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From the Rabbi

Jewish history is an enormous subject. Encompassing thousands of years and virtually every continent, tracing the history of our people is a monumental task. Some people tell me that they are fascinated by history – the dates, the amazing people, the twists and turns of fate. Others tell me that they find it dry and hard to digest.

In reality, Jewish history is not an isolated subject. The study of Jewish prayer or texts, rituals or clothing, music or holidays leads to an exploration of Jewish history. Moreover, Jewish history is like a travelogue – taking us from one country to the next – with all of the challenge and adventure that implies.

And, of course, Jewish food is a study in Jewish history as well. Take the bagel. The noted cookbook author Joan Nathan writes that the bagel, derived from the German word “to bend” is a descendant of the pretzel. “The boiled and baked roll with a hole dates possibly from the Roman period . . . Eventually, the bread worked its way to Poland and Russia. Today, in Cracow, where some say the present-day form of bagel was born, the bagel is alive and well, sold on many street corners.” In this same cookbook (Jewish Cooking in America) Nathan shares a recipe for Guava Mandelbrot. The recipe comes from a Cuban grandmother who fled the programs, arrived in Cuba to await a visa to the United States, and decided to stay. In Italy, eggplant has been called “a Jewish fruit” perhaps because Jewish merchants who had tasted it in their travels in the Middle or Far East carried a few seeds to Italy. Learning about food goes well beyond the food itself– it is about Jewish culture and survival and history.

That’s what makes our upcoming weekend (October 16-17) with our Scholar-In-Residence Rabbi Debbi Prinz so important. It’s not only that she talks about chocolate (one of my personal favorites as many of you know!). Rather, chocolate is the vehicle to discuss fascinating Jewish stories – from the Colonial settlers in early America to the French aristocracy. Through the story of chocolate we can see how Jews interacted with their neighbors and many other features of Jewish life through the ages.

We live in an age of heightened attention to what we eat. The farm to table movement, community gardens, the emphasis on simple food with no artificial ingredients – all of these are a reminder that food conveys values and tells a story. That has always been the case for us as Jews. From the saying of *hamotzi*, to the observance of *kashrut*, to the embracing of precious family restaurants – each meal is more than just food for our body. It can also nourish our Jewish souls and spirits – even a luxurious treat like chocolate. Hope you’ll take this fascinating Jewish journey on the chocolate trail with us.



Programming for the Scholar in Residence weekend includes the following events:

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From the President - Jeff Newman

Lowered Expectations

A very wise man said once, “If you don’t expect things, you won’t be disappointed.”



I have heard that expressed many times in my life and up to a few weeks ago interpreted this the same. On the surface we protect ourselves from feeling badly towards others since expectations fall short. We may constantly feel let down because our expectations are often greater than what people can deliver with their capabilities, time and resources.

Unfortunately our disappointment towards these people causes us to resent, belittle and diminish others. I see this in temple life – we expect so much time and resources from people who have a finite amount and time and resource. Ask me to do mechanical work and you will be disappointed. We must continually remind ourselves that we are doing the best we can and our heart is in the right place.

My new preferred interpretation of “if you don’t expect things, you won’t be disappointed” is that it allows gratitude for others. Everything a person does can be embraced with gratitude for the work the person did. I have gratitude for all the little things each temple member does for CBS.

If we can see the gifts of love for our temple, not the expectation of being a temple member, imagine how much more caring, loving, and gracious of a family we will be. Gratitude humbles and warms my heart, and it is my New Year’s hope that all of us are warmed and humbled by the acts of loving kindness towards our temple family.

L’shana Tovah and thanks for your wisdom, dad.

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and
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October Dates to Remember

- **Saturday, October 10, 10:00AM—Allyson Peterson Bat Mitzvah**
- **Sunday, October 11, 9:30AM—K/1st Grade Family Program: Me and My Hebrew Name**
- **Friday, October 16, 7:45PM—Simcha Shabbat**
- **October 16 & 17—Scholar in Residence Weekend**
- **Sunday, October 18, 9:30AM—7th Grade Family Program: Putting the “Mitzvah” in B’nai Mitzvah**
- **Friday, October 23, 7:45PM— Shabbat Service, Choir Performs**
- **Sunday, October 25, Noon—B’nai Mitzvah Orientation for 6th Graders and their Parents**
- **Monday, October 26, 4:00PM—Dinner with the Tribe**
- **Friday, October 30, 7:45PM— Shabbat Service led by 7th Grade**
- **Saturday, October 31, 10:00AM—Bible and Bagels, Parachat Vayera: The Value of Scandalous Stories**

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Membership –Phyllis Newman

I would like to thank all those people who came out to join us for the annual CBS Open House. What a glorious morning it was. Thank you to the Membership Committee for the hard work that you demonstrated, which made the morning very successful. Our bake sale, thanks to Anna Feldman, Sheila Slavkin and Judy Jacobson, made the event a big success.

