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Shabbat Services

SHABBAT **Friday Evening, August 31 at 8:15 P.M.**

Torah Portion "Ki Teitzei"

SHABBAT **Saturday Morning, September 1 at 10:30 A.M.**

SHABBAT **Friday Evening, September 7***

5:30 P.M. – Likrat Shabbat

See box below for contributors

6:15 P.M. – Kabbalat Shabbat

September Birthday Blessings

SHABBAT **Saturday Morning, September 8 at 10:30 A.M.**

Torah Portion "Ki Tavo"

SHABBAT **Friday Evening, September 14 at 8:15 P.M.**

Torah Portion "Nitzavim"

SHABBAT **Saturday Morning, September 15 at 10:30 A.M.**

SHABBAT **Friday Evening, September 21***

5:30 P.M. – Likrat Shabbat

See box below for contributors

6:15 P.M. – Kabbalat Shabbat

SHABBAT **Saturday Morning, September 22 at 10:30 A.M.**

Shabbat Shuva

Torah Portion "Vayeilech"

SHABBAT **Friday Evening, September 28 at 8:15 P.M.**

Auf ruf of Rachel Swarzman and David Carnick

Oneg Shabbat sponsored by the Berne family in honor of

the Auf ruf of Rachel Swarzman and David Carnick

and by Sheila and Eddie Rosenfeld in honor of

the naming of their grandchild

SHABBAT **Saturday Morning, September 29 at 10:30 A.M.**

Torah Portion "Ha/Azinu"

*Please note time

SELICHOT STUDY

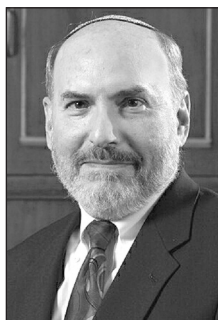
JUSTICE, WHAT IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO?

Join us at 9:15 p.m. Saturday, September 8, 2012 for a discussion immediately preceding the Selichot Service.

A single life, said the sages, is like a universe. Save a life and you save a world. Change a life and you begin to change the world.....Where what I can do meets what needs to be done – there is God's challenge and our task.

from *To Heal a Fractured World*
by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks

Together, we shall seek the moral compass within each of us as we examine the reasoning behind the ethical choices we make every day.



Rabbi's Column

As we enter the month of Elul we, once again, enter a period of reflection and introspection. Our tradition encourages us to reflect on our own behavior and to reflect on the world around us. It is now commonplace to observe that we live in tumultuous times. Advances in communication technology have "speeded up" our existence to a dizzying pace. Our world is changing more rapidly than it did in previous centuries and those changes feel even

more rapid because we now know about more of them, and we know of them more quickly than ever before.

All of these shifts in the world – technological, meteorological, political, social – necessarily have an impact on our everyday lives. As we hear the range of ideas held by others, we naturally reconsider our own ideas. Sometimes this leads us to reconfirm our commitment to long-held values; and sometimes we find ourselves persuaded to reconsider the validity of opinions once held dear and we decide to change our minds.

Each year, over the course of the High Holidays, I have the opportunity to share with you some of the thoughts that are on my mind. This High Holiday season I would also like to have the opportunity to hear what's on your mind. What are the issues that are most pressing in your mind as you enter the month of Elul and engage in that age-old process of reflecting on the world and on your life? I invite you to join me for a conversation on Friday evening August 31st when I would like to listen to: "What's on your mind?" What are the issues that are keeping you up at night? What are the concerns that are occupying your thoughts and energies? If you can't be here on August 31st then I invite you to drop me a note (on paper or e-mail) or give me a call.

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As we welcome the New Year 5773, I hope that you will find your life, and that of your family and friends, enriched and enhanced by Jewish living in the context of the very special, welcoming community that is Temple Beth Israel. Jody joins me in sending you our warmest regards from house to house. May 5773 be a year filled with health and sweetness, with meaning and strength, and with the promise of peace. *Shana Tova u'Metuka!*

Michael A. Weinberg



Rabbi Weinberg led the evening service at OSRUI's *Festakayitz* (Summer Festival).

