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From the Rabbi *By: Rabbi Betsy Torop*

Refuge: Why, Where and How?

Already I have heard many people say, "Rosh Hashanah is *when?!?*" While Rosh Hashanah is the same Hebrew date every year (1 Tishrei), it is true that the corresponding secular date is remarkably early. In many ways, September 5 seems way too soon for the High Holydays to start. On the other hand, there is something about the formal end of summer and the start of school that seems to fit with the themes of beginning again and looking toward the future that resonate throughout the Holy Day period.

The timing of Rosh Hashanah does present a particular challenge in terms of our personal preparation. As we know, the Jewish calendar urges us to spend the month before Rosh Hashanah, the Hebrew month of *Elul* (beginning August 7), in spiritual and emotional preparation for the New Year. We ask ourselves the hard questions, reach out to those whom we have wronged, and contemplate the things we wish to change in order to be fully prepared to stand before the Holy One on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Somehow, that serious work seems out of character with final days at the beach, a last getaway, a Labor Day barbeque. And yet, the weeks of August often do provide moments of refuge; perhaps we can make that refuge part of Holy Day spiritual preparations.

Why is refuge a useful way to think about the spiritual work of this time of year? The ancient rabbis (in a very creative but complex way) compare the Hebrew month of *Elul* to the ancient cities of refuge. The Torah allows for these ancient cities to be places to which someone who unintentionally killed another person can flee and find safety. Rabbi Simon Jacobson, in his work, *60 Days—A Spiritual Guide to the High Holydays*, writes, "Every transgression against God is a 'killing.' This is because, like a killing, a transgression is a violation of the essence and purpose of life. It is 'unintentional' because each of us is intrinsically good and all transgressions result from a lapse in the awareness of our true will." If the ancient cities of refuge were a refuge in space for the unintentional murderer, the Hebrew month of *Elul* is a refuge in time — a time established for us to consider how we unintentionally wounded others and thus strayed from our true purpose.

Where is this refuge? Wherever you create such a space. It can be on your morning walk, on the beach, in the quiet of your house, on a break from work, at the synagogue. There is no designated place to engage in introspection and self-reflection. What is most important is that whether you are at home, at work, or on your final vacation, you make space to embrace the refuge in time that is *Elul*.

How do we create this refuge? For some, simply finding time alone will create the environment necessary for prayer and honest self-examination. Many of us need tools to help us. There are a number of books of guided reflection available at the synagogue, along with a CD of Holy Day music that might help you set the mood and be swayed by the melodies and modes of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. You can also go to www.letourpeoplesing.com/jewels/, and a daily reflection will be sent to you throughout *Elul*. That moment of reading the reflection — taking the moment to read, to breathe in and out, to reflect — that can be a refuge that will enhance your appreciation of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, even when it pops up as "early" as September 5. □



From the President - Hank Mart

This month's piece is Part Six in a series of ten articles communicating the Ten Financial Commandments. These Commandments provide guidance to allow all of us to celebrate *smachot* and all of our life-cycle events and from which we can receive support when needed.

VI. You Shall Invest Synagogue Funds

Where there is no vision, the people perish. Proverbs 29:18

How money from endowments, bequests, donations and membership commitments are invested is important, and considering the vision of where the synagogue needs to be in the future is a consideration that needs to be made. A synagogue needs to consider how it will maintain and invest monies received so that the amount will appreciate over time.

In which financial vehicles should the money be invested? There are many financial vehicles; deciding on the appropriate vehicle is a balance of risk versus return, which leads to the next question.

How much risk are we willing or able to take? Do we want to be conservative with funds or at least a certain percentage of the funds? If we take too much risk, then we could potentially lose significant principal. However, we don't want to be so conservative that the money is kept in a money market account for safekeeping. Certainly, most congregants would feel rather uncomfortable with that investment strategy! Consideration needs to be made to earn enough interest on the funds to finance various projects for which the monies are earmarked.

Are the funds needed in a short period of time or long period of time? Knowing this will help the synagogue to make decisions regarding how much risk it is able to take.

Typically, if the congregation is investing for a long period of time (generally more than five years), it can stand to make investments which carry higher risks than if it were investing over a short period of time. However, the synagogue has a

fiduciary responsibility to protect its assets and is likely to take less risk than if an individual were investing his or her own long-term funds.

