

# The Kibbitzer

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## From the Rabbi *By: Rabbi Betsy Torop*

### *A New History of the Holy Days*

The ancient rabbis were very creative (to say the least) in their understanding of time. As they understood the history of the world, Moses ascended Mt. Sinai to plead for the Children of Israel after the Golden Calf on the first day of Elul (the month preceding Rosh Hashanah). God finally agrees to grant forgiveness on Yom Kippur. In his book *60 Days: A Spiritual Guide to the High Holydays*, Simon Jacobson writes, "Essentially this cycle is the story of love, betrayal and reconciliation... In *Elul*, Moses succeeds to have God consider the proposition (of relationship after the Golden Calf), on Rosh Hashanah, God finally agrees to recommit. Yom Kippur is the wedding ceremony. We then dance and sing in the wedding celebration on Sukkot, followed by a final burst of ultimate joy on Simchat Torah."

Creative history, to be sure. But it's reflective of a pattern we know in our own lives. The process of letting someone down, seeking reconciliation, asking for forgiveness and then moving again toward a healthy relationship is one we can all understand. If we have had a falling out with an old friend, we consider; we wrestle; we try to make it right. We seek forgiveness, but to repair the relationship we have to begin to spend time together again — to share birthdays, dinners, special celebrations. Those celebrations are key in our personal relationships and in our relationships with God and Jewish life. So why is it that we tend to ignore the celebration, the joy that immediately follows Yom Kippur?

### *Convenience vs. Commitment?*

Sukkot and Simchat Torah seem less important to us than Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, the joy and celebration following our reconciliation with others and with God less essential than the act of reconciliation and repentance itself. But clearly there is more to it. We've already taken days off work for the 'major Holy Days,' missed school assignments and homework, rescheduled lessons and doctor appointments. Sukkot and Simchat Torah are often midweek (this year on Wednesday nights), and it's hard to get to Temple from work, hard to have another late night mid-week, hard to have to juggle yet again. But, like anything from exercising to studying to dieting, most of us could do it. It may not be easy or convenient, but we could do it. And I promise you, your commitment will be richly rewarded and spiritually fulfilling. See the stars through the Sukkah, join your friends in a potluck dinner, or bring your kids to our wonderful new "Sukkah under the Stars" with hay rides, square dancing and a focus on the hospitality of Sukkot by encouraging kids to bring a friend. Hear wonderful live Jewish music on Simchat Torah, hug our sacred torah close as you dance with friends, and see the masterpiece that is a torah scroll unrolled.

If you are looking to put your commitments for a New Year into practice, start by making the commitment to celebrate joy and join us for Sukkot and Simchat Torah.

Michael, Gideon, Aaron and Hannah join me in wishing all of you a *Shanah Tovah u'Metukah* — a year of sweetness, fulfillment and joy. □



## From the President - Hank Mart

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Congregation Beth Shalom, Donna and I would like to personally wish you and your family a very happy and healthy New Year. It is a pleasure and honor to serve with an outstanding Board of Directors, with a learned Rabbi, and alongside the voices of a beautiful choir and cantorial soloist, our employees, and all the wonderful volunteers of CBS.

*L'Shana Tova*

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

### VII. You Shall Have Financial Controls

*Let your friend's property be as dear to you as your own.*  
—Pirke Avot 2:12

Ensuring that synagogues have financial controls to protect their financial viability is extremely important. We may not consider that things like misappropriation could happen in a synagogue, but unfortunately they sometimes do. So, like for-profit companies, synagogues should have controls in place to ensure that their funds are kept safe and that the individuals responsible for those funds have protections in place to limit the likelihood of impropriety.

A carpenter needs a tool belt with a hammer, nails and a level; and a doctor needs his stethoscope and tongue depressor. So too, a synagogue needs its tools to help meet the financial goals of being financially healthy so that it can prosper and meet the needs of its congregation. Without correct tools, the carpenter can't build a house, and the doctor can't examine and diagnose his patients. Without financial tools, synagogues can't meet their financial goals. One such tool is the investment policy statement,

which is currently under review by the finance committee.

If you would like to participate in the process or would like to review any of the financial documents, please contact Michael Barnett, the Temple Treasurer. Or, 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.



