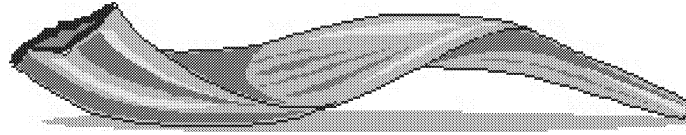


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Tekiah

Tishri/Heshvan 5770
October 2009

Dear Friends,

As most of you already know, I will be retiring at the end of July 2010. I appreciate that many of you have expressed that I will be missed. Some of you have inquired as to why I have made this decision. Let me explain with the following:

It is Jewish tradition to read from "Ecclesiastes" or in Hebrew, "Kohelet," during Sukkot. One of the famous sections from this book of the Bible begins with the words in 3:1 "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven," and in 3:4. "A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance." I would add, "A time to be a pulpit rabbi and a time to retire."

I have been a rabbi since 1975 and have served Temple Beth El since 1987. I believe that both the congregation and I have grown in the last twenty-two years. We have come a long way together, and I have enjoyed and found much satisfaction in being your rabbi. It has been my privilege to be a part of so many of your family life-cycle events. I am grateful that many of you have found comfort in speaking with me in my office or from a funeral or shiva service.

There is a midrash which states that when we pass over to the next world, we will be held more accountable for not trying new things than for the mistakes we have made. It is time for me to try some new things. I know that many people retire because they can no longer tolerate their jobs. This is not true for me. I still love my connection with this synagogue; however, I cannot continue to serve Temple Beth El and also participate in some new endeavors at the same time.

In the song "The Gambler," are the words, "You got to know when to hold em, know when to fold em, know when to walk away and know when to run." I am not running away from this community, in fact Terri and I have no plans to move away. There are just different activities in which I would like to participate.

My hope is that I will not be a lame-duck rabbi. I still have almost a whole year to serve you and plan to make the most of that time. I have joked that I do not understand why you have a rabbi search committee because I am not missing. The underlying meaning of that is that though you need to look for a new rabbi, I am still here and look forward to a wonderful year with you. We still have some growing to do together.

Shalom uvracha,
Rabbi David B. Kaplan

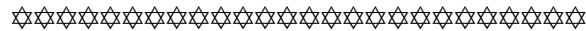
From Our New Religious School Principal:

Welcome back students and families and a special welcome to all of our new families. This year has begun with lots of excitement and new ideas. Classrooms are buzzing with holiday excitement. We also have had our first class service which we welcomed our student rabbi, Josh. He will be with us all year and we are very happy to welcome him.

Our Keren Ami program has gotten off to an exciting start, the children will be collecting for a Jewish National Fund program that helps the children on the Gaza border. We will be able to keep this indoor playground/recreational area well maintained for years to help provide the children and families of Sderot a safe place to go and enjoy.

I have an open door policy and will welcome a visit from parents or students at anytime.

Looking forward to a great year!
Andrea Finestrauss



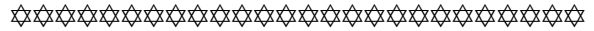
MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Thurs., Oct. 1 - Supper in the Hut, sponsored by Hadassah
- Fri., Oct. 2 - Sukkot Serv. 7:00 p.m.
- Sun., Oct. 4 - Cong. Meeting/Men's Club Breakfast 9:30 a.m.
- Fri., Oct. 9 - Special service with Josh (our Rabbinic Intern)
- Sun., Oct. 11 - Consecration 11:00 a.m.
- Sun., Oct. 18 - Hai Parent Meeting
- Wed. Oct. 21 - Sisterhood Social 9:30 a.m.
- Sun., Oct. 25 - Scott Mackler 5K Run
- Sun., Nov. 1 - Dalet Parent Meeting 10:30
Sisterhood New Member Brunch



SUKKOT SERVICE
October 2nd
7:00 P.M.

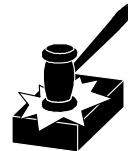
Join us for a snack in our sukkah!



**SUKKOT
THANKSGIVING
FOOD DRIVE**



Please bring your non-perishable food items for our fall food drive. Leave your items under the reception window in the lobby.



**CONGREGATION
MEETING**
Sunday, October 4
9:30-11:30 a.m.

Agenda:

- 1. Discussion of financial matters for the current year**
- 2. Presentation of annual report**
- 3. Modification of existing Temple policy/procedure regarding Interfaith Marriage**
- 4. Temko Presentation**

Modification of Interfaith Marriage Policy/Procedure

Interfaith marriage ceremonies may be held on Temple Beth El Property, with the only restriction being that a ceremony may not be held in a sanctuary. For purposes of this policy, a sanctuary means any enclosure that includes an ark containing a Torah.

Please come and support the Temple Board & be a part of the process while enjoying a delicious breakfast provided by Men's Club.

RELIGIOUS



SCHOOL

SUKKOT SERVICE

October 2nd

7:00 p.m..

