

Temple Beth Or Bulletin

A VIEW FROM THE BIMAH

September 2016 ~ Av/Elul 5776



CHARACTER DAY

I am sometimes drawn into discussions as to what Judaism is – people, culture, community, religion, ethnic group or even whether the Jews are a distinct race. Indeed at

the first session of this year's Confirmation class, one of the students said she had been going to religious school for years, but never really understood just what Judaism *is*, and hoped we would cover that in one of our sessions.

Though we might describe Judaism in different ways, one thing, at least, is clear: religion is only one part of something far more complex than just a system of belief. One of the great strengths of Judaism, I often point out, is that Judaism does not anywhere define what we believe or how we are “supposed to” perceive God or experience God – if at all.

Instead, Judaism focuses on what we do rather than what we believe – the good name we establish; how we treat each other; our responsibilities to the environment and improving the world in which we live. Religion is private and personal, but the good name we establish and the values we live by – that is what our Judaism emphasizes. In short, Judaism focuses on character, in keeping with the great teaching at the beginning of Leviticus 19: “You shall be holy because I the Lord your God am holy.”

I was therefore intrigued to learn about something called Character Day from Mary Ann Martin. Mary Ann is a local resident and a member of Church of the Ascension – and a regular student in my adult education classes. Mary Ann has been passionately involved with Character Day since its inception and

with character development in general for many years before that.

Now in its third year, Character Day is set for September 22, 2016. Character day is an exciting global day where students and educators from around the world screen films by an Emmy-nominated film studio on the science of character development from different perspectives. Using free printed discussion materials and resources while joining an online global conversation around character, students focus on who they are, who they want to be in the world, and how to develop character strengths such as resilience, grit, empathy, courage and kindness – all rooted in evidence-based research.

I learned from Mary Ann and on-line materials that last year there were over 6,784 events at schools and classrooms across the world, each tying Character Day into their lesson plans, after-school programs, and special assemblies or back to school events. More than 28,000 groups have signed on to the program this year, including here in Montgomery. Grants enable schools and community organizations to show films or engage local experts to lead programs and webinars.

Character development is not something to take for granted – even in a well-educated, financially comfortable home. And character development does not happen automatically, especially when our surrounding culture sometimes includes examples of an appalling lack of character. Character needs to be nurtured – again, even in homes that are well-educated, cultured and comfortable.

While Temple Beth Or is not sponsoring programs directly, we will likely have some discussions in our religious school. I encourage us to register and review materials at the

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MARK THE DATE . . .

- Monday, October 3, 1:00 PM**, Tashlich at Museum of Fine Arts lake. Bring your own bread!
- Monday, October 3, 10:00 AM**, Rosh Hashanah Morning Service. Sermon topic: THE QUESTIONS WE ASK, THE ANSWERS WE SEEK.
- Monday, October 3, 10:30 AM**, Children's Service in Library
- Friday, October 7, 6 PM**, Shabbat service with full choir ensemble.
- Friday, October 7, 6:00 PM**, Shabbat Shuvah. Sermon topic: RECLAIMING OUR JUDAISM.
- Sunday, October 9, 10:30 AM**, Cemetery Memorial Service: Etz Ahayem Cemetery (new section)
- Sunday, October 9, 11:00 AM**, Cemetery Memorial Service: Etz Ahayem Cemetery (old section)
- Sunday, October 9, 9:30 AM**, Cemetery Memorial Service: Eternal Rest Cemetery
- Tuesday, October 11, 7:30 PM**, Kol Nidrei Eve. Sermon topic: WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I PRAY?
- Wednesday, October 12, 10:00 AM**, Yom Kippur Morning. Sermon topic: AL CHEIT SHECHATANU.
- Wednesday, October 12, 12:00 PM**, Rabbi's Discussion. Sermon topic: FINDING TRANSCENDENCE THROUGH PRAYER AND MUSIC.
- Wednesday, October 12, 2:30 PM**, Yom Kippur Children's Service
- Wednesday, October 12, 3:30 PM**, Yom Kippur Afternoon Service
- Wednesday, October 12, 4:15 PM**, Healing Service.
- Wednesday, October 12, 5:00 PM**, Yizkor [Memorial] Service. Sermon topic: MAY OUR MEMORIES BE FOR A BLESSING.
- Wednesday, October 12, 5:30 PM**, N'ilah [Concluding]
- Wednesday, October 12, 6:15 PM**, Congregational Break Fast; sponsored by Sisterhood
- Sunday, October 16, 4:00 PM**, Hosted by Temple Beth Or. The Jewish community is invited. Decorating of the Sukkah, games, lunch, live music, and other fun activities.