Do we consult an investment professional? The synagogue may consider hiring a financial consultant to help make investment decisions. Some consultants require a specific minimum deposit for their services and then will charge a percentage each year based upon the money invested with them. Other consultants are paid a commission based on the funds they sell and the money invested with them. In either case it is important that the synagogue does its homework to ensure selection of a reliable professional to help with investing the synagogue's money.

These are but a few methods to help sustain your Jewish way of living! If you require assistance with planned giving, please consult Brian Zuckerman, Gerry Pliner or Steve Feldman. Consult with your tax professional to ensure that the process is set up appropriately and follows all tax rules regarding bequests for protection of both you and CBS.



OUR FUTURE IS BRIGHT, and THE FUTURE IS YOU!



Please note: **Shabbat morning services are suspended over the summer.**

Shabbat morning services will resume on October 3.

Regularly scheduled Friday night services will continue uninterrupted during the summer.

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Ritual Committee – Keren Vergon

Shalom! As we approach the beginning of another Jewish year, we take time to reflect on the past year and how we have lived our lives as Jews. Our congregation continues to be a Jewish home for our community. We've been blessed with many improvements to the property, and tons of hard work by congregants in all areas of community life has helped us maintain our successes and grow our opportunities. As we enter 5774, we have the opportunity to consider our past, change our present, and build for the future. May the coming year be lived in a Jewishly meaningful way.

The High Holidays are always a busy time at Beth Shalom, and they arrive very early this year. Included is our High Holiday schedule. I encourage you to attend the Selichot play, which will continue the stories of the characters from previous plays (see the article on page 10). It should be a meaningful and thought-provoking production. We will again offer our full complement of services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, including children's/family services for both holidays. Immediately following Yom Kippur we celebrate Sukkot and then close the High Holiday season with our Simchat Torah celebration. This year we will be celebrating Sukkot "Under the Stars," with special activities for our youth, who, we hope, bring a friend with them as a celebration of welcoming *ushpizim* (guests) as part of Sukkot. We will have music, smores, and other fun fall

activities. Additional Sukkot activities geared toward our adult congregants will also be held.

You should have received your High Holiday packets in the mail, where you will find additional information inside about High Holiday traditions and customs, as well as our usual materials, including information about our Tree of Life and yahrzeit plaque opportunities. Also, for those who observe Yizkor, PLEASE remember to fill out the Book of Remembrance (BOR) form and follow the instructions for returning it. Please add any new names you wish to have read as part of the service. If you had names included in the Book last year, you should have had those names included with your BOR form in this year's packet. Please take a moment to check the names and spellings to ensure there are no errors (if there are, please correct and return — if there are not, please still return the form!). Copies of this form have been included in *The Kibbitzer*, and the High Holiday packet, and they can be obtained at the synagogue.

Finally, be sure to look at the upcoming weekly email blasts and our congregational Facebook page for special High Holiday information. If you have High Holiday questions or needs, please feel free to contact me as ritual chair at kvergon@verizon.net.

High Holy Days Schedule

High Holy Days services will be conducted on the following dates:

☆ Selichot Service & Play "Dedication," a Selichot play by the Beth Shalom Players, Dessert, and Service. (See page 10 for details.)	Sat., 8/31	7:00 PM
☆ Erev Rosh Hashanah	Wed., 9/4	8:00 PM
☆ Rosh Hashanah Svc (1st day) (Tashlich to follow immediately)	Thurs., 9/4	10:00 AM
☆ Rosh Hashanah Family Svc	Thurs., 9/4	4:00 PM
☆ Rosh Hashanah Svc (2nd day) (Pancake brunch to follow)	Fri., 9/6	10:00 AM
☆ Shabbat Svc with Shuvah Panel	Fri., 9/6	7:45 PM
☆ Kol Nidre Service	Fri., 9/13	8:00 PM
☆ Yom Kippur Study, Services & Break the Fast	Sat., 9/14	

August Dates to Remember!!!!

- **Sunday, August 18 at 9:30AM**
CBS Annual Open House
- **Sunday, August 25**
9:30am—First day of Religious School
6:00pm—CBS Fantasy Football Draft

Full calendar on page 15.