*Where there is no bread, there can be no Torah; Where there is no Torah, there is no bread.* – Pirkei Avot

On behalf of the congregation's Board of Directors, we thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you at services. May the year ahead be filled with the blessings of health, happiness, and peace. *L'Shana Tova Tikatayvu.*

**OUR FUTURE IS BRIGHT, and, THE FUTURE IS YOU!**

# Back to Shul

**Shabbat morning services will resume October 5 after having been suspended over the summer.**

Regularly scheduled Friday night services are held uninterrupted throughout the year.



Note: The Temple office will be closed on Thursday Sept. 19 for Sukkot, and Thursday Sept. 26 for Simchat Torah.

**Congregation Beth Shalom provides a meaningful spiritual home for people of all ages and levels of knowledge, a place to learn and to question, a place to worship and to celebrate, and a place to find a community that cares. We offer:**

- ✦ **Friday worship services at 7:45 PM, Saturday worship services at 10:00 AM**
- ✦ **Religious school pre-kindergarten through tenth grade**
- ✦ **Complete B'nai Mitzvah preparation**
- ✦ **Youth group programming**
- ✦ **Adult Education classes**
- ✦ **Community-wide events, including Mitzvah Day**
- ✦ **Special social activities including our Daytimers program for seniors**





## Ritual Committee – Keren Vergon

We look forward to spending the High Holy Days with you. During this time of year, we step out of our daily routines and can avail ourselves of the many holiday offerings at CBS.

We hope these reminders will promote a participatory, joyous and meaningful High Holy Days experience for everyone.

### Prepare

- Read High Holy Day traditions insert in packet
- Practice High Holy Day melodies with CD and lyrics
- Read Elul meditations packet available at synagogue
- Read weekly Eblasts
- Follow us on Facebook for updates
- Make volunteer RSVPs to groups you help
- Send in Book of Remembrance Forms
- Consider white clothes when picking wardrobe
- Please don't wear perfume! (allergies)

### Bring

- High Holy Day tickets
- Food Drive Items
- High Holy Day Appeal Pledge Cards
- Break Fast Donations
- Pancake Breakfast Donations
- Bread for Tashlich Service
- Friends (Ushpizin) for Sukkot

### Attend

- Slichot Play and Service
- Rosh Hashanah Services (3)
- Tashlich Service
- Pancake Brunch
- Shabbat Shuvah Service
- Yom Kippur Services (3)
- High Holiday Family Services (2)
- Break Fast
- Sukkot Under the Stars
- Consecration
- Simchat Torah

Finally, be sure to visit 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](mailto:kvergon@verizon.net).

## High Holy Days Schedule

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

|  |             |          |
|--|-------------|----------|
| ☆ Erev Rosh Hashanah   | Wed., 9/4   | 8:00 PM  |
| ☆ Rosh Hashanah Svc (1st day)<br><i>(Tashlich immediately following service)</i> | Thurs., 9/5 | 10:00 AM |
| ☆ Rosh Hashanah Family Svc   | Thurs., 9/5 | 4:00 PM  |
| ☆ Rosh Hashanah Svc (2nd day)<br><i>(Pancake brunch to follow)</i>               | Fri., 9/6   | 10:00 AM |
| ☆ Shabbat Svc with Shuvah Panel  | Fri., 9/6   | 7:45 PM  |
| ☆ Memorial Service<br><i>(Hillsborough Memorial Gardens)</i>                     | Sun., 9/8   | Noon     |
| ☆ Kol Nidre Service  | Fri., 9/13  | 8:00 PM  |
| ☆ Yom Kippur <i>(Study follows service)</i>                                      | Sat., 9/14  | 10:00AM  |
| Children's Service   | Sat., 9/14  | 2:30PM   |
| Evening Service  | Sat., 9/14  | 4:00PM   |
| Yizkor-Memorial Service  | Sat., 9/14  | 5:45PM*  |
| Ne'ilah  | Sat., 9/14  | 6:30PM*  |
| Break the Fast   | Sat., 9/14  | 7:15PM*  |

\*Start times are approximate.



