as he left it, the servants and guest quarters, and the nearby pools complex that first brought the future president to Warm Springs.

Contact Linda Smith at 262-3314 to make your reservation. More details will be mailed to L'Chaim Members.



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

Hello Everyone,

Since this is my first Israel update, I must say that I am really excited to be here in Montgomery and share my experience of Jewish life in the South.

Some details about me:

I was born in 1980 in Netanya, Israel, a beautiful city on the coast of the Mediterranean Sea in the land of Milk and Honey. This was seven years after the Yom Kippur war, one year after the Peace Treaty was signed between Israel and Egypt, and two years before the first Lebanon War.

I mention war and peace surrounding my birthday because I believe that every Israeli lives his life through history. We all try to keep our life going on as we wish, but must also keep our homeland as safe as we can,

doing everything to achieve peace.

In September Israeli Prime Minister Benyamin Netanyahu and Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas met to continue direct negotiations in an attempt to achieve final agreements for peace.

People are still skeptical about these talks because core elements of the conflict are to: set the borders, find a solution for refugees from the 1948 war, Jewish settlements in the West Bank, all of which are quite far from a solution.

While the peace talks are going on, violence has escalated. Southern Israeli communities have been under fire since Wednesday morning – September 15 – as Gaza terrorists have stepped up their rocket and mortar attacks at Negeve residents. The

Israeli Air Force responded by bombing the Gaza Strip. At least one person was killed and two others were wounded in a southern Gaza strike near Rafah.

U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton is trying to be optimistic regarding the peace talks stating, “I can say that both sides understand the ramifications and the results of the peace process.”

I must mention that it is not simple to deliver the exact picture of what is happening back home in Israel, but I hope this will encourage you to check for more details about what is happening in our Jewish homeland.

Elad Arnon
JFCA Shaliach



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- Hunger Relief • Food Pantries •
 - Social Justice • *Tikkun Olam* •
 - Soup Kitchens • Advocacy •
 - Home Delivered Meals For Seniors •
 - *Tzedakah* • Self Empowerment •
 - Nutrition for Children •
 - Sustenance • Food Banks •

**THE JEWISH COMMUNITY'S
RESPONSE TO HUNGER**



MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger
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Tel 310.442.0020/800.813.0557 • Fax 310.442.0030
mazon.org • mazonmail@mazon.org



Sisterhood's Opening Lunch on September 23rd; Burke Schloss with Guest Speaker Mary Ann Neeley.



Some TBO BOOTY members enjoyed a swim & bar-b-que at Rabbi Stevens' home on September 12th. Our new shaliach Elad Arnon and BOOTY Advisor Sharon Berry joined the fun.

L'Chaim League Opening Luncheon on September 28, 2010. Members of Montgomery Ballet provided a wonderful show.

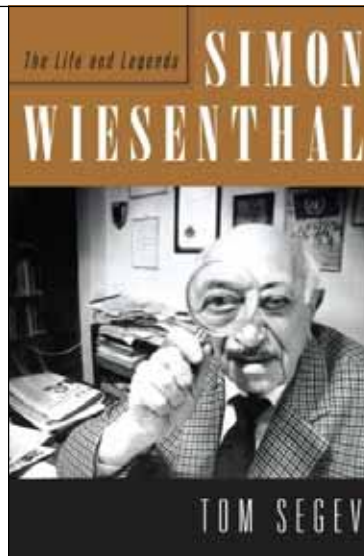


TOM SEGEV TO SPEAK AT TEMPLE BETH OR

**Noted Israeli Author,
Journalist to speak on November 3**

The Rothschild/Blachschleger Lecture Series is pleased to announce the forthcoming visit of Tom Segev, a leading Israeli historian, author and journalist; Segev will be speaking on his critically acclaimed new book *Simon Wiesenthal: The Life and Legends*. The program, offered without charge, is open to the community.

Tom Segev, who writes a weekly column in *Ha'aretz*, Israel's leading daily newspaper, is the author of *The Seventh Million: The Israelis and the Holocaust* and other path-breaking books, including *One Palestine, Complete*, which was one of the *New York Times'* ten best books of 2000 and winner of a National Jewish Book Award. Segev is associated with Israel's so-called "new historians," a group challenging many of the



country's traditional narratives. His history of the Six Day War (2006) has been described by the historian Saul Friedlander as "probably the best book on those most fateful days in the history of Israel."

His latest volume is the definitive biography on Simon Wiesenthal, the legendary "Nazi hunter." Wiesenthal, a hero in the eyes of many, has also been attacked for his

unrelenting pursuit of the past, and sometimes for his aggressive methods in pursuit of former perpetrators.

Mr. Segev will begin his talk at 7:00 p.m.; following the program, books will be available for purchase and inscription by the author.

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.

Member Survey

MEMBER SURVEY – FINAL DEADLINE

Membership surveys are still being accepted – but only until October 7. The more surveys we have, the better we can plan for our temple's future.

If you have lost your survey form, you may download a copy from our website (templebethor.net) or call the temple office for another copy.

Please, if you have not done so, return your completed survey as soon as possible.

