

TEMPLE BETH-EL

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BULLETIN

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Mission Statement: Temple Beth-El is a congregation of Jews and their families building a community committed to participation in all aspects of Jewish life. By community, we mean a group of diverse people who share a strong connection fostered by Temple Beth-El. By participation, we mean that all members will partake in and support the spiritual, cultural, educational and social life of Temple Beth-El.

Food-A-Rama #53 May 20th

Food-A-Rama is almost here. Our most successful fundraiser could never be a reality without everyone in our congregation taking part. Please review this check list to make sure you are helping in every way that you can.

- Review your FAR primer.
- Call the office for more tickets if you need them
- Begin planning your baking. People love the home-made bakery items.
- Fill out your pre-order form and be prepared to pick it up on Tuesday
- See your email with the poster and forms to help promote the event
- Send in your contributions.
- Review your assignment responsibilities.
- If you are able to help the week of, contact Faye Marcus.
- Contact the office if you have any questions.
- If you can help with deliveries on Wednesday contact Jerry & Connie Paris
- Have kids who can help? We always need them.
- Bring in boxes suitable for carrying sandwich bags.
- Have a cooler we can borrow for the day? Names on them please.

Fact: Besides being our biggest fundraiser, Food-A-Rama has participation by more members than anything other than High Holy Days. Come join us if you haven't and thank you all for all you do.

Ronit Golan & Jay Sklar

Chaverim,

I was recently having a conversation with a couple of members of the congregation who have travelled widely. The conversation was about how, in that time, they had never been to Israel and would really like to go. I often see pictures of colleagues leading Israel trips and have thought, "I sure wish we could do that." I desperately miss Israel and long to step foot on her soil again. In addition, I feel a deep pull to support Israel by going there.

It is often the larger congregations who are able to put together trips of this sort. For starters, they have a larger population on which to draw to put together a tour. Secondly, they often have the staff on hand to plan, coordinate and lead such a trip or even multiple trips for different age groups.

Just the same, that conversation got me thinking again about how we might put together an Israel trip for our congregation. It would likely have to be in early June – maybe even as soon as 2016 – to allow any families with children to finish school. It would probably not be a trip for very young children, however. I'm thinking school-aged or even middle school and above. Trips of this sort are a bit of an



From Rabbi Binah Wing

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investment and could cost a few thousand dollars or more. This is a lot of money, especially in these times.

And yet, going to Israel is not like any other experience. Imagine overlooking Jerusalem and seeing the actual city where King David lived! Or standing at the top of Masada. Or enjoying a sunset overlooking the Mediterranean Sea in Tel Aviv. Our people's history is there – right in front of your eyes everywhere you turn. Hebrew and Judaism come alive in moving and beautiful ways.

So, I ask you, is this something that you might be interested in? If so, I would love to hear from you. To make it easy, you can click on this link

binahw@earthlink.net and email me your thoughts right now! Things to consider – would you want this to be a more active trip with some adventure

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free time to check out the night-life? How would you feel about an interfaith trip where we joined with a Christian church and saw some sights that are important to their faith tradition as well? In order to have a viable trip with enough people, this last question is especially important.

I look forward to hearing your responses to this letter. If there is enough interest, I will begin planning a trip for us. In the meantime, I'll see you this month over the corned beef and pickles at Food-A-Rama!

Shalom,
Rabbi Wing

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(think rafting on the Jordan river) or traditional sight-seeing (there will still be plenty of walking and activity)? Would you like some evening lectures on important Israeli issues or more

From the Temple Board....

By Secretary Ellen Salley

The Temple Board met on April 8th, 2015. Rabbi opened with a prayer about Passover written by a friend of hers. Since Passover is a holiday of hope, Rabbi brought out her Cubs bear.



Brina then called the meeting to order. Brina thanked everyone who worked on the rummage sale and Passover Seder. She reported that she listened to a Presidents webinar and would be attending the Scheidt Seminar on April 23rd to April 26th.

Rabbi attended the CCAR convention and enjoyed good learning, friendships and making new connections. She also conducted a Passover Seder at the Court Street United Methodist Church.

Rob Levy presented the board with the proposed budget for next year. The board is discussing the proposal. Due to a poor showing in the stock market, the Foundation's investments did not do well this month.