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(subject to change without notice)  
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Fri 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

### Weekly Email Blast submissions

[bethshalominfo@gmail.com](mailto:bethshalominfo@gmail.com)

eBlast deadline is Wednesday at 6:00pm



# CBS Page Turners

## Book Discussion Group

Please join our vibrant reading group in diverse and interesting discussions about books with Jewish themes, as we explore our past and our future in light of our faith and beliefs. We look forward to a year of good reads, and we especially look forward to having you join us for these interesting dialogues.

### The World Without You

by Joshua Henkin

Thursday, September 19 at 7:30 p.m.

Location: CBS Library

It's 2005, and the Frankel family is descending upon their beloved summer home in the Berkshires. But this is no ordinary holiday. The family has gathered to memorialize Leo, the youngest of the four siblings, an intrepid journalist and adventurer who was killed a year ago while on assignment in Iraq.

Set against the backdrop of Independence Day and the Iraq War, The World Without You is a novel about sibling rivalries and marital feuds, about volatile women and silent men, and, ultimately, about the true meaning of family.

For questions about Page Turners, contact Zsa Lobel at [zsa@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:zsa@tampabay.rr.com).

## September 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 September.

**September 6** Joan Frankel in honor of her birthday.

**September 13** (No Oneg—Yom Kippur begins at sundown.)

**September 20** Sophia Brenner and Zsa Lobel in celebration of Zsa's birthday.

**September 27** Carolyn and Eric Miller in honor of Eric's birthday.

### SIGN UP TO SPONSOR AN ONEG!

We are in need of Oneg sponsors/hosts for October 18. Please contact Judith Pliner at 813-436-0080 or email her at [gp@pliner-inc.com](mailto:gp@pliner-inc.com) to help us out with a future date.

Thank you from your Oneg Committee,  
*Anna Feldman, Judith Pliner and Anita Hoffman*



### Memorial Service Hillsborough Memorial Garden Sunday, September 8 at Noon

During this holy period it is traditional to remember our loved ones who have died. If you have a loved one buried in Hillsborough Memorial Gardens or if you would like to remember someone who has died but is buried elsewhere, join us for this brief memorial service.

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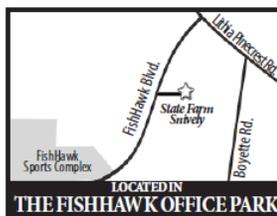
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## Social Action

### HIGH HOLIDAY FOOD STAPLES COLLECTION

*Please start collecting non-perishable food items for the High Holy Days.*

Dear fellow congregant,

The High Holydays are soon here. Please start saving your non-perishable food staples for the Yom Kippur drive to help individuals in need. Bags will be distributed on Rosh Hashanah after the service and collected on or before Yom Kippur. Last year's drive was very successful thanks to those who participated. Let's make this year even better. I thank you, and a very Happy New Year to all! — Phyllis Newman, *Social Action Chair*



### 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.



### Consider Donating Appreciated Stock to CBS

*Recent Tax Changes May Provide A Greater Incentive to Donate.*

As you may know, tax rates have recently increased on both ordinary income and capital gains for high income individuals. These changes might create a greater incentive to donate appreciated securities to your congregation. If you have stock that has increased in value and you have held it for more than a year, a contribution of such stock to CBS, instead of cash, may be more tax efficient for you and may result in a greater benefit to CBS.

Now may be the time to review your investment portfolio and consider a stock gift to Congregation Beth Shalom. Be sure you have held the stock for at least a year, and, as always, please consult your tax professional regarding your individual situation.

Gerald Pliner, a member of CBS's Planned Giving Committee, would be happy to give you examples of how you may be able to **receive a larger charitable tax deduction** and pay **NO CAPITAL GAIN TAX** on an appreciated a stock donation to Congregation Beth Shalom. Please contact him at 856-816-2178 or 813-436-0080 or [gp@pliner-inc.com](mailto:gp@pliner-inc.com).

### KOLOT SHALOM NOTES

Our adult choir, Kolot Shalom, is gearing up for the High Holy Days. Their voices enrich us by their sharing of melodies of the past and present. We are so grateful for their talents and commitment.