LIK RAT SHABBAT

Thank you to the following people who have made donations for the Likrat Shabbat on September 7 in honor of their **September** birthdays: Ted Lavine and Bill Levy. Thank you to the following people who donated in honor of their birthdays in June: Doris Kaufman and Helene Levine. Thank you to Ilse Herst who donated in honor of her birthday in August.

IN THE TEMPLE FAMILY

CONDOLENCES

We note with sorrow the passing of Henry Robert Benjamin, father of *Milton Benjamin*. May his memory be a blessing.

IN MEMORIAM

Temple Beth Israel announces with profound sorrow the passing of
PEARL KREIMAN
May her memory be a blessing

PARADIGM SHIFT

By Nina Henry

A little over two years ago, Harriet Arons, Rabbi Weinberg, and I were discussing the progress of the Social Action Committee. Two years before that, we had been asked to take the reigns of this area of TBI activity. We had done some nice things – celebrated 20 years of collaboration with the Second Baptist Church to serve the needy at the Soup Kitchen, helped organize Mitzvah Day, and continued annual programs like the Crop Walk and packing food in association with Maot Chitim. However, Harriet and I felt the way in which we were doing “business” was ineffective. We had faithful committee members who were willing to work hard, but we felt as though our efforts lacked vibrancy. Rabbi Weinberg suggested a new way of doing things.

Rabbi Weinberg said there are “doers and thinkers” and he imagined Social Action was something lots of congregants really cared about. He thought if we tapped this contingent of congregants and gave them an opportunity to brainstorm and consider what needed changing in the TBI and greater communities, we might come up with some exciting things to do. Thus, the *Social Action Council* was born.

In July 2010, Harriet, Rabbi Weinberg, and I invited a group of individuals to brainstorm. To borrow a phrase used by the folks from Just Congregations, we asked them to talk about “What keeps you up at night?” We were overjoyed with the incisive and multi-layered responses. That year, with the recession, there was much concern about employment, so we developed the TBI Employment Task Force, headed by Wendy Kabaker Arnold. There was interest in the environment and Just Congregations took on the challenge of educating our community about Green Gardening, Wind Energy, and other such concerns, using the Sunday morning Forum format. This effort led to the small sub-committee we now call the Green Squad. What Harriet, Rabbi Weinberg, and I were gratified to learn was how we did not need to seek volunteers to work on projects. When an idea caught fire with someone in the group, they usually wanted to take on the project themselves and had friends and/or experts they could ask to help.

Since then, for all intents and purposes, the Social Action Council has replaced the Social Action Committee. We have learned that when someone *takes ownership* of an idea or a way of doing things, it follows that they take on that responsibility too. Here’s a great example: TBI is going to be one of 20 congregations to participate in sponsoring a Candidates Forum (look for an article in this Bulletin for further information) at BJBE in October. One of our Council members asked how he could help. I asked the organizing committee for suggestions of how our congregants could help and they said, “Hand out flyers.” I knew this was not going to be exciting for this Council member. I mentioned to him I was helping to develop some questions for the Forum. “Could I give you some ideas for questions?” This was a great solution and I was extremely grateful, knowing his ideas would be an important addition to planning of this event.

In this way, little by little, Social Action has developed a new profile at TBI, yet this “do-it-yourself” way of doing things has long been a tradition at TBI. As 5773 begins, look for ways to give, participate, and engage in Tikkun Olam. As always, there will be a collection for the Ark, beginning during Rosh Hashanah. We will soon be coordinating a housewares collection for Hilda’s Place, and we will be sponsoring a Family Havdalah night on January 12. Save the date!

