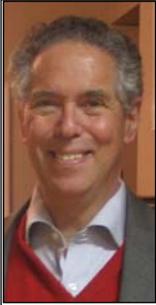


Temple Beth Or Bulletin

A VIEW FROM THE BIMAH

October 2015 ~ Tishrei/Cheshvan 5776



This year's High Holy Days might be out of the way – or almost so, since our tradition teaches that the Gates of Repentance remain open until the end of Sukkot, when we celebrate Simchat Torah on October 4 (another tradition teaches that the Gates of Repentance are never closed, so long as one is sincere) – but the shank of the year is just beginning. This month of October brings us some outstanding programming, and I've decided to highlight some of these here.

Hoping you get this in time, let's start with our New Member Shabbat on October 2 – at our first outdoor family dinner service featuring Turia Stark Williams as our cantorial soloist and Kurt McKinney on guitar. Bring some dinner to share; it should be a wonderful evening and an opportunity to welcome our newer members.

Just two days later, our Simchat Torah service – when we dance with the Torah, then unwind it fully to end and begin the annual cycle of reading – includes our Consecration ceremony for new children in our religious school, Kol Ami. We need a crowd to unwind the Torah; I hope you have this on your calendar.

I'm really looking forward to Thursday evening, October 22, when Tuvia Tenenbom comes to town. His book *Catch The Jew!* is a huge best-seller in Israel, skewering just about

every political, religious and social group not just in Israel, but in the Palestinian territories as well. The book is at times hilariously funny, often sobering, sometimes downright frightening – altogether just about the most important book I've read on the Israel-Palestinian conflict, with many behind-the-scenes vignettes. How does Tenenbom do this? An Israeli with an Orthodox background, he pretends to be a Christian reporter from Germany – “Tobi the German” in the persona he adopted for his research. (He currently lives in Germany, where he writes for the newspaper *Die Zeit*, and also in New York, where he is artistic director of the Jewish Theater). This gives him a unique entre to speak with high-ranking politicians, celebrated writers, religious leaders, “human rights” professionals, left-wing political activists and West Bank settlers, cajoling Jews and Arabs to speak for themselves. According to a long review in the *Wall Street Journal*, Mr. Tenenbom's conversations “range from the sacred to the profane, from high-level politics to ribald discussions of the dating rituals of various religious groups and

ethnicities. “Catch the Jew!” is an illuminating—and alarming—account of a part of the Promised Land that few foreigners see.”

Let me quote just one more excerpt from the review in the *Journal*: “*Catch the Jew!* offers one of the more interesting portraits of Palestinian politics to have appeared in English. Mr. Tenenbom rarely hears the language of compromise in the Fatah-ruled West Bank. Talking to politicians, activists and business

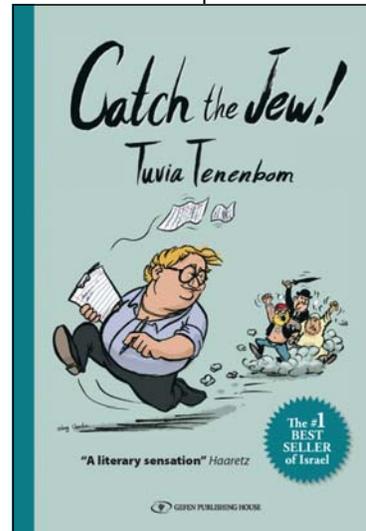
owners, he listens to frequent denunciations of Israeli fascism and even praise for Nazis—and this without having spoken to any self-proclaimed members of Hamas. From Mr. Tenenbom's pages, the current Palestinian leadership appears fairly shrewd (though apparently not shrewd enough to perform background checks on visitors), nepotistic,

obsessed with theatrical PR productions of alleged Israeli crimes, but also surprisingly satisfied with the status quo.”

Tuvia Tenenbom will speak here as part of the Rothschild Blachschleger Lecture and Culture Series. Books will be available for purchase and signing. But watch out! Whatever we say that evening could well wind up as fodder for his next book!

This month our new Sh'lichah, Dana Korem, will preside over her first “Café Israel” programs, on October 13, taking up the Gay Pride movement in Israel and the challenges the LGBT community faces in Israeli society.

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Saturday, October 17
Shabbat Morning Service
Saturday morning, October 17,
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.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are now officially into fall and we will celebrate the last of the holidays with Simchat Torah on October 4th. I hope you will join us as we celebrate the consecration of our precious future.