Kol Ami Religious School

Meets at

AIEA

- 9/12
- 9/19
- 9/26
- 10/3
- 10/17
- 10/24
- 10/31
- 11/7
- 11/14
- 12/5
- 12/12

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SINGLES GROUP

**Attention All Jewish Singles
50 & up**

On Sunday, October 17th at 5:30 PM the Singles are meeting at Ming's Garden Chinese Restaurant on the Eastern Boulevard. If you are interested in attending contact:
Carol Ronning at 279-0140.

FOOD FESTIVAL COOKING SCHEDULE

- October 10..... Strudel..... Susan Finklestein
- October 11..... Strudel..... Susan Finklestein
- October 12..... Strudel..... Susan Finklestein

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 are 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 Midrash 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

(There's still time to donate!)

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.

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.

Checks should be made out to TBO Social Justice Fund and mailed to Temple Beth Or, 2246 Narrow Lane Road, Montgomery, AL 36106.

Please be generous! Thank you.

For questions, call Louisa Weinrib, 262-6155

Sisterhood Gift Shop

The Temple Sisterhood Gift Shop carries a wide variety of Judaic and Israeli items including art, books, ritual objects, jewelry, toys and gifts. Stop by and browse our extensive collection of mezuzot, Shabbat candlesticks, Bar and Bat Mitzvah gifts, and many, many other beautiful and meaningful Judaica items.

Student Cantor Andrea Rae Markowicz Weekends:

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

On her weekends in Montgomery Cantor Markowicz will usually participate in Friday night Shabbat services, Saturday morning Shabbat services and Religious School on Sundays.

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Jewish Homeland Forum

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Would you like to get to know the daily life in your Jewish homeland?
Do you want to get these updates from a personal Israeli perspective?

Join the Jewish Homeland Forum

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For more details call Elad: 334-224-4220

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A thank you received from MACOA

Thank you for providing frozen meals for MACOA's Frozen Meal Program. From January 2009 to August 2010 Temple Beth Or has provided **1,542** meals to seniors in the Montgomery area. We appreciate your support. Thank you for all that you do.

Sincerely, Ann Aman

MAGAZINE PROJECT

Magazines for two local assisted living facilities, CaraVita and Cedars are being collected 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.

IT'S SHABBAT – TIME TO READ TORAH

Reading and studying Torah on Shabbat has been a core Jewish activity and value since antiquity. This year, responding to suggestions from some TBO members, Rabbi Stevens will periodically read from the Torah and share some teaching during Friday night Shabbat services.



For those who long to hear words of Torah and enjoy Torah services, the first in this occasional series will be on Friday, October 8, at the usual start time of 6:00 p.m. Future dates are November 12, December 10, January 7, February 11, March 11, April 1.

Martin Fletcher to speak at Temple Beth Or

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.

Sponsored by the Rothschild-Blachsleger Lecture series.

This event will include a book signing and copies of the book will also be available for purchase.

(Books may be purchased in advance at Capitol Book & News at 1140 E. Fairview Avenue.)



Co-moderators for the Martin Fletcher event will be Rev. Dr. L. Lawson Bryan (L) of First United Methodist Church and Rabbi Elliot Stevens (R) of Temple Beth Or.

Beyond October!

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

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.

Friday, November 5, 7:30 PM, BOOTY: Jewish Youth Group Community Lock-in. From Friday 7:30 PM to Saturday 2 PM. Tzedakah: Bedtime Bundles.

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

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, 8:30 AM, L'Chaim League visits Warm Springs, Georgia. Departs TBO at 8:30 AM.

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

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.

Friday, November 12, 5 PM, Family Chavurah Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library - suitable for children of all ages.

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 Andrea Rae Markowicz.

Friday, December 3, 6 PM, BOOTY Kicks-off Camp Jenny Raffle at TBO's Chanukah family service at TBO.

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

Sunday, December 5, 9:30 AM, Kol Ami Religious School at AIEA. Hanukkah Hoopla. Student Cantors Levin and Markowicz participate.

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 Chavurah Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library - suitable for children of all ages.

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 Chavurah Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library - suitable for children of all ages.

Friday, January 14, 4 Days, BOOTY: NFTY-SAR Winter Regional at Temple Kol Emeth in Marietta, GA (This event is for 9th -12th graders).

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 Bishevat - a celebration for the whole family.

Thursday, January 20, 1 PM, BOOTY: Bowling and lunch at Ace in Montgomery.

Wednesday, January 26, 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: Joseph.

Sunday, February 6, 9:30 AM, Kol Ami Religious School at TBO.

Friday, February 11, 6 PM, Shabbat Service with Rabbi Stevens and Student Cantor Andrea Rae Markowicz..

Friday, February 11, 5 PM, Family Chavurah Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library - suitable for children of all ages.

Saturday, February 12, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Student Cantor Markowicz. Light brunch served.

Wednesday, February 16, 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: Moses.

Thursday, February 17, TBA, BOOTY: Roller Skating at Looney's.

Friday, February 18, 4 Days, BOOTY: February 18-22: NFTY Convention 2011 in Dallas, TX (This event is for 9th -12th graders).

