

Temple Beth Or Bulletin

A VIEW FROM THE BIMAH

October 2012 ~ Tishrei/Cheshvan 5773



Writing in the midst of this year's High Holy Days, I have been gratified to have received a number of requests for my sermon on Erev Rosh Hashanah. To share it also with our out-of-town members and those who could not attend, I am

pleased to reprint it here.

Shanah tovah! Once again, let me wish you all a good, healthy, sweet, satisfying and productive year ahead.

This has been an extraordinary year. On the other hand, it's hard to imagine what an "ordinary" year would look like. They're all extraordinary, and I suppose that's what keeps life interesting.

Our tradition, in Judaism, is to approach these holy days with introspection, reflection and prayer, in a deeply personal way. We consider all that is on our personal plates, all that we usually keep locked away in our own hearts, even from ourselves; all that we are thankful for, yet also all that we feel of pain, longing and anxiety, as we search for some sense of comfort and direction – hopefully better direction and a commitment to make better choices in the way we conduct our lives, and the way we relate to each other – family, friends, co-workers, or, for that matter, even people we might not like very much. The Hebrew word for

turning in a new direction is *t'shuvah*, which is usually translated as "repentance," a difficult, difficult process that culminates on Yom Kippur.

At this opening service of the High Holy Days, however, I feel compelled to address some of the larger issues of Jewish life, as context for our more personal journeys. For just as we are not the same people we were a year ago, or five years ago, so too has Judaism been changing. We face personal challenges; so too is Judaism challenged, sometimes in unexpected and disturbing ways. And if we take our Judaism seriously, we see that our own fate is tied to the fate of the Jewish people.

One of my all-time favorite quotes – forgive me if you've heard this before – is what Adam is supposed to have said to Eve: We are living in an age of transition! What are some of the transitions that Judaism has been going through recently?

The National Opinion Research Center has tried to identify what it calls megapatterns that characterize Jews and Judaism. They reviewed 40 years of surveys, covering dozens of demographic categories, as well as 153 non-demographic questions that compared Judaism to other religions and ethnic or social groupings within the United States.

I guess the most striking finding is that Jews in America are less distinctive with each passing year.

Forty or fifty years ago, the consensus model in this country was that we had three primary expressions of faith: Protestant, Catholic, Jew. No longer. Americans now perceive the split differently: Christians, and everyone else. Jews are now seen as

one of many minority faiths, along with Moslems, Hindus, Buddhists.

True, in recent years we've continued to hold a disproportionate number of seats on the Supreme Court, in Congress, in the governor's chairs, but as Jews have continued to assimilate into the larger culture, as our views (let us say in politics) begin to mirror the larger population, we are no longer seen as quite the voting bloc or as socially distinctive as we were not so very long ago.

Hand in hand with our loss of distinctiveness – both in our own eyes and in the eyes of other Americans – is our numerical loss. For a full generation and more our numbers have been well below reproductive rate. America's population is rising, while ours is falling in real numbers, not even counting our losses through assimilation and out-marriage.

Consider the rest of the world, for a moment. We are no longer a global people. Since 1939, the Diaspora has shrunk by more than 40%; today 95% of Jews in the Diaspora are in just 14 countries. Only 39 countries have 5,000 or more Jews in the entire country; most of the world's countries are now completely barren of Jews. The biggest population shift of all is that for the first time in nearly 2,000 years, a far larger number of Jews live in Israel than in any other country on earth.

Yet if in this country we are less distinctive than we once were, we Jews still display some interesting patterns:

When compared with other religious, ethnic and social groups in America, Jews have the highest median age, the best educations, and most affluence, and the smallest families. We value individual freedom of choice in such areas as abortion rights, civil rights,

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Saturday, October 13
Shabbat Morning Service

Saturday morning,
October 13, Rabbi Stevens
will lead a Shabbat morning
service. Service will run
from 9:30 – 11:15 a.m. and include Torah
study and a light brunch.

**Celebrating Our
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*When scheduling
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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.

TBO PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

After 10 successful years, we had a meeting to revamp the Food Festival and make the preparations and cooking easier for the congregation. While in the meeting I noticed that over the past several years the same people worked hard to plan and oversee the festival. In fact, for the past four years, including this year, the same two people have headed the Food Festival. There have been many members who have graciously headed committees even longer. For instance, Diane Weil has headed the kitchen for the past nine years. However at this meeting there were new congregants stepping up to take lead roles. I want to thank them for volunteering to help the Temple.

Even as we happily see congregants take up new roles in the congregation, there are a lot of others who frequently answer the call to help the Temple. The Sisterhood always works hard to make sure that Temple functions are festive affairs that are thoroughly enjoyed by the congregation. This year's Oneg on Rosh Hashanah Eve and this year's Break the Fast are two examples of what Sisterhood adds to our congregational life. Thank you ladies for all you do.

On September 20th I was at the Rabbi's "Taste of Judaism" welcoming about 30 people from the area community joining the Rabbi for three sessions to learn about Judaism. Katie Wetherbee headed this program for the Rabbi. She made sure we had great coverage in the local papers, took the reservations from the attendees and did whatever was necessary to make this a success. It was really nice to see people coming to learn about Judaism. Thank you Katie for all your help. As usual there was Sharon McDaniel assisting Katie to make sure the attendees had snacks and drinks. I know that whenever the Rabbi needs help with providing food for a small group of guests at the Temple, Sharon is always there with a smile making sure the Rabbi has what he needs. Thank you Sharon for all you do around the Temple.