So much goes into making the High Holy Days special and run smoothly. Many thanks go to Rabbi Stevens for all of his preparations to have meaningful services. Special thanks to Gina Friday and Marlon Cotton who, once again, went above and beyond to make sure things were in order and working well. The choir, directed by Dr. Elizabeth French, added so much to the services with their beautiful music. Sisterhood provided a lovely Rosh Hashanah reception, a fabulous Break Fast and a Sukkot reception. They are amazing! Men's Club helped with Sukkah decorating and snacks making it a fun event for all. Making this all happen is a group effort and we are lucky to have such active and dedicated members.

I got several comments after my address on erev Rosh Hashanah and am including it here:

Do you know anyone who it is just a pleasure to be around? Someone who, no matter what, always seems to be content? Someone, who even when dealing with difficulty or loss, still remains positive and lives with gratitude? These are the people whose glass is always half **FULL** and I try and want to be one of those glass half full people.

In contrast, you may also know someone whose glass is half empty. Regardless of how many blessings they have or how wonderful something is this type personality will point out any small detail that is not right.

In a nutshell: **attitude is everything!** No matter what the situation, we have the choice to make it better or worse – it depends on our outlook.

Throughout our history the Jewish people have certainly had **plenty** of circumstances to depress and cause us as a group to be pessimistic and negative. Even in the most horrible of times that has never happened.

Recently, I read an article by Rabbi Eric Yoffie from the URJ's Ten Minutes of Torah titled *Israelis Are Among the Happiest People in the World – No Joke*. The article reports that the **Better Life Index** ranks Israel 5th out of 36 countries in life satisfaction. This in a place that constantly deals with actual or frequent threat of missile attacks, constant rhetoric of annihilation from its neighboring countries and judgment by the rest of the world. Israeli happiness rated the same as Finland and Norway who do not have any of the above challenges. This would seem to strongly support that Israelis are generally positive. We, in the U. S., ranked 12th.

Are you familiar with the joke that Jewish history can be summed up like this: they tried to destroy us, we survived, let's eat! Judaism is an optimistic religion – always hopeful and resilient.

I mention this because we at Temple Beth Or, like many congregations across the country, are in the midst of change. In very small communities congregations are literally disappearing. Change is inevitable and a notable one is that our children often choose to live in larger cities and many young Jews make the choice to not join any congregation regardless where they live. There is not much we can do about that, but we can choose to do everything possible to make this the best, most wonderful congregation for **US** and we may have to be creative. We are certainly worth it and this is where attitude and some

Birthday and
Anniversary
Blessings on
October 2nd.

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.

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*On the Yahrzeit of Blanche Winter
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*Wishing Maurice Mussafer a full
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"Happy memories of my 'old' crowd."

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On the Yahrzeit of my husband,

Norman Dorosin

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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 3Lorraine Lieberman
- 5Herb Scheuer Jr.
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**OCTOBER
ANNIVERSARIES**

- 3 Andy & Lisa Weil
- 8 Joe & Susan Finklestein
- 13 Elliot & Mae Cohen
- 14 Charles & Monica Kohn
- 27 Alan & Akiko Bloom
- 30 Stephen & Lynne Weinrib

YAHRZEITS

To be read 10/2/2015

- Jerome Levy
- Marie Ullman Levy
- Jennie B. Monsky
- Mark Sabel
- Sonia Schedrow
- Ella Klein Shwarts
- Esther Ostrov Sklar
- Virginia Loeb Weil

To be read 10/9/2015

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

To be read 10/16/2015

- Amelia "Betty" Bloom
- Abe S. Monsky
- Sydelle Strickler
- Helen Jane Uhlman
- Bert Weil

To be read 10/23/2015

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

To be read 10/30/2015

- Joseph Eli Capilouto
- Saul Ginsburg
- Joyce Happ
- Burghardt H. Klein
- Herman Loeb, Sr.
- Dr. Melvin Rosenthal
- Kalman Shwarts, Sr.
- Stuart L. Weissman

SISTERHOOD

Sisterhood is off to a very busy start to our New Year. Thank you to Bette Sue Strasburger and Corinne Capilouto along with all of the other ladies for the beautiful Rosh Hashanah Oneg that was enjoyed by all. Diana Lacey made sure that apples and honey were ready Rosh Hashanah morning for us to bring in a sweet New Year.