It is my pleasure to announce the introduction of eight new members. WELCOME TO OUR TEMPLE FAMILY.

- George Seligman, a retired dentist, who resides in Sun City Center
- Lois Smerilson, a retired teacher, who resides in Sun City Center
- Katie & Joseph Best, who reside in Valrico. Katie is a stay-at-home mom and Joseph works as a revenue agent.
- Kristan & Steven Birnholz, who reside in Lithia. Steven is a counselor at Florida Council of One Hundred.
- Jason & Lizette Howard, who reside in Lithia. Jason is in Securities and Lizette is an analyst.
- Lauren Brown, a nanny, who resides in Brandon
- Rita Tiller, a teacher, who resides in Lithia
- Daniel & Kimberly Miller, who reside in Brandon. Daniel is a teacher and Kimberly is a psychologist.

When you meet these new members, please be sure to give them a CBS welcome.

Thank you again for a wonderful year.

AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO MY TEMPLE FAMILY.

Phyllis

October 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 October.

- October 2 Hank & Donna Mart in honor of their anniversary.
- October 9 Roberta & Ken Peterson in honor of their daughter, Allyson's Bat Mitzvah.
- October 16 The Life Long Learning Committee as a temple mitzvah.
- October 23 Denise & Scott Savitt in honor of Shane's birthday.
- October 30 Jon & Isabel Ellis in honor of his upcoming November 5th birthday.

SIGN UP TO SPONSOR AN ONEG!

Contact Judith Pliner at (813) 436-0080 or email her at gp@pliner-inc.com if you are interested in hosting an Oneg. Thanks to everyone who is helping out with the Onegs in October and in the upcoming months.

Your Oneg Committee,
Anna Feldman, Judith Pliner, Anita Hoffman and Melissa Villasin

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Kudos n' Mazels

Join with CBS in offering congratulations and recognition to the following members on their accomplishments:

MAZELS

- Mazel Tov to Sandy Schwartz for becoming a grandfather!
- Mazel Tov to Gabriel Lifschitz on his daughter's recent wedding!

KUDOS

- Kudos to Michelle McCormick for organizing a wonderful Welcome Back Breakfast for Religious School!
- Kudos to Anna Brubaker and the CBS Players for an evening of provocative thought with this year's Selichot play.
- Kudos to the Ritual Committee for their preparations for the High Holy Days
- Kudos to all of our Torah readers, Haftarah readers, Hebrew readers, and our Choir for enhancing our High Holy Day experience!
- Kudos to the Religious School Parent Association for putting together another terrific Sukkah Under the Stars!
- Kudos to Richard Oldman for connecting us with The Olive Tree for A Taste of Sukkot!
- Kudos to Steve Slavkin and the entire crew for organizing a wonderful Rosh Hashanah Pancake Breakfast!
- Kudos to Lauren Weisman, Carol Anne Friedman, Lana Goldfarb and all who volunteered to coordinate a delicious Break the Fast at the conclusion of Yom Kippur!
- Kudos to Chris Stockelman, who has been volunteering in the office helping Mags catch up (and keeping her sane).
- Kudos to Tiffany Feldman for bringing her amazing baking skills to our Religious School!
- Kudos to Dave Friedman, the Lubin family, Cynthia Goldstein and Scott Carson for putting up our wonderful sukkah!

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.



Jewish Community Events:

- October 4th—Tampa Young Adult Division Bucs Game
- October 15—18th - Tampa Jewish Book Festival
- October 29th—JCC Campaign Kick-Off

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Lifelong Learning—Sheila Fishman

During the weekend of October 16, the Lifelong Learning Committee will be presenting Rabbi Deborah R. Prinz to our congregation as part of the Scholar in Residence program.