There are so many members to thank for tireless help and for always working in the kitchen and around the Temple. As you see members working hard to make our congregational life richer, please thank them. In this bulletin we have listed the Temple's Committee Chairs. Please look at the list and find a committee to join. We need your help.

Jamie Loeb

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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Recent Death

***Andrew Kromis* ז"ל**

September 21, 2012



Husband of Robin Kromis

Father of Erin Kromis Connolly and Andrew G. Kromis, III

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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.

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Blessings on October 5.

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*Happy New Year greetings to all my
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Sara Matile Schwarz*

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In Memory of Jean Weil

Micael and Amy Saag

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

ANNIVERSARIES

3 Lisa & Andy Weil
8 Susan & Joe Finklestein
8 Linda & Bob Herzfeld
12 Mary Lynne & Jim Levy
13 Mae & Elliot Cohen
27 Akiko & Alan Bloom
30 Lynne & Stephen Weinrib

YAHARZEITS

To be read 10/5/2012

Jerome Levy
Jennie B. Monsky
Celia Diskin Neuman
Sonia Schedrow
Ella Klein Shwarts
Esther Ostrov Sklar
Virginia Loeb Weil
Dr. Jack Wool

To be read 10/12/2012

Joseph Eli Capilouto
Dorothy Jacobson
Morris Lichtman
Helene A. Sabel
Ethel Sandler
Caroline Moog Strassburger

To be read 10/19/2012

Kevin Michael Goolsby
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Sydelle Strickler
Helen Jane Uhlman
Bert Weil

To be read 10/26/2012

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SISTERHOOD

Temple Beth Or Sisterhood is off to a busy start for the new year. We began with our opening meeting hosted by Aimee Harris in her home. Delicious food and beverages were enjoyed by a large group of ladies and Rabbi Stevens. In the business part of the meeting we discussed plans for the year and chairs for our committees. We are so appreciative of those ladies who have volunteered to chair a committee. I know when they call you to assist them you will readily agree.

Bette Sue Strasburger and Corinne Capilouto hosted our beautiful Rosh Hashanah reception following services on Sunday night. The lovely tables were decorated by Maxine Goldner and Sandy Lynn Stevens. Flowers were artfully arranged by Pat Dees. Please let these ladies know how much you appreciate their hard work and dedication to our Temple. Apples, honey, and challah rolls were served after Monday services to wish everyone a happy and sweet New Year.

Susan Finklestein prepared another lovely Break Fast reception following Yom Kippur services. Susan has done this for several years and always serves such delicious and most appreciated food.

Katie Wetherbee and Lisa Newcomb hosted our reception following Sukkot service. This is always a beautiful service and reception with the wonderful fruit and other tasty treats.

Remember our annual Carnegie Deli Cheesecake sale is underway. This is an important fundraiser for Sisterhood and we hope everyone will participate. These cheesecakes are wonderful to have in your freezer for a special treat and also make delicious gifts for friends, family, and business associates. An order form can be found on page 9 of this bulletin. You may also call Marlene Beringer or Lisa Weil with your order. The cakes will be delivered from New York before Thanksgiving so put one on your menu for your family gathering.

We hope all the ladies of the congregation will join Sisterhood. Our events are a vital part of our Temple community and we need everyone to be a part. Send your dues to Mae Cohen or drop them by the Temple.

Susan Bernstein

L'CHAIM LEAGUE

Tuesday, October 16th at 11:30 AM is the time to be at the home of Louisa and Mike Weinrib. We are honored to have Jerry Thrash from Rosemont Gardens teach us how to make a table decoration. Bring your own vase, and we'll supply the flowers. Lunch will be catered by Pepper Tree Steaks and Wine. The cost of the luncheon is \$12.50 per person. Your reservation is needed by: October 11th. Your check is your reservation.

Our annual Thanksgiving feast at the senior resident center at Capitol Heights is upcoming for November. To complete the year, Mr. G's Restaurant will be hosting the Annual Chanukah Luncheon on Tuesday, December 11th. We really share a lot of good times together. We would love to see you soon!

Linda R. Smith

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FROM THE LIBRARY

For October we'll highlight a few new resources. You'll find these new items displayed on the windowsill in the library. We've received several gift items from StandWithUs, which as the organization's mission states is an international, non-profit organization founded in 2001, and "... is dedicated to informing the public about Israel and to combating the extremism and anti-Semitism that often distorts the issues. We work by supporting people around the world who want to stand up for Israel and educate their own local campuses and communities. We believe that knowledge of the facts will correct common prejudices about the Arab-Israeli conflict, and will promote discussions and policies that can help promote peace in the Middle East. Through print materials, speakers, programs, conferences, missions to Israel, campaigns, focus on social media and internet resources, we ensure that the story of Israel's achievements and ongoing challenges is told on campuses and in communities, the media, libraries, and churches around the world. Based in Los Angeles, StandWithUs has fifteen offices across the U.S., and in Israel, Paris and the UK."

Among the items we've received are several CDs/DVDs including "Ancient Israel's Ethics & Values & Their Impact

on Western Civilization,” “Israel Up Close,” and “Forgotten Refugees.” The latter is a documentary film that tells of the history and destruction of Jewish communities in the Middle East and North Africa and the mass exodus of Jews from these countries, focusing on the 20th century. We’ve also received two books by Mitchell G. Bard - *Israel Matters* and *Myths and Facts* (about Israel).

