

Temple Beth Or Bulletin

A VIEW FROM THE BIMAH

August 2014 ~ Av/Elul 5774



Newspapers and other news media are supposed to be even-handed, especially in reporting news. In theory, a paper's editorial point of view should be restricted to its editorial pages; editorials and columns of opinion should be differentiated from the reporting of news.

The theory is sound, but practice is often another matter. The selection of photos; the placement of articles (or lead stories on air); the sources cited, even the font or tone of voice all have a role to play in conveying media bias – even if any given item is indeed “fact.”

Take the ongoing tragedy between Israel and Hamas in Gaza. The photos tell the tale – bombs going off [in Gaza] present far more powerful images than bombs *not* going off because Israel deploys its unique Iron Dome anti-missile system. Tables then summarize the statistics of death: though the rockets fired from Gaza have been continuous even throughout interludes of quiet in recent years, the statistical disparity alone makes Israel look monstrous.

Never mind that we have seen graphic videos of Hamas terrorists using children as shields, literally dragging them screaming across the camera's field of vision, or that Hamas rockets have been found not just adjacent to schools, mosques and hospitals, but literally in them.

Hamas would be happy with a cease fire

on its terms, namely, opening borders so that humanitarian aid – and new concrete for building new tunnels – can be brought in. After Israel ended its occupation of Gaza, Hamas squandered many hundreds of millions that it could have spent on infrastructure and building up the economy, but that's not their goal. Their explicit goal remains Israel's complete annihilation, and all the calls for cease-fire and renewed negotiations cannot ignore this fact, which usually goes unmentioned by the media. The two sides are *not* morally equivalent – not in their goals, and not in the way they operate.

I know full well that the media – especially the daily press and electronic media – tend to over-simplify complex issues into sound bites and catchy headlines. We know that there are hard-core Israeli ultra-nationalists who advocate the complete takeover of Gaza – and the West Bank too, for that matter. Israel's treatment of Palestinians is all too often demeaning or worse, and though the buffer walls that Israel has created might be necessary from a security perspective, they also make it ever harder to foster cross-border understanding, business relationships, or friendships. We'll soon be observing the 50th anniversary (!) of the Six Day War, and the long occupation has eroded the national psyche on both sides of the old “Green Line.” We can understand

why every step seems necessary, while still finding the situation intolerable, and ultimately unsustainable.

Even as Israel uncovers a far high number of sophisticated terror tunnels than it had anticipated, I fear that Israel is losing the media war, and the war for public opinion. As I write this, the United Nations' top human rights official, Navi Pillay, just said that there was a “strong possibility” that Israel and Hamas have committed war crimes with indiscriminate attacks on civilians during more than two weeks of fighting with militants in Gaza – again, finding moral equivalency. While there can be no hierarchy of suffering, and the loss of innocent civilians is horrific and tragic, there is no *moral* equivalency – not when Hamas celebrates every Israeli death.

An old adage still rings true, at least for me: Were Israel to lay down its arms completely, it would be wiped out; were Hamas and Hezbollah and the Palestinian Authority to lay down their weapons, there would be peace.

Rabbi Elliot Stevens

UPCOMING
MEN'S
CLUB
EVENT



The next Men's Club event will be the Biscuits vs. Chatanooga baseball game on **Sunday, August 10th** at 5:30 PM.

We'll be watching the game from the Aronov box at the Biscuit's stadium. Tickets are \$15 per person and available on a first-come, first-serve basis. You must be a current, paid member to attend and may invite one guest. Appetizers, hamburgers, hot dogs and beverages will be served.

Call the Temple at 262-3314 to reserve your ticket or a sign-up sheet is available outside the sanctuary.

Board Actions • July 2014

- ◆ Remove the front pew railings in sanctuary
- ◆ Donate to the Respite program at FUMC from Social Concerns Funds
- ◆ Approve request from Social Concerns to donate to Red Cross

**Celebrating Our
162nd Year**



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TBO President's Message

I have officially started my tenure as president of Temple Beth Or and it has been a busy beginning as I become more familiar with aspects of the Temple I have had less exposure to and take care of business issues. It is a bit daunting, but mostly exciting.