Harriet has moved into new roles and now makes a difference at TBI in innumerable ways and in her place Joan Hakimi brings her energy, commitment, friendship, and dynamism to the role of Social Action Co-Chair. For all you thinkers out there, the Social Action Council wants you, your ideas, and your do-it-yourself spirit! Contact me at: ninjanina56@aol.com or Joan Hakimi at jhakimi@sbcglobal.net.
Shana Tova!

FROM THE PRESIDENT

THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH

by Lory Merritt

Sometimes telling the truth isn’t easy. Another way of saying that is, I guess, which truth should I tell? You might not like your youngest niece’s artwork, but while you’re in her kitchen drinking coffee with her parents, you tell her that you love her artwork, knowing it will develop and get better over time. I guess you could have said, “I think your artwork is hideous,” but why would you want her to enter into therapy any earlier than the schedule her parents have her on? Besides, no one wants to be mistaken for one of the male characters in *The Big Bang Theory*.

Some friends of mine divorced last year after almost 30 years of marriage. He and I met for lunch last month and talked about what his life is like now. He’s an accomplished person who, in his former married life, had volunteered regularly for many diverse causes year-in and year-out, but he wasn’t doing that anymore. He’s been working to stay connected to his children, but there seems to be some regularity to his feeling separated from them and them from him. He owes money to his former wife and has started hiding from her phone calls and her emails. He has a job, but it isn’t to his liking; he’s taken to becoming a complainer instead of doing whatever it takes to change his life. His personal universe has shrunk as he has pulled away from his commitments and the effort needed to keep his values alive. But if you ask him how he is, he’ll tell you: “I’m great!” I’ve been thinking about this – maybe that’s what we do: when we feel needy, we reduce our participation in the universe to the point where we can feel back-in control of our lives, so we can say things are great, never better, even if this new universe is limited and a mere fraction of its former spaciousness.

I have a relative who’s become estranged from his sister. They’d been talking with each other at least weekly probably for their entire lives, at least they did until her husband died about 6 months ago and that’s when my relative stopped calling. His sister’s been mad at him ever since and only spoke to him this week (when she called). My relative explained that he hadn’t called because he had an accident (true!). He neglected to tell her that the accident took place less than 2 months ago. Sometimes a truth can be used in a stealth attempt to fabricate a reality we’d prefer, even when it doesn’t exist. We’d call that a fib. Using what’s true to tell a fib – is that a high level or low level communication? I guess it’s how you look at it!

We are such good story-tellers! Tell me your stories. The more we expose their secrets, the less control they have over our lives!

As the High Holidays approach, may your reflections of the year just ending and the new year just beginning inspire you to grow into the person you’ve always wanted to be. May your palette of experiences enrich not just your life, but the lives of family and friends. May your kindnesses grow both in number and depth. May your path bring you to peace and enlightenment.

Shana Tova – Sweetness to you and yours.

FUNDRAISING NEWS

Fundraising at TBI is made up of many components:

FUN – Our goal is to make all the events we organize fun for all who attend!

FUND – The money we raise helps to fund many programs and projects.

RAISE – Our events raise the level of camaraderie and participation among our members.

Some of our wonderful programs include: Nosh Café, The Blg Card (aka Manna), Spring Gala, TBI Taxi Service, Barnes and Nobles gift wrap, Flu Shots at Temple, etc.

We are always interested in any and all Fundraising ideas you may have and, of course, would love to have you join us in putting together these great events. We look forward to a fun and profitable year at TBI. Our goal is to bring many entertaining and memorable events to all of you.

Joanne Merritt and Cary Weinstein
Fundraising Co-Vice-Presidents

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL LEARNING

For years I have been proud of the work that the Adult Education Committee has done, offering a variety of programs for a variety of populations within the adult community. This year we have surpassed any bar previously set by offering the most robust Adult Education calendar to date.