The last new item we want to mention is the book *Monuments Men* by Robert M. Edsel and Brett Witter, subtitled *Allied Heroes, Nazi Thieves and the Greatest Treasure Hunt in History*. Having consumed this book myself, I can highly recommend it. If you have an interest in art, in history (particularly World War II history), savor a story where good triumphs over evil, or just love a great suspense tale, you will enjoy this true story of how a small group of men (and women) saved much of Europe’s cultural heritage from Nazi thievery and destruction, as well as from the ravages of war as Allied forces began the campaign to wrench territory from the grip of Nazi forces. The Monuments “Men” worked tirelessly to plot, identify and protect and rescue works of art, architecture, furniture, books and manuscripts, and many other valuable items and collections known to be or believed to be in those areas overrun by Nazi Germany. One of Hitler’s obsessions was collecting (stealing would be more accurate) works of cultural heritage from private and national collections, with the plan to build a new, massive art museum (sadly, many works the Nazis deemed “degenerate” Hitler had destroyed). Many of these heroes risked their lives for art; some gave their lives.

Eric A. Kidwell, MLS
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SHALIACH NEWS

Shalom,

As a Shaliach I am dealing with many questions about Israel, its future, its leaders and its citizens.

Questions that in the U.S. are not always easy to answer. But we Israelis have one answer which we always use, a very common phrase.

Those of you who have visited Israel are probably familiar with this term.

This phrase represents the Israeli optimism, the Israeli way of living –

- יהיה בסדר everything will be all right.

“Everything will be all right” is a statement often seen as amateur, unprofessional, and unacceptable in any way in an American office or conversation.

I want to share a little joke I heard while working in a camp during this summer. “When an American student is studying for a test he will read through his notes a few times, he will memorize them all and on the day of the test will pray for a miracle. When an Israeli student is studying he will read some of the notes, will memorize a smaller part of it - and on the day of the test he will count on a miracle”.

That’s the essence of the יהיה בסדר.

This is the statement that helps us enjoy life and appreciate the good in every situation we find ourselves in, while living with an unclear future.

“Everything will be all right” is what we keep telling ourselves when we read the newspaper every morning and when we watch the news before going to bed. When we’re down on payments or when times are tough. But lately it’s just not enough.

As you all know, I just came back from a great vacation back home. But there was one thing that clouded my stay there. Danger and threats are part of our lifestyle, it is almost routine, but for the first time in my lifetime, I really sensed fear. People are really afraid and uneasy, they are not sure what will happen next. This is all a result of the Iranian attempt to get nuclear power. I was asked a few times to talk about this topic in my last year and I’ve tried to stay away from that. To talk about other stuff – Israeli society, technology and freedom of religion – but I won’t be doing my job if I will keep on doing that. This is what preoccupies everyone.

The idea of allowing a regime like the one in Iran to acquire nuclear capabilities is a frightening one. It’s not just another regular country. Iran is the number one exporter of hatred and Jihadism in the world. In every terror

organization in the Middle East you will find the Revolutionary Guards’ fingerprints, whether in Iraq, Lebanon, Syria, or the Gaza strip.

A nuclear Iran is not a threat only to Israel, but to any country that believes in a free world, that doesn’t believe in tyranny and in a Jihad doctrine.

A year ago, there was a mysterious explosion in an Iranian base. A few days after, the Minister of Strategic Affairs in the Israeli Government – Moshe Ya’alon - said that in that same facility Iran was developing long-range missiles that can hit even cities in the US.

By gaining balance-breaking weapons, Iran’s status in the world would change. Any move that Israel, America or any other country will do against Iran’s interests would be extremely risky with the danger of a disproportionate response by the Ayatollah regime.

For example, in a scenario of Hezbollah firing rockets on Israel, Israel’s ability to respond will be extremely limited because of fear of an Iranian reaction.

In addition, no one will have any control of their spreading the knowledge or weapons to any of the terror organizations they support. The thought of a terrorist attack weaponized with nuclear abilities – what they call a “Dirty Bomb” – is one that keeps me awake at night.

I can understand why the world is waiting, trying to seek other solutions rather than the military one, but we can’t wait forever. The world can’t allow Iran get the same power as North Korea did in the past. This is not the same regime and for sure not for the same aims and ideology as Iran’s.

The events in the last few weeks show us that extreme and radical people do not share the same thought process we have, and we can’t trust unstable and irrational regimes gaining destructive power.

We as Jews stand here on the High Holidays in a crucial crossroads when we look back on the year that passed, counting the good and bad, leaving it behind us on the verge of a new year with new opportunities. The Western World is at that same point. It needs to

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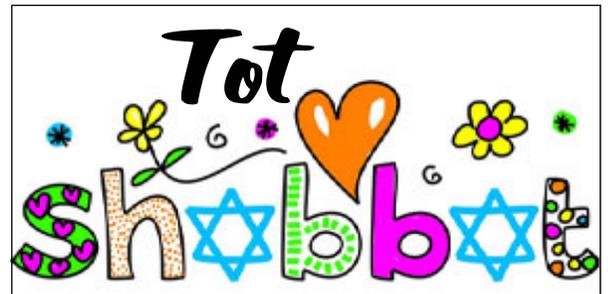
decide if it is going all the way in with its values of peace, equality and compassion or going backwards to the days the free world surrendered to tyrants and agitators.

I don't think this is about politics. It's not about Netanyahu and Obama's relations; it's not about Democrats against Republicans. It's just about us standing together.

It looks as if the year of 5773 is another key year in the long history of the israelites. I'm an optimist but also a realist, so I'm not going to wish for world peace and tranquility, but I will wish that by the end of this year I would be able to say that everything is going to be all right.