The Temple Passover Seder went well and was attended by about 35 people.

Good Deed's Day at Sunday school went well, and the students enjoyed the Purim Carnival and making edible groggers. The GRTY members helped set up and take down the rummage sale. They also helped out at the soup kitchen. Next, they will be taking a trip into Chicago.

The rummage sale was a huge success thanks to the hard work of Milly Kaplan, Susan Rosenfeld and their helpers. The Temple made a 40% increase in the sale this year.

Food-a-Rama is underway. The soup, kugel and blintzes are all made and ready to go.

The Rockford Register Star published the article Goldie Pekarsky wrote. It was well done.

Some events coming up are:

April 24th Joint Temple - Synagogue Friday night service

May 20th Food-a-Rama

June 7th Annual Temple Meeting

June 27th Schmoozing and Snacks at the Pearlman home

Brina's Bits

Dr. Erica Brown expresses in her book Inspired Jewish Leadership, "In order to be a shepherd, you need to be flexible and adaptive to changes in terrain and

weather. The terrain of Jewish life is definitely filled with unknowns and many dramatic changes." April 23rd through April 26th, I was in Atlanta, Georgia at the Union for Reform Judaism's 17th Annual Scheidt Seminar. I joined 92 other presidents and president-elects from Reform Congregations throughout North America.

The seminar began when Rudy and Honey Scheidt partnered with the URJ to establish this program. Mr. Scheidt noted that there had not been a training opportunity for him when he was president of his congregation, Temple Israel in Memphis, TN, and recognized how helpful it would have been.

"In order to be a shepherd, you need to be flexible and adaptive to changes in terrain and weather."

I have been President of Temple Beth-El for a year and five months. In this period of time, I received much guidance from many of you in the congregation. Now, I have heard information from URJ President Rabbi Rick Jacobs and Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion President Rabbi Aaron Panken about the Reform Movement and how the congregations, URJ and HUC-JIR can work together to strengthen congregations. There were many seminars with URJ Vice President Amy Asin; Rabbi Sam Joseph PH.D., HUC-JIR Eleanor Sincheimer Distinguished Service Professor of Jewish Education and Leadership Development; Rabbi Lou Feldstein, CEO, Dynamic Change Solutions; and Cathy Rolland, URJ Director of Engaging Families with Young Children.

There was a great deal of information provided in a very short period of time. It will take me awhile to absorb the information, but one thing I learned is that we are a sacred community and we are doing sacred work. Even while we are working on fund-raisers or gathering for holidays, our focus is on being sacred.

See you soon,
Brina

SAVE THE DATE!!



Details in the next bulletin

Please join us for our next
Temple Beth-El Social
Get Together...

An enjoyable adult evening
SNACKS AND SCHMOOZING
UNDER THE STARS...

Saturday, JUNE 27, 2015
7:00-10:00 p.m.

The Home of
LISA AND LARRY PEARLMAN

10 Minutes of Torah

UNION FOR REFORM JUDAISM'S
DEPARTMENT OF LIFELONG JEWISH LEARNING

The Union will send you a one page e-mail each day on a topic of Jewish Interest. All you need to do is find 10 minutes a day to "do Torah."

Sign up by logging on to
WWW.urj.org/Torah/Ten

SCHOOL DAZE

200 Words or Less...

By Goldie & Adrian



It's hard to believe that the end of the school year is fast approaching! April was a short month and May, even shorter!

In recent weeks, Madeleine Libman became a Bat Mitzvah. We would like to send a hearty Mazel Tov to the entire Libman family. What a joyous occasion!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our teachers and volunteers who do such a great job making our school what it is, a safe fun place where we feel so good being Jewish!

Please join us on our last day of school, Sunday, May 3rd. We will begin with our awards assembly at 10:00 in the sanctuary. Everyone is welcome to join us in our salute to our teachers and students! We will celebrate Israeli Day with the making of our version of the Kotel with notes of prayer written by the students. The perfect way to end the school day is naturally enjoying Ronit's falafel and trimmings! It should be a wonderful celebration!

Till next time, Shalom.