Each board member chairs a committee and we have several committees with chairmen not on the board. I think it is important that our membership know who these wonderful people are:

- Adult Education:** Frances Capouya
- Cemetery:** Andy Weil
- Facilities:** Bob Goldberg
- Hospitality:** Lynne Ginsburg
- Long Range Planning:** John Ives
- Membership:** Steve Clein and Bob Weisberg
- Religion School:** Jarred Kaplan
- Ritual:** Marlene Beringer
- Youth and Scholarship:** Bruce Lieberman

- Men's Club:** Pete Ginsburg
- Sisterhood:** Karen Goldstein
- Archives:** Louisa Weinrib
- Art & Decoration:** Lisa Weil
- Caring Committee:** Bette Sue Strasburger
- Floral:** Pat Dees
- Library:** Joan Loeb
- Social Concerns:** Corinne C. Capilouto

At the board training on June 29th the facilitator, Jay Gellman, stated that some of us consider ourselves religious Jews while others identify as cultural Jews. Either way you see yourself I want Temple Beth Or to be a home for each of you – a place where all feel welcome, comfortable, supported and part of something that is personally enriching. Rabbi Stevens and the Board sincerely try to offer programs and events, not just services, that meet your needs.

Please let us know if you, a loved one or friend is sick or would just enjoy a visit. If you are uncomfortable calling the office or rabbi, call me and I will pass the message along and/or come visit myself. It would be my pleasure! We also have committees in place that can help IF we know there is a need. Don't be shy – we are here for you, but do not assume that we know without being notified.

I would especially like to know if you are aware of ANY member who is in the hospital. I would rather hear from five people than not at all.

On July 24th we had the open meeting to talk and share about a possible merger with Agudath Israel-Etz Ahayem. The attendance was excellent and I attribute that to the interest and love our congregants have for Temple Beth Or. The discussion was heartfelt and honest; in the end it was obvious that the overwhelming majority is in favor of moving forward. The next step is for the task forces to be selected and gather information. This will be done very carefully to have as complete a picture as possible. When ALL information has been collected options will be assessed and then a plan will be presented. We will keep you informed along the way. Of course, the congregation will have the final vote on this issue.

There will not be a board meeting in August; our next board meeting will be Tuesday, September 30th at 5:45 p.m.

If you have not returned the Member Profile/Pledge Form, please send it back so we will have correct information for you.

L'shalom,

**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.



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.

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.

CEMETERY FUND

On the Yahrzeit of Genevieve L. Roberts

Kathleen Roberts

ETZ AHAYEM FUND

In Memory of my mother, Olga C. Franco

Corinne F. Capilouto

FLORAL FUND

In Honor of Irving Winter for Father's Day

Cheryl, Randy, Danielle & Clay Colen

On the Yahrzeit of Denise K. Hanan

Joan Hanan

In Honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Myrna & Alan Rothfeder

Lisa and Andy Weil

In Honor of the birthday of Roz Caplan

Lisa and Andy Weil

In Honor of the 85th birthday of Rubin Franco

Lisa and Andy Weil

In Honor of the Anniversary of Sam and Liza Kaufman

Lisa and Andy Weil

In Memory of Valerie Moran

Karen and Lew Nyman

GENERAL FUND

In Memory of Michael Deutsch

Gay and Irving Winter

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Memory of Herbert F. Jim'Levy

Lisa and Andy Weil

SAMUEL L. SCHLOSS COMMUNITY CENTER

In Memory of Samuel L. Schloss in honor of Father's Day

Alyce Schloss Butner and Family

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Jack Abraham Jr.
- 2 Bari Levin
- 2 Jack Hanchrow
- 5 Beverly Lipton
- 6 Karen Weinrib
- 9 Jean Schloss
- 10 Harriette Dorosin
- 11 Mark Mussafer
- 12 Dan Weinrib
- 13 Corinne Capilouto
- 14 Louisa Weinrib
- 14 Sam Kaufman
- 16 Alan Bloom
- 18 Arabella Aaron
- 18 Alan Goldsmith
- 24 Randi Herring
- 25 Dorothy Van Cleeff
- 25 Anne Bloom
- 25 Lynne Weinrib
- 27 Marla Crews
- 27 Jenny Ives
- 28 Dawn Schloss
- 29 Micki Beth Stiller
- 31 Bob Weisberg