Our annual Break Fast was delicious as always. Susan Finklestein, Alison Williamson, Susan Bernstein, and Akiko Bloom did an awesome job along with Pat Dees who arranged the gorgeous flowers. I always enjoy our congregational Break Fast. On the heels of Yom Kippur came Sukkot which is a holiday shared by so many. The decorating of the Sukkah by our Men's Club, children and all who participate within our Jewish Community is so fun. Then we all enjoyed the service on the terrace led by Rabbi Stevens. This year Randi Herring prepared all of the harvest delicacies afterwards. Thank you Randi.

Think about our Gift Shop when you need to purchase a gift. Sheryl Rosen and Lisa Weil continue to add new items that make wonderful gifts.

October is our BIG cheesecake month. Please remember Carnegie Deli Cheesecakes for Thanksgiving and for your holiday gifts. Share on your Facebook and email to all of your contacts. I can't think of a better gift and a contribution to Sisterhood at the same time!

Thank you to all members who have paid your dues for this year. You received an email or a statement in the mail (if you don't have an email). Please mail to Harriette Dorosin if you have not paid your dues.

We will gather at the home of Charlotte Mussafer on October 6 at 5:00 for our opening meeting. I hope you will join us at this fun get together. If you have any suggestions for the coming year, bring them with you. Charlotte would like to know if you are coming, so please email or call her to let her know. There will be one lucky person who wins our give away.

I look forward to seeing you at all Temple events and working with you to make sure that Sisterhood stays strong and supports our Temple.

Karen Goldstein
Sisterhood President

L'CHAIM LEAGUE

Wednesday, Oct. 14th is a tour of The High Spirits Distillery in Bullock County. This once "illegal" moonshine distillery has been transformed into a thriving legal business. This interesting tour will be followed by lunch at Red's Little Schoolhouse. Make your reservation today. We will carpool from TBO at 9:00 a.m.

November is our annual Thanksgiving lunch at the Capitol Heights Senior Home. We prepare lunch and play bingo. Please volunteer to help cook, serve, or help with bingo. We welcome all, to enjoy and participate in any event.

Linda Smith
lchaimleague2246@yahoo.com



Members of Interfaith Montgomery – representing faith leaders of many denominations – gather at Huntingdon College for the first meeting of the year. This year's co-chairs of Interfaith Montgomery are Rabbis Scott Kramer and Elliot Stevens.

And this is only the beginning – Our October calendar includes a baby naming for Elliot Vaughn, son of Amy and Alexis Vaughn (10/9); a special oneg Shabbat to celebrate Mick Beth Stiller's recent marriage to Laura Balderee (10/16), the opening Sisterhood luncheon (10/6) and more.

Full details will be available on TBO's website at templebethor.net, and also on our Facebook page [look for Temple Beth Or Montgomery], both of which are managed by our member Pam Hitchcock, for which our warm thanks.

One more note: We often talk about what Judaism is – whether we're a people, a religion, an ethnic group, a heritage – and we usually conclude that when all is said and done, it comes down to community. Whatever our personal religious stance or what side of the political spectrum we inhabit, "community" is who and what we are. The programs outlined above says it all. Don't be a stranger; rather, bring some friends, and let our community strengthen one another.

Elliot Stevens

effort come in.

I say it often, but I truly feel that we are a family and we will make this congregation strong **together!** I ask and encourage you to actively participate in temple life – Shabbat services, adult education, religion school, L'Chaim League, social events, food festival, serve on a committee! We try to offer a variety that appeals to many, but we do need YOU!

We have challenges – everyone does, but how we deal with them is a choice and I say let's be positive, hopeful and resilient.

I sincerely wish you a healthy and sweet year! L'shana tova

JFCA's Sh'lichah, Dana Korem

It's not a secret that Israeli society is full of conflicts. To be clear, there is no human society without issues. Different values, interests, opinions, goals, all of these create disagreements. But why in a Jewish state with a Jewish majority, are there still so many arguments?

It is well known that brothers tend to fight, and we can see it clearly in the history of the Jewish people- Jacob and Esau fought over the firstborn's blessing, Joseph's brothers sold him to slavery, Absalom killed Amnon... And even though our reality is tremendously different than those days, the Israeli society is acting like a big family, for better or worse. There's a famous phrase that says: "Where there are two Jews, there are at least three different opinions." I think that in Israel we can easily increase the number to four. Even being Jewish is very varied in Israel, and there so many matters that we disagree on: transportation on Shabbat, non-Kosher restaurants, civil marriage, and the list can go on and on.