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**Celebrating Our
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Saturday, September 17
Shabbat Morning Service

Saturday morning, September 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.

President's Message

With August coming to a close and the dog days of summer upon us, we begin to look forward to what is typically the beginning of our busy season at Temple. Religion School began this month with 22 children enrolled and the prospect for several more to be joining. We have shared in the wonderful joy of Nathan McKinney's Bar Mitzvah and we congratulate him and his family on this special occasion. High Holy Days are just around the corner.

But certainly the biggest news to end the summer is the decision to end (at least for the near term) the discussions and progression to merging the Temple and the Synagogue. With that said, I cannot help reflecting on the overall enthusiasm of our congregants in attendance at the March presentation of the merger plans, especially about some of the proposed changes to our building and grounds. With a building and physical plant that is over 50 years old, I believe that we should bottle this enthusiasm and create a committee that prioritizes what it believes to be the most important aspects of the plan, create a budget and then reach out to our membership to raise the funds necessary to implement the improvements. We all deserve to have a facility that is accessible, warm and inviting and I look forward to hearing from you with ideas and support.

John Ives

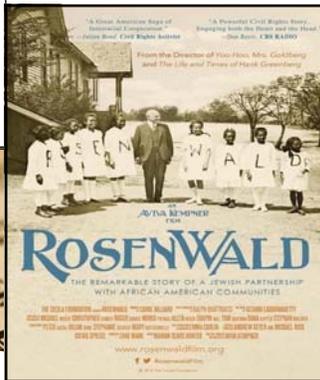
Special **FREE!** Screening *Rosenwald* at the Capri Theatre

Sunday, September 11

4:30 p.m. Reception

5:00 p.m. Screening

6:40 p.m. Q&A or discussion



This movie chronicles the life of Julius Rosenwald, who owned and ran Sears Roebuck for many years, and whose Jewish faith influenced his lifetime of giving. It was through his generosity that thousands of schools, known as the Rosenwald schools - many of which are still standing today - were built to provide for the education of poor black children across the South.

Sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Central Alabama, Temple Beth Or, Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Landmarks Foundation/Old Alabama Town, Black Heritage Council, The Taylor School of Architecture and Construction Science at Tuskegee University, Randall Williams and Suzanne La Rosa, and NewSouth Books



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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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In Memory of Dolores "Dodi" Loeb
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Recent Deaths

Jack Henry Abraham, Jr. ז"ל
August 19, 2016

Father of Jack, III and Edward
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SEPT ANNIVERSARIES

- 4.....Ralph & Frances Capouya
- 5.....Alan & Diane Weil
- 8.....Bill & Julie Goolsby
- 14.....Leonard & Norma Michelson
- 19.....Robert & Rochelle Kohn
- 24.....Michael & Maxine Goldner

SEPT BIRTHDAYS

- 1.....Hal Bloom Jr.
- 2.....Ilene Baylinson
- 4.....David Baylinson
- 5.....Susan Finklestein
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- 7.....Lew Nyman
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- 9.....Scott Harris
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- 18.....Irving Winter
- 19.....Natalie Mussafer
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- 24.....Bert Loeb
- 24.....Susan Kohn
- 26.....Joy Kaplan
- 26.....Jeanette Hanan
- 30.....Kathleen Roberts

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings
on
September 9th.

Welcome to our newest members!

