



BETH-EL CONGREGATION

OCTOBER 2017

Divrei Torah

Rabbi Brian Zimmerman



Shabbat, Sukkot, and Hurricanes

When the winds had subsided and the rain was gone, we were confronted with images of the devastation of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. We felt concern about our families and friends, a sense of sadness and empathy for those who had lost

everything, and then was a pause, a moment when all our pressing daily problems however real, paled in comparison to this destructive event. For one brief moment, everything was put into perspective.

But then, the crazy reality of our everyday lives returned. Certainly for those with parents or other family and friends in Houston, the day-to-day challenges are still foremost in our minds, but for most of us in Fort Worth it was just a brief moment of true perspective. We felt a sudden awareness of the fragile nature of our lives.

The Sukkah serves to jolt us to that hurricane moment but without the hurricane. We are commanded to pause from the never ending lists of errands, jobs, bills, car pools and emails and to dwell in a temporary hut without a proper roof. Some eat a meal in the Sukkah, some spend as much of their day as possible in the Sukkah and some Jews even choose to sleep in it. Even if you have time for one meal, I invite you to spend an hour or two with friends sitting in its partial shade. If you do not have one, our Temple Sukkah built by our Men of Reform Judaism (MRJ) will be available during the day and occasionally in the early evening as well.

On Friday night, October 6, we will have Shabbat worship and a meal catered by the MRJ in our Sukkah. Advance reservations are required, so please look at page 2 for more information.

As we sit outside, what begins pleasantly enough soon often gives way to an awareness of bugs, perhaps some heat or, if we are lucky, even a chill in the air. We know that we are not quite as comfortable as we would be if we had dinner inside, safe from the elements. For a moment, under

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Worship Calendar

Thursday, October 5 _____ 10:30 AM
Sukkot Morning Worship in the Sukkah, followed by
Kabbalah Study Session with Guest
Rabbi Sheldon Zimmerman

Friday, October 6 _____ Kabbalat Shabbat Early Service
Tot Shabbat at 5:30 PM
Shabbat Dinner in the Sukkah at 6:00 PM
Reservations required for dinner. See page 2
Casual Shabbat and Songs in the Sukkah at 6:45 PM
Cantorial Student Monica Braverman will lead the music.

Wednesday, October 11 _____ 6:15 PM
Simchat Torah Service and Consecration

Thursday, October 12 _____ 10:30 AM
Simchat Torah Service with Yizkor

Friday, October 13 _____ 7:30 PM
Shabbat Worship
Torah Reading: Beresheet and Rabbi Zimmerman will
speak on "Rebooting Lilith"
Klezzoup! will lead the music.

Friday, October 20 _____ 7:30 PM
Shabbat Worship
Rabbi Mecklenburger will lead the service and will speak
about "Evolution Shabbat"
The Beth-El Choir will lead the music.

Friday, October 27 _____ 7:30 PM
Shabbat Worship
Jewish Ghost Story Shabbat
John Sauvey will lead the music.

Saturday, October 28 _____ 10:30 AM
Shabbat Morning Worship
5th and 6th grades will lead the service, followed by B'nai
Mitzvah Family Planning workshops

President's Message

Jeff Kaitcer, President

⚡ (Daled) This column is written prior to our observance of the High Holy Days, but will not be published until after the High Holy Days. I hope that all of you had a satisfying and fulfilling observance, and I hope that all of you were inscribed for blessing in the Book of Life. Interestingly enough ד, as the fourth letter of the Hebrew alphabet, corresponds to the Greek letter Delta, the fourth letter of the Greek alphabet. This clearly demonstrates that the Greeks, notwithstanding their reputation for intellectual prowess, borrowed the whole concept from us.

But I digress. For me the most significant usage of the letter ד would be in the phrase ל'דור ו'דור (L'Dor V'Dor) Hebrew, of course, for "from generation to generation." This is a central concept to Judaism as it is frequently exemplified in many of our customs. For example, during the B'nai Mitzvah when the Torah is passed from generation to generation, similarly, our religious school has as its prime mission to impart our Jewish values to the next generation. When we built our Temple, we intended it to stand for as long as we could see into the future, building it not only for ourselves but for future generations not yet born. In short, ל'דור ו'דור is an overriding and significant theme in our religious practice, and in our congregational practice. We

do this not only for ourselves, but for the communal future.