Two months ago I went to a demonstration against the igniting of a Palestinian family's house, which caused the death of a 4 year old, Ali Dawabshe, and later the death of his parents. The demonstration was organized by "Peace Now," a very left-winged organization in Israel. Most of the people who attended don't identify with this organization, but came to say that violence is

not the way, and no human being should get hurt, no matter his race and religion. Unfortunately, after uploading a picture on Facebook, I was viciously accused of hating Israel, and just for believing in these universal humane values.



So why are we acting like that? Feeling that we have to protect our own beliefs and protest against those who are different? I'm pretty sure that I won't be able to provide the right and only answer (if there is one), but this month we're going to have couple of programs that will dig in to some of the most sensitive issues in the Israeli society:

On October 13th at Temple Beth Or: Café Israel- The stabbing in the Gay Pride parade

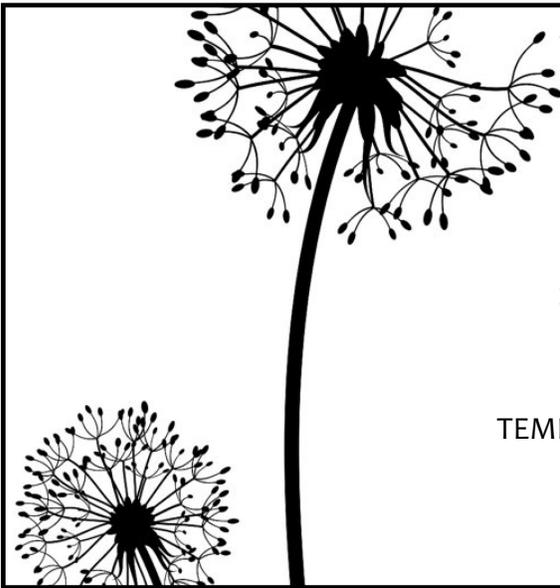
On October 25th: Yitzhak Rabin Memorial day- Art Gallery

Hope to see you all there, and start understanding together a little bit of the Israeli complexity.

Dana Korem

Note that Dana is pronounced as "dan·na." Just add a D to the southern pronunciation of Anna.

Ellie Sabel's Bat Mitzvah



WITH PRIDE AND JOY WE INVITE YOU TO
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Hi,

I'm about to have a bat mitzvah at Temple Beth Or. First of all, I'd be very happy if you all can come. It's November 7th of this year on Shabbat morning. Second, as my mitzvah project, I'm raising money for Children's Hospital of Alabama, a place I know well. Children's Hospital provides medical care and conducts research for children of all ages in many different areas. The times that I stayed there - twice in third grade, and once in fifth grade - all of the departments were so kind and completely on top of things. My project is focused on funds for the Nephrology team, which includes specialized nurses, nutritionists, social workers, family counsellors, and faculty who evaluate and treat children with kidney disease from infancy to adolescence.

As a patient of this department, I've been lucky that my parents have been able to take time off work and drive me to Birmingham. But over half of the pediatric nephrology patients are Medicaid eligible, and many lack reliable transportation to and from Birmingham. And while my medical challenge has been mild by comparison, many parents of children with kidney disease must quit

their jobs because keeping up is so time-consuming. That is why the patient assistance fund for the nephrology department is so important. Other major funding priorities include providing teachers and supplies for hospitalized children; providing scholarships for the region's highly specialized dialysis camp; and, of course, improving all treatments and the quality of care.

No child should be denied the State's highest quality specialized care simply because they cannot afford to get to or stay in Birmingham. If you could make a donation, big or small, that would be wonderful. I know both the kids and the staff would appreciate it!

If you would like to make a donation, please send a check made payable to "Children's of Alabama - Nephrology Department," to my attention at: P.O. Box 231348, Montgomery, AL 36123.

Again, all of you are invited and more than welcome to come to my bat mitzvah!

Shana Tova,

Ellie Sabel

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GET READY FOR A HEALTHY, HAPPY HOLIDAY WITH FOOD FOR LIFE COOKING CLASSES

“Health is not valued till one experiences sickness.” Thomas Fuller

Bari Levin grew up in Birmingham, Alabama, where she worked as an educator and co-owned a gift business. She later graduated from law school, moved to Montgomery and worked as a Staff Attorney for the Alabama Supreme Court until she retired in early 2000. Subsequently, she became a Master Gardener, which coincided with her building an organic home garden that was featured in *Southern Living* and *Organic Gardening* magazines. And recently, Bari became Chair of the River Region Food Policy Council, which addresses food justice issues throughout the region.

For the past 25 years, after her son stressed the benefits to her health by focusing on eating a whole foods, plant-based diet, Bari embraced that way of eating as a personal philosophy and way of life. Such change, Bari says, has allowed her “to discover a whole world of food choices and experience an enhanced quality of life.” Her husband, Joe, and her family are more than happy to be the so-called experimental focus group for her meals.