During the High Holy Days, you will each receive a copy of Torah at TBI. I urge you to spend time perusing the many and varied programs listed and described. There are three levels of Hebrew offered for free to TBI members each Sunday morning. We will host a world-renowned Scholar in Residence, Ruth Messinger from the American Jewish World Service (www.ajws.org). Rabbi Weinberg will teach a class that will review one of the seminal works of Maimonides. On several Sunday mornings, we will read and discuss a book written by the Chief Rabbi of Great Britain that will quite literally change your life. We will offer movies and discussions, book groups, a workshop on the writing of Ethical Wills and so much more. There is quite literally something for everyone.

This year, as we continue our exploration of *Living a Life that Matters*, a *Search for Ethical Grounding in the Modern World*, we will all have an opportunity to seek out our own renewal academically, spiritually and through acts of *g'milut chasadim*. TBI continues to offer something for everyone and it is up to you to find that class, that discussion, that activity, that experience that will help you lead the life we all seek.

I want to personally and publically thank Barbara Agdern and Madelon Gryll for their tireless help and vision in creating the opportunities we are offering this year. Working on Adult Education is truly one of the most rewarding areas of my experience here at TBI, made even more so through my engagement with these two extraordinary women.

Jim, Eliana and Benji join me in wishing each of you a sweet and meaningful new year. May 5753 be a joyous one for all.

B'shalom,

Lori B. Sagarin

ADULT EDUCATION LIVING A LIFE THAT MATTERS



NEW CLASS! HAFTARAH 101

Beginning on Sunday, October 7, 2012 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

The writings of the prophets provide the weekly Haftarah portion which we read on each Shabbat and festival service. What can we learn from these messages? Prophetic challenges remain relevant today. They apply to all human beings and to all societies. Each Sunday morning that school is in session, we will examine the words of the prophets by discussing the Haftarah for the following Shabbat.

Come join us for our first meeting on Sunday, October 7, 2012 at 9am to discuss the Haftarah portion for Bereshit, which is Isaiah 42:5-43:11. No preparation necessary. Beginners welcome.

ONE BOOK, TBI READS

To Heal a Fractured World: The Ethics of Responsibility, by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks

Sunday Morning Coffee with Rabbi Weinberg on September 30, October 7, 14, and 21, 2012 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

This is an inspirational and instructive book which presents the true purpose of religion as a partnership with God in the work of ethical and moral living. We will examine what our duties are to others, to society and to humanity. How do we live a meaningful life in an age of global uncertainty and instability? Readings from the book will be the focus of discussions with Rabbi Weinberg at the Nosh Café. Bring your coffee and your questions.

MONDAY EVENING FALL SERIES

Hilchot Deot – The Laws of Ethical Ideas

October 22, November 5, 12 and 19, 2012 from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

More than 850 years ago, Rabbi Moses Maimonides compiled a Code of Jewish Law. Most Codes of ethical conduct address how to respond in a given situation but Maimonides' Code also addresses how one should live: not just what to do but how to be, which personality traits should be cultivated and which should be avoided. We will study this section of Maimonides' Mishneh Torah and explore together what kind of character traits we should develop in order to live an ethical life. Taught by Rabbi Weinberg, this series will meet in the Cohn Library.

SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE

Ruth W. Messinger of the American Jewish World Service
October 19-20, 2012

Ruth W. Messinger is president of American Jewish World Service (AJWS), an international development organization that supports human rights for marginalized people around the world. Look for the flyer in this Bulletin and join us for Shabbat and a little more.

MAKING THE DESSERT BLOOM: A REAL LIFE STORY OF HOW KIBBUTZ LOTAN IS LEADING ISRAEL IN GREENING THE NEGEV

Sunday, October 28, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Alex Cicelsky, a member of Kibbutz Lotan (Director of Research and Development at Kibbutz Lotan Center for Creative Ecology) will discuss the innovative Green technology at Kibbutz Lotan as well as some of the work being done to close the gaps with the Palestinian population in order to forge relationships and industry and to conserve water. (More information available at:

<http://urjbiennial.zerista.com/profile/member/286039>) Watch for more details coming soon.