I hope that as each of you entered our Temple (okay, so some of you I may not see until the High Holy Days next year, but there is always a chance) you have a certain inner joy in recognizing that not only the building, but the activities conducted inside the building, such as Religious School, adult education programs, Bat and Bar Mitzvahs, weddings, and so many of our other activities are all seamlessly intertwined with our recognition of the importance of ל'דור ו'דור. לשנה טובה (L'Shanah Tovah) to all!



Sukkah Casual Shabbat

Celebrate Sukkot with us on Friday, October 6

5:30 PM Tot Shabbat celebration in the Sukkah

6:00 PM MRJ will prepare a wonderful dinner of salad, spaghetti with meatballs or vegetarian, garlic bread and fruit salad

All ages are invited to dine in the Sukkah followed by a casual service of Shabbat songs and Sukkot celebration. **Reservations for dinner are required by Wednesday, October 4.** Cost is \$7 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under.

Please remember to register in advance. MRJ members donate their time so that all MRJ funds above cost go to Temple projects and special scholarships. Visit www.bethelfw.org to register.



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Study Opportunities

Thursday Morning Study

We are excited to announce that Rabbi Sheldon Zimmerman will teach twice a month beginning Thursday, October 5, at 11:30 AM in the Sukkah. Rabbi Zimmerman will teach a lunchtime course exploring the *Zohar* and the secret texts of Jewish mysticism. Bring your own bag lunch to this first study session in the Sukkah. We will provide drinks and dessert.



Sunday Morning Conversations

Sunday Morning Conversations begin Sunday, October 1, at 9:30 AM and continue each week in the Board Room. The full schedule for the year will be available at the first class.

Sunday, October 1

Rabbi Brian Zimmerman will begin the year of learning with “The Story of Dina: The Struggle within Torah and Ourselves. An Introduction to a Year of Conversations.”

Sundays, October 8 and 15 and November 5 and 12

The Four Masks of God with Rabbi Seymour Rosell

The Bible intimates that our ancestors were in direct contact with God. How did they hear God speaking to them? Does the Bible explain this mystery? We will examine four ways God speaks through four “masks” (though there may be more). Surprisingly, some of the ancient ways of “hearing” God are as valid for us today as they were for our ancestors. With the Bible’s clues in hand (and, perhaps, in heart) you can personally encounter God’s words in a new and striking way.



Rabbi Seymour Rosell

Sunday, October 22

Rabbi Ralph Mecklenburger will discuss the book, *The Hue and Cry at Our House: A Year Remembered*, a memoir by Fort Worth native Benjamin Taylor. (If you grew up with him, please join us!)



Rabbi Susan Lippe

Sunday, October 29

Rabbi Susan Lippe will speak on “Quran and the Hebrew Bible: What do We Have in Common? More Than You Think.”

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the sky, exposed to nature, we are aware of how fragile our lives are and by extension we have an opportunity to reflect on our choices.

Sukkot is the reminder that before too much time passes, we should try to keep that sacred High Holy Day perspective a bit longer.

Sukkot only comes once a year. Shabbat, on the other hand, is a gift that can transform our lives every week. It can be a jolt of perspective, a brief chance to reboot our lives, to be with children, parents or friends. Go for a walk, read a book, have a lengthy dinner conversation or put the phone away for a few minutes and just be present for the wonder and awe of life we are usually too busy to notice. Shabbat is the greatest gift of Judaism and also the most needed.

This is why we at Beth-El in conjunction with our other Tarrant County temples and with funds from the Jewish Federation of Fort Worth and Tarrant County, created the Shabbat Project. And we are so excited about this special opportunity.

The Shabbat Project is a chance to slow down and commit to one Shabbat evening before the end of the year. All you have to do is host a Shabbat dinner, invite some friends or new members (or even friends who aren’t Temple members) and have an evening together. If you agree to host other families on a date of your choice before the end of the year, we will provide you with your own set of candlesticks, candles, a Kiddush cup, grape juice and a challah. We will also have easy-to-follow printed information and videos to assist with Shabbat rituals.

Sign up, invite your friends to dinner, and you will receive your own Shabbat kit. There are a limited number of kits so contact the Temple and Rabbi Zimmerman right away for your special Shabbat-at-home starter kit. Experience how wonderful one night of rest can be, experience a moment of Sabbath awe and become a part of the Shabbat Project.