Please come, listen and join in the singing along with the choir on Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM for Erev Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur morning services at 10:00 AM on Saturday, September 14.

Although our members sing as a group only on two services through the High Holy Days, we appreciate their voices throughout the congregation during all the services. Music continues to bless our members and their families. *Sing to God a new song!*

For more information, contact Joan Frankel at (813) 938-4123.



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ONE HOLIDAY—  
TWO GREAT EVENTS

**CBS Celebrates SUKKOT on September 18**

**Come experience the Joy of Sukkot  
as we celebrate  
“Sukkah under the Stars!”**

Did you know that Sukkot is a time to invite guests to the Sukkah? The custom is called **Ushpizin** (guests), and you can bring a friend (or two!) to the Sukkah on Wednesday, September 18, from 6:15-8:15 pm.

We will have a FUN, fall time with square dance, hay rides, s’mores, crafts, and ... **FOOD!** This is your chance to invite a friend to Beth Shalom and celebrate together! Wear plaid and bandanas!

This FREE, family-friendly Sukkot celebration is made possible by a Share the Wealth grant from the Tampa Jewish Community Center & Federation. Contact the Temple office for additional information, 681-6547.

**OR**

**For The Adults — Sukkot Potluck, Service and Movie**

**September 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

An indoor potluck dinner – no mosquitoes or sweating!

In addition to the potluck, we will have a special service and movie. **MOVIE** of the evening: *Ushpizin*, a warm comedy-drama movie about Moishe, along with his wife Mali, who were once secular Jews, rediscover their faith and become orthodox. The couple believes a “miracle” was handed to them on Sukkot.

We will discuss the movie and enjoy the comradery of our temple family.

Please RSVP to Phyllis Newman at [phylnew@verizon.net](mailto:phylnew@verizon.net) or 813-671-1707

Please indicate what *gastronomical* delight you will be bringing.



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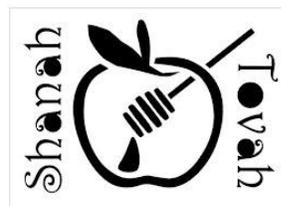
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*L'shanah tovah* means "for a good year." The greeting is used during Rosh Hashanah. Give it a try!



## Education - Amy Weinstein

Welcome to the 2013-2014 school year! I am very excited about the upcoming year. This year promises to be full of opportunity for tremendous growth in our academic goals. All of our teachers are returning from last year. This allows for greater consistency for our students. I would like to thank our teachers for once again making the commitment to be part of our youths' education: Leslie Mazen (K/1<sup>st</sup> grade), Pam Provenzano (2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> grade), Marcia Lome (4<sup>th</sup> grade), Erika Young (5<sup>th</sup> grade), Lauren Weisman (6<sup>th</sup> grade) and Dan Weinstein (7<sup>th</sup> grade). Karen Blanchard is continuing as our curriculum coordinator, and Errol Fishman is our Board member liaison. Thanks to Natasha Rieger and Jeff Shaw for leading our Parent Association. I hope that families will choose to be involved in our school; the Parent Association is a wonderful opportunity for involvement.

Just a reminder that classes run Sunday 9:30 a.m.-noon for all students. Our 4<sup>th</sup>-, 5<sup>th</sup>- & 6<sup>th</sup>-graders also attend on Wednesdays 6:15-7:45 p.m. As we begin this year, please reference our calendar and make every attempt to have your child at school and on time. Our Judaic curriculum builds upon past lessons. Students with multiple absences will have gaps in their Jewish Education. I know the struggle of time constraints as you juggle religious school with school projects, exams, and

extracurricular activities. You have made the commitment to religious education as an important part of your child's life. We don't take this for granted. We are thankful for your confidence in our abilities and pledge to make the time they have with us as rewarding and meaningful as possible.

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. I am looking forward to working with you this year!

Amy Weinstein- [awine007@msn.com](mailto:awine007@msn.com) (813)685-7064



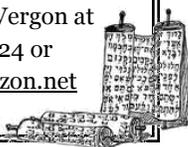
### B'nai Mitzvah Family Program

**Sunday, Sept. 8**

The b'nai mitzvah program is for 7th graders and their families, and the topic is, "The Value of Community: The True Meaning of B'nai Mitzvah."