SHALOM CHICAGO

Exhibition at the Chicago Historical Museum: Jewish Life in Chicago
focusing on the 1880's to the present
Sunday, October 21, 2012 through September 2013

Through personal stories, rare artifacts, and engaging media presentations, this exhibition illustrates the Jewish community's rich history and many contributions to Chicago's growth and development. TBI will offer interactive programming in conjunction with this interesting collection.

If you have questions or suggestions, please contact us at megamom@gmail.com or 847.256.7959 (Barbara) or ilpioneer@aol.com or 847.251.5158 (Madelon).

Madelon Gryll & Barbara Agdern
TBI Adult Education Co-chairs

FROM THE EDITOR

Reminder: Material for the bulletin is due electronically to Barbara Seaver at Bulletin@TBISkokie.org on the 10th of the month prior to publication. If you do not have access to a computer, please submit paper copy to the Temple office by the 7th of the month prior to publication so that it can be transcribed and sent by the 10th. The deadline for the October bulletin is September 10.



LORI'S BOOK GROUP

Lori's Book Group opens a new season in October. We will have most of our discussions on Sunday mornings as follows at 11:00 a.m. in the Cohn Library. The books this season are:

October 28* *The Dovekeepers* by Alice Hoffman
January 27 *A Jerusalem Maiden* by Talia Carner
Friday, March 1, 5:00 p.m. *The Hare with the Amber Eyes*
by Edmund deWaal
April 7 *In the Garden of the Beast* by Erik Larson

Everyone is welcome to join us for a lively discussion about these books.

*Please note the change in date.
Happy Reading!



SISTERHOOD NEWS

*Sisters are doin' it for themselves**...for TBI and for the community. As a group of women committed to the mission of Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel, "We strive to be a welcoming, inclusive, multigenerational group of women dedicated to serving our membership, our Temple, our community and WRJ (Women of Reform Judaism)," the members of Sisterhood engage in terrific programs, networking, fundraising, education seminars, WRJ events, meaningful worship experiences and a host of other warm, welcoming activities. We invite you to attend our events whether or not you are a Sisterhood member and see what we are all about.

Take a look at the beautiful new carpeting in Mendelsohn Hall - Sisterhood contributed funds for that purpose. Revel in the shining new Kiddush cups presented to B'nai Mitzvah - Sisterhood provides these. Younger children will enjoy snacks at the High Holidays and other holidays and festivals - all courtesy of Sisterhood. Attend a Torah study with Rabbi Weinberg or join a discussion about interesting and thought-provoking books at our evening or day Book Club. Attend Open Meetings (the first Wednesday of each month) with interesting guests talking (or performing!) about a wide variety of topics, or come to our Board Meetings (the second Sunday of each month), which are open to all Sisterhood members. Attend one of our evening programs or other events and you may just learn something new about Judaism, the world around us or each other.

Sisterhood is also about our community. By supporting Social Action projects for TBI, the community and WRJ, we do our share of Tikkun Olam (repairing the world). In fact our WINGS (Women In Need Growing Stronger) shower held a few years ago won a national award from WRJ. We support the Ark, Shalva and the Bottomless Closet and welcome your contributions to these worthy causes.

We also care about our Sisterhood organization, which is always evolving to keep up with the times. Our Strategic Plan (committee chaired by Sisterhood members Marla Goldberg and Lorri Fishman) also won an award from WRJ and our website is constantly being updated with new information from one of our newest Board Members, Gail Donnelly.

We are proud to know that several of our members are active at the WRJ level: Laura Cooper is Co-Chair of the WRJ Midwest Convention to be held November 1-4 in Itasca. Marla Goldberg is president of WRJ Midwest and Sue Schneider and Linn Ullenbrauck also serve on the WRJ Midwest District Board.