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NOTICE

This is a notice to the Members of Temple Beth-El

Our Annual Meeting of the Congregation

Will be held on

Sunday June 7, 2015 at 10:00 AM

Watch your mail for pertinent information.

Letters to the Editor...

What might have been the last rummage sale is over! Dozens of volunteers worked many, many hours sorting, folding, tagging and hanging up all the donated merchandise.

Although, we all worked very hard, there was an opportunity to socialize and share some laughs.

The day of the sale was especially exciting. When we arrived at 7a.m., there was a group of shivering shoppers near the front door. By 8a.m. when we opened, the line stretched clear across the parking lot. By 9a.m., we had to add extra cashiers! What a nice feeling it was to know that we were helping people to purchase needed clothing and household items at a fraction of department store prices while raising money for our Temple.

Special thank yous go to Rose Gulatto and Kathy Blomquist who worked with us from June 1 through the sale days.....and to Joyce Hulstedt who was always there for us. Also, thank you to Nanci and Lauren and their amazing youth group kids. We so appreciate their help in setting up and cleaning up. To everyone who participated in any way, including donating merchandise, we thank you from the bottoms of our hearts. Without you, the rummage sale could never have been the huge success it was.....the best one ever!

Susan Rosenfeld
Milly Kaplan

Editor's note: No words to thank Milly and Susan enough for pulling off the most successful sale by far that we have ever had. If we added the money that the Rummage Sale has produced over the years these two have run the show, it would be a huge number we would find it hard to do without. A tip of the cap(left over from the sale, one of the few things left this year) for a job well done.

The Jewish Federation of Greater Rockford sponsored and led a joint Shabbat service, Friday night April 24th. The well-attended service included explanations and news of the Federation's many activities and accomplishments. The service was followed by a dinner of Lasagna, but the hit was the Julie Sparks' cakes that were the hit of the evening.

May Oneg Committee

May 1

Nanci and Marc Soriano
Jackie and Len Bernstein

May 8

Ronit and Roni Golan
Susan and Joel Rosenfeld

May 15

Temple members

May 22

No Oneg

May 29

Howard Weiss
Fred Young

The Temple
Beth-El
Family greatly
appreciates and
thanks our Oneg
Hosts for helping to
make our Services
more meaningful
and offering an op-
portunity for us all
to mingle and
socialize.



TBE Blood Drive

Now will be

**Tuesday,
August 25th
3-7 p.m.**

We are again teaming with the Rock River Valley Blood Bank to sponsor a blood drive to benefit not only the Jewish community, but the general population.

The Blood Bank's blood mobile will be parked in our front parking lot. If you are a regular blood donor, please consider giving blood at that time. This might also be a good time for new donors to begin that process.

To be eligible to donate, your last blood donation has to be on or before Tuesday, June 30.

Any questions, please call Blood Bank, 815-961-2342.

Faye Marcus
Social Action Committee

May Birthdays & Anniversaries

Adults

Ethan Allen	5/1
Ben Libman	5/2
Benjamin Kopnick	5/2
Emma Thompson	5/2
Arthur Rettig	5/3
Michael Steerman	5/4
Joy Schneider	5/5
Georgann Bernstein	5/8
Allison Sage	5/9
Howard Kaufman	5/10
Sharon Goldsand	5/11
Evalyn Schaap	5/12
Alexandra Hartman	5/12
Robert Levy	5/12
Robert Jerome	5/15
Tyler Hergert	5/15
Brad Paris	5/18
Alyse Behr	5/18
Charles Picus	5/20
Courtney Sklar	5/21
Ellen Dietz	5/23
Tracy Bernstein	5/27
Faye Marcus	5/28

Rachel Goldblum	5/28
Dina Oppenheimer	5/31

Children

Aaron Rigg Goldblum	5/11/03
Aviva Brenner	5/25/02

Anniversaries

Melissa & Josh Tatman	5/15/99
Wendy & Gary Rubin	5/27/84
Cheryl & Tim Schoeller	5/27/79
Susan & Fred Glassman	5/30/93
Susan & Stephen Weiss	5/30/68



The Temple Beth-El Gift Shop



GIFT SHOP HOURS

Monday—Friday, call the office

Sunday 10am - noon*

*Open Sundays when school is in session.
And 1/2 hour before 7:30 p.m. services

If you need to visit the shop at another time, please call the Temple office (398-5020), Milly Kaplan (877-5717) or Susan Rosenfeld (964-8642).