Carolyn Strickland is an Air Force brat who has lived in Montgomery for the last 18 years with her husband and two children. She has been interested in how food choices impact our health from a very young age, when her mother pointed out, “You are what you eat!” She was vegetarian for many years and has eaten a plant-based, whole foods diet for the past six years. She has been happily joined in this endeavor by her physician husband, Dr. Bryan Strickland, who encourages a plant-based diet for his patients. Carolyn is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and Child Development specialist, and also works as a fitness instructor for the YMCA. She started VegOut Montgomery, a plant-based monthly potluck dinner group, to provide the opportunity for fellowship with like-minded people in the community. Carolyn strongly believes that a plant-based diet is the best way to attain optimal health and prevent/reverse disease.



Having recognized the positive effect the change to eating whole food, plant-based meals has had on their families' overall health, Bari and Carolyn wanted to share their knowledge and experience with those interested in their own health, so they enrolled in The Food for Life Program in Washington, DC, and were certified as Food for Life Instructors in August 2015.

Food for Life is an evidence-based nutrition education and cooking program designed by physicians, dietitians, and other health care professionals from the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine, founded by Neal D. Barnard, M.D., adjunct associate professor at the George Washington School of Medicine and Health Sciences. The Physicians Committee is a non-profit organization that, among other things, promotes preventive medicine with a focus on good nutrition. Among its 150,000 members are 12,000 physicians and thousands of nurses, dietitians, athletes, chefs, and other individuals who are interested in preserving their health and preventing chronic disease. The National Institutes of Health funded one of the Physicians Committee's studies; the American Diabetes Association and the American Association of Diabetes Educators approved its dietary approach for diabetes; and Caldwell Esselstyn, M.D., who directs the cardiovascular prevention and reversal program at the Cleveland Clinic's Wellness Institute, is on the Physicians Committee's national advisory board. Food for Life classes have been taught at numerous businesses and facilities, including Sony Pictures, Capital One, HBO, the Department of Justice, Whirlpool, Kaiser Permanente, and GEICO.

Join Bari and Carolyn to learn more about the many ways in which you can improve your health through proper nutrition and enjoy a happy, healthy holiday and beyond. **Sign up today for the Healthy, Happy Holiday Nutrition Classes (four two(2)-hour classes) they have scheduled especially for you, from 5-7 pm, on October 29th, November 5th, November 12th, and November 19th, at Temple Beth Or.** Each of the four classes will include an introduction to the basics for that class; an evidence-based informative nutrition DVD presented by Dr. Neal Barnard, followed by a short quiz; a follow-up discussion and question and answer period; and a cooking demonstration of easy, nutritious, healthful, colorful, and delicious recipes with food sampling.

NOTE: The cost for all four two(2)-hour classes, a total of 8 hours, is \$100.00, which must be paid in advance to reserve your place. The maximum number of participants is 25, so ensure your place now by emailing Bari at barilevin@yahoo.com or calling her at 334.207.1677. After registering with Bari, checks payable to Bari Levin, should be mailed to Bari Levin, 8230 Marsh Pointe Drive, Montgomery, AL 36117.

BEDTIME BUNDLES

For the 8th 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

L'Chaim League ■ October 14th

L'Chaim League tours High Ridge Spirits Distillery in Union Springs and lunches at Red's Little Schoolhouse in Grady. Make your reservations by emailing lchaimleague2246@yahoo.com or calling 262-3314 x 223.



Friday, October 9, 6 PM

Shabbat Service.
TORAH READING AND
D'VAR TORAH.



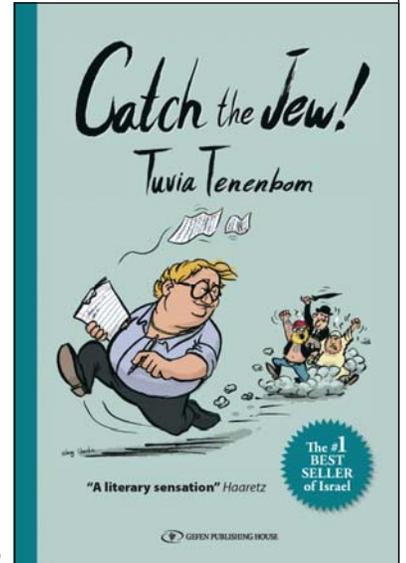
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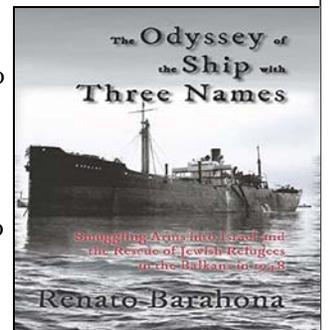
Thursday, October 22, 7 PM, Jewish Book Council author Tuvia Tenenbom discusses his book "Catch the Jew" using humor, charm and a skewer to explore life in Israel and Palestine. Sponsored by the Rothschild-Blachschleger Lecture Series.