Rabbi Prinz's book, *On the Chocolate Trail: A Delicious Adventure Connecting Jews, Religions, History, Travel, Rituals and Recipes to the Magic of Cacao*, was published in 2013 by Jewish Lights and is already in its third printing. Rabbi Prinz lectures about chocolate and religion around the world. The book is being used in adult study, classroom settings, book clubs and chocolate tastings. Prinz blogs at Jews-OnTheChocolateTrail.org, The Huffington Post and The Jew and the Carrot. This project stirs age-old passions for chocolate and religion using information gathered from travel in several countries, including Belgium, Egypt, England, France, Israel, Italy, Mexico, Spain, Switzerland and the United States. It spans several cultures, countries, centuries, and religions, exploring how faith traditions share consumption, ritual and business interests in chocolate.

Programming for the event includes the following:

Friday Night, October 16 at 7:45 p.m.

North American Colonial Traders Dip into Chocolate: The Gomez and Lopez Stories

In Colonial North America Sephardi refugee merchants such as Aaron Lopez in Newport Rhode Island, the Gomez family in New York, and others dipped deeply into trading, retailing and processing of chocolate

Saturday, October 17 at 10:00 a.m.

What is the Best Chocolate: Our Jewish Values

This discussion focuses on our Jewish choices in our chocolate purchases. A look at criteria for purchasing the best chocolate from several perspectives, including sustainability and fair labor practices.

Saturday, October 17 at noon

A catered lunch for all sponsors with Rabbi Prinz

Saturday, October 17 at 7:00 p.m.

Jews on the Chocolate Trail-Cost is \$20 per person

Treat yourself to a presentation on Jews on the Chocolate Trail, followed by a wine reception and chocolate tasting. Proceeds support programming at Congregation Beth Shalom of Brandon. Come in a festive attire and with a festive attitude.

This evening's talk about Jews and chocolate melds an enjoyment of chocolate with an exploration of chocolate's worldwide Jewish narratives and rituals, unwrapping tantalizing new themes. Delight your mind and your taste buds as this talk unscrambles this Jewish chocolate trail spanning several centuries and countries. This story reflects the resourcefulness and resilience of these Jewish chocolate makers and lovers.



Scholar in Residence Sponsorship Opportunities

You have an opportunity to support the Scholar in Residence event as a sponsor. Suggested Donation Levels:

▪ Contributor \$40

Donor name will appear in the program booklet and an invitation will be extended to the luncheon following Shabbat worship services on October 17 in Rabbi Prinz's honor.

▪ Donor \$80

Donor name will appear in the program booklet and an invitation will be extended to the luncheon following Shabbat worship services on October 17 in Rabbi Prinz's honor. Donor will also receive a ticket to the wine reception and chocolate tasting.

▪ Supporter \$150

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▪ Pillar \$350 and up

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Checks may be made payable to Congregation Beth Shalom of Brandon and should be mailed to 706 Bryan Road, Brandon FL 33511. Please indicate that this donation is for the Scholar-in-Residence program. Checks should be received no later than **October 5, 2015**, for publication in our weekend brochure.



Scholar
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KOLOT SHALOM NOTES

L'Shanah Tovah 5776!

What a wonderful beginning we've had at Beth Shalom of Brandon. The messages of our New Year rang out with the singing of our Cantors, Choir, Soloists, Accompanists and Shofar Blowers (Ba'alei Tekiah). They arrived in the words of our Rabbi, our President, Bima Honorees and our new Mishkan Hanefesh.

As we recall these Days of Awe, we wish to thank all those who brought such joy to the holiday season. I specifically would like to thank the musicians who brought the gift of melody to our services:

Kevin Frye, Sandy Santucci, Clara Barnett, Marina Baker, Cynthia Goldstein, Christine Stockelman, Lauren Weisman, Gail Verlin, Joel Edelson, Milt Newman, Janice Perelman, Dave Friedman, Jeff Newman, Steve Slavkin, Diane Jacobson, Matt Billor and Carlos Audi.

One of the definitions of a shofar is something that gives us a sense of incising or more clearly "cutting or burning into." May the shofar, the music and the words spoken at our High Holy Days burn deeply into our hearts and souls and remain ever in our thoughts.

A Very Happy New Year to you all.