Beth-El Art Exhibit

Arlene Reynolds

Travelin' Lady: Barbara Goldstein, a Worldly, Dynamic and "Pioneering" Artist

She was an "unsinkable Molly Brown." Barbara Goldstein, a successful Texas artist for more than 40 years, was driven to see the world and develop her artistic talent. A dynamic and pioneering artist, she overcame personal obstacles, championing and advising women on successful, independent travel. Her advice came across as if she was having a cup of coffee and a friendly chat while sitting across from the reader.



Self Portrait

Her creativity, outgoing style, and desire to draw anything at any time led to her first published work. While sitting at the Fort Worth Zoo, creating ape and orangutan images, she met an Australian man gathering information about monkeys and apes for a children's book. He was looking for an artist who could illustrate the book with humorous and imaginative drawings.

She began to study Spanish in the early 60s and decided the following summer to take her children—GeGe, Tere, and Red—to a place where they could learn Spanish and art and become acquainted with another culture. For the next four years, San Miguel de Allende, Mexico became their summer adventure. And in 1993, the year after the death of her beloved husband, Dore, she took up residence in San Miguel.

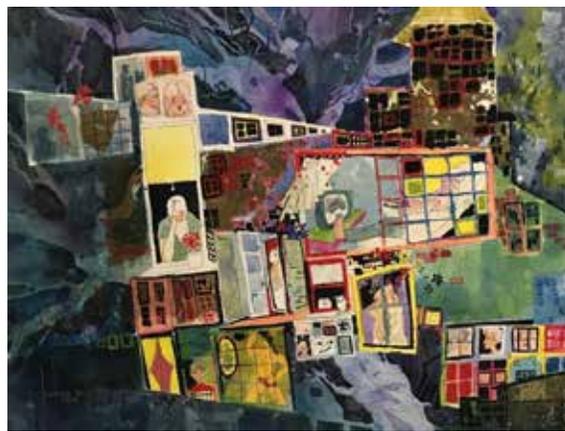
One of her proudest accomplishments in Fort Worth was becoming a "Signature Member" of the Southwest Watercolor Society. Beyond Fort Worth she became a world traveler, exploring, making friends, teaching, and capturing scenes in Israel, Kenya, Bali, Paris, and Brazil, among others. As an accomplished teacher and artist, her pastels, watercolors and unique multimedia paintings became prized possessions. In her early years, portraits

were her main focus. As she grew in her craft, her subjects became primarily Judaica and flowers.

Goldstein's youngest, her son Red, has vivid memories of his mother. "She was always an artist with fierce determination...for whom 'no' did not exist," he said. "Her eye could absorb an image, release it back via paint brush, and filter it through her brilliantly creative soul," he added.

In Goldstein's book, *Travelin' Lady: How to Travel Alone Without Being Lonely*, she noted that she and Red had an especially open way of speaking together. He once asked her on his and his sisters' behalf about creating a show of her work in Fort Worth for the first time.

Her plan was to travel to Paris to create new paintings just for the Fort Worth show. She was worried about being productive in a change of atmosphere, but a dear friend helped her arrange all the details. And, a little luck and her travelin' lady skills made all the difference. Flying to Paris, she wound up sitting next to James Moody, Dizzy Gillespie's right-hand man.



Night Windows

She shared her worries. He explained, demonstrated, and then involved her in experiencing how music could be created no matter how the eight musical sounds were arranged on a sheet of lined music paper.

He went on to tell her, "You never wrote music before. You've never painted in Paris before. You just lead with your heart of art and your past experience. You will soon be playing colorful music with your brushes no matter where you are."

She called his advice a vote of confidence and a jumpstart. During four months in Paris, she created 22 paintings. "My show in Texas was a huge success, and my grown kids were glowing with pride," she said.

Selections from her wonderful Paris collection and many other works can be seen in the Temple Board Room starting this month.

A Celebration of the Art of Barbara Goldstein
watercolorist, multimedia artist, teacher, author
October through January in the Temple Board Room
Share memories with her children, Red Goldstein,
Tere Goldstein, and GeGe Goldstein Muenchausen,
Friday, October 27, during Oneg Shabbat after services.

Men of Reform Judaism

Howard Bellet, President

Beth-El Men of Reform Judaism's fall calendar is full, and members have been very busy lately. On Sunday, September 10, we cooked and served a waffle breakfast to over 200 students, teachers and staff, and parents as part of opening day for the Religious School's 2017-2018 year.