YAHRZEIT LIST

If you are interested in having your loved one's name on the Yahrzeit list, please call Joyce in the Temple Office, 398-5020

Read May 1

Robert Hinton
Anne Blumberg
Esther Stone
Frances Johnson
Eli Stern
S. Marvin Mansfield
Joseph Rosenthal
Bessie Levitz
Ragnar Emmanuel Klint
Ida Hochwert

Read May 8

Allan Fierstien
Miriam N. Rosenberg
Rosalind Glenner
Charles Kaplan
George Goldman
Lenore Labowitz
Mitchell Rudman
Frieda Hellman
Bianca Weissenberg
Dr. Alfred Morman
Eidel Goldman
Betty Ginsburgh
Klaus Schaap
Ann Evans
Frances Freedman
Nathan Kaplan

Read May 15

Robert Krojanker
Selma Kovalsky
Morton Blumberg
Edna O'Connor
Harlan Slavin
Milton Rosenthal
Howard Tenin
Frederick Ruthe
Sadie Nathan

Read May 22

David M. Kupperman
Sherman Cornblum
Jacob Labowitz
Harry Polcek

YAHRZEITs cont.

Lena Shanhouse
Conrad Nelson
Fajga Kleinberg
Ethel Shuman
S. Robert Oberndorf

Read May 29

Ethel Jerome
Florence Bologna
Mollie Shanhouse
Celia F. Cassman
David Dietz
Tillie Davidson



MEMORIAL BOARD

Honor the memory of your loved ones by placing their names on the board in our memorial alcove. Please supply the Temple office with the name, date of birth and date of death. The minimum donation is \$200. The light alongside each name is lit every year to mark the anniversary of the death, and the name appears in the annual memorial book.



CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR FUNDS

Benjamin Schaider Building Fund

In memory of Dorothy Liebovich
-Susan and Jay Kamin

Garten Fund

In memory of Dorothy Liebovich
-Faye Marcus

Landscaping Fund

In memory of Chuck Kaplan
In memory of Nathan Kaplan
-Milly Kaplan

Unrestricted Donation

In memory of Stewart Freifeld
-Marilyn Freifeld

NEW PLAQUES IN OUR MEMORIAL ALCOVE :

In memory of Donald Busch

The plaque was donated by Busch Family

Thank you for remembering your loved ones in our Memorial Alcove.

Thank You.....

The Temple has been the recipient of donations from the Temple Family in the name of many funds in order to supply much needed money for worthwhile programs and projects. We would like to spotlight a couple of these funds.

The Robert and Joel Garten Youth and Scholarship Fund is to provide camperships for religious school students. This fund is administered by the Education Committee and the Rabbi.

The Michael Dermer Religious School Fund was established for the purpose of raising money to support religious school activities. This fund is used to provide enrichment programs, scholarships and youth activities.

Landscaping Fund provides funding for enhancements to our grounds.

Sheldon Liebovich Fund for Families in Crisis provides funds for Temple families who are in need at the discretion of Temple leadership.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund provides for the Rabbi to purchase necessary items for the Temple or to help those in need, at her discretion.

CONDOLENCES TO:

Ted and Jan Liebovich and family
on the passing of Ted's mother,
Dorothy Liebovich



TEMPLE **BETH-EL** **MINUTE WITH** **A MEMBER**

Dear TBE Friends:
Our next "Minute with a

Member" features the Shore family. We hope you will enjoy getting to know them a bit more!

-Tell a little about yourself and family:

Brian has been a member of the Temple since he was born, which was a really long time ago! He is an Associate Circuit Judge and loves to golf.

Mary is an honorary member at Temple and works as a music teacher at Johnson Elementary School. She also directs the music at Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd.

Rachel is a junior at Bradley University and is studying to become an English teacher.

Emily is a junior at Guilford High School and loves to play tennis!

-What do you do for fun? (Hobbies, special interests, etc.)

We have many separate interests but we all enjoy traveling, reading, biking, and tennis. One of our favorite places to visit is Door County each summer.