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 14 Herb & Esther Scheuer
- 17 Philip & Susan Bernstein
- 17 Alan & Myrna Rothfeder
- 18 Robert & Barbara Shingpaugh
- 19 Craig & Karen Goldstein
- 20 David & Sharon Berry
- 22 Jay & Dorothy Van Cleeff
- 24 Morris & Kelly Capouya
- 27 Norman & Harriette Dorosin
- 28 Bruce & Karen Lieberman
- 29 Allen & Pat Dees
- 31 David Weinrib & Elizabeth Wahls

There will not be a Board Meeting for the month of August.

AUGUST YAHRZEITS

To be read 8/1/2014

Philip W. Bernstein, Sr.
Lillian Rosenbluth Miller
Mose Moscovitz
Gertrude S. Weinrib

To be read 8/8/2014

Edward Abraham
Albert Endel
Jacob Koch
Emily Rosenbluth Kohl
Maurice Earl Kreisman
David Adler Loeb
Emilie E. Strasburger

To be read 8/15/2014

Myrtle Endel
Morris Goldberg
Sally Golumb
Frank Happ
Carl Hertz
David Mussafer
Harold Rothman
Charles J. Schulwolf
Sol Schulwolf

To be read 8/22/2014

Max C. Baylinson
Philip Eisenberg
Jane Lobman Katz
Louis B. Levi
Pauline Schrier
Jean Weil
Blanche Landau Winter

To be read 8/29/2014

Nissim and Esther Capouya
Constance Cohen
Sidney R. Davis
Florence Goldstein
Ethel Schorr
Louis J. Shapiro
Kimberly Strassburger

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings on August 8th.

SISTERHOOD

Although summer is a quieter time around the Temple, Sisterhood is preparing for the upcoming months. September -December are busy months as we host many events.

Beginning with our Opening Meeting on September 10 through the Chanukah Dinner in December, there is a lot going on. No matter what your talent, there is a place for you. There is cooking, baking, flower arranging, table setting and the list goes on. Sisterhood wants all of you to participate. Often we do not know your interests. I have had members tell me that they have never been asked to light Shabbat candles. We would LOVE for you to light candles. Please let Robin Blitz know when you are available!

Thank you to Susan Bernstein and Marlon for making sure the kitchen is always clean and stocked and ready to go. Thank you Gina for helping with everything including my last minute requests. Please remember the Gift Shop when purchasing gifts. Peggy Cohn makes sure there is something for all occasions.

Safe travels to all as we approach the end of summer and you are going off to school or taking that last vacation! I am here and available for any requests and suggestions.

Karen Goldstein
Sisterhood President

L'CHAIM LEAGUE

On Tuesday, August 12th at 12:00 p.m., the L'Chaim League will meet for **brunch at the Egg and I on Zelda Road**. After a nice "dutch" lunch with friends, **we will carpool to the Alabama Department of Archives and History for a docent led Alabama Highlights History Tour**. **There is no cost for this tour. Please note there is plenty of seating along this tour so standing and walking are at a minimum. There are elevators and videos will be shown along with some of the exhibits to allow for rest periods.** This tour is approximately 1 hour long. The docent will guide us through Alabama's past, highlighting incredible artifacts, images, and documents. Permanent exhibitions at the Museum of Alabama include *The Land of Alabama*, introducing the geology and natural resources that helped shape the state's history, and *The First Alabamians*, featuring artifacts, murals, and a diorama that tell the inspiring story of fourteen thousand years of Native American culture. A new centerpiece exhibition called *Alabama Voices* recently opened in February. This exhibition covers the dramatic unfolding of Alabama history from the dawn of the 1700's to the beginning of the 21st century.