Eric and Anna Sherman and their children Lily & Ashley
Montgomery, AL

Avi and Kristina Nelson
Tuscaloosa, AL

YAHREZEITS

To be read September 2

- 8/29/2016..... Ethel Schorr
- 8/29/2016..... Florence Goldstein
- 8/30/2016..... Beatrice Shaffer Gordon
- 8/30/2016..... Kimberly Strassburger
- 8/30/2016..... Sidney R. Davis
- 8/31/2016..... Pryor Hurt
- 9/1/2016..... Hilda Shinpaugh
- 9/1/2016..... Julia Wise

To be read September 9

- 9/4/2016..... Elise Salama
- 9/4/2016..... Joseph Salama
- 9/5/2016..... Arthur S. Hertz
- 9/5/2016..... Norman Pirofsky
- 9/6/2016..... Isaac May
- 9/6/2016..... Nace Varon
- 9/7/2016..... Clare C. Hertz
- 9/7/2016..... Morton Sussman
- 9/7/2016..... William Aaron Wallace
- 9/8/2016..... Norman Dorosin

To be read September 16

- 9/12/2016..... Ben Tillinger
- 9/12/2016..... Manny Applebaum
- 9/13/2016..... Jennye Nussbaum
- 9/14/2016..... Gusta Barth Baim
- 9/14/2016..... Pat Simon
- 9/15/2016..... Edith P. Stiller
- 9/16/2016..... Carol Loeb Dresner
- 9/16/2016..... Claudia Richard Manley
- 9/16/2016..... Quenby Sameth Schulman
- 9/17/2016..... Louis Schorr
- 9/17/2016..... Rebekah Katz

To be read September 23

- 9/18/2016..... Joseph B. Loeb
- 9/18/2016..... Rhoda Dreyfus Abraham
- 9/19/2016..... Sam Nusbaum
- 9/20/2016..... Dr. Peter D. Weinrib
- 9/20/2016..... Herbert M. Scheuer, Sr.
- 9/21/2016..... Andy Kromis
- 9/23/2016..... Hal W. Bloom, Sr.
- 9/23/2016..... Max Dorosin

To be read September 30

- 9/26/2016..... Dr. Morris N. Capouya
- 9/26/2016..... Mae Wilzin Landau
- 9/28/2016..... Mark Sabel
- 9/30/2016..... Ella Klein Shwarts
- 10/1/2016..... Esther Ostrov Sklar
- 10/1/2016..... Jerome Levy
- 10/1/2016..... Marie Ullman Levy

SISTERHOOD

September is here and my vice presidents have asked many of you to chair holiday events. Many thanks for accepting so willingly. This year we have another month before we are really busy with the High Holy days.

We will begin our new year with our Sisterhood Opening Meeting at the home of Aimee Harris on Wednesday, September 7th at 5:30. You should have received your invitation through an EVITE email or "snail mail." We hope you will all plan to join us for cocktails, food and friends. If you have not already responded to the EVITE RSVP, please do so.

We have several new members of Temple and we hope they join us in Sisterhood; Bonnie Varon, Pearl Hasson, Jeanette Rousso, Stephanie Person, Sara Anderson, and Jessica Bern. Hopefully they will join us and will contribute all their experiences. And we are so excited that they will be with us at our opening meeting.

Pam Hitchcock has sent you an email or snail mail to send in your Sisterhood dues. We are hoping that all women in our congregation will join. Please send your check for \$35.00, made out to **SISTERHOOD OF TEMPLE BETH OR**. Put your name in the lower left corner.

Mail your check to:
Pam Hitchcock
7546 Deer Ridge Road
Montgomery, AL 36117

Our annual Carnegie Deli Cheesecake Fundraiser starts September 7th and continues through the end of October. Lisa Weil and Marlene Beringer continue to do an outstanding job selling LOTS of cheesecakes. With your help we can sell more than any other

year. Please start making your lists of people to ask. Everyone really loves the cheesecakes and they make wonderful gifts during the holidays.

Susan Finklestein
Sisterhood President

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L'CHAIM LEAGUE

Coming Soon: Book Review and Lunch. Tuesday, Sept. 13th, TBO, 11:30. Cost \$10 per person. Lunch provided by Ming's. *The Bible Doesn't Say That* by author, Joel Hoffman. See the next page for more information on this book. Rabbi Stevens will lead us in discussion and encourages (though doesn't require!) those attending to read the book in advance. **RESERVATIONS NEEDED BY SEPTEMBER 8TH**, to insure adequate preparations. Call: 262.3314 ext. 223 or email: lchaimleague2246@yahoo.com.