B'vrachah,
Joan Frankel



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Saturday, February 7, 2016 @ 7:00 pm

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For this event, we want to involve all our temple families –we welcome long time members as well as newbies!

Whether you can offer an hour to help, or a whole day, we would love to hear from you.

Join us at our next **planning meeting** Wed. Oct. 14th @ 6:15 pm at the temple.

Bring your ideas, a friend and a nosh. We look forward to seeing you!

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Join us on Shabbat morning, October 31, 2015 for a lively and participatory look at the weekly Torah portion: "Parshah Vayera: The Values of Scandalous Stories"-along with a nosh, of course!





Education - Amy Weinstein

Our School is off to a great start! We began the school year with a welcome back breakfast sponsored by the Parent Association (PA). Thanks to Michelle McCormick for her dedication, support and enthusiasm as she begins her term as our PA Chair. Please contact Michelle if you are interested in being part of our very active Parent Association.

As of 10/1/15, our school currently has 48 students enrolled in grades K-7. We have approximately 15 expected for our Confirmation Program which includes grades 8-10. We are delighted to have 11 new students in our Sunday School Program

This is only my second article of the new school year and we have already celebrated Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur and Sukkot. I understand that the High Holidays along with Labor Day had our start of school inconsistent. I am thrilled that we have every Sunday and Wednesday with our students in October. Please help us make the most of this time by having your child attend each week. Remember, class begins at 9:30AM Sunday mornings and 6:15PM on Wednesday nights.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions/concerns/comments regarding your child's religious education at Congregation Beth Shalom.

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Important October Dates

- 10/11 K & 1st grade family program with Rabbi
- 10/25 6th grade B'nai Mitzvah Family Orientation meeting at Noon
- 10/30 7th grade Shabbat Service at 7:45PM



BeSTY BEAT



BeSTY Calendar:

- Fall Kallah (grades 9 - 12) October 9 - 11 (Congregation for Reform Judaism - Orlando, FL)
- Winter Kallah (grades 9 - 12) December 26 - 30 (Orlando Marriott Airport - Orlando, FL)
- Hatikvah Kallah (grades 6, 7, 8) January 29 - 31, 2016 (Temple Dor Dorim - Weston, FL)
- Spring Kallah (grades 9 - 12) March 4-6, Camp Geneva in Fruitland, FL
- LLTI (elected officers) April 8 - 10, 2016 (Temple B'nai Israel - Clearwater, FL)

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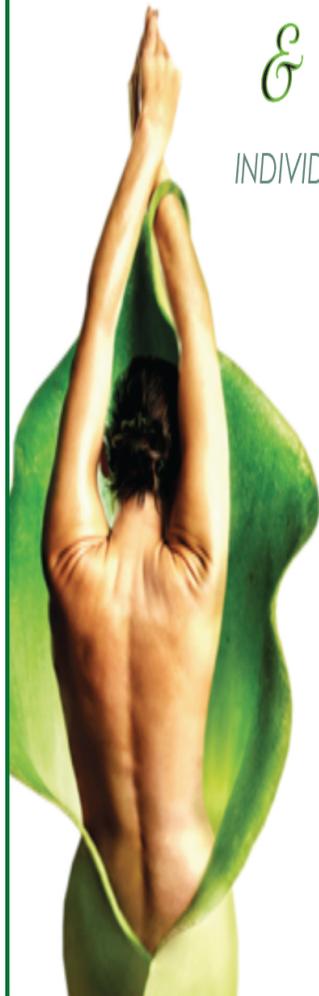
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MITZVAH DAY

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Thank YOU for volunteering!

9:00-10:00 Sign-in, Breakfast, Welcome

10:00-Noon Begin your Mitzvah Day experience

The BloodMobile will be on site from 8:30 – 1:00. PLEASE DONATE. It is better to make an appointment for either before or after your activity. We have guaranteed the Blood services a minimum of 15 donators. Please contact Pam Provenzano at ptprovenzano@gmail.com.