Catch the Jew! recounts the adventures of gonzo journalist Tuvia Tenenbom, who wanders around Israel and the Palestinian Authority for seven months in search of the untold truths in today's Holy Land. With holy chutzpah, Tenenbom boldly goes where no Jew has gone before, at times risking his life as he assumes the identities of Tobi the German and even Abu Ali in order to probe into the many stories in this strange land and poke holes in all of them.

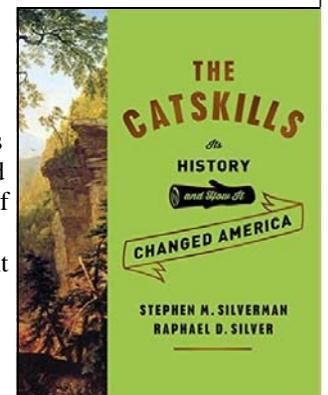


FUTURE GUEST AUTHORS:

Thursday, January 14, 7 PM, Jewish Book Council author Renato Barahona discusses his book "The Odyssey of the Ship with Three Names" about a vessel that rescued over 7,700 Jewish refugees from the Balkans and transported them to Israel. Sponsored by the Rothschild-Blachschleger Lecture Series.



Thursday, March 17, 7 PM, Jewish Book Council author Stephen M. Silverman discusses his book "The Catskills: Its History and How It Changed America" telling of the turning points that made the Catskills so vital to the development of America. Sponsored by the Rothschild-Blachschleger Lecture Series.



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 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.

- September 29** Overview of Judaism.
- October 6**..... A Whirlwind Tour of Jewish History.
- October 13**..... The Basic Texts of Judaism.
- October 20**..... Modern Judaism; Denominations; Israel.
- November 3**..... Lifecycle: Birth through Bar Mitzvah.
- November 17**..... Lifecycle: Marriage and Divorce.
- November 24**..... Lifecycle: Illness, death, mourning.
- December 1** Holidays: Shabbat and Festivals.
- December 8** Holidays: Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.
- December 15** Holidays: Minor holidays (Chanukah, Purim, etc.).

NEW MEMBER SHABBAT and POT LUCK

Join us Friday evening, October 2, for our New Member Shabbat. In addition to greeting Shabbat with a wonderful outdoor service and picnic dinner, we will welcome new members who have joined us over the last couple of years, and who have already enriched our congregation by their participation: Allison and Eric Naprstek; Anna Bern; Craig and Gabriele Darch; Pete and Pam Hitchcock; Raymond and Kathie Cohen; Sheryl Rosen; Blake Rosen; Jonathan and Kerry Bleiberg; Cindy Borntreger; Katherine Gayden; Alexis and Amy Vaughn and Morris Capp.



If your name begins with A-Q please bring a vegetable or salad. If R-Z please bring a dessert. Temple will provide meat and drinks.

JOE MUSSAFER SET TO SPEAK AT TBO

On Thursday evening, November 3 at 7 p.m., Joe Mussafer will read a paper sharing his research on one of the most crucial years in all history – 1492. Joe’s talk will be the first in this year’s series sponsored by the Temple’s Rothschild Blachschleger Library, and offered by the Library Committee chaired by Joan Loeb.



Joe was recently elected to join the Thirteen, a literary society which traces its origins to the beginning of the 20th century. He chose the year 1492 as his first research subject – delivered this past spring – because of the juxtaposition of so many important historical events: the unification of Spain under Ferdinand and Isabella; the final Spanish conquest of Islam; the expulsion of Spain’s Jewish population, and Columbus’s first voyage to America. This fascinating overview is open to all; bring your friends!

The Rothschild Blachschleger Library is fully accredited by the Jewish Libraries Association, and a fine resource for adults and children. This will be the lecture series’ second year.