### B'nai Mitzvah Tutoring

Contact Keren Vergon at  
813-785-6324 or  
[kvergon@verizon.net](mailto:kvergon@verizon.net)



### Simchat Torah

Singing, Dancing, Celebrating  
Wednesday, Sept. 25, 7:00 p.m.



- \* Live Music by the **Mike Eisenstadt Band**
- \* Dance with our Torah scrolls
- \* Sing songs of joy and celebration!
- \* Celebrate the consecration of our 1st-grade Religious School students
- \* Yarn Mavens homemade flags provided for all.

Want to read a verse from your Torah portion as we unroll the entire scroll? Contact Rabbi Torop at [btorop@verizon.net](mailto:btorop@verizon.net).

### Torah Tots in the Sukkah!

**Sunday, Sept. 22**

Shake, Shake, Shake Your  
Lulav:  
God is All Around!



### PJ Library

**September 29 at 10 a.m. at CBS**

The PJ Library is coming to Beth Shalom to do an exciting interactive program on Torah for kids and parents!

If you have a child up to 5 1/2 years old, you can get monthly FREE Jewish books from the PJ library sent right to your home! Speak to Rabbi Torop if you do not receive these books, and please join the fun on Sept. 29!



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Please complete the enclosed registration form with your deposit check, and we’ll reserve your space. Registration forms may be left in the administrator’s mailbox or mailed to the synagogue.

### “May the Forest Be With You”

Private, semi-private and bunk rooms will be available, as well as family rooms for up to six.

Pricing includes 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.”

### Come Build the Sukkah!



**Sunday, September 15  
All Help Welcomed!!**



### Why Pomegranates on Rosh Hashanah?

Pomegranates aren’t a new fruit; after all, they are referenced in the Torah. In Hebrew, the pomegranate is called rimon (also the word for a hand grenade!).

What makes this delicious, beautiful and healthy food especially meaningful during Rosh Hashanah? On the second night of Rosh Hashanah, when it is customary to eat a ‘new fruit’ that has not been eaten during the year, many Jews choose the pomegranate. Now available year around in some stores, the pomegranate is truly in season September through February in the Northern hemisphere, making it ideal as a ‘new fruit.’

Secondly, pomegranates supposedly contain 613 seeds. Thus, Jews display their desire to fulfill God’s 613 mitzvot (commandments from the Torah) by eating the pomegranate.

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## Kudos n' Mazels

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

- Zsa Lobel, for your committed and talented job of making our piano covering. It is a truly excellent creation that I know will serve us well for many years to come.
- Natasha Rieger, for lending a hand with furniture and all her hard work on the Youth Education Committee!
- Errol Fishman, for his commitment to Youth Education at CBS!
- Yuval Friencle, for keeping our garden weed-free!
- Fanny Litovich, for her donation of tomato plants to the garden!
- Richard Oldman and LAGO Systems, for the donation and installation of our additional WiFi system!
- The volunteer Mitzvah Crew from Beth Shalom, who served 54 homeless and needy people, including children, at *I am Hope Cafe* on July 30. Your dedication and service is amazing and appreciated!



*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](mailto:cbs-admin@hotmail.com).*



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## Adult Education

### LEARN ALL ABOUT IT!

Congregation Beth Shalom looks forward to welcoming noted author Rabbi Mark Glickman, for a unique presentation on both Friday and Saturday evenings, October 25 & 26, 2013, as our "Scholar-in-Residence" program this year.

*WHAT DO A NAZI LIBRARY AND AN EGYPTIAN SYNAGOGUE HAVE IN COMMON?*



Come and share in the presentations by Rabbi Mark Glickman as he discusses two fascinating books he has authored.

At 7:45 p.m. on Friday evening, October 25, Rabbi Glickman will address *Burnt Pearls: The Rise, Fall, and Redemption of the Nazi Jewish Library*. On Saturday evening, October 26, he will discuss his book *Indiana Jones Meets the DaVinci Code in an Old Egyptian Synagogue: A True Tale of Adventure, Discovery, and a Huge Pile of Priceless Papers in the Cairo Genizah*.