A special thanks to all the MRJ members who served as ushers before all of the recent High Holy Day services. On Sunday, September 24, members of Beth-El Men of Reform Judaism spent the morning erecting our newly purchased Sukkah for all to enjoy during the upcoming celebration of Sukkot.

Mark your calendars for Monday evening, October 2, and plan to join us for MRJ After Hours at 5:30 PM. This is a great social activity where we relax and visit with one another. As I wrote this for the bulletin, a venue was still being considered. Look for an MRJ email from me in advance with that information. (If you don't receive MRJ email updates and would like to, please let me know).

A 2017-2018 Beth-El MRJ membership application accompanies this issue of the Temple bulletin. You can return the information portion (bottom) of the form to the Temple office along with your \$45 check payable to Beth-El Men of Reform Judaism. If you prefer the convenience of making an electronic payment for your dues, you can do that via the Beth-El MRJ information on the Temple's website. The link to do so can be found under the Community tab pull-down.

On Friday, October 6, Beth-El MRJ members

will prepare and serve spaghetti dinner for the Temple's Sukkot celebration. We'll need help in the kitchen that afternoon starting at 4:00 PM. Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM. Please see page 2 for more information.

On Sunday, October 15, Beth-El Men of Reform Judaism will hold the 11th Annual Matzo Ball Classic Golf Tournament at Rockwood Golf Course in Fort Worth. Registration is at



Howard Bellet, MRJ President

noon, with tee time following at 1:00 PM. A flyer with information and registration form is included with this bulletin.

This event is one of our major fundraisers and helps provide us the means to support things such as the MRJ Scholarship and Greene Family Camp camperships. Under the direc-

tion of tournament chairman Mike Kalpin and committee members Rob Sandler and Ryan Johnson (plus help from Temple President Jeff Kaitcer and others), we are preparing for another great day of golf, fellowship, and fun. Feel free to contact Mike Kalpin (214-533-0931) or me if you would like more information about participating or sponsorship opportunities.

Please let me know if you have any questions about Beth-El MRJ membership or activities. Your comments and suggestions on how we can become a better organization are always welcome as well. Contact me at hbmjprez@gmail.com.



Women of Reform Judaism

Anna Caplan, President

WRJ has been busy gearing up for another wonderful year of sisterhood and friendship.

Thank you so much to Rosh Hashanah Oneg chairs Liz Manion and Ruth Roper for coordinating a terrific and incredibly tasty repast! Special thanks to WRJ board members Michelle Hartman, Kate Marshall and Julie Lazarus for their hard work, and to every family who made a contribution. It is so fabulous to know that so many care to contribute—whether that means slaving over the standing mixer or going to Central Market—as we honor Rabbi Zimmerman and Rabbi Mecklenburger and their families.

Two exciting events are coming up that every WRJ member (or wannabe member) should know about.

First, on November 11, we will host our first Side Dish-Apalooza. This meet-and-greet will include an exchange of recipes so that every attendee will leave with a handful of great ideas heading into Thanksgiving and Chanukah.

And on December 10, it's our Second Annual "Latkes and Literature," a book exchange with a decidedly Chanukah twist! Please join us then for lots of fun. More details to come for both. And check your inbox for an invitation to the first event.

Finally, please circle your 2018 calendars: Sunday, February 25, will be our annual Donor Brunch!

A very happy new year and L'Shana Tova to everyone!

Beth-El Youth Programs



North American Federation
of Temple Youth

An affiliate of UNION for REFORM JUDAISM & branch of Netzer Olami

Youth Committee

Corey Mandel & Jenn Tencer, Co-Chairs

"Tell the truth, work hard, and come to dinner on time." —Gerald Ford

L'Shanah Tovah from the Youth Committee. We hope you all had a spiritual and meaningful High Holidays and were able to participate in all the opportunities Beth-El offered to our youth (Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur children's services, *Tashlich* at French Lake). Youth programming at the Temple is really taking off thanks to the efforts of our rabbi, Religious School director, Education Committee, and Youth Group advisors from Young Families/Shalom Baby, BEJY, and FWFTY. Please thank them when you see them!

The first few days of Religious School have been great and the Youth Committee is happy to have been involved. It was wonderful meeting with parents, talking about what the Temple youth are up to and what the YuCo is trying to accomplish. If you weren't there or got caught up in all the amazing other programming for the day and didn't get to meet with us, we want to let you know that our Mission Statement is: *to engage the families of Beth-El Congregation by providing ALL YOUTH with opportunities to participate and experience the feeling of community.*

Like other committees, we are a Temple entity. We are here to serve the families.