Each year Sisterhood invites new members to join our Board bringing new strengths, new ideas and new contributions to the organization. This year we welcome new Associate Board Members: Elaine Berger, Gail Donnelly, Shana Johnson, Sharon Levine, Marcia Satyr, Clarissa Simon, Karen Weine and Devy Weitzman and wish them a rewarding experience with Sisterhood.

What a wealth of talent at Sisterhood Temple Beth Israel!

This year we are especially proud that Sisterhood has been asked to participate in Second Day Rosh Hashana services at TBI. And we also look forward to our very own T'fillot Nashim to be held February 9, 2013. So let's do it for ourselves, our Temple and our community. Let's get involved!

*With thanks to the Eurythmics, Annie Lennox, and Dave Stewart
 Jolie Rubin and Andi Blain
 Co-Presidents, Sisterhood

SISTERHOOD ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Teri and Lou Lang	.10/4/1987
Lori Helfand and Frank Alkyer	.10/5/1985
Rachel and Michael Willens	.10/7/1979
Kathy and Michael Passman	.10/20/1979
Amber and Jeffrey Wood	.10/20/2007
Lisa and Don Drucker	.10/22/1988
Andrea and Harv Blain	.10/29/1989
Jeanette and Jerome Franklin	.10/31/1948

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Jann Corday	.10/4
Lynne Goldman	.10/6
Madelon Gryll	.10/6
Nancy Goodman	.10/7
Sally R. Levenstam	.10/8
Lilia Paykin	.10/9
Lillian Gerstner	.10/10
Amy Gudgeon	.10/12
Mary Roth	.10/12
Laurie Kimmel	.10/13
Laurie Rothbardt	.10/13
Wendy Raven	.10/14
Jennifer Gussis	.10/18
Shirley Levens	.10/18
Iris Friedlieb	.10/30
Phyllis Cantor	.10/31

Would you like to celebrate simchas and benefit Sisterhood TBI? Uniongrams are only \$2.00 each. For anniversaries contact Sharon Levine, hsl71@earthlink.net, 847-965-5382. Birthdays contact Karen Weine, karenweine@yahoo.com, 847-733-9601.

Renew Your Sisterhood Membership Today!
 Or Join Sisterhood for the First Time!
 Attend the Sisterhood Membership Luncheon
 Sunday, October 28, 2012, 1:00 p.m.



It's time to renew your Sisterhood Membership! If you haven't been a member before, it's never too late to join Sisterhood. Mark your calendars for the Sisterhood Membership Luncheon! All paid members will enjoy a delicious lunch, stimulating conversation, and fun raffle prizes. Here's a great opportunity to learn more about Sisterhood, and how you can become more involved. You can even pay your membership dues at the door!

RSVP by October 19 to April Levy - apurcellevy@gmail.com or (847) 866-8221.

NORTH SHORE JEWISH COMMUNITY CANDIDATE FORUM

The 2012 elections are just around the corner, so now is the time to learn what they mean for you. As we prepare to go to the polls on November 6, Temple Beth Israel is partnering with 23 other synagogues, Jewish communal groups, and day schools to host a North Shore Jewish Community Candidate Forum. Come meet and hear from the federal and state legislative candidates in our area, including the candidates for Congress in the 9th and 10th congressional districts, as they address the hottest issues facing our country, our neighborhoods, and our Jewish community. For more information, contact Nina Henry at ninjanina56@aol.com.

Monday, October 15,

7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Congregation BJBE

1201 Lake Cook Road in Deerfield

UPCOMING SISTERHOOD EVENTS

September 5	Open Meeting
September 9	Bake Sale
September 9	Board Meeting
October 14	Board Meeting
October 16	Spice House Evening Program
October 24	Evening Book Club
October 28	Membership Luncheon

CONTRIBUTIONS

A minimum contribution of \$12.00 (unless otherwise noted) for donation to be acknowledged with a card and published in the bulletin.