-Your favorite Temple activities:

Our hands-down favorite Temple activity is Food-a-rama! We love all of the food!

-Favorite Judaic holiday or food:

Each of us has a different favorite food. Brian

loves the latkes at Hanukkah, Mary can't get enough of the charoset at Passover, Rachel craves the hamantaschen at Purim, and Emily likes falafel.

-Where's your favorite place to go in the area?

As a family, we enjoy going to Lino's. We have many good memories of happy celebrations at that restaurant!

-If you could take two weeks off from all your responsibilities, where would you go and what would you do?

Brian and Mary would travel to Europe and visit Switzerland, Sweden, Italy and England. Rachel would like to visit Paris (again and again) and Emily would travel anywhere that it is warm

-Favorite movies, books, or music:



Brian: Grisham books and Angels and Demons

Mary: "Modern Family" is her favorite TV show.

Rachel - "Friends" TV series, and anything written by Jane Austen and Shakespeare

Emily: Any book by John Green



Memorial and Tribute Donation Form																	
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GRTY NEWS

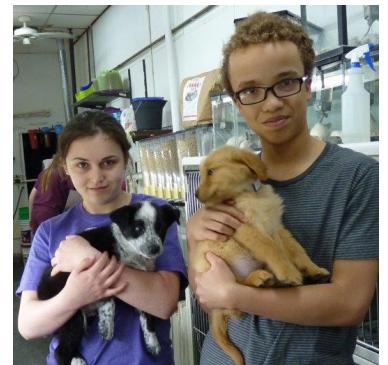
Submitted by:
Co-President
Nathaniel Huss

On April 5th, GRTY teens, along with many of their parents, volunteered at Rockford's local soup kitchen. Thank you to Michael Kaufman, Jacob and Ben Kopnick, Ben Levy, Madi Reid and Rachel and Jamie Zussman. April 11th saw the GRTYites storm

left for any other customers for the rest of the night! A special thank you to Mitch and Lisa Kopnick, Lisa and Larry Pearlman, Marc and Ashley Soriano and Danny Rudnick for helping us chaperone! This year's Chicago trip was a definite success for GRTY!

The following day, GRTY teens helped with the candle lighting at the Holocaust Memorial Service. Thank you to Emily Shore, Ben Levy and Madi Reid. You all did an awesome job!!!!

On April 18 and 19, GRTY volunteered to wash puppies which is always one of our favorite activities! The kids got to bathe, dry, and play with adorable puppies! The puppies squirmed and whim-



Chicago. The day kicked off with an enjoyable bus ride into the city. After arriving, GRTY ventured to 360Chicago (formerly the John Hancock Observatory) and some brave souls survived the Tilt at the top of the Hancock. Once GRTY left the observatory, we walked to Millennium Park and captured photos at the Bean. From there, the group split in two as some teens went shopping at Water Tower Place and the remaining teens partied at Dave & Busters. Then all of GRTY enjoyed a sidesplitting show at Chicago's Second City. The day wrapped up with unlimited Chicago pizza, cookies and ice cream at Pizano's Restaurant. When we finished up, they probably had no dessert



pered but the volunteering proved to be a blast! The kids love this event every year because the puppies have a lot of energy and make for a fun, albeit challenging, and wet time. A special thank you to Rob Levy, Fred Glassman and Lisa Kopnick for assisting us in our fun!

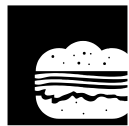
Upcoming events include the following: May 2-Senior Citizen Prom, May 3- How To Apply To College Presentation and Ex-



ec. Board Interviews, May 17-Set Up for FAR, May 30- Bonfire, Potluck, Installation of New Officers.



Save these pages for future reference



The Official Food-A-Rama Primer for Temple Members



53rd ANNUAL FOOD-A-RAMA

Wednesday, May 20th, 2015

The first four letters of "delicious" spell "Deli"—as in Delicious Delicatessen style lunches made from corned beef and breads imported straight from Chicago and assembled by scores of super volunteers from the Temple Beth-El Family for the Rockford community.

FAR will be from 10-7:00pm with lunch buffet from 10-1:30pm

Each lunch contains a generous quarter pound corned beef sandwich on rye, a kosher-style pickle, potato chips, and a generous piece of mandelbrot.