High Holiday visits begin week of 9/27. **HOMEBOUND VISIT ITEMS NEEDED:** Large print books, homemade soups, breads, or traditional foods. If you would like to donate any of these items, please drop off at TBO or call. The visits are much more uplifting when we are able to connect memories of members' childhood or youth. Call: 262.3314 if you'd like to participate in the visits to our residents, or donate a homemade food item.

Tour of Hyundai Plant

This is a **LIMITED SEATING EVENT**. We have only 7 spots left. Tour is: Monday, Nov. 14th. We will leave from TBO parking lot at 8:45 that morning. After the tour, we will have lunch at a nearby restaurant. There is no charge for the tour. Lunch will be your responsibility. Make your Reservation **NOW**. 262.3314 ext. 223 or lchaimleague2246@yahoo.com.

L'Chaim League offers many different events for everyone. Please choose one or all to attend or be a part of.

Linda Smith
lchaimleague2246@yahoo.com

FROM THE LIBRARY

More new books from the annual Jewish Book Council purchase. Next month, we'll highlight some titles in the library collection for the High Holy Season.

Stir: My Broken Brain and the Meals That Brought Me Home by Jessica Fechter (699.799 FEC 2015)

The Secret of Chabad: Inside the World's Most Successful Jewish Movement by David Eliezrie (219. ELI 2015)

Rebbe: The Life and Teachings of Menachem M. Schneerson, the Most Influential Rabbi in Modern History by Joseph Telushkin (799.77 TEL 2014)

A Master Plan for Rescue: A Novel by Janis Cooke Newman (560 NEW 2015)

The Muralist: A Novel by B. A. Shapiro

I Don't Know What to Believe: Making Spiritual Peace with Your Religion by Rabbi Ben Kamin (200.3 KAM 2016)

Birth, Sex and Abuse: Women's Voices Under Nazi Rule by Beverley Chalmers (736.524 CHA 2015) [Recipient of Canadian Jewish Literary Award, National Jewish Book Award, Outstanding Academic Title –CHOICE (from the American Library Association)]

Jewish Noir: Contemporary Tales of Crime and Other Dark Deeds edited by Kenneth Wishnia (500.3 WIS 2015)

As Close to Us as Breathing: A Novel by Elizabeth Poliner (560 POL 2016)

Eric A. Kidwell, MLS

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We are happy to report that Kol Ami Religious School is back in session and is off to a great start! We welcome back our returning and highly valued teachers. Emily Allen Rosen, Ruby Goldberg, Jeff McKinney and our two

rabbis have all held their first classes. We also have two new teachers this academic year. We welcome Amanda Kaufman, who instructs in the English department at Auburn University Montgomery. Her children are students Cindy and Abraham. We also welcome Tzlil Bandy McDonald, who is currently in charge of community engagement at the Jewish Federation of Central Alabama. Tzlil first came to this community several years ago as our Israeli shlichah.

Our new Religion School students are

Lily and Ashley Sherman, and Asher Caplan. Please feel free to contact Elana Hagler, the co-principal from Agudath Israel Etz Ahayem, or me with any questions regarding the religious school. And be a mensch and direct any new prospective students our way so that our community can continue to grow both in numbers and in wealth of spirit.

Kerry Bleiberg
Co-Principal



FAMILY FRIENDLY SERVICES

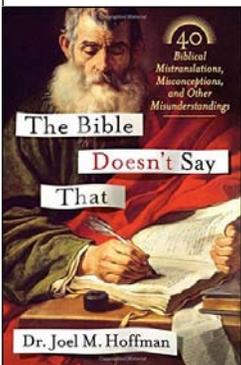
especially for babies, toddlers, kids, moms, dads and grandparents too!

5:00 - 5:30 PM in the Library

September 16



L'CHAIM LEAGUE TO HOST BOOK DISCUSSION WITH RABBI STEVENS



Save the date: On Tuesday, September 13 Rabbi Stevens will lead a program on a fascinating, provocative new book, *The Bible*

Doesn't Say That: Biblical Mistranslations, Misconceptions, and Other Misunderstandings by author Joel Hoffman. The book has just been published.

Dr. Hoffman, a biblical scholar and prolific author [including many elegant translations in our own prayer book *Mishkan T'filah*], presents dozens of intriguing examples in his book, showing

that many of our assumptions about biblical teachings are often based on misunderstanding.