Please make your reservations by calling the Temple at 262-3314 ext. 223, or email: lchaimleague2246@yahoo.com.

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FROM THE LIBRARY

Here are some of the new books recently received from the Jewish Book Council. All can presently be found on the windowsill or desk in the library.

City of the Sun: A Novel by Juliana Maio (setting – Egypt during WWII) (568 MAI 2014)

Knish: In Search of the Jewish Soul Food by Laura Silver (699.9 SIL 2014)

A Broken Hallelujah: Rock and Roll, Redemption, and the Life of Leonard Cohen by Liel Leibovitz (799.77 LEI 2014)

How to Succeed in Business Without Really Crying: Lessons From a Life in Comedy by Carol Leifer (564 LEI 2014)

The Mapmaker's Daughter: A Novel by Laurel Corona (setting – Spain, 1492) (568 COR 2014)

The Train to Warsaw: A Novel by Gwen Edelman (setting – 40 years after WWII) (560.736 EDE 2014)

The Harem Midwife: A Novel by Roberta Rich (setting – Constantinople, 1578) (568 RIC 2014)

Eric A. Kidwell, MLS

Thursday • August 7 • 7 PM

GUEST SPEAKER **RALPH LEWINSOHN** joins us from Kibbutz Kfar Azza in Israel. Kfar Azza literally shares a border with the Gaza Strip, giving its residents a unique perspective on the current conflict. Aside from being active in the Israel Defense Forces, Ralph Lewinsohn is a licensed Israel tour guide who has worked with Israel's main tour operators and many groups from abroad. He will share with us his perceptions of life in Israel during the crisis.

From Wikipedia: Kfar Aza (Hebrew: Gaza Village) is a kibbutz in southern Israel. Located between Netivot and Sderot around five kilometres east of Gaza, it falls under the jurisdiction of Sha'ar HaNegev Regional Council. In 2013 it had a population of 650.

The village was established in August 1951 by immigrants from Egypt and the Moroccan city of Tangiers who had received training in Ein Harod, Ayelet HaShahar and later Afikim.



2014/5775 High Holy Day Service Times

Wednesday, September 24

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

Thursday, September 25

Rosh Hashanah Morning 10:00 AM
 Children’s Service in Library 10:30 AM
 Tashlich at Montgomery Museum Pond..... 1:00 PM
(Bring your own bread!)

Friday, September 26

Shabbat Shuvah 6:00 PM

Sunday, September 28

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

Friday, October 3

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

Saturday, October 4

Yom Kippur Morning..... 10:00 AM
 Rabbi’s Discussion 12:00 PM
 Children’s Service 2:30 PM
 Afternoon Service..... 3:30 PM
 Healing service, co-led with
 Turia Stark Williams 4:15 PM
 Memorial Service 5:00 PM
 Concluding Service 5:30 PM
 Break Fast sponsored by Sisterhood..... 6:15 PM

Wednesday, October 8

Sukkot service 6 PM

Wednesday, October 15

Simchat Torah Service 6 PM

THE PRAYERS THAT MOVE US AND TOUCH THE SOUL

SERMONS FOR THE DAYS OF AWE

As Jews around the world gather in September to usher in the New Year 5775, we will once again join in reciting the ancient prayers that have moved us through the ages to repent, to forgive, to thank and to commit ourselves to living by a new moral compass. The beautiful and sometimes haunting melodies of “Kol Nidrei,” “Avinu Malkeinu,” “Al Cheit” and “Un’taneh Tokef” will inspire us and (hopefully) resonate within us through the year ahead.

This year, Rabbi Stevens will devote his sermons to exploring the grand themes of our Holy Day liturgy – not so much on their history, but on what moves us and the spiritual insights that sustain us as they have sustained Jews for so many years.

Under the general heading “The Prayers that Move Us and Touch the Soul,” the sermon topics will be:

Rosh Hashanah evening: “The Core Teachings of High Holy Days”

Rosh Hashanah morning: “Avinu Malkinu”

Shabbat Shuvah: “Un’taneh Tokef”

Yom Kippur evening: “Kol Nidrei”

Yom Kippur morning: “Al Cheit”



Author Dan Puckett signs books for Gaby Capp and Sharon McDaniel at L’Chaim League’s July 8th event.