I want to say - יהיה בסדר

Ori Tal



FAMILY FRIENDLY SERVICES

especially for babies, toddlers, kids, moms, dads and grandparents too!

5:00 - 5:30 PM in the Library

October
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SUKKOT

Sunday ● September 30 ● 6 PM

This service will be held outdoors at our TBO sukkah; join us as we celebrate together with worship and a symbolic meal inside our sukkah.

Learn how to shake the lulav and etrog!



SIMCHAT TORAH

Sunday ● October 7 ● 6 PM

Simchat Torah service will be held in the Baylison Social Hall of Temple Beth Or.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need your help. The committees listed below do a lot to keep the Temple looking good and working. Just a few people cannot do all the work. Please look over the list and call a chair to offer your help. They would love to hear from you.

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Don't forget the Food Festival. This will be our 10th year and we are excited to have another successful year. In fact people are at work right now revamping the menus to add new items and make the cooking and baking easier on the congregation. One way to make it easier is to volunteer to bake and cook. We need a few hours of your time over a few months to get all the food cooked. Please call or email Gina in the office to let her know that you will help. A list of cooking times will be posted in future bulletins and on the website, <http://www.templebethor.net>. Please join us for fellowship and baking. If you do not want to bake, we could still use your help in the kitchen.

sexual freedom and moral autonomy. We Jews continue to be more liberal in our political affiliations, and more likely to vote. We are more urbanized, believe in egalitarianism and value children who think for themselves. We also have more intact marriages: more than any other group, Jews are raised by two parents.

But we are at the bottom of the surveys when it comes to religious beliefs. We are least likely of all religious groups to believe in God, or an afterlife, or that the Bible is the exact word of God. We are least likely to attend religious services! Only 7% of Jews attend weekly (non-Jews are four times as likely to attend a house of worship weekly). Interestingly, we have just as high rates of affiliation, attesting to the importance of community, so long as we don't have to attend!

Our community is also becoming increasingly fragmented. We Jews can now enjoy an amazing variety of religious expressions. The "reconformodoxy" of past years has given way to gay and lesbian synagogues; spiritual groups based in homes; chavurot; Jewish renewal groups, humanistic Judaism, New Age Judaism and many others. One of the latest trends is egalitarian orthodox. Boundaries are permeable, since today's focus is on the individual rather than the old denominational lines. Interfaith boundaries are permeable too: converts assume that their children will freely choose their faith, just as they did, and Jews born into Judaism increasingly have the same assumptions – and lack of loyalty, as Americans of all faiths readily marry across religious lines.

There is an old question given to physics students: Imagine a ramp made of wood, and the ramp is in a spiral. The ramp is actually a spiral-shaped track, into which you can place a marble at the top. The marble enters the top of the spiral, and curves round and round until it exits at the bottom. What happens: Does the marble continue on a curved line, or shoot out, once it gets to the bottom of the ramp, straight ahead? Some say the marble continues

to curve, but of course it just goes straight once it leaves the ramp, and the constraints of the wall that keep the marble on the curve, are lost.

Judaism is like that. We have been kept on the ramp by the walls of community, institutional loyalty, closely knit Jewish families, anti-Semitism, our inherited Jewish commitments and values, and a strong sense of ideals, shared history and future. Those walls have fallen away, and we are at the bottom of the ramp. The centrifugal and centripetal forces are no longer in balance. Our marble is venturing forth on its own, and we seem powerless to stop it. The strongest governing force is inertia.

We are living in an age of transition, and Judaism is at a crossroads. We see rampant assimilation, and a younger generation who find it all too easy to fall away. Yet we see around the country a resurgence of Jewish day care, educational institutions, day schools, university Jewish studies programs, summer programs and camps, talmudical academies, women's studies programs and more. Jonathan Sarna, maybe the foremost scholar of American Judaism on the scene today, adds, "Every Jew today knows somebody whose children are far more religiously observant than their parents." That's the nature of crossroads: we are free to go in either direction.

We see signs of Jewish polarization both here and in Israel, parallel to what we're seeing on the American political scene, but if there is good news, it is that we also see signs of a growing center, ranging from Reform Jews more open to traditional modes, to Centrist observant and modern Orthodox who might indeed lead us toward a viable Jewish future. Jonathan Sarna writes that despite signs of polarization, "the vast majority of American Jews identify themselves as standing somewhere in the middle of the Jewish religious spectrum, and most Jewish leaders come from this group." In our community, such shifts might portend well toward the eventual consolidation of the Montgomery Jewish community,

if not imminently then some years down the road.

All of the above leads, I think, to two major challenges. The communal challenge is that American Jews don't seem to have a compelling mission, around which to rally and become passionate about. The great causes of Holocaust, Israel, Soviet Jewry, Ethiopian Jewry and others are all past. Today's great causes such as the environment, education and health care are universal, not Jewish. Survival for its own sake cannot be enough.

The second challenge, therefore, is personal. That is the value of not just what Judaism brings to us, but what we bring to Judaism. Clearly there's so much at stake. I've been speaking in global terms, but it really gets personal when we think about where to send our kids to camp, or to college; about how often we set foot in temple, and how "voting with our feet" sets an example for our family. It is telling, I think, that a majority of our members have yet to attend a single adult education program since I arrived here more than five years ago. Most of us profess to care about Judaism, yet regard any real involvement as just not a big priority in our lives. We just don't see the world as we once did, through a Jewish lens. Judaism is a gift, and its blessings are all around us, if only we will receive them.