Here are some of the wonderful Mitzvah Day volunteer opportunities available this year:

- JCC Food Bank
- Seeds of Hope
- Winthrop Community Garden
- The Bridges ALF
- Emeritus
- Care Bags
- Youth Group vs. Special Olympics Basketball Game
- CBS food pantry
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Funds:

- **General Fund** (unrestricted): An unrestricted gift to the General Fund allows the temple to use those funds wherever they may be needed most. This fund incorporates contributions received from our High Holy Day Appeal, Yahrzeit donations, Bricklets, Adopt-A-Book, Tree of Life (unless otherwise indicated) and other non-restricted gifts.
- **Building Fund:** A fund to ensure the continuing physical growth of our spiritual home. Intended for capital improvements and major building repairs.
- **Endowment Fund:** Gifts to this fund are placed in an investment account and temporarily restricted or can be defined/restricted by the donor. This fund ensures the future of our temple.
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- **Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:** a fund for assistance to families in need, scholarship assistance, interfaith council, Holocaust museum and other endeavors at the Rabbi's discretion.

If you wish to designate a gift to a particular purpose, for example, Food Bank, Choir, Oneg, Social Action, etc., you may do so by noting as such on your payment method or with an accompanying note; otherwise, your gift will be used where it is needed most.

Opportunities:

- **Adopt-A-Book:** A dedication label will be placed in one of our prayer books, to commemorate a simcha or in honor or memory of a loved one for just \$54.
- **Bricklets:** For as little as \$9 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.
- **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, birth, graduations, etc. Leaves are \$180, and stones are \$1800.
- **Yahrzeit Plaque:** To honor the death of a loved one, you may purchase a plaque that will be cared for in perpetuity for \$250. The name of the deceased along with their date of death is included on the plaque.

*Unless otherwise noted by you, your gift will be acknowledged in the Kibbitzer the month following its receipt.
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Donations listed below were received between July 16 and August 15.

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Mazel Tov on the Wedding of Adam Weinstein

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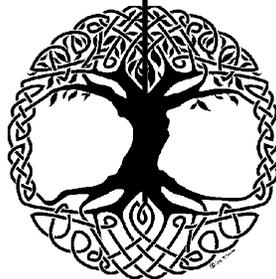
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Anniversaries

10/3	Hank & Donna	Mart	10/19	James & Lisa	Smith
10/6	David & Vickie	Goldberg	10/21	Kenneth & Cynthia	Posner
10/7	Jared & Allison	Rapp	10/22	Andrew & Katy	Swedlow
10/14	Melissa & Eric	Villasin	10/24	Gerald & Judith	Pliner
10/16	Katie & Joseph	Best	10/31	Errol & Shelia	Fishman
10/18	Scott & Denise	Savitt	10/31	Bruce & Janice	Sperry

Yahrzeits



10/1	Leslie	Lasky	Friend	of	Beth	Kennon
10/2	William	Newman	Relative	of	Leslie	Will
10/4	Ira	Fleischman	Father	of	Lauren	Weisman
10/4	Chaim	Andrievsky	Grandfather	of	Tanya	Hernandez
10/6	Arlene	Davis	Mother	of	Michael	Davis
10/7	Albert W.	Besterman	Grandfather	of	Leslie	Boyar
10/8	Rose	Goloskov	Grandmother	of	Sheila	Fishman
10/9	Arnold	Krulish	Father	of	Lee	Schwartz
10/12	Seymour	Deiner	Brother	of	Blossom Grimm	Silverstein
10/13	Malcsi	Reisner Lerman	Aunt	of	Gary	Ronay
10/13	Irving	Hans	Grandfather	of	Michael	Davis
10/13	Dorothy	Zazulia	Grandmother	of	Iylene	Miller
10/14	Paul	Buchman	Father	of	Ken	Buchman
10/14	Levi Gomes de	Oliveria Rosalino	Brother	of	Marina	Baker
10/15	Himy	Joelson	Grandfather	of	Mark	Rabinowitz
10/16	John	Cassidy	Father	of	Jerilyn	Dimant
10/19	Eleanor	Segall	Grandmother	of	Laurie	Noyes
10/20	H. Robert	Gordon	Father	of	Jane	Hertzberg
10/22	Mary	Burton	Grandmother	of	Keren	Vergon
10/22	Melvin	Rifkin	Husband	of	Eunice	Rifkin
10/23	Milton Harvey	Rogovin	Father-in-law	of	Robin	Rogovin
10/23	Doris	Ohman	Mother	of	Cynthia	Goldstein
10/23	Richard	May	Grandfather	of	David	Richter
10/24	Irene	Freedman	Aunt	of	Randy	Freedman
10/26	Murray	Goldberg	Father	of	Brenda	Gold
10/29	Florence	Finkel	Aunt	of	Steve	Feldman
10/30	Sol	Schecter	Relative	of	Leslie	Will
10/31	Victor	Goldberg	Father	of	Karen Goldberg	Pitchon
10/31	Elisabeth	Ballou	Mother	of	Christine	Stockelman

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.