You will not want to miss out on this wonderful weekend! Mark your calendars now!! This event is FREE and open to the public, so invite your friends to share it with you as well.

Contact Janice Perelman (*Committee Chairperson*) at (813) 571-2029 or [chinadollj@verizon.net](mailto:chinadollj@verizon.net) for more information or to join our committee.



## Used Book Sale to Benefit NoshFest

You know all those old books you've been keeping in your overflowing bookcase, in the garage and under the bed? Put them to good use to benefit NoshFest in April. The Page Turners will feature a booth to sell used books to help defray NoshFest expenses. We will have a collections box in the synagogue and also feature pick-up service. Hardbacks, paperbacks and coffee table books will be accepted, but not textbooks. Just giving you a heads-up to save those books for a good cause. Look for more information in future issues of the Kibbitzer.

## Another successful open house

CBS held its annual Open House on August 18. Over 100 members attended, plus another 20 nonmembers. While most of the nonmembers were in attendance for RS registration, there were others who came just for the Open House experience. Kudos to Rudina Richter who organized the event, and the scads of volunteers who made it a tremendous success!



Oneg committee members Anna Feldman and Judith Pliner greet Open House goers. Weekly Friday evening Onegs are made possible through the generosity of CBS congregants and groups who volunteer as hosts.

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## Pomegranate Apple Bread



Combine apple and poms in one delicious bite! Apples inside make the bread very moist and sweet, and pomegranate seeds lend pops of color throughout. (From Kirby's Cravings Food Blog.)

### Ingredients

- |                                      |                                |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 3 cups all-purpose flour             | 2 eggs                         |
| 1/2 tsp salt                         | 1/4 cup melted unsalted butter |
| 1 Tbsp baking powder                 | 1 1/4 cup milk                 |
| 1 tsp cinnamon                       | 1/4 cup unsweetened applesauce |
| 1/2 tsp ground allspice              | 1 cup finely diced apples      |
| 1 pinch ground cloves                | 1 cup pomegranate arils        |
| 1 generous pinch fresh ground nutmeg |                                |
| 3/4 cup sugar                        |                                |
| 1/4 cup brown sugar                  |                                |



### Directions

- Mix all of the dry ingredients.
- Melt the butter by microwaving it for about 30-40 seconds. Mix the melted butter with the applesauce to cool it down. Beat the eggs and milk together. Beat the applesauce/butter mixture into the egg/milk mixture.
- Pour the wet mixture, the apples and the pomegranate arils into the dry ingredients and stir until just blended. Once all of the dry ingredients are wet, stop mixing, even if there are a few clumps left. If you overmix the dough, the bread will come out tough.
- Pour mixture into two 9x5 bread tins that have either been greased or lined with foil. Bake at 350°F for 50 minutes until inside comes out clean with a knife. [Using smaller baking pans may result in rising, and shorter cooking time.]
- Cool on a rack for 10 minutes before removing from the pan.

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Contact Zsa Lobel at [zsa@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:zsa@tampabay.rr.com) for information on All Jazzed Up and how you can help make this year's fundraiser a success.



THIS TICKET IS YOURS simply for sponsoring our guest, author Rabbi Mark Glickman, at our SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE weekend, October 25-26<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

Although the events on that Friday evening and Saturday evening are free to the public, only sponsors will be invited to join Rabbi Glickman at a luncheon at noon, October 26<sup>th</sup>, at the temple immediately following morning services, as a gesture of our “thanks” for showing your support.

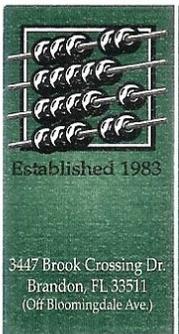
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### Congregational Funds

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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.

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#### Donations listed below were received between July 16 and August 15.