Join us for a snack in our new sukkah!



TEEN CONNECTION

Sunday, October 4 at 11:45 a.m.

Sunday, November 8 at 11:45 a.m.



DISCOVERY GROUP

Sunday, October 18 at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, November 8 at 10:30 a.m.



SIMCHAT TORAH / CONSECRATION SERVICE

Sunday, October 11

10:00 a.m. Service

Religious School begins at 9:15 a.m.

Join us for coffee in the lobby

at 9:15 a.m.



PIZZA TUESDAY

October 27th

Check your e-mail for order forms

Money and forms due by

Oct. 20th

UPCOMING PARENT MEETINGS

HAI PARENT MEETING

Sunday, October 18

11:00 a.m.



DALET PARENT MEETING

Sunday, November 1

10:30 a.m.



ALEPH PARENT MEETING

Sunday, November 8

11:00 a.m.



CONFIRMATION RETREAT AT TBE

Saturday & Sunday, October 3/4

Arrive at 6:00 p.m. with sleepover gear

Students will celebrate Sukkot, do a Rabbi search, have Havdallah, dinner and lots of other fun events. Students are to be picked up after breakfast at 9:15 a.m. or students can stay for Men's Club / Congregation meeting. There will be a charge for Men's Club Breakfast.



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

SNACK CARDS

\$14.00

HAPPY AFFAIRS FROM THE KITCHEN OF CATERING

The Sisterhood Catering Team would like to introduce ourselves and welcome all who would like to volunteer their time for baking and/or working upcoming Onegs and Kiddushes.

We are in need of workers for the upcoming Green Bat Mitzvah Luncheon on October 31st. Please contact Wendy Lapointe if you are available to work on the above date.

Hai class parents- If you are contemplating having your B'nai mitzvah child's affair in our beautiful social hall please feel free to contact:

Wendy Lapointe – 302-369-6330 wenron at verizon.net

We would be happy to meet and discuss different options with you.

Also, sign up early for your required hours of service in the kitchen during your child's Hai year.

Wendy Lapointe
Hope Carfagno
Amie Sweren



NEEDY FAMILY DRIVE

Start checking your closets and basements for items you can donate to our families this year. There will be a complete list in the Shofar next month with clothing sizes and wish lists. Sy & Sydell Glassner, chairpeople, say that they need baby and children's clothing, books & games furniture (**especially beds, cribs & highchairs**). We also need boys/mens clothing, housewares and linens. You can start bringing these items (including clothing - Sydell will size for the families) to the temple.

UPCOMING B'NAI MITZVOT

October 31st - Shoshana Green



CALLING ALL BRIDGE PLAYERS

There will be a Duplicate Bridge game at the Temple on Saturday, Nov. 21st at 7:30 p.m. Come and enjoy a friendly game--you do not have to be an expert to play. Call the temple office to put your name on the list. If you do not have a partner, we can find one for you. Contact Mike Herman if you have any questions at 737-2090.



JUDAICA SHOP...

Don't forget to look in our Judaica Shop for your holiday gifts...



Don't Forget to check our website for Temple info...

tbede.org

Once again, a special thank you to Larry Kraines for creating our website and keeping it current for us!



**SPECIAL SERVICES
WITH RABBINIC INTERN JOSH**



Friday, October 9

8:00 p.m.

Our Reconstructionist Service

Saturday, November 7

9:30 a.m.

Family Service

Friday, December 18

7:00 p.m.

Chanukah Service



Mark Your Calendar!

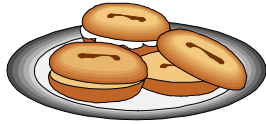


**The 4th Annual TBE Talent Show is coming:
Sunday, Dec 6, 2009**

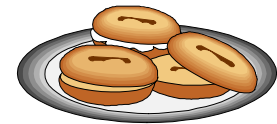
**Back this year by popular demand will be:
Our Rabbi – talented, as always * Mr. Hannaford with another
amazing act * Mr. Giannotti with his marvelous music * And
many other regulars**

**Start thinking about your own act – details and entry forms
will be coming out soon!**

Proceeds will go toward Hai Class Mitzvah Project



MEN'S CLUB



COME JOIN US FOR MEN'S CLUB BREAKFAST Followed by our annual CONGREGATION MEETING

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 4
9:15 AM**



10TH ANNUAL SCOTT MACKLER 5K RUN/WALK AT TEMPLE BETH EL

Sunday, October 25th at 12:30 p.m.

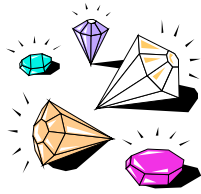
Lace up those running shoes, the annual Scott Mackler Run will be held on Sunday October 25. The funds from this race purchase assist devices for ALS patients, the Mackler family is devoted to this cause, and we are firmly committed to helping raise capital to support this work. We need runners, course spotters, and clerical staff. We are also in need of baked goods, kugels & fruit trays. If you can help you may either come into the temple and bake them your self or donate kosher baked goods and fruit trays a few days before the event. We would be deeply appreciative. Most of all, bring smiles and sunny weather! Registration form are available on the website or in the Temple lobby.