TBO Sisterhood
Opening
Meeting
at the home of
Charlotte Mussafer
3201 Boxwood Drive
Tuesday, October 6th
5:00 p.m.
Please let us know if you will be attending!
264-8827
cjmuss@usa.com

Agudath Israel✪Etz Ahayem

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month



Come and be an important part of our Annual Pray in Pink Shabbat, Friday, October 2nd at 6:00 p.m. Services will be held the Sukkah.

It is an opportunity to honor breast cancer survivors and provide information about breast cancer to the congregation. The guest speaker will be Karen Herman.

2016 Food Festival and Treasure & Collectible Market



Please mark Sunday, February 28, 2016 on your calendar for the 2016 Food Festival!

The Annual Food Festival, Treasure & Collectible Market is our only fund raiser for TBO. We will start working on cooking committees after High Holy Days. Participating in the kitchen and serving on one of the various committees is a great way to meet fellow congregants.

If you have not participated in the past, please call or email me. I'll be happy to explain the various committees and commitments to you so you can work any of the various tasks into your schedule.

In preparation for next year's event, we are pleased to inform you that we are accepting the following donated items now for the Treasure and Collectible Market!

Ladies' Jewelry of all kinds, Accessories, Scarves, Evening Bags, Purses

Children's Toys, Books, Furniture and Accessories

Furniture - in good condition

Artwork, Serving Pieces, Lamps & Accessories

Kitchen and Household Items – clean and in working condition

Flat Screen TV's & Electronics – in working condition with all plugs and connections attached.

Note: Please bring your items to the Temple on Tuesday – Friday of any week. We cannot accept used, large TV's, broken items of any sort and we are not accepting clothing.

Looking forward to another successful event in 2016!!!

La Shana Tova!

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Thursday, Oct. 29, 6:30 p.m.

GERALYN LUCAS,
Author of *Then Came Life*



The author of *Why I Wore Lipstick to My Mastectomy* dares all women who have had a stumble in life to harness their fighting spirit and stand back up with courage and optimism. Celebrating her sweet sixteen cancer anniversary, GERALYN LUCAS is thankful for her second chance and ready to be daring-- but can she survive life's new ups and downs with the same courage she's always had? With an infectiously hilarious voice and a true sense of empowerment, GERALYN harnesses her fighting spirit to live life loudly and lustily. Knowing she can only pedal forward, she mines every day for boldness, joy, and gratitude, and eventually falls in love with life again. *Then Came Life* is not just for cancer survivors; it's for life survivors -- a call to rediscover the resilience and optimism it takes to reinvent yourself at any age.



Hosted by JFCA's Shaliach

Dana Korem

October 13 ■ 7:00 PM
Café Israel at Temple Beth Or

Topic: The stabbing in the Gay Pride parade.

Future events !

Tuesday, November 3, 12:00 PM, Study with Rabbi Stevens.

Basic Judaism begins at 12 noon.

Tuesday, November 3, 7 PM, Blachschleger Library Annual Lecture Series' guest speaker Joe Mussafer discusses his research paper on the 1492, one of history's momentous years. Joe presented this paper to The Thirteen, Montgomery's premier literary society, which he recently joined. Light refreshments.

Saturday, November 7, 10:00 AM, Ellie Sabel Bat Mitzvah

Tuesday, November 10, 7 PM, JFCA's Sh'lichah's Café Israel at AI*EA hosted by Dana Korem.

Thursday, November 12, 9 AM, L'Chaim League is in the kitchen preparing for Thanksgiving.

Tuesday, November 17, 12:00 PM, Study with Rabbi Stevens. Basic Judaism begins at 12 noon.

Thursday, November 19, 11 AM, L'Chaim League's Thanksgiving lunch and bingo for Capital Heights Senior Home.

Saturday, November 21, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Rabbi Stevens. Light brunch served.

Tuesday, November 24, 12:00 PM, Study with Rabbi Stevens. Basic Judaism begins at 12 noon.

Tuesday, November 24, 7 PM, Joint Thanksgiving Service with First United Methodist Church and Church of the Ascension. Held at FUMC. Rabbi Stevens will speak. Reception follows.

Tuesday, December 1, 12:00 PM, Study with Rabbi Stevens. Basic Judaism begins at 12 noon.

Friday, December 4, 6 PM, Shabbat Service. TORAH READING AND D'VAR TORAH.

Tuesday, December 8, 12:00 PM, Study with Rabbi Stevens. Basic Judaism begins at 12 noon.

Friday, December 11, 6 PM, Chanukah family service and dinner with Rabbi Stevens. Service will begin in Sanctuary then follow with dinner in Social Hall. Reservations will be needed for dinner portion. More information to follow.