As we work our way through these Holy Days – and *work* it sure is – I would like to suggest that one of the ways we can repent – turn in a new direction – would be to strengthen our ties within our Jewish community, thereby strengthening each other as we strengthen ourselves, that for us, Judaism may once again be a tree of life to all who hold fast to it, and lead us toward a better future.

Rabbi Elliot Stevens

Temple Beth Or's 10th
Annual Jewish Food Festival
Sunday, February 24, 2013

Please mark your calendar now for our 10th Annual Food Festival. The Jewish Food Festival is the only annual fund raising event we have for Temple Beth Or. There are many ways congregants may participate and we urge you to volunteer now during the planning and working process which will begin after High Holy Days. This is an excellent opportunity for members that want to be involved in Temple activities. We have many dedicated previous chairpersons that are committed to mentoring on each committee. Please call or email Karen Goldstein (kackaboo@gmail.com 265-1145) or Jenny Ives (jjives@charter.net 263-4984) to make a commitment now. Please do not wait to be called upon! We are trying to fill the committee chair positions as quickly as possible.

Our sincere appreciation goes to the corporate sponsors as their support is invaluable to our success each year. Please take an opportunity to thank these people.

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DIRECTORY UPDATE

Tammy Saperstein has a new email address:

TSaperstein54@gmail.com



Mazel Tov!

Isabel Harper McCall

Born 9/4/12,
weighed 7 lb. 10 oz.
19 1/2 inches

Parents are Stephanie and
Mac McCall.

Grandparents are Jenny and
John Ives

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.

NEED HELP GETTING AROUND DURING SERVICES?

A wheelchair and walker are stored in the coat closet and available to members and guests during Temple events.

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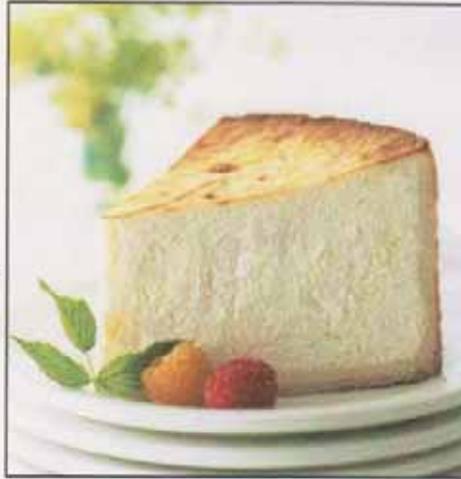
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COMING TO THE TBO BIG SCREEN:
Michael Oren with Thane Rosenbaum
LIVE FROM THE 92ND STREET Y



Tuesday, October 16
7:00 p.m. in the Baylinson Social Hall

Live From NY's 92nd Street Y series brings us one of the most passionate and articulate defenders of the State of Israel; Michael Oren is an American born historian, an award-winning, best-selling author, a veteran of Israel's Defense Forces, and Israel's current Ambassador to the United States. Michael Oren is author of *Six Days of War and Power, Faith, and Fantasy*. Thane Rosenbaum is a novelist and law professor at Fordham University and the director of the Forum on Law, Culture and Society.

Sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Central Alabama

Bring your family and friends.



COMING TO THE TBO BIG SCREEN:
Eric Kandel & Elie Wiesel with Dr. Gail Saltz:
Mind, Body and Soul
LIVE FROM THE 92ND STREET Y



Sunday, November 4
6:30 p.m. in the Baylinson Social Hall

Live From NY's 92nd Street Y series: Psychiatrist, psychoanalyst, columnist, best selling author and television commentator, Dr. Gail Saltz talks with an assortment of special guests to explore what it means to be human, with a focus on healing, feeling, fortitude and fitness. Join us as we unravel the mysteries of memory. How does the mind remember? Why are memories so vital to human beings? Can we alter or enhance our memories? What happens to memories over time? Explore both the biological and emotional aspects of the human memory with the world's most knowledgeable authorities on the subject. Eric Kandel won the Nobel Prize in 2000 for his research on the physiological basis of memory storage in neurons. He is the author of the award-winning *In Search of Memory*, among other books. Elie Wiesel is a novelist, journalist and Nobel Prize winner. Chairman of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council from 1980 - 1986, he serves on numerous boards of trustees and advisors. Andrew W. Mellon Professor in the Humanities at Boston University.

This program, is offered without charge by the Rothschild-Blachschleger Lecture Fund. Bring your friends and neighbors!

Sunday • October 28 • 3 PM

JFCA's Shaliach event:

Afternoon Movie at TBO.

Movie: *Time of Favor*

Issues of love, loyalty, and faith are set on a collision course in this award-winning drama.

Rabbi Meltzer (Asi Dayan) is a respected Orthodox rabbi and leader of a yeshiva school in a remote section of the Judean hills. One of the Rabbi's favorite causes is returning Jerusalem's Dome of the Rock to the control of Israel -- a holy shrine in the ancient city that Moslems use as a mosque and Jews call Temple Mount.

With this goal in mind, the Rabbi organizes a military unit composed of his students, with military officer Menachem (Aki Avni) serving as an advisor. While Menachem agrees with Rabbi Meltzer in principle, especially since the Rabbi regards the group's activities as more symbolic than anything else, he and other military authorities are wary of his plan, believing the Rabbi's soldiers could easily turn into a fanatical terrorist group with the wrong twist of the political winds.