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|                            |                       |                                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Bricklet                   | The Magdovitz Family  | In Memory of Fred Frankel       |
| Bricklet                   | The Magdovitz Family  | In Memory of George Santucci    |
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| Rabbi's Discretionary Fund | The Magdovitz Family  | In Honor of Rabbi Torop         |
| Scholar in Residence       | Arlene & Brian Slater |                                 |
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## Our Congregation



### Anniversaries

|      |                   |         |
|------|-------------------|---------|
| 9/5  | Shayna & Jonathan | Singer  |
| 9/7  | Jeff & Sara       | Goodman |
| 9/9  | Brian & Arlene    | Slater  |
| 9/14 | Michael & Tammie  | Hebert  |
| 9/25 | Bob & Debby       | Davis   |



### Birthdays

|      |              |                |
|------|--------------|----------------|
| 9/1  | Seth         | Dugan          |
| 9/2  | Aurora       | Oldman         |
| 9/3  | Elise        | Berman         |
| 9/3  | Joan         | Frankel        |
| 9/4  | Hank         | Mart           |
| 9/6  | Landri Raine | Ellis          |
| 9/6  | Landon       | Holschauer     |
| 9/6  | Zsa          | Lobel          |
| 9/6  | Stephen      | Zweibach       |
| 9/8  | Kari         | Brown          |
| 9/9  | Tatiana      | Gerscovich     |
| 9/10 | Danielle     | Miller         |
| 9/10 | Emily        | Morgan         |
| 9/10 | Allyson      | Peterson       |
| 9/10 | Alyssa       | Schiller       |
| 9/10 | Truman       | Sukloff        |
| 9/12 | Jordan       | Mazen          |
| 9/13 | Lisa         | Murray         |
| 9/13 | Jacob        | Neuman         |
| 9/16 | Joel         | Magdovitz      |
| 9/16 | Abby         | Provenzano     |
| 9/16 | Emily        | Sukloff        |
| 9/17 | Jack         | Dempsey        |
| 9/18 | Brielle      | Zweibach       |
| 9/19 | Randy        | Collack        |
| 9/21 | Christine    | Stockelman     |
| 9/22 | Adam         | Cohen          |
| 9/22 | Jane         | Gamse-Fournier |
| 9/23 | Matthew      | Halperin       |
| 9/23 | Max          | Newman         |
| 9/23 | Nathan       | Powell         |
| 9/23 | Steve        | Slavkin        |
| 9/23 | Colleen      | Sukloff        |
| 9/24 | Jared        | Epstein        |
| 9/25 | Eric         | Miller         |
| 9/26 | Evan         | Hahn           |
| 9/26 | Tammie       | Hebert         |
| 9/26 | Zachary      | Hebert         |
| 9/28 | Donna        | Mart           |
| 9/28 | Alan         | Weiss          |
| 9/29 | Janice       | Perelman       |

### Yahrzeits



|      |            |               |                  |                |             |
|------|------------|---------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|
| 9/2  | Rose       | Skop          | Grandmother of   | Nancy          | Landfish    |
| 9/3  | John       | Grimm         | Husband of       | Blossom Grimm  | Silverstein |
| 9/3  | Jamie      | Flaks         | Father of        | Aaron          | Flaks       |
| 9/5  | Dorothy S. | Goldstein     | Mother of        | Judith         | Pliner      |
| 9/5  | Aaron      | Mart          | Son of           | Donna and Hank | Mart        |
| 9/6  | Pauline    | Magdovitz     | Mother-in-law of | Caren          | Magdovitz   |
| 9/6  | Lenore     | Ber           | Mother of        | Jill           | Oppolo      |
| 9/7  | Becky      | Smith         | Grandmother of   | Lynn           | Kaler       |
| 9/7  | Sally      | Gaba          | Grandmother of   | Leslie         | Boyar       |
| 9/7  | Louis      | Kaplan        | Father of        | Janice         | Perelman    |
| 9/8  | Renee      | Furman        | Sister-in-law of | Eunice         | Rifkin      |
| 9/8  | Murray     | Siegel        | Grandfather of   | Eric           | Miller      |
| 9/9  | Herb       | Goldberg      | Husband of       | Ruth           | Goldberg    |
| 9/9  | Dorothy    | Brown         | Mother of        | Stephen        | Zweibach    |
| 9/12 | Stephen    | Davis         | Father of        | Michael        | Davis       |
| 9/14 | Adolph     | Reisner       | Uncle of         | Gary           | Ronay       |
| 9/14 | Helen      | Reisner       | Aunt of          | Gary           | Ronay       |
| 9/14 | Antal      | Reisner       | Uncle of         | Gary           | Ronay       |
| 9/15 | Frieda     | Moravnick     | Mother of        | Eunice         | Rifkin      |
| 9/15 | Jack       | Kaler         | Father of        | Larry          | Kaler       |
| 9/15 | Morris     | Brandwein     | Father of        | Anita          | Clifford    |
| 9/15 | Michael    | Ronay Reisner | Father of        | Gary           | Ronay       |
| 9/15 | Regina     | Metzl         | Grandmother of   | Bill           | Kalbas      |
| 9/15 | Rose       | Glickman      | Grandmother of   | Betsy          | Nixon       |
| 9/20 | Ruth       | Newman        | Mother of        | Milton         | Newman      |
| 9/21 | Arnold     | Hans          | Uncle of         | Michael        | Davis       |
| 9/23 | William    | Newman        | Relative of      | Leslie         | Will        |
| 9/25 | Chaim      | Andrievsky    | Grandfather of   | Tanya          | Hernandez   |
| 9/25 | Rabbi Karl | Richter       | Father of        | David          | Richter     |
| 9/28 | Albert W.  | Besterman     | Grandfather of   | Leslie         | Boyar       |
| 9/29 | Rose       | Goloskov      | Grandmother of   | Sheila         | Fishman     |
| 9/30 | Arnold     | Krulich       | Father of        | Lee            | Schwartz    |