Tuesday, December 15, 12:00 PM, Study with Rabbi Stevens. Basic Judaism begins at 12 noon.

Tuesday, December 15, 7 PM, JFCA's Sh'lichah's Café Israel at TBO hosted by Dana Korem.

Saturday, December 19, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Rabbi Stevens. Light brunch served.

Tuesday, January 5, 12:00 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.

Part I: Adam & Eve.

Friday, January 8, 6 PM, Shabbat Service. TORAH READING AND D'VAR TORAH.

Tuesday, January 12, 12:00 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. Part II: Noah.

Thursday, January 14, 7 PM, Jewish Book Council author Renato Barahona discusses his book "The Odyssey of the Ship with Three Names" about a vessel that rescued over 7,700 Jewish refugees from the Balkans and transported them to Israel. Sponsored by the Rothschild-Blachschleger Lecture Series.

Saturday, January 16, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Rabbi Stevens. Light brunch served.

Tuesday, January 19, 12:00 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. Part III: Abraham & Sarah.

Tuesday, January 19, 7 PM, JFCA's Sh'lichah's Café Israel at AI*EA hosted by Dana Korem.

Tuesday, January 26, 12:00 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. Part IV: Jacob.

Tuesday, February 2, 12:00 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. Part V: Joseph.

Tuesday, February 9, 12:00 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. Part VI: Moses.

Friday, February 12, 6 PM, Shabbat Service. TORAH READING AND D'VAR TORAH.

Tuesday, February 16, 12 PM, Rabbi Stevens hosts five adult education sessions that will explore contemporary issues in such areas as medical ethics; technology; social and business issues; ritual, Jewish identity and others. A GUIDE TO THE COMPLEX: Class 1.

Saturday, February 20, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Rabbi Stevens. Light brunch served.

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.*

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.

*If you have accumulated
unused Temple Beth Or
donation envelopes
please feel free to drop
them off at the Temple
office so they may be
reused.*

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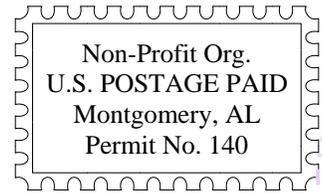
Want an updated look at what's going on at Temple? Go to www.templebethor.net.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 <i>6:00 PM New member Shabbat Service. Pot luck supper.</i>	3
4 <i>9:30 AM, Religion School- 6:00 PM, Simchat Torah Celebration and Consecration.</i>	5	6 <i>12:00 PM, Study with Rabbi Stevens. Basic Judaism begins at 12 noon. 5 PM, Sisterhood Opening event at the home of Charlotte Mussafer.</i>	7	8	9 <i>6 PM, Shabbat Service. TORAH READING AND D'VAR TORAH</i>	10
11 <i>9:30 AM, Religion School-</i>	12	13 <i>12:00 PM, Study with Rabbi Stevens. Basic Judaism begins at 12 noon.</i>	14 <i>9 AM, L'Chaim League tours High Ridge Spirits Distillery in Union Springs and lunches at Red's Little Schoolhouse .</i>	15	16 <i>6:00 PM Shabbat Service</i>	17 <i>9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Rabbi Stevens. Light brunch served.</i>
18 <i>9:30 AM, Religion School-</i>	19	20 <i>12:00 PM, Study with Rabbi Stevens. Basic Judaism begins at 12 noon. 7 PM, JFCA's Sh'lichah's Café Israel at TBO hosted by Dana Korem</i>	21	22 <i>7 PM, Jewish Book Council author Tuvia Tenenbom discusses his book "Catch the Jew."</i>	23 <i>6:00 PM Shabbat Service</i>	24
25 <i>9:30 AM, Religion School-</i>	26	27	28	29	30 <i>6:00 PM Shabbat Service</i>	31

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SIMCHAT TORAH

Sunday ● October 4 ● 6 PM

Simchat Torah and Consecration service will be held in the Baylinson Social Hall of Temple Beth Or.

Consecration Students for 2015

Erin Anderson
Marcus Anderson
Ethan Bern
Miles Bleiberg
Nolan Bleiberg
Max Dubin
Emme Kaplan



Kol Ami Religious School

Temple Beth Or

10/4
10/18
10/25
11/1-Daylight Savings
11/8
11/15
11/22-No Religion School – Thanksgiving Break
11/29-No Religion School – Thanksgiving Break
12/6-Chanukah Celebration
12/13
12/20-No Religion School – Winter Break
12/27-No Religion School – Winter Break