We make sure the kids have as great an appreciation for our congregation and for their Jewish connections as we do. There are lots of ways that happens. Come find us anytime to talk more about it; we can't get enough.

We served pizza and salad to start the Hebrew School year and it's always nice to see the satisfied looks of well-fed kids; this is a Jewish institution after all.

The "Say Goodbye to Summer" come-and-go pool party was a blast with lots of splashing around and the sounds of new friendships forming. Well represented by kids of all ages it was like watching the first ten minutes of a documentary about a *Very Special Jewish Community*.

There are many great things coming up for our Temple youth. Peruse the rest of this month's bulletin for details, check out the website or contact us. Contact Corey at coach.corey@yahoo.com, or Jenn at jenn.tencer@gmail.com.

BEJY

Beth-El Junior Youth

Nancy Schwartz & Marc Sloter, Co-Advisors

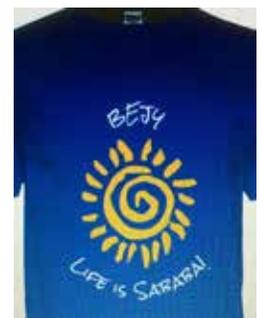
BEJY is Back in Session

Our first event of the year was the BEJY lock-in at the Temple which followed the congregational Havdallah and movie at the Coyote Drive-In. Lock-ins give us a lot of time with the kids. We get to learn about one another while we play games, eat snacks and try to stay awake watching movies in the Great Hall. You can see in this photo that we even played some life-sized Jenga during the event. Thanks to everyone who attended.



We enjoyed having the opportunity to see everyone on the first day of Religious School. There is always excitement to catch up with each other and share stories about our summer activities. At our table we provided sign-up forms, T-shirt order forms as well as a new code of conduct

for our families to sign. This helps us ensure a safe environment for all of our participants at every event. If you are interested in ordering a T-shirt please send us an email at bejy@bethelfw.org. T-shirts are \$12 each.



Mark your calendars: We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events. Flyers and electronic communication will be sent for each of these activities.

- October 8 Sukkot Food Drive Kick-Off following Religious/Hebrew School
- October 14 DFW GFC/NFTY 678 Event
- October 21 Meals on Wheels Social Action Program

If you have questions, please contact us at bejy@bethelfw.org or you can call Nancy at 732-856-0163.

FWFTY

Fort Worth Federation of Temple Youth

Kaylie James, President

FWFTY started the semester with a bang with Havdalah night at the Rangers game. Although we did not win that night, the event was a home run! FWFTY continues to have an amazing run on the regional level, as we were the largest delegation at Asefa. We also achieved the informal title of "Most Extra" TYG after serving freshly made chocolate chip waffles during Asefa. Summer Kallah was a huge success, and it was amazing to see all the new faces, not to mention the man, the myth, the legend, Dan Nichols in the flesh, leading a song session.

In the month of September, we had an awesome car wash and bake sale, a joint BEJY/FWFTY event, and led the Children's Service during the High Holidays. This fun continues into October with a Sukkot event on October 7, Fall Conclave in Houston on October 20-22, and our Halloween lock-in on October 28. A spooky night of good times will be had by all. We have many awesome events coming up, including some great social action opportunities. Hope to see y'all there!



College Outreach

The Temple needs your college students' new addresses so that they can be a part of our Beth-El college outreach program.

This year will feature gift cards, some campus visits, gatherings during winter break and more!

But we can't invite your son or daughter if we don't have their information!

Please fill out this form and return it to the Temple.

The sooner we get this information, the sooner we can keep them connected to Beth-El!

Student's Name _____

College Address _____

Email _____

Cell phone _____

Birthday _____

Please return this information to the Temple even if you supplied the information last year.

Parents, do you want to help out with our college program? We are always looking for helpers ready to work.

Contact Michelle Hartman, College Committee chair at hartman8729@sbcglobal.net or Rabbi Zimmerman at rabbiz@bethelfw.org.