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Membership — Rudina Richter

August brings the end of summer schedules, respite from the worst of the summer heat, and the annual **CBS OPEN HOUSE!** Make sure to mark your calendars for Sunday, August 18, from 9:30 AM 'til noon to meet Rabbi Betsy Torop and to see all that our congregation has to offer.

As in the past, in addition to Religious School registration, there will be a showcase of all the activities, committees and groups housed under our congregational umbrella, with representatives from all these groups on hand to answer questions.

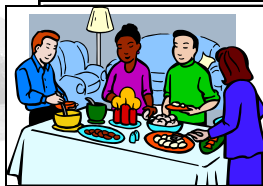
And, as always, there will be **A FREE BAGEL BRUNCH** for all!

You do not have to be a member to attend our Open House, and there is no pre-registration or ticket necessary. Just come to the Temple and sample the smorgasbord of offerings available to our members and to the community at large. And don't forget to bring your appetite!

Additionally, it is with great pleasure that I introduce you to our newest CBS member, **Ira Ratner**. Ira has recently moved to the area. He is retired from the military and has two grown children. You will recognize him as the very tall gentleman coming to services. Please introduce yourself when you see him and help extend a warm CBS welcome.

I wish you all a wonderful August and look forward to seeing you at the August 18th Open House.

Peace — Rudina



August Oneg Schedule

There can be no joy without food and drink. — Talmud, Mo'ed Katan

THANK YOU! to the following people who will host an Oneg Shabbat in August.

- August 2** Keith & Debra Balot in honor of Jessica's birthday.
- August 9** Gabe & Amy Tabak in honor of their 1st anniversary.
- August 16** Jay & Jisela Bolnick and friends in honor of Jayson's Bar Mitzvah.
- August 23** Suzanne Jones & Jeff Newman in honor of their 25th anniversary.
- August 30** David & Rudina Richter in expectation of their 2nd grandchild.

SIGN UP TO SPONSOR AN ONEG!

We are in need of Oneg sponsors/hosts for the following dates: Sept. 6, Oct. 4 and Oct. 18.

Please contact Judith Pliner at 813-436-0080 or email her at gp@pliner-inc.com to help us out with a future date.

Thank you from your Oneg Committee,
Jerilyn Dimant, Judith Pliner and Anna Feldman



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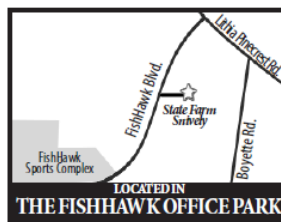
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Shabbat Shuvah. "I am Jewish" Panel

Friday, September 6 at 7:45 p.m.

"I am Jewish" — these were the last words of *Wall Street Journalist* Daniel Pearl, who was brutally murdered in Pakistan in 2002. His parents have edited a collection of essays on Jewish identity, entitled "I am Jewish."



For many years, on Shabbat Shuvah (the special Shabbat between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur), CBS has invited several congregants to reflect on what the words "I am Jewish" mean to them. This year's panelists will be Toby Koch, Scott Hopkins and Caren Katz.

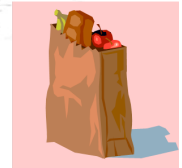
Social Action - Phyllis Newman

Dear fellow congregant,

The High Holydays are early this year. Rosh Hashanah will be upon us during the first week of September. It is not too early to start saving your staples for the Yom Kippur drive to help needy families. Last year's drive was very successful. I thank all of you who participated. Because of the economic situation which many of us face, it is doubly important for us to have an even better drive this year.

On behalf of those whom we help and serve, I thank you.

Phyllis Newman, Social Action Chair



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- Toby Koch — Coordinating emergency Board meeting
- Seth & Micah Dugan, Zsa Lobel, Hank & Daniel Mart, Mags & Aurora Oldman, Sandee, Jim & Andrew Pelk, Brian Zuckerman, Keren Vergon, Amy Weinstein, Yuval Freinkle, Erika Young and Dan Goldfarb for their diligent, hard, and swift work on purging and resetting our storage areas..

Do you know a CBS member who should be congratulated for a special accomplishment? If so, email the name and accomplishment to cbs-admin@hotmail.com.

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Our congregational retreat registration for Camp Cedarkirk begins in September, and you will be able to access it through *The Kibbitzer* or on our CBS website. Since space is limited for this amazing weekend of fun, learning and community, we encourage you to “save the date” but also to register and “save the room.”