And that's not all. In addition to the lunches the temple sells all kinds of Jewish specialty foods—from pies, cakes, and cookies (baked by YOU) to blintzes, chopped liver, pastrami and herring and much, much more.

FOOD-A-RAMA WORKERS WANTED

In the next few weeks you will receive a phone call asking you to help. Do you like to drive? We need delivery people. Like to bake? The bakery is a crucial part of Food-A-Rama and we need bakers. Got muscle? We always need help with set-up and take down. How are you at packing pickles? Bagging cookies? Assembling pre-orders? Could you be a sponsor? We have a job for nearly every skill.

So when you are called, please, just say YES

PREORDERS FOR TEMPLE MEMBERS

Pick-up after 1:00 pm, Tues., May 19th, the day before FAR

One of the most important purposes of Food-A-Rama is to open our Temple to the Rockford community and share our gastronomic delights with them, but we want to be able to purchase those goodies, too. You will be receiving an order form with a list of Food-A-Rama foods and their prices. Fill it out and return it to the temple if you want to preorder these goodies and reserve them for your family.

FOOD-A-RAMA TICKET SALES

Soon, you'll be getting seven tickets to FAR in the mail. Please sell them. The price is \$11.00 each and the lunch is worth every penny. Call the Temple office if you need more tickets. Please do not get them from other Temple members, as it confuses the records. And please send in the ticket money as soon as possible.

BEAUTIFUL BAKED GOODS FOR FOOD-A-RAMA

Each temple family is asked to bake something to sell in the Food-A-Rama bakery. **You can bake cakes, strudels, cookies, pies, breads, whatever you like and as many items as you like.**

Cakes and pies usually sell for \$5-\$10. Cookies by half dozen sell for about \$2-\$3.

Bakery Ideas: (Include some smaller portions for singles; for example, half a cake.

Bar cookies (toffee, brownies, strudel, lemon bars, butterscotch, etc.)

Coffee cakes (sour cream, cinnamon, pecan, etc.)

Cookies (chocolate chip, peanut butter, Mandelbrot, rugelach)

Cakes (chocolate, sponge, Bundt, poppy seed, carrot, pound, etc.)

Pies (cheese, fruit, pecan)

Breads/Muffins/Rolls: Any specialty you may have!

You could bake items from our cookbook. Identify the recipe and list the page number on the label.

Label each package clearly and in detail so we know exactly what the item is.

The Board of health is requiring a list of ingredients (recipe not required).

Packaging: Make each package look pretty so it sells quickly. Foil pans enclosed in clear plastic baggies, tied with a twist or colored ribbon look attractive. Ask the butcher at your favorite store for some Styrofoam trays or keep the small plastic containers from purchased rolls or cookies.

Cakes and Pies can be lightly covered with plastic wrap since we put them in boxes when they are sold. **Breads** should be wrapped in clear plastic so they can be seen.

Where and When to Deliver Baked Goods

Bring your items to the Temple on Tuesday, May 19th, the day before Food-A-Rama. Sign in at the bakery table. Leave your name and what you brought.

If you cannot provide baked goods, we ask you to make a \$25 donation, but we hope you will bake since the community really looks forward to a full bakery table.

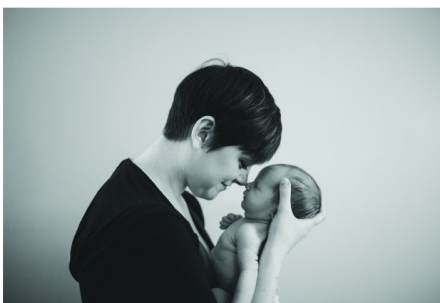
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Coming Attractions

June 2015

Sun. 7th TBE Annual Meeting

July 2015

August 2015

September 2015

Sun. 13th Erev Rosh Hashanah

Mon. 14th Rosh Hashanah

Tue. 22nd Kol Nidre

Wed. 23rd Yom Kippur

October 2015

November 2015

Sat. 21st Aron Tatman Bar Mitzvah

December 2015

January 2016

February 2016

March 2016

Sat. 12th Josh Zussman Bar Mitzvah

April 2016

May 2016

Tentative Date *
Temple Board

Meets the 2nd Wed. each month
Library 7:00 PM

We hope this page of Coming Attractions helps you plan ahead for activities at Temple Beth-El. Please understand that some dates and times might be tentative and will be updated each month as dates get closer.