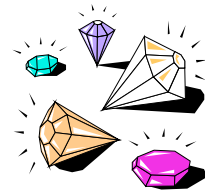
UPCOMING MEN'S CLUB BREAKFASTS

November 8
December 13
January 10
February 7

March 14
April 18
May 2



BUSY DAYS FROM SISTERHOOD



BOSCOV FUNDRAISER

25% off shopping pass valid on Tuesday, October 6th



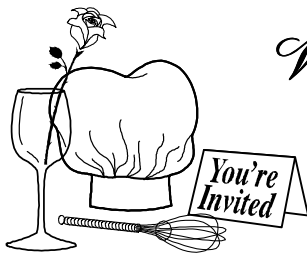
Good at any Boscov's - Plus free refreshments and door prizes
Shopping passes may be purchased in the Temple office for only \$5.00. Temple Beth El keeps the \$5.00 from every shopping pass sale - you get a great sale!



**Sisterhood Social
Wednesday, October 21st**

9:30 a.m. in the Temple Social Hall

Come join us for a chance to mingle, meet new people, and munch on light refreshments. Children are welcome



Welcome to our New Members

New Member Brunch

Sunday, November 1st

9:30 a.m. at the home of Gillian Daniels in Landenberg, PA.

Good food and new friends! It's a great way to spend a Sunday morning.

Watch for your invitation



COMING UP IN NOVEMBER...

NOVEMBER MEETING

Wednesday, November 11th at 7:30 p.m.

Learn how to make your own crafts or digital photo book.

You don't have to be "crafty" to enjoy this event.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 13 tishri Supper in the Hut 6:30 p.m.	2 14 tishri CL: 5:23 7 p.m. Service EREV SUKKOT	3 15 tishri Confirmation Retreat at TBE 6 pm SUKKOT
4 16 tishri Men's Club Breakfast Congregation Meeting SUKKOT	5 17 tishri Rabbinic Search Meeting CHOL HAMOED	6 18 tishri Boscov Day RS CHOL HAMOED	7 19 tishri 10:00 a.m. Rabbi Search Meeting TBE Board Meeting CHOL HAMOED	8 20 tishri CHOL HAMOED	9 21 tishri Special Service with Rabbinic Intern Josh CL: 5:12 HOSHANAH RABBAH	10 22 tishri YIZKOR SHEMINI ATZERET
11 23 tishri R.S. 9:15 a.m. Consecration 10:00 a.m. RS SIMCHAT TORAH Vezot Habrachah	12 24 tishri COLUMBUS DAY CANADIAN THANKSGIVING	13 25 tishri RS	14 26 tishri	15 27 tishri Rabbi Search Meeting	16 28 tishri CL: 5:01	17 29 tishri Bereshit
18 30 tishri Rabbi Search Mtg 9:45 am Hai Parent Mtg 11:00 am Adopt-a-Highway Discovery Group 10:30 am ROSH CHODESH	19 1 cheshvan ROSH CHODESH	20 2 cheshvan Pizza \$ due RS	21 3 cheshvan Sisterhood Meeting 9:30 a.m.	22 4 cheshvan	23 5 cheshvan CL: 4:51	24 6 cheshvan Noach
25 7 cheshvan RS 9:15 - 11:00 a.m. Scott Mackler Run	26 8 cheshvan	27 9 cheshvan Pizza Tuesday RS	28 10 cheshvan Sisterhood Board Meeting	29 11 cheshvan	30 12 cheshvan Green CL: 4:42	31 13 cheshvan B/M Lech Lecha

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1 14 cheshvan RS	2 15 cheshvan	3 16 cheshvan RS ELECTION DAY	4 17 cheshvan	5 18 cheshvan	6 19 cheshvan Confirmation Class Service	7 20 cheshvan Special Service with Josh Vayera
8 21 cheshvan Men's Club Breakfast Discovery Group 10:30 Aleph/Bet Parent Meeting 11am Josh	9 22 cheshvan	10 23 cheshvan RS	11 24 cheshvan Sisterhood Meeting VETERANS DAY CANADIAN REMEMBRANCE DAY	12 25 cheshvan	13 26 cheshvan	14 27 cheshvan Chaye Sarah
15 28 cheshvan RS	16 29 cheshvan	17 30 cheshvan RS ROSH CHODESH	18 1 kislev Sisterhood Board Meeting ROSH CHODESH	19 2 kislev	20 3 kislev Berger BBYO	21 4 kislev B/M Tournies Toldot
22 5 kislev RS	23 6 kislev	24 7 kislev Interfaith Service at TBE RS	25 8 kislev	26 9 kislev Office Closed THANKSGIVING DAY	27 10 kislev Office Closed	28 11 kislev Vayetze
29 12 kislev NO R.S.	30 13 kislev					