Private, semi-private and bunk rooms will be available, as well as family rooms for up to six (two adults and four children) and everything in between. Accommodations are on a first-come-first-served basis, so get your requests in early.

Our registration materials will include floor plans and housing options, as well as prices. Pricing will include all meals and activities for both children and adults. Reservations will be accepted through December, but if you wait your room-type may not be available, so reserve your spot early.

Come join us for a weekend of communing with nature, our faith and our CBS family as we explore “Peace by Piece: Building a Life of Serenity in our 24/7 World.”

CBS Annual Open House

**Mark Your Calendars Now
for
Congregation Beth Shalom’s Open House
and Bagel Brunch**

Sunday, August 18, 9:30 AM – Noon

This event is **free** and open to the public, with no reservations or tickets required. Come see our beautifully remodeled building. Learn about our exciting Religious School and innovative programs for children of all ages. Join us for brunch. Explore our showcase of the many and varied activities available at Congregation Beth Shalom. Discover what we do in our community, how to get involved, and how to get tickets for the High Holy Days. And, did I mention the **FREE BAGEL BRUNCH**?

For questions, contact: Rudina Richter (813-690-1436) or the temple office (813-681-6547).

We look forward to seeing you there!



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Education - Amy Weinstein

I hope this summer brought you a peaceful respite from our typically over-scheduled days. I do hope you found time to live some of what we have taught all year — that Shabbat candles were lit, services attended, Hebrew practiced and mitzvahs performed whenever you could.

I am looking forward to the 2013-2014 school year. We will “kick off the school year” with the annual Open House on August 18. Please plan to stop by, register for school, meet your teacher, check out our curriculum and choose to be involved through our many opportunities to volunteer. Karen Blanchard and I will be available to discuss your child’s Jewish Education; representatives from the Parent Association will be on hand, too.

All information including registration forms, school policies and calendar of events can be found on our website and Facebook page. We will also have hard copies available at the Open House.

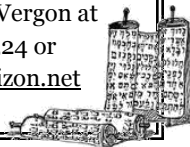
Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, concerns, or comments regarding your child’s religious education at Congregation Beth Shalom.

See you soon!

Amy Weinstein — awine007@msn.com (813) 685-7064

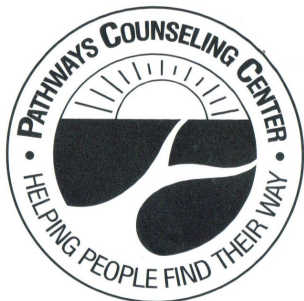
B’nai Mitzvah Tutoring

Contact Keren Vergon at
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B’nai Mitzvah

Mazel Tov to Jayson Bolnick who will become Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, August 17.



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2. On the **log in** page, skip down and click on “**Create Account.**”
3. Fill out the registration form for the business. Pick “charity.” Then pick CBS.
4. After you register, log in to your account to order boxes to collect your empties.

Encourage others (associates, customers, patients, etc.) to use the box.

When your box is full, log in to your account to print postage-paid mailing labels. Affix the labels and mail the box. Congregation Beth Shalom will get credit for your donation.

Recycling your empty cartridges either at the synagogue or at a business is good for the environment, convenient, free and helps support a great cause – Congregation Beth Shalom!

* The money raised from recycling printer cartridges helps fund Congregation Beth Shalom's Endowment Fund.

Jewish Singles 50+ TWO Great Events in August!

CBS 50+ Jewish Singles go to the theater cheaply!

American Stage Theater
163 3rd St. North
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presents
My Name is Asher Lev
adapted from the book by Chaim Potok
(author of *The Chosen*)
Sunday, August 25, 2013 at 8:00 p.m.

Special pricing for this performance (pay what you will)
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CBS 50+ Jewish Singles is having a

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**Beth Shalom NFL
Fantasy Football League**



Congregation Beth Shalom is pleased to announce that NFL Fantasy Football League is back better than ever! This year we will have opportunities to watch the games together. It should be a lot of fun for all.

Imagine you as the general manager of a NFL team. You decide which pro players to draft and who sits or starts each week from the convenience of your own home. It is up to you to name the team and draft the players who can bring you to victory each week.