Yahrzeit plaques are available for members and non-members for a fee. Plaques are maintained in perpetuity and lit on the memorial board in coordination with the week the names are announced. Observers of those memorialized on our Memorial Boards are notified of the yahrzeit by mail as a courtesy reminder.



Birthdays

10/1	Kate	Swedlow
10/1	Jim	Smith
10/1	Gillian Reese	Moskowitz
10/1	Mitchell	Finke
10/2	Serena	Cohen
10/2	Lea	Garbett
10/3	Rebecca	Sperry
10/4	Rebecca	Smith
10/4	Suzanne	Jones
10/4	Jacob	Balot
10/6	Jeffrey	Frieman
10/7	Cesar	Rojas
10/7	Aaron	Weiss
10/8	Renate	Greenfield
10/8	Jessica	Freedman
10/10	Beth	Frieman
10/10	Randall	Finke
10/11	Jayne	Best
10/12	Marcia	Weiner
10/12	Amy	Weinstein
10/12	Benjamin	Lannak
10/13	Zachary	Singer
10/13	Steven	Billor
10/13	Laura	Sehres
10/16	Myron	Feldman
10/18	Paige	Dugan
10/20	Sandee	Pelk
10/20	Rachel	Edelson
10/21	Aaron	Torop
10/22	Gerald	Pliner
10/23	Michael	Lubin
10/23	Sheila	Slavkin
10/23	Michael	Yaravitz
10/26	Marion	Mehrerr
10/26	Amanda	Yaravitz
10/27	Lander Daniel	Feldman
10/27	Roberta	Peterson
10/28	Scott	Sehres
10/28	Danielle	Elazar
10/29	Jarett	Rieger
10/30	Rebecca	Burkett
10/31	Jordan	Shaw

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- Sarah Smith—Age 15, completed Safe Sitter course: 813-684-0678
- Lucas Oldman—Age 14, completed YMCA Babysitter Training & Boy Scout Basic First Aid: 813-300-6044
- Corinne Posner—Age 15, lives in FishHawk, 407-592-9694

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 SUKKOT 7:30P Choir 10/23	2 SUKKOT 7:45 P Shabbat Service (oneg in Sukkah)	3 SUKKOT
4 SIMCHAT TORAH 9:30A RS YAD Bucs Game 7:00P Simchat Torah	5 SH'MINI ATZARET 7:30P Choir 10/23	6 6:15P Life. Learn. Comm. 7:30P Board Mtg.	7 6:15P Hebrew School 6:30P Confirmation Class 7:30P Cemetery Comm.	8	9 NFTY Fall Kallah (Orlando) Kibbitzer Deadline 7:45 P Shabbat Service	10 NFTY Fall Kallah 10:00A Allyson Peterson Bat Mitzvah
11 NFTY Fall Kallah 9:30 RS: K-1 Family Prog.	12	13	14 6:15P Hebrew School 6:30 Art After Dark Comm	15 Tampa Jewish Book Festival	16 Tampa Jewish Book Festival Scholar in Residence 7:45 P Shabbat Service	17 Tampa Jewish Book Festival Scholar in Residence 10am Shabbat Svc 12pm SIR lunch 7pm SIR Event
18 9:30A RS—7th Grade Family	19 7:30P Choir 10/23	20	21 6:15P Hebrew School 6:30P Confirmation Class	22 7:30P Choir 10/23	23 7:45 P Shabbat Svc Choir Sings	24
25 9:30A RS 9:45A RSPA Meeting 12:00P 6th Grade B'nai Mitzvah Orientation	26 No Hills. Co. Sch. 7:30P Choir 11/13	27 7:30P Exec. Comm. Mtg.	28 6:15P Hebrew School 7:30P Ritual Comm.	29 JCC Campaign Kickoff Event	30 7:45P 7th Gr. Shabbat	31 10:00AM Bible & Bagels



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