The two members of the Montgomery Rabbinic Golf Association, Rabbi Scott Kramer and Rabbi Elliot Stevens.

Rabbi Stevens has selected four major themes for this year's Adult Education programs – each on a Tuesday during the lunch hour – beginning at the end of August and continuing into May.

The four themes are: THE JEWISH VIEWS OF GOD; INTRODUCTION TO ISLAM; SURVEY OF JEWISH MYSTICISM, and JEWISH SEXUAL VALUES.

In addition, Rabbi Stevens invites us to DIP OUR TOES INTO THE SEA OF TALMUD with a nine-session class on Thursday mornings [8:00 a.m.], running late August into mid-February.

Descriptions and calendar follow. Clip the calendar onto your 'fridge, and JOIN US for the joy of learning and fellowship. No prior experience necessary!

CLASS I: FINDING GOD: A NEW ADULT EDUCATION SERIES ON THE JEWISH VIEWS OF GOD

Judaism has never developed a creed that defines Jewish belief. Focusing instead on how we live our lives, Judaism has always left matters of belief up to the individual. As a result, through the ages Jewish philosophers and theologians have offered many schools of thought. In their diversity of approaches no one theology "defines" Judaism, yet each has its followers, and many of us who search for meaning and a belief we can call our own find that one or more of our great philosophers speaks to us in profound ways.

This class will cover six approaches, each on a Tuesday at 12:00 noon, starting August 26. Feel free to bring some lunch – we'll provide the iced tea!

CLASS II: ISLAM – AN INTRODUCTION

With 1.6 billion adherents around the world, Islam is second only to Christianity among the world's great faith groups (as compared with some 16 million Jews). As a monotheistic religion that traces its tradition and authority back to Abraham, and originating among Semitic peoples in the Middle East, Islam has a clear relationship with Judaism – along with its major differences. This course, in three sessions, will explore the basic beliefs and tenets of Islam, its different streams of expression today, and its relationship to Judaism.

This course will be presented in three parts, each on a Tuesday at 12:00 noon, starting November 18. Feel free to bring some lunch – we'll provide the iced tea!

CLASS III: INTRODUCTION TO JEWISH MYSTICISM

The Jewish mystical tradition, assumed by many modern Jews to have been only peripheral to mainstream Judaism, has in fact been central to our tradition since biblical times. Jewish

mysticism has influenced Jewish philosophy, practice, liturgy and worship, and offers a vast literature. The literature of Jewish mysticism includes biblical texts, commentaries, parables, prayers and mystical testimonies, extending well into modern times. Jewish mysticism continues to influence all streams of Judaism into our own day.

This course will be led by Rabbi Stevens, and will consist of six classes, each on a Tuesday at 12:00 noon, starting January 26. Feel free to bring some lunch – we'll provide the iced tea!

CLASS IV: RABBI TO OFFER COURSE IN JEWISH SEXUAL VALUES

Our Jewish tradition has much to teach us about sexual ethics and sexual behavior. Contemporary issues including birth control, abortion, homosexuality, pre-marital and extra-marital sex as well as many others are reflected in Jewish texts, often in surprising, even astonishing ways. This course includes explicit discussions and texts, and is rated "R."

This course will be presented in four parts, each on a Tuesday at 12:00 noon, starting March 31. Feel free to bring some lunch – we'll provide the iced tea!

CLASS V: DIP A TOE IN THE SEA OF TALMUD!

The Talmud, that vast compilation of Jewish law, commentary and midrash, has often been called a sea. The Babylonian Talmud, completed around 500 C.E., is the primary compilation of Jewish law and tradition, and became the basis for later legal codes that have governed traditional Jewish life ever since. The term "sea" is apt, as one can easily get lost in the byways of rabbinic discussion. One recent edition, published by Art Scroll, comes to 73 thick volumes.