Dr. Hoffman – who also authored *In the Beginning* and *And God Said*, is also the lead translator for the series *My People's Prayer Book*, winner of the National Jewish Book Award. He will be speaking at Temple Beth Or on November 17 – making this L'Chaim League program a great introduction to his work.

The Bible Doesn't Say That is available on Amazon for well under \$20, even less on Kindle. Rabbi Stevens encourages (though doesn't require!) those attending on September 13 to read the book in advance. The program will start with lunch at 11:30; Rabbi Stevens will speak at about noon.

Friday • September 23 • 5:15 PM

Wine and Cheese reception to celebrate Harriette Dorosin's conversion to Judaism.



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An invitation to

study with

Rabbi Stevens

In Torah, the Israelites are commanded again and again to study, as when Moses orders: "Gather the people – men, women and children, and the strangers in your communities – that they may hear and so learn." In traditional Jewish culture the elite of society were not princes or warriors, but scholars, and they – not business or political leaders – were the most desirable marriage partners. As the Talmud teaches: "No one is poor except he who lacks knowledge. A person who has knowledge has everything. A person who lacks knowledge, what has he?"

This year's study program with Rabbi Stevens offers something for everyone – on Jewish history and culture, practices and prophets, controversies and humor.

Join us! – and bring a friend, everyone is welcome. We meet in the Blachschleger Library. All classes are free and are on Tuesdays at noon, and meet for about an hour.

THE THEMES AND PRACTICES OF ROSH HASHANAH

This two-session class reviews the underlying themes of these two holiest days on the Jewish calendar, and explores the background of traditional Jewish practices.

Sept. 20, Rosh Hashanah • Sept. 27, Yom Kippur

THE JOY & PATHOS OF JEWISH HUMOR

Jewish humor has its own distinctive flavor, reflective of the historical experience of the Jewish people. Even Torah's humor was unique in its day, though much of that humor is literally lost in translation. This class will explore different genres of Jewish humor and story-telling through the ages.

October 18 • October 25 • November 1

website characterday.org.

Resources at characterday.org cover many areas, and not just for children. One great resource has to do with the ethics of online behavior. Those with teenagers (children or grandchildren) would do well to share this resource. So much of what we do online – aside from sometimes being cruel or inappropriate – can come back to bite us when we apply for college, or a job, or enter a new relationship.

Character Day also has a strong Jewish component, and some materials, e.g., the film "The Making of a Mensch" or discussion materials about Musar [Jewish ethical teachings] are also available

– year round and without charge. Though the program seems to be primarily based in schools, it certainly is in keeping with our own initiatives, here at TBO, as when we sponsor a Mitzvah Day, collect for Bedtime Bundles, cook for MACOA or the many other ways we volunteer for social services and the common weal of our community.

Bottom line: character and character development should be part of our life-long agenda; learning about and sharing the word about Character Day should help us focus on the life values that are so important in making our world a better place.

Rabbi Elliot Stevens

NEW ENSEMBLE SET TO SING SEPTEMBER 9

Becky Taylor, Temple Beth Or's new Music Director, has assembled some of Montgomery's finest singers to sing as soloists or in ensemble during the coming year. Some have been singing here for years, under the direction of Elizabeth French; others are new to us, and all will be enhancing our worship with some of the finest repertoire available today.

One visible – or at least audible – change will be in our musical presentation during the High Holy Days. We have purchased and installed a new keyboard adjacent to the organ, and our new ensemble – eight singers in all -- has been rehearsing new music to accompany the piloting editions of the new Reform High Holy Day prayer books we will be using. Combining some of the great music of our Reform tradition with new settings for others, having the new choir with us should be an amazing experience.

Aside from the High Holy Days, the music ensemble of eight singers has been divided into two quartets, each of which will be singing monthly, starting with our first ensemble service of the new year on Shabbat, September 9. I encourage us all to be here. We will also have installed by then a new digital mixer to coordinate sound inputs from all sources, including the microphones on the bimah and with direct input from the new keyboard into our sound system.

These eight singers will also be with us, on a rotating basis, as periodic soloists throughout the coming year.

We are thrilled that our new singers will be joining our own Pete Hitchcock and Turia Stark Williams who will continue to lead worship with us, and we look forward to a great year.