Sunday, February 27, 9 AM - 3 PM, Jewish Food Festival

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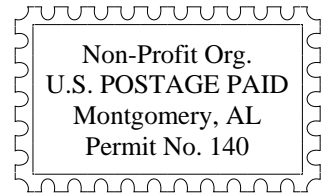
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3 9:30 AM Kol Ami Religion School Torah Tots	4	5	6 7 PM, Guest Speaker author, Martin Fletcher	7 8 AM - 9 AM, Adult Ed: BACK TO THE BASICS. 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Adult Ed: Learn to Read Hebrew. Part I.	8 5 PM, Family Chavurah Shabbat service in the library 6 PM, Shabbat Service. Birthday and anniversary blessings. Torah reading.	9
10	11	12	13	14 8 AM - 9 AM, Adult Ed: BACK TO THE BASICS. 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Adult Ed: Learn to Read Hebrew. Part II.	15 6 PM, Shabbat Service.	16 BOOTY: Kayaking on the Coosa River
17 9:30 AM Kol Ami Religion School 5:30 PM, The Singles Group is meeting at Mings Garden Chinese Restaurant	18	19 10 AM, L'Chaim League visits Celeste Sabel's studio for pottery demonstration.	20 7 PM, Adult Ed: Rabbi Stevens offers a six-part series TALES FROM THE MIDRASH; Part I. Adam & Eve.	21 8 AM - 9 AM, Adult Ed: BACK TO THE BASICS. 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Adult Ed: Learn to Read Hebrew. Part III.	22 6 PM, Shabbat Service. Classical Service with Union Prayer Book.	23 6 PM - 9 PM, BOOTY: Havdallah Get-together at TBO.
24 9:30 AM Kol Ami Religion School	25	26	27	28 8 AM - 9 AM, Adult Ed: BACK TO THE BASICS. 9 AM - 9:30 AM, Learn to Read Hebrew. Part IV 7 PM, Learn about Israel in our program "The Israeli Experience."	29 6 PM, Shabbat Service. Installation of officers.	30
31 9:30 AM Kol Ami Religion School						

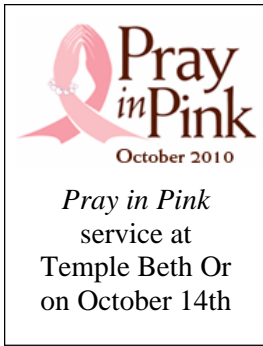
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Friday, March 4, 3 Days, BOOTY: NFTY-SAR Hatikvah Kallah 2011 in Columbia, SC (Adult chaperone needed.) This event is for 7th & 8th graders. Ninth-12th graders may apply to be organizers of this event.

Saturday, March 5, 10 AM, Shabbat Morning Service and Ben Berry's Bar Mitzvah. Student Cantor Markowicz participates.

Friday, March 11, 5 PM, Family Chavurah Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library - suitable for children of all ages.

Friday, March 11, 6 PM, Classical Service with Union Prayer Book.

Friday, March 18, 6 PM, Shabbat Service with Purim portion with Rabbi Stevens and Student Cantor Andrea Rae Markowicz..

Saturday, March 19, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Student Cantor Markowicz. Light brunch served.

Friday, March 25, 6 PM, SING UNTO GOD! – TBO celebrates Choir's 30 years of excellence with a gala Shabbat tribute.

Sunday, March 27, 1 PM, BOOTY: Lunch and get-together at TBO.

Friday, April 1, 5 PM, Family Chavurah Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library - suitable for children of all ages.

Friday, April 1, 6 PM, Shabbat service.

Saturday, April 2, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service. Light brunch served.

Friday, April 8, 6 PM, Shabbat Service. Huntingdon College Night. Reception follows.

Tuesday, April 19, All Day, TBO Office closed for Passover.

Friday, April 29, 6 PM, Shabbat Service with Rabbi Stevens and Student Cantor Andrea Rae Markowicz..

Friday, April 29, 3 Days, BOOTY: NFTY-SAR Spring Kallah 2011, Charlotte, NC. (This event is for 9th-12th graders.)

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

Wednesday, May 11, 7 PM, Guest Speaker and author, Mordechai Dzikansky, is the world's leading

authority on suicide bombings. His memoir, set for publication in January, 2011, is "Terrorist Cop: The NYPD Jewish Cop Who Traveled the World to Stop Terrorism."

Friday, May 13, 5 PM, Family Chavurah Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library - suitable for children of all ages.

Friday, May 13, 6 PM, Shabbat Service with Rabbi Stevens and Student Cantor Andrea Rae Markowicz. Jeffrey Herring will be called to read Torah as a Bar Mitzvah.

Saturday, May 14, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Student Cantor Markowicz. Light brunch served.

Thursday, May 26, 5 Days, BOOTY: Camp Jenny 2011 at Camp Coleman in Georgia. (This event is for 9th-12th graders: application must be submitted and accepted.)

Tuesday, June 7, 7 PM, Shavuot Service

Wednesday, June 8, All Day, TBO Office closed for Shavuot.

Friday, June 10, 6 PM, Classical Service with Union Prayer Book.