Have a Date to add?

Well!
Jayski@aol.com

GRTY 2014-2015 Calendar

May 3 How to Apply to College--

Noon – 2:00 p.m. at Temple
Exec. Board Interviews—2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

May 17 *Set up Food-A-Rama—
10:00 – noon

Wed. May 20 *Take Down Food-A-Rama—7:00 p.m. - done

Sat. May 30 GRTY BONFIRE & POTLUCK/INSTALLATION OF NEW EXECUTIVE BOARD AT SO-RIANO'S 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m
PARENTS ARE INVITED to installation

*Means you can earn service hours

Advisors: Nanci Soriano H: 654-7677 cell: 222-9626

Lauren Lamont: cell: 988-3727

RSVP to ALL activities quickly
please even if you can't attend
Dues: 7-8 graders: \$25 (2nd child \$20)
9-12 graders: \$40 (2nd child \$25)

NFTY on line Registration:

HELP WANTED:

CARING COMMITTEE

The Caring Committee was formed to provide a meal(s) to a member in the event of a birth, death or illness. Anyone interested in being on the Caring Committee list or is interested in providing a ride to a Temple function, please contact Carol Gordon at 815-398-4214 or cggordon50@hotmail.com.

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The Temple Bulletin goes away to College....

If you have a student heading off to college, we would like to send him or her a copy of the Temple Bulletin. Let them have one more connection to home while they are away. All we need are name and address, and we will do the rest. Give Joyce a call in the office, and add one more piece of mail from home for your student.

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Temple Beth-El

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Food-A-Rama

Wednesday, May 20th



Shopping & Carry-Out
10:00 AM - 7:00 PM
Lunch Served
10:00 AM - 1:30 PM

Dine in lunch includes: Delicious Chicago corned beef sandwich (or *Turkey Pastrami Sandwich*), Kosher dill pickle, homemade baked beans, cole slaw, and dessert.

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The Yiddish Corner

Shikker

Shikker (rhymes with ticker)

drunk

Every time Uncle Sammy come to visit his first stop is the liquor. Someone will think he is a **shikker!**

On the Lighter Side...

While in Israel, I found a great buy on a computer. It is a kosher computer called a DELLSHALOM. It was selling at such a good price that...well..... Mine arrived today. If you or a friend are considering a kosher computer, you should know that there were some important upgrades and changes from the typical computer you are used to, such as:

The cursor moves from right to left. It comes with two hard drives, one for fleyshedik business software and one for milchedik games. Instead of getting a "General Protection Fault" error, my PC now gets "Ferklemp." The Chanukah screen savers include "Flying Dreidels". The PC also shuts down automatically at sundown on Friday evenings. After my computer dies, I have to dispose of it within 24 hours. The "Start" button has been replaced with a "Let's go! I'm not getting any younger!" button. When disconnecting external devices from the back of my PC, I am instructed to "Remove the cable from the PC's tuchus." The multimedia player has been renamed to "Nu, so play my music already!" Internet Explorer has a spinning "Star of David" in the upper right corner. I hear "Hava Nagila" during startup.

Microsoft Office now includes "A little byte of this, and a little byte of that." When running "scandisk," it prompts with a "You want I should fix this?" message. When my PC is working too hard, I occasionally hear a loud "Oy Gevalt!" There is a "monitor cleaning solution" from Manischewitz that advertises that it gets rid of the "schmutz und drek" on your monitor. After 20 minutes of no activity, my PC goes "Schloffen." Computer viruses can now be cured with some matzo ball chicken soup. The Y2K problem has been replaced by "Year 5760-5761" issues. If you decide not to shut down the computer in the prescribed manner, the following message appears "You should be ashamed of yourself!"

When Spellcheck finds an error it prompts: "Is this the best you can do?"



May 2015 Religious Services

May 1
Family Shabbat Service 7:30 pm

May 8
Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 pm

May 15
Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 pm

May 22
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm

May 29
Erev Shabbat Service 7:30 pm

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