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Funds used for the beautification
of Temple Beth Israel

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for our students who attend
Olin-Sang-Ruby Union Institute Camp

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Stuart Glicken	Maxwell Glicken

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Provides special programming
for TBI schools
(\$25.00 minimum)

Donor	In Memory of
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Sylvia Arnold	Oscar Arnold

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Provides funds to support student
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Jeanette & Jerold Rosenthal	Gus Rosenthal

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Provides for adult education programs

Donor	In Memory of
Sandi & Howard Sorkin	Meyer Sorkin

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Provides for the continued maintenance
and beautification of our sanctuary
(\$18.00 minimum)

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Chaikey Greenberg	Birthday of Eudice Lorge

MUSIC FUND

Provides funds for music programs

Donor	In Memory of
Arnold Rosenthal	Sarah Rosenthal
Arnold Rosenthal	Gus Rosenthal
Cynthia Roth	Ruth & Jules Roth

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Provides funds for charitable uses
within and outside the congregation
at the discretion of the Rabbi

Donor	In Honor of
Dennis M. Jacobson	Speedy Recovery of Kim Feingold
Hannah & Al Zacher	Rabbi Michael Weinbergs 25th Anniversary at TBI

Donor	In Memory of
Margrit Baerman	Frieda & Martin Kohlman
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SOCIAL SERVICE FUND

Provides support for social service
programs within the Temple and
in the surrounding community and
to some individual tzedakah recipients

Donor	In Memory of
Nina & David Henry	Florie Gussis
Nina & David Henry	Rae Alper

MORRIS FAMILY FUND

Provides funds for social action projects
in Skokie and the surrounding communities

Donor	In Memory of
June & Joel Levin	Sarah Adelman

TORAH FUND

Provides support for all Temple programs

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Peggy & Mel Alexander	Edith & Robert Felsenthal
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EDUCATION FUND

Provides funds for Jewish education at TBI

Donor	In Honor of
Leo J. & Roslyn L. Krupp Family Foundation	65th Wedding Anniversary of Flo & Maurie Berman
Mary Roth	David Groner

Donor	In Memory of
Elaine Clearfield	Henry Benjamin
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Diane Stotland-Repkin	Sarah Lowenson
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CHAI NOTES FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR



Elul is the month that prepares us to enter into the High Holy Days. I love this month of preparation. It reminds me to take time to stop and think and reflect. I reflect not only on this past year, but also of the year to come. I am constantly thinking ahead (that is probably the teacher in me), but it allows me to put my time in perspective. As a full time Mom and part time Music Director, I juggle a lot of tasks, and proper preparation and anticipation is key to the balance in my life.

Here at TBI, the High Holy Day Choir, comprised of members of Koleynu and eight professional singers, has been working diligently to prepare for the Holidays. We began our rehearsals at the beginning of August and will continue through September. Our new accompanist, Jennifer McCabe, and I have also been working and rehearsing in preparation for the months to come.

At home, this month of preparation has a new meaning for me. Hannah Jane will start preschool for the first time in a few short weeks. This is a special time for her and me to prepare her for her new adventures as a student. Hannah and Jaret will also be formally beginning their Jewish education here at Temple Beth Israel. Hannah will be in the Pre-K class and Jaret and Newell will attend Parent-Tot on Sunday mornings. I am very excited to have my whole family here with me at Bet Midrash every weekend.

Great preparation, leads to a great year. On behalf of myself, Newell, Hannah Jane and Jaret Evan Bentley, *l'shana tova tikateivu*, may you have a sweet new year!