Join the fun! All you need to do is attend the draft party on August 25 at 6:00 p.m. at CBS. Bring \$100, your list of favorite players, and a winning spirit. (If you can't make the party but have access to a computer, that's fine also.)

Prizes will be awarded to the champion and runner-up. All other proceeds will benefit CBS.

All general managers must sign up by August 18. Please contact Dan Weinstein at 685-7064 or dwine007@msn.com with any questions and to secure your spot in the winner's circle.

KOLOT SHALOM NOTES

Kolot Shalom has "gone fishing." Rehearsals will resume on Monday, August 12, at 7:30PM. New members are always welcome. Our first date for leading services will be on Erev Rosh Hashanah September 4th.

Happy Summer! And keep singing!

For more information, contact
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This is it! Our Scholar-in-Residence Weekend is coming! October 25-26, 2013

Ready yourself for two nights of exciting information this fall presented by author Rabbi Mark Glickman .

During Rabbi Glickman's first presentation on Friday evening, he will share information from his second book, *Burnt Pearls: The Rise, Fall, and Redemption of the Nazi Jewish Library*. Learn more from Rabbi Glickman when he also addresses his first book, *Sacred Treasure of the Cairo Genizah*, on Saturday evening.

The author will describe the largest trove of early manuscripts ever discovered in a synagogue in Cairo, Egypt. A more detailed brochure describing this event is available at the temple.

Would you like to help by sponsoring this exciting event? You can support our Scholar-in-Residence program by donating as a "contributor" in the sum of \$36, "donor" for \$72, "supporter" for \$144, or "pillar" for \$360 or more. Sponsors will be invited to join Rabbi Glickman at a luncheon at Congregation Beth Shalom on Saturday, October 26, at no additional charge. Your check should be made payable to Congregation Beth Shalom, with a notation in the left-hand corner stating "Scholar-in-Residence."

As chairman of the Adult Education Committee, I am excited and happy we are able to host such a noted author here in Brandon, one who will provide the equivalent of a "mini-course" to our members. I am looking forward to your support and to sharing these events with you.

Contact Janice Perelman (Committee Chairperson) at chinadollip@verizon.net or (813) 571-2029 to contribute ideas or to join our committee.

Sounding the Shofar.

The shofar is a ram's horn that is blown on the High Holidays, Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The shofar calls follow a specific pattern, composed of three sets of unique blasts, along with one final, very long blast. Each shofar blast sounds different from the other:

T'KI'AH - one long blast

SHEVARIM - three broken sounds

TERU'AH - nine staccato/short notes

TEKI'AH G'DOLAH - the great blast - made up of one REALLY long blast.

Some people have been known to watch the clock during the teki'ah g'dolah and time how long it lasts.



Rabbi joins the cast of this year's Selichot drama

The Beth Shalom Players will once again present a thought-provoking drama to mark the observation of *Selichot*, the holiday which leads in to the High Holidays. Rabbi Betsy Torop joins the cast as Rabbi Amy Berman, the spiritual leader of the small Reform temple at the heart of this year's story. This year's play will be presented on Saturday, August 31st, at 7 p.m. at CBS.



"Dedication" is the fifth in an ongoing series of presentations featuring fictional members of a Reform temple in a small Midwestern city. Each play offers a look into the lives of its characters and lets the audience share the ups and downs of their relationships and life events. Rabbi Torop leads an interactive discussion at the end of each production to help the audience process what they have seen and felt. The presentations are designed to help gently guide audience members into the more contemplative mood of the High Holidays. The show is better suited to teens and adults, though there is nothing of a controversial nature in this year's production.

Written by Anna Brubaker (who is also in the cast), the play features the acting talents of Joel Edelson, Joan Frankel, Dave Friedman, Vickie Goldberg, Jeff Newman, Milt Newman, Stephanie Perry, Brian Slater, Gail Verlin, Keren Vergon, and Lauren Weisman.

Admission is free. Audience members are encouraged to bring a dairy dessert to share after the discussion. The evening will end with *Havdalah* and an intimate *Selichot* service.



WE NEED YOU

We are still looking to fill a few key positions that play important roles in the continued enhancement of congregational life - are you who we are looking for?

Fundraising Chair

Coordinate fundraising efforts for the synagogue and assist with developing program(s), ensuring efforts are in line with purpose and mission.