Time of Favor won wide acclaim in Israel, earning six Israeli Academy awards, including Best Picture, and it was the nation's official entry for the 2000 American Academy Awards competition

45 STUDY OPPORTUNITIES WITH RABBI STEVENS

JUDAISM BASICS & BASIC HEBREW

This basic survey of Judaism runs for eleven sessions, starting October 9. 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 4 - 5 PM. **By Advance Registration:**
Please register with Gina Friday at the TBO office.

- October 9** Overview of Judaism.
- October 16** A Whirlwind Tour of Jewish History.
- October 23** The Basic Texts of Judaism.
- October 30** The Basic Texts of Judaism.
- November 6** Lifecycle: Birth through Bar Mitzvah.
- November 13** Lifecycle: Marriage and Divorce.
- November 27** Lifecycle: Illness, death, mourning.
- December 4** Holidays: Shabbat and Festivals.
- December 11** Holidays: Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.
- December 18** Holidays: Minor holidays (Chanukah, Purim, etc.).
- January 8** Modern Judaism: Israel; Denominations.

Hebrew bonus session: For those who want to learn to read Hebrew, now's your chance. You CAN learn to read in just eleven sessions, from 5 - 5:30 PM following the class in Basic Judaism.

L'Chaim Event

Tuesday, October 16th at 11:30 AM



Flower arranging program at the home of Louisa and Mike Weinrib. The cost of the luncheon is \$12.50 per person. Your reservation is needed by October 11th. Your check is your reservation.

See L'Chaim article on page 4
for more details.

AMAZING WOMEN IN THE JEWISH BIBLE – A NEW ADULT EDUCATION SERIES

Starting on Thursday evening, October 25, Rabbi Stevens will be offering a five-part series on biblical women – as seen through the eyes of rabbinic commentaries and midrash. The early rabbis knew how to “spin” a story to enhance – or destroy! – a reputation, or to create a good yarn on sometimes sparse material. We will discover, as we read these commentaries, the “back stories” of these women, and learn from their personalities that were all too human. The five sessions which will start at **7 PM** are:

- REBECCA.....October 25
- DINAHNovember 15
- DEBORAH and YAEL.....December 13
- BATHSHEBAJanuary 3
- RUTHJanuary 24

All programs are offered without charge.
Bring your friends!



Agudath Israel ☆ Etz Ahayem Adult Education

☆ **Beginning Hebrew** Beginning October 15 7:00 – 7:30pm (Weekly)

This short 30 minute class is intended for those with no or little Hebrew reading abilities. This class will provide you with the ability to phonetically read Hebrew from the Siddur. This should improve not only your understanding of Jewish prayer but allow you to participate fully in services.

Books Required:

- 1) The New Reading Hebrew: A Guided Instruction Course (Behrman House, <http://behrman.powerwebbook.com/productdetails.cfm?sku=728>)
- 2) Practice, Drill and Review for Reading Hebrew - Sefardi (Behrman House, <http://behrman.powerwebbook.com/productdetails.cfm?PC=6192>)



☆ **Introduction to Judaism** Beginning October 15 7:30 – 8:30pm (Weekly)

This class is intended for those considering conversion to Judaism as well as Jews who would like to have a refresher or learn more about our lifecycle events, holidays, history and philosophy. We will be using a new curriculum this year that comes from a community wide Intro class from Jacksonville, Florida.

Books Required:

- 1) Artson, Bradley Shavit, It's a Mitzvah.
- 2) Kushner, Harold, To Life.
- 3) Siddur Sim Shalom, both volumes
- 4) Strassfeld, Michael, The Jewish Holidays.
- 5) Tanakh, Jewish Publication Society (Hebrew-English edition)
- 6) Telushkin, Joseph, Jewish Literacy



☆ **How to Read the Bible** Beginning October 16 6:30 – 7:30pm (Weekly)

This class is intended for those with or without any background in the Jewish Bible. We will be concentrating on the stories in Genesis, looking at both how our classical commentators viewed the text as well as modern scholars. The book that we will use is a fascinating read that will present these old stories in a fresh and unique way.

Books Required:

- 1) How to Read the Bible – A Guide to Scripture, Then and Now – James Kugel
- 2) Tanakh, Jewish Publication Society (Hebrew-English edition)

☆ **Mishnah** Beginning October 16 7:30 – 8:30pm (Weekly)

Our most basic text of Torah Shel Peh, the Oral Torah is both fascinating and readable when you have someone that can help you navigate its depths. We will cover some of the more interesting sections in Mishnah to help provide you with a more sound basis on some of our most fundamental laws and customs.

NO Books Required

☆ **Pirkei Avot –** Beginning October 20 9:00 – 9:30am (Weekly)

☆ **Torah Study (beginning with II Kings)** Beginning October 20 (After Kiddush) (Weekly)

Last year we began studying Joshua, Judges, Samuel and I Kings. We continue with II Kings and then will cover Ezra and Nehemiah. These texts will be read in English and will provide access into our ancient history and early customs.

☆ **Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah** (To Be Determined)

Irene and I would love to help those in our community who have not had the opportunity to have a Bar/Bat Mitzvah to experience one as an adult. More and more people in many communities are experiencing Judaism on a new level by participating in these life changing experiences.

*Troy University
Montgomery Campus
cordially invites you to attend an
opening reception for*

*Darkness Into Life:
Alabama Holocaust Survivors
Through Photography and Art*

*Monday, the First day of October
Two Thousand and Twelve
Six o'clock in the Evening*

*Montgomery Campus
231 Montgomery Street
Montgomery, Alabama*

*Exhibit will be open
October 1, 2012 – November 30, 2012
Whitley Hall, Rooms 140, 141 & 142*

*Sponsored by Troy University,
the Alabama Humanities Foundation,
and the Birmingham Holocaust Education Center*

BEDTIME BUNDLES



For the 5th year we will be collecting bedtime items for Child Protect during November and December. Please put your purchases which must be new and unused in the playpen in the Temple lobby beginning in early November.