Joy & Blessings,
Marla Aviva Bentley

THE GREEN CORNER AVOIDING WEST NILE VIRUS



The hot, dry weather we have had this summer has contributed to the proliferation of a very large mosquito population. At least one local human case of West Nile virus has been identified. When dealing with West Nile virus, prevention is your best bet. Avoiding mosquito bites reduces your risk of getting this disease, as well as other diseases that mosquitoes can carry. The best way to escape mosquito borne illnesses is to avoid getting bitten by following these guidelines:

Use Insect Repellent: Always spray insect repellent on exposed skin when you go outdoors. Use an EPA-registered insect repellent such as those that contain DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus. Even being outdoors for a couple of minutes can be long enough to get a mosquito bite.

Be Aware of Peak Mosquito Hours: The hours from dusk to dawn are peak biting times for many species of mosquitoes. Take *extra* care to use repellent and protective clothing (long sleeve shirts and long pants) during evening and early morning or consider avoiding outdoor activities during these times.

Drain Standing Water: Mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water. Limit the number of places around your home for mosquitoes to breed by emptying or getting rid of items that hold water such as flower pots, pet food and water dishes, birdbaths, swimming pool covers, buckets, barrels, and cans. Check for clogged rain gutters and clean them out. Remove discarded tires and other items that could collect water. Be sure to check for containers or trash in places that may be hard to see, such as under bushes or under your home.

Install or Repair Screens: Some mosquitoes like to come indoors. Keep them outside by having well-fitting screens on all windows and doors.

Report Dead Birds to Local Authorities: Dead birds may be a sign that West Nile virus is circulating between birds and the mosquitoes in an area. By reporting dead birds to state and local health departments, you can play an important role in monitoring West Nile virus.

Clean Up: Mosquito breeding sites can be anywhere. Neighborhood clean-up days can be organized by civic or youth organizations to pick up containers from vacant lots and parks, and to encourage people to keep their yards free of standing water. Mosquitoes do not care about fences, so it is important to control breeding sites throughout the neighborhood.

SCHEDULE OF HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES

at Evanston Township High School Auditorium
1600 Dodge Avenue, Evanston (unless otherwise noted)

(In order that we may provide sufficient disabled parking spaces for our congregants at Evanston Township High School, please call or email the Temple office with your request.)

* indicates that service will be at Temple Beth Israel
3601 Dempster Street, Skokie

SELICHOT PREPARATION FOR REPENTANCE

*Saturday evening, September 8 at 11:00 p.m.
Proceeded by Study Session at 9:15 p.m.

ROSH HASHANAH NEW YEAR

Sunday, September 16, Evening Service at 8:15 p.m.
Monday, September 17, Morning Service at 10:00 a.m.
*Tuesday, September 18, 2nd Day Morning Service at 10:00 a.m.
Tashlich Observance following service

SHABBAT SHUVAH SABBATH OF REPENTANCE

*Friday, September 21, Kabbalat Shabbat at 6:15 p.m.
*Saturday, September 22, Morning Service at 10:30 a.m.

YOM KIPPUR DAY OF ATONEMENT

Tuesday evening, September 25, Kol Nidre Service at 8:15 p.m.
Wednesday, September 26, Morning Service at 10:00 a.m.
Study Session and Musical interlude
Afternoon Service at 2:30 p.m.
Followed by Yizkor and Neilah

FESTIVAL SERVICES

Temple Beth Israel
3601 Dempster St, Skokie

SUKKOT

Sunday, September 30 ~ Evening Service at 7:00 p.m.
Monday, October 1 ~ Morning Service at 10:30 a.m.
Kiddush lunch to Follow

SIMCHAT TORAH

Sunday, October 7 ~ Evening Service at 7:00 p.m.
Monday, October 8 ~ Morning Service at 10:30 a.m.
including Yizkor
Kiddush Lunch to follow



HIGH HOLY DAYS REMINDER

The High Holy Days tickets and information were mailed in early August.

Please remember:

- Tickets are NOT required for Selichot, 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah or afternoon services on Yom Kippur
- Additional ticket requests must be received by September 7, 2012

For additional information, call the Temple Office