Elliot Stevens



Shalom!

My name is Gabi Cohn, and chomping at the bit to introduce myself as your new ISJL

Education Fellow for the 2016-2017

school year! As your Fellow, I'll visit Agudath Israel Etz Ahayem and Temple Beth Or throughout the year to help run special programs and get to know your community. When I am not in town, I'll work with the combined education team from my home, the Goldring/Woldenberg Institute of Southern Jewish Life (ISJL) in Jackson Mississippi, to ensure that every student in the Kol Ami Religious School has access to an excellent Jewish education. In addition to working with your education team, I will act as liaison between the Temple, the Synagogue, and the ISJL, connecting you to the vast programmatic, rabbinic, and educational resources that the ISJL has to offer.

While I am fired up and ready to get to know y'all, I want to take this opportunity to introduce myself. I'm originally from Fairfax, VA, where my Jewish community was my second home. At school, I was the only Jew in my grade, sometimes the only Jewish family in the school. At my synagogue, I sang in the youth and teen choirs, worked at the day camp for 10 years, and worked in the religious school as a shadow for students with special needs, helping ensure a successful integration in the classroom. I was president of the youth group, and participated in regional and national events.

When I was looking at colleges, I wanted somewhere where I could immerse myself in Jewish life academically and socially. I found myself in New York City at Columbia University and List College, the undergraduate school of the Jewish Theological Seminary. I studied Psychology and what I like to call Jewish Communities (really Modern

2017 Food Festival and Treasure & Collectible Market

Please mark Sunday, February 26, 2017 on your calendar for the 2017 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 of 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
- Silver
- Artwork, Serving Pieces, Lamps & Accessories
- Kitchen and Household Items – clean and in working condition Please attach manual if you have one or download from the manufacturer's website and attach in an envelope.
- Flat Screen TV's & Electronics – in working condition with all plugs and connections attached. Please attach manual if you have one or download from the manufacturer's website and attach in an envelope.

Note: Please bring your items to the Temple on Tuesday – Friday of any week. We do not have the ability to pick up any items. 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 2017!!!

Jenny Ives
jjives@charter.net

334-546-2521

Jewish Studies), and would always be happy to discuss either! I am a big band nerd, and continued my love of marching band from high school in Columbia's Marching Band. While sports are nowhere near as big at Columbia as they are here in the south, I always enjoyed going to football and basketball games with the band. While in college I also worked with numerous toddler and infant programs, one helping young kids discover emotions and another teaching Jewish values through songs and sign language. Some like to call me a baby whisperer.

Now I live in Jackson, Mississippi, where I get the chance to spend the next two years of my life traveling around the South to work with different Jewish Communities. I loved learning about Jewish communities in college, and

now I get to spend my time learning from a wide variety of communities.

To learn more about the ISJL and the benefits of your partnership with us, please visit our website, www.isjl.org, or feel free to email me anytime at gcohn@isjl.org.

Mark your calendars! I will be back in town December 2-4 and look forward to seeing you!



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Sunday, October 16, 6:00 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.

Tuesday, October 18, 12 PM, Adult Education: The Joy and Pathos of Jewish Humor. Class 1.

Saturday, October 22, 9:30 AM, Shabbat morning service and Torah study with Rabbi Stevens. Light brunch served.

Sunday, October 23, 6:00 PM, Simchat Torah Celebration.

Tuesday, October 25, 12 PM, Adult Education: The Joy and Pathos of Jewish Humor. Class 2.

Friday, October 28, 6 PM, New membe Shabbat.

Tuesday, November 1, 12 PM, Adult Education: The Joy and Pathos of Jewish Humor. Class 3.

Tuesday, November 8, 12 PM, Adult Education: You Be the Judge: Using Rabbinic Texts to Judge Ethical Dilemmas. Class 1. We will examine several real-life dilemmas and, after reviewing some Jewish textual sources (in English), see if we can agree on the best possible outcome.

Friday, November 11, 6 PM, Shabbat service with full choir ensemble.

Saturday, November 12,

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

Monday, November 14, 9:30 AM, L'Chaim League tours the Hyundai manufacturing plant.