After coming to Child Protect because they were abused or molested, these boys and girls go into foster care, often with nothing to call their own, according to Director Jannah Bailey. Please be generous for these unfortunate children, who are mostly ages 6-12.

Items wanted are pajamas, pillow cases, socks, underwear, bedtime stories, journals and writing implements, sketchbooks and coloring pencils or crayons, toothpaste and toothbrushes, washcloths, fleece throws, slippers, dolls and toys, combs/brushes/hair ornaments, and anything else you can think of.

If you don't want to shop or are unable to do so, please send a check to the temple office earmarked "for bedtime bundles" and we will be glad to shop for you! Thank you!

Louisa Weinrib
262-6155

September 13, 2012 Troy University Press Release excerpts:

MONTGOMERY—The stories of Holocaust survivors now living in Alabama will be the focus of an exhibit coming to Troy University's Montgomery Campus in October as part of a Year of Holocaust Remembrance.

"Darkness Into Life: Alabama Holocaust Survivors Through Photography and Art," an exhibit on loan from the Birmingham Holocaust Education Center, will be on display from Oct. 1-Nov. 30 inside Whitley Hall, rooms 140, 141 and 142.

The exhibit will open with a community reception on Monday, Oct. 1, at 6 p.m. inside Whitley Hall. Admission is free and open to the public.

Featuring the stories of 20 Holocaust survivors, the exhibit con-

sists of photos, paintings and narratives by the survivors that teach the history of the Holocaust and offer a rich understanding of its impact on these individuals and their families.

Dr. Dan Puckett, an associate professor of history at the Montgomery Campus and a specialist in Holocaust research, called "Darkness into Life" a unique and powerful exhibit that puts a local perspective on the history of the Holocaust.

"I've never really seen anything like this before focusing specifically on Alabama and this state's connections to the Holocaust," Dr. Puckett said. "It's a very moving exhibit that shows what these survivors experienced and the lives they forged after."

In conjunction with the exhibit, a group of the featured survivors will discuss their experiences during a lecture on Thursday,

Oct. 25, at 6 p.m. inside Whitley Hall. Admission is free and open to the public.

"Darkness Into Life" is the first part of a Year of Holocaust Remembrance at TROY, which will include a number of special events designed to explore the history and lasting effects of the Holocaust.

Dr. Puckett said the idea for a Year of Holocaust Remembrance came from the successful lecture series featuring Holocaust survivor Ann Rosenheck who spoke at TROY's campuses in 2010.

"The Ann Rosenheck events were well received and we thought there was an opportunity here to build off that success and do more," Dr. Puckett said.

Events planned for the Year of Remembrance include:
A return to TROY by Ausch-

witz survivor Ann Rosenheck. Rosenheck will speak at the Troy and Dothan campuses in October.

A Holocaust Film Series at the Troy and Dothan campuses.

A teachers' workshop on Nov. 8 at the Dothan Campus focused on helping educators present the history of the Holocaust to middle and high school students.

Additional exhibitions focused on Holocaust survivors.

Dates and further details about upcoming events will be announced throughout the year. "From Darkness Into Life" and other events during the Year of Holocaust Remembrance are supported by a grant from the Alabama Humanities Foundation.

For more information about the Year of Holocaust Remembrance, contact the Office of Sponsored Programs at (334) 670-3102.

And Beyond!

Sunday, November 4, 6:30 PM, 92nd Street Y Program: ERIC KANDEL & ELIE WIESEL WITH DR. GAIL SALTZ: MIND, BODY AND SOUL on TBO's big screen - in the Baylinson Social Hall. Sponsored by the Rothschild-Blachschleger Lecture Series. Bring your family and friends.

Tuesday, November 6, 4 PM, Basic Judaism with Rabbi Stevens begins at 4:00 PM. Class five: Lifecycle: Birth through Bar Mitzvah. A 30-minute Basic Hebrew class follows at 5:00 PM.

Friday, November 9, 5 PM, Family Chavurah Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library - suitable for children of all ages.

Saturday, November 10, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Rabbi Stevens. Light brunch served.

Tuesday, November 13, 4 PM, Basic Judaism with Rabbi Stevens begins at 4:00 PM. Class six: Lifecycle: Marriage and Divorce. A 30-minute Basic Hebrew class follows at 5:00 PM.

Thursday, November 15, 7 PM, Rabbi Stevens five-part series on Women in the Hebrew Bible: Insights from Midrash and Commentaries. Topic: DINAH.

Tuesday, November 20, 7 PM, Joint Interfaith Thanksgiving service at First United Methodist Church. Rabbi Stevens will preach. Reception follows. Jointly sponsored by FUMC, TBO and Church of the Ascension.

Friday, November 23, 6 PM, Shabbat Service. TORAH READING AND D'VAR TORAH.

Tuesday, November 27, 4 PM, Basic Judaism with Rabbi Stevens begins at 4:00 PM. Class seven: Lifecycle: Illness, death, mourning. A 30-minute Basic Hebrew class follows at 5:00 PM.

Saturday, December 1, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Rabbi Stevens. Light brunch served.