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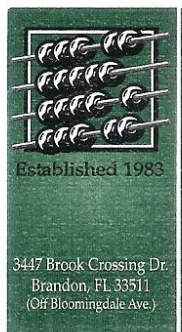
Coordinate monthly meetings, line up program and arrange for meeting places.

If you are interested in any of the positions listed above, please contact Mags at cbs-admin@hotmail.com.

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- Donate a new, unused gift to one of our 120 silent auction baskets
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Congregational Funds

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Building Fund — A fund to ensure the continuing physical growth of our spiritual home. Intended for capital improvements as well as major building repairs.

Beth Shalom's Endowment Fund — This fund ensures Beth Shalom's presence in the future.

Tree of Life — The Tree of Life is on the back wall of our sanctuary. An engraved leaf or stone can commemorate many simchas — b'nai mitzvah, wedding, anniversary, births, etc. Leaves are \$180, and stones are \$1800.

Rabbi Discretionary Fund — A fund for assistance to needy families, scholarship assistance, interfaith council, Holocaust Museum, and other endeavors.

Adopt a Book — A \$54 donation in memory of a loved one, or can mark a simcha. Dedication marked on the inside cover of the book.

Yahrzeit — to commemorate the anniversary of the death of a loved one.

Bricklet Card — For as little as \$9.00 you can send a Bricklet Card instead of buying a card for birthdays, condolences, etc. A Bricklet Card in your name will be sent to the person you wish stating that a donation has been made in his or her name to Beth Shalom to honor the occasion.

Religious School Scholarship Fund — These funds will be made available to Religious School students who are in need of tuition assistance, as determined confidentially by the Treasurer.

Donations listed below were received between June 16 and July 15.

Bricklet	Anna Brubaker & Keren Vergon	In Honor of Ann Stuck for all her hard work on behalf of CBS
Bricklet	Anna Brubaker & Keren Vergon	In Honor of Gail Verlin's Birthday
Bricklet	Anna Brubaker & Keren Vergon	In Honor of Dr. Michael Verlin's Birthday
Bricklet	Anna Brubaker & Keren Vergon	In Memory of Fred Frankel
Bricklet	Anna Brubaker & Keren Vergon	In Memory of Ethel Feinstein
Bricklet	Anna Brubaker & Keren Vergon	In Memory of relatives of Anna Brubaker
Bricklet	Errol & Sheila Fishman	Get well wishes for Les Albert
General Fund	Taoist Tai Chi Society	In appreciation
Rabbi's Discretionary Fund	Sheila & Allen Cohen	In Memory of Ethel Feinstein
Rabbi's Discretionary Fund	Michael Oertel & Lana Goldfarb	In Memory of Samuel Pesin
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Our Congregation



Anniversaries

8/10	Matthew & Kari	Halperin
8/18	Gabe & Amy	Tabak
8/20	Jim & Sandee	Pelk
8/21	Ron & Leslie	Boyar
8/25	David & Carol Anne	Friedman
8/25	Jonathan & Shayna	Singer
8/27	Jeff Newman &	Suzanne Jones
8/31	Michael Oertel &	Lana Goldfarb



Birthdays

8/1	Stacy	Robinson
8/3	Lucas	Oldman
8/4	Zoey	Halperin
8/4	Beth	Kennon
8/5	Mark	Dempsey
8/5	Arlene	Slater
8/6	Ian	Fournier
8/6	Elisha	Santucci
8/7	Jay	Bolnick
8/7	Lindsay	Finke
8/8	Jason	Tackus
8/9	Randy	Freedman
8/9	Randy	Sehres
8/10	Zachary	Mazen
8/11	Yuval	Friendle
8/11	Ryan	Katz
8/12	Elisa	Criden
8/12	Caden	Laquerre
8/13	Danielle	Frost
8/15	Scott	Savitt
8/16	Jackie	Sehres
8/16	Eric	Villasin
8/18	Denise	Savitt
8/18	Daniel	Weinstein
8/20	Phyllis	Newman
8/21	Joseph	Best
8/21	Cheryl	Lubin
8/22	Sharon	Elazar
8/22	Erica	Jacobson
8/23	Lisa	Smith
8/24	Elizabeth	Cohen
8/24	Michaela	Meyers
8/27	Lana	Goldfarb
8/30	Michelle	McCormick
8/31	Kevin	Frye
8/31	Jill	Tyree