Tuesday, November 15, 12 PM, Adult Education: You Be the Judge: Using Rabbinic Texts to Judge Ethical Dilemmas. Class 2. We will examine several real-life dilemmas and, after reviewing some Jewish textual sources (in English), see if we can agree on the best possible outcome.

Thursday, November 17, 7 PM, Jewish Book Council author Joel M. Hoffman, PhD, discusses his book "The Bible Doesn't Say That." Sponsored by the Rothschild-Blachschleger Lecture Series.

Friday, November 18, 5 PM, Family Chavurah "Tot" Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library - suitable for children of all ages.

Tuesday, November 22, 7 PM, Joint Thanksgiving Service with First United Methodist Church and Church of the Ascension. Held at Church of the Ascension at 315 Clanton Avenue. Reception follows.

Tuesday, November 29, 12 PM, Adult Education: The Hidden Story of Chanukah.

Saturday, December 3, 10 AM, Cindy Kaufman Bat Mitzvah

2016/5777 High Holy Day Service Times

Sunday, October 2
Rosh Hashanah Eve 7:30 PM
Followed by our Annual Reception

Monday, October 3
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, October 7
Shabbat Shuvah 6:00 PM

Sunday, October 9
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

Tuesday, October 11
Kol Nidrei Eve..... 7:30 PM

Wednesday, October 12
Yom Kippur Moming 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

Sunday, October 16
Sukkot Decorating Party 4 PM
Sukkot Outdoor Service..... 6 PM

Sunday, October 23
Simchat Torah Service and Consecration 6 PM



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 are 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.

September 2016 & beyond

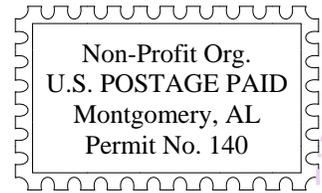
Want an updated look at what's going on at Temple? Go to www.templebethor.net.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 <i>6 PM, Shabbat service will be held in the Blachschleger Library</i>	3
4 <i>9:30 AM, No Religion School</i>	5	6	7 <i>5:30 PM, Sisterhood's opening meeting at Aimee Harris's home</i>	8	9 <i>6 PM, Shabbat service with full choir ensemble</i>	10
11 <i>9:30 AM, Religion School, AI*EA 5 PM. Free Screening of the movie ROSENWALD at the Capri Theatre. Reception at 4:30 PM.</i>	12	13 <i>11:30 AM, L'Chaim League Book Review and luncheon at TBO</i>	14	15	16 <i>5 PM, Family Chavurah "Tot" Shabbat service in the Blachschleger Library - suitable for children of all ages. 6 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, AI*EA</i>	19	20 <i>12 PM, Adult Education: The Themes and Practices of Rosh Hashanah</i>	21	22	23 <i>5:15 PM, Wine and Cheese reception to celebrate Harriette Dorosin's conversion to Judaism. 6 PM Shabbat Service</i>	24
25 <i>4:00 PM, Religion School, AI*EA</i>	26	27 <i>12 PM, Adult Education: The Themes and Practices of Yom Kippur. 5:45 TBO Board Meeting</i>	28	29	30 <i>6 PM Shabbat Service</i>	31

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Book of Remembrance

The deadline for returning the Book of Remembrance forms is
September 8th.

Contact Gina at the Temple office by the 8th if you would like to participate.
Telephone is (334) 262-3314 or
bethor@templebethor.net.

THE PRAYER BOOK FUND

Last month's bulletin [August 2016] included an article about the restricted funds of Temple Beth Or – a number of which, over the years, have neared depletion. Over the coming months we will highlight a number of these funds, in the hope that our members, in considering their donations, will include a contributions to temple funds that could really use a boost.

One such is the Prayer Book Fund. Its use is self-evident – to provide the books we use in worship, including books for Shabbat; the High Holy Days; festivals and Passover Haggadahs. The latest TBO financial report shows that the Fund is down to about \$100 – below what is needed to replenish books lost to attrition, or books needed for new members or students. Having a robust Prayer Book Fund would enable us to adopt new worship materials; for example, a new children's prayer book would be great to have for our Tot Shabbat services, and there are new books with prayers for healing that would be ideal to give to those who are ill or facing surgery. Do consider the temple's Prayer Book Fund; your generosity is much appreciated.