Tuesday, December 4, 4 PM, Basic Judaism with Rabbi Stevens begins at 4:00 PM. Class eight: Holidays: Shabbat and Festivals. A 30-minute Basic Hebrew class follows at 5:00 PM.

Friday, December 7, 5 PM, Family Chavurah Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library - suitable for children of all ages.

Friday, December 7, 6 PM, Union Prayer Book service.

Saturday, December 8, 6 PM, Family Chanukah dinner and service featuring renowned story-teller Pennina Schram.

Sunday, December 9, 11 AM - Noon, Master class in story-telling featuring renowned story-teller Pennina Schram. Special Sunday school program [at AIEA] for story tellers of all ages.

Tuesday, December 11, 11 AM, L'Chaim League's Chanukah Luncheon at Mr. G's Restaurant.

Tuesday, December 11, 4 PM, Basic Judaism with Rabbi Stevens begins at 4:00 PM. Class nine: Holidays: Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. A 30-minute Basic Hebrew class follows at 5:00 PM.

Thursday, December 13, 7 PM, Rabbi Stevens five-part series on Women in the Hebrew Bible: Insights from Midrash and Commentaries. Topic: DEBORAH AND YAEL.

Sunday, December 16, 7:15 PM, 92nd Street Y Program: GOD IS ONE: MOSES, JESUS, MUHAMMAD, BRUCE FEILER, OMID SAFI AND KAREN KING on TBO's big screen - in the Baylinson Social Hall. Sponsored by the Rothschild-Blachschleger Lecture Series. Bring your family and friends.

Tuesday, December 18, 4 PM, Basic Judaism with Rabbi Stevens begins at 4:00 PM. Class ten: Holidays: Minor holidays (Chanukah, Purim, etc.). A 30-minute Basic Hebrew class follows

at 5:00 PM.

Friday, December 28, 6 PM, Shabbat Service. TORAH READING AND D'VAR TORAH.

Thursday, January 3, 7 PM, Rabbi Stevens five-part series on Women in the Hebrew Bible: Insights from Midrash and Commentaries. Topic: BATHSHEBA.

Tuesday, January 8, 4 PM, Basic Judaism with Rabbi Stevens begins at 4:00 PM. Class eleven: Modern Judaism: Israel; Denominations. A 30-minute Basic Hebrew class follows at 5:00 PM.

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

Saturday, January 12, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Rabbi Stevens. Light brunch served.

Thursday, January 24, 7 PM, Rabbi Stevens five-part series on Women in the Hebrew Bible: Insights from Midrash and Commentaries. Topic: RUTH.

Friday, January 25, 6 PM, Sisterhood Shabbat Service accompanied by Turia Williams and Becky Taylor. TORAH READING AND D'VAR TORAH.

Friday, February 8, 5 PM, Family Chavurah Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library - suitable for children of all ages.

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

Friday, February 22, 6 PM, Shabbat Service. TORAH READING AND D'VAR TORAH.

Saturday, February 23, 7 PM, Purim Service - Costumes (adults, too!), Purim Pranks, the famous Megillah and Hamentaschen! In the TBO Library.

Sunday, February 24, 9 AM - 3 PM, Temple Beth Or's 10th Annual Jewish Food Festival

Thursday, March 7, 2 PM, Interfaith Shoah Memorial Service at Agudath Israel*Etz Ahayem.

Friday, March 8, 5 PM, Family Chavurah Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library - suitable for children of all ages.

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

Thursday, March 21, 7 PM, Guest Speaker: Mirabi Starr, author of GOD OF LOVE; A GUIDE TO THE HEART OF JUDAISM, CHRISTIANITY AND ISLAM. Sponsored by the Rothschild-Blachschleger Lecture Series.

Tuesday, March 26, 5:30 PM, Second Seder. Seating will begin at 5:00 PM, with the service to begin promptly at 5:30.

Tuesday, March 26, All Day, TBO Office closed for Passover.

Friday, March 29, 6 PM, Shabbat Service. TORAH READING AND D'VAR TORAH.

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

Sunday, April 14, Noon, Jewish Federation of Central Alabama sponsors an Israeli Festival. Details to come.

Thursday, April 18, 7 PM, Guest Speaker, Janice Rothschild will speak on her new book Rabbi Alphabet Browne: Prophet in Time of Priests. Janice Rothschild is the widow of the late Rabbi Jacob Rothschild, who was senior rabbi at The Temple in Atlanta during the Civil Rights Era. Program will be held in the Baylinson Social Hall. Sponsored by the Rothschild-Blachschleger Lecture series.

Be sure to check upcoming bulletins for possible date changes and more information. You may also consult the TBO website for additional information at www.templebethor.net.

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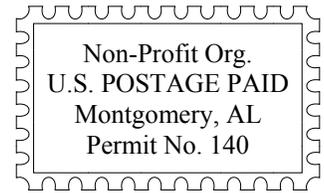
Want an updated look at what's going on at Temple? Go to www.templebethor.net.

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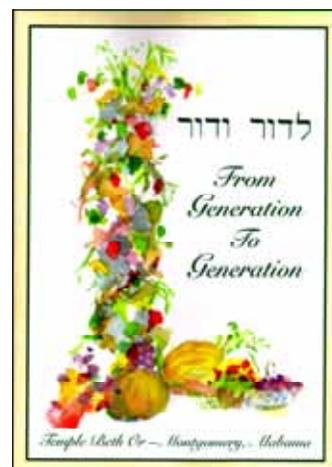
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9/30, Sukkot Celebration
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The upcoming Jewish Food
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February 24, 2013

Committee chairs are
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