Yahrzeits



8/2	Martin	Fishman	Brother	of	Errol	Fishman
8/3	Abraham	Levine	Father	of	Sara	Goodman
8/5	Henry	Schindler	Father	of	Arlene	Slater
8/6	Richard	Glaser	Husband	of	Barbara	Glaser
8/6	Josephine	Richter	Grandmother	of	David	Richter
8/8	Martin	Reisner	Uncle	of	Gary	Ronay
8/13	Jack	Singer	Father	of	Jonathan	Singer
8/14	Elisabeth	Beckett	Grandmother	of	Christine	Stockelman
8/14	Nathan	Fishman	Father	of	Errol	Fishman
8/15	Rhoda	Grieff	Grandmother	of	Roberta	Peterson
8/16	Elinor	Smith	Mother	of	Caren	Magdovitz
8/17	Herman	Finke	Father	of	Mark	Finke
8/18	Fay	Greenfield	Mother	of	Lawrence	Greenfield
8/20	George	Moravnick	Father	of	Eunice	Rifkin
8/21	Sonia May	Foster	Aunt of	of	Michelle	Dempsey
8/23	Raymond	Sperry	Father	of	Bruce	Sperry
8/23	Dr. Lewis	Bolnick	Father	of	Jay	Bolnick
8/24	Carl	Miller	Father	of	Sheryl	Finke
8/24	Heinz	Segall	Grandfather	of	Laurie	Noyes
8/26	Ben	Lasky	Grandfather	of	Michelle	Dempsey
8/28	Ruth	Hans	Grandmother	of	Michael	Davis
8/30	Goldie	Task	Mother	of	Ethel	Feinstein
8/31	Louis	Green	Step Father	of	Carolyn	Miller

The dates listed for the Yahrzeits are adjusted yearly according to the Jewish Calendar and may not necessarily coincide with the actual date of death. Names are read for Kaddish at the Shabbat before the actual date. If you would like to have the actual date listed, please contact the temple office at 681-6547.



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Book of Remembrance

We are putting together the Book of Remembrance for this year's High Holy Days. Please take a moment to review the form that has been inserted in this month's *Kibbitzer*.

Including the names of your departed family members is a most fitting way to honor their memory. The Book of Remembrance will be distributed during *Yom Kippur* services. Be sure to include the names of all the individuals you wish to have included and read aloud during our *Yizkor* service on *Yom Kippur*.

We respectfully request a donation of *chai* (\$18.00) for each name and double *chai* (\$36.00) if you wish to include more names. Additional multiples are gratefully accepted

This document is also available to download and print from our website.

Forms must be returned to the temple office no later than **August 23, 2013**.

The Kol Nidre service will be held Sept. 13, 2013.



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<p>Grey squares indicate office closure.</p>	<p>Calendar is subject to change. Please check with the Admin. Office if you are planning an event or meeting.</p>			1	2	3
4 1:00P Selichot Rehearsal	5 7:30P Board Meeting	6 7:30P Ritual Comm.	7 1 Elul	8 7:30P Cancer Support	9 Kibbitzer Deadline 7:45P Shabbat Service	10 6:00P 50+ Singles HERE
11 1:00P Selichot Rehearsal	12 7:30P Choir—HHHD	13	14	15 7:30P Choir—HHHD	16 7:45P Shabbat Service	17 10:00A Shabbat Service <i>Bolnick Bar Mitzvah</i>
18 9:30A Open House 1:00P Selichot Rehearsal	19 7:30P Choir—HHHD	20 <i>HCSO first day</i>	21	22	23 7:45P Shabbat Service	24 10:00A Shabbat Service <i>B'nei Mitz. Shabbaton</i>
25 9:30A 1st Day Religious Schl 9:45A Coffee Chat 10:00A AJU 1:00P Selichot Rehearsal 6:00P Fantasy Football Draft	26 7:30P Choir—HHHD	27 7:30P Exec. Committee Mtg.	28 6:15P Hebrew School 7:30P Ritual Committee Mtg	29 NO Choir	30 7:45P Shabbat Service	31 7:00 Selichot Play & Service



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