Rabbi Stevens is offering a nine-session course using selected texts of Talmud. Each session, each with its own theme, is independent, with no prior experience needed. Together, in English, we will learn to explore the Talmudic argument.

Each class will convene on a Thursday at 8:00 a.m., starting August 28. Texts will be provided, along with coffee.

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM CALENDAR FOR 2014 - 2015			FORMER SH'LIHAH NEWS
Tuesday, 8/26	Noon	God I, in the Bible	<p>Dear friends,</p> <p>A month ago, I start my journey home from MGM. I was extremely excited to be back with my family and enjoy the beautiful Israel. Unfortunately Hamas broke the ceasefire and disrupted our lives by shooting rockets. This is definitely one of the most challenging times I have ever experienced in Israel. During the past three weeks of Operation Protective Edge I have received concerned emails, FB and text messages from y'all and I would like to say Toda – thank you - Your thoughts, concerns and prayers are strengthening us more than you can imagine and keep us optimistic that we are not alone in this battle. Even though these days are crazy the people of Israel are strong and united with faith in our government and our amazing army, knowing they will fight terror and bring peace back to Israel.</p> <p>Working with all of you personally has made me realize that I would like to continue working in order to improve community life and social activism in Israel. Three weeks ago, I started working as a resources development and</p>
Thursday 8/28	8:00 a.m.	Talmud	
Tuesday 9/9	Noon	God II, Maimonides	
Thursday 9/18	8:00 a.m.	Talmud	
Tuesday 9/23	Noon	God III, Spinoza, Humanism	
Tuesday 10/7	Noon	God IV, Kabbalah, Hassidism	
Thursday 10/9	8:00 a.m.	Talmud	
Tuesday 10/21	Noon	God V, Existentialism	
Thursday 10/30	8:00 a.m.	Talmud	
Tuesday 11/4	Noon	God VI, Modern Jewish Thought	
Tuesday 11/18	Noon	Islam I	
Thursday 11/20	8:00 a.m.	Talmud	
Tuesday 12/2	Noon	Islam II	
Thursday 12/11	8:00 a.m.	Talmud	
Tuesday 12/16	Noon	Islam III	
Tuesday 1/6	Noon	Mysticism I, Biblical	
Thursday 1/8	8:00 a.m.	Talmud	
Tuesday 1/20	Noon	Mysticism II, Early Kabbalah	
Thursday 1/29	8:00 a.m.	Talmud	
Tuesday, 2/3	Noon	Mysticism III, Lurianic Kabbalah	
Tuesday, 2/17	Noon	Mysticism IV, Zohar	
Thursday, 2/19	8:00 a.m.	Talmud	
Tuesday, 3/3	Noon	Mysticism V, Hassidism	
Tuesday, 3/17	Noon	Mysticism VI, Modern Mysticism	
Tuesday 3/31	Noon	Sexual Values I, Basic Principles	
Tuesday 4/14	Noon	Sexual Values II, Jewish Law	
Tuesday 4/28	Noon	Sexual Values III, Contemporary Issues I [Birth control, abortion, artificial insemination]	
Tuesday, 5/12	Noon	Sexual Values IV, Contemporary Issues II [Homosexuality etc.]	

workshop coordinator at Beit Kobi, a non-profit organization which was established in honor and memory of Sergeant Kobi Ichelbom (HY"D) who was killed on march 10 2002 during operation in Gaza. A few months after his death, Aviva Ichelbom, Kobi's mother, established the organization on behalf of his heritage and the values he lived by.

Our reality in Israel creates an unnatural situation, in which parents are forced to bury their children, a situation that changes whole family's lives. When I met Aviva I was very inspired. She is an outstanding person. The ability to grow from the mourn and create such wonderful projects to help the lone soldiers in the IDF and to educate its commanders is outstanding. Not only is she optimistic and devoted to her goal she also managed to recruit her whole family to help her achieve her mission.

There are more than 6,000 lone soldiers serving in the IDF, that have no family and no home to call their own outside of their army bases. As I see it, it's difficult for all the soldiers in the IDF, but it's harder for the lone soldiers. I am very honored to be a part of a staff that helps the Givati Brigade, lone soldiers and commanders, especially these days.