Contributions

Rosenthal-Siegel Education Fund

In Honor of _____

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Roz Rosenthal for the Golden Anniversary Award 60 & Better
Evelyn Siegel for the Golden Anniversary Award 60 & Better
a speedy recovery for Alan Luskey
Roz Rosenthal's 93rd Birthday

Judy Cohen
Ken & Jeanie Huffman
Amy Stien

Rosenthal-Siegel Education Fund

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Ken and Jeanie Huffman

Floral Fund

In Honor of _____

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William Westermann

Yuyo and Ann Westermann

Library Fund

In Honor of _____

From

Hollace Weiner on being selected for a Preservation Achievement Award
the birth of Elizabeth Sturman
a speedy recovery for Alan Luskey
Rosanne and Bill Margolis' 60th Wedding Anniversary
Roz Rosenthal for the Golden Anniversary Award 60 and Better
Evelyn Siegel for the Golden Anniversary Award 60 and Better

Judy Cohen
Margie Zentner
Judie B. and Bob Greenman

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Rabbi Zimmerman's Discretionary Fund

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Leslie Kaitcer
Elaine Stanton

Jeff and Rande Kaitcer
Marcy Paul

Temple Fund

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Roz Rosenthal for the Golden Anniversary Award 60 and Better
Evelyn Siegel for the Golden Anniversary Award 60 and Better
Bill and Rosanne Margolis' 60th Wedding Anniversary

Arnold and Harriette Gachman
Lynny and Eddie Sankary
Lynny and Eddie Sankary
Amy Stien

Temple Fund

In Memory of _____

From

Dorothy Abrams

Amy Stien
Theodore and Ellen Mack
Doug and Ruth Roper
Allen and Elaine Schuster
Cynthia and Burton Gilbert
Eddie and Debbie Feld
Lynny and Eddie Sankary
Jack and Marilyn Rubin
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Harvey and Marla Parvey
Arnold and Harriette Gachman
Selma Sherman
Steve and Carol Kline
Lynny and Eddie Sankary
Linda R. Taylor
Eddie and Debbie Feld

Wish List

Purchase of _____

From

Twenty books for 6th grade Religious School students
One Flat Screen TV for the Religious School classrooms
Two Flat Screen TVs for the Religious School classrooms
Challah Cover

Gail Granek
Corrine Jacobson
Jewish Women International
Marilyn and Larry McGee
Bruce and Hollace Weiner

The Temple Family

Mazel Tov

- to Larry and Maddie Lesnick, on the birth of their granddaughter, Ariana Astrid Rose Roach.

Did You Know?

Did you Know About Sukkot?

Did you know that Sukkot, סוכות, begins the 5th day after Yom Kippur?

Did you know that Sukkot is called *Z'man Simchateinu*, the Season of our Rejoicing?

Did you know Sukkot lasts for seven days?

Did you know our MRJ is going to construct a brand new Sukkah this year?

The official requirements for a Sukkah are:

1. It must have at least two and a half walls that are covered with material that will not blow away in the Texas wind.
2. The roof should be made of *sekhakh* which means covering. This covering, *sekhakh* should be something

that was grown in the ground such as branches or corn stalks. And the *sekhakh* should be loosely spaced so that we can look up and see the stars.

3. We should spend the first day of Sukkot in the Sukkah and eat our meals in the Sukkah.

However, if it rains and enough rain falls through the roof that it would spoil our meal, it is ok to spend the first day in our house.

Come and enjoy the Beth-El Sukkah and celebrate *Z'man Simchateinu* with us.

Is there anything you would like to know about our worship services and rituals?

Email your questions to BethElQuestions@gmail.com.

Presented by the Worship Committee

Yahrzeits

October 6

Mary Andrews
Abe Anisman
Arthur Beck
Anne Berenzweig
Tessa N. Bermont
Grace Bressert
Isadore Carb
Abraham Carp
Babette Krauss Doernberg
David Echt
Bayard Friedman
Jean Frolkis
Aaron Gernsbacher
Helen Stern Gernsbacher
Elise Schoenberg
Greenman
Isadore Grossfield
David Hirsch
Sol Hochster
Shirley James
Henrietta Krumholz
Kathlyn Parker Landman
Harry Lederman

Alfred Levine
Donald Louis
Selma Weiner Mayer
Sam Nurenburg
Ben Rauch
Sam Reznikoff
Gary Rosenthal
Doris Lackritz Roth
Harold Schechter
Paul Schneiweiss
Lorraine Schwartz
Richard Slatkin
Harold Sloane
Roz Stern
Cipa Rosenberg Taylor
Joe Zeve

October 13

Abram Bodzy
Rabbi Abraham J.
Brachman
Gail Chance
Anna Mae Drescher
Charles Etcoff