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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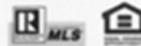
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| Sun   | Mon                 | Tue  | Wed   | Thu  | Fri   | Sat   |
|---|---------------------|--|---|--|---|---|
| 1<br>NO RS<br>Grey squares indicate office closure.   | 2 Labor Day         | 3<br>7:30P Board Mtg<br>7:30P Choir-HHD        | 4 Erev Rosh Hashanah<br><br>Choir Sings<br>8:00P Rosh Hashana Service | 5<br>Rosh Hashanah<br>10:00A Rosh Hashanah Service I & Tashlich<br>4:00P Family Service                        | 6 Rosh Hashanah<br>10:00A Rosh Hashanah Service 2<br>Pancake Brunch<br>7:45P Shabbat Svc. With Shuvah Panel | 7<br>   |
| 8<br>9:30A RS<br>B'nei Mitz. Fam. Prog.<br>12:00P Cemetery Memorial Service @ Hills. Memorial Gardens | 9<br>7:30P Choir—YK | 10<br>6:15P Hebrew School<br>6:30P Youth Group | 11<br>6:15P Sukkot Under The Stars                                    | 12<br>7:30P Choir—YK   | 13 Erev Yom Kippur<br>Kibbitzer Deadline<br><br>8:00P Kol Nidre   | 14 Yom Kippur<br>Study<br>Family Service<br>Afternoon Service<br>Yizkor<br>N'ilah<br>Break the Fast |
| 15 Raise Sukkah<br>9:30A RS<br>9:45 RSPA<br>12:00P Pizza Fundraiser<br>Cancer Support Offsite         | 16<br>No Choir      | 17<br>6:15P Sukkot Under The Stars             | 18 Erev Sukkot  | 19 Sukkot  | 20<br><br>7:45P Shabbat Svc. Oneg in Sukkah   | 21  |
| 22<br>9:30A RS<br>9:45A Torah Tots  | 23<br>7:30P Choir   | 24<br>7:30P Exec. Comm.                        | 25<br>7:00P Simchat Torah & Consecration                              | 26 Simchat Torah   | 27<br>7:45P Shabbat Svc.  | 28  |
| 29 Remove Sukkah<br>9:30A RS<br>10:00A PJ Library Event<br>10:00A AJU                                 | 30<br>7:30P Choir   | OCT 1<br>7:30P Board Mtg                       | OCT 2<br>6:15P Hebrew School<br>6:30P Confirmation                    | OCT 3<br>Calendar is subject to change.<br>Please check with the Admin. Office if you are planning an event or | OCT 4<br>7:45P Shabbat Svc.   | OCT 5   |



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