I am welcoming you for farther reading about our amazing organization and to visit us when you visit Israel. <http://kobi.idus.co.il/>. May we will know better days, Amen!



Tzlil Bandy, former Sh'lichah

Temple Beth Or's 2014 Book of Remembrance Form

Jews throughout the world traditionally take time to remember their departed loved ones during the High Holy Days. To personalize and enrich our remembrance, we publish a Yom Kippur Memorial Book of Remembrance. The book is distributed in the Sanctuary before the Yom Kippur Memorial Service. Extra copies are available after Yom Kippur. Names submitted will be listed together under the donor's name. Thus, you will have your loved ones' names together in your own listing. Cost of the listings follow:

\$180 - full-page listing (21 max)

\$100 - half-page listing (12 max)

\$10 - Individual listings

To include the names of your departed loved ones in Temple Beth Or's Book of Remembrance, please complete the form below and return it to the Temple office by the deadline of **September 5, 2014**. List each name to be included in legible form. Please send a check made out to Temple Beth Or. You will be billed if you do not include a check. Your donation will be of comfort to you and a heart-felt tribute to those we dearly miss.

We wish you and yours a healthy and fulfilling upcoming New Year. May God bless you and your dear ones.

Please fill out the below form if you wish to participate. Return to the Temple at the below address.

Your name: _____

Address: _____

Remembered by: _____
(how you would like it listed in book)

Names of deceased loved ones to be remembered (*please print clearly*):

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Mail form to: Temple Beth Or, 2246 Narrow Lane Road, Montgomery AL 36106

Detach at the crease to mail.

Mark the date!

**TBO 12th Annual Food Festival & Treasure Market
Sunday, February 22, 2015**

Volunteering for helping with the Annual Food Festival is the best way for congregants to get involved in Temple life! Work for preparation occurs on just about every day of the week at various times of the year. We urge you to get involved and be a part of this energized group of Temple members! Please contact Karen Goldstein (kackaboo@gmail.com or 265-1145) or Jenny Ives (jjives@charter.net or 263-4984) for volunteering opportunities.



Beginning August 4th, 2014, we will be accepting items for the 2015 Collectible/Treasure Market. The following items are on our wish list for the 2015 and may be brought to the Temple Tuesday – Friday of any week. Please call the Temple office for assistance. Unfortunately, we will not be able to have a pick-up service this year.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Furniture - in good condition• Sterling silver jewelry• Costume jewelry• Ladies' Accessories Hats, Scarves, Evening Bags• Lamps• Paintings• Pictures | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wall Hangings• Picture Frames• China, Glasses, Crystal, Dishes, Flatware (not chipped), (sets of four or more)• Appliances• Electronics• Books |
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Please donate large box television sets to another charity of your choice. We cannot sell these items and have difficulty removing the TV's from the Temple. Please be sure all items are clean and in good condition.

Thank you!

Jenny Ives,
2015 Food Festival Chair

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.

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INTRODUCING OUR NEW SHALIACH

Continuing what has become a much-loved tradition in our community, the Jewish Federation of Central Alabama is proud to announce that our new Shaliach (emissary) from Israel will be joining us in Montgomery this August. His name is Barak Levy.

Barak is from Petah Tikva, a town located outside of Tel Aviv. He is a talented young musician who brings educational expertise, a passion for the arts, and the spirit of contemporary Israeli life to his new role, where he will create a living bridge between Israel and Central Alabama. Barak's shlichut will be his first adventure in the United States.

During his service in the Israeli Defense Force, Barak was able to contribute his unique skills as a vocalist during his military service in the Israeli Defense Force. After two years in the army band, he traveled across Israel and Europe continuing his artistic development.

In addition to his musical talents, Barak also has extensive experience working with children and community groups from across the globe in a variety of educational settings. His professional experience includes a period of time with the Bnei Akiva (Religious Zionist youth movement) as a trainer and coordinator for social activities as well as recent involvement in a volunteer leadership effort called "Project Leaders." This project is aimed at educating and preparing young apprentices for community involvement and charity. Most recently, Barak spent some time traveling in Europe.