Phyllis Falik
David Field
Annie Flatow
Leo Freeman
Louise Freeman
Ruth M. Friedman
Daniel Gachman
Hyman Ginsberg
Solomon Griver
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Leo Lenhoff
Ben Levy
Estelle Masters
Bernice Meyerson
Hennie Milner
Isidore Rubinson
Viola Fleetwood Seltzer
Bertha Blumenthal Shaw
David Stenzler

Ethel Stenzler
Dorothea Slavin Tabor
Henry J. Weltman

October 20

Ben Alperr
Rose Wagner Bock
Bessie Brown Carb
Liliana Kaplan Dujan
Gertrude Edelstein
Hortense Fox
Rabbi G. George Fox
Harold Frolkis
Byron S. Gernsbacher
Herman L. Goldstucker
Albert D. Gugenheim
Maurice Hofstein
Jennifer James
Faye Kaitcer
Marguerite Weltman Katz
Gertrude Kottler
Tom Krakover

Gus S. Landman
Gloria Lederman
Mabel Saperston Levy
Jerome W. Mecklenburger
Raisa Mergentaler
Brudus Meyerson
Ethel Collins Oshman
Irving Sachs
Paul Schaefer
Edwin G. Schwarz
Jim Zack

October 27

Frank Rupert Benjamin
Dr. Gustav Braun
Hattie Kahn Carb
David Adan Dorontes
Tobia Ellman
Solomon C. Freed
Ernest Friedson
Louise Gaston

Fannie L. Ginsberg
Max Granek
Meta Hochster
Esther Frindell Hoffman
Betty Kessler
Selma Krauss
W. P. Kruckman
Dorene Bassist Landman
Sam Levy
Morris Lulky
Lilli Bogen Morris
Minnette Morris
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Carl J. Schoenfeld
Sarah Schwartz
Derrell Slater
Clifford Stearns
Mike Stein
Max Switzman
Louis Weiner

The Judaica Shop

Now that the Days of Awe are behind us, it is time to look forward to Thanksgiving and Chanukah. The Judaica Shop has everything you will need to have a wonderful holiday, including *The Mensch on the Bench*. Of course we have a beautiful selection of menorahs and candles as well as chocolate gelt, decorations and toys. We offer customized Kippahs for your special occasions. If you have a Bar or Bat Mitzvah or a wedding coming up, we are ready to help you with whatever you need. Don't forget a Groom's Glass for the wedding, and a beautiful mezuzah to hold the shards of glass. We also have some beautiful Tallitot from Israel for both men and women. You may also want to look at our beautiful women's head pieces.

Please come in and take a look around. Feel free to browse. If there is an item you are looking for and cannot find, please feel free to ask. We are more than happy to order it for you if we can. Also, if you need something from the shop at a time we are not open, please call Reggie Rog for a special appointment.

We still hope to get some new volunteers to help in the shop. If you have any spare time and would like to help, please contact Reggie Rog at 817-989-1862.

Shop Hours

Wednesdays: 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Sundays: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Special Appointments:

Call Reggie at 817-989-1862

Beth-El Wish List

Did you know? Since the "Wish List" was started in January 2016, Beth-El has received almost \$400,000 in contributions from generous members and Temple friends. These gifts include the following:

Assistive listening system, Passover Seder plate, landscaping, dedication of the Café, cameras in the sanctuary and chapel, monthly streaming subscription, matzoh and afikomen covers, re-carpet and reupholster the chairs in the sanctuary and the chapel, microphones, music stands, restroom occupancy monitors, decorative waste receptacles, AV equipment shelving, floor polisher machine, kitchen faucet sprayer, plate rack covers, kitchen towels, food processor, dining and buffet tables, Board Room lighting, Havdalah set, refurbish silver Torah crowns, High Holiday custom white Torah covers, and a set of silver Torah crowns.