If all goes according to plan, he will be arriving on Sunday, August 24th.

Please stay tuned for details on Barak's arrival...

While working as a representative of the JFCA, Barak will continue to build on the work of our past Shlichim, weaving a connection with Israel into the fabric of our community. He is eager to meet you all and share his love and knowledge of Israeli life, culture and experience as our new emissary in Central Alabama.

We hope you will help us give Barak a proper, warm southern welcome as he travels to the US for the first time to bring Israel into our hearts and homes.

Please call 334-277-5820 or email mail.jfca@gmail.com to schedule a time to visit with Barak and help him get acclimated to his new home in Montgomery.

Anna Bern
Executive Director, JFCA



BARAK LEVY, SHALIACH

Hi there,

My name is Barak Levy, and I'm going to be your new Shaliach for 2014 - 2015. I'm happy and honored to be Montgomery's new Shaliach.

I live in a city named Petach Tikva. I was born and raised in a traditional Jewish family at the center of the city and had a lovely childhood among friends and family. I have two older brothers. One is already happily married with two kids. I'm the youngest child, which makes me a "mama's boy." I have just finished my military service for the IDF as a singer in a military band. It was an amazing experience for me to travel around and provide the soldiers with culture and a good time. They need it, definitely now with all that is happening in Israel lately. Let's hope it will end soon.

I love arts and art takes a main part in my life. I spend my private time listening to music, visiting the cinema or just going for a run on the beach of Tel Aviv.

I'm already so excited to be a part of this amazing community. I'm coming in late August and I look forward to meeting you all.

I'm sure that this year will be full with fulfillment and a lot of joy for all of us.

Hope to see you soon,
Yours, your Shaliach

Barak Levy



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 6 PM <i>Shabbat Service.</i> Service led by John Ives.	2
3	4	5	6	7 7 PM, Guest Speaker Ralph Lewinsohn from Israel.	8 6 PM <i>Shabbat Service.</i>	9
10 5:30 PM, For Men's Club Members. Biscuits Day at the Ballpark.	11	12 Noon, L'Chaim League's Dutch lunch at Egg and I and then on to Archives and History.	13	14	15 6 PM <i>Shabbat Service</i>	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 6 PM <i>Shabbat Service</i>	23
24	25	26 Noon, ADULT EDUCATION: Rabbi's class on "God in the Bible."	27	28 8 AM, ADULT EDUCATION: Rabbi's class on readings in Talmud.	29 6 PM <i>Shabbat Service</i>	30
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Friday, September 5, 6 PM, Congregational Shabbat Dinner following Service. More information to follow.

Tuesday, September 9, TBA, Sisterhood's "Super Moon" Opening Meeting at Lisa Weil's home.

Saturday, September 20, 10 AM, Hanah Bloom's Bat Mitzvah.

Wednesday, October 8, 6 PM, Sukkot service. 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.

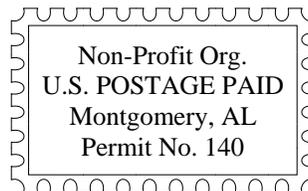
Wednesday, October 15, 6 PM, Simchat Torah Celebration.

Friday, October 17, 6 PM, Shabbat service. Turia Stark Williams and TBO member Pete Hitchcock will sing from the bimah.

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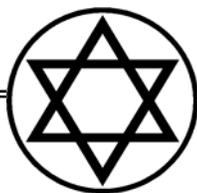
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Hanah Mari Bloom
is called to the Torah for her Bat Mitzvah



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September 20, 2014
Saturday – 10 am

Luncheon – Immediately following



SHABBAT FAMILY
WORSHIP AND
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Friday night, September 5,
join us for worship at 6 PM and a pot luck dinner after
services. Please bring the following dish if your last
name begins with:

- A-G: Meat dish (beef or chicken)**
- H-O: Salad/Vegetables**
- P-W: Desserts**