We are grateful for the generosity of our Temple family! Thank you! The following is a list (by no means exclusive) for your consideration:

- **Room Contributions**
 - \$25,000 for the 7th grade classroom
 - \$25,000 for the 8th grade classroom
 - \$60,000 for the Senior Rabbi's Office
- **Landscape: Seasonal flower beds (\$250)**
- **Replacement microphone for the Great Hall (\$375)**
- **Challah Platter (\$275)**
- **2 Flat Screen Smart TVs for the Religious School Classrooms (\$500 each)**
- **Beth-El Computer Network upgrade (\$200)**

Religious School

Ilana Knust, Educator



**Join us in
October for
these fun events!**

Friday, October 6

Young Families have fun in the Sukkah

Wednesday, October 11

Simchat Torah/Consecration Service

5:15 PM: Dinner for Consecration families

6:15 PM: Consecration and Simchat Torah service

Friday, October 27

Jewish Ghost Story Shabbat

Saturday, October 28

5th and 6th grade Shabbat

Sunday, October 8

10:00 - 11:30 AM: Pre-K through 3rd graders will go to a Community Sukkot at Ahavath Sholom

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM: 4th - 7th graders will have a Torah scavenger hunt



Beth-Elements

Longtime Congregant Gives Back

Corrine Jacobson, a former second-grade Sunday School teacher, is celebrating her 90th birthday on October 4 by presenting the Beth-El Religious School with a \$500 check. At Corrine's age and stage of life, she delights in giving back. A professional woman ahead of her time, Corrine managed a multi-state industrial-glove manufacturing company and raised two children as a single mom.

Although born in Nebraska, Corrine got to Texas as soon as she could—at age 10 when her father's sales career brought the family to Fort Worth. She has been a member of Beth-El for 80 years. During those decades she

was confirmed at age 15; taught Sunday School; served as Religious School Superintendent from 1957 to 1959; was among the first women to sit on the Temple board of directors; initiated a winter-coat drive for the homeless; sponsored Beth-El's Adopt-a-School program at DeZavala Elementary (for which the congregation still collects school supplies); and was a charter member of the county's first chapter of Daughters of Abraham, which brings together Muslim, Jewish, Catholic, and Protestant women. It was Corrine's idea to collect pictures of all of Beth-El's past presidents, a two-year effort that led to the artistic display of photo portraits in our Hall of Remembrance. Thank you, Corrine!

Gates of Chai Lecture

Dr. Charles Asher Small • Monday, October 9, 2017 • 7:00 PM • TCU
Topic: “Global Antisemitism as a Strategic Threat to the United States”



Dr. Small will speak at the Brown-Lupton University Union Ballroom at TCU for this year’s Gates of Chai Lecture series. You may purchase tickets at <https://www.brite.edu/event/Gates/>.

Dr. Charles Asher Small is the founding Director and President of the Institute for the Study of Global Antisemitism and Policy (IS-GAP). He is also a Visiting Professor at the Moshe Dayan Centre for Middle East and African Studies, Tel Aviv University.

He convened groundbreaking academic seminar series in the emerging field of contemporary antisemitism studies at Columbia, Harvard, Stanford, and Yale universities. He is the author of books and articles including the six-volume *Global Antisemitism: A Crisis of Modernity*, *The Yale Papers: Antisemitism in Comparative Perspective*, and *Social Theory: A Historical Analysis of Canadian Socio-cultural Policies Race and the Other*. Dr. Small is committed to creating scholarly programming and research on contemporary antisemitism at top tier universities internationally, and establishing contemporary antisemitism studies as a recognized academic discipline.

B’nai B’rith Person of the Year Dinner

Sunday, October 22, 2017 • 6:30 - 9:00 PM • Beth-El Congregation
\$25 Per Person • Catered by Risky’s BBQ
Special Speaker State Representative Craig Goldman

Craig won his first term as Texas State Representative in 2012. He represents House District 97, which encompasses southwest Tarrant County. He serves on the Transportation Committee, the Committee on Licensing and Administrative Procedures, the Committee on House Administration, and the Select Committee on Texas Ports, Innovation, and Infrastructure.

Send your nomination for Jewish Person of the Year to:

Isadore Garsek Lodge, 4420 W. Vickery Blvd., Fort Worth, TX 76107

For tickets and information, contact:

Rich Hollander (rich.d.hollander@gmail.com, 817-909-4354)

Alex Nason (alexnason@charter.net)

Marvin Beleck (marvinbeleck@aol.com)

Kosher plates will be offered upon advance notification.



At any Moment in Time, Members of our Congregation may be in Need—Not of Charity—but in Need of Acts of Loving Kindness! In order for the Caring Congregation Committee to do its best job, we need to know who needs a welcome visit, who is ill, and who needs a meal. Please contact the Temple office, and a member of our committee will be in touch. We want to know, for the Caring Congregation cares